#### TD 1: TOPOLOGY ISSUES IN PRODUCT SPACES AND BANACH SPACES

EXERCISE 1 (General topology).

- 1. Let  $f: E \to F$  be an application between topological spaces. The function f is said to be continuous at  $x \in E$  if for all open set  $\mathcal{V}$  containing f(x), there exists an open set  $\mathcal{U}$  containing x and such that  $f(\mathcal{U}) \subset \mathcal{V}$ . Check that, in this definition, "open set" can be replaced by "neighbourhood".
- 2. Let X be a set,  $(F_i)_{i\in I}$  be a family of topological spaces and  $f_i: X \to F_i$  be some functions.
  - (a) Prove that the "coarsest topology that makes the functions  $f_i$  continuous" exists.
  - (b) Let  $g: E \to X$  be a function defined on a topological space E. Check that g is continuous if and only if for all  $i \in I$ ,  $f_i \circ g$  is continuous.
  - (c) Let  $(x_n)_n$  be a sequence in X. Prove that  $(x_n)_n$  converges to x if and only if for all  $i \in I$ ,  $(f_i(x_n))_n$  converges to  $f_i(x)$ .
- 3. Let  $(F_i)_{i\in I}$  be a family of topological spaces. We define the product topology on  $\prod_{i\in I} F_i$  as the "coarsest topology" making the projections continuous. Show that this topology is generated by the cylinder sets, *i.e.* the sets of the form

$$C_J = \prod_{i \in I} U_i,$$

where each  $U_i$  is open in  $F_i$  and  $U_i = F_i$ , except for a finite number of indexes  $i \in J$ .

**EXERCISE** 2 (A theorem of Hörmander). Let  $1 \le p, q < \infty$  and

$$T: (L^p(\mathbb{R}^n), \|\cdot\|_p) \to (L^q(\mathbb{R}^n), \|\cdot\|_q),$$

be a continuous linear operator which commutes with the translations, that is, which satisfies  $\tau_h T = T \tau_h$  for all  $h \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $\tau_h f = f(\cdot - h)$ . The purpose of this exercice is to prove the following property: if q , then the operator <math>T is trivial.

- 1. Let u be a function in  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Prove that  $||u + \tau_h u||_p \to 2^{1/p} ||u||_p$  as  $||h|| \to \infty$ . Hint: you may decompose u as the sum of a compactly supported function and of a function with arbitrarily small  $L^p$  norm.
- 2. Check that if C stands for the norm of operator T, then we have that for all  $u \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$$||Tu||_q \le 2^{1/p-1/q}C||u||_p,$$

and conclude.

3. Can you give the example of a non-trivial such operator T when  $p \leq q$ ?

**EXERCISE** 3 (Fourier coefficients of  $L^1$  functions). For any function f in  $L^1(\mathbb{T})$ , we define the function  $\hat{f}: \mathbb{Z} \to \mathbb{C}$  by

$$\hat{f}(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t)e^{-int} dt, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

We denote by  $c_0$  the space of complex valued functions on  $\mathbb{Z}$  tending to 0 at  $\pm \infty$ .

- 1. Check that  $(c_0, \|\cdot\|_{\infty})$  is a Banach space.
- 2. Prove that, for all  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{T})$ ,  $\hat{f} \in c_0$ . Hint: Recall that the trigonometric polynomials  $\sum_{k=-n}^n a_k e^{ikt}$  are dense in  $L^1(\mathbb{T})$ .

Now we study the converse question: is every element of  $c_0$  the sequence of Fourier coefficients of a function in  $L^1(\mathbb{T})$ ?

- 2. Prove that  $\Lambda: f \to \hat{f}$  defines a bounded linear map from  $L^1(\mathbb{T})$  to  $c_0$ .
- 3. Prove that the function  $\Lambda$  is injective.
- 4. Show that the function  $\Lambda$  is not onto. Hint: You may use the Dirichlet kernel  $D_n(t) = \sum_{k=-n}^n e^{ikt}$ , whose  $L^1(\mathbb{T})$  norm goes to  $+\infty$  as  $n \to +\infty$ .

# Exercise 4 (Equivalence of norms).

1. Let E be a vector space endowed with two norms  $\|\cdot\|_1$  and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  such that both  $(E, \|\cdot\|_1)$  and  $(E, \|\cdot\|_2)$  are Banach spaces. Assume the existence of a finite constant C > 0 such that

$$\forall x \in E, \quad \|x\|_1 \leqslant C\|x\|_2.$$

Prove that the norms  $\|\cdot\|_1$  and  $\|\cdot\|_2$  are equivalent.

2. Let K be a compact subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We consider a norm N on the space  $\mathcal{C}^0(K,\mathbb{R})$  such that  $(\mathcal{C}^0(K,\mathbb{R}),N)$  is a Banach space, and satisfying that any sequence of functions  $(f_n)_n$  in  $\mathcal{C}^0(K,\mathbb{R})$  that converges for the norm N also converges pointwise to the same limit. Prove that the norm N is then equivalent to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ .

**EXERCISE** 5 (A Rellich-like theorem). Let us consider E the following subspace of  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ 

$$E = \{ u \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}) : ||u||_E < +\infty \}, \quad \text{where} \quad ||u||_E = ||(\sqrt{1+x^2})u||_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} + ||u'||_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}.$$

The aim of this exercice is to prove that the unit ball  $B_E$  of E is relatively compact in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ , with

$$B_E = \{ u \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}) : ||u||_E \le 1 \}.$$

In the following, we denote by  $\phi$  a non-negative  $\mathcal{C}^{\infty}$  function such that  $\phi^{-1}(\{0\}) = \mathbb{R} \setminus [-2, 2]$  and  $\phi^{-1}(\{1\}) = [-1, 1]$ .

- 1. Considering the cut-off  $\phi_R(x) = \phi(x/R)$ , show that  $\sup_{u \in B_E} \|(1 \phi_R)u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}$  converges to 0 as  $R \to +\infty$ .
- 2. We define  $\psi_{\varepsilon}(x) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\phi(\frac{x}{\varepsilon})$  and  $\tau_h$  the translation operator (see Exercice 2). Show that for all  $R \geq 1$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $C_{\varepsilon,R} > 0$  such that for all  $h \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $u \in E$ ,

$$\|\tau_h((\phi_R u) * \psi_{\varepsilon}) - (\phi_R u) * \psi_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})} \le C_{\varepsilon,R} \|h\| \|u\|_E$$
 and  $\|(\phi_R u) * \psi_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})} \le C_{\varepsilon,R} \|u\|_E$ .

- 3. Show that for any sequence  $(u_n)_n$  in  $B_E$ , there exists a subsequence  $(u_{n'})_{n'}$  such that for any  $R, \varepsilon^{-1} \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , the sequence  $((\phi_R u_{n'}) * \psi_{\varepsilon})_{n'}$  converges in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$  as  $n' \to \infty$ .

  Hint: Use Cantor's diagonal argument.
- 4. Conclude.
- 5. Let us now consider the set  $B_{H^1} \subset L^2(\mathbb{R})$  defined by

$$B_{H^1} = \left\{ u \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}) : ||u||_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} + ||u'||_{L^2(\mathbb{R})} \le 1 \right\}.$$

Is  $B_{H^1}$  relatively compact in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ ?

# TD 2: $L^p$ compactness and Banach spaces

**EXERCISE** 1 (F. Riesz's theorem). Let E be a normed vector space.

- 1. Prove that if M is a closed subspace of E, with  $M \neq E$ , then for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $u \in E$  of norm ||u|| = 1 such that  $d(u, M) \ge 1 \varepsilon$ .
- 2. Deduce that if E is infinite-dimensional, then its unit ball  $\mathcal{B}$  is not compact, with

$$\mathcal{B} = \big\{ x \in E : \|x\| \le 1 \big\}.$$

**EXERCISE** 2 (Norm on the quotient space). Let E be a Banach space and M be a closed vector subspace of E. Let us consider  $N: E/M \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$N(\xi) = \inf_{\xi = \overline{x}} ||x||.$$

Prove that N defines a norm on E/M, and that E/M is a Banach space.

