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## FUNCTION SPACES, GENERATED BY THE AVERAGED MODULI OF SMOOTHNESS

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In the paper the connection between the one-sided  $K$ -functional (for spaces  $L_p$  and  $W'_p$ ) and the averaged modulus of  $r$ -order is proved. There is proved also the connection between the spaces, generated by the averaged moduli of smoothness, the Bessov's spaces and the spaces, generated by the best one-sided trigonometrical approximation.

In this paper we continue the investigations from [16], where the results are given without proofs.

1. We shall begin with the definition of the notion of averaged moduli of smoothness.

Let  $f$  be a function defined and bounded on the finite interval  $[a, b]$ . The local  $k$ -th modulus of the function  $f$  at a point  $x \in [a, b]$  is given by

$$\omega_k(f, x; \delta) = \sup \{ |\Delta_h^k f(t)| : t, t+kh \in [x-k\delta/2, x+k\delta/2] \cap [a, b] \},$$

where, as usually,  $\Delta_h^k f(x) = \sum_{m=0}^k (-1)^{k+m} \binom{k}{m} f(t+mh)$ ,

The  $k$ -th averaged modulus (or  $\tau_k$ -modulus) of function  $f$  in  $L_p$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , is given by

$$\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} = \|\omega_k(f, x; \delta)\|_{L_p[a, b]},$$

where

$$\|g\|_{L_p[a, b]} = \|g\|_{L_p} = \left\{ \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b |g(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty,$$

$$\|g\|_{L_\infty} = \sup \{ |g(x)| : x \in [a, b] \}.$$

If we compare the averaged modulus in  $L_p$  with the usual  $k$ -th modulus of continuity in  $L_p$ :

$$\omega_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} = \sup_{0 < h \leq \delta} \left\{ \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^{b-kh} |\Delta_h^k f(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p},$$

we see at once that

$$(1) \quad \omega_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} \leq \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty,$$

and  $\omega_k(f; \delta)_{L_\infty} = \omega_k(f; \delta) = \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_\infty}$ .

Some examples show that in general  $\omega_k(f; \cdot)_{L_p}$  and  $\tau_k(f; \cdot)_{L_p}$  are not equivalent in case  $p < \infty$ .

The properties of  $\tau_k$  are similar to the properties of  $\omega_k$ . For the history and the properties of  $\tau_k$ -moduli see [1–3]. We shall mention only the following properties:

- P1.  $\tau_k(f+g; \delta)_{L_p} \leq \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} + \tau_k(g; \delta)_{L_p}$ ,
- P2.  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} \leq c(k)\delta^k \|f^{(k)}\|_{L_p}$ , if  $f^{(k)} \in L_p$ ,
- P3.  $\tau_k(f; \lambda\delta)_{L_p} \leq (\lambda+1)^{2k+1} \tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$ .

Here and in all the following pages  $c(k)$  denotes a constant, depending only on  $k$ .

The averaged moduli have many applications:

a) in problems connected with the convergence of sequences of linear positive operators (P. P. Korovkin [4], Bl. Sendov [5], A. Andreev, V. A. Popov [10]);

b) in Hausdorff approximation of functions by means of piecewise monotone functions (E. P. Dolgenko, E. A. Sevastianov [6]);

c) in one-sided approximation of functions (we shall consider these applications more in detail below);

d) in problems connected with estimations of the error of quadrature formulas (V. A. Popov [3], K. Ivanov [7]);

e) in problems of estimations of the error of numerical solution of differential equations (A. Andreev, V. A. Popov, Bl. Sendov [8]), etc.

It is well-known that the usual  $k$ -th modulus of continuity  $\omega_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$  is connected with the following  $K$ -functional of J. Peetre [9], [10]:  $K(f; t) = \inf \{ \|f_0\|_{L_p} + t \|f_1^{(k)}\|_{L_p} : f = f_0 + f_1 \}$ .

It is interesting that the  $k$ -th averaged moduli are connected with the so-called one-sided  $K$ -functional. First we shall give the definition of one-sided  $K$ -functional.

Let  $G$  be a set and  $X_i, i=0, 1$  — linear spaces of real-valued functions on  $G$  with seminorms  $\|\cdot\|_i, i=0, 1$ . We suppose that  $X_i, i=0, 1$ , contain the constant functions. The lower  $K$ -functional in  $X_0+X_1$  for seminorms  $\|\cdot\|_i, i=0, 1$ , is given by  $K_+(f; t) = \inf \{ \|f_0\|_0 + t \|f_1\|_1 : f = f_0 + f_1; f_0 \geq 0 \}$ .

