

NONLINEAR INTERPOLATION OF α -HÖLDERIAN MAPPINGS
WITH APPLICATIONS TO QUASILINEAR PDES

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The Marcinkiewicz interpolation theorems for linear operators acting on Lebesgue spaces turned out to be a powerful tool for studying regularity of solutions for linear PDEs in L^p -spaces. The K -method introduced by J. Peetre ([5, 6]) allowed to extend the study of regularity of solutions of linear equations on spaces different from L^p -spaces. The main difficulty to apply Peetre’s definition is the identification of the interpolation spaces between two normed spaces embedded in a same topological space. In [2, 3, 4] we did such a study with applications to linear PDEs using new non-standard spaces as grand or small Lebesgue spaces and $G\Gamma$ -gamma spaces.

In [7] L. Tartar gave interpolation results on nonlinear Hölderian mappings (which include Lipschitz mappings) and applied them to a variety of boundary value problems as bilinear applications, semi-linear PDEs but also on variational inequalities.

In this talk we present some results contained in the recent paper [1], where we extend Tartar’s results on nonlinear interpolation of α -Hölderian mappings \mathcal{T} by studying the action of the mappings \mathcal{T} on K -functionals and between interpolation spaces with logarithm functors. Therefore, we identify some interpolation spaces using couples of Lebesgue or Lorentz spaces, recovering spaces as Lorentz–Zygmund spaces or $G\Gamma$ -gamma spaces.

We apply these results to obtain regularity on the gradient of the weak or entropic-renormalized solution u to quasilinear equations of the form

$$-\operatorname{div}(\widehat{a}(\nabla u)) + V(x; u) = f, \quad u = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega, \quad (1)$$

associated to the Dirichlet homogeneous condition on the boundary, where Ω is a bounded smooth domain of \mathbb{R}^n , $\widehat{a}(\nabla u) = |\nabla u|^{p-2}\nabla u$, V is a nonlinear potential and f belongs to non-standard spaces like Lorentz-Zygmund spaces. We also show that the mapping $\mathcal{T} : \mathcal{T}f = \nabla u$ is locally or globally α -Hölderian under suitable values of α and appropriate assumptions on V and \widehat{a} .

Furthermore, also the anisotropic version or the variable exponents version of the Laplacian are considered.

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