Hint: Prove that if  $(u_n)_n$  is a Cauchy sequence, then one can extract a subsequence  $(n_k)_k$  such that

$$\forall k \ge 0, \quad \|u_{n_{k+1}} - u_{n_k}\| \le \frac{1}{2^k}.$$

**EXERCISE** 3 (Characterization of equi-integrability). Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a measured space and  $\mathcal{F} \subset L^1(X, \mu)$  being bounded. Prove that the following assertions are equivalent:

- 1.  $\mathcal{F}$  is equi-integrable,
- 2. For all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists some  $\eta > 0$  such that for any measurable set A,

$$\mu(A) < \eta \Rightarrow \sup_{u \in \mathcal{F}} \int_A |u| \, d\mu < \varepsilon.$$

3. There exists an increasing function  $\Phi: \mathbb{R}_+ \to \mathbb{R}_+$  such that  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \Phi(x)/x = \infty$  and

$$\sup_{u \in \mathcal{F}} \int_X \Phi(|u|) \, d\mu < \infty.$$

Hint: to show 2.  $\Rightarrow$  3., consider the sequence  $(M_n)_n$  such that

$$\sup_{u \in \mathcal{F}} \int_X |u| \mathbb{1}_{|u| > M_n} \, \mathrm{d}\mu < 2^{-n}.$$

**EXERCISE** 4 (Vitali's convergence theorem). We consider  $(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  a  $\sigma$ -finite measured space. Let  $1 \leq p < +\infty$  and  $(u_n)_n$  be a sequence in  $L^p(X)$ . Assume that

1.  $(u_n)_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in measure, meaning that for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $n_0 \ge 0$  such that

$$\forall m, n \ge n_0, \quad \mu(|u_n - u_m| \ge \varepsilon) < \varepsilon.$$

- 2.  $(u_n)_n$  is equi-integrable in  $L^p(X)$ ,
- 3. for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a measurable set  $\Gamma$  of finite measure such that

$$\forall n \geq 0, \quad \|u_n \mathbb{1}_{X \setminus \Gamma}\|_{L^p(X)} \leq \varepsilon.$$

Prove that  $(u_n)_n$  is a Cauchy sequence in  $L^p(X)$  (and therefore converges in this space).

**EXERCISE** 5 (Obstructions to strong convergence). The purpose of this exercise is to present three obstructions to strong convergence in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $L^2(\mathbb{T}^d)$ . In the following,  $\varphi \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  denotes a compactly supported smooth function being not identically equal to zero.

- 1. (Loss of mass) Let  $\nu$  be a vector of norm 1. Prove that the sequence  $(\varphi(\cdot n\nu))_n$  does not converge in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .
- 2. (Concentration) Prove that the sequence  $(n^{d/2}\varphi(n\cdot))_n$  does not converge in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .
- 3. (Oscillations) We now consider  $w \in L^2(\mathbb{T}^d)$  a non-constant function. Prove that the sequence  $(w(n \cdot))_n$  does not converge in  $L^2(\mathbb{T}^d)$ .

**EXERCISE** 6 (Averaging lemma). Let  $u \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d_x \times \mathbb{R}^d_v)$  be a Schwartz function. For any function  $\phi \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , we consider the moment

$$\rho_{\phi}(x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \phi(v) u(x, v) \, \mathrm{d}v.$$

1. Let us define  $\hat{u}(\xi, v)$  as the Fourier transform of the function u with respect to the space variable  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Considering the function  $w := (1 + v \cdot \nabla_x)u$ , show that for all  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,

$$|\hat{\rho}_{\phi}(\xi)|^2 \le \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\hat{w}|^2(\xi, v) \, \mathrm{d}v\right) \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{\phi^2(v) \, \mathrm{d}v}{1 + |v \cdot \xi|^2}\right).$$

2. Deduce that

$$\|\rho_{\phi}\|_{H^{1/2}(\mathbb{R}^d)}^2 := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (1 + |\xi|^2)^{1/2} |\hat{\rho}_{\phi}|^2(\xi) \, \mathrm{d}\xi \le C_{\phi} (\|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^{2d})}^2 + \|v \cdot \nabla_x u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^{2d})}^2),$$

where the constant  $C_{\phi} > 0$  only depends on the function  $\phi$ .

# TD 3: HAHN-BANACH THEOREM AND LOCALLY CONVEX TOPOLOGICAL VECTOR SPACES

**EXERCISE** 1 (Towards duality). Let E be a normed vector space.

1. Let G be a vector subspace of E and  $g: G \to \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous linear form. Show that there exists a continuous linear form f over E that extends g, and such that

$$||f||_{E^*} = ||g||_{G^*}.$$

When E is an Hilbert space, prove that this extension is unique.

- 2. Assume that  $E = \ell^1(\mathbb{N})$ . Give the example of a continuous linear form of norm 1, defined on a strict vector subspace of E, which admits an infinite number of linear continuous extensions of norm 1 over E.
- 3. Assume that E is a Banach space. Let B be a subset of E such that

$$\forall f \in E^*, \quad \sup_{x \in B} f(x) < +\infty.$$

Prove that B is bounded.

**EXERCISE** 2 (Hahn-Banach theorems for complex spaces). Let E be a vector space over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let M be a vector subspace of E and let  $f: M \to \mathbb{C}$  be a  $\mathbb{C}$ -linear form. Suppose that there is a semi-norm  $p: E \to [0, \infty)$  such that

$$\forall x \in M, \quad |f(x)| \le p(x).$$

Prove that there exists a linear form  $F: E \to \mathbb{C}$  extending f, and such that  $|F| \leq p$ .

**EXERCISE** 3 (Hahn-Banach Theorem without the axiom of choice.). Let E be a real separable Banach space and p be a norm on E. Let M be a linear subspace of E and  $\varphi: M \to \mathbb{R}$  be a linear functional which is dominated by p. Prove that  $\varphi$  can be extended to a linear functional  $E \to \mathbb{R}$  which remains dominated by p.

**EXERCISE** 4 (Separation of convex sets in Hilbert spaces). Let H be an Hilbert space.

1. Let  $C \subset H$  be a convex, closed and non-empty set. Prove that any  $v \notin C$  can be strictly separated by C by a closed hyperplane, *i.e.* there exists  $u_0 \in H$  such that

$$\forall u \in C, \quad \langle u_0, u \rangle < \langle u_0, v \rangle.$$

2. Let  $C_1, C_2 \subset H$  be convex, closed and non-empty disjoint sets,  $C_1$  being moreover compact. Prove that  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  can be strictly separated by a closed hyperplane, *i.e.* there exists  $u_0 \in H$  such that

$$\sup_{u \in C_1} \langle u_0, u \rangle < \inf_{u \in C_2} \langle u_0, u \rangle.$$

**EXERCISE** 5 (Convex sets that cannot be separated). Let H be the Hilbert space  $L^2([-1,1])$ . For every  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $C_{\alpha} \subset H$  be the subset of continuous functions  $u : [-1,1] \to \mathbb{R}$  such that  $u(0) = \alpha$ . Prove that  $C_{\alpha}$  is a convex dense subset of H. Deduce that, if  $\alpha \neq \beta$ , then  $C_{\alpha}$  and  $C_{\beta}$  are convex disjoint subsets that cannot be separated by a continuous linear form.

EXERCISE 6 (Banach limit).

1. Let  $s: \ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N}) \to \ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N})$  be the shift operator, defined by  $s(x)_i = x_{i+1}$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $x \in \ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N})$ . Prove the existence of a continuous linear function  $\Lambda \in (\ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N}))'$  satisfying  $\Lambda \circ s = \Lambda$  and

$$\forall u \in \ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N}), \quad \liminf_{n \to +\infty} u_n \le \Lambda(u) \le \limsup_{n \to +\infty} u_n.$$

Such a linear form  $\Lambda$  is called Banach limit.