The lower  $K$ -functional is meaningful for all functions in  $X_0+X_1$ , for which  $\inf \{ f(x) : x \in G \} > -\infty$ .

The upper  $K$ -functional in  $X_0+X_1$  for seminorms  $\|\cdot\|_i, i=0, 1$ , is given by  $K_-(f; t) = \inf \{ \|f_0\|_0 + t \|f_1\|_1 : f = f_0 + f_1, f_0 \leq 0 \}$ .

This functional is meaningful for all functions in  $X_0+X_1$ , for which  $\sup \{ f(x) : x \in G \} < \infty$ .

The one-sided  $K$ -functional is defined by  $\tilde{K}(f; t) = \max \{ K_+(f; t), K_-(f; t) \}$ .

In what follows we shall consider for simplicity the  $2\pi$ -periodical case with  $L_p$ -norm

$$\|g\|_{L_p} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |g(x)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p}.$$

Let us mention that in  $2\pi$ -periodic case the sup in the definition of  $\omega_k(f, x; \delta)$  is taken over all  $t, t+kh$  for which  $t, t+kh \in [x-k\delta/2, x+k\delta/2]$ .

We shall denote by  $W_p^k$  the Sobolev space of all  $2\pi$ -periodic functions  $f$  with absolutely continuous  $(k-1)$ -th derivative, for which  $f^{(k)} \in L_p[0, 2\pi]$ .

The following theorem is valid:

**Theorem 1.** Let  $G = [0, 2\pi]$ ,  $X_0 = L_p$ ,  $X_1 = W_p^k$ ,  $\|f\|_0 = \|f\|_{L_p}$ ,  $\|f\|_1 = \|f^{(k)}\|_{L_p}$  and let  $\tilde{K}(f; t)$  be the one-sided  $K$ -functional in  $X_0 + X_1 (= L_p)$  for seminorms  $\|\cdot\|_i$ ,  $i = 0, 1$ . Then there exist constants  $c_i(k)$ ,  $i = 0, 1$ , depending only on  $k$  such that

$$(2) \quad c_0(k)\tau_k(f; t)_{L_p} \leq \tilde{K}(f; t^k) \leq c_1(k)\tau_k(f; t)_{L_p}.$$

**Remark.** Obviously  $\tilde{K}(f; t)$  as well as  $\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p}$  have a sense only for bounded functions in  $L_p$  and only for bounded  $2\pi$ -periodic functions in  $L_p$  theorem 1 has a sense.

**Proof of theorem 1.** Let  $f$  be a  $2\pi$ -periodic bounded function,  $f \in L_p$ . It is known (compare with [9; 10; 12]) that for every integer  $k > 0$  and  $h > 0$  there exists a function  $f_{k,h}$  such that

$$(3) \quad |f(x) - f_{k,h}(x)| \leq \omega_k(f, x; 2h),$$

$$(4) \quad \|f - f_{k,h}\|_{L_p} \leq \omega_k(f; h)_{L_p},$$

$$(5) \quad f_{k,h} \in W_p^k \quad \text{and} \quad \|f_{k,h}^{(k)}\|_{L_p} \leq c'(k)h^{-k}\omega_k(f; h)_{L_p}.$$

For example we can set

$$f_{k,h}(x) = \frac{(-1)^{k-1}}{h^k} \int_0^h \dots \int_0^h \{f(x+t_1 + \dots + t_k) - \binom{k}{1}f(x + \frac{k-1}{k}(t_1 + \dots + t_k)) + \dots + (-1)^{k-1} \binom{k}{k-1}f(x + \frac{t_1 + \dots + t_k}{k})\} dt_1 \dots dt_k$$

Obviously from (3) it follows

$$(6) \quad f_{k,h}(x) - \omega_k(f, x; 2h) \leq f(x).$$

From the results in [11] it follows that there exist two trigonometrical polynomials  $P$  and  $Q$  of  $n$ -th order such that

$$(7) \quad P(x) \leq \omega_k(f, x; 2h) \leq Q(x), \\ \|Q - \omega_k\|_{L_p} \leq \|Q - P\|_{L_p} \leq c_2(k)\tau_k(f; h)_{L_p}.$$

