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Sharp Sobolev Inequalities

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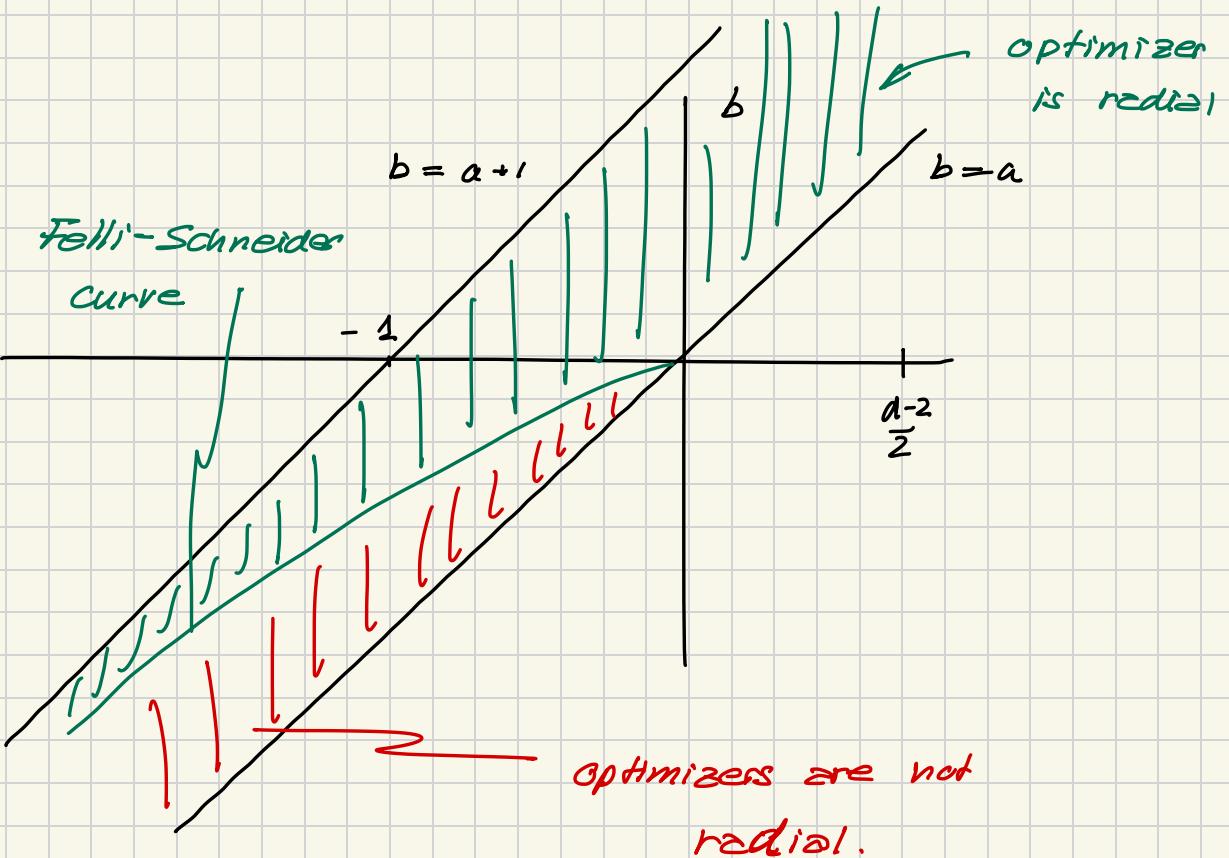
$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|\nabla u|^2}{|x|^{2a}} dx \geq C_{abd} \left(\int \frac{|u|^p}{|x|^{bp}} dx \right)^{2/p}$$

Inequality is invariant under
rotations: $u(x) \mapsto u(R^{-1}x)$

$$p = \frac{2d}{d-2+2(b-a)}$$

$R \in O(d)$.

