

Hardy–Trudinger inequalities in weighted Orlicz spaces

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Abstract. We establish Hardy–Trudinger inequalities in weighted Orlicz spaces on $\mathbb{R}^n$ and near the origin.

1. Introduction

Let $B(x, r)$ denote the open ball centered at $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ with radius r , whose volume is written as $|B(x, r)|$. The Hardy–Sobolev inequalities say that, for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$,

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\int_{B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \right)^q |x|^\alpha dx \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)^p |y|^\beta dy \right)^{1/p} \quad (1.1)$$

when $1 \leq p \leq q$, $\beta < n(p-1)$ and $\alpha = \beta q/p - qn/p' - n$ ($1/p + 1/p' = 1$), and

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \right)^q |x|^\alpha dx \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)^p |y|^\beta dy \right)^{1/p} \quad (1.2)$$

when $1 \leq p \leq q$, $\beta > n(p-1)$ and $\alpha = \beta q/p - qn/p' - n$ (see, e.g., [14, 21]). For the classical one-dimensional case, see, e.g., [1, 4, 5, 7, 8, 18, 19]. In [21], Persson and Samko discussed the sharp constant C for the case $p \leq q$ for both one-dimensional and multi-dimensional cases. These classical Hardy-type inequalities are given mostly for weighted Lebesgue spaces, but such inequalities are known for other function spaces (see [5, Section 7.6]). See [5, Theorem 7.95] for Hardy-type inequalities for Orlicz spaces. Recently, we studied Hardy–Sobolev inequalities on the unit ball in [11, 13], on the half-space in [9, 10, 17] and on $\mathbb{R}^n$ in [14, 16]. For related results, see, e.g., [2, 3, 12, 15, 20].

In this paper, we are concerned with the borderline case $\beta = n(p-1)$ and establish Hardy–Trudinger-type inequalities in weighted Orlicz spaces on $\mathbb{R}^n$. In Section 3, we establish inner Hardy–Trudinger-type inequalities on $\mathbb{R}^n$ (Theorem 3.1) and near the origin (Theorem 3.6). The sharpness of our results will be discussed in Remarks 3.3 and 3.8.

In Section 4, we investigate outer Hardy–Trudinger-type inequalities on $\mathbb{R}^n$ (Theorem 4.1) and near the origin (Theorem 4.8). We give remarks on the best possibility of

our theorems (Remarks 4.3, 4.4, 4.7, and 4.10). As far as we know, even corollaries in Sections 3 and 4 are new results.

The constants C in all inequalities in this paper depend on some parameters, involved functionals and conditions, etc., but they are independent of the corresponding mappings. Moreover, $f \sim g$ means that $C^{-1}g(r) \leq f(r) \leq Cg(r)$ for a constant $C > 0$.

2. Preliminaries

Consider a positive convex function φ on $(0, \infty)$ satisfying

$$(\varphi 0) \quad \varphi(0) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \varphi(r) = 0.$$

The typical examples are

$$\varphi(r) = r^p (\log(c + r))^q, \exp(r^p) - 1, \text{ etc.,}$$

where $p \geq 1$ and $c \geq e$ is chosen so that $(1 + \log c)(p - 1) + q \geq 0$ [6, Proposition 5.2].

If $\varphi_1(r) = r^p (\log(e + r))^q$, then it may be replaced by

$$\varphi_2(r) = \int_0^r \left\{ \sup_{0 < s < t} s^p (\log(e + s))^q \right\} t^{-1} dt,$$

which is convex and $\varphi_1(r) \sim \varphi_2(r)$.

Note here that

$$(\varphi 1) \quad s^{-1} \varphi(s) \leq t^{-1} \varphi(t) \text{ whenever } 0 < s < t;$$

$$(\varphi 2) \quad \varphi^{-1} \text{ is concave in } (0, \infty);$$

$$(\varphi^{-1}) \quad \varphi^{-1} \text{ is doubling, more precisely,}$$

$$\varphi^{-1}(2r) \leq 2\varphi^{-1}(r) \quad \text{for } r > 0.$$

3. Hardy–Trudinger inequalities I

We give the inner Hardy–Trudinger inequality on $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Theorem 3.1. *Let φ and ψ be positive convex functions on $(0, \infty)$ satisfying $(\varphi 0)$. For $p \geq 1$ and a positive increasing function ω on $(0, \infty)$,*

$$\omega_p(r) = \int_0^r \omega(t)^{-p'/p} t^{n-1} dt.$$

Suppose that $\alpha > 0$ and

$(\varphi, \psi, \alpha, \omega_p)$ for $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a constant $A_1 > 0$ such that

$$\psi((e + t)^{\alpha p} \omega_p(t)^{p/p'} \varphi^{-1}((e + t)^{-n}) / A_1) \leq (e + t)^\varepsilon \quad \text{for } t > 0.$$

