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# On nuclearity of embeddings between Besov spaces

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## Abstract

Let  $B_{p,q}^{s,\alpha}(\Omega)$  be the Besov space with classical smoothness  $s$  and additional logarithmic smoothness of order  $\alpha$  on a bounded Lipschitz domain  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . For  $s_1, s_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $1 \leq p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 \leq \infty$  and  $s_1 - s_2 = d - d(1/p_2 - 1/p_1)_+$ , we show a sufficient condition on  $q_1, q_2$  for nuclearity of embedding  $B_{p_1,q_1}^{s_1,\alpha_1}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow B_{p_2,q_2}^{s_2,\alpha_2}(\Omega)$ . We also show that the condition is necessary in a wide range of parameters.

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded Lipschitz domain in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Let  $s_1, s_2 \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $1 < p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2 < \infty$ . It follows from a result of Pietsch [15] (see also [18] and [21, p. 354]) that the embedding  $B_{p_1,q_1}^{s_1}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow B_{p_2,q_2}^{s_2}(\Omega)$  is nuclear if  $s_1 - s_2 > d - d(1/p_2 - 1/p_1)_+$ , and it is not nuclear if  $s_1 - s_2 < d - d(1/p_2 - 1/p_1)_+$ . Here  $a_+ = \max\{a, 0\}$ . The limiting case  $s_1 - s_2 = d - d(1/p_2 -$

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$1/p_1)_+$  has been considered very recently by Edmunds, Gurka and Lang [7] and Triebel [27]. As one can see in [27], the embedding is not nuclear if  $s_1 - s_2 = d - d(1/p_2 - 1/p_1)_+$ . Note that the conditions above are independent of the parameters  $q_1$  and  $q_2$ .

The aim of this paper is to investigate the role of  $q_1, q_2$  in nuclearity of embeddings between Besov spaces. Having in mind the results on entropy numbers of limiting embeddings of Leopold [13] and Cobos and Kühn [4], we work with Besov spaces  $B_{p,q}^{s,\alpha}(\Omega)$  which add logarithmic smoothness with exponent  $\alpha$  to the classical smoothness  $s$ . It holds  $B_{p,q}^{s,\alpha}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow B_{p,q}^s(\Omega)$  for  $\alpha > 0$ . We show a sufficient condition in terms of  $q_1, q_2$  for nuclearity of embeddings  $B_{p_1,q_1}^{s_1,\alpha_1}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow B_{p_2,q_2}^{s_2,\alpha_2}(\Omega)$  when  $s_1 - s_2 = d - d(1/p_2 - 1/p_1)_+$ . Furthermore, we prove that the condition is necessary for nuclearity in a wide range of parameters.

Our results not only point out the role of parameters  $q_1, q_2$  in nuclearity of embeddings, but also apply to many embeddings  $B_{p_1,q_1}^{s_1}(\Omega) \hookrightarrow B_{p_2,q_2}^{s_2}(\Omega)$  when  $s_1 - s_2 = d - d(1/p_2 - 1/p_1)_+$  and  $\min\{p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2\} = 1$  or/and  $\max\{p_1, p_2, q_1, q_2\} = \infty$ . These limiting embeddings have not been considered in [7] or [27].

The methods that we use are different from those by Edmunds, Gurka and Lang [7] and by Triebel [27]. The techniques of [7] use the relationship between nuclearity and  $s$ -numbers (Bernstein and approximation numbers), while those of [27] are based on wavelet expansions for functions of  $B_{p,q}^s(\Omega)$ , periodic function spaces on  $\mathbb{T}^d$  and duality arguments. However, our methods only depend on the description in terms of wavelets for spaces  $B_{p,q}^{s,\alpha}(\Omega)$  (see [1,4]) and the characterizations of nuclearity of diagonal operators between sequence spaces obtained by Tong [20].

### 2. Preliminaries

For  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , we write  $a_+ = \max\{a, 0\}$ . Given two sequences  $(a_j), (b_j)$  of non-negative real numbers we put  $a_j \lesssim b_j$  if there is a constant  $c > 0$  such that  $a_j \leq c b_j$  for all  $j \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ . If  $a_j \lesssim b_j$  and  $b_j \lesssim a_j$ , we write  $a_j \sim b_j$ .

Let  $A_0, A_1$  be Banach spaces continuously embedded in a Hausdorff topological vector space  $\mathcal{A}$ . Given  $0 < \theta < 1, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $1 \leq q \leq \infty$ , the logarithmic interpolation space  $(A_0, A_1)_{\theta,\gamma,q}$  is formed by all those  $a \in A_0 + A_1$  which have a finite norm

$$\|a\|_{(A_0,A_1)_{\theta,\gamma,q}} = \left( \int_0^\infty (t^{-\theta}(1 + |\log t|)^{-\gamma} K(t, a))^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q}$$

(as usual, the integral should be replaced by the supremum when  $q = \infty$ ), where  $K(t, a)$  is the  $K$ -functional of Peetre, defined by

$$K(t, a) = \inf\{\|a_0\|_{A_0} + t\|a_1\|_{A_1} : a = a_0 + a_1, a_j \in A_j\}$$

(see [10,8,5]). For  $\gamma = 0$  we recover the classical real interpolation space  $(A_0, A_1)_{\theta,q}$  realized as a  $K$ -space (see [2,21]). It is not hard to check that the logarithmic interpolation spaces have the interpolation property for bounded linear operators.

Let  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  and  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ . We let  $\ell_p$  be the usual space of scalar  $p$ -summable sequences with indices in  $\mathbb{N}_0$ , and we write  $\ell_p^M$  for the  $M$ -dimensional  $\ell_p$ -space. For  $1 \leq q \leq \infty, w_j > 0$  and  $M_j \in \mathbb{N}$ , the space  $\ell_q(w_j \ell_p^{M_j})$  consists of all vector-valued sequences  $x = (x_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}_0}$  having a finite norm

$$\|x\|_{\ell_q(w_j \ell_p^{M_j})} = \left( \sum_{j=0}^\infty (w_j \|x_j\|_{\ell_p^{M_j}})^q \right)^{1/q}.$$

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