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CKN for Spinors

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{|\sigma \cdot \nabla \bar{\Psi}|^2}{|x|^{2\alpha}} dx \geq C_{\alpha, \rho} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{|\bar{\Psi}|^\rho}{|x|^{\rho\beta}} dx \right)^{\frac{2}{\rho}} \quad \rho = \frac{6}{1+2(\beta-\alpha)}$$

$$\bar{\Psi} = \begin{pmatrix} \Psi_1 \\ \Psi_2 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -i \\ i & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\sigma \cdot \nabla = \sigma_1 \partial_1 + \sigma_2 \partial_2 + \sigma_3 \partial_3$$

$$\langle \varphi, \Psi \rangle = \bar{\varphi}_1 \Psi_1 + \bar{\varphi}_2 \Psi_2$$

Invariance under $SU(2)$: $\bar{\Psi}(x) \mapsto A \bar{\Psi} (\bar{R}^i(A)x) =: (U(A)\bar{\Psi})(x)$

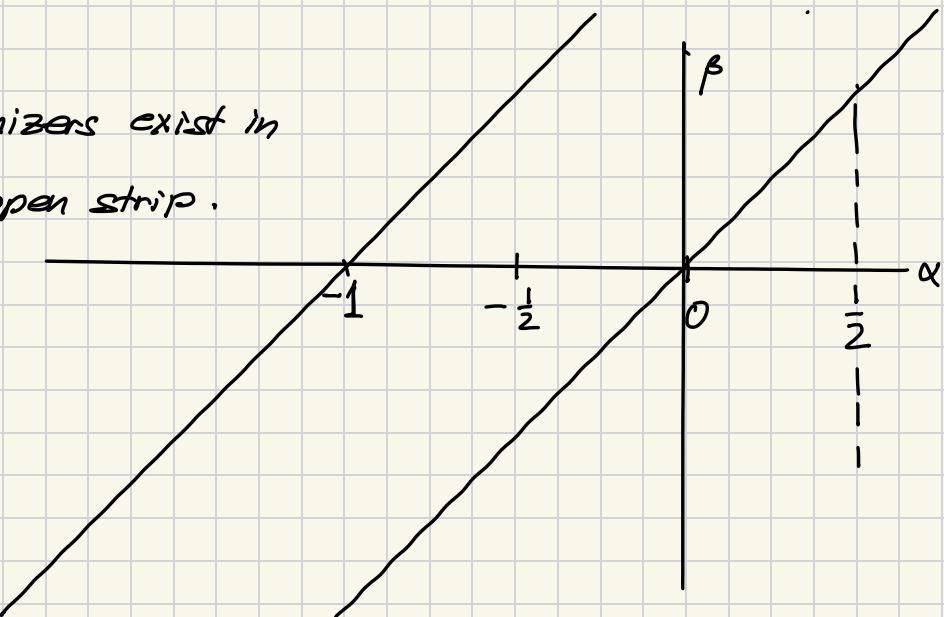
$A \in SU(2)$.

$$A^* \sigma_j A = \sum_{k=1}^3 R_{j,k}(A) \sigma_k \quad R(A) \in SO(3)$$

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Optimizers exist in
the open strip.



Displaying the symmetries: log. coordinates.

$$\bar{\Psi}(x) = r^{\alpha - \frac{1}{2}} \Phi(s, \omega), \quad r = e^s, \quad \omega = \frac{x}{r}, \quad r = |x|.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\partial_s \bar{\Psi}|^2 d\omega ds + \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |(\alpha L - \alpha + \frac{1}{2}) \bar{\Psi}|^2 d\omega ds \\ & \geq C_{\alpha, p} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\bar{\Psi}|^p ds d\omega \right)^{\frac{2}{p}} \end{aligned}$$

$L = x \wedge \frac{i}{i} \nabla$ angular momentum operator

$$L(\mathbb{S}^2, d\omega : \mathbb{C}^2) = \bigoplus_{j=\frac{1}{2}}^{\infty} \left(\mathcal{H}_{\ell=j-\frac{1}{2}} \oplus \mathcal{H}_{\ell=j+\frac{1}{2}} \right)$$

$d\omega$ normalized

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$U(A)$ acts irreducibly on $\mathcal{H}_{\ell=j-\frac{1}{2}}$ and $\mathcal{H}_{\ell=j+\frac{1}{2}}$.