Then, for $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a constant $C > 1$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \psi \left(\left((e + |x|)^{-n/p+\alpha} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \right) / C \right)^p \right) dx \leq 1$$

for measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(g(y)) dy \leq 1, \quad (3.1)$$

where $g(y) = |f(y)|^p \omega(|y|)$.

Note that f satisfying (3.1) is called a weighted Orlicz function.

Proof of Theorem 3.1. Let f be a measurable function on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying (3.1). By using Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (e + |x|)^{-n/p+\alpha} \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \\ & \leq (e + |x|)^{-n/p+\alpha} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)|^p \omega(|y|) dy \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} \omega(|y|)^{-p'/p} dy \right)^{1/p'} \\ & \leq C(e + |x|)^{-n/p+\alpha} \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} g(y) dy \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq C(e + |x|)^\alpha \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left((e + |x|)^{-n} \int_{B(0,e+|x|)} g(y) dy \right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

In view of Jensen's inequality, (3.1) and (φ^{-1}) , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & (e + |x|)^{-n/p+\alpha} \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \\ & \leq C(e + |x|)^\alpha \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\varphi^{-1} \left(|B(0, e + |x|)|^{-1} \int_{B(0,e+|x|)} \varphi(g(y)) dy \right) \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq C(e + |x|)^\alpha \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} (\varphi^{-1}(|B(0, e + |x|)|^{-1}))^{1/p} \\ & \leq C_1(e + |x|)^\alpha \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} (\varphi^{-1}((e + |x|)^{-n}))^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

By $(\varphi, \psi, \alpha, \omega_p)$, we obtain

$$\psi \left(\left((e + |x|)^{-n/p+\alpha} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \right) / (C_1 A_1^{1/p}) \right)^p \right) \leq (e + |x|)^{\varepsilon_1}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-n-\varepsilon} \psi \left(\left((e + |x|)^{-n/p+\alpha} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \right) / (C_1 A_1^{1/p}) \right)^p \right) dx \\ & \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-n-\varepsilon+\varepsilon_1} dx \leq C_2 \end{aligned}$$

when $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$, which yields the result. ■

Example 3.2. Consider $\omega(r) = (e + r)^\beta (\log(e + r))^\gamma$ with $\beta = np/p'$ and $\gamma < p - 1$ and $\varphi(r) = \exp r - 1$. Then,

$$\omega_p(r) \sim (\log(e + r))^{-p'\gamma/p+1}$$

and

$$\varphi^{-1}(t) = \log(1 + t) \sim t \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0.$$

Hence, letting $\alpha = n/p$, we find

$$(e + t)^{\alpha p} \omega_p(t)^{p/p'} \varphi^{-1}((e + t)^{-n}) \sim (\log(e + t))^{p(-\gamma/p+1/p')},$$

so that we may consider

$$\psi(t) = \exp t^{1/(p(-\gamma/p+1/p'))} - 1 \quad (3.2)$$

in Theorem 3.1.

Remark 3.3. We see that the exponent $1/p(-\gamma/p + 1/p')$ in (3.2) is best suited.

For this, consider $f(y) = (e + |y|)^{-n} (\log(e + |y|))^{-(\gamma+1)/p} (\log \log(e + |y|))^{-\delta/p}$. Then, the following statements hold:

- (1) $g(y) = f(y)^p (e + |y|)^\beta (\log(e + |y|))^\gamma = (e + |y|)^{-n} (\log(e + |y|))^{-1} (\log \log(e + |y|))^{-\delta}$ is bounded when $(n + \beta)/p = n$;
- (2) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(g(y)) dy \leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(y) dy = C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |y|)^{-n} (\log(e + |y|))^{-1} (\log \log(e + |y|))^{-\delta} dy < \infty$ when $\delta > 1$;
- (3) $\int_{B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \geq C_1 (\log(e + |x|))^{1-(\gamma+1)/p} (\log \log(e + |x|))^{-\delta/p}$ when $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $(\gamma + 1)/p < 1$;
- (4) if $\varepsilon = 0$, then $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp((\int_{B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy)/(AC_1))^a dx = \infty$ for $A > 0$ and $a > 0$;
- (5) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp((\int_{B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy)/(AC_1))^a dx \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp(A^{-a} (\log(e + |x|))^{a(1/p'-\gamma/p)} (\log \log(e + |x|))^{-a\delta/p}) dx = \infty$ when $a(1/p' - \gamma/p) > 1$, $A > 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$.

