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# Brézis-Gallouet-Wainger-type inequality with critical fractional Sobolev space and BMO



Inégalité de type Brézis–Gallouet–Wainger pour un espace de Sobolev fractionnaire critique et BMO

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#### ABSTRACT

In this paper, we prove the Brézis–Gallouet–Wainger-type inequality involving the BMO norm, the fractional Sobolev norm, and the logarithmic norm of  $\dot{C}^{\eta}$ , for  $\eta \in (0,1)$ .

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### RÉSUMÉ

Dans cette Note, nous montrons l'inégalité de type Brézis–Gallouet–Wainger faisant intervenir la norme BMO, la norme fractionnaire de Sobolev et la norme logarithmique de  $\dot{C}^{\eta}$ , pour  $\eta \in (0,1)$ .

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#### 1. Introduction and main results

The main purpose of this paper is to establish the  $L^{\infty}$ -bound by means of the BMO norm, or the critical fractional Sobolev norm with the logarithm of  $\dot{C}^{\eta}$  norm. Such a  $L^{\infty}$ -estimate of this type is known as the Brézis-Gallouet-Wainger (BGW)-type inequality. Let us remind that Brézis-Gallouet [2], and Brézis-Wainger [3] considered the relation between  $L^{\infty}$ ,  $W^{k,r}$ , and  $W^{s,p}$ , and proved that there holds

$$||f||_{L^{\infty}} \le C \left(1 + \log^{\frac{r-1}{r}} (1 + ||f||_{W^{s,p}})\right), \quad sp > n$$
 (1.1)

provided that  $||f||_{W^{k,r}} \le 1$ , for kr = n. Its application is to prove the existence of solutions to the nonlinear Schrödinger equations, see details in [2]. We also note that an alternative proof of (1.1) was given by H. Engler [4] for any bounded set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with the cone condition. Similar embedding for vector functions u with divu = 0 was investigated by Beale–Kato–Majda:

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$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^{\infty}} \le C\left(1 + \|\operatorname{rot} u\|_{L^{\infty}} \left(1 + \log(1 + \|u\|_{W^{s+1,p}})\right) + \|\operatorname{rot} u\|_{L^{2}}\right),\tag{1.2}$$

for sp > n, see [1] (see also [9] for an improvement of (1.2) in a bounded domain). An application of (1.2) is to prove the breakdown of smooth solutions to the 3-D Euler equations. After that, estimate (1.2) was enhanced by Kozono and Taniuchi [5] in that  $\|\text{rot} u\|_{L^{\infty}}$  can be relaxed to  $\|\text{rot} u\|_{\text{BMO}}$ :

$$\|\nabla u\|_{L^{\infty}} < C\left(1 + \|\text{rot}u\|_{\text{RMO}}\left(1 + \log(1 + \|u\|_{W^{s+1,p}})\right)\right).$$
 (1.3)

To obtain (1.3), Kozono–Taniuchi [5] proved a logarithmic Sobolev inequality in terms of BMO norm and Sobolev norm, in which, for any 1 , and for <math>s > n/p, there is a constant C = C(n, p, s) such that the estimate

$$||f||_{L^{\infty}} < C\left(1 + ||f||_{\text{BMO}}\left(1 + \log^{+}\left(||f||_{W^{s,p}}\right)\right)\right) \tag{1.4}$$

holds for all  $f \in W^{s,p}$ . Obviously, (1.4) is a generalization of (1.1).

Besides, it is interesting to note that a Gagliardo–Nirenberg-type inequality with critical Sobolev space directly yields a BGW-type inequality. For example, H. Kozono and H. Wadade [6] proved the Gagliardo–Nirenberg-type inequalities for the critical case and the limiting case of a Sobolev space as follows:

$$||u||_{L^{q}} \le C_{n} r' q^{\frac{1}{r'}} ||u||_{L^{p}}^{\frac{p}{q}} ||(-\Delta)^{\frac{n}{2r}} u||_{L^{r}}^{1-\frac{p}{q}}$$

$$\tag{1.5}$$

holds for all  $u \in L^p \cap \dot{H}^{\frac{n}{r},r}$  with  $1 \le p < \infty$ ,  $1 < r < \infty$ , and for all q with  $p \le q < \infty$  (see also Ozawa [10]). Also,

$$\|u\|_{L^q} \le C_n q \|u\|_{L^p}^{\frac{p}{q}} \|u\|_{\text{BMO}}^{1-\frac{p}{q}} \tag{1.6}$$

holds for all  $u \in L^p \cap BMO$  with  $1 \le p < \infty$ , and for all q with  $p \le q < \infty$ .