Normalized eigen spinors of $\sigma \cdot L$:

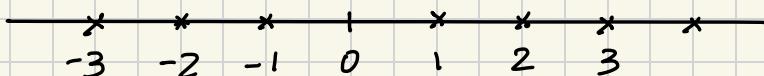
$$j = \ell + \frac{1}{2} : \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\ell+1}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\ell+m+\frac{1}{2}} & y_{\ell,m-\frac{1}{2}} \\ -\sqrt{\ell-m+\frac{1}{2}} & y_{\ell,m+\frac{1}{2}} \end{pmatrix} = X_{\ell,m}^+$$

$$j = \ell - \frac{1}{2} : \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\ell+1}} \begin{pmatrix} \sqrt{\ell-m+\frac{1}{2}} & y_{\ell,m-\frac{1}{2}} \\ \sqrt{\ell+m+\frac{1}{2}} & y_{\ell,m+\frac{1}{2}} \end{pmatrix} = X_{\ell,m}^-$$

Eigenvalues of $\sigma \cdot L + 1$

$$j = \ell - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$j = \ell + \frac{1}{2}$$



$$\{\sigma \cdot L + 1, \sigma' \omega_j\} = 0$$

$$\alpha = -\frac{2\ell+1}{2} \quad \ell=1, 2, \dots \quad (\sigma \cdot L + 1 + \ell) \chi_{e,m}^- = 0$$

$$\inf \frac{\int \int | \partial_s (u \chi_{e,m}^-) |^2 d\omega ds}{u \left(\int \int | u \chi_{e,m}^- |^p d\omega ds \right)^{2/p}} = 0.$$

Symmetry:

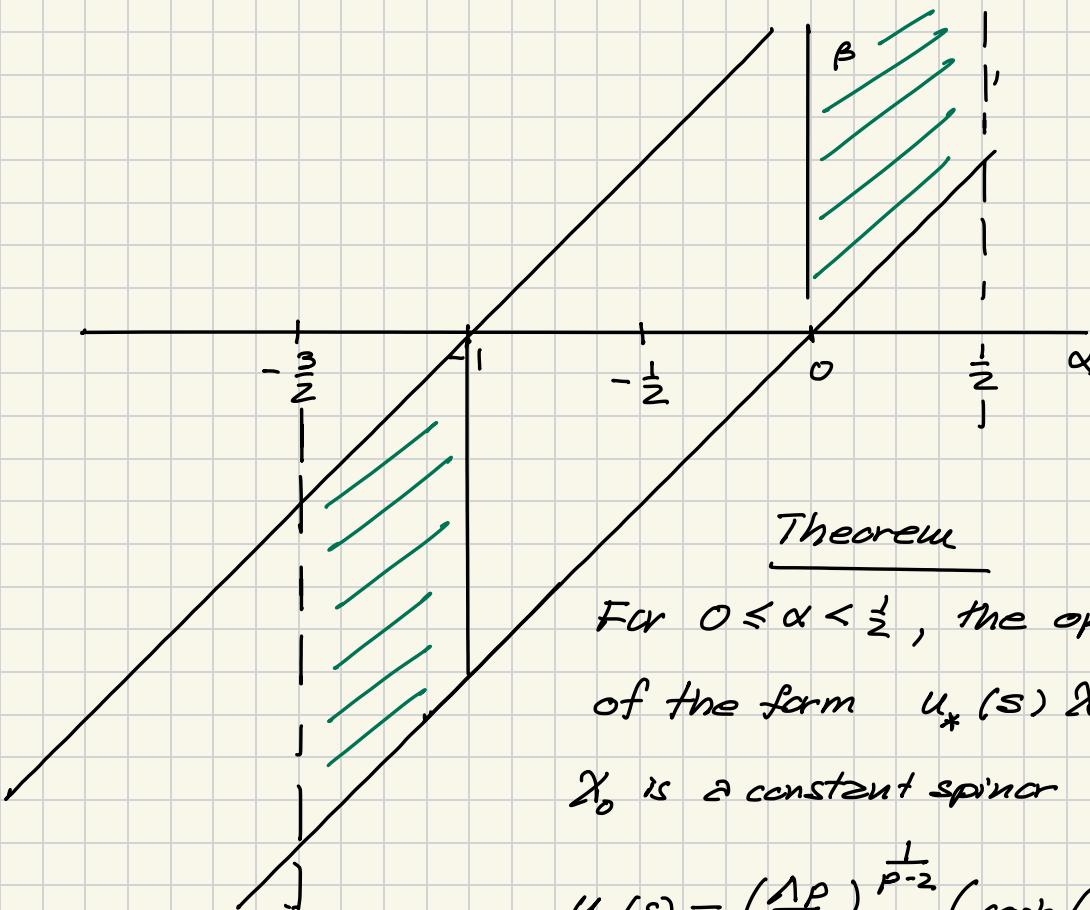
$$\int \int | (\sigma \cdot L - \alpha + \frac{1}{2}) \Theta \cdot \omega \Phi |^2 d\omega ds$$

$$= \int \int | (\sigma \cdot L + \alpha + \frac{3}{2}) \Phi |^2 d\omega ds$$

using $\{ \sigma \cdot L + 1, \Theta \cdot \omega \} = 0$

other terms are not affected.