Corollary 3.4. Let $p \geq 1$, $\beta = n(p - 1)$, $\gamma < p - 1$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp\left(\left(\int_{B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy\right)/C_1\right)^{1/(-\gamma/p+1/p')} dx \leq C_2 \quad (3.3)$$

for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)^p (e + |y|)^\beta (\log(e + |y|))^\gamma dy \leq 1. \quad (3.4)$$

For this, consider $\omega(r) = (e + r)^\beta (\log(e + r))^\gamma$. Then, in the first considerations in the proof of Theorem 3.1, we find by (3.4) that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y)dy &\leq C\omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} g(y)dy \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C(\log(e + |x|))^{-\gamma/p+1/p'} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} g(y)dy \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C_1(\varepsilon_1 \log(e + |x|))^{-\gamma/p+1/p'} \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ since $-\gamma/p + 1/p' > 0$, where $g(y) = f(y)^p (e + |y|)^\beta (\log(e + |y|))^\gamma$. Hence, we obtain

$$\exp \left(\left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y)dy \right) / C_1 \right)^{1/(-\gamma/p+1/p')} \leq (e + |x|)^{\varepsilon_1},$$

which gives the result.

Corollary 3.5. Let $p \geq 1$, $\beta = n(p - 1)$, $\gamma < p - 1$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp \exp \left(\left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y)dy \right) / C_1 \right)^{1/(-\gamma/p+1/p')} dx \leq C_2$$

for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)^p (e + |y|)^\beta (\log(e + |y|))^{p-1} (\log(e + \log(e + |y|)))^\gamma dy \leq 1. \quad (3.5)$$

For this, consider $\omega(r) = (e + r)^\beta (\log(e + r))^{p-1} (\log(e + \log(e + r)))^\gamma$ for $\gamma < p - 1$. Then, as above, we find by (3.5) that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y)dy &\leq C\omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} g(y)dy \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C(\log(e + \log(e + |x|)))^{-\gamma/p+1/p'} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} g(y)dy \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C_1(\log(e + \varepsilon_1 \log(e + |x|)))^{-\gamma/p+1/p'} \end{aligned}$$

for $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ since $-\gamma/p + 1/p' > 0$, where

$$g(y) = f(y)^p (e + |y|)^\beta (\log(e + |y|))^{p-1} (\log(e + \log(e + |y|)))^\gamma.$$

Hence, we obtain

$$\exp \exp \left(\left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y)dy \right) / C_1 \right)^{1/(-\gamma/p+1/p')} \leq C(e + |x|)^{\varepsilon_1},$$

which gives the result.

Let $\mathbf{B}$ denote the unit ball in $\mathbb{R}^n$. Next, we study the inner Hardy–Trudinger inequality near the origin.

Theorem 3.6. *Let φ be a positive convex function on $(0, \infty)$ satisfying $(\varphi 0)$. For $p \geq 1$ and positive increasing functions ω, η on $(0, \infty)$, set*

$$\omega_p(r) = \int_0^r \omega(t)^{-p'/p} t^{n-1} dt$$

and

$$\sigma(|x|) = |x|^{n/p} \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} (\varphi^{-1}(|x|^{-n}))^{1/p} (\log(e/|x|))^{-1}.$$

Then, for $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a constant $C > 1$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp \left(\left(\sigma(|x|)^{-1} \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \right) / C \right) dx \leq 1$$

for measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} \varphi(g(y)) dy \leq 1, \quad (3.6)$$

where $g(y) = |f(y)|^p \omega(|y|)$.