As a result, (1.5) implies

$$||u||_{L^{\infty}} \le C \left( 1 + (||u||_{L^{p}} + ||(-\Delta)^{\frac{n}{2r}}u||_{L^{r}}) \left( \log(1 + ||(-\Delta)^{\frac{s}{2}}u||_{L^{q}}) \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \right)$$
(1.7)

for every  $1 \le p < \infty$ ,  $1 < r < \infty$ ,  $1 < q < \infty$  and  $n/q < s < \infty$ .

Furthermore, (1.6) yields

$$||u||_{L^{\infty}} \le C \left( 1 + (||u||_{L^{p}} + ||u||_{BMO}) \log(1 + ||(-\Delta)^{\frac{s}{2}}u||_{L^{q}}) \right)$$
(1.8)

for every  $1 \le p < \infty$ ,  $1 < q < \infty$ , and  $n/q < s < \infty$ .

Thus, (1.7) and (1.8) may be regarded as generalizations of the BGW inequality. Note that, in (1.7) and (1.8), the logarithm term only contains the semi-norm  $\|u\|_{\dot{W}^{s,p}}$ .

Furthermore, Kozono, Ogawa, Taniuchi [7] proved the logarithmic Sobolev inequalities in Besov space, generalizing the BGW inequality and the Beale-Kato-Majda inequality.

Motivated by the above results, we study in this paper the BGW-type inequality by means of the BMO norm, the fractional Sobolev norm, and the  $\dot{C}^{\eta}$  norm, for  $\eta \in (0,1)$ . Then, our first result is as follows.

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $\eta \in (0, 1)$ , and  $\alpha \in (0, n)$ . Then, there exists a constant  $C = C(n, \eta) > 0$  such that the estimate

$$||f||_{L^{\infty}} \le C + C||f||_{\text{BMO}} \left( 1 + \log^{+} \left[ \sup_{z \in \mathbb{R}^{n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|z - y| + 1)^{\alpha}} \mathrm{d}y + ||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}} \right] \right)$$
(1.9)

holds for all  $f \in \dot{\mathcal{C}}^{\eta} \cap BMO$ . We accept the notation  $\log^+ s = \log s$  if s > 1, and  $\log^+ s = 0$  if  $s \in (0, 1)$ .

**Remark 1.2.** It is clear that  $\left(\sup_{z\in\mathbb{R}^n}\int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^n}\frac{|f(y)|}{(|z-y|+1)^{\alpha}}\mathrm{d}y\right)$  is finite if  $f\in L^1$ . On the other hand, if  $f\in L^r$ , r>1, then for any

 $\alpha \in (\frac{n}{r}, n)$ , we have

$$\sup_{z\in\mathbb{R}^n}\int_{\mathbb{R}^n}\frac{|f(y)|}{(|z-y|+1)^\alpha}\mathrm{d}y\leq C\|f\|_{L^r},$$

where the constant C is independent of f.

**Remark 1.3.** If supp  $f \subset B_R$ , then (1.9) implies

$$||f||_{L^{\infty}} \le C + C||f||_{\text{BMO}} \left(1 + \log^{+} \left[ R^{n-\alpha+\eta} + ||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}} \right] \right). \tag{1.10}$$

**Remark 1.4.** Note that if  $f \in W^{s,p}$  with sp > n, then (1.9) is stronger than (1.4) since  $W^{s,p} \subset \mathcal{C}^{0,\eta} \subset \dot{\mathcal{C}}^{\eta}$ , with  $\eta = \frac{sp-n}{p}$ .

