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FUNCTIONS OF BOUNDED (φ, p) MEAN OSCILLATION

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Abstract

In this paper we extend a result of Garnett and Jones to the case of spaces of homogeneous type.

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1. Introduction

The space of functions of bounded mean oscillation, or *BMO*, naturally arises as the class of functions whose deviation from their means over cubes is bounded. L_∞ functions have this property, but there exist unbounded functions with bounded mean oscillation, for instance the function $\log|x|$ is in *BMO* but it is not bounded. The space *BMO* shares similar properties with the space L_∞ and it often serve as a substitute for it. The space of the functions with bounded mean oscillation *BMO*, is well known for its several applications in real analysis, harmonic analysis and partial differential equations.

The definition of *BMO* is that $f \in BMO$ if $\sup_Q \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |f(x) - f_Q| dx = \|f\|_{BMO} < \infty$ where $f_Q = \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q f(y) dy$, $|Q|$ is the Lebesgue measure of Q and Q is a cube in R^n , with sides parallel to the coordinate axes.

In [1] Garnet and Jones gave comparable upper and lower bounds for the distance

$$(1.1) \quad dist(f, L_\infty) = \inf_{g \in L_\infty} \|f - g\|_{BMO}.$$

The bounds were expressed in terms of one constant in Jhon-Nirenberg inequality. Jhon and Nirenberg proved in [2] that $f \in BMO$ if and only if there is $\epsilon > 0$ and $\lambda_0 = \lambda_0(\epsilon)$ such that

$$(1.2) \quad \sup_Q \frac{1}{|Q|} |\{x \in Q : |f(x) - f_Q| > \lambda\}| \leq e^{-\lambda/\epsilon},$$

whenever $\lambda > \lambda_0 = \lambda_0(f, \epsilon)$. Indeed, when $f \in BMO$, (1.2) holds with $\epsilon = C\|f\|_{BMO}$, where the constant c depends only on the dimension.

Specifically, setting

$$\epsilon(f) = \inf \{\epsilon > 0 : f \text{ satisfies (1.2)}\},$$

Garnett and Jones proved that

$$A_1\epsilon(f) \leq \text{dist}(f, L_\infty) \leq A_2\epsilon(f),$$

where A_1 and A_2 are constants depending only on the dimension. Also, they observed that $\text{dist}(f, L_\infty)$ can be related to the growth of

$$\sup_Q \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |f(x) - f_Q|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

as $p \rightarrow \infty$. This is because

$$(1.3) \quad \frac{\epsilon(f)}{e} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p} \left(\sup_Q \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |f(x) - f_Q|^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

Our latter end is to extend (1.3) to BMO_φ^p (see Preliminaries and Theorem 6.1) on spaces of homogeneous type. Also, we like to point out that (1.3) was announced in [1] without proof. Under the light of Remark 1 (see Preliminaries) we should note that if $|B| = \mu(B)$, then our main result coincide with the result of Garnett and Jones [1].

2. Spaces of homogeneous type

Let us begin by recalling the notion of space of homogeneous type.

Definition 2.1. A quasimetric d on a set X is a function $d : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ with the following properties:

1. $d(x, y) = 0$ if and only if $x = y$.
2. $d(x, y) = d(y, x)$ for all $x, y \in X$.
3. There exists a constant K such that

$$d(x, y) \leq K [d(x, z) + d(z, y)],$$

for all $x, y, z \in X$.

A quasimetric defines a topology in which the balls $B(x, r) = \{y \in X : d(x, y) < r\}$ form a base. These balls may be not open in general; anyway, given a quasimetric d , is easy to construct an equivalent quasimetric d' such that the d' -quasimetric balls are open (the existence of d' has been proved by using topological arguments in [3]). So we can assume that the quasimetric balls are open. A general method of constructing families $\{B(x, \delta)\}$ is in terms of a quasimetric.

Definition 2.2. A space of homogeneous type (X, d, μ) is a set X with a quasimetric d and a Borel measure μ finite on bounded sets such that, for some absolute positive constant A the following doubling property holds

$$\mu(B(x, 2r)) \leq A\mu(B(x, r))$$

for all $x \in X$ and $r > 0$.