Since  $Q$  is a trigonometric polynomial of  $n$ -th order we have in view of (7)

$$(8) \quad \|Q^{(k)}\|_{L_p} \leq n^k \|Q\|_{L_p} \leq n^k \{\|Q - \omega_k\|_{L_p} + \|\omega_k\|_{L_p}\} \leq n^k(c_2(k) + 1)\tau_k(f; 2h)_{L_p}.$$

From (6), (7) it follows

$$(9) \quad 0 \leq f(x) - f_{k,h}(x) + Q(x)$$

and obviously  $f_{k,h} - Q \in W_p^k$  (see (5)).

We have from (1), (3)—(9)

$$\begin{aligned} K_+(f; t^k) &\leq \|f - f_{k,h} + Q\|_{L_p} + t^k \|f_{k,h}^{(k)} - Q^{(k)}\|_{L_p} \\ &\leq \|f - f_{k,h}\|_{L_p} + \|Q - \omega_k\|_{L_p} + \|\omega_k\|_{L_p} + t^k \{\|f_{k,h}^{(k)}\|_{L_p} + \|Q^{(k)}\|_{L_p}\} \\ &\leq \tau_k(f; h)_{L_p} + c_2(k)\tau_k(f; h)_{L_p} + \tau_k(f; h)_{L_p} + t^k c'(k)h^{-k}\tau_k(f; h)_{L_p} + t^k n^k(c_2(k) \\ &\quad + 1)\tau_k(f; 2h)_{L_p}. \end{aligned}$$

If we take  $t = h$ ,  $n = [1/t] + 1$ , we obtain in view of P3 that (we may assume that  $t \leq 4\pi$ , otherwise (2) is obvious, see also lemma 2 below):  $K_+(f; t^k) \leq c_1(k)\tau_k(f; t)_{L_p}$ .

In a similar way we obtain that  $K_-(f; t^k) \leq c_1(k)\tau_k(f; t)_{L_p}$ , which proves the right hand side of (2).

To prove the left hand side of (2) we arbitrarily take two functions  $f_1^+$  and  $f_1^-$  with the properties

$$(10) \quad f_1^+(x) \leq f(x) \leq f_1^-, \quad f_1^+ \in W_p^k, \quad f_1^- \in W_p^k.$$

Let us set  $f_0^\pm = f - f_0^\mp$ . Then we have  $f_0^+ \geq 0$ ,  $f_0^- \leq 0$ .

Let us estimate now  $\tau_k(f; t)_{L_p}$ . We have in view of P1

$$(11) \quad \begin{aligned} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p} &\leq \frac{1}{2} \{ \tau_k(f_0^+; t)_{L_p} + \tau_k(f_1^+; t)_{L_p} \\ &\quad + \tau_k(f_0^-; t)_{L_p} + \tau_k(f_1^-; t)_{L_p} \}. \end{aligned}$$

From (10) we obtain, using P2:

$$(12) \quad \tau_k(f_1^\pm; t)_{L_p} \leq c(k)t^k \|(f_1^\pm)^{(k)}\|_{L_p}.$$

It is a little more difficult to estimate  $\tau_k(f_0^\pm; t)_{L_p}$ .

Let  $x$  be fixed and  $t, t + kh \in [x - k\delta/2, x + k\delta/2] = \Delta_\delta(x)$ .

If  $\Delta_h^k f_0^+(t) \geq 0$ , we have, since  $f_0^+ \geq 0$  and  $f_1^- \geq f$ :

$$(13) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 \leq \Delta_h^k f_0^+(t) &= \sum_{m=0}^k (-1)^{k+m} \binom{k}{m} f_0^+(t + mh) \\ &\leq \sum_{\substack{m=0 \\ m \equiv k \pmod{2}}}^k \binom{k}{m} f_0^+(t + mh) = \sum_{\substack{m=0 \\ m \equiv k \pmod{2}}}^k \binom{k}{m} (f - f_1^+)(t + mh) \\ &\leq \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} (f_1^- - f_1^+)(t + mh). \end{aligned}$$

If we set  $g = f_1^- - f_1^+ \in W_p^k$ , we have from (13)

$$(14) \quad 0 \leq \Delta_h^k f_0^+(t) \leq \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} g(t + mh), \quad t + mh \in \Delta_\delta(x), \quad m = 0, \dots, k.$$

