# Advanced Mathematical Physics, Assignment 1

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#### 1 Stability in two dimensions

We define the energy functional for a particle in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  as  $\mathcal{E}(\psi) = T_{\psi} + V_{\psi}$ , with

$$T_{\psi} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} |\nabla \psi(x)|^2 dx$$
, and  $V_{\psi} = \int V(x) |\psi(x)|^2 dx$ . (1.1)

The ground state energy is defined by

$$E_0 = \inf\{\mathcal{E}(\psi), \ \psi \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^2), \ \|\psi\|_2 = 1, \ V_{\psi} \text{ well defined.}\}.$$
 (1.2)

Now assuming that  $V \in L^{1+\epsilon}(\mathbb{R}^2) + L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  we prove that  $E_0 > -\infty$ .

*Proof.* Let V=v+w with  $v\in L^{1+\epsilon}(\mathbb{R}^2)$  and  $w\in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . Notice first, that by Sobolev's inequality we have

$$\|\nabla \psi\|_{2}^{2} \ge S_{2,p} \|\psi\|_{2}^{\frac{-4}{p-2}} \|\psi\|_{p}^{\frac{2p}{p-2}}, \qquad 2 (1.3)$$

It follows that  $\psi \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^2)$  for  $2 , whenever <math>\psi \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ . Assuming that  $V_{\psi}$  is well defined we know from Hölder's inequality that

$$V_{\psi} = \int V(x)|\psi(x)|^{2} dx \ge \int v(x)|\psi(x)|^{2} dx - \|w\|_{\infty} \|\psi\|_{2}^{2}$$

$$\ge -\|v\|_{q} \||\psi|^{2} \|_{\frac{q}{q-1}} - \|w\|_{\infty} \|\psi\|_{2}^{2}$$

$$= -\|v\|_{q} \|\psi\|_{\frac{2q}{q-1}}^{2} - \|w\|_{\infty} \|\psi\|_{2}^{2}.$$
(1.4)

Thus setting  $p = \frac{2q}{q-1} = 2 + \frac{2}{\epsilon}$ , with  $\epsilon > 0$ , we find that

$$V_{\psi} \ge -\|v\|_{1+\epsilon} \|\psi\|_{p}^{2} - \|w\|_{\infty} \|\psi\|_{2}^{2}. \tag{1.5}$$

Now using Sobolev's inequality we find that

$$T_{\psi} \ge S_{2,p} \|\psi\|_{2}^{\frac{-4}{p-2}} \|\psi\|_{p}^{\frac{2p}{p-2}} = S_{2,p} \|\psi\|_{2}^{\frac{-4}{p-2}} \|\psi\|_{p}^{2(1+\epsilon)}. \tag{1.6}$$

Thus we conclude that  $\mathcal{E}(\psi) \geq S_{2,p} \|\psi\|_2^{\frac{-4}{p-2}} \|\psi\|_p^{2(1+\epsilon)} - \|v\|_{1+\epsilon} \|\psi\|_p^2 - \|w\|_{\infty} \|\psi\|_2^2$ . Consider now

the case in which  $\psi \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$ ,  $\|\psi\|_2 = 1$  and  $V_{\psi}$  is well defined. It then follows that

$$\mathcal{E}(\psi) \ge S_{2,p} \|\psi\|_p^{2(1+\epsilon)} - \|v\|_{1+\epsilon} \|\psi\|_p^2 - \|w\|_{\infty}. \tag{1.7}$$

Therefore, we may conclude that

$$E_{0} = \inf\{\mathcal{E}(\psi) : \psi \in H^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{2}), \ \|\psi\|_{2} = 1, \ V_{\psi} \text{ well defined}\}$$

$$\geq \inf\{S_{2,p}\|\psi\|_{p}^{2(1+\epsilon)} - \|v\|_{1+\epsilon}\|\psi\|_{p}^{2} - \|w\|_{\infty} : \psi \in H^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{2}), \ \|\psi\|_{2} = 1, \ V_{\psi} \text{ well defined}\}$$

$$\geq \inf\{S_{2,p}x^{(1+\epsilon)} - \|v\|_{1+\epsilon}x - \|w\|_{\infty} : x \in \mathbb{R}, \ x \geq 0\} > -\infty,$$

$$(1.8)$$

where we have used that fact that

$$\{\|\psi\|_{p}^{2}: \psi \in H^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{2}), \|\psi\|_{2} = 1, V_{\psi} \text{ well defined}\} \subseteq \{x \in \mathbb{R}: x \geq 0\}$$

#### 2 Stability of hydrogen through ground state positivity

(a)

