# SOME OBSERVATIONS ON BESOV AND LIZORKIN-TRIEBEL SPACES

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#### 0. Introduction.

In this note we consider the Besov spaces  $\dot{B}_p^{sq}$  and the Lizorkin-Triebel spaces  $\dot{F}_p^{sq}$ . In various respects we complete earlier results. In particular, we find the dual spaces when  $0 (section 4). For <math>\dot{B}_p^{sq}$  the dual was previously only known when  $0 < q \le 1$  (Flett [6]). We also determine the trace of  $\dot{F}_p^{sq}$  (section 5), obtaining in this way a result analogous to the one in [7] for  $\dot{B}_p^{sq}$ . Finally, we give an extension of Hardy's inequality to  $\dot{F}_p^{0q}$  (section 3). In our treatment, based on Szasz' theorem and an imbedding theorem, this becomes almost a triviality even in the special case q=2 corresponding to the Hardy space  $H_p$ .

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### 1. Definition of the spaces.

To define the spaces to be studied we choose a sequence  $\{\varphi_{\nu}\}_{\nu\in\mathbb{Z}}$  of testfunctions such that

(1.1) 
$$\begin{cases} \varphi_{\nu} \in \mathcal{S}_{0} \\ \operatorname{supp} \hat{\varphi}_{\nu} = \{1.5^{-1} \cdot 2^{\nu} \leq |\xi| \leq 1.5^{-2} \} \\ |\hat{\varphi}_{\nu}(\xi)| \geq C_{\varepsilon} > 0 & \text{if } 2^{\nu} (1.5 - \varepsilon)^{-1} \leq |\xi| \leq 2^{\nu} (1.5 - \varepsilon) \\ |D_{\alpha} \hat{\varphi}_{\nu}(\xi)| \leq C_{\alpha} |\xi|^{-|\alpha|} & \text{for every multiindex } \alpha . \end{cases}$$

Here and in what follows  $\mathscr{S}_0$  is the space of rapidly decreasing functions whose Fourier transforms vanish together with all their derivatives at the origin.  $\mathscr{S}'_0$  is its dual space. It is easy to see that  $\mathscr{S}'_0$  in fact can be identified to the space of tempered distributions  $\mathscr{S}'$  modulo polynomials.

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DEFINITION 1.1. Let s be real,  $0 < p, q \le \infty$ . The Besov space  $\dot{B}_p^{sq}$  is the space of all  $f \in \mathcal{S}_0'$  such that

$$\|f\|_{\dot{B}^{\mathrm{aq}}_p} \, \equiv \left( \sum_{\mathbf{v}} \, (2^{\mathbf{v}s} \|\varphi_{\mathbf{v}} \! * \! f \|_{L_p})^q \right)^{\!1/q} \, < \, \infty \; .$$

DEFINITION 1.2. Let s be real,  $0 , <math>0 < q \le \infty$ . The Lizorkin-Triebel space  $\dot{F}_p^{sq}$  is the space of all  $f \in \mathcal{S}_0'$  such that

$$||f||_{\dot{F}^{sq}_{p}} \equiv \left\| \left( \sum_{v} |2^{vs} \varphi_{v} * f|^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L_{2}} < \infty.$$

REMARK 1.1. We emphasize that we in these homogeneous spaces work modulo polynomials.

From the definitions we at once get the imbeddings

(1.2) 
$$\dot{B}_{p}^{sq} \to \dot{F}_{p}^{sq} \to \dot{B}_{p}^{sp} \quad \text{if } q \leq p$$
$$\dot{B}_{p}^{sp} \to \dot{F}_{p}^{sq} \to \dot{B}_{p}^{sq} \quad \text{if } q \geq p$$

and especially

$$\dot{B}_p^{sp} = \dot{F}_p^{sp} \quad \text{if } 0$$

Furthermore, using Littlewood-Paley theory it is possible to prove (see [8])

$$\dot{F}_{p}^{02} \approx H_{p}$$

where  $H_n$  is the Hardy space on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let us list some other known properties of the spaces (cf. [9], [15]): The imbeddings from  $\mathcal{S}_0$  and into  $\mathcal{S}_0'$  are continuous:

$$(1.5) \mathscr{S}_0 \to \dot{B}_p^{sq}, \, \dot{F}_p^{sq} \to \mathscr{S}_0'.$$