Concerning the BGW-type inequality involving the fractional Sobolev space, we have the following result.

**Theorem 1.5.** Let s>0,  $p\geq 1$  be such that sp=n. Let  $\alpha>0$ ,  $\eta\in (0,1)$ . Then, there exists a constant  $C=C(n,s,p,\eta,\alpha)>0$  such that the estimate

$$||f||_{L^{\infty}} \le C + C||f||_{\dot{W}^{s,p}} \left( 1 + \left( \log^{+} \left( \sup_{z \in \mathbb{R}^{n}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|z - y| + 1)^{\alpha}} \mathrm{d}y + ||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}} \right) \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \right)$$
(1.11)

holds for all  $f \in \dot{C}^{\eta} \cap \dot{W}^{s,p}$ , where  $\dot{W}^{s,p}$  is the homogeneous fractional Sobolev space, see its definition below.

**Remark 1.6.** As Remark 1.4, we can see that (1.11) is stronger than (1.1). Furthermore, if supp  $f \subset B_R$ , then (1.9) implies

$$||f||_{L^{\infty}} \le C + C||f||_{\dot{W}^{s,p}} \left(1 + \left(\log^{+}\left[R^{n-\alpha+\eta} + ||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}}\right]\right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}}\right). \tag{1.12}$$

**Remark 1.7.** We consider  $f_{\delta}(x) = -\log(|x| + \delta)\psi(|x|)$ , where  $\psi \in \mathcal{C}_c^1([0, \infty))$ ,  $0 \le \psi \le 1$ ,  $\psi(|x|) = 1$  if  $|x| \le \frac{1}{4}$ , and  $\delta > 0$  is small enough. It is not hard to see that, for any  $\delta > 0$  small enough,

$$||f_{\delta}||_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)} \sim |\log(\delta)|, \ ||f_{\delta}||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^d)} \sim 1, \ ||f_{\delta}||_{\dot{W}^{\frac{n}{D},p}} \sim |\log(\delta)|^{\frac{1}{p}},$$

and

$$\sup_{z\in\mathbb{R}^n}\int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^n}\frac{|f_\delta(y)|}{(|z-y|+1)^\alpha}\mathrm{d}y\sim 1,\ \|f_\delta\|_{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^\eta(\mathbb{R}^n)}\lesssim \delta^{-1}.$$

Therefore, the powers 1 and  $\frac{p-1}{p}$  of the term  $\log_2^+\left(\sup_{z\in\mathbb{R}^n}\int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^n}\frac{|f(y)|}{(|z-y|+1)^\alpha}\mathrm{d}y+\|f\|_{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^\eta}\right)$  in (1.9) and (1.11), respectively, are sharp, so there are no such estimates of the form:

$$||f_1||_{\infty} \le C + C||f_1||_{\text{BMO}} \left(1 + \left(\log_2^+ \left(\sup_{z \in \mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f_1(y)|}{(|z-y|+1)^{\alpha}} \mathrm{d}y + ||f_1||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}}\right)\right)^{\gamma}\right),$$

and

$$\|f_2\|_{L^{\infty}} \leq C + C\|f_2\|_{\dot{W}^{\frac{n}{p},p}} \left(1 + \left(\log^+\left(\sup_{z \in \mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f_2(y)|}{(|z-y|+1)^{\alpha}} \mathrm{d}y + \|f_2\|_{\dot{C}^{\eta}}\right)\right)^{\gamma \frac{p-1}{p}}\right),$$

hold for all  $f_1 \in BMO \cap \dot{C}^{\eta}$ ,  $f_2 \in \dot{C}^{\eta} \cap \dot{W}^{s,p}$ , for some  $\gamma \in (0,1)$ .