Hint: Consider the vector space of bounded sequences that converge in the sense of Cesàro.

- 2. Deduce that there exists a function  $\mu: \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}) \to \mathbb{R}_+$  which satisfies
  - (i)  $\mu(\mathbb{N}) = 1$ ,
  - (ii)  $\mu$  is finitely additive:  $\forall A, B \subset \mathbb{N}$  with  $A \cap B = \emptyset$ ,  $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$ ,
  - (iii)  $\mu$  is left-invariant:  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $A \subset \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\mu(k+A) = \mu(A)$ .

**EXERCISE** 7 ( $L^p$  spaces with  $0 ). Let <math>p \in (0,1)$  and  $L^p$  be the set of real-valued measurable functions u defined over [0,1], modulo almost everywhere vanishing functions, for which the following quantity is finite:

$$||u||_p = \left(\int_0^1 |u|^p \, \mathrm{d}x\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

- 1. Show that  $L^p$  is a vector space and that  $d(u,v) = ||u-v||_p^p$  is a distance. Prove that  $(L^p,d)$  is complete.
- 2. Let  $f \in L^p$  and  $n \ge 1$  be a positive integer. Prove that there exist some points  $0 = x_0 < x_1 < \ldots < x_n = 1$  such that for all  $i = 0, \ldots, n-1$ ,

$$\int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} |f|^p \, \mathrm{d}x = \frac{1}{n} \int_0^1 |f|^p \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

3. Prove that the only convex open domain in  $L^p$  containing  $u \equiv 0$  is  $L^p$  itself. Deduce that the space  $L^p$  is not locally convex.

Hint: Introduce the functions  $g_i^n = nf \mathbb{1}_{[x_i, x_{i+1}]}$ .

4. Show that the (topological) dual space of  $L^p$  reduces to  $\{0\}$ .

### TD 4: GEOMETRIC HAHN-BANACH THEOREM AND FRÉCHET SPACES

**EXERCISE** 1 (Finite-dimensional case). Let  $C \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a convex set such that  $C \neq \mathbb{R}^d$ , and  $x_0 \notin C$ . Prove that there exists an affine hyperplane that separates C and  $\{x_0\}$ .

**EXERCISE** 2 (Convex hull). Let E be a locally convex topological vector space (abbreviated l.c.t.v.s. in the following). One says that E is a closed half-space if there exists a  $\varphi \in E^*$  and E such that E is a closed half-space if there exists a E is an E in the following convex that E is a closed half-space if there exists a E is an E is a closed half-space if there exists a E is an E is a closed half-space if there exists a E is an E is a closed half-space if there exists a E is

- 1. If C is a convex subset of E, show that its closure  $\overline{C}$  is also convex.
- 2. Let A be a closed convex subset of E. Show that A is the intersection of the closed half-spaces containing A.
- 3. Deduce that co(A) is the intersection of the closed half-spaces containing A for any subset A of E, where co(A) denotes the convex hull of the set A, that is, the smallest convex set that contains A.

# **EXERCISE** 3 (Density criterion).

- 1. Let E be a real normed vector space and  $F \subset E$  be a vector subset such that  $\overline{F} \neq E$ . Prove that there exists  $\varphi \in E' \setminus \{0\}$  such that  $\varphi(u) = 0$  for all  $u \in F$ .
- 2. Application: Let  $(a_n)_n$  be a sequence in  $]1, +\infty[$  that diverges to  $+\infty$ . Prove that the set

$$W = \text{vect} \left\{ x \in [0, 1] \mapsto \frac{1}{x - a_n} : n \ge 0 \right\},$$

is dense in the space  $C^0([0,1])$  equipped with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ .

Hint: While considering a continuous linear form that vanishes on W, introduce a generating function.

**EXERCISE** 4 (Extreme points). Let K be a subset of a vector space E. A point  $a \in K$  is called an extremal point of K if, whenever  $a = \theta b + (1 - \theta)c$  with  $\theta \in (0, 1)$  and  $b, c \in K$ , one has b = c. A subset S of K is called an extremal subset of K if, for all A in A such that A is an extremal subset of A if, for all A in A such that A is an extremal subset of A if A is called an extremal subset of A if, for all A in A such that A is an extremal subset of A in A in A such that A is an extremal subset of A in A in

- 1. In a Hilbert space, what are the extremal points of the unit closed ball? What about the open ball?
- 2. Let  $c_0$  denote the space of real sequences  $(a_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$  converging to zero. We endow  $c_0$  with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ . Show that the closed unit ball of  $c_0$  does not admit extremal points.
- 3. Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an interval. Show that the closed unit ball of  $L^1(I)$  does not admit extremal points.

**EXERCISE** 5 (Krein-Milman theorem). The aim of this exercise is to prove the following statement.

**Theorem 1** (Krein-Milman). Let E be a l.c.t.v.s. and K be a non-empty convex compact subset of E. Then K coincides with the closed convex envelop of its extremal points.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>This notion is only used in Exercice 5

- 1. The first step is to show the existence of an extremal point in K. Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be the set of non-empty closed extremal subsets of K, endowed with the order " $A \prec B$  if and only if  $B \subset A$ ". Show that  $\mathcal{P}$  admits a maximal element which is reduced to a point.
  - Hint: If a maximal element S is composed of more than one point, choose a continuous linear form separating points of S and consider the set of points reaching the maximum of this form on S.
- 2. Define  $\tilde{K} = \overline{co}(ext(K))$  the closed convex hull of the extremal points of K, and show that  $\tilde{K}$  and K coincide.
- 3. Application: An  $n \times n$  matrix with real entries is bi-stochastic if its entries are non-negative, and the sum of the entries of either rows or columns equals 1. One denotes  $SM_n(\mathbb{R})$  the set of bistochastic matrices. Show that every matrix in  $SM_n(\mathbb{R})$  is actually a convex combination of permutation matrices.

**EXERCISE** 6. Let X and Y be l.c.t.v.s. We consider  $(p_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in A}$  (resp.  $(q_{\beta})_{\beta \in B}$ ) a countable family of continuous semi-norms which is separating and generates the topology of X (resp. of Y). Let  $T: X \to Y$  be a linear map. Prove that T is continuous if and only if for all  $\beta \in B$ , there exists a finite set  $I \subset A$  and a positive constant c > 0 such that for all  $u \in X$ ,

$$q_{\beta}(Tu) \le c \sum_{\alpha \in I} p_{\alpha}(u).$$

**EXERCISE** 7 (Space of continuous functions). Let U be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and  $(K_n)_n$  be an exhaustive sequence of compacts of U.

1. Prove that  $C^0(U)$  is a Fréchet space for the distance

$$d(f,g) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} \min(1, p_n(f-g)),$$

defined by the semi norms  $p_n(f) = \sup_{x \in K_n} |f(x)|$ .

- 2. A subset  $B \subset C^0(U)$  is said to be bounded if for any neighborhood V of 0, there exists  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $\lambda B \subset V$ . Prove that if B is a subset of equibounded functions of  $C^0(U)$ , that is  $\sup_{f \in B} \|f\|_{\infty} < \infty$ , then B is bounded.
- 3. Let us consider  $(f_n)_n$  a sequence of continuous function on U such that  $f_n: U \to [0, n]$  with  $f_n = 0$  on  $K_n$  and  $f_n = n$  on  $U \setminus K_{n+1}$ . Show that  $\bigcup_n \{f_n\}$  is a bounded subset of  $C^0(U)$ .
- 4. Prove that the space  $C^0(\mathbb{R})$  is not locally bounded, that is, the origin does not have a bounded neighborhood.

**EXERCISE** 8 (Space of  $C^{\infty}$  functions). We consider the  $E=C^{\infty}([0,1],\mathbb{R})$  equipped with the following metric

$$d(f,g) = \sum_{k>0} \frac{1}{2^k} \min \left(1, \|f^{(k)} - g^{(k)}\|_{\infty}\right).$$

- 1. Check that E is a Fréchet space.
- 2. Prove that any closed and bounded (cf the previous exercise) subset of E is compact.
- 3. Can the topology of E be defined by a norm?