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Theorem

For $0 \leq \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, the optimizer is
of the form $u_*(s) \chi_0$ where
 χ_0 is a constant spinor and

$$u_*(s) = \left(\frac{1-p}{2}\right)^{\frac{1}{p-2}} \left(\cosh\left(\frac{\sqrt{1-p}}{2}(p-2)s\right)\right)^{-\frac{1}{p-2}}$$

$$1 = (\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2.$$

Call \mathcal{H}_0 the symmetric sector.

$C_{\alpha,p}^*$ the optimal constant in this sector.

Proposition

If for some pair (α, p) , $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, $p \in [2, 6]$, $C_{\alpha,p} < C_{\alpha,p}^*$,

then for all $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha' < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$, $C_{\alpha',p} < C_{\alpha',p}^*$.

Proposition \Rightarrow Theorem, since $C_{0,p} = C_{0,p}^*$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\mathbf{G} \cdot \nabla \Psi|^2 dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla \Psi|^2 dx \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\nabla (\Psi)|^2 dx$$

\Rightarrow radial symmetry of $|\Psi|$.

Proof of Proposition:

$$G_{\frac{1}{2}-\alpha}(\Phi) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |\partial_s \Phi|^2 + |(\epsilon \cdot L - \alpha + \frac{1}{2}) \Phi|^2 d\omega ds}{\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |\Phi|^p d\omega ds \right)^{2/p}}$$

Scaling: $\Phi(s, \omega) \mapsto \Phi(ts, \omega) = \Phi_t$, $\frac{1}{2}-\alpha \mapsto t(\frac{1}{2}-\alpha)$

$t > 1 //$

$$G_{t(\frac{1}{2}-\alpha)}(\Phi_t) = t^{1+\frac{2}{p}} G_{\frac{1}{2}-\alpha}(\Phi) + \underbrace{(1-t)t^{\frac{2}{p}} I(\Phi)}_{< 0}$$

where $I(\Phi) = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{1+t}{t} |(\epsilon \cdot L \Phi)|^2 - 2 \operatorname{Re} \langle (\epsilon \cdot L \Phi, \Phi) \rangle (\alpha - \frac{1}{2}) d\omega ds}{\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |\Phi|^p d\omega ds \right)^{2/p}}$

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$$\frac{1+t}{t} (G \cdot L)^2 + (1-2\alpha) \in L \quad \text{has eigenvalue}$$

$$\frac{1+t}{t} \ell^2 + (1-2\alpha) \ell \quad \ell = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\frac{1+t}{t} (\ell+1)^2 - (1-2\alpha)(\ell+1), \quad \ell = 1, 2, \dots$$

$\Rightarrow I(\Phi) > 0$ and $= 0$ only if $\Phi \in \mathcal{H}_0$

Pick $t = \frac{1-2\alpha'}{1-2\alpha} > 1$, $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha' < \alpha < \frac{1}{2}$ and let

$\bar{\Phi}$ be an optimizer of $G_{\frac{1}{2}-\alpha}(\bar{\Phi})$.

$$C_{\alpha', p} \leq G_{\frac{1}{t}(\frac{1}{2}-\alpha)}(\bar{\Phi}_t) \leq t^{1+\frac{2}{p}} G_{\frac{1}{2}-\alpha}(\bar{\Phi}) \leq t^{1+\frac{2}{p}} C_{\alpha', p}^* \\ = C_{\alpha', p}^*$$

Theorem

Let $-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 0$.