Before closing this section, let us introduce some functional spaces that we use throughout this paper. First of all, we recall  $\dot{C}^{\eta}$ ,  $\eta \in (0, 1)$ , as the homogeneous Hölder continuous of order  $\eta$ , endowed with the semi-norm:

$$||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}} = \sup_{x \neq y} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|^{\eta}}.$$

Next, if  $s \in (0, 1)$ , then we recall  $\dot{W}^{s,p}$  the homogeneous fractional Sobolev space, endowed with the semi-norm:

$$||f||_{\dot{W}^{s,p}} = \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|^p}{|x - y|^{n+sp}} dx dy\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

When s > 1, and s is not an integer, we denote  $\dot{W}^{s,p}$  as the homogeneous fractional Sobolev space endowed with the semi-norm:

$$||f||_{\dot{W}^{s,p}} = \sum_{|\sigma|=[s]} ||D^{\sigma}f||_{\dot{W}^{s-[s],p}}.$$

If s is an integer, then

$$||f||_{\dot{W}^{s,p}} = \sum_{|\sigma|=[s]} ||D^{\sigma} f||_{L^p}.$$

We refer to [8] for details on the fractional Sobolev space.

After that, we accept the notation  $(f)_{\Omega} := \int_{\Omega} f = \frac{1}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} f(x) dx$  for any Borel set  $\Omega$ . Finally, C is always denoted as a constant that can change from line to line. And C(k, n, l) means that this constant merely depends on k, n, l.

#### 2. Proof of the theorems

We first prove Theorem 1.1.

**Proof of Theorem 1.1.** It is enough to prove that

$$|f(0)| \le C + C \|f\|_{\text{BMO}} \left( 1 + \log_2^+ \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|y|+1)^{\alpha}} \mathrm{d}y + \|f\|_{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^{\eta}} \right) \right). \tag{2.1}$$

Let  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , set  $B_{\rho} := B_{\rho}(0)$ , we have

$$|f(0)| = \left| f(0) - \int_{B_{2}-m_{0}} f + \sum_{j=-m_{0}}^{m_{0}-1} \left( \int_{B_{2}j} f - \int_{B_{2}j+1} f \right) + \int_{B_{2}m_{0}} f \right|$$

$$\leq \int_{B_{2}-m_{0}} |f - f(0)| + \sum_{j=-m_{0}}^{m_{0}-1} \int_{B_{2}j} |f - (f)_{B_{2}j+1}| + C2^{-m_{0}(n-\alpha)} \int_{B_{2}m_{0}} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|y|+1)^{\alpha}} dy$$

$$\leq \int_{B_{2}-m_{0}} |y|^{\eta} ||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}} dy + 2m_{0} ||f||_{BMO} + C2^{-m_{0}(n-\alpha)} \int_{B_{2}m_{0}} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|y|+1)^{\alpha}} dy$$

$$\leq C2^{-m_{0}\min\{n-\alpha,\eta\}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{D}^{n}} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|y|+1)^{\alpha}} dy + ||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}} \right) + Cm_{0} ||f||_{BMO}.$$

Choosing

$$m_0 = \left\lceil \frac{\log_2^+ \left( \int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|y|+1)^\alpha} \mathrm{d}y + \|f\|_{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^\eta} \right)}{\min\{n-\alpha,\,\eta\}} \right\rceil + 1,$$

we get (2.1). The proof is complete.  $\Box$ 

Next, we prove Theorem 1.5.

**Proof of Theorem 1.5.** To prove it, we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $a_0 = 1$ , and let  $(a_0, a_1, ..., a_{k+1}) \in \mathbb{R}^{k+2}$ , for any  $k \ge 1$ , be a unique solution to the following system:

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j 2^{jl} = 0, \quad \forall l = 0, ..., k.$$
(2.2)

Then we have:

$$a := \sum_{j=0}^{k} (k - j + 1)a_j \neq 0.$$
(2.3)

Moreover, for any  $m \ge 1$ , and for  $b, b_l \in \mathbb{R}$ , l = -m, ..., m, we have

$$\sum_{l=-m}^{m-1} \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j b_{j+l} \right] = \sum_{l=m}^{k+m} \left[ \sum_{j=l-m+1}^{k+1} a_j \right] b_l + \sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{l+m} a_j \right] (b_l - b) + ab.$$
 (2.4)