#### TD 5: Weak topology

**EXERCISE** 1 (Properties of weakly convergent sequences). Let X be a normed vector space.

- 1. Let  $(u_n)_n$  be a weakly convergent sequence in X. Justify that  $(u_n)$  is bounded and that the weak limit u of  $(u_n)_n$  satisfies  $||u|| \le \liminf_{n \to +\infty} ||u_n||$ .
- 2. Suppose that the sequence  $(\varphi_n)_n$  in  $X^*$  is converging strongly to some  $\varphi \in X^*$ . Show that for any sequence  $(u_n)_n$  in X that converges weakly to  $u \in X$ , then the sequence  $(\varphi_n(u_n))_n$  converges strongly to  $\varphi(u)$ .
- 3. Assume that X is a Hilbert space. Let  $(u_n)_n$  be a sequence in X that converges weakly to  $u \in X$  and such that  $(\|u_n\|)_n$  converges to  $\|u\|$ . Prove that  $(u_n)_n$  converges strongly to u.

**EXERCISE** 2 (Examples of weakly convergent sequences).

- 1. Let H be a separable Hilbert space and  $(e_n)_n$  be a Hilbert basis of H. Prove that  $(e_n)_n$  converges weakly to 0 but not strongly.
- 2. Let  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a compact set. Show that weak convergence in C(K) is equivalent to bounded pointwise convergence.
- 3. Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $(u_n)_n$ ,  $(v_n)_n$  be two sequences in  $L^2(\Omega)$  such that  $(u_n)_n$  converges weakly and  $(v_n)_n$  strongly. Show that the sequence  $(u_nv_n)_n$  converges weakly in  $L^1(\Omega)$ . What happens if the two sequences converge weakly?

**EXERCISE** 3 (Weak topology). Let X be a topological vector space. Show that X, endowed with the weak topology, is a locally convex topological vector space.

**EXERCISE** 4. Let E be a Banach space.

- 1. Show that if E is finite-dimensional, then the weak topology  $\sigma(E, E^*)$  and the strong topology coincide.
- 2. We assume that E is infinite-dimensional.
  - (a) Show that every weak open subset of E contains a straight line.
  - (b) Deduce that  $B = \{x \in E : ||x|| < 1\}$  is not open for the weak topology.
  - (c) Let  $S = \{x \in E : ||x|| = 1\}$  be the unit sphere of E. What is the weak closure of S?

**EXERCISE** 5. Let  $p, q \in [1, +\infty]$  be such that  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . We introduce the canonical family of sequences  $e^k$  in  $\ell^p(\mathbb{N})$ , for which every term is zero, except the  $k^{\text{th}}$  which is 1. We also consider the map

$$J_p: \ell^q(\mathbb{N}) \to (\ell^p(\mathbb{N}))^*$$

$$(a_n)_n \mapsto \left( (x_n)_n \mapsto \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} a_n x_n \right)$$

- 1. When  $p \in [1, \infty)$ , show that  $J_p$  is a surjective isometry.
- 2. Show that  $J_{\infty}$  is a non-surjective isometry.

- 3. When  $p \in (1, \infty)$ , prove that the sequence  $(e^k)_k$  converges weakly but not strongly in  $\ell^p(\mathbb{N})$  towards the null sequence.
- 4. Still assuming that  $p \in (1, \infty)$ , we consider the following subset of  $\ell^p(\mathbb{N})$ :

$$E = \left\{ e^n + ne^m : n, m \in \mathbb{N}, \ m > n \right\}.$$

- (a) Show that E is closed for the strong topology in  $\ell^p(\mathbb{N})$ .
- (b) Show that 0 is in the weak closure of E.
- (c) Show that a sequence of E cannot converge weakly towards 0.
- (d) Deduce that the weak topology on  $\ell^p$  is not metrizable.

### Exercise 6.

- 1. (Mazur's lemma) Let E be a Banach space and  $(u_n)_n$  be a sequence in E weakly converging to  $u_\infty \in E$ . Show that  $u_\infty$  is a strong limit of finite convex combinations of the  $u_n$ .
- 2. (Banach-Sacks' property) Show that if E is in addition a Hilbert space, we can extract a subsequence converging to  $u_{\infty}$  strongly in the sens of Cesàro.

# **EXERCISE** 7 (Schur's property for $\ell^1(\mathbb{N})$ ).

1. Recall why weak and strong topologies always differ in an infinite dimensional norm vector space.

The aim is to prove that a sequence of  $\ell^1(\mathbb{N})$  converges weakly if and only if it converges strongly. Take  $(u^n)_n$  a sequence in  $\ell^1(\mathbb{N})$  weakly converging to 0.

- 2. Show that for all k,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} u_k^n \to 0$ .
- 3. Show that if  $u_n \to 0$  in  $\ell^1(\mathbb{N})$ , one can additionally assume that  $||u^n||_{\ell^1} = 1$ .
- 4. Define via a recursive argument two increasing sequences of  $\mathbb{N}$ ,  $(a_k)_k$  and  $(n_k)_k$ , such that

$$\forall k \ge 0, \quad \sum_{j=a_k}^{a_{k+1}-1} |u_j^{n_k}| \ge \frac{3}{4}.$$

5. Show that there exists  $v \in \ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N})$  such that  $(v, u^{n_k})_{\ell^2} \geq \frac{1}{2}$  for all k. Conclude.

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# TD 6: Weak-\* Topology

**EXERCISE** 1. (Warm-up exercise) Let E and F be two Banach spaces, and  $T: E \to F$  be a linear map. Show that T is strongly continuous (*i.e.* continuous from  $(E, \|\cdot\|_E)$  to  $(F, \|\cdot\|_F)$ ) if and only if T is weakly continuous (*i.e.* continuous from  $(E, \sigma(E, E^*))$  to  $(F, \sigma(F, F^*))$ ).

**EXERCISE** 2 (Weak-\* topology and metrics). Let E be a separable real normed vector space. Let  $(u_n)_n$  be a dense sequence in  $B_E(0,1)$ . By considering the following metric d on the unit ball of  $E^*$ ,

$$d(f,g) = \sum_{n=0}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{2^n} |(f-g)(u_n)|, \quad f,g \in B_{E^*}(0,1),$$

prove that the weak-\* topology on  $B_{E^*}(0,1)$  is metrizable.

EXERCISE 3 (Weak-\* closed hyperplanes).

1. In  $\ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N})$  we consider

$$C = \{ u \in \ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N}) : \liminf_{n} u_n \ge 0 \}.$$

Show that C is strongly closed but not weakly-\* closed.

Let us now consider E a normed vector space.

2. Let  $\varphi: E^* \to \mathbb{R}$  a linear form continuous for the  $\sigma(E^*, E)$  topology. Show that:

$$\exists u \in E, \forall \ell \in E^*, \quad \varphi(\ell) = \ell(u).$$

3. Show that an hyperplane  $H \subset E^*$  which is closed for the weak-\* topology is the kernel of  $\operatorname{ev}_u : \varphi \mapsto \varphi(u)$  for some  $u \in E$ .

**EXERCISE** 4 (Eberlein-Šmulian's theorem). The aim of the exercice is to prove the following result:

Let A a subset of a Banach space E. If A is relatively compact for the weak topology, then A is sequentially relatively compact (still for the weak topology of E).

- 1. Recall why the result is direct if  $E^*$  is separable.
- 2. Let  $(a_n)_n$  be a sequence in A. We denote  $F := \overline{\text{vect}\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}}$ . Show that there exists a sequence of linear continuous form  $(\phi_n)_n$  such that for any  $u \in F$ ,

$$||u|| = \sup_{n} |\phi_n(u)|.$$

Show that  $(F, \sigma(F, F^*))$  is metrisable on any weak compact of F.

- 3. Conclude.
- 4. Show that the result is wrong for the weak-\* topology. Hint: Work in the space  $\ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N})^*$ .