For all β with $\beta_* (\alpha) < \beta < \alpha + 1$

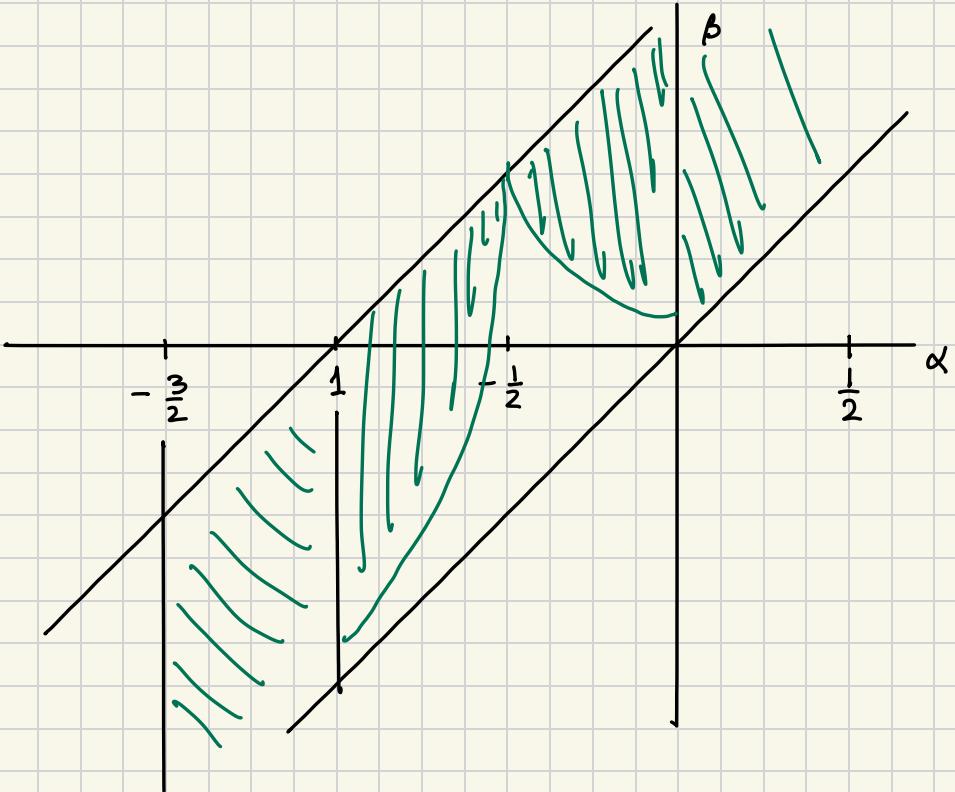
where

$$\beta_* (\alpha) = 1 + \alpha - \frac{6(2\alpha + 1)}{4\alpha(\alpha + 2) + 7}$$

we have that the optimizer is of the
form $u_*(s) \not\propto \text{const.}$

$$-\frac{1}{2} < \alpha < 0$$

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Sobolev-type inequality

$$K_\alpha = (\sigma \cdot L)^2 + (1-2\alpha) \sigma \cdot L$$

Theorem For $2 < q \leq 16$,

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} \langle X, K_\alpha X \rangle d\omega \geq 2 \frac{1+2\alpha}{q-2} \left(\|X\|_{L^q(\mathbb{S}^2)}^2 - \|X\|_{L^2(\mathbb{S}^2)}^2 \right)$$

Equality only if X is a const. spinor

$$\rho_*(\alpha) = 1 + \alpha - \frac{6(2\alpha+1)}{4\alpha(\alpha+2) + 7}$$

Some ideas of the proof of symmetry

ϕ optimizer

$$-\partial_s^2 \phi + (\sigma L - \alpha + \frac{1}{2})^2 \phi = |\phi|^{p-2} \phi.$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\partial_s \phi|^2 + |(\sigma L - \alpha + \frac{1}{2}) \phi|^2 dw ds - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\phi|^p dw ds = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow C_{\alpha, p} = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\phi|^p dw ds \right)^{1 - \frac{2}{p}}$$

Assume that

$$C_{\alpha, p}^* > C_{\alpha, p}.$$

$$\mathcal{F}(\phi) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |d_s \phi|^2 - |\phi|^p + |(g \cdot L - \alpha + \frac{1}{2})\phi|^2 dw ds = 0 \quad (15)$$

Keller-Lieb-Thirring:

$$-d_s^2 u - V(s)u = -\lambda(r)u \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}$$

$$\lambda(r)^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \leq C_{LT}(\gamma) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V(s)^{\gamma + \frac{1}{2}} ds, \quad \gamma > \frac{1}{2}$$

Equality if

$$V(s) = \frac{s^2 - \frac{1}{4}}{\cosh(s)^2}$$

$$u_*(s) = \pi^{-\frac{1}{4}} \left(\frac{\Gamma(\gamma)}{\Gamma(\gamma - \frac{1}{2})} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cosh(s)^{\frac{1}{2} - \gamma}$$