Next, we are ready to give some example of a space of homogeneous type.

Example 1. Let $X \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, $X = \{0\} \cup \{x : |x| = 1\}$, put in X the euclidean distance and the following measure μ : μ is the usual surface measure on $\{x : |x| = 1\}$ and $\mu(\{0\}) = 1$. Then μ is doubling so that (X, d, μ) is a homogeneous space.

Example 2. In \mathbb{R}^n , let C_k ($k = 1, 2, \dots$) be the point $(k^k + 1/2, 0, \dots, 0)$, for $k \geq 2$, let B_k be the ball $B(C_k, 1/2)$ and $B_1 = B(0, 1/2)$. Let $X = \cup_{k=1}^{\infty} B_k$ with the euclidean distance and the measure μ such that $\mu(B_k) = 2^k$ and on each ball B_k , μ is uniformly distributed.

Claim 1. μ satisfies the doubling condition. Let $B_r = B(P, r)$ with

$P = (P_1, \dots, P_n)$ and $r > 0$.

Case 1. Assume for some k , $B_k \subset B_r$ and let $k_0 = \max\{k : B_k \subset B_r\}$. Then certainly $P_1 + r \leq b_{k_0+1} = (k_0 + 1)^{k_0+1} + 1$ and $\mu(B_r) \geq 2^{k_0}$. But, then

$$\begin{aligned} P_1 + 2r &\leq 2\left((k_0 + 1)^{k_0+1} + 1\right) \\ &\leq (k_0 + 2)^{k_0+2} = a_{k_0+2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $B_{2r} \subset B_{a_{k_0+2}}(0) \equiv B_0$. But

$$\mu(B_0) = \sum_{k=0}^{k_0+1} 2^k \leq 2^{k_0+2} \leq 4\mu(B_r).$$

Hence the doubling condition holds with $A = 4$.

Case 2. If for all k , $B_k \not\subset B_r$, then $r < 1$ so that B_r and B_{2r} intersect only one ball B_k . Then the doubling condition holds.

3. Preliminaries

In this section, we recall the definition of the space of functions of Bounded (φ, p) Mean Oscillation, $BMO_\varphi^{(p)}(X)$, where X is a space of homogeneous type (see [4]). Let φ be a nonnegative function on $[0, \infty)$. A locally μ -integrable function $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to belong to the class $BMO_\varphi^{(p)}(X)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, if

$$\sup \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B) [\varphi(\mu(B))]^p} \int_B |f(x) - f_B|^p d\mu(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty,$$

where the sup is taken over all balls $B \subset X$, and

$$f_B = \frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_B f(y) d\mu.$$

Remark 1. It is not hard to check that the expression

$$(3.1) \|f\|_{BMO_\varphi^p} = \sup_B \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B) [\varphi(\mu(B))]^p} \int_B |f(x) - f_B|^p d\mu(x) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty,$$

define a norm on $BMO_\varphi^{(p)}(X)$. For $\varphi \equiv 1$ and $p = 1$, $\|\cdot\|_{BMO_\varphi^p}$ coincide with $\|\cdot\|_{BMO}$.

4. John-Nirenberg inequality on homogeneous type space

The proof of this theorem follows along the same lines as the proof of [4].

Theorem 4.1. There exist two positive constants β and b such that for any $f \in BMO_\varphi(X)$ and any ball $B \subset X$, one has

$$(4.1) \quad \mu(\{x \in S : |f - f_B| > \lambda\}) \leq \beta \exp\{-b\lambda/\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi}\} \mu(B).$$

Proof. We follows the standard stopping time argument; that is, we assume that λ is large enough and fix some λ_1 . Then we study the sets $\{x \in S : |f(x) - f_S| \leq \lambda_1\}$, $\{x \in S : |f(x) - f_S| \leq 2\lambda_1\}$ up to

$$\{x \in S : |f(x) - f_S| \leq m\lambda_1 \sim \lambda\}$$

in showing (4.1), we assume $\|f\|_\varphi = 1$ and fix $S = B(a, R)$. We define a maximal operator associated to S (if we replace S by another ball, then the maximal operator changes)

$$M_S f(x) = \sup_{B \text{ ball}, x \in B, B \subset B(a, \alpha R)} \left\{ \frac{1}{\varphi(\mu(B)) \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_S| d\mu(y) \right\}.$$

