

**Abstract**

We justify a step in the proof of a theorem recently published, which states the local fractal functions of an Orlicz-Sobolev class of order  $m \geq 1$  appear naturally as the fixed points of the restriction of the Read-Bajraktarević operators. The later was well-known (since the works of Massopust *et al.*) in the context of Lebesgue and Sobolev spaces. We also relaxed a condition (inequality) that ensures contractivity of the Read-Bajraktarević functional, and prove that the number  $q_\Phi$  that appears in the proof is not required to be greater than 1.

**Young Function  $\Phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$** 

1.  $\Phi$  is a convex function  $\iff \{(t, y) \in [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) : y \geq \Phi(t)\}$  is a convex set
2.  $\Phi(0) = 0$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(t) = \infty$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Phi(t)}{t} = 0$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\Phi(t)}{t} = \infty$
3.  $\Phi$  is strictly increasing, continuous, unbounded with the integral representation

$$\Phi(t) = \int_0^t \phi(s) ds,$$

where  $\phi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is a non-decreasing odd homeomorphism

4.  $\Phi$  satisfies a  $\Delta_2$  condition, denoted as  $\Phi \in \Delta_2$  i.e.,  $\forall r > 1, \exists \gamma(r) > 0; \Phi(rt) \leq \gamma(r)\Phi(t)$ , for  $t \geq T > 0$ .
5. Assume there exists positive integers  $p_\Phi$  and  $q_\Phi$  such that

$$p_\Phi \leq \frac{t\phi(t)}{\Phi(t)} \leq q_\Phi, t \neq 0$$

, so we can obtain

$$\min\{\rho^{p_\Phi}, \rho^{q_\Phi}\}\Phi(t) \leq \Phi(\rho t) \leq \max\{\rho^{p_\Phi}, \rho^{q_\Phi}\}\Phi(t),$$

for any non negative  $\rho$  and positive  $t$ .

**Orlicz-Sobolev space and Read-Bajraktarević functional**

Let  $X \subset \mathbb{R}^N$  be the nonempty connected and bounded set. The Orlicz class  $\mathcal{L}_\Phi(X)$  is the set of equivalence classes of real valued measurable functions  $f$  such that  $\Phi(|f|) \in L^1(X)$ . The linear span  $L_\Phi(X)$  of the Orlicz class is the complete normed vector space with the Luxemburg norm

$$\|f\|_\Phi = \inf \left\{ \tau > 0 : \int_X \Phi \left( \frac{|f|}{\tau} \right) dx \leq 1 \right\}$$

The Orlicz-Sobolev space of order  $m$  is defined as

$$W^m L_\Phi(X) = \{f \in L_\Phi(X) : D_x^\beta f \in L_\Phi(X), |\beta| \leq m, \beta = (\beta_1, \dots, \beta_N) \in \mathbb{N}^N\}, D_x^\beta f = \frac{\partial^{|\beta|} f}{\partial x_1^{\beta_1} \dots \partial x_N^{\beta_N}}.$$

This vector space is Banach with the norm

$$\|f\|_{m, \Phi} = \sum_{|\beta| \leq m} \|D_x^\beta f\|_\Phi.$$

Let  $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^n$  be a family of nonempty and connected subset of  $X$ , and  $\{\alpha_i : X_i \rightarrow X\}$  be a collection of diffeomorphisms such that

$$\alpha_i(X_i) \cap \alpha_j(X_j) = \emptyset, i \neq j, \text{ and } X = \bigcup_{i=1}^n \alpha_i(X_i).$$

We also assume one uniformly bounded condition for those mappings

$$b_i(m) := \max\{1, \max_{j \in [1, N], |\theta| \leq m} \sup_{x \in X_i} |D_x^\theta (\alpha_i^{-1})_j(x)|\} < \infty$$

up to the order  $m$ . Let  $\{\lambda_i : X_i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\} \subset W^m L_\Phi(X)$  and  $\{R_i\}_{i=1}^n \subset \mathbb{R}$ , the Read-Bajraktarević functional  $\mathbf{T} : W^m L_\Phi(X) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^X$  is the map

$$\mathbf{T}(u(x)) = \sum_{i=1}^n (\lambda_i \circ \alpha_i^{-1})(x) \mathbf{1}_{\alpha_i(X_i)}(x) + \sum_{i=1}^n R_i \cdot (u|_{X_i} \circ \alpha_i^{-1})(x) \mathbf{1}_{\alpha_i(X_i)}(x).$$

We also introduce the positive constants

$$a_i = \sup_{x \in X_i} |\det J_x \alpha_i|, M = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i r_i^{q_\Phi} (b_i(m))^{mq_\Phi},$$

where  $r_i = \max\{1, |R_i|\}, i \in [1, n]$ .