Remark: the converse implication is also true.

**EXERCISE** 5 (Dunford-Pettis' Theorem). The objective of the exercise is to prove Dunford-Pettis' theorem:

Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a bounded set and  $(f_n)_n$  be a bounded sequence in  $L^1(\Omega)$ . Then, the set  $\{f_n\}$  is sequentially compact for the weak topology  $\sigma(L^1, L^{\infty})$  if and only if the sequence  $(f_n)_n$  is equi-integrable.

1. Recall the definition of equi-integrability.

First we prove the reciprocal: let  $(f_n)_n$  be a bounded and equi-integrable sequence in  $L^1$ .

- 2. Show that we can reduce to the case where the  $f_n$  are non-negative.
- 3. Let  $f_n^k = \mathbf{1}_{f_n \le k} f_n$ . Show that  $\sup_n \|f_n f_n^k\|_{L^1} \to 0$ .
- 4. Show that there exists an extraction (n') such that for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $f_{n'}^k \rightharpoonup f^k$  in  $L^1$ .
- 5. Prove that  $(f^k)_k$  is an increasing sequence and deduce that there exists some  $f \in L^1$  such that  $f^k \to f$  in  $L^1$ .
- 6. Conclude that  $f_{n'} \rightharpoonup f$  in  $L^1$ .

Now we want to prove the direct implication. Let  $(f_n)_n$  be a bounded sequence in  $L^1(\Omega)$  satisfying  $f_n \rightharpoonup f \in L^1(\Omega)$ . We consider  $\mathcal{X}$  the set of indicator functions and, for a fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we also consider the sets  $X_n$  defined for all  $n \geq 0$  by:

$$X_n := \left\{ \mathbf{1}_A \in \mathcal{X} : \forall k \ge n, \ \left| \int_A (f_k - f) \, \mathrm{d}x \right| \le \varepsilon \right\}.$$

- 7. Show that  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $X_n$  are closed in  $L^1(\Omega)$ .
- 8. Using a Baire's argument, show that  $(f_n)_n$  is equi-integrable.
- 9. Conclude.

**EXERCISE** 6 (Egorov's theorem).

- 1. Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  be a probability space, and  $(g_n)_n$  be a sequence of measurable functions such that  $(g_n)_n$  converge a.e. to some measurable function g. Show that for all  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a measurable set  $E_{\varepsilon} \subset \Omega$  such that  $\mu(E_{\varepsilon}^c) < \varepsilon$  and  $(g_n)_n$  converges uniformly in  $E_{\varepsilon}$ .
- 2. Let  $(f_n)_n$  be a sequence in  $L^1(\Omega)$  with  $f_n \rightharpoonup f \in L^1(\Omega)$ , and  $(g_n)_n$  be a bounded sequence in  $L^{\infty}(\Omega)$  satisfying  $g_n \to g$  a.e. Show that  $f_n g_n \rightharpoonup f g$  in  $L^1(\Omega)$ .

  Hint: Use Dunford-Pettis' theorem.

**EXERCISE** 7 ( $L^1$  is not a dual space). Show that the closed unit ball of  $L^1([0,1])$  does not admit extremal points. Deduce that  $L^1([0,1])$  is not the dual space of a normed vector space. Hint: Use Krein-Milman's theorem.

#### TD 7: Reflexivity

**EXERCISE** 1. Let  $(E, \|\cdot\|)$  be a reflexive space and  $B_E$  be its unit ball. Show that for all  $f \in E^*$ , there exists  $x_f \in B_E$ , such that  $\|f\|_{E^*} = |f(x_f)|$ , i.e. the supremum in the definition of the norm operator is in fact a maximum.

**EXERCISE** 2. The aim of this exercise is to prove by two different methods that the space  $(C^0([0,1]), \|\cdot\|_{\infty})$  of continuous real-valued functions on [0,1] is not reflexive.

- 1. Method by compactness.
  - (a) Define  $\varphi \in C([0,1])^*$  by

$$\varphi(f) = \int_0^{\frac{1}{2}} f(t) dt - \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 f(t) dt, \quad f \in C^0([0, 1]),$$

and show that  $\|\varphi\| = 1$ .

- (b) Prove that  $|\varphi(f)| < 1$  for all  $f \in C^0([0,1])$  such that  $||f||_{\infty} \le 1$ .
- (c) Conclude that the space  $C^0([0,1])$  is not reflexive.
- 2. Method by separability.
  - (a) Prove that if E is a Banach space and its dual  $E^*$  is separable, then E is separable.
  - (b) Show that C([0,1]) is separable.
  - (c) Prove that  $C([0,1])^*$  is not separable. Hint: Consider the functions  $\delta_t : C([0,1]) \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by  $\delta_t(f) = f(t)$  for any  $t \in [0,1]$ .
  - (d) Conclude that C([0,1]) is not isomorphic to  $C([0,1])^{**}$  as Banach spaces. Remark: This is stronger than not being reflexive.

## Exercise 3.

- 1. Let E be a reflexive, separable Banach space. Let  $(u_n)_n$  be a bounded sequence in E. Show that one can extract a subsequence  $(u_{n'})_{n'}$  which converges weakly in E.

  Remark: the condition "separable" is not necessary thanks to exercise 5.
- 2. Does this result hold when E is not reflexive?

**EXERCISE** 4. Let E be a normed vector space. Show that any weakly compact set of E is bounded for the norm.

**EXERCISE** 5 (Eberlein-Šmulian's theorem). The aim of the exercise is to prove the following result:

Let A be a subset of a normed vector space E. If A is weakly compact, then A is weakly sequentially compact.

1. Assume that  $E^*$  is separable. Recall the key argument that gives the result.

Let  $(a_n)_n$  be a sequence in A. We set  $F := \overline{\text{vect}\{a_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}}$  and set  $\tilde{A} := A \cap F$ .

- 2. Show that  $\tilde{A}$  is weakly compact in F.
- 3. Show that the unit ball of  $F^*$  admits a countable subset  $\{\phi_k : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$  such that

$$\forall x \in F, \quad ||x|| = \sup_{k} |\phi_k(x)|.$$

In the following, we denote by  $\sigma$  the weak topology on  $\tilde{A}$  and by  $\tau$  the topology generated by the semi-norms  $|\phi_k|$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ .

- 4. Show that that  $(\tilde{A}, \tau)$  is Hausdorff and that the identity map  $\mathrm{Id}_{\sigma,\tau}: (\tilde{A}, \sigma) \to (\tilde{A}, \tau)$  is continuous.
- 5. Deduce that  $(\tilde{A}, \tau)$  is compact and that  $\mathrm{Id}_{\sigma,\tau}$  is an homeomorphism. Hint: show that the image of a closed set by  $\mathrm{Id}_{\sigma,\tau}$  is closed.
- 6. Show that  $(\tilde{A}, \sigma(F, F^*))$  is metrizable.
- 7. Show that one can extract a subsequence  $(a_{n_k})_k$  converging weakly in F (to some limit a), and that  $(a_{n_k})_k$  converges also weakly to a in E.
- 8. Show that the result is wrong for the weak-\* topology. Hint: consider the dual of  $\ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N})$ .

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#### TD 8: DISTRIBUTIONS

EXERCISE 1 (Warming).

- 1. Let H be the Heaviside function. Show that  $H' = \delta_0$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ .
- 2. Give an example of distribution of order n for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .
- 3. Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be an open set and  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(U)$ . We consider  $f \in C^{\infty}(U)$  which vanishes on the support of T. Do we have fT = 0 in  $\mathcal{D}'(U)$ ?

**EXERCISE** 2. Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be an open set. Prove that we have an injection of  $L^1_{loc}(U)$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(U)$ .

EXERCISE 3 (An example of distribution). Show that the formula

$$\langle \alpha, u \rangle = \sum_{n \ge 0} u^{(n)}(n), \quad u \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}),$$

defines a distribution  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ . What about its order?

