

# Some properties on multi-radial functions

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- (d) points (a)-(c) implies compactness of some of Sobolev embeddings of "radial parts" of inhomogeneous Sobolev spaces.

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This extends to the closure of radial  $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$  in the gradient norm:

$$|x|^{N-1} |f(x)| = r^{N-1} |g(r)| \leq c_N \int_{|x|>r} |\nabla f(x)| dx \leq c_N \| \nabla f(x) \|_1.$$

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**Remark** For  $p = 2$  cf. Y.Cho, T.Ozawa (2009).

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$$\Gamma = \{x : r_{n^*}(x) = \dots = r_m(x) = 0, r_i(x) = \rho_i > 0, i = 1, \dots, n^* - 1\}.$$



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## Strauss lemma for block-radial functions II

### Corollary

Assume the conditions of Theorem 1. If, additionally,  $sp \geq N - \gamma_i + 1$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , then inequality (2) becomes

$$|f(x)| \leq C|x|^{s-N/p} \|f\|_{s,p}. \quad (3)$$

If, however,  $sp \leq m + \gamma_i - 1$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, m$ , then inequality (2) becomes

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There exists  $C > 0$ ,  $C = C(\gamma, s, p)$  such that for every  $f \in \dot{H}_\gamma^{s,p}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ , and every  $x \in U_J$

$$|f(x)| \leq \left(1 + \log \frac{\min_{i \notin J} r_i(x)}{\max_{i \in J} r_i(x)}\right) R_J(x)^{-1/p} \|f\|_{s,p}. \quad (7)$$

## Bi-radial case

### Corollary

Let  $s > 0$ ,  $m = 2 < sp < N$  and assume that  $\gamma_i \geq 2$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . Let  $d_* = \min\{\gamma_1, \gamma_2\} + 1$  and  $d^* = \max\{\gamma_1, \gamma_2\} + 1$ . Let  $d_* < sp < d^*$  then there exist  $C > 0$  such that for any  $f \in \dot{H}^{s,p}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,

$$|f(x)| \leq \begin{cases} |x|^{s-\frac{N}{p}} \|f\|_{s,p}, & \text{if } r_{\min}(x) = r_i, \text{ and } \gamma_i = \min(\gamma_1, \gamma_2), \\ |x|^{\frac{d_*-N}{p}} r_{\min}(x)^{\frac{sp-d_*}{p}} \|f\|_{s,p}, & \text{if } r_{\min}(x) = r_i, \text{ and } \gamma_i = \max(\gamma_1, \gamma_2). \end{cases}$$

Let  $sp = d_* < d^*$  or  $sp = d^* > d_*$ , then

$$|f(x)| \leq \begin{cases} \left(1 + \left|\log \frac{r_1(x)}{r_2(x)}\right|\right) |x|^{s-\frac{N}{p}} \|f\|_{s,p}, & x \in \mathbb{R}^N : r_i(x) \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|x| \\ |x|^{s-\frac{N}{p}} \|f\|_{s,p}, & x \in \mathbb{R}^N : r_i(x) \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}|x|, \end{cases}$$

if  $\gamma_i = d_* - 1$  or  $\gamma_i = d^* - 1$  respectively.

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Let  $sp = d^* = d_*$ . Then

$$|f(x)| \leq \left(1 + \left| \log \frac{r_1(x)}{r_2(x)} \right| \right) |x|^{s - \frac{N}{p}} \|f\|_{s,p}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^N, r_1(x) \cdot r_2(x) > 0$$

# Strauss inequality - optimality of the estimates

- For any  $x \neq 0$  there exists a smooth compactly supported radial function  $\psi$  such that  $\psi(x) = 1$  and

$$\|\psi\|_{s,p} \sim |x|^{\frac{N}{p}-s}$$

with constants independent of  $\phi$  and  $x$ .

- Let  $sp \neq d_J$  for any  $J \subset 1, \dots, m$ . For any  $x$  such that  $R_m(x) \neq 0$  there exists a smooth compactly supported  $SO(\gamma)$ -invariant function  $\psi$  such that  $\psi(x) = 1$  and

$$\|\psi\|_{s,p} \sim R_m(x)^{1/p} r_{min}(x)^{\frac{m}{p}-s}$$

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- If  $1 < p < \min\{\gamma_k : \gamma_k \geq 2, k = 1, \dots, m\}$  and  $1 < m < N$ , then  $\dot{H}_{0,\gamma}^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^N) = \dot{H}_\gamma^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ .



# Block radial symmetry- Hardy's inequalities

Theorem (L.S., C.Tintarev (2016))

Let  $1 < m < N$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . There exist  $C > 0$ ,  $C = C(\gamma)$  if  $2 \leq p < \infty$ , such that for all  $f \in C_{0,\gamma}^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N \setminus Y(\gamma))$ ,

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \frac{|f(x)|^p}{r_\gamma(x)^p} \right)^{1/p} \leq C \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} |\nabla f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \quad (8)$$

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Let  $1 < m < N$  and  $1 < p < \min\{\gamma_k : \gamma_k \geq 2\}$ . Then there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that for each  $f \in \dot{H}_\gamma^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \frac{|f(x)|^p}{r_\gamma(x)^p} dx \right)^{1/p} \leq C \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} |\nabla u(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}. \quad (9)$$

Moreover  $C = C(\gamma)$  if  $2 \leq p < \infty$ . Here  $r_\gamma(x) = R_m(x)^{1/(N-m)}$ .

# Block radial symmetry - CKN inequalities

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Let  $1 < m < N$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $p \leq q < \infty$ , and let  $q \leq p_m^* := \frac{pm}{m-p}$  whenever  $p < m$ . Then there exists a constant  $C > 0$ , uniform with respect to  $p > 2$ , such that for every  $f \in \dot{H}_{0,\gamma}^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^N)$ ,

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} \left( \frac{|u(x)|}{r_\gamma(x)^{|\gamma|(\frac{1}{q}-\frac{1}{p})+1}} \right)^q dx \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} |\nabla u(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}. \quad (10)$$





If  $p \neq m$  then the constant  $C > 0$  is independent of  $p$ .

Moreover if  $p < \min\{\gamma_k : \gamma_k \geq 2\}$  then the inequality (10) holds for any  $f \in \dot{H}_{p,\gamma}^1(\mathbb{R}^N)$ .

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