- (1.6) If  $0 < p, q < \infty$  then  $\mathcal{S}_0$  is dense in  $\dot{B}_p^{sq}$  and  $\dot{F}_p^{sq}$ .
- (1.7)  $\dot{B}_{p}^{sq}$  and  $\dot{F}_{p}^{sq}$  are complete.
- (1.8) The Riesz potential  $I^s = (-\Delta)^{s/2}$  is an isomorphism from  $\dot{B}_p^{s_0q}$  onto  $\dot{B}_p^{s_0-s,q}$  and from  $\dot{F}_p^{s_0}$  onto  $\dot{F}_p^{s_0-s,q}$ .

## 2. An imbedding theorem.

The following imbedding theorem will later play a decisive rôle:

THEOREM 2.1. Let 
$$s_0 > s_1$$
,  $0 < p_0 < p_1 < \infty$ ,  $0 < q, r \le \infty$ . If

$$s_0 - n/p_0 = s_1 - n/p_1$$

then

(i) 
$$\dot{B}_{p_0}^{s_0q} \to \dot{B}_{p_1}^{s_1q}$$

(ii) 
$$\dot{F}_{p_0}^{s_0q} \to \dot{F}_{p_1}^{s_1r}$$

(iii) 
$$\dot{F}_{p_0}^{s_0q} \rightarrow \dot{B}_{p_1}^{s_1p_0}$$

PROOF. We may assume  $s_0 = 0$  (cf. (1.8)).

(i) From the easily verified inequality

$$\|\varphi_{\nu} * f\|_{L_{\infty}} \leq C 2^{\nu n/p} \|\varphi_{\nu} * f\|_{L_{p}}$$

we get by Hölder's inequality

$$\|\varphi_{\nu} * f\|_{L_{p_1}} \le C 2^{\nu n(1/p_0 - 1/p_1)} \|\varphi_{\nu} * f\|_{L_{p_0}}.$$

This readily gives (i).

(ii) It suffices to take  $q = \infty$  and  $||f||_{\dot{F}_{\infty}^{0\infty}} = 1$ . By (2.1)

$$\| \varphi_{\nu} * f \|_{L_{\infty}} \leq C 2^{\nu n/p_0} \| f \|_{\dot{F}_{\infty}^{0_{\infty}}} = C 2^{\nu n/p_0} \; .$$

Therefore for any fixed integer N

(2.2) 
$$\left(\sum_{-\infty}^{N} |2^{\nu s_1} \varphi_{\nu} * f|^r\right)^{1/r} \leq C 2^{nN/p_1} \leq t$$

if  $t \approx C2^{nN/p_1}$ . On the other hand, since  $s_1 < 0$ 

(2.3) 
$$\left(\sum_{N}^{\infty} |2^{\nu s_{1}} \varphi_{\nu} * f|^{r}\right)^{1/r} \leq C 2^{s_{1} N} \sup_{\nu} |\varphi_{\nu} * f| \leq C t^{1 - p_{1}/p_{0}} \sup_{\omega} |\varphi_{\nu} * f|.$$

Combining (2.2) and (2.3) we get

$$||f||_{F_{p_1}^{s_1r}}^{p_1} = p_1 \int_0^\infty t^{p_1-1} \left| \left\{ \left( \sum_{-\infty}^\infty |2^{vs_1} \varphi_v * f|^r \right)^{1/r} > t \right\} \right| dt$$

$$\leq p_1 \int_0^\infty t^{p_1-1} \left| \left\{ \sup_v |\varphi_v * f| > C t^{p_1/p_0} \right\} \right| dt$$

$$\leq C \int_0^\infty t^{p_0-1} \left| \left\{ \sup_v |\varphi_v * f| > t \right\} \right| dt = C ||f||_{F_{p_0}^{s_0}}^{p_1}.$$

This proves (ii).