Let  $\Omega \in \mathbb{R}^3$  be an open set and  $V \in \mathcal{C}(\Omega)$ . Assume that  $\psi \in \mathcal{C}^2(\Omega)$  satisfies  $(-\Delta + V)\psi = E\psi$  for some  $E \in \mathbb{R}$  and furthermore  $\psi > 0$ . Then it holds that

$$\int_{\Omega} |(\nabla \varphi)(x)|^2 dx + \int_{\Omega} V(x)|\varphi(x)|^2 dx \ge E \int_{\Omega} |\varphi(x)|^2 dx, \tag{2.1}$$

for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^1(\Omega)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^1(\Omega)$ , and write  $\varphi = g\psi$ . Since  $\psi > 0$  we clearly have  $g = \varphi/\psi \in \mathcal{C}_0^1(\Omega)$ . Notice that  $\nabla \varphi = (\nabla g)\psi + g(\nabla \psi)$  and therefore

$$|\nabla \varphi|^2 = |\psi|^2 |\nabla g|^2 + |g|^2 |\nabla \psi|^2 + (\nabla g)(\nabla \psi)\bar{g}\psi + (\nabla \psi)(\nabla \bar{g})\psi g. \tag{2.2}$$

Using that  $(\nabla g)(\nabla \psi)\bar{g}\psi = \nabla \cdot (g(\nabla \psi)\bar{g}\psi) - |g|^2(\Delta \psi)\psi - g(\nabla \psi)(\nabla \bar{g})\psi - |g|^2|\nabla \psi|^2$ , we find

$$|\nabla \varphi|^2 = |\psi|^2 |\nabla g|^2 + \nabla \cdot (g(\nabla \psi)\bar{g}\psi) - |g|^2 (\Delta \psi)\psi. \tag{2.3}$$

Applying Stokes' (or Gauss') theorem, as well as using the fact that g has compact support<sup>1</sup> we conclude

$$\int_{\Omega} |(\nabla \varphi)(x)|^2 dx = \int_{\Omega} |\psi(x)|^2 |\nabla g(x)|^2 - |g(x)|^2 (\Delta \psi(x)) \psi(x) dx \ge \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 \psi(x) (-\Delta \psi(x)). \tag{2.4}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla \cdot \left( g(\nabla \psi) \bar{g} \psi \right) \mathrm{d}x = \int_{S} \nabla \cdot \left( g(\nabla \psi) \bar{g} \psi \right) \mathrm{d}x + \int_{\Omega \backslash S} \nabla \cdot \left( g(\nabla \psi) \bar{g} \psi \right) \mathrm{d}x = \int_{\partial S} \left( g(\nabla \psi) \bar{g} \psi \right) \cdot \hat{n} \, \mathrm{d}a = 0.$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Notice that since g is continuous, the support of g,  $\operatorname{supp}(g) = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : f(x) \neq 0\}$ , is necessarily open. However,  $S = \overline{\operatorname{supp}(g)}$  is compact by assumption. Furthermore, by continuity of g, we must have  $g|_{\partial S} = 0$ . Thus we may split the integral

Therefore we conclude

$$\int_{\Omega} |(\nabla \varphi)(x)|^2 dx + \int_{\Omega} V(x)|\varphi(x)|^2 dx \ge \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 \psi(x)(-\Delta \psi(x)) + |g(x)|^2 \psi(x)(V(x)\psi(x)) dx$$

$$= \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 \psi(x) \left[ (-\Delta + V(x))\psi(x) \right] dx$$

$$= E \int_{\Omega} |g(x)|^2 |\psi(x)|^2 dx$$

$$= E \int_{\Omega} |\varphi(x)|^2 dx$$
(2.5)

this concludes the proof.

(b)

Consider now the function  $\psi(x) = \exp(-\alpha |x|)$ . We show that this function indeed satisfies  $\psi \in \mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\})$  and that there exist an  $\alpha$  such that  $(-\Delta - Z/|x|)\psi = E_0\psi$  for some  $E_0$ . First we notice that  $\psi$  is a composition of  $\mathcal{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\})$ , thus  $\psi \in \mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\}) \subset \mathcal{C}^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\})$ . Furthermore, by going to spherical coordinates  $(r, \theta, \varphi)$ , with  $\theta$  the azimuthal angle and  $\varphi$  the polar angle, we can express  $\tilde{\psi}(r, \theta, \phi) := \psi(x(r, \theta, \varphi)) = \exp(-\alpha r)$ . It is well known that the Laplacian on  $\mathcal{C}^2(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$ ,  $\Delta$ , can be excessed in polar coordinates as<sup>2</sup>

$$\Delta \phi = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} (r\phi) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \varphi} \frac{\partial}{\partial \varphi} (\sin \varphi \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial \varphi}) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \varphi} \frac{\partial^2 \phi}{\partial^2 \theta}, \quad r > 0, \ 0 \le \theta < 2\pi, \ 0 \le \varphi \le \pi. \ (2.6)$$