As a result, we obtain

$$|b| \leq \frac{1}{|a|} \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} |a_j| \right] \sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} |b_l - b| + \frac{1}{|a|} \sum_{l=-m}^{m-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j b_{j+l} \right| + \frac{1}{|a|} \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} |a_j| \right] \sum_{l=m}^{k+m} |b_l|. \tag{2.5}$$

**Proof.** First of all, we note that  $a_i \neq 0$ , for j = 0, ..., k + 1. Set

$$Q(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j x^j.$$

Then,

$$Q'(1) = \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} j a_j.$$

On the other hand, by (2.2), we have  $Q(2^l) = 0$ , for l = 0, ..., k. Thus,

$$Q(x) = a_{k+1} \prod_{l=0}^{k} (x - 2^{l}), \text{ and } Q'(1) = \prod_{l=1}^{k} (1 - 2^{l}).$$

This implies

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k+1} j a_j = \prod_{j=1}^k (1 - 2^l) \neq 0.$$
 (2.6)

Next, we observe that

$$0 = (k+1)\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j = a + \sum_{j=1}^{k+1} ja_j = 0.$$

The last equation and (2.6) yield  $a = -\prod_{i=1}^{k} (1-2^{l}) \neq 0$ .

Now, we prove (2.4). We denote by LHS (resp. RHS) the left-hand side (resp. the right-hand side) of (2.4). It is not difficult to verify that

$$\sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} \left[ \sum_{j=0}^{l+m} a_j \right] b = ab.$$

Then, a direct computation shows

$$\begin{aligned} \mathit{RHS} &= a_0 b_{-m} + (a_0 + a_1) b_{1-m} + \ldots + (a_0 + \ldots + a_k) b_{k-m} \\ &+ (a_1 + \ldots + a_{k+1}) b_m + (a_2 + \ldots + a_{k+1}) b_{m+1} + \ldots + a_{k+1} b_{k+m} = a_0 \sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} b_l \\ &+ a_1 \left( \sum_{l=1-m}^{k-m} b_l + \sum_{l=m}^{m} b_l \right) + \ldots + a_k \left( \sum_{l=k-m}^{k-m} b_{k-m} + \sum_{l=m}^{m+k-1} b_l \right) + a_{k+1} \left( \sum_{l=m}^{m+k} b_l \right). \end{aligned}$$

Note that 
$$\left(\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j\right) \sum_{l=k+1-m}^{m-1} b_l = 0$$
. Thus,

$$RHS = RHS + \left(\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j\right) \sum_{l=k+1-m}^{m-1} b_l$$

$$= \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \left(\sum_{l=j-m}^{j+m-1} b_l\right)$$

$$= \sum_{l=m}^{k+m} \left(\sum_{j=l-m+1}^{k+1} a_j\right) b_l + \sum_{l=k+1-m}^{m-1} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j\right) b_l + \sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{l+m} a_j\right) b_l$$

$$= \sum_{l=m}^{k+m} \left(\sum_{j=l-m+1}^{k+1} a_j\right) b_l + \sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{l+m} a_j\right) b_l$$

$$= LHS$$

We get (2.4).

Finally, (2.5) follows from (2.4) by using the triangle inequality. In other words, we get Lemma (2.1)

Next, we have the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.2.** Assume  $a_0, a_1, ..., a_{k+1}$  as in Lemma 2.1. Let  $\Omega_j = B_{2j+1} \setminus B_{2j}$ , where  $B_\rho := B_\rho(0)$  for any  $\rho > 0$ . Then, there holds:

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \int_{\Omega_j} f \right| \le C \int_{B_{2^{k+3}} \setminus B_{2^{-1}}} \left| D^k f(y) - \left( D^k f \right)_{B_{2^{k+3}} \setminus B_{2^{-1}}} \right| dy. \tag{2.7}$$

For any  $l \in \mathbb{R}$ , we set  $E_l = B_{2^{k+l+3}} \setminus B_{2^{l-1}}$ . As a consequence of (2.7), we obtain:

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \int_{\Omega_{j+l}} f \right| \le C 2^{kl} \int_{E_l} \int_{E_l} \left| D^k f(y) - D^k f(y') \right| \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}y'. \tag{2.8}$$