**Observation of The Theorem**

From a recently published paper, we can obtain this result: assume  $1 \leq |\sigma| \leq |\beta| \leq m$ , if  $q_\Phi > 1$ , then the Read-Bajraktarević functional is a contraction on  $W^m L_\Phi(X)$ , provided  $M(N_m S_m)^{q_\Phi} < 1$ . In the proof of this result, we obtain this estimate

$$\int_X \Phi \left( \frac{|D_x^\beta \mathbf{T}u(x) - D_x^\beta \mathbf{T}v(x)|}{\tau} \right) dx \leq MN_m^{q_\Phi-1} S_m^{q_\Phi} \sum_{|\sigma|=1}^m \int_X \Phi \left( \frac{|D_x^\sigma u(x) - D_x^\sigma v(x)|}{\tau} \right) dx,$$

$\forall u, v \in W^m L_\Phi(X)$  and  $N_m$  is the number of the multi-indices of  $1 \leq |\sigma| \leq m$ . The convexity of the Young function gives us  $\Phi(at) \leq a\Phi(t), \forall a \in [0, 1], t \geq 0$ , so

$$\sum_{|\sigma|=1}^m \int_X \Phi \left( \frac{|D_x^\sigma u(x) - D_x^\sigma v(x)|}{\sum_{|\beta|=1}^m \|D_x^\beta u(x) - D_x^\beta v(x)\|_\Phi} \right) dx \leq \sum_{|\sigma|=1}^m \frac{\|D_x^\sigma u(x) - D_x^\sigma v(x)\|_\Phi}{\sum_{|\beta|=1}^m \|D_x^\beta u(x) - D_x^\beta v(x)\|_\Phi} \int_X \Phi \left( \frac{|D_x^\sigma u(x) - D_x^\sigma v(x)|}{\|D_x^\sigma u(x) - D_x^\sigma v(x)\|_\Phi} \right) dx < 1,$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \|D_x^\beta \mathbf{T}u(x) - D_x^\beta \mathbf{T}v(x)\|_\Phi &\leq MN_m^{q_\Phi-1} S_m^{q_\Phi} \sum_{|\beta|=1}^m \|D_x^\beta u(x) - D_x^\beta v(x)\|_\Phi, \\ \|\mathbf{T}u(x) - \mathbf{T}v(x)\|_{m, \Phi} &\leq MN_m^{q_\Phi} S_m^{q_\Phi} \|u - v\|_{m, \Phi}, M(N_m S_m)^{q_\Phi} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

**An Improved (Less Restrictive) Estimate**

Let  $g_i = u|_{X_i} - v|_{X_i}, y = \alpha_i^{-1}(x)$ , we have already known  $D_x^\beta (g_i \circ \alpha_i^{-1})(x) = \sum_{|\sigma|=1}^{|\beta|} D_y^\sigma g_i(y) \sum_{k=1}^{|\beta|} \sum_{E_k(\beta, \sigma)} \beta! \Pi_{j=1}^k \frac{(D_x^{\theta_j} (\alpha_i^{-1})_j)^{\mu_j}}{\mu_j! (\theta_j!)^{\mu_j}}$ , and then

$$|D_x^\beta (g_i \circ \alpha_i^{-1})(x)| \leq \mathbf{S}_\beta^2 b_i(m)^{|\sigma|} \sum_{|\sigma|=1}^{|\beta|} |D_y^\sigma g_i(y)| \leq b_i(m)^m S_m \sum_{|\sigma|=1}^m |D_y^\sigma g_i(y)|,$$

where  $S_m = \max_{0 \leq |\sigma| \leq |\beta| \leq m} \mathbf{S}_\beta^2$ .

$$\int_X \Phi \left( \frac{|D_x^\beta \mathbf{T}u(x) - D_x^\beta \mathbf{T}v(x)|}{\tau} \right) dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(X_i)} \Phi \left( \frac{r_i |D_x^\beta g_i \circ \alpha_i^{-1}(x)|}{\tau} \right) dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \int_{\alpha_i(X_i)} \Phi \left( \frac{r_i S_m b_i(m)^m \sum_{|\sigma|=1}^m |D_y^\sigma g_i(y)|}{\tau} \right) dx,$$

and this is bounded by

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^n a_i (r_i b_i(m)^m)^{q_\Phi} \right) S_m^{q_\Phi} \int_X \Phi \left( \frac{\sum_{|\sigma|=1}^m |D_x^\sigma u(x) - D_x^\sigma v(x)|}{\tau} \right) dx = M S_m^{q_\Phi} \int_X \Phi \left( \frac{\sum_{|\sigma|=1}^m |D_x^\sigma u(x) - D_x^\sigma v(x)|}{\tau} \right) dx,$$

so we can obtain

$$\|\mathbf{T}u - \mathbf{T}v\|_{m, \Phi} \leq MN_m S_m^{q_\Phi} \|u - v\|_{m, \Phi}, MN_m S_m^{q_\Phi} < 1$$