(iii) By (2.1) it follows that

$$\dot{F}_{p'}^{s_0\infty}\to \dot{B}_{p_1}^{s',\infty}$$

if  $s' - n/p_1 = s_0 - n/p'$ . Hence by interpolation

$$(\dot{F}_{p'}^{s_0\infty}, \dot{F}_{p''}^{s_0\infty})_{\theta p_0} \rightarrow (\dot{B}_{p_1}^{s',\infty}, \dot{B}_{p_1}^{s'',\infty})_{\theta p_0}$$

or by the lemma below

$$\dot{F}_{p_0}^{s_0\infty}\to\dot{B}_{p_0}^{s_1p_0}$$

if 
$$1/p_0 = (1-\theta)/p' + \theta/p''$$
,  $s_1 = (1-\theta)s' + \theta s''$   $(0 < \theta < 1)$ .

LEMMA 2.1. Let  $0 < p, q \le \infty$ . Concerning real interpolation we have

(i) 
$$(\dot{B}_{p}^{s',q'},\dot{B}_{p}^{s'',q''})_{\theta a} = \dot{B}_{p}^{sq}$$

if 
$$s = (1 - \theta)s' + \theta s''$$
  $(0 < \theta < 1; s' \neq s'')$ 

(ii) 
$$(\dot{F}_{p'}^{s\infty}, \dot{F}_{p''}^{s\infty})_{\theta p} = \dot{F}_{p}^{s\infty}$$

if 
$$1/p = (1-\theta)/p' + \theta/p''$$
  $(0 < \theta < 1)$ .

PROOF. (i) is well-known; see [9, chapter 11]. We do not detail the proof of (ii). Roughly speaking, one first shows that  $\dot{F}_p^{s\infty}$  is a retract of  $H_p(l_\infty)$ . Then it is just to invoke a vector valued version of the Fefferman-Rivière-Sagher theorem [4] on interpolation of Hardy spaces.

REMARK 2.1. If  $p \ge 1$  then (i) of theorem 2.1 is of course essentially the classical Besov imbedding theorem. If 0 it is also well-known; see Peetre [9, chapter 11] from where our proof is taken over.

If q=2 and  $p_0, p_1>1$  then (ii) is "Sobolev's theorem on fractional integration" (cf. [13, chapter 5]). (ii) also contains results of for example Stein-Weiss [14], Peetre [8] and Triebel [15].

(iii) with q=2 goes back to Hardy-Littlewood. Our proof is based on ideas in [8].

## 3. An extension of Hardy's inequality.

In this brief section we consider an application of theorem 2.1. Recall the *n*-dimensional version of Szasz' theorem (cf. [9, chapter 6]):

LEMMA 3.1. Let f denote the Fourier transform of f. Then

$$\|\hat{f}\|_{L_{a}} \leq C \|f\|_{\dot{B}^{m(1/p-1/2),p}_{+}} \quad \text{if } 0$$

Now it is a simple matter to verify the following

THEOREM 3.1. Let  $0 and <math>0 < q \le \infty$ . Then

(3.1) 
$$\left( \int |\widehat{f}(\xi)|^p / |\xi|^{n(2-p)} d\xi \right)^{1/p} \leq C \|f\|_{\dot{F}_p^{0q}}.$$

PROOF. Let  $g = I^{-n(2-p)/p} f$ . By theorem 2.1:(iii) and (1.8) we have

$$||g||_{\dot{B}_{2}^{n(1/p-1/2),p}} \leq C||f||_{\dot{F}_{n}^{0q}}.$$

Hence, using the lemma, we get

$$\|\hat{g}\|_{L_{-}} \leq C \|f\|_{\dot{F}^{0q}}$$

which is the desired inequality.

REMARK 3.1. If p=2 we must take  $q \le 2$  in view of (1.4) and Plancherel's theorem.

REMARK 3.2. The case q=2,  $0 (the Hardy space case) is well-known; (3.1) is then sometimes called Hardy's inequality. For <math>T^1$  it was proved by Paley for 1 , for <math>p=1 by Hardy and for  $0 by Hardy-Littlewood. For <math>R^n$  the case p=1 has been obtained by Fefferman [3] and Björk [1] and 0 is due to Peetre [8].

# 4. The duals of $\dot{B}_{p}^{sq}$ and $\dot{F}_{p}^{sq}$ .

The duals of  $\dot{B}_{p}^{sq}$  and  $\dot{F}_{p}^{sq}$  may be considered as subspaces of  $\mathscr{S}'_{0}$  because of (1.5) and (1.6). It turns out that to characterize them exactly if 0 is to a large extent just another application of theorem 2.1.

We begin by describing the dual of  $\dot{B}_{p}^{sq}$ :

THEOREM 4.1. Let s be real and 0 . Then

(i) 
$$(\dot{B}_{p}^{sq})' \approx \dot{B}_{\infty}^{-s+n(1/p-1),\infty}$$
 if  $0 < q \le 1$ 

(ii) 
$$(\dot{B}_{p}^{sq})' \approx \dot{B}_{\infty}^{-s+n(1/p-1),q'}$$
 if  $1 < q < \infty$ 

where 1/q + 1/q' = 1.

PROOF. For simplicity we take s=0. By theorem 2.1:(i) we have

$$\dot{B}_{p}^{0q} \longrightarrow \dot{B}_{1}^{-n(1/p-1), 1}$$
 if  $0 < q \le 1$   
 $\dot{B}_{n}^{0q} \longrightarrow \dot{B}_{1}^{-n(1/p-1), q}$  if  $1 < q < \infty$ .

If we use the well-known fact (cf. [9, chapter 3])

$$(\dot{B}_1^{sq})' \approx \dot{B}_{\infty}^{-s,q} \quad \text{if } 1 \leq q < \infty$$

we therefore find

(i') 
$$\dot{B}_{\infty}^{n(1/p-1),\infty} \to (\dot{B}_{n}^{0q})'$$
 if  $0 < q \le 1$ 

(ii') 
$$\dot{B}_{\infty}^{n(1/p-1), q} \to (\dot{B}_{n}^{0q})'$$
 if  $1 < q < \infty$ .

In order to prove the converse inclusions we fix a  $f \in (\dot{B}_p^{0q})'$  with  $||f||_{(\dot{B}_p^{0q})'} = 1$ . (i) is a consequence of (i') and

$$||f||_{\dot{B}^{n(1/p-1),\infty}_{\infty}} = \sup_{\nu} \sup_{h} |\langle f, 2^{\nu n(1/p-1)} \varphi_{\nu}(\cdot - h) \rangle| \leq C \cdot 1.$$

Thus there only remains to verify the second half of (ii). Let  $\{\varphi_{\nu}\}$  be a sequence of testfunctions satisfying in addition to (1.1) also  $\sum_{\nu} \varphi_{\nu} = \delta$  (which is no restriction). Then we obviously have

$$f = \sum_{\nu} \varphi_{\nu} * f \equiv \sum_{\nu} a_{\nu} .$$

Assume with no loss of generality that supp  $\hat{a}_{\nu}$  and supp  $\varphi_{\mu}$  are disjoint if  $\nu \neq \mu$ . (Just multiply  $\hat{f}$  by a suitable function.) For a fixed integer N > 0 we define the sequence  $\{b_{\nu}\}_{\nu=-N}^{N}$  by

$$b_{\nu}(x) = \varepsilon_{\nu} 2^{\nu n(1/p-1)} \|a_{\nu}\|_{\dot{B}^{n(1/p-1),\infty}}^{q'-1} \varphi_{\nu}(x-h_{\nu}), \quad |\varepsilon_{\nu}| = 1$$

where  $\{h_{\nu}\}$  and the arguments of  $\{\varepsilon_{\nu}\}$  are at our disposal. (That indeed  $\|a_{\nu}\|_{\dot{B}_{\infty}^{m(1/p-1),\infty}} < \infty$  can be seen in the same way as for (i)). Clearly, in view of our assumption on the supports,

$$\begin{split} f\bigg(\sum_{-N}^{N} b_{\nu}\bigg) &= \sum_{-N}^{N} f(b_{\nu}) \\ &\geq \sum_{-N}^{N} \|a_{\nu}\|_{\dot{B}_{\infty}^{n(1/p-1),\infty}}^{q'-1} \langle a_{\nu}, \varepsilon_{\nu} 2^{\nu n(1/p-1)} \varphi_{\nu}(\cdot -h_{\nu}) \rangle \\ &\geq C \sum_{-N}^{N} \|a_{\nu}\|_{\dot{B}_{\infty}^{n(1/p-1),\infty}}^{q'} = C \sum_{-N}^{N} (2^{\nu n(1/p-1)} \|a_{\nu}\|_{L_{\infty}})^{q'} \end{split}$$

if  $\{h_{\nu}\}$  and the arguments of  $\{\varepsilon_{\nu}\}$  are chosen properly. But on the other hand

$$f\left(\sum_{-N}^{N} b_{\nu}\right) \leq 1 \cdot \left\| \sum_{-N}^{N} b_{\nu} \right\|_{\dot{B}_{pq}^{0q}} \leq \left(\sum_{-N}^{N} \left(2^{\nu n(1/p-1)} \|a_{\nu}\|_{L_{\infty}}\right)^{q'}\right)^{1/q}.$$

Hence,

$$\left(\sum_{-N}^{N} (2^{\nu n(1/p-1)} ||a_{\nu}||_{L_{\infty}})^{q'}\right)^{1/q'} \leq C$$

and the proof is complete if we let  $N \to \infty$ .

We turn our attention to  $\dot{F}_p^{sq}$ . To determine its dual almost becomes a triviality when knowing both theorem 2.1 and theorem 4.1:

THEOREM 4.2. Let s be real and 0 . Then

$$(\dot{F}_{p}^{sq})' \approx \dot{B}_{\infty}^{-s+n(1/p-1),\infty} \quad \text{if } 0 < q < \infty.$$

PROOF. From (1.2) we deduce that

$$(\dot{F}_p^{sq})' \to (\dot{B}_p^{sq})'$$
 if  $q \leq p$   
 $(\dot{F}_p^{sq})' \to (\dot{B}_p^{sp})'$  if  $q \geq p$ .

Conversely, theorem 2.1:(ii) or (iii) yields

$$(\dot{B}_{1}^{s-n(1/p-1),1})' \rightarrow (\dot{F}_{p}^{sq})'$$

Invoking theorem 4.1 we see that the Besov spaces have the same dual and thus also  $\dot{F}_{n}^{sq}$ :

$$(\dot{F}_p^{sq})' \approx \dot{B}_{\infty}^{-s+n(1/p-1),\infty}$$
.

REMARK 4.1. Part (i) of theorem 4.1 for  $T^1$  is due to Flett [6]. It was extended to  $R^n$  by Peetre [11].

By (1.4) theorem 4.2 includes the fact

$$(H_p)' \approx \dot{B}_{\infty}^{n(1/p-1),\infty}$$
 if  $0 .$ 

For T<sup>1</sup> this is a famous result of Duren-Romberg-Shields [2]. The extension to R<sup>n</sup> is by Walsh [16] (cf. also Fefferman-Stein [5], Peetre [11], Rivière [13]).

# 5. The trace of $\dot{F}_{p}^{sq}$ .

Let us denote a point  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  by  $x = (x', x_n)$ , where  $x' \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  and  $x_n \in \mathbb{R}^1$ . Identify  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  with the hyperplane  $x_n = 0$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and consider the trace operator

Tr: 
$$\mathscr{S}_0(\mathsf{R}^n) \to \mathscr{S}(\mathsf{R}^{n-1})$$

defined by

$$\operatorname{Tr} f(x') = f(x', 0) .$$

THEOREM 5.1. Let  $0 , <math>0 < q \le \infty$  and  $s > 1/p + \max(0, (n-1)(1/p-1))$ . Then the trace operator can be extended so that

(5.1) Tr: 
$$\dot{F}_{p}^{sq}(\mathbb{R}^{n}) \to \dot{B}_{p}^{s-1/p, p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})$$
.

Conversely, there is an operator Sr

(5.2) Sr: 
$$\dot{B}_{p}^{s-1/p, p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1}) \to \dot{F}_{p}^{sq}(\mathbb{R}^{n})$$

so that  $Tr \circ Sr = Id$ .

PROOF. In proving (5.1) we shall for convenience assume 0 (with minor modifications the same proof also works for <math>p > 1). It also suffices to take  $q = \infty$ .