Using a Vitali-type covering lemma, one can prove that

$$\mu(\{x : M_S f(x) > t\}) \leq \frac{A}{t} \mu(S),$$

where A is a constant that depends only on K and k_2 but not on S . Take $\lambda_0 > A$ and consider the open set $U = \{x : M_S f(x) > \lambda_0\}$. We have

$$\mu(U \cap S) \leq \frac{A}{\lambda_0} \mu(S) < \mu(S),$$

and therefore $S \cap U^c \neq \emptyset$. Define

$$r(x) = \frac{1}{5K} \text{dist}(x, U^c).$$

If $x, y \in S$, then $d(x, y) \leq 2KR$. Since $S \cap U^c \neq \emptyset$, if $x \in S$, we have $r(x) \leq 2KR/(5K) = 2R/5$.

Clearly,

$$U \cap S \subset \bigcup_{x \in U \cap S} B(x, r(x)) \subset U.$$

Again by a Vitali-type covering lemma (e. g, see [1, Theorem 3.1]), we can select a finite or countable sequence of disjoint balls $\{B(x_j, r_j)\}$ such that $r_j = r_j(x)$ and

$$U \cap S \subset \bigcup_j B(x_j, 4Kr_j) \subset U.$$

On the other hand, $B(x_j, 6Kr_j) \cap U^c \neq \emptyset$ and $B(x_j, 6Kr_j) \subset B(a, \alpha R)$ because $6kr_j \leq 12KR/5$. Thus, we get

$$\frac{1}{\varphi(\mu(B(x_j, 6Kr_j))) \mu(B(x_j, 6Kr_j))} \int_{B(x_j, 6Kr_j)} |f - f_S| d\mu \leq \lambda_0,$$

and consequently, if we write $S_j = B(x_j, 4Kr_j)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |f_S - f_{S_j}| &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(S_j)} \int_{S_j} |f - f_S| d\mu \\ &\leq \frac{\varphi(S_j) k_2^2}{\mu(B(x_j, Kr_j))} \lambda_0 := \lambda_1 \end{aligned}$$

because μ is a doubling measure.

By differentiation theorem, $|f(x) - f_S| \leq \lambda_0$ for μ -a.e. $x \in S \setminus \cup_j S_j$.

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum \mu(S_j) &\leq k_2 \sum_j \mu(B(x_j, 2Kr_j)) \\ &\leq C \sum_j \mu(B(x_j, r_j)) \\ &\leq C\mu(U) \\ &\leq \frac{CA}{\lambda_0} \mu(S). \end{aligned}$$

Now, we do the same construction for each S_j . Again $|f(x) - f_S| \leq \lambda_0$ for μ -a.e. $x \in S_j \setminus \cup_i S_i^{(2)}$ and therefore for these points

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x) - f_S| &\leq |f(x) - f_{S_j}| + |f_{S_j} - f_S| \\ &\leq \lambda_0 + \frac{\varphi(S_j) k_2^2}{\mu(B(x_j, Kr_j))} \lambda_0 \\ &\leq \frac{2\varphi(S_j) k_2^2}{\mu(B(x_j, Kr_j))} \lambda_0, \end{aligned}$$

taking $\lambda_0 = 2CA$, it is clear that

$$\begin{aligned} \mu\left(\bigcup_k S_k^{(2)}\right) &\leq \sum_j \frac{CA}{\lambda_0} \mu(S_j) \\ &\leq \left(\frac{CA}{\lambda_0}\right)^2 \mu(S) = 2^{-2} \mu(S). \end{aligned}$$

Continuing in this maner we get $N = 1, 2, \dots$ a family of ball $\{S_j^N\}$ such that

$$\mu\left(\bigcup S_j^N\right) \leq 2^{-N} \mu(S),$$

finally

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\{x \in S : |f(x) - f_S| > \lambda\}) &\leq \mu(\{x \in S : |f(x) - f_S| > N\lambda_1\}) \\ &\leq \mu\left(\bigcup S_j^N\right) \leq 2^{-N} \mu(S) = e^{-b\lambda} \mu(S). \end{aligned}$$

This complete the proof. \square

5. Completeness

In this section we state some simple lemmas. The first one is showed by elementary calculations.

Lemma 5.1. *Let B_0 and B_1 be two balls such that $B_0 \subset B_1$ and $f \in BMO_\varphi$. Then there exists a constant C depending on B_0 and B_1 such that*

$$|f_{B_0} - f_{B_1}| \leq C \|f\|_{BMO_\varphi}.$$

Proof. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} |f_{B_0} - f_{B_1}| &= \left| \frac{1}{\mu(B_0)} \int_{B_0} (f(y) - f_{B_1}) d\mu(y) \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(B_0)} \int_{B_1} |f(y) - f_{B_1}| d\mu(y) \\ &= \frac{\mu(B_1)}{\mu(B_0)} \frac{\varphi(\mu(B))}{\varphi(\mu(B)) \mu(B_1)} \int_{B_1} |f(y) - f_{B_1}| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{\mu(B_1) \varphi(\mu(B))}{\mu(B_0)} \|f\|_{BMO_\varphi}. \end{aligned}$$

This complete the proof of Lemma 5.1. \square

Lemma 5.2 (John-Nirenberg type). *Let $f \in BMO_\varphi^{(p)}(X)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, then there exists a constant C_p such that*

$$\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi} \leq \|f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}} \leq C_p \|f\|_{BMO_\varphi}.$$

Proof. By Hölder's inequality we have

$$\frac{1}{\varphi(\mu(B)) \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B| d\mu(y) \leq \sup_B \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

for any ball, thus

$$\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi} \leq \|f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}}.$$

On the other hand

$$\int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \leq \int_0^\infty p\lambda^{p-1} \mu(\{x \in B : |f(x) - f_B| > \lambda\}) d\lambda.$$

By Theorem 4.1, we obtain

$$\int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \leq \int_0^\infty p\lambda^{p-1} \exp(-b\lambda/\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi}) \mu(B) d\lambda.$$

Therefore

$$\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \leq p\Gamma(p)C\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi}$$

and thus

$$\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}} \leq C_p \|f\|_{BMO_\varphi}.$$

The Lemma is proved. \square

Theorem 5.1. $BMO_\varphi^{(p)}$ equipped with the norm (3.1) is a Banach space.

Proof. We just need to prove that $BMO_\varphi^{(p)}$ is complete. To this end, let us take B_1 to be the unit ball centered at the origin. Let $f_k \in BMO_\varphi^{(p)}$, for each $k = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, such that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|f_k\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}} < \infty,$$

and assume that

$$(5.1) \quad \int_{B_1} f_k(y) d\mu(y) = 0.$$

Let B be any ball in X and let B_2 be a ball that contains both B_1 and B ,

then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_B |f_k(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = \left(\frac{\mu(B_2)}{\mu(B)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B_2)} \int_{B_2} |f_k(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

By Minkowski's inequality and by (5.1), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_B |f_k(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\frac{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B_2)}{\mu(B)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 & \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B_2)} \int_{B_2} |f_k(y) - f_{B_2}|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \\
 & \quad + \left(\frac{\mu(B_2)}{\mu(B)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B_2)} \int_{B_2} |(f_k)_{B_2} - (f_k)_{B_1}|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 & \leq \left(\frac{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B_2)}{\mu(B)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\|f_k\|_{BMO_{\varphi}^{(p)}} + \left(\frac{\mu(B_2)}{\mu(B)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} |(f_k)_{B_2} - (f_k)_{B_1}| \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 5.1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_B |f_k(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 & \leq \left(\frac{\mu(B_2)}{\mu(B)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\|f_k\|_{BMO_{\varphi}} + [\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \|f_k\|_{BMO_{\varphi}^{(p)}} \right].
 \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 5.2 is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_B |f_k(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
 & \leq \left(\frac{\mu(B_2)}{\mu(B)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (1 + [\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p) \|f_k\|_{BMO_{\varphi}^{(p)}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_B |f_k(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \infty$. This means

$$(5.2) \quad \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B)} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|f_k\|_{L_p} < \infty,$$

and from (5.2), we obtain

$$f = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^m f_k, \quad \text{a. e.}$$

For $f \in L_p(B)$, clearly $f_B = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (f_k)_B$.

Finally, we want to show that:

- (a) $f \in BMO_\varphi^{(p)}(X)$,
- (b) $\|\sum_{k=1}^m f_k - f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}} \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$.

To this end, observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B \left| \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (f_k(y) - (f_k)_B) \right|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f_k(y) - (f_k)_B|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|f_k\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}} < \infty,
\end{aligned}$$

thus $\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}} < \infty$, then $f \in BMO_\varphi^{(p)}(X)$. This proves part (a).

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B \left| \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k - f \right)(y) - \left(\sum_{k=1}^m f_k - f \right)_B \right|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&= \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B \left| \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} (f_k(y) - (f_k)_B) \right|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\leq \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B_2))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f_k(y) - (f_k)_B|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\leq \sum_{k=m+1}^{\infty} \|f_k\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence $\|\sum_{k=1}^m f_k - f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}} \rightarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$. This proves part (b). This completes the proof of the Theorem 5.1. \square

6. Main Result

Theorem 6.1. Let $f \in BMO_\varphi^{(p)}$, then there is a constant $\epsilon > 0$, such that

$$(6.1) \quad \sup \mu(\{x \in B : |f(x) - f_B| > \lambda\}) / \mu(B) \leq e^{-\lambda/\epsilon},$$

where $\lambda > \lambda(\epsilon, f)$. Indeed by Theorem 4.1, we have $\epsilon = C\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}}$ and $\lambda(\epsilon, f) = C\|f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}}$. Now let

$$\epsilon(f) = \inf \{\epsilon : (6.1) \text{ holds} \}.$$

Then

$$\frac{\epsilon(f)}{e\varphi(\mu(B))} = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p} \|f\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}}.$$

Proof. Since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B(x,r)} |f(x) - f_B|^p d\mu(x) &= p \int_0^\infty \lambda^{p-1} \mu(x \in B : |f(x) - f_B| > \lambda) d\lambda \\ &\leq p\mu(B) \int_0^\infty \lambda^{p-1} e^{-\lambda/\epsilon} d\lambda \\ &= \mu(B)\epsilon^p \int_0^\infty u^{p-1} e^{-u} du. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_{B(x,r)} |f(x) - f_B|^p d\mu(x) \leq \epsilon^p p \Gamma(p).$$

Next, we obtain

$$\frac{1}{p} \sup \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \frac{\epsilon [p\Gamma(p)]^{\frac{1}{p}}}{\varphi(\mu(B)) p}$$

and then,

$$(6.2) \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p} \sup \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \frac{\epsilon(f)}{e\varphi(\mu(B))}.$$

On the other hand, if $\epsilon < \epsilon(f)$ then there exists $B_0 \subset X$, such that

$$e^{-\lambda/\epsilon} \leq \mu(\{x \in B_0 : |f(x) - f_B| > \lambda\}) / \mu(B_0).$$

Thus

$$p\mu(B_0) \int_0^\infty \lambda^{p-1} e^{\lambda/\epsilon} d\lambda < p \int_0^\infty \lambda^{p-1} \mu(x \in B : |f(x) - f_B| > \lambda) d\lambda$$

and

$$\frac{\epsilon [\Gamma(p)]^{\frac{1}{p}}}{\varphi(\mu(B))^p} < \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

It follows that

$$(6.3) \quad \frac{\epsilon(f)}{e\varphi(\mu(B))} < \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p} \sup \left(\frac{1}{[\varphi(\mu(B))]^p \mu(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Combining (6.2) and (6.3), we obtain the desired result. \square

Remark 2. Theorem 6.1 together with Lemma 5.2 allow us to estimate the distance from $BMO_\varphi^{(p)}$ to L_∞ in the other words we can estimate

$$\inf_{g \in L_\infty} \|f - g\|_{BMO_\varphi^{(p)}}$$

with $f \in BMO_\varphi^{(p)}$.

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