For every function  $g \in W_p^k$  we have the Taylor formula

$$(15) \quad g(\theta) = g(x) + \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{(\theta-x)^{i-1}}{i!} g^{(i)}(x) + \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \int_x^\theta (\theta-s)^{k-1} g^{(k)}(s) ds.$$

Let us set

$$r(\theta) = \sum_{i=1}^{k-1} \frac{(\theta-x)^{i-1}}{i!} g^{(i)}(x).$$

Then  $r$  is an algebraic polynomial of  $(k-1)$ -th degree and we have the Markov's inequality (see for example [17]):

$$(16) \quad \max_{\theta \in \Delta_\delta(x)} |r(\theta)| \leq \frac{2k^2}{k\delta} \max_{\theta \in \Delta_\delta(x)} \left| \int_x^\theta r(y) dy \right|.$$

Using (15), we obtain from (16) for  $\theta \in \Delta_\delta(x)$ :

$$(17) \quad \begin{aligned} |r(\theta)| &\leq \frac{2k}{\delta} \max_{\theta \in \Delta_\delta(x)} \left| \int_x^\theta \{g(y) - g(x) - \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \int_x^y (y-s)^{k-1} g^{(k)}(s) ds\} dy \right| \\ &\leq \frac{2k}{\delta} \int_{x-k\delta/2}^{x+k\delta/2} |g(y) - g(x)| dy + \frac{2k}{\delta(k-1)!} \max_{\theta \in \Delta_\delta(x)} \int_x^\theta \int_x^y |y-s|^{k-1} |g^{(k)}(s)| ds dy \\ &\leq \frac{2k}{\delta} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g(x+y) - g(x)| dy + \frac{2k}{\delta(k-1)!} \left(\frac{k\delta}{2}\right)^{k-1} k\delta \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g^{(k)}(x+y)| dy. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently for every  $g \in W_p^k$  and  $\theta \in \Delta_\delta(x)$  we obtain from (15) and (17)

$$(18) \quad \begin{aligned} |g(\theta) - g(x)| &\leq \frac{2k}{\delta} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g(x+y) - g(x)| dy \\ &+ \frac{2k^{k+1}}{(k-1)!} \left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)^{k-1} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g^{(k)}(x+y)| dy + \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \left| \int_x^\theta (\theta-s)^{k-1} g^{(k)}(s) ds \right| \\ &\leq \frac{2k}{\delta} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g(x+y) - g(x)| dy + \frac{2k^{k+1}}{(k-1)!} \left(\frac{\delta}{2}\right)^{k-1} \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{k\delta}{2}\right)^{k-1} \frac{1}{(k-1)!} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g^{(k)}(x+y)| dy \\ &\leq c_3(k) \left\{ \frac{1}{\delta} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g(x+y) - g(x)| dy + \delta^{k-1} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g^{(k)}(x+y)| dy \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

From (14) and (18) we obtain

$$0 \leq \Delta_h^k f_0^+(t) \leq \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{k}{m} (g(t+mh) - g(x)) + 2^k g(x)$$

$$(19) \quad \leq 2^k g(x) + 2^k c_3(k) \left\{ \frac{1}{\delta} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g(x+y) - g(x)| dy + \delta^{k-1} \int_{-k\delta/2}^{k\delta/2} |g^{(k)}(x+y)| dy \right\} = A(x).$$

By analogy, in the case, when  $\Delta_h^k f_0^+(t) \leq 0$ , we obtain

$$0 \leq -\Delta_h^k f_0^+(t) \leq \sum_{m \equiv k-1 \pmod{2}}^k \binom{k}{m} f_0^+(t+mh) \leq A(x).$$

Consequently for  $t, t+kh \in \Delta_\delta(x)$  we have  $|\Delta_h^k f_0^+(t)| \leq A(x)$ , what gives us

$$(20) \quad \omega_k(f_0^+, x; \delta) \leq A(x).$$

From (19), (20) we obtain

$$(21) \quad \tau_k(f_0^+; \delta)_{L_p} \leq \|A(\cdot)\|_{L_p} \leq 2^k \{ \|g\|_{L_p} + c_3(k)(2k\|g\|_{L_p} + k\delta^k \|g^{(k)}\|_{L_p}) \}.$$

