

## Problem Set 2

- (1) Reading: Read Section 5.3-5.4 of Evans. Section 5.8.5 might also be helpful for problem 4.
- (2) Do problems 5 and 6 from section 5.10 of Evans.
- (3) Let  $U$  and  $V$  be bounded open sets in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and suppose that  $\Phi : U \rightarrow V$  is a smooth bijection. Show that if  $u \in W^{k,p}(V)$  for some  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , then  $u \circ \Phi \in W^{k,p}(U)$ .

- (4) (An alternative definition of  $H^k$ ). Recall that for  $k \in \{0\} \cup \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$H^k(\mathbb{R}^n) = W^{k,2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

by definition. Show that  $u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is in  $H^k(\mathbb{R}^n)$  if and only if

$$(1 + |\xi|^k)\hat{u}(\xi) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

where  $\hat{u}$  is the Fourier transform of  $u$ , and moreover that there exists some constant  $C$  such that

$$\frac{1}{C}\|u\|_{H^k(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \|(1 + |\xi|^k)\hat{u}\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C\|u\|_{H^k(\mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

Note that we can use this to extend the definition of  $H^k$  to arbitrary  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , by defining

$$H^k(\mathbb{R}^n) = \{u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n) \mid (1 + |\xi|^k)\hat{u} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)\}$$

with

$$\|u\|_{H^k(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \|(1 + |\xi|^k)\hat{u}\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

for all  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

- (5) Suppose that  $u \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and let  $P = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n \mid x_n = 0\}$ . Show that

$$\|u\|_{H^{\frac{1}{2}}(P)} \leq C\|u\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

for some constant  $C$ . Conclude that the map  $T : u \mapsto u|_P$  extends to a bounded function

$$T : H^1(\mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow H^{\frac{1}{2}}(P).$$

In particular, this implies that for every function in  $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , the restriction to a hyperplane is well defined. Note that this is not true for  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ !