

Scaling invariant Hardy inequalities of multiple logarithmic type on the whole space

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joint work with

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In this talk, we consider the Hardy type inequality of the logarithmic form :

$$\left\| \frac{f}{|x|(1+|\log|x||)} \right\|_{L_n(B_1)} \leq C \|f\|_{W_n^1(\mathbb{R}^n)}, \quad (*)$$

where $n \geq 2$ and $B_1 = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n; |x| < 1\}$, see Edmunds-Triebel, Math.Nachr(1999) for instance. Our aim is to extend (*) to the inequality having a homogeneous property. In fact, we show :

Theorem 1. *For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $1 < \alpha < \infty$, $\max\{1, \alpha - 1\} < \beta < \infty$ and $R > 0$, there holds*

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f(x) - f(R\frac{x}{|x|})|^\beta}{|\log \frac{R}{|x|}|^\alpha |x|^n} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \leq \frac{\beta}{\alpha - 1} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |x|^{\beta-n} \left| \log \frac{R}{|x|} \right|^{\beta-\alpha} \left| \frac{x}{|x|} \cdot \nabla f(x) \right|^\beta dx \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}}. \quad (**)$$

Moreover, the constant $\frac{\beta}{\alpha-1}$ in the right-hand side of (**) is best-possible.

It is easy to see that the special case of $\alpha = \beta = n \geq 2$ in (**) yields (*). Also since (**) holds for all $R > 0$, we obtain

$$\sup_{R>0} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f(x) - f(R\frac{x}{|x|})|^\beta}{|\log \frac{R}{|x|}|^\alpha |x|^n} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}} \leq \frac{\beta}{\alpha - 1} \sup_{R>0} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |x|^{\beta-n} \left| \log \frac{R}{|x|} \right|^{\beta-\alpha} \left| \frac{x}{|x|} \cdot \nabla f(x) \right|^\beta dx \right)^{\frac{1}{\beta}}. \quad (***)$$

Note that both integrals in (***) have a same scaling under $f_l(x) := f(\frac{x}{l})$ for $l > 0$. In this sense, (***) is a logarithmic Hardy inequality of a homogeneous type differently from (*). We can also establish a similar Hardy type inequality with multiple logarithmic weights preserving a homogeneous property.