Moreover, by the triangle inequality, we get from (2.8):

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \int_{\Omega_{j+l}} f \right| \le C 2^{kl} \int_{E_l} \left| D^k f(y) \right| \, \mathrm{d}y. \tag{2.9}$$

**Proof.** Assume that (2.7) is not true, which is a contradiction. There exists then a sequence  $(f_m)_{m\geq 1}\subset W^{k,1}(B_{2^{k+3}}\setminus B_{2^{-1}})$  such that

$$\int_{B_{2^{k+3}}\setminus B_{2^{-1}}} |D^k f_m(y) - \left(D^k f_m\right)_{B_{2^{k+3}}\setminus B_{2^{-1}}} | \, \mathrm{d}y \le \frac{1}{m},\tag{2.10}$$

and

$$|\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint_{\Omega_j} f_m| = 1, \ \forall m \ge 1.$$

Let us put

$$\tilde{f}_m(x) = f_m(x) - P_{k,m}(x), \text{ with } P_{k,m}(x) = \sum_{l=0}^k \sum_{\alpha_1 + ... + \alpha_n = l} c_{l,k,m}(\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_n) x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} ... x_n^{\alpha_n},$$

and  $c_{l,k,m}(\alpha_1,...,\alpha_n)$  is a constant such that

$$\left(D^{l}\tilde{f}_{m}\right)_{B_{2k+3}\setminus B_{2}-1} = 0, \ \forall \ l = 0, ..., k.$$
(2.11)

By a sake of brief, we denote  $c_{l,m} = c_{l,k,m}(\alpha_1, ..., \alpha_n)$ . Since  $P_{k,m}$  is a polynomial of at most degree k, then  $D^k P_{k,m} = const.$  This, (2.10), and (2.11) imply

$$\int\limits_{B_{2^{k+3}}\backslash B_{2^{-1}}} |D^k \tilde{f}_m(y)| \, \mathrm{d}y = \int\limits_{B_{2^{k+3}}\backslash B_{2^{-1}}} |D^k f_m(y) - \left(D^k f_m\right)_{B_{2^{k+3}}\backslash B_{2^{-1}}} | \, \mathrm{d}y \leq \frac{1}{m}.$$

It follows from the compact embeddings that there exists a subsequence of  $(\tilde{f}_m)_{m\geq 1}$  (still denoted as  $(\tilde{f}_m)_{m\geq 1}$ ) such that  $\tilde{f}_m \to \tilde{f}$  strongly in  $L^1(B_{2^{k+3}} \setminus B_{2^{-1}})$ , and

$$D^k \tilde{f} = 0$$
, in  $B_{2k+3} \setminus B_{2^{-1}}$ .

This implies that  $\tilde{f}$  is a polynomial of at most degree (k-1), i.e.:

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \sum_{l=0}^{k-1} \sum_{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n = l} c'_{l,k}(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n}, \ \forall x \in B_{2^{k+3}} \backslash B_{2^{-1}}.$$

On the other hand, we observe that, for any l = 0, ..., k,

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint \sum_{\alpha_1 + \ldots + \alpha_n = l} c(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \ldots x_n^{\alpha_n} dx_1 dx_2 \ldots dx_n \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint \sum_{\alpha_1 + \ldots + \alpha_n = l} c(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) (2^j x_1)^{\alpha_1} (2^j x_2)^{\alpha_2} \ldots (2^j x_n)^{\alpha_n} dx_1 dx_2 \ldots dx_n \\ &= \oint \sum_{\alpha_1 + \ldots + \alpha_n = l} c(\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) \left( \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j 2^{jl} \right) x_1^{\alpha_1} x_2^{\alpha_2} \ldots x_n^{\alpha_n} dx_1 dx_2 \ldots dx_n = 0, \end{split}$$

by (2.2). This implies

$$\sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint_{\Omega_j} \tilde{f} = 0, \tag{2.12}$$

and

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint_{\Omega_j} \tilde{f}_m \right| = \left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint_{\Omega_j} f_m \right| = 1.$$

Remind that  $\tilde{f}_m \to \tilde{f}$  strongly in  $L^1(B_{2^{k+3}} \setminus B_{2^{-1}})$ ; then we have

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint_{\Omega_j} \tilde{f} \right| = 1.$$

Now we complete the proof of (2.7).

