

# Potential estimates for solutions to quasilinear elliptic problems with general growth and regularity consequences

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from **data** to solutions to  $-\operatorname{div} \mathcal{A}(x, Du) = \mu$ .

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One may study various kinds of **very weak solutions**:

SOLA (Boccardo&Gallouët '89), renormalized solutions (DiPerna&Lions '89, Boccardo, Giachetti, Diaz, Murat '93), entropy solution (Bénilan, Boccardo, Gallouët, Gariepy, Pierre, Vazquez, Murat '95), or (Kilpeläinen, Kuusi, Tuhola-Kujanpää '11)  $\mathcal{A}$ -superharmonic functions.

Be careful: if  $1 < p < 2 - \frac{1}{n}$ , then it is possible that  $u \notin W_{loc}^{1,1}$ .

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$\mu$  is a bounded measure,  $\mathcal{A} : \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  is a monotone Carathéodory's function,  $G \in C^1((0, \infty))$  is a nonnegative, increasing, and convex function such that  $G \in \Delta_2 \cap \nabla_2$  and

$$\begin{cases} c_1^{\mathcal{A}} G(|\xi|) \leq \mathcal{A}(x, \xi) \cdot \xi, \\ |\mathcal{A}(x, \xi)| \leq c_2^{\mathcal{A}} g(|\xi|), \end{cases}$$

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Kilpeläinen & **Malý** ['92, '94] proven that for  $\mu \geq 0$  we actually have

$$\mathcal{W}_p^\mu(x, R) \lesssim u(x) \lesssim \mathcal{W}_p^\mu(x, 2R) + \text{'sth}(u, R)'$$

next proofs: Trudinger & Wang [2002] and Korte & Kuusi [2010]

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## Orlicz version of Hedberg–Wolff Theorem

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$$\mu \in (W_0^{1,G}(\Omega))' \iff \int_{\Omega} \mathcal{W}_G^{\mu}(x, R) d\mu(x) < \infty \text{ for some } R > 0.$$

# Fundamental solution

for operators of Zygmund growth

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Suppose that  $1 < p < n$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $0 < a \in L^\infty(\Omega)$  separated from zero, and  $u$  is a nonnegative  $\mathcal{A}$ -superharmonic function in  $\Omega$ , such that

$$-\operatorname{div} \mathcal{A}(x, Du) = -\operatorname{div} (a(x)|Du|^{p-2} \log^\alpha(e + |Du|)Du) = \delta_0$$

in the sense of distributions. Then

$$\begin{aligned} c^{-1}|x|^{-\frac{n-p}{p-1}} \log^{-\frac{\alpha}{p-1}}(e + |x|) &\leq u(x) \\ &\leq c \left( |x|^{-\frac{n-p}{p-1}} \log^{-\frac{\alpha}{p-1}}(e + |x|) + \inf_{B(x, 2|x|)} u \right). \end{aligned}$$

## Lorentz spaces

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We define the decreasing rearrangement  $f^*$  of a measurable function  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by

$$f^*(t) = \sup\{s \geq 0 : |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : f(x) > s\}| > t\},$$

the maximal rearrangement by

$$f^{**}(t) = \frac{1}{t} \int_0^t f^*(s) ds \quad \text{and} \quad f^{**}(0) = f^*(0),$$

and finally the Lorentz space  $L(\alpha, \beta)(\Omega)$  for  $\alpha, \beta > 0$  as the space of measurable functions such that

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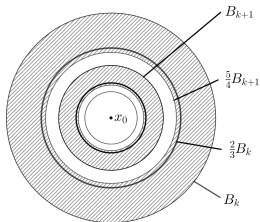
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**Figure:**  $w_k$  is  $\mathcal{A}$ -harmonic in the interior of the outer dashed annulus and  $w_{k+1}$  is  $\mathcal{A}$ -harmonic in the interior of the inner dashed annulus.

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An  $\mathcal{A}$ -supersolution generates a nonnegative measure

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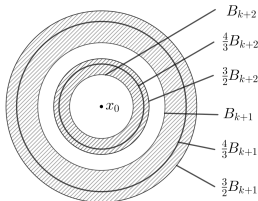
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The aim is to keep control over what happens to  $w_k$  on  $\partial_{\frac{2}{3}}B_k$ .

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## Upper bound



**Figure:**  $v$  is  $\mathcal{A}$ -harmonic in  $\omega$  - the family of dashed annuli. Functions  $w_k$  are zero boundary valued in the respective thicker circles.

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Let  $v$  be a Poisson modification  $v = P(u, \omega)$ , i.e.

$$\begin{cases} v \text{ is } \mathcal{A}\text{-harmonic in } \omega, \\ v = u \text{ otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

We consider  $w_k \in W_0^{1,G}(\frac{4}{3}B_{k+1})$  solving

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More fancy estimates on the potential would imply more precise estimates on solutions.

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**p-case: [Cianchi, Ann SNS Pisa 2011]**

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**Application:** transfer regularity from data to solutions  
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**Good choices of  $X, Y$ :** Lebesgue, Orlicz (including  $L \log L$ ), Lorentz,  
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Let's go to systems

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Existence result was provided for more general class of problems.

# Estimates for SOLA to the vectorial problem

Theorem by C. Youn, Zatorska-Goldstein, arXiv:2102.09313

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**$\rho$ -Laplace problem: [Kuusi&Mingione, JEMS 2018]**

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# Methods

for systems

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**main tool:**  $\mathcal{A}$ -harmonic approximation lemma

the approximation of a  $W^{1,G}$ -function by an  $\mathcal{A}$ -harmonic map for weighted operator  $\mathcal{A}$  of an Orlicz growth being a generalized version of  $p$ -harmonic version from [Kuusi&Mingione, JEMS 2018]

## OPEN

subquadratic case

more general structure of the operator

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# Off-topics

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## (1) PDEs in Anisotropic Musielak-Orlicz spaces



## (2) Workshop on Nonuniformly Elliptic Problems

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**Thank you for your attention!**