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Global Sobolev Inequalities and Degenerate p-Laplacians

Reporting on joint work with D. Cruz-Uribe and E. Rosta, I discuss a local-global result for matrix weighted Sobolev inequalities using a PDE approach. Given a non-negative definite $n \times n$ matrix function Q = Q(x) in a domain Ω of \mathbb{R}^n , our main result is achieved through a regularity analysis for a one parameter family of matrix weighted *p*-Laplacians (p > 1) of the form

$$X_{p, au} = \mathsf{div}\Big(\left| \sqrt{Q} \nabla u \right|^{p-2} Q \nabla u \Big) - \tau |u|^{p-2} u$$

for $\tau \in (0,1)$.