Proof. Let f be a measurable function on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying (3.6). By using Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \\ & \leq \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)|^p \omega(|y|) dy \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} \omega(|y|)^{-p'/p} dy \right)^{1/p'} \\ & \leq C \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} g(y) dy \right)^{1/p} \\ & = C |x|^{n/p} \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(|x|^{-n} \int_{B(0,|x|)} g(y) dy \right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

In view of Jensen's inequality, (3.6) and (φ^{-1}) , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \\ & \leq C |x|^{n/p} \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\varphi^{-1} \left(|x|^{-n} \int_{B(0,|x|)} \varphi(g(y)) dy \right) \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq C |x|^{n/p} \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} (\varphi^{-1}(|x|^{-n}))^{1/p} \\ & = C \sigma(|x|) \log(e/|x|) \\ & \leq C_1 \sigma(|x|) (\varepsilon_1 \log(e/|x|)), \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\sigma(|x|)^{-1} \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \leq C_1(\varepsilon_1 \log(e/|x|)).$$

Hence, if $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$, then

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp\left(\left(\sigma(|x|)^{-1} \int_{B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy\right) / C_1\right) dx \leq e^{\varepsilon_1} \int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-\varepsilon_1-n} dx \leq C,$$

which proves the result. $\blacksquare$

Example 3.7. Consider $\omega(r) = r^\beta (\log(e + 1/r))^\gamma$ with $\beta = np/p'$ and $\gamma > p - 1$ and $\varphi(r) = \exp r - 1$. Then, for $0 < r < 1$,

$$\omega_p(r) \sim (\log(e/r))^{-p'\gamma/p+1}.$$

Moreover, if $\varepsilon > 0$, then

$$\varphi^{-1}(t) = \log(1+t) \leq Ct^\varepsilon \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence, letting $\alpha = n/p$, we find

$$\sigma(t) = t^{n/p} \omega_p(t)^{1/p'} \{\varphi^{-1}(t^{-n})\}^{1/p} (\log(e/t))^{-1} \leq C(\log(e/t))^{-\gamma/p-1/p} \quad (3.7)$$

for $0 < t < 1$.

Remark 3.8. We see that the exponent $-(1 + \gamma)/p$ in (3.7) is best suited.

For this, consider $f(y) = |y|^{-n} (\log(e/|y|))^{-(\gamma+\delta_1)/p}$ on $\mathbf{B}$. Then, the following statements hold:

- (1) $\int_{\mathbf{B}} f(y)^p |y|^\beta (\log(e/|y|))^\gamma dy = \int_{\mathbf{B}} |y|^{-n} (\log(e/|y|))^{-\delta_1} dy < \infty$ when $\beta = np/p'$ and $\delta_1 > 1$;
- (2) $\int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy \geq C_1 (\log(e/|x|))^{1-(\gamma+\delta_1)/p}$ when $x \in \mathbf{B}$ and $(\gamma + \delta_1)/p > 1$;
- (3) if $\varepsilon = 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp\left(\left((\log(e/|x|))^{(\delta+\gamma)/p} \int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy\right) / (AC_1)\right) dx \\ & \geq \int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp((\log(e/|x|))^{1+(\delta-\delta_1)/p} / A) dx = \infty \end{aligned}$$

when $A > 0$ and $1 + (\delta - \delta_1)/p > 0$ and $(\gamma + \delta_1)/p > 1$;

- (4) $\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp(((\log(e/|x|))^{(\delta+\gamma)/p} \int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy) / (AC_1)) dx \geq \int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp((\log(e/|x|))^{1+(\delta-\delta_1)/p} / A) dx = \infty$ when $\delta > \delta_1 > 1$, $(\gamma + \delta_1)/p > 1$, $A > 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$.

Corollary 3.9. Let $\beta/p = n/p'$ and $\gamma > p - 1 \geq 0$. Then, for $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp\left((\log(e/|x|))^{(1+\gamma)/p} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy\right) / C_1\right) dx \leq C_2 \quad (3.8)$$

for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbf{B}$ satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} f(y)^p |y|^\beta (\log(e/|y|))^\gamma dy \leq 1. \quad (3.9)$$

For this, consider

$$\omega(r) = r^\beta (\log e/r)^\gamma \quad \text{for } \gamma > p-1 \geq 0.$$

Then, as above, we find by (3.9) that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy &\leq C (\log(e/|x|))^{-\gamma/p+1/p'} \\ &= C_1 (\log(e/|x|))^{-\gamma/p+1/p'-1} (\varepsilon_1 \log(e/|x|)) \end{aligned}$$

for $x \in \mathbf{B}$ and $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ since $-\gamma/p + 1/p' < 0$. Hence, we obtain

$$\exp \left((\log(e/|x|))^{(1+\gamma)/p} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy \right) / C_1 \right) \leq (e/|x|)^{\varepsilon_1},$$

which gives the result.

Corollary 3.10. Let $\beta/p = n/p'$ and $\gamma > p-1 \geq 0$. Then, for $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp \exp \left((\log(e \log(e/|x|)))^{(1+\gamma)/p} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy \right) / C_1 \right) dx \leq C_2 \quad (3.10)$$

for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbf{B}$ satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} f(y)^p |y|^\beta (\log(e/|y|))^{p-1} (\log(e/(\log(e/|y|))))^\gamma dy \leq 1. \quad (3.11)$$

For this, consider

$$\omega(r) = r^\beta (\log(e/r))^{p-1} (\log(e/(\log(e/r))))^\gamma \quad \text{for } \gamma > p-1 \geq 0.$$

Then, as above, we find by (3.11) that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy &\leq C (\log(e \log(e/|x|)))^{-\gamma/p+1/p'} \\ &= C_1 (\log(e \log(e/|x|)))^{-\gamma/p+1/p'-1} \log(1 + \varepsilon_1 \log(e/|x|)) \end{aligned}$$

for $x \in \mathbf{B}$ and $\varepsilon_1 > 0$ since $-\gamma/p + 1/p' < 0$. Hence, we obtain

$$\exp \exp \left((\log(e \log(e/|x|)))^{(1+\gamma)/p} \left(\int_{B(0,|x|)} f(y) dy \right) / C_1 \right) \leq C (e/|x|)^{\varepsilon_1},$$

which gives the result.

4. Hardy–Trudinger inequalities II

In this section, we give the outer Hardy–Trudinger inequality on $\mathbb{R}^n$.

Theorem 4.1. *Let φ be a positive convex function on $(0, \infty)$ satisfying $(\varphi 0)$. For $p \geq 1$ and a positive increasing function ω and a positive decreasing function η on $(0, \infty)$, set*

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_{\eta,p}(r) &= \int_r^\infty \{\omega(t)\eta(t)\}^{-p'/p} t^{n-1} dt, \\ \sigma(r) &= \omega_{\eta,p}(r)^{1/p'} (\varphi^{-1}(\eta(r)))^{1/p} (\log(e+r))^{-1}\end{aligned}$$

and

$$\eta_1(r) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,r)} \eta(|y|) dy.$$

Suppose η_1 is bounded. Then, for $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a constant $C > 1$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp \left(\left(\sigma(|x|)^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \right) / C \right) dx \leq 1 \quad (4.1)$$

for measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(g(y)) dy \leq 1, \quad (4.2)$$

where $g(y) = |f(y)|^p \omega(|y|)$.

Proof. Let f be a measurable function on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying (4.2). By using Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}& \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \\& \leq \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,|x|)} |f(y)|^p \omega(|y|) \eta(|y|) dy \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,|x|)} \{\omega(|y|)\eta(|y|)\}^{-p'/p} dy \right)^{1/p'} \\& \leq C \omega_{\eta,p}(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,|x|)} g(y) \eta(|y|) dy \right)^{1/p} \\& = C \eta_1(|x|)^{1/p} \omega_{\eta,p}(|x|)^{1/p'} \left((\eta_1(|x|))^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,|x|)} g(y) \eta(|y|) dy \right)^{1/p}.\end{aligned}$$

Since

$$C_0 = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \eta_1(|x|) < \infty,$$

we find by $(\varphi 2)$ and (φ^{-1}) that

$$\eta_1(|x|) \varphi^{-1}(t/\eta_1(|x|)) \leq C_0 \varphi^{-1}(t/C_0) \leq C \varphi^{-1}(t) \quad \text{for } t > 0. \quad (4.3)$$

In view of Jensen's inequality, (4.2) and (4.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} |f(y)| dy \\
 & \leq C \eta_1(|x|)^{1/p} \omega_{\eta, p}(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\varphi^{-1} \left(\eta_1(|x|)^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} \varphi(g(y)) \eta(|y|) dy \right) \right)^{1/p} \\
 & \leq C \eta_1(|x|)^{1/p} \omega_{\eta, p}(|x|)^{1/p'} (\varphi^{-1}(\eta_1(|x|)^{-1} \eta(|x|)))^{1/p} \\
 & \leq C \omega_{\eta, p}(|x|)^{1/p'} (\varphi^{-1}(\eta(|x|)))^{1/p} \\
 & = C \sigma(|x|) \log(e + |x|) \\
 & \leq C_1 \sigma(|x|) (\varepsilon_1 \log(e + |x|)),
 \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\sigma(|x|)^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} |f(y)| dy \leq C_1 (\varepsilon_1 \log(e + |x|)).$$

