

Local behaviour of solutions to nonstandard growth measure data problems

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Problems:

- definition of solution
- Orlicz growth (no homogeneity $\mathcal{A}(x, k\xi) = |k|^{p-2}k\mathcal{A}(x, \xi)$)
- measurable dependence $x \mapsto \mathcal{A}(x, \xi)$

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Trudinger & Wang [2002], Korte & Kuusi [2010], Kuusi & Mingione [2018]

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- The result is sharp as the same potential controls bounds from above and from below.
- u is continuous in $x_0 \iff \mathcal{W}_G^{\mu_u}(x, r)$ is small for $x \in B(x_0, r)$.
- if $-\operatorname{div}\mathcal{A}(x, Du) = \mu_u = \delta_{x_0}$; x is close to x_0 , $r = |x - x_0|$, then

$$\begin{aligned} c^{-1} \left(\int_r^{2r} g^{-1}(s^{1-n}) ds - r \right) &\leq u(x) \\ &\leq c \left(\int_r^{2r} g^{-1}(s^{1-n}) ds + \inf_{B_{2r}} u + r \right). \end{aligned}$$

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