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$$\text{Set } V_{\omega}(s) = |\phi(s, \omega)|^{p-2}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{2} \frac{p+2}{p-2}, \quad u(\omega) = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(s, \omega)|^2 ds \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |ds \phi|^2 - |\phi|^{p-2} |\phi|^2 ds$$

$$\geq - C_{LT}(\gamma)^{\frac{1}{\delta}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(s, \omega)|^p ds \right)^{\frac{1}{\delta}} |u(\omega)|^2$$

$$O = \mathcal{F}(\phi) \geq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |(\sigma L - \alpha + \frac{1}{2})\phi|^2 d\omega ds$$

$$- C_{LT}(\gamma)^{\frac{1}{\delta}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(s, \omega)|^p ds \right)^{\frac{1}{\delta}} |u(\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} \langle \phi, K_\alpha \phi \rangle d\omega ds + (\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\phi|^2 d\omega ds$$

$$- C_{LT}(\gamma)^{\frac{1}{q}} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(s, \omega)|^p ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} |u(\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

Sobolev:

$$0 = \mathcal{F}(\phi) \geq \frac{2(1+2\alpha)}{q-2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\phi|^q d\omega \right)^{\frac{2}{q}} - \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\phi|^2 d\omega \right] ds$$

$$+ (\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\phi|^2 d\omega ds$$

q to be determined

$$- C_{LT}(\gamma)^{\frac{1}{q}} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(s, \omega)|^p ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} |u(\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

Minkowski's inequality

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |u(\omega)|^q d\omega \right)^{2/q} = \left(\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(s, \omega)|^2 ds \right)^{q/2} d\omega \right)^{2/q}$$

$$\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\phi(s, \omega)|^q d\omega \right)^{2/q} ds$$

Hölder's inequality

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\phi(s, \omega)|^p ds \right)^{1/p} |u(\omega)|^2 d\omega$$

$$\leq \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |\phi(s, \omega)|^p d\omega ds \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{S}^2} |u(\omega)|^{2p/(p-1)} d\omega \right)^{(p-1)/p}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 O = \mathcal{F}(\phi) &\geq \frac{2(1+2\alpha)}{q-2} \left[\|u\|_q^2 - \|u\|_2^2 \right] + (\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2 \|u\|_2^2 \\
 &- C_{LT}(\gamma)^{\frac{1}{q}} \underbrace{\left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{S^2} |\phi|^p dw ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}}_{=: D} \|u\|_2^2 \\
 &= \frac{2\gamma}{\gamma-1} \|u\|_2^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$q = \frac{2\gamma}{\gamma-1} = 2 \frac{p+2}{6-p}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 O = \mathcal{F}(\phi) &\geq \left[\frac{2(1+2\alpha)}{q-2} - D \right] \|u\|_q^2 \\
 &+ \left[(\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2 - \frac{2(1+2\alpha)}{q-2} \right] \|u\|_2^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 D &= C_{LT}(\gamma)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{S^2} |\phi|^p dw ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 &\leq C_{LT}(\gamma)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{S^2} |\phi_*|^p dw ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = (\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Pick α such that $(\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2 \leq \frac{2(1+2\alpha)}{q-2}$

$$\Rightarrow D \leq \frac{2(1+2\alpha)}{q-2}$$

$$\|u\|_q^2 \geq \|u\|_2^2 \quad q > 2$$

$$O = \mathcal{F}(\phi) \geq \left[(\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2 - D \right] \|u\|_2^2 \Rightarrow D = (\alpha - \frac{1}{2})^2.$$