EXERCISE 4 (Convergence of distributions). Do the following series

$$\sum_{n\geq 0} \delta_n^{(n)} \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n\geq 0} \delta_0^{(n)},$$

converge in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ ?

**EXERCISE** 5 (Non-negative distributions).

- 1. Check that distributions of order 0 are locally signed measures.
- 2. Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be an open set and  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}'(U)$ . We say that  $\alpha$  is non-negative if and only if for all non-negative test function  $u \in \mathcal{D}(U)$ , we have  $\langle \alpha, u \rangle \geq 0$ . Deduce from the previous question that any non-negative distribution is a locally signed measure.

**EXERCISE** 6 (Principal value of 1/x). We define p. v.(1/x) as follows

$$\forall u \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}), \quad \langle \text{p.v.}(1/x), u \rangle = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \left( \int_{|x| > \varepsilon} \frac{u(x)}{x} \, \mathrm{d}x \right).$$

- 1. Show that the above limit exists and defines a distribution. Compute its order.
- 2. Show that p. v.(1/x) is the derivative of  $\log |x|$  in the sense of distributions.
- 3. Compute x p. v.(1/x).
- 4. Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$  which satisfies  $x\alpha = 1$ . Show that there exists a constant  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha = \text{p. v.}(1/x) + c \delta_0$ .
- 5. Show that  $|x|^{\alpha-2}x \to \text{p. v.}(1/x)$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$  as  $\alpha \to 0^+$ .

**EXERCISE** 7. Solve the equation  $\alpha' = 0$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ .

**EXERCISE** 8 (Jump formula). Let  $f: \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be a function of class  $C^1$  on  $\mathbb{R}^*$ . We say that f has a jump at 0 if the limits  $f(0^{\pm}) = \lim_{x\to 0^{\pm}} f(x)$  exist, and we denote by  $[[f(0)]] = f(0^+) - f(0^-)$  the height of the jump. We denote by  $\{f'\}$  the derivative of the regular part of f, *i.e.* 

$$\{f'\}(x) = \begin{cases} f'(x) & \text{if } f \text{ is differentiable at } x \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

1. Show that in the sense of distributions:

$$f' = \{f'\} + [[f(0)]]\delta_0.$$

2. Let  $(x_n)_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}$  be an increasing sequence such that  $\lim_{n\to-\infty} x_n = -\infty$  and  $\lim_{n\to+\infty} x_n = +\infty$ . Let  $f:\mathbb{R}\to\mathbb{R}$  be a piecewise  $C^1$  function presenting jumps at every  $x_n$ . Show that in the sense of distributions,

$$f' = \{f'\} + \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} [[f(x_n)]] \delta_{x_n}.$$

**EXERCISE** 9 (Punctual support). Let  $\alpha \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that supp  $\alpha = \{0\}$ . We consider  $\psi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $\psi = 1$  in a neighborhood of  $\overline{B(0,1)}$  and supp  $\psi \subset B(0,2)$ . We set  $\psi_r(x) = \psi(x/r)$  for all r > 0 and  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

- 1. Recall why  $\alpha$  has a finite order, which will be denoted  $m \geq 0$  in the following.
- 2. Show that for all r > 0,  $\psi_r \alpha = \alpha$ .
- 3. Let  $u \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  satisfying that for all  $p \in \mathbb{N}^n$  with  $|p| \leq m$ ,  $\partial^p u(0) = 0$ . Check that  $\langle \alpha, u \rangle = 0$ .
- 4. Prove that there exist some real numbers  $a_p \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\alpha = \sum_{|p| \le m} a_p \delta_0^{(p)}$ .

**EXERCISE** 10 (Support and order). Let  $\alpha$  be the linear map defined for all  $u \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$  by

$$\langle \alpha, u \rangle = \lim_{n \to +\infty} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{n} u \left( \frac{1}{j} \right) - nu(0) - (\log n)u'(0) \right).$$

- 1. Check that  $\langle \alpha, u \rangle$  is well defined for all  $u \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ , and that  $\alpha$  is a distribution of order less than or equal to 2.
- 2. What is the support S of  $\alpha$ ?
- 3. What is the order of  $\alpha$ ?

  Hint: Use test functions of the form

$$u_k(x) = \psi(x) \int_0^x \int_0^y \varphi(kt) dtdy,$$

where  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(0,1)$  has integral 1 and  $\psi \in \mathcal{D}(-1,2)$  satisfies  $0 \le \psi \le 1$  and  $\psi = 1$  on [0,1].

### TD 9: Convolution of distributions

**Exercise** 1 (Examples of convolutions). Compute the following convolutions:

1.  $\delta_a * \delta_b \text{ in } \mathbb{R}^d$ , 3.  $(x^p \delta_0^{(q)}) * (x^m \delta_0^{(n)})$ , 5.  $\mathbb{1}_{[a,b]} * \mathbb{1}_{[c,d]}$ , 2.  $T * \delta_a$ , with  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , 4.  $\delta_0^{(k)} * (x^m H)$ , 6.  $\mathbb{1}_{[0,1]} * (xH)$ 

**EXERCISE** 2 (Associativity and convolution). Show that the convolution product is not associative without assumptions on the supports by considering the distributions 1,  $\delta'_0$  and H in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ , where H is the Heaviside function.

EXERCISE 3. We will study the behavior of the convergence of distributions with respect to the convolution product.

- 1. Let  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be compactly supported,  $V \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $(V_n)_n$  be a sequence of distributions in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Prove that if  $V_n \to V$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , then  $V_n * T \to V * T$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .
- 2. Show that there exist two sequences of distributions  $T_n$  and  $V_n$  tending to 0 in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$  and such that  $T_n * V_n \to \delta_0$ .

**EXERCISE** 4 (Regularization by polynomials). For  $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ , we define the polynomial  $P_n$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  by

$$P_n(x) = \frac{n^d}{\pi^{d/2}} \left(1 - \frac{|x|^2}{n}\right)^{n^3}.$$

- 1. What is the limit in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  of the sequence  $(P_n)_n$ ?
- 2. Deduce that any compactly supported distribution is the limit in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  of a sequence of polynomials.

**EXERCISE** 5 (Convolution and translations). Let  $F: \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d) \to C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be a continuous linear map. We say that F commutes with translations when  $\tau_x \circ F = F \circ \tau_x$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

- 1. Check that if there exists  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that, for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $F(\varphi) = T * \varphi$ , then F commutes with translations.
- 2. Show that for all  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , and all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , we have  $\langle T, \varphi \rangle = T * \check{\varphi}(0)$ , where  $\check{\varphi}(x) = T * \check{\varphi}(0)$
- 3. Prove that if F commutes with translations, then there exists  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that, for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R}^d), F(\varphi) = T * \varphi.$

**EXERCISE** 6 (The extension of the convolution).

1. Let  $\varphi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $\operatorname{supp}(T) \cap \operatorname{supp}(\varphi)$  is compact. Show that  $\langle T, \varphi \rangle$ can be defined in a meaningful way.

2. Let  $T, S \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  satisfying the following property: for every compact K in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,

$$D_K = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d : x \in \operatorname{supp} T, \ y \in \operatorname{supp} S, \ x + y \in K\}$$

is compact. Show that in this case, T \* S and S \* T are well-defined and are equal.