Thereby we see that

$$(-\Delta - Z/|x|)\psi(x)|_{x=x(r,\theta,\varphi)} = (-\Delta - Z/r)\tilde{\psi}(r,\theta,\varphi) = -\frac{1}{r}\frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2}(r\exp(-\alpha r)) - Z/r\exp(-\alpha r)$$
$$= (-\alpha^2 + 2\alpha/r - Z/r)\exp(\alpha r).$$

Thus choosing  $\alpha = Z/2$  we find that  $(-\Delta - Z/r)\psi = E_0\psi$ , with  $E_0 = -Z^2/4$ . From problem 2.(a) with  $\Omega = \mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\}$ , which is clearly open, we then conclude that for all  $\varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^1(\mathbb{R}^3 \setminus \{0\})$  we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3\setminus\{0\}} |(\nabla\varphi)(x)|^2 dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3\setminus\{0\}} \frac{Z}{|x|} |\varphi(x)|^2 dx \ge E \int_{\mathbb{R}^3\setminus\{0\}} |\varphi(x)|^2 dx.$$
 (2.7)

## 3 Lieb-Thirring inequalities in one dimension

We show that in one dimension a Lieb-Thirring inequality of the form

$$\sum_{j>0} |E_j|^{\gamma} \le L_{\gamma} \int_{\mathbb{R}} V_-(x)^{\gamma+1/2} \, \mathrm{d}x,\tag{3.1}$$

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Notice that we use  $\Delta$  to denote the Laplacian in both spherical and Cartesian coordinates.

cannot hold for  $0 \le \gamma < 1/2$ . We show this by contradiction. Consider the Hamiltonian  $H = -\frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{d}x^2} + \alpha(\alpha+1)(\tanh(x)^2 - 1)$  with eigenfunction  $\psi(x) = \frac{1}{\cosh(x)^{\alpha}}$ ,  $\alpha > 0$ 

$$-\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\psi(x) + \alpha(\alpha+1)(\tanh(x)^2 - 1)\psi(x) = -\alpha^2\psi(x).$$
 (3.2)

This can be seen by the following calculations:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x} \left( \frac{1}{\cosh(x)^{\alpha}} \right) = -\alpha \frac{\sinh(x)}{\cosh(x)^{\alpha+1}},\tag{3.3}$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2}{\mathrm{d}x^2} \left( \frac{1}{\cosh(x)^\alpha} \right) = -\alpha \frac{1}{\cosh(x)^\alpha} + \alpha(\alpha + 1) \frac{1}{\cosh(x)^\alpha} \tanh(x)^2. \tag{3.4}$$

From which it clearly follows that

$$-\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\psi(x) + \alpha(\alpha+1)(\tanh(x)^2 - 1)\psi(x) = -\alpha^2\psi(x).$$
 (3.5)

The potential of H, is clearly given by  $V(x) = \alpha(\alpha + 1)(\tanh(x)^2 - 1)$ . Since  $\tanh(x) < 1$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have that  $V_-(x) = \alpha(\alpha + 1)(1 - \tanh(x)^2)$ . Assume now that a Lieb-Thirring inequality of the form (3.1) with  $0 \le \gamma < 1/2$  holds. Let us then compute the right-hand side of the inequality with the potential  $V_-(x) = \alpha(\alpha + 1)(1 - \tanh(x)^2)$ 

$$L_{\gamma}\alpha(\alpha+1)\int_{\mathbb{R}} (1-\tanh(x)^{2})^{\gamma+1/2} dx = L_{\gamma}\alpha(\alpha+1)\int_{(-1,1)} (1-u^{2})^{\gamma-1/2} du$$

$$= 2L_{\gamma}\alpha(\alpha+1)\int_{(0,1)} (1+u)^{\gamma-1/2} (1-u)^{\gamma-1/2} du,$$
(3.6)

where we have made the change of variables  $u=\tanh(x)$  in the first line, Notice that then  $\frac{\mathrm{d}u}{\mathrm{d}x}=1-\tanh(x)^2$ . In the second line we simply exploited the fact that the integrand is even in u and factorized the integrand. Since the integrand is positive we can by monotone convergence theorem express it as a limit of integrals over the intervals (1/n,1) with  $n\to\infty$ . Then we can rewrite all these integrals to Riemann integrals. By a simple comparison to integrals of the type  $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{x^p} dx$ , it is clear that the integral of (3.6) is convergent if and only if  $\gamma < 1/2$ . In this case we simply define  $C_{\gamma} = 2L_{\gamma} \int_{(-1,1)} (1-u^2)^{\gamma-1/2} du$ , and we see that the Lieb-Thirring inequality is of the form