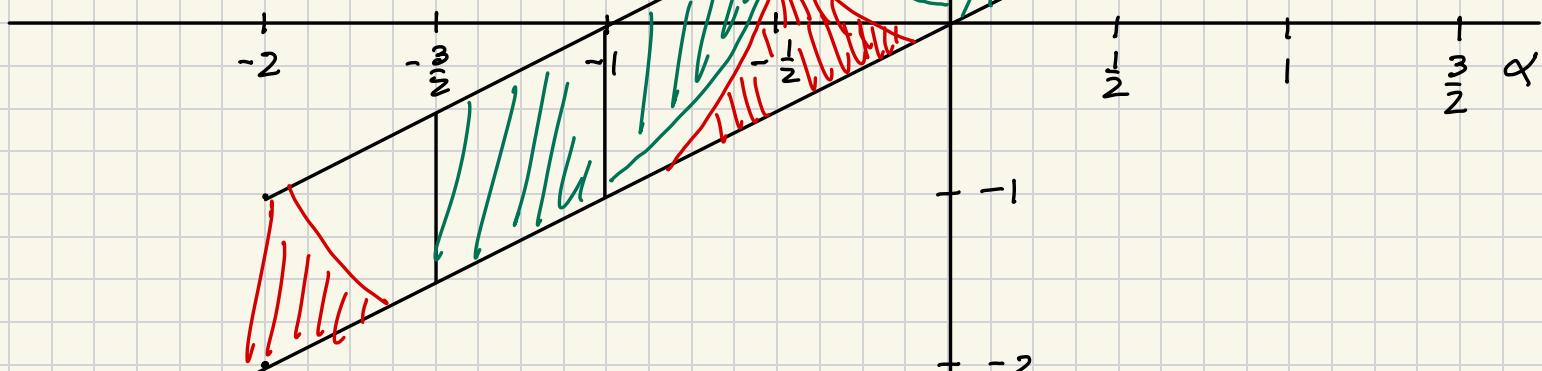
$\Rightarrow C_{\alpha, p} = C_{\alpha, p}^*$ and all inequalities must be equalities.

$\phi = u_*(s) X_{\text{const.}} \quad u_* \text{ opt. in KLT.}$



Zones of instability

Perturbations of $u_* \chi_{\text{const}}$ leads
to $C_{d,p} < C_{d,p}^*$ in the red zones.



$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |x| |G \cdot \nabla \Phi|^2 \geq C_{-\frac{1}{2}, 3} \|\Phi\|_3^2$$

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Sobolev's inequality, Beckner's approach.

Sharp HLS on sphere:

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^2 \times \mathbb{S}^2} \frac{\langle X(\omega), X(\omega') \rangle}{|\omega - \omega'|^2} d\omega d\omega' \leq C_p \|X\|_p^2$$

$$X(\omega) = \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \Phi_\ell \quad \text{angular momentum decomp.}$$

$$\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} |f_\ell|^p \left(\frac{2}{p} \right) \|\Phi_\ell\|_2^2 \leq C_p \|X\|_p^2. \quad \text{Funk-Hecke}$$

$$f_\ell(x) = \frac{\Gamma(x) \Gamma(\ell+2-x)}{\Gamma(2-x) \Gamma(x+\ell)}$$

Duality : $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$

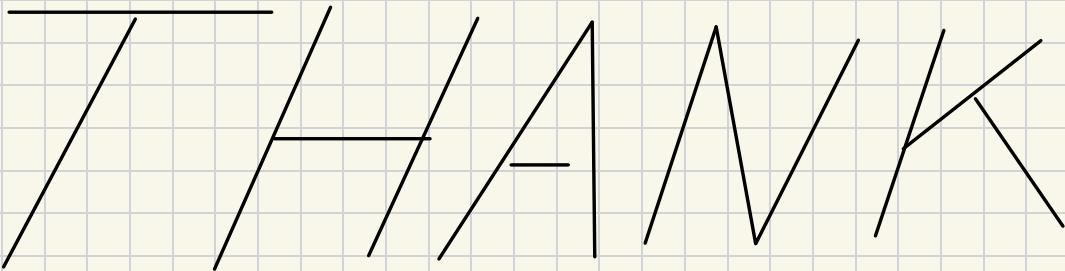
$$\|\chi\|_q^2 \leq \sum_{e=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\delta_e(\frac{2}{p})} \|\bar{\Phi}_e\|_2^2 = \sum_{e=0}^{\infty} \delta_e(\frac{2}{q}) \|\bar{\Phi}_e\|_2^2$$

$$\frac{1}{q-2} (\|\chi\|_q^2 - \|\chi\|_2^2) \leq \sum_{e=1}^{\infty} \delta_e(\frac{2}{q}) \|\bar{\Phi}_e\|_e^2$$

$$\delta_e(\frac{2}{q}) = \frac{\delta_e(\frac{2}{q}) - 1}{q-2}$$

$$\int_{S^2} \langle \chi, K_\alpha \chi \rangle d\omega = \sum_{e=1}^{\infty} \lambda_e^{(\alpha)} \|\bar{\Phi}_e\|_e^2$$

$$\text{show } \lambda_e^{(\alpha)} \geq \delta_e(\frac{2}{q}). \quad (\text{need } q \leq 10).$$



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- Y: A diagonal stroke with a vertical stroke below it.
- O: A simple circle.
- U: A downward curve.