Chapter 1 Notation

Throughout this text, we will be regularly referring to the space-time norms

$$\left\|u\right\|_{L^{q}_{t}L^{r}_{x}(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{R}^{d})} := \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}}\left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^{d}}|u(t,x)|^{r}\,dx\right]^{\frac{q}{r}}\,dt\right)^{\frac{1}{q}},\tag{1.1}$$

with obvious changes if q or r are infinity. We will often use the abbreviation

$$||f||_r := ||f||_{L^r_x}$$
 and $||u||_{q,r} := ||u||_{L^q_t L^r_x}.$

We write $X \leq Y$ to indicate that $X \leq CY$ for some constant C, which is permitted to depend on the ambient spatial dimension, d, without further comment. Other dependencies of C will be indicated with subscripts, for example, $X \leq_u Y$. We will write $X \sim Y$ to indicate that $X \leq Y \leq X$. We use the 'Japanese bracket' convention: $\langle x \rangle := (1 + |x|^2)^{1/2}$ as well as

We use the 'Japanese bracket' convention: $\langle x \rangle := (1 + |x|^2)^{1/2}$ as well as $\langle \nabla \rangle := (1 - \Delta)^{1/2}$. Similarly, $|\nabla|^s$ denotes the Fourier multiplier with symbol $|\xi|^s$. These are used to define the Sobolev norms

$$||f||_{H^{s,r}} := ||\langle \nabla \rangle^s f||_{L^r_x}$$
 and $||f||_{\dot{H}^{s,r}} := ||\nabla|^s f||_{L^r_x}.$

When r = 2 we abbreviate $H^s = H^{s,2}$ and $\dot{H}^s = \dot{H}^{s,2}$.

Our convention for the Fourier transform is

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{-ix\cdot\xi} f(x) \, dx,$$

so that

$$f(x) = (2\pi)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{ix \cdot \xi} \hat{f}(\xi) \, d\xi \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\hat{f}(\xi)|^2 \, d\xi = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(x)|^2 \, dx.$$

Notations associated to Littlewood–Paley projections are discussed in the Appendix (Chapter 11).