$$\sum_{j} |E_{j}|^{\gamma} \le \alpha(\alpha + 1)C_{\gamma}. \tag{3.7}$$

On the other hand we know that  $\alpha^{2\gamma} \leq \sum_j |E_j|^{\gamma}$ , since we have shown  $-\alpha^2$  to be one of the energies. Thus we conclude that

$$\alpha^{2\gamma} \le \alpha(\alpha+1)C_{\gamma}, \quad 0 \le \gamma < 1/2$$
 (3.8)

However, this is clear a contradiction since  $\alpha > 0$  was chosen arbitrarily. To see this, simply choose  $0 < \alpha < 1$  such that  $\alpha^{2\gamma-1} > 2C_{\gamma}$ . This concludes that in one dimension, there can be

no Lieb-Thirring inequality of the form (3.1) with  $0 \le \gamma < 1/2$ .

### 4 Thomas-Fermi theory

Let  $\rho \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^3) \cap L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ ,  $\rho > 0$ . The direct Couloumb energy is defined as

$$D(\rho) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{\rho(x)\rho(y)}{|x - y|} \, \mathrm{d}x \, \mathrm{d}y. \tag{4.1}$$

Consider then the *Thomas-Fermi* energy function

$$\mathcal{E}^{TF}(\rho) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho(x)^{5/3} dx - \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{\rho(x)}{|x|} + D(\rho), \tag{4.2}$$

and for a fixed N > 0 the minimization problem

$$, E_{0} := \inf \left\{ \mathcal{E}^{TF}(\rho) : \rho \in \mathcal{D}_{N} \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{D}_{N} := \left\{ \rho \in L^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{3}) \cap L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^{3}) : \rho \geq 0, \ \|\rho\|_{1} \leq N \right\}.$$
(4.3)

(a)

We prove that for  $\rho \in \mathcal{D}_N$ , we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \le cN + d \, \|\rho\|_{5/3} \,, \tag{4.4}$$

with some constants c, d > 0 independent of  $\rho$ . To see this, we split the integral

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho(x) \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{|x| > 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \le \int_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho(x) \, \mathrm{d}x + \|\rho\|_1. \tag{4.5}$$

For the remaining integrals we use Hölder's inequality with q = 5/2 and p = 5/3. Then we get

$$\int_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \le \left| \int_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|^{5/2}} \, \mathrm{d}x \right|^{\frac{2}{5}} \|\rho\|_{5/3} = \left| 4\pi \int_{(0,1)} \frac{1}{r^{1/2}} \, \mathrm{d}r \right|^{\frac{2}{5}} \|\rho\|_{5/3} = (8\pi)^{2/5} \|\rho\|_{5/3}$$

$$(4.6)$$

where we in the second equality changed to polar coordinates with Jacobian  $r^2 \sin(\varphi)$  and computed the angular integrals directly. Thus we have for  $\rho \in \mathcal{D}_N$ 

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \le N + (8\pi)^{2/5} \, \|\rho\|_{5/3} \,, \tag{4.7}$$

where we used that  $\|\rho\|_1 \leq N$ . Knowing that  $0 \leq D(\rho) < \infty$  we may conclude that

$$E_0 \ge (1 - (8\pi)^{2/5}) \|\rho\|_{5/3} - N + D(\rho) > -\infty.$$
 (4.8)

(b)

Let  $(\rho^j)_{j\geq 1}\subset \mathcal{D}_N$  be a sequence such that  $\mathcal{E}^{TF}(\rho^j)\to E_0$ . Then  $\|\rho^j\|_{5/3}$  is bounded and from Banach-Alaoglu's theorem after restricting to a subsequence we have  $\rho^j\rightharpoonup\rho_0$  for some  $\rho_0\in L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . We prove now that

$$\|\rho_0\|_{5/3} \le \liminf_{j\ge 1} \|\rho^j\|_{5/3}.$$
 (4.9)

We prove actually the more general statement: Let X be a Banach space and  $(x^j)_{j\geq 1}\subset X$  a sequence converging weakly to  $x\in X$ , then  $\|x\|\leq \liminf_{j\geq 1}\|x^j\|$ .