The proof of (2.8) (resp. (2.9)) is trivial; we leave it to the reader. This puts an end to the proof of Lemma (2.2).

Now, we are ready to prove Theorem 1.5.

It is enough to show that

$$|f(0)| \le C + C \|f\|_{\dot{W}^{s,p}} \left( 1 + \log_2^+ \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|y|+1)^{\alpha}} \mathrm{d}y + \|f\|_{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^{\eta}} \right) \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}}. \tag{2.13}$$

Set  $s_1 = s - k$ ,  $s_1 \in [0, 1)$ . Then, we divide our study into the two cases.

i) Case 1:  $s_1 \in (0, 1)$ . We apply Lemma 2.1 with b = f(0),  $b_j = \int_{\Omega_j} f$ . Then, for any  $m_0 \ge 1$ , there is a constant C = C(k) > 0

such that

$$|f(0)| \le C \left( \sum_{l=-m_0}^{k-m_0} \left| \oint_{\Omega_l} f - f(0) \right| + \sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint_{\Omega_{j+l}} f \right| + \sum_{l=m_0}^{k+m_0} \left| \oint_{\Omega_l} f \right| \right). \tag{2.14}$$

Concerning the first term on the right-hand side of (2.14), we have

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{k-m_0} \left| \int_{\Omega_l} f - f(0) \right| \le \sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} \int_{\Omega_l} |f - f(0)| \le \sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} \int_{\Omega_l} |x|^{\eta} ||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}} dx.$$

Thus,

$$\sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} \left| \oint_{\Omega_l} f - f(0) \right| \le \sum_{l=-m}^{k-m} 2^{(l+1)\eta} \|f\|_{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^{\eta}} \le C(\eta, k) 2^{-m\eta} \|f\|_{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^{\eta}}. \tag{2.15}$$

Next, we use (2.8) in Lemma 2.2 to obtain

$$\sum_{l=-m}^{m-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint_{\Omega_{j+l}} f \right| \le C \sum_{l=-m}^{m-1} 2^{kl} \oint_{E_l} \left| D^k f(y) - D^k f(z) \right| \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z, \tag{2.16}$$

where  $E_l = B_{2^{k+l+3}} \setminus B_{2^{l-1}}$ . It follows from Hölder's inequality:

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} 2^{kl} \oint_{E_l} \iint_{E_l} |D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)| \, \mathrm{d} y \, \mathrm{d} z \le$$

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} 2^{kl} |E_l|^{-2} \left( \int_{E_l} \int_{E_l} \frac{|D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)|^p}{|y - z|^{n+s_1 p}} \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{E_l} \int_{E_l} |y - z|^{\frac{n+s_1 p}{p-1}} \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}}.$$

Since  $y, z \in E_l$ , we have  $|y - z| \le |y| + |z| \le 2^{k+l+4}$ . Thus, the right-hand side of the indicated inequality is less than

$$C(n, p, k) 2^{kl + \frac{l(n+s_1p)}{p}} |E_l|^{\frac{-2}{p}} \sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \left( \int_{E_l} \int_{E_l} \frac{|D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)|^p}{|y - z|^{n+s_1p}} dy dz \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Note that  $n = sp = (k + s_1)p$ , and  $|E_l|^{\frac{-2}{p}} \le C(n, p, k)2^{-2l\frac{n}{p}}$ .