3. Compute the distribution  $(x^pH)*(x^qH)$  for all  $p,q\in\mathbb{N}$ , where H is the Heaviside function.

**EXERCISE** 7 (Linear differential equations). Define  $\mathcal{D}'_{+}(\mathbb{R}) = \{T \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}) : \operatorname{supp} T \subset \mathbb{R}_{+}\}.$ 

- 1. By using Exercice 6, show that the convolution of two elements of  $\mathcal{D}'_{+}(\mathbb{R})$  is well-defined and gives an element of  $\mathcal{D}'_{+}(\mathbb{R})$ . In the following, we admit that  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}_{+})$  is a commutative algebra for the convolution. What is the identity element for the convolution in  $\mathcal{D}'_{+}(\mathbb{R})$ ?
- 2. Show that for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $T, S \in \mathcal{D}'_{+}(\mathbb{R})$ , we have  $(e^{ax}T) * (e^{ax}S) = e^{ax}(T * S)$ .
- 3. For any  $T \in \mathcal{D}'_+(\mathbb{R})$ , let  $T^{-1}$  denote the inverse of T in  $\mathcal{D}'_+(\mathbb{R})$  for the convolution whenever it exists. Check that  $T^{-1}$  is unique when it exists.
- 4. Compute  $H^{-1}$  and  $(\delta'_0 \lambda \delta_0)^{-1}$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  whenever they exist.
- 5. Let P be a polynomial that splits in  $\mathbb{R}$ , compute  $[P(D)\delta_0]^{-1}$ .
- 6. Solve the following system in  $\mathcal{D}'_{+}(\mathbb{R}) \times \mathcal{D}'_{+}(\mathbb{R})$

$$\begin{cases} \delta_0'' * X + \delta_0' * Y = \delta_0, \\ \delta_0' * X + \delta_0'' * Y = 0. \end{cases}$$

### TD 10: Tempered distribution

### Exercise 1.

- 1. Let  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a Borel of finite measure. Show that  $\mathcal{F}(\mathbb{1}_A)$  belongs to  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  but not to
- 2. Does it exist two functions  $f, g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  such that f \* g = 0? What happens if in addition f and q have compact supports?

**EXERCISE** 2. Prove that the following distributions are tempered and compute their Fourier trans-

1.  $\delta_0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ,

5. p. v. (1/x),

1.  $\delta_0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , 3. 1, 2.  $e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{2\sigma}}$  in  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $\sigma > 0$ , 4. H (Heaviside),

6. |x| in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

#### Exercise 3.

- 1. If  $d \geq 3$ , show that  $u_0(x) = \left(-d(d-2)\operatorname{Vol}(B(0,1))\|x\|^{d-2}\right)^{-1}$  is a fundamental solution for the Laplacian, *i.e.*  $\Delta u_0 = \delta_0$  in the sense of distributions.
- 2. Give a solution of  $\Delta u = f$  in the sense of distributions for f in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  with compact support.
- 3. What can you say about the regularity of u if f is a function in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ?
- 4. Consider the linear PDE  $u \Delta u = f$  for  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Express a solution in  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  in terms of the Bessel kernel  $B = \mathcal{F}^{-1}((1+|\xi|^2)^{-1}).$

**EXERCISE** 4. Let k>0 and  $T\in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $T^{[4]}+kT\in L^2(\mathbb{R})$ . Show that for every  $j \in \{0, \cdots, 4\}, T^{[j]} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}).$ 

**EXERCISE** 5. We investigate the solutions  $T \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^4)$  with support in  $\mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R}^3$  of the wave equation

$$\partial_{tt}T - \Delta T = \delta_{(t,x)=(0,0)}, \quad (t,x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^3.$$

- 1. Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the partial Fourier transform with respect to x and  $\tilde{T} = \mathcal{F}T$ . Find an ODE of which T is solution. We denote in the following (E) this equation.
- 2. Solve this equation with the ansatz

$$\tilde{T}(t,\xi) = H(t)U(t,\xi),$$

where U is solution of the homogenous equation associated with (E).

3. We denote by  $d\sigma_R$  the measure on the sphere of radius R and center 0:

$$\langle d\sigma_R, \varphi \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{S}(0,R)} \varphi(x) d\sigma_R(x)$$

Show that:

$$\forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad \mathcal{F}\left(\frac{\mathrm{d}\sigma_R}{4\pi R^2}\right)(\xi) = \frac{\sin(R|\xi|)}{R|\xi|}.$$

4. Deduce that for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^4)$ ,

$$\langle T, \varphi \rangle = \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{4\pi t} \int_{\mathbb{S}(0,|t|)} \varphi(t,x) \, d\sigma_t(x) \, dt.$$

5. What is the support of T?

**EXERCISE** 6. We consider the Schrödinger equation on  $\mathbb{R}_t \times \mathbb{R}^d$ 

(1) 
$$\begin{cases} i\partial_t u + \Delta u = 0, \\ u_{t=0} = u_0. \end{cases}$$

- 1. For  $u_0 \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , solve the equation (1) in  $C^0(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d))$ .
- 2. Justify that the Fourier transform of the function  $e^{it|\xi|^2}$  is well defined.
- 3. Show that for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$  with positive real part,

$$\mathcal{F}^{-1}(e^{\alpha|\xi|^2}) = \frac{1}{(-4\alpha\pi)^{d/2}} e^{\frac{|x|^2}{4\alpha}}.$$

- 4. Check that also holds in  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^d)$  when  $\alpha \in i\mathbb{R}$ .
- 5. Deduce that there exists a constant C > 0 such that for all t > 0,

$$||u(t,\cdot)||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)} \le \frac{C}{t^{d/2}} ||u_0||_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)}.$$

# TD 11: SOBOLEV SPACES

EXERCISE 1 (Warming).

- 1. Show that u(x) = |x| belongs to  $W^{1,2}(-1,1)$  but not to  $W^{2,2}(-1,1)$ .
- 2. Check that  $v(x) = \frac{\sin(x^2)}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}$  belongs to  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$  but not to  $W^{1,2}(\mathbb{R})$ .
- 3. Show that  $H^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$  is not included in  $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . Hint: Consider a function of the form  $x \mapsto \chi(|x|) |\log |x||^{1/3}$ .

**EXERCISE** 2 (Optimality in the Sobolev embeddings). Let  $1 \leq p < d$  and  $\alpha \in [1, \infty]$ . By using a homogeneity argument, show that if there exists a continuous injection  $W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d) \hookrightarrow L^{\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , then necessarily  $p \leq \alpha \leq \frac{dp}{d-p}$ .

**EXERCISE** 3 (Some properties of  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ).

- 1. Show that  $H^{s_1}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  embeds continuously into  $H^{s_2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for  $s_1 \geq s_2$ .
- 2. Check that  $\delta_0 \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for s < -d/2.
- 3. (a) Prove that if s > d/2, the space  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^d)$  embeds continuously to  $C^0_{\to 0}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , the space of continuous functions u on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  satisfying  $u(x) \to 0$  as  $|x| \to +\infty$ .
  - (b) State an analogous result in the case where s > d/2 + k for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Deduce that  $\bigcap_{s \in \mathbb{R}} H^s(\mathbb{R}^d) \subset C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .
  - (c) Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be open. Deduce from the above question that  $\bigcap_{s \in \mathbb{R}} H^s_{loc}(U) = C^{\infty}(U)$ , where we set

$$H_{loc}^{s}(U) = \{ u \in L^{2}(U) : \forall \varphi \in \mathcal{D}(U), \ \varphi u \in H^{s}(\mathbb{R}^{d}) \}.$$

- 4. Let us now consider  $s \in (d/2, d/2 + 1)$ .
  - (a) Show that for all  $\alpha \in [0,1]$  and all  $x,y,\xi \in \mathbb{R}^d$ :

$$\left| e^{ix\cdot\xi} - e^{iy\cdot\xi} \right| \le 2^{1-\alpha} |x - y|^{\alpha} |\xi|^{\alpha}.$$

(b) Deduce that for all  $\alpha \in (0, s - d/2)$ , there exists a constant  $C(\alpha) > 0$  such that for all  $u \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,

$$\frac{|u(x) - u(y)|}{|x - y|^{\alpha}} \le C(\alpha) ||u||_{H^s}.$$

- (c) Conclude that  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^d)$  embeds continuously to  $C^{\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .
- 5. Assuming that s belongs to [0, d/2], the purpose is now to prove that  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^d) \hookrightarrow L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , where p = 2d/(d-2s). To that end, let us recall that for all  $u \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$$||u||_{L^p}^p = \int_0^\infty p\lambda^{p-1} |\{|u| > \lambda\}| \,\mathrm{d}\lambda.$$

Considering  $u \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $A_{\lambda} > 0$ , we set  $u_{1,\lambda} = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\mathbb{1}_{|\xi| < A_{\lambda}} \hat{u})$  and  $u_{2,\lambda} = \mathcal{F}^{-1}(\mathbf{1}_{|\xi| \ge A_{\lambda}} \hat{u})$ .