Since  $g = f_1^- - f_1^+ = f_0^+ - f_0^-$  we obtain from (21)

$$(22) \quad \tau_k(f_0^+; \delta)_{L_p} \leq c_4(k) \{ \|f_0^+\|_{L_p} + \|f_0^-\|_{L_p} + \delta^k (\| (f_1^+)^{(k)} \|_{L_p} + \| (f_1^-)^{(k)} \|_{L_p}) \}.$$

By analogy as before we have

$$(23) \quad \tau_k(f_0^-; \delta)_{L_p} \leq c_4(k) \{ \|f_0^+\|_{L_p} + \|f_0^-\|_{L_p} + \delta^k (\| (f_1^+)^{(k)} \|_{L_p} + \| (f_1^-)^{(k)} \|_{L_p}) \}.$$

From (11), (12), (22), (23) it follows that for every  $f_1^\pm \in W_{pq}^k, f_0^+ = f - f_1^+ \geq 0, f_0^- = f - f_1^- \leq 0$ , we have

$$(24) \quad \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p} \leq c_5(k) \{ \|f_0^+\|_{L_p} + t^k \| (f_1^+)^{(k)} \|_{L_p} + \|f_0^-\|_{L_p} + t^k \| (f_1^-)^{(k)} \|_{L_p} \}.$$

Since  $f_1^\pm \in W_{pq}^k$  are arbitrary functions with the property  $f_1^+ \leq f \leq f_1^-$ , from (24) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_k(f, t)_{L_p} &\leq c_5(k) \{ K_+(f; t) + K_-(f; t) \} \\ &\leq 2c_5(k) \max \{ K_+(f; t), K_-(f; t) \} = c'(k) \tilde{K}(f; t), \end{aligned}$$

that proves the left hand side of (2). Theorem 1 is proved.

2. Using the one-sided  $K$ -functional or the averaged moduli of smoothness it is possible to introduce classes of spaces like well-known Bessov spaces.

Let us recall that the Bessov space  $B_{pq}^\theta$  is the space of all  $2\pi$ -periodic functions  $f$ , for which

$$\left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} \omega_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q} < \infty, \quad k > \theta.$$

The norm in  $B_{pq}^\theta$  is given by

$$\|f\|_{B_{pq}^\theta} = \|f\|_{L_p} + \left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} \omega_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q}.$$

In a similar way we can introduce the spaces  $A_{pq}^0$  of all  $2\pi$ -periodic functions  $f$ , for which

$$\left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q} < \infty$$

with the norm

$$(25) \quad \|f\|_{A_{pq}^0} = \|f\|_{L_p} + \left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q}.$$

Let  $\tilde{K}(f; t)$  be the one-sided  $K$ -functional for the function  $f \in L_p$  for the seminorms  $\|f\|_{L_p}, \|f^{(k)}\|_{L_p}$ . By theorem 1 we see that the spaces  $A_{pq}^0$  have an equivalent norm

$$(26) \quad \|f\|_{\tilde{K}^0} = \|f\|_{L_p} + \left\{ \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta} \tilde{K}(f; t))^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q}.$$

Using the best one-sided trigonometrical approximation, we can define the spaces  $A_{pq}^0$  in another way. Let us remember (see [1]—[3]) that the best one-sided approximation of the  $2\pi$ -periodic bounded function  $f$  in the metric  $L_p$ , by means of trigonometrical polynomials of  $n$ -th order is given by

$$(27) \quad \tilde{E}_n(f)_{L_p} = \inf \{ \|P - Q\|_{L_p} : P, Q \in T_n; P(x) \leq f(x) \leq Q(x) \text{ for every } x \},$$

where  $T_n$  denotes the set of all trigonometrical polynomials of  $n$ -th order.

For the best one-sided trigonometrical approximation the following direct and converse theorem holds:

**Theorem A** ([1]—[3], [11]). *There exist constants  $c_6(k), c_7(k)$ , depending only on  $k$  such that for every  $2\pi$ -periodic bounded function  $f$  we have*

$$\tilde{E}_n(f)_{L_p} \leq c_6(k) \tau_k(f; n^{-1})_{L_p}, \quad \tau_k(f; n^{-1})_{L_p} \leq \frac{c_7(k)}{n^k} \sum_{s=0}^n (s+1)^{k-1} \tilde{E}_s(f)_{L_p}.$$

By means of Theorem A it is easy to prove the following theorem:

**Theorem 2.** *The following norms are equivalent:*

- i)  $\|f\|_{A_{pq}^0}$ ;
- ii)  $\| \|f\| = \|f\|_{L_p} + \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} + \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^\infty (2^{2n} \tilde{E}_{2^n}(f)_{L_p})^q \right\}^{1/q}$ .

For the proof of this theorem we shall use some lemmas.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $f$  be a bounded  $2\pi$ -periodic function. Let  $h = 2\pi m + \alpha$ , where  $m$  is an integer and  $|\alpha| < \pi$ . Then  $\Delta_h^k f(t) = \Delta_\alpha^k f(t)$ .*

**Proof.**

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_h^k f(t) &= \sum_{s=0}^k (-1)^{k+s} \binom{k}{s} f(t+sh) \\ &= \sum_{s=0}^k (-1)^{k+s} \binom{k}{s} f(t+2\pi ms + \alpha) = \sum_{s=0}^k (-1)^{k+s} \binom{k}{s} f(t+\alpha) = \Delta_\alpha^k f(t). \end{aligned}$$



Lemma 2. Let  $f$  be a bounded  $2\pi$ -periodic function. Then for  $t \geq 4\pi$  we have  $\tau_k(f; t)_{L_p} = \tau_k(f; 4\pi)_{L_p} = \omega_k(f, 0; 2\pi)$ .

Proof. Obviously the statement of the lemma follows from the following equality: for  $t \geq 4\pi$  we have

$$(28) \quad \omega_k(f, x; t) = \omega_k(f, x; 4\pi) = \omega_k(f, 0; 2\pi).$$

Let us prove (28). By definition

$$\omega_k(f, x; t) = \sup \{ |\Delta_h^k f(y)| : y, y + kh \in [x - kt/2, x + kt/2] \}.$$

From Lemma 1 it follows that for every  $h$  such that  $y + kh \in [x - kt/2, x + kt/2]$  there exists  $\alpha$ ,  $|\alpha| < \pi$ , such that

$$(29) \quad |\Delta_h^k f(y)| = |\Delta_\alpha^k f(y)|.$$

If  $\alpha \geq 0$ , since  $f$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic, there exists  $y'$ ,  $-2\pi \leq y' \leq 0$ , such that

$$(30) \quad |\Delta_\alpha^k f(y)| = |\Delta_\alpha^k f(y')|.$$

If  $\alpha < 0$ , again since  $f$  is  $2\pi$ -periodic, there exists  $y'$ ,  $0 \leq y' \leq 2\pi$ , such that

$$(31) \quad |\Delta_\alpha^k f(y)| = |\Delta_\alpha^k f(y')|.$$

From (20)–(31) it follows that there exist  $y'$ ,  $\alpha$  such that  $|\Delta_h^k f(y)| = |\Delta_\alpha^k f(y')|$  and  $y', y' + k\alpha \in [-k\pi, k\pi]$  for  $k \geq 2$ ,  $y', y' + k\alpha \in [-2\pi, 2\pi]$  for  $k = 1$ . Consequently

$$(32) \quad \begin{aligned} \omega_k(f, x; t) &\leq \omega_k(f, 0; 2\pi), \quad k \geq 2; \\ \omega_1(f, x; t) &\leq \omega_1(f, 0; 4\pi). \end{aligned}$$

We have for  $x \in [-\pi, \pi]$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega_k(f, 0; 2\pi) &\leq \omega_k(f, x; 4\pi), \quad k \geq 2; \\ \omega_1(f, 0; 4\pi) &= \omega_1(f, x; 4\pi) \end{aligned}$$

From here and (32) follows (28).

Lemma 3 (Whitney [18]). We have

$$\begin{aligned} E_0(f)_C &= \inf \{ \|f - \lambda\|_{C[0, 2\pi]} : \lambda = \text{const} \} \\ &\leq c_8(k) \sup \{ |\Delta_h^k f(x)| : x \in (-\infty, \infty), h \in (-\infty, \infty) \}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $c_8(k)$  is a constant, depending only on  $k$ .

Lemma 4. Let  $f$  be a bounded  $2\pi$ -periodic function. There exists a constant  $c_9(k)$  depending only on  $k$  such that  $\tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} \leq c_9(k) \tau_k(f; 2\pi)_{L_p}$ .

Proof. We have

$$(33) \quad \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} (\sup f - \inf f)^p dx \right\}^{1/p} = \sup f - \inf f = \frac{1}{2} E_0(f)_C.$$

From lemma 2 it follows

$$\begin{aligned} \sup \{ |\Delta_h^k f(x)| : h \in (-\infty, \infty) \} &= \omega_k(f, x; 4\pi) = \omega_k(f, 0; 2\pi) \\ \sup \{ |\Delta_h^k f(x)| : x \in (-\infty, \infty), h \in (-\infty, \infty) \} &= \omega_k(f, 0; 2\pi). \end{aligned}$$

From here, lemma 2, lemma 3 and P3 it follows

$$(34) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} E_0(f)_C &\leq \frac{1}{2} c_8(k) \omega_k(f, 0; 2\pi) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} c_8(k) \tau_k(f; 4\pi)_{L_p} \leq c_9(k) \tau_k(f; 2\pi)_{L_p}. \end{aligned}$$

From (33) and (34) follows the lemma.

**Proof of Theorem 2.** Let us prove first that  $\|f\| \leq c \|f\|_{A_{pq}^\theta}$ . From theorem A we have

$$\tilde{E}_n(f)_{L_p} \leq c_6(k) \tau_k(f; n^{-1})_{L_p}, \quad n \geq 1.$$

Consequently

$$(35) \quad \begin{aligned} \|f\| &= \|f\|_{L_p} + \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} + \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^{n\theta} \tilde{E}_{2^n}(f)_{L_p})^q \right\}^{1/q} \\ &\leq \|f\|_{L_p} + \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} + \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^{n\theta} c_6(k) \tau_k(f; 2^{-n})_{L_p})^q \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$(2^{n\theta} \tau_k(f; 2^{-n})_{L_p})^q \leq 2^{1+\theta q} \int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t},$$

we obtain from (35)

$$(36) \quad \begin{aligned} \|f\| &\leq \|f\|_{L_p} + \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} + c_6(k) 2^{1/q+\theta} \left( \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \\ &= \|f\|_{L_p} + \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} + c_6(k) 2^{1/q+\theta} \left\{ \int_0^2 (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

From lemma 2 and lemma 4 we have  $\tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} \leq c_9(k) \tau_k(f; 4\pi)_{L_p} = c_9(k) \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p}$  for  $t \geq 4\pi$ , consequently

$$\tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} \leq c'(k, \theta) \left\{ \int_{4\pi}^{\infty} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q}$$

what, together with (36), gives us  $\|f\| \leq c \|f\|_{A_{pq}^\theta}$ , where the constant  $c$  depends on  $\theta, k, q$  ( $\theta > k$ ).

Let us prove now that  $\|f\|_{A_{pq}^\theta} \leq c \|f\|$ . We have

$$(37) \quad \begin{aligned} \|f\|_{A_{pq}^\theta} &= \|f\|_{L_p} + \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q} \\ &= \|f\|_{L_p} + \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q} + \left\{ \int_2^{\infty} (\cdot) \right\}^{1/q}. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\int_{2^{-n}}^{2^{-n+1}} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \leq 2^{(2k+1)q} (2^{n\theta} \tau_k(f; 2^{-n})_{L_p})^q,$$

we obtain from (37)

$$(38) \quad \|f\|_{A_{pq}^{\theta}} \leq \|f\|_{L_p} + 2^{2k+1} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (2^{n\theta} \tau_k(f; 2^{-n})_{L_p})^q \right\}^{1/q} + \left\{ \int_2^{\infty} (\cdot) \right\}^{1/q}.$$

From theorem A we have for  $n \geq 1$

$$(39) \quad \tau_k(f; n^{-1})_{L_p} \leq \frac{c_7(k)}{n^k} \sum_{m=0}^n (m+1)^{k-1} \tilde{E}_m(f)_{L_p}.$$

From (38) and (39) it follows

$$(40) \quad \|f\|_{A_{pq}^{\theta}} \leq \|f\|_{L_p} + 2^{2k+1} \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{c_7(k) 2^{n\theta}}{2^{nk}} \sum_{m=0}^{2^n} (m+1)^{k-1} \tilde{E}_m(f)_{L_p} \right)^p \right\}^{1/q} + \left\{ \int_2^{\infty} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right\}^{1/q}.$$

For  $2 \leq t < \infty$  we have in view of lemma 2  $\tau_k(f; t)_{L_p} \leq \tau_k(f; 4\pi)_{L_p}$ .

Using (33), we have  $\omega_k(f, x; 4\pi) \leq 2^k (\sup f - \inf f) = 2^k \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p}$ , what gives us

$$(41) \quad \tau_k(f; 4\pi)_{L_p} \leq 2^k \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p}.$$

From (41) it follows

$$(42) \quad \left( \int_2^{\infty} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \leq 2^k \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} \left( \int_2^{\infty} t^{-\theta q} \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \leq c(k, \theta, q) \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p}.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\sum_{m=0}^{2^n} (m+1)^{k-1} \tilde{E}_m(f)_{L_p} \leq \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} + \sum_{m=0}^n 2^{(m+1)k} \tilde{E}_{2^m}(f)_{L_p},$$

what, together with (40), (42), give us

$$(43) \quad \|f\|_{A_{pq}^{\theta}} \leq \|f\|_{L_p} + c'(k, \theta, q) \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p}$$

$$(43) \quad + c_8(k) \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^{n(\theta-k)}) \sum_{m=0}^n 2^{mk} \tilde{E}_{2^m}(f)_{L_p} \right\}^{1/q}.$$

Since

$$(44) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{nq(\theta-k)} \left\{ \sum_{m=0}^n 2^{mk} \tilde{E}_{2^m}(f)_{L_p} \right\}^q \leq c''(k, \theta, q) \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} 2^{m\theta q} (\tilde{E}_{2^m}(f)_{L_p})^q$$

(compare with S. M. Nikol'skii [17], p. 260]), (43) and (44) give us

$$\|f\|_{A^{\theta}_{pq}} \leq c \{ \|f\|_{L_p} + \tilde{E}_0(f)_{L_p} + (\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (2^{m\theta} \tilde{E}_{2^m}(f)_{L_p})^q)^{1/q},$$

where the constant  $c$  depends on  $k, \theta, q, k > \theta$ .

3. The following connection exists between the spaces  $A^{\theta}_{pq}$  and the Besov spaces  $B^{\theta}_{pq}$ :

**Theorem 3.** For  $\theta > 1/p$  we have  $A^{\theta}_{pq} = B^{\theta}_{pq}$  (by equivalent norms).

**Proof.** Obviously is  $f \in A^{\theta}_{pq}$  then  $f \in B^{\theta}_{pq}$  and  $\|f\|_{B^{\theta}_{pq}} \leq \|f\|_{A^{\theta}_{pq}}$ . Let now  $f \in B^{\theta}_{pq}$ , and let  $\theta > 1$ . Then it is well-known that  $f$  is absolute continuous and the norm

$$\|f\|_{L_p} + (\int_0^{\infty} (t^{-\theta+1} \omega_{k-1}(f'; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t})^{1/q}, \quad k > \theta,$$

is equivalent to  $\|\cdot\|_{B^{\theta}_{pq}}$ .

For  $f$  absolutely continuous the following inequality holds:  
 $\tau_k(f; t)_{L_p} \leq c(k)t \omega_{k-1}(f'; t)_{L_p}$  (K. Ivanov, for the case  $k=2$  see [13]).

Consequently

$$(\int_0^{\infty} (t^{-\theta} \tau_k(f; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t})^{1/q} \leq c (\int_0^{\infty} (t^{-\theta+1} \omega_{k-1}(f'; t)_{L_p})^q \frac{dt}{t})^{1/q},$$

$$f \in A^{\theta}_{pq} \quad \text{and} \quad \|f\|_{A^{\theta}_{pq}} \leq c \|f\|_{B^{\theta}_{pq}}.$$

In the case when  $1/p < \theta \leq 1$  we must use fraction derivatives. The proof is the same, if we use the following inequality of K. Ivanov [18]:

If  $\alpha > 1/p$  and  $f$  has a fraction derivative  $f^{(\alpha)}$  of order  $\alpha$ , then

$$\tau_k(f; \delta)_{L_p} \leq c(\alpha, p) \delta^{\alpha} \omega_{k-\alpha}(f^{(2)}; \delta)_{L_p}.$$

For  $\theta < 1/p$  the spaces  $A^{\theta}_{pq}$  are not equal to the Besov spaces (see the example in the above-mentioned paper of K. Ivanov).

Let us mention at the end that the spaces  $A^{\theta}_{pq}$  are obviously Banach spaces and that the usual imbedding theorems are valid for them.

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