*Proof.* By the Hahn-Banach theorem, there exist a linear functional  $f: X \to \mathbb{C}$  such that f(x) = ||x|| and such that ||f|| = 1. By weak convergence of  $x^j$  we then have

$$||x|| = f(x) = \liminf_{j \ge 1} f(x^j) \le \liminf_{j \ge 1} ||x^j||,$$
 (4.10)

which proves the claim.

Now since  $L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  is a Banach space by the Riez-Fischer theorem, we have desired result.

(c)

We prove now that  $\rho_0 > 0$  almost everywhere. First we notice that  $\rho_0$  is measurable. Consider therefore the set  $M_R = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^3 : \rho_0(x) < 0\} \cap B_R(0)$ , where  $B_R(0)$  denotes the ball of radius R centred at 0. Assume for contradiction that this set has measure greater than zero,  $\lambda(M_R) > 0$  for some R > 0. Then  $\int_{M_R} \rho_0(x) \, \mathrm{d}x < 0$ . However, this is a contradiction, since  $\int_{M_R} \rho^j(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \ge 0$  and  $\int_{M_R} \mathrm{d}x$  is a bounded linear functional on  $L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . As we have already established weak convergence of  $\rho^j$  in  $L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ , we may conclude that  $\int_{M_R} \rho_0(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{j \to \infty} \int_{M_R} \rho^j(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \ge 0$ . Thus we have established that  $\rho_0 \ge 0$  on  $B_R(0)$  a.e. for all R > 0, from which it follows that  $\rho_0 \ge 0$  a.e.

Now that we have established that  $\rho_0 > 0$  a.e., we show that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho_0 dx \leq N$ . To see this consider the sequence  $(\chi_{B_n(0)}\rho_0)_{n\geq 1}$ . By the monotone convergence theorem we know that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho_0(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \chi_{B_n(0)}(x) \rho_0(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{B_n(0)} \rho_0(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{4.11}$$

Now since  $\int_{B_n(0)} dx$  is a bounded linear functional on  $L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  we may conclude from weak convergence of  $\rho^j$  that

$$\int_{B_n(0)} \rho_0(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{j \to \infty} \int_{B_n(0)} \rho^j(x) \, \mathrm{d}x. \tag{4.12}$$

From the fact that  $\int_{B_n(0)} \rho^j dx \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho^j(x) dx \leq N$  we may conclude that

$$\int_{B_n(0)} \rho_0(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \le N, \quad \text{for all } n \ge 1. \tag{4.13}$$

Thus it follows from the MCT that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \rho_0(x) dx \leq N$ , so  $\rho_0 \in \mathcal{D}_N$ .

(d)

It can be shown that  $\rho^j \rightharpoonup \rho_0$  in  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^3)$  for some 1 < q < 3/2. Using this we can show that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho^j(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \to \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho_0(x) \, \mathrm{d}x. \tag{4.14}$$

To see this, we split the integral in two

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho^j(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \int_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho^j(x) \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_{|x| > 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho^j(x) \, \mathrm{d}x. \tag{4.15}$$

We then notice that the integral  $\int_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|} dx$  acts as a bounded linear function on  $L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . This can be seen by the fact that  $\chi_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \in L^{5/2}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . Thus by Hölder's inequality we have for  $f \in L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$  that

$$\left| \int_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \right| \le \left\| \chi_{|x| \le 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \right\|_{5/2} \|f\|_{5/3}. \tag{4.16}$$

Therefore, we may conclude the convergence of the first integral by weak convergence of  $\rho^j$  in  $L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^3)$ . For the second integral, we instead use that  $\chi_{|x|>1}\frac{1}{|x|}\in L_p(\mathbb{R}^3)$  for all p>3. Again by Hölder's inequality  $\int_{|x|>1}\frac{1}{|x|}\,\mathrm{d}x$  acts as a bounded linear functional for all 1< q<3/2. Thus, by the fact that  $\rho^j$  converges weakly in  $L_q(\mathbb{R}^3)$  for some 1< q<3/2 we may conclude the convergence of the second integral. Thereby we have

$$\underbrace{\int_{|x|\leq 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho^{j}(x) \to \int_{|x|\leq 1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho_{0}(x),}_{\text{weak convergence in } L^{5/3}(\mathbb{R}^{3})} \qquad \underbrace{\int_{|x|>1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho^{j}(x) \to \int_{|x|>1} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho_{0}(x)}_{\text{weak convergence in } L^{q}(\mathbb{R}^{3}) \text{ for some } 1 < q < 3/2}. \tag{4.17}$$

From which we obtain the desired result

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho^j(x) \to \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{1}{|x|} \rho_0(x). \tag{4.18}$$