Hence, if $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon - n} \exp \left(\left(\sigma(|x|)^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} |f(y)| dy \right) / C_1 \right) dx \\
 & \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{\varepsilon_1 - \varepsilon - n} dx \\
 & \leq C
 \end{aligned}$$

when $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$, which proves the result. $\blacksquare$

Example 4.2. Consider $\omega(r) = (e + r)^\beta (\log(e + r))^\gamma$ and $\eta(r) = (e + r)^{-n} (\log(e + r))^{-\delta}$. Assume that

$$(\beta - n)(-p'/p) = -n \quad (\text{or } \beta = np), \quad (\gamma - \delta)(-p'/p) + 1 < 0, \quad \delta > 1.$$

Then,

$$\omega_{\eta, p}(|x|) \sim (\log(e + |x|))^{(\gamma - \delta)(-p'/p) + 1}$$

and

$$\sigma(|x|) \sim (\log(e + |x|))^{-\gamma/p + \delta/p + 1/p' - 1} (\varphi^{-1}((e + |x|)^{-n} (\log(e + |x|))^{-\delta}))^{1/p}.$$

When $\varphi(r) = \exp r - 1$, we see that

$$\sigma(r) \sim (e + r)^{-n/p} (\log(e + r))^{-\gamma/p - 1/p}. \quad (4.4)$$

Remark 4.3. We see that σ in (4.4) is best suited.

For this, $\sigma_1(r) = (e + r)^{-n/p} (\log(e + r))^{-\gamma/p - 1/p - a}$ with $a > 1/p'$ and consider $f(y) = (e + |x_0|)^{-n/p} (e + |y|)^{-n} (\log(e + |y|))^b$ on $B_0 = B(0, |x_0|)$ with $|x_0| > 1$; then,

$$g(y) = f(y)^p \omega(|y|) = (e + |x_0|)^{-n} (\log(e + |y|))^{bp + \gamma} \leq C \quad \text{on } B_0,$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{B_0} \varphi(g(y)) dy &\leq C(e + |x_0|)^{-n} \int_{B_0} (\log(e + |y|))^{bp+\gamma} dy \\ &\leq C(\log(e + |x_0|))^{bp+\gamma} \leq C\end{aligned}$$

when $bp + \gamma < 0$.

If $|x| < |x_0|/2$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1(|x|)^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \\ \geq C(\log(e + |x_0|))^{\gamma/p+1/p+a} \int_{|x|}^{|x_0|} (e+t)^{-n} (\log(e+t))^b t^{n-1} dt \\ \geq C_1(\log(e + |x_0|))^{\gamma/p+1/p+a+b},\end{aligned}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{B(0, |x_0|/2) \setminus B(0, |x_0|/4)} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp\left(\sigma_1(|x|)^{-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} |f(y)| dy / (AC_1)\right) dx \\ \geq C|x_0|^{-\varepsilon} \exp((\log(e + |x_0|))^{\gamma/p+1/p+a+b}/A) \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } |x_0| \rightarrow \infty\end{aligned}$$

when $\varepsilon > 0$, $\gamma/p + 1/p + a + b > 1$ and $A > 0$. This holds when

$$a > 1/p' \text{ and } b \text{ is suitably chosen such that } b < -\gamma/p.$$

Remark 4.4. We see that $-n/p$ in (4.4) is best suited.

For this, consider $f(y) = (e + |x_0|)^{-n-a}$ on $B_0 = B(0, |x_0|^b)$ with $|x_0| > 1$ and $b > 1$; then,

$$g(y) = f(y)^p \omega(|y|) \leq C(e + |x_0|)^{-p(n+a)+bnp} (\log(e + |x_0|))^\gamma \leq C \quad \text{on } B_0,$$

so that

$$\int_{B_0} \varphi(g(y)) dy \leq C \int_{B_0} (e + |x_0|)^{-p(n+a)+bnp} (\log(e + |x_0|))^\gamma dy \leq C$$

when $-p(n+a) + bnp + bn < 0$. Moreover,

$$|x_0|^a \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \geq C_1 |x_0|^{-n+bn} \quad \text{for } |x| < |x_0|,$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{B(0, |x_0|)} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp\left(\left((e + |x|)^a \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} |f(y)| dy\right) / (AC_1)\right) dx \\ \geq C|x_0|^{-\varepsilon} \exp((C|x_0|^{-n+bn})/A) \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{as } |x_0| \rightarrow \infty\end{aligned}$$

when $\varepsilon > 0$, $-p(n+a) + bnp + bn < 0$ and $A > 0$. This holds when $a > n/p$ and $b > 1$ is suitably chosen.

In the same way as Corollaries 3.9 and 3.10, we obtain the following results.

Corollary 4.5. Let $\beta/p = n/p'$ and $\gamma > p - 1 \geq 0$. Then, for $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp \left((\log(e + |x|))^{(1+\gamma)/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \right) / C_1 \right) dx \leq C_2 \quad (4.5)$$

for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying (3.4).

For this, consider $\omega(r) = (e + r)^\beta (\log(e + r))^\gamma$ and $\eta(r) = 1$. Then, we find

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \\ & \leq C \omega_{\eta, p}(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} g(y) (\eta(|y|)) dy \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq C (\log(e + |x|))^{-\gamma/p + 1/p'} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} g(y) dy \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq C_1 (\log(e + |x|))^{-1-\gamma/p + 1/p'} (\varepsilon_1 \log(e + |x|)) \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} g(y) dy \right)^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

when $-\gamma/p + 1/p' < 0$, where $g(y) = |f(y)|^p (e + |y|)^\beta (\log(e + |y|))^\gamma$. This yields the result.

Corollary 4.6. Let $\beta/p = n/p'$ and $\gamma > p - 1 \geq 0$. Then, for $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \\ & \times \exp \exp \left((\log(e + \log(e + |x|)))^{(1+\gamma)/p} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \right) / C_1 \right) dx \leq C_2 \end{aligned} \quad (4.6)$$

for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying (3.5).

For this, it suffices to consider

$$\omega(r) = (e + r)^\beta (\log(e + r))^{p-1} (\log(e + (\log(e + r))))^\gamma \quad \text{and} \quad \eta(r) = 1.$$

Remark 4.7. We see that the exponent $(1 + \gamma)/p$ in (4.5) is best suited.

For this, consider $f(y) = (e + |y|)^{-(n+\beta)/p} (\log(e + |y|))^{-(\gamma+\delta_1)/p}$. Then, the following statements hold:

- (1) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y)^p (e + |y|)^\beta (\log(e + |y|))^\gamma dy = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |y|)^{-n} (\log(e + |y|))^{-\delta_1} dy < \infty$ when $\delta_1 > 1$;
- (2) $\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, |x|)} (e + |y|)^{-(n+\beta)/p} (\log(e + |y|))^{-(\gamma+\delta_1)/p} dy \geq C_1 (\log(e + |x|))^{1-(\gamma+\delta_1)/p}$ when $(n + \beta)/p = n$ and $(\gamma + \delta_1)/p > 1$;

$$(3) \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp(((\log(e + |x|))^{(\delta+\gamma)/p} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0,|x|)} f(y)dy)/(AC_1))dx \geq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (e + |x|)^{-\varepsilon-n} \exp((\log(e + |x|))^{1+(\delta-\delta_1)/p}/A)dx = \infty \text{ when } \delta > \delta_1 > 1, \\ 1 - (\gamma + \delta_1)/p < 0, A > 0 \text{ and } \varepsilon > 0.$$

We study the outer Hardy–Trudinger inequality near the origin.

Theorem 4.8. *Let φ and ψ be positive convex functions on $(0, \infty)$ satisfying $(\varphi 0)$. For $p \geq 1$ and a positive increasing function ω on $(0, \infty)$, set*

$$\omega_p(r) = \int_r^1 \omega(t)^{-p'/p} t^{n-1} dt.$$

Suppose that we have

$(\varphi, \psi, \omega_p)$ for $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a constant $A_2 > 0$ such that

$$\psi(\omega_p(t)^{p/p'}/A_2) \leq t^{-\varepsilon} \quad \text{for } t > 0.$$

Then, for $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a constant $C > 1$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \psi \left(\left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \right) / C \right)^p dx \leq 1$$

for measurable functions f on $\mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying (3.6) with $g(y) = |f(y)|^p \omega(|y|)$.