Let  $f \in \dot{F}_p^{sq}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $q < \infty$  we can extend Tr by continuity, since  $\mathscr{S}_0$  is then dense in  $\dot{F}_p^{sq}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . For  $q = \infty$  this is no longer applicable. However, for all q we can define Tr by

Tr 
$$f(x') = \sum_{v \in \mathbf{7}} \varphi_v * f(x', 0) \equiv \sum_{v \in \mathbf{7}} a_v$$

where  $\{\varphi_v\}_{v\in Z}$  is a sequence of testfunctions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  satisfying (1.1) and  $\sum_v \varphi_v = \delta$ . Obviously, it is an extension of our original Tr (in fact, as is easily seen, the unique one). That the sum has a limit and thus that Tr is well-defined follows from the completeness of  $\dot{B}_n^{sq}$  and (5.3) below.

We need two lemmata; the first is for  $p \ge 1$  just Minkowski:

Lemma 5.1. If 
$$f,g \in \mathscr{S}_0'$$
 and  $\operatorname{supp} \widehat{f}, \operatorname{supp} \widehat{g} \subset \{|\xi| \le r\}$  then 
$$\|f * g\|_{L_p} \le C r^{n(1/p-1)} \|f\|_{L_p} \|g\|_{L_p} \quad \text{if } 0 
$$\|f * g\|_{L_p} \le \|f\|_{L_1} \|g\|_{L_p} \quad \text{if } 1 \le p \le \infty \ .$$$$

For a proof we refer the reader to [9, chapter 11]. The second lemma is also a result by Peetre [10] (we shall only need it for  $q = \infty$  when it is easiest to prove):

Set

$$\varphi_{\nu}^{a}f(x) = \sup_{|x-\nu| \le 2^{-\nu}a} |\varphi_{\nu} * f(y)|$$

for a fixed  $a \ge 0$ .

LEMMA 5.2. Let s be real and  $0 , <math>0 < q \le \infty$ . Then

$$||f||_{\dot{F}^{sq}_{p}} \approx \left\| \left( \sum_{\nu} |2^{\nu s} \varphi^{a}_{\nu} f|^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L_{p}}.$$

Now the proof of (5.1) is easily accomplished. If  $\{\varphi'_{\nu}\}_{\nu\in\mathbb{Z}}$  is a sequence of testfunctions on  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  satisfying (1.1), then

$$\operatorname{Tr} f * \varphi'_{\nu} = \sum_{\mu \geq \nu - 1} a_{\mu} * \varphi'_{\nu}.$$

Consequently,

$$\|\operatorname{Tr} f * \varphi'_{\nu}\|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p} \leq \sum_{\mu \geq \nu - 1} \|a_{\mu} * \varphi'_{\nu}\|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p}$$

since

$$(x+y)^p \le x^p + y^p$$

when  $x, y \ge 0$  and 0 . By lemma 5.1 we have

$$||a_{\mu}*\varphi'_{\nu}||_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})} \leq C2^{\mu(t-1/p)}||a_{\mu}||_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}||\varphi'_{\nu}||_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}$$

with t = 1/p + (n-1)(1/p-1). But

$$\|\varphi_{\nu}'\|_{L_{\nu}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})} \approx 2^{-\nu(t-1/p)}$$
.

Hence,

$$2^{\nu(s-1/p)p} \| \varphi_{\nu}' * \operatorname{Tr} f \|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p}$$

$$\leq C \sum_{\mu \geq \nu-1} 2^{(\nu-\mu)(s-t)p} 2^{-\mu} \| 2^{\mu s} a_{\mu} \|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p}$$

Inserting this into the definition of Besov spaces (definition 1.1) and using Minkowski's inequality for sums we find

$$\begin{split} & \|f\|_{\dot{B}_{p}^{\mu^{-1/p,p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}}^{p} \leq C \sum_{\nu \leq 1} 2^{\nu(s-t)p} \sum_{\mu} 2^{-\mu} \|2^{\mu s} a_{\mu}\|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p} \\ & \leq C \sum_{\mu} 2^{-\mu} \|2^{\mu s} a_{\mu}\|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p} \end{split}$$

since s > t. However,

$$\sum_{\mu} 2^{-\mu} \| 2^{\mu s} a_{\mu} \|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p} \leq \sum_{\mu} \int_{2^{-\mu}}^{2^{-\mu+1}} \| 2^{\mu s} \varphi_{\mu}^{2} f(\cdot, x_{n}) \|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p} dx_{n}$$

$$\leq C \left\| \sup_{\mu} |2^{\mu s} \varphi_{\mu}^{2} f| \right\|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}^{p}.$$

Thus by lemma 5.2

$$||f||_{\dot{B}_{n}^{a-1/p,p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})} \leq C||f||_{\dot{F}_{n}^{a\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}.$$

This concludes the proof of (5.1).

We turn to (5.2). Now we can take q very small, at least  $q \le p$ . Let  $\{\varphi'_v\}_{v \in \mathbb{Z}}$  and  $\{\psi_v\}_{v \in \mathbb{Z}}$  be testfunctions on  $\mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^1$  respectively, satisfying (1.1) as well as

$$\sum_{\nu} \varphi'_{\nu} = \delta; \quad \psi_{\nu}(x_{n}) = 2^{\nu} \psi_{0}(2^{\nu} x_{n}), \quad \psi_{0}(0) = 1.$$

Again in order to avoid some trivial technical nuisances we assume that

(5.4) 
$$\varphi'_{\nu} * \varphi'_{\mu} * f = 0 \quad \text{if } \nu \neq \mu$$
$$\psi_{\nu} * \psi_{\mu} = 0 \quad \text{if } \nu \neq \mu$$

However, without any loss of generality we may assume that the testfunctions  $\{\varphi_n\}_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  are of the form

(5.5) 
$$\varphi_{\nu} = \varphi'_{\nu} \otimes \sum_{\mu \leq \nu} \psi_{\mu} + \sum_{\mu \leq \nu} \varphi'_{\mu} \otimes \psi_{\nu}.$$

Put

$$\operatorname{Sr} f(x', x_n) = \sum_{\mu} 2^{-\mu} \varphi'_{\mu} * f(x') \otimes \psi_{\mu}(x_n) .$$

Clearly,

$$Sr f(x',0) = f(x')$$

that is,  $Tr \circ Sr = Id$ . Because of (5.4) and (5.5) we see that

$$\operatorname{Sr} f * \varphi_{\nu} = 2^{-\nu+1} \varphi_{\nu}' * \varphi_{\nu}' * f \otimes \psi_{\nu} * \psi_{\nu}.$$

Hence,

$$\|\operatorname{Sr} f\|_{F_{p}^{q}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}^{p} \leq C \left\| \left( \sum_{v} |2^{v(s-1)} \varphi_{v}' * \varphi_{v}' * f \otimes \psi_{v} * \psi_{v}|^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}^{p}$$

$$\leq C \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{v} \left( 2^{v(1p-1)} a_{v} \psi_{v} * \psi_{v}(x_{n}) \right)^{q} \right|^{p/q} dx_{n}$$

with

$$a_{\nu} = 2^{\nu(s-1/p)} \| \varphi'_{\nu} * \varphi'_{\nu} * f \|_{L_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}$$

Inserting the trivial estimate

$$|\psi_{\nu} * \psi_{\nu}(x_n)| \leq C2^{\nu} \min (1, (2^{\nu}|x_n|)^{-j})$$

for an arbitrarily large j, gives with r = p/q

$$\begin{aligned} \|\operatorname{Sr} f\|_{\dot{F}_{p}^{u}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}^{p} &\leq C \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{v} \left( 2^{v/p} a_{v} \min \left( 1, \left( 2^{v} | x_{n} | \right)^{-j} \right) \right)^{q} \right|^{p/q} dx_{n} \\ &\leq C \sum_{\mu} \left( \sum_{v} \left( 2^{v-\mu} a_{v}^{p} \min \left( 1, \left( 2^{v-\mu} \right)^{-jp} \right) \right)^{1/r} \right)^{r} \end{aligned}$$

If we use Minkowski again, we see that

$$\|\operatorname{Sr} f\|_{\dot{F}^{s_{\mathbf{q}}}_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}^{p} \leq C \sum_{\nu} a^{p}_{\nu} \leq C \|f\|_{\dot{B}^{s-1/p,p}_{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})}^{p}.$$

This is the desired inequality and thus the proof of the theorem is complete.

REMARK 5.1. Our proof of theorem 5.1 is essentially the same as in [7].

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