Then, there is a constant C = C(k, s, n) > 0 such that

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} 2^{kl} \iint_{E_l} \int_{E_l} |D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)| \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z \le C \sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \left( \int_{E_l} \int_{E_l} \frac{|D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)|^p}{|y - z|^{n+s_1 p}} \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \tag{2.17}$$

Thanks to the inequality

$$\sum_{j=-m_0}^{m_0-1} c_j^{\frac{1}{p}} \le (2m_0)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \left( \sum_{j=-m_0}^{m_0-1} c_j \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \tag{2.18}$$

we have

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \left( \int_{E_l} \int_{E_l} \frac{|D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)|^p}{|y - z|^{n+s_1 p}} dy dz \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
\leq (2m_0)^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \left( \sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \int_{E_l} \int_{E_l} \frac{|D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)|^p}{|y - z|^{n+s_1 p}} dy dz \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$
(2.19)

Moreover, we observe that  $\sum_{l=-\infty}^{+\infty} \chi_{E_l \times E_l}(y_1, y_2) \le k+4$ , for all  $(y_1, y_2) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ . Thus,

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \int\limits_{E_l} \int\limits_{E_l} \frac{|D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)|^p}{|y - z|^{n+s_1 p}} \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z \le (k+4) \int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^n} \int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)|^p}{|y - z|^{n+s_1 p}} \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z. \tag{2.20}$$

Combining (2.17), (2.19) and (2.20) yields

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} 2^{kl} \oint_{E_l} \iint_{E_l} |D^k f(y) - D^k f(z)| \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}z \le C(k, s, n) m_0^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \|f\|_{\dot{W}^{s,p}}. \tag{2.21}$$

It remains to treat the last term. Then, it is not difficult to see that, for any  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$\sum_{l=m_0}^{k+m_0} \left| \oint_{\Omega_l} f \right| \le C(k,n) 2^{-m_0 n} \int_{B_{2^{k+m_0}}} |f| 
\le C(k,n,\alpha) 2^{-m_0(n-\alpha)} \int_{B_{2^{k+m_0}}} \frac{|f(x)| \, \mathrm{d}x}{(|x|+1)^{\alpha}}. \tag{2.22}$$

Inserting (2.15), (2.21), and (2.22) into (2.14) yields

$$|f(0)| \le C2^{-m_0 \min\{n-\alpha,\eta\}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{D}^n} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|y|+1)^{\alpha}} dy + ||f||_{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^{\eta}} \right) + Cm_0^{\frac{p-1}{p}} ||f||_{\dot{W}^{s,p}}.$$
 (2.23)

By choosing

we obtain (2.13).

**ii) Case 2:**  $s_1 = 0$  (s = k). The proof is similar to the one of the case  $s_1 \in (0, 1)$ . There is just a difference of estimating the second term on the right-hand side of (2.14) as follows.

Using (2.9), we get:

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \oint_{\Omega_{j+l}} f \right| \le C \sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} 2^{kl} \oint_{E_l} |D^k f|. \tag{2.24}$$

Applying Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} 2^{kl} \oint_{E_l} |D^k f| \le \sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} 2^{kl} |E_l|^{-1/p} \left( \int_{E_l} |D^k f|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\le C(n,k) \sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \left( \int_{E_l} |D^k f|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\le Cm_0^{\frac{p-1}{p}} \left( \sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \int_{E_l} |D^k f|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$
(2.25)

We utilize the fact  $\sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} \chi_{E_l}(y) \leq k+4$ ,  $\forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  again in order to get

$$\left(\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \int_{E_l} |D^k f|^p\right)^{1/p} \le (k+4) \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |D^k f|^p\right)^{1/p}. \tag{2.26}$$

From (2.26), (2.25), and (2.24), we get

$$\sum_{l=-m_0}^{m_0-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} a_j \int_{\Omega_{j+l}} f \right| \le C(k,n) \|f\|_{\dot{W}^{s,p}}. \tag{2.27}$$

Thus, we obtain another version of (2.23) as follows:

$$|f(0)| \le C2^{-m_0 \min\{n-\alpha,\eta\}} \left( \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} \frac{|f(y)|}{(|y|+1)^{\alpha}} dy + ||f||_{\dot{C}^{\eta}} \right) + Cm_0^{\frac{p-1}{p}} ||f||_{\dot{W}^{s,p}}.$$
 (2.28)

By the same argument as above (after (2.23)), we get the proof of the case  $s_1 = 0$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.5.  $\Box$ 

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