Proof. Let f be a measurable function on $\mathbf{B}$ satisfying (3.6). By using Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \\ & \leq \left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} |f(y)|^p \omega(|y|) dy \right)^{1/p} \left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} \omega(|y|)^{-p'/p} dy \right)^{1/p'} \\ & \leq C \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} g(y) dy \right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

We set

$$c_4(x) = \int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} dy.$$

Since $\sup_{x \in \mathbf{B}} c_4(x) < \infty$, we find by $(\varphi 2)$ and (φ^{-1}) that

$$c_4(x) \varphi^{-1}(t/c_4(x)) \leq C \varphi^{-1}(t) \quad \text{for } t > 0. \quad (4.7)$$

In view of Jensen's inequality, (3.6) and (4.7), we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} |f(y)| dy \\ & \leq C c_4(x)^{1/p} \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(c_4(x)^{-1} \int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} g(y) dy \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq C c_4(x)^{1/p} \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'} \left(\varphi^{-1} \left(c_4(x)^{-1} \int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0,|x|)} \varphi(g(y)) dy \right) \right)^{1/p} \leq C_1 \omega_p(|x|)^{1/p'}. \end{aligned}$$

By $(\varphi, \psi, \omega_p)$, we obtain

$$\psi\left(\left(\left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0, |x|)} |f(y)| dy\right) / (C_1 A_2^{1/p})\right)^p\right) \leq |x|^{-\varepsilon_1}.$$

Hence,

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \psi\left(\left(\left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0, |x|)} |f(y)| dy\right) / (C_1 A_2^{1/p})\right)^p\right) dx \leq \int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{-n+\varepsilon-\varepsilon_1} dx \leq C_2$$

when $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$, which yields the result. $\blacksquare$

Example 4.9. Consider $\omega(r) = r^\beta (\log(e/r))^\gamma$ with $\beta = np/p'$ and $\gamma < p-1$. Then,

$$\omega_p(r) \sim (\log(e/r))^{-\gamma p'/p+1}.$$

Let $\varphi(r) = \exp r - 1$ and

$$\psi(r) = \exp r^{1/(p(-\gamma/p+1/p'))} - 1. \quad (4.8)$$

Remark 4.10. We see that the exponent $1/(-\gamma/p+1/p')$ in (4.8) is best suited.

For this, consider $f(y) = |y|^{-n} (\log(e/|y|))^{-(\gamma+\delta_1)/p}$ on $\mathbf{B}$. Then, the following statements hold:

- (1) $\int_{\mathbf{B}} f(y)^p |y|^\beta (\log(e/|y|))^\gamma dy = \int_{\mathbf{B}} |y|^{-n} (\log(e/|y|))^{-\delta_1} dy < \infty$ when $\beta = np/p'$ and $\delta_1 > 1$;
- (2) $\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy \geq C_1 (\log(e/|x|))^{1-(\gamma+\delta_1)/p}$ when $x \in \mathbf{B}$ and $(\gamma + \delta_1)/p > 1$;
- (3) $\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp\left(\left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy\right) / (AC_1)\right)^{1/(-\gamma/p+1-\delta/p)} dx \geq \int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp\left((\log(e/|x|))^{(-\gamma/p+1-\delta_1/p)/(-\gamma/p+1-\delta/p)/A}\right) dx = \infty$ when $1 < \delta_1 < \delta < p-\gamma$, $A > 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$.

In the same way as Corollaries 3.4 and 3.5, we obtain the following results.

Corollary 4.11. Let $p \geq 1$, $\beta = n(p-1)$, $\gamma < p-1$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp\left(\left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy\right) / C_1\right)^{1/(-\gamma/p+1/p')} dx \leq C_2 \quad (4.9)$$

for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbf{B}$ satisfying (3.9).

Corollary 4.12. Let $p \geq 1$, $\beta = n(p-1)$, $\gamma < p-1$ and $\varepsilon > 0$. Then, there exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbf{B}} |x|^{\varepsilon-n} \exp\left(\left(\int_{\mathbf{B} \setminus B(0, |x|)} f(y) dy\right) / C_1\right)^{1/(-\gamma/p+1/p')} dx \leq C_2$$

for nonnegative measurable functions f on $\mathbf{B}$ satisfying (3.10).

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