(a) Prove that

$$\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad |u_{1,\lambda}(x)| \le C A_{\lambda}^{(2d-s)/2} ||u||_{H^s}.$$

Deduce that there exists some  $A_{\lambda}$  such that  $|\{|u_{1,\lambda}| > \lambda/2\}| = 0$ .

(b) Show that for this choice of  $A_{\lambda}$ ,

$$||u||_{L^p}^p \le 4p \int_0^\infty \lambda^{p-3} ||u_{2,\lambda}||_{L^2}^2 d\lambda.$$

(c) Conclude.

**EXERCISE** 4 (Trace on an hyperplane). Let us consider the function

$$\gamma_0: \varphi(x', x_d) \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d) \mapsto \varphi(x', x_d = 0) \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{d-1}).$$

Prove that for all s > 1/2, the function  $\gamma_0$  can be uniquely extended as an application mapping  $H^s(\mathbb{R}^d)$  to  $H^{s-1/2}(\mathbb{R}^{d-1})$ .

Hint: For all  $\varphi \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ , begin by computing the Fourier transform of the function  $\gamma_0 \phi$ .

**EXERCISE** 5 (An estimate). Let  $0 < \alpha < 1$  and p > 1 be positive real numbers. Show that there exists a positive constant  $C_{\alpha,p} > 0$  such that for all  $u \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$\left(\iint_{\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d} \left(\frac{|u(x) - u(y)|}{|x - y|^{\alpha}}\right)^p \frac{\mathrm{d}x\mathrm{d}y}{|x - y|^d}\right)^{1/p} \le C_{\alpha, p} \|u\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)}^{1-\alpha} \|\nabla u\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)}^{\alpha}.$$

*Hint*: Consider the two regions  $\{|x-y|>R\}$  and  $\{|x-y|\leq R\}$ , where R>0 is to be chosen.

**EXERCISE** 6 (Composition). Let U and U' be two open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

1. Let  $H: U' \to U$  be a  $C^1$ -diffeomorphism such that the Jacobian Jac(H) and  $Jac(H^{-1})$  belong to  $L^{\infty}$ . Prove that for all  $u \in W^{1,p}(\Omega)$ , we have  $u \circ H \in W^{1,p}(\Omega')$  and that for all  $1 \le i \le d$ ,

$$\partial_{y_i}(u \circ H) = \sum_{j=1}^n (\partial_{x_j} u \circ H) \partial_{y_i} H_j.$$

2. Let us now consider a function  $G \in C_b^1(\mathbb{R})$  satisfying G(0) = 0. Show that for all  $u \in W^{1,p}(U)$ , we have  $G \circ u \in W^{1,p}(U)$  and that for all  $1 \leq j \leq n$ ,

$$\partial_{x_j}(G \circ u) = (G' \circ u)\partial_{x_j}u.$$

3. Do we need to assume that G' is bounded when d = 1?

#### TD 12: Sobolev spaces and PDEs

EXERCISE 1 (Agmon's and Brezis-Gallouët's type inequalities).

1. Prove that there exists a positive constant c > 0 such that for all  $u \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ ,

$$||u||_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^3)} \le c ||u||_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^3)}^{1/2} ||u||_{H^2(\mathbb{R}^3)}^{1/2}.$$

Hint: Setting  $\langle \xi \rangle = (1 + |\xi|^2)^{1/2}$  and considering R > 0, use the following decomposition

$$\|\widehat{u}\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^3)} = \int_{|\xi| < R} \langle \xi \rangle |\widehat{u}(\xi)| \frac{\mathrm{d}\xi}{\langle \xi \rangle} + \int_{|\xi| > R} \langle \xi \rangle^2 |\widehat{u}(\xi)| \frac{\mathrm{d}\xi}{\langle \xi \rangle^2}.$$

2. Show similarly that there exists a positive constant c > 0 such that for all  $u \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ ,

$$||u||_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^2)} \le c \Big(1 + ||u||_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^2)} \sqrt{\log(1 + ||u||_{H^2(\mathbb{R}^2)})}\Big).$$

**EXERCISE** 2. Let U = (0, 1).

1. Prove that the following continuous embeddings hold

$$W^{1,1}(U) \hookrightarrow C^0(\bar{U}) \quad \text{and} \quad W^{1,p}(U) \hookrightarrow C^{0,1-1/p}(\bar{U}) \quad \text{when } p \in (1,\infty],$$

with the convention  $1/\infty = 0$ .

2. Prove that for all  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , the space  $W_0^{1,p}(U)$  is given by

$$W_0^{1,p}(U) = \big\{ u \in W^{1,p}(U) : u(0) = u(1) = 0 \big\}.$$

**EXERCISE** 3 (Poincaré's inequality). Let  $p \in [1, +\infty)$  and let U be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

1. Assume that U is bounded in one direction, meaning that U is contained in the region between two parallel hyperplanes. Prove Poincaré's inequality: there exists c>0 such that for every  $f\in W_0^{1,p}(U)$ ,

$$||f||_{L^p(U)} \le c||\nabla f||_{L^p(U)}.$$

As a consequence,  $\|\nabla \cdot\|_{L^p(U)}$  defines a norm on  $W_0^{1,p}(U)$  which is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_{W^{1,p}(U)}$ . Hint: Consider first the case  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \times [-M,M]$ .

2. Assume that U is bounded. Prove Poincaré-Wirtinger's inequality: there exists a constant c>0 such that for any  $f\in W^{1,p}(U)$  satisfying  $\int_U f=0$ ,

$$||f||_{L^p(U)} \le c||\nabla f||_{L^p(U)}.$$

**EXERCISE** 4 (Duality). Let U be an open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and let  $p \in (1, +\infty)$ .

1. Prove that for all  $F \in W_0^{1,p}(U)'$ , there exist  $f_0, f_1, \ldots, f_d \in L^q(U)$  (with  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ ) such that for all  $g \in W_0^{1,p}(U)$ ,

$$\langle F, g \rangle_{W_0^{1,p}(U)', W_0^{1,p}(U)} = \int_U f_0 g \, \mathrm{d}x + \sum_{i=1}^d \int_U f_i \partial_i g \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

2. Prove that we also have

$$||F||_{W_0^{1,p}(U)'} \le \left(\sum_{i=0}^d ||f_i||_{L^q(U)}^q\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.$$

3. Assuming that U is bounded, prove that we may take  $f_0 = 0$ .

**EXERCISE** 5 (A minimization problem). Let  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^3$  be open, bounded with smooth boundary. The purpose is to prove that the following elliptic problem has a non-trivial weak solution

$$\begin{cases}
-\Delta u = u^3 & \text{in } U, \\
u = 0 & \text{on } \partial U.
\end{cases}$$

1. Prove that there exists a solution to the following minimization problem

(1) 
$$\inf \left\{ \|\nabla v\|_{L^2(U)} : v \in H_0^1(U), \ \|v\|_{L^4(U)} = 1 \right\}.$$

Hint: Since d=3 here, the continuous embedding  $H_0^1(U) \hookrightarrow L^q(U)$  holds for all  $1 \leq q \leq 6$ , and is moreover compact when  $1 \leq q < 6$ . Moreover,  $\|\nabla \cdot\|_{L^2(U)}$  defines a norm on  $H_0^1(U)$  which is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_{W^1(U)}$  as a consequence of Poincaré's inequality, which is proven in Exercise 3.

- 2. Check that if the function  $v \in H_0^1(U)$  solves (1), there exists a positive constant  $\lambda > 0$  such that  $-\Delta v = \lambda v^3$  in  $\mathcal{D}'(U)$ .
- 3. Conclude.