

Presentation

Gradient estimate for double-phase problems with logarithmic growth

AARG SEMINAR - TON DUC THANG UNIVERSITY

Tan-Phuc Nguyen

HO CHI MINH CITY UNIVERSITY OF EDUCATION
Department of Mathematics



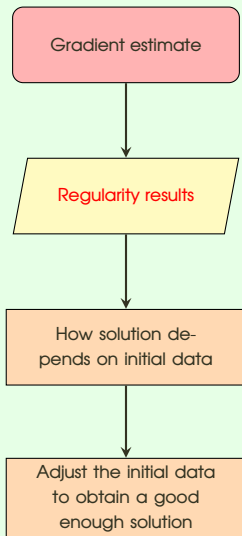
Supervisors: Minh-Phuong Tran & Thanh-Nhan Nguyen, Associate Professors

June 11, 2025

- 1 Motivation
- 2 Main results
 - Preliminaries
 - Main results
- 3 Future researches
- 4 References

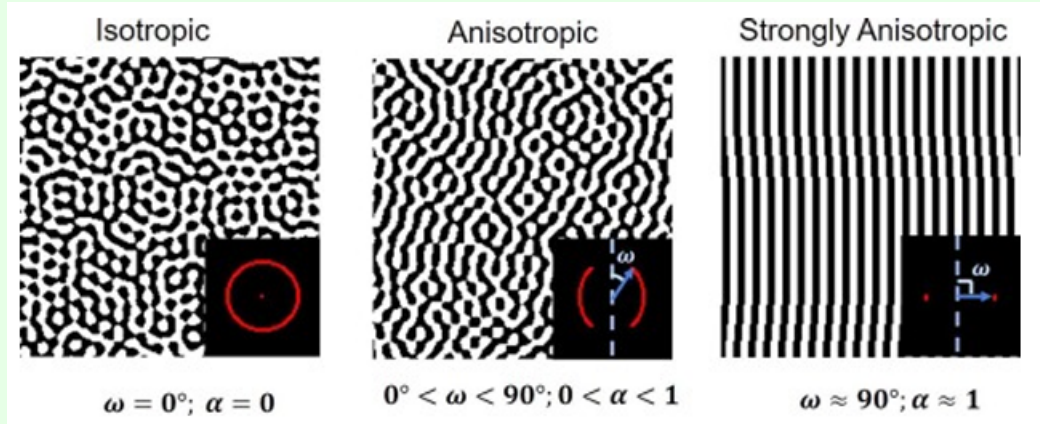
Regularity results

Why we need to study regularity results?



Double-phase problems

Application to anisotropic materials



 V.V. Zhikov, *Averaging of functionals of the calculus of variations and elasticity theory*, *Izv. Ross. Akad. Nauk Ser. Mat.*, **50**(4) (1986), 675-710.



Double-phase problems

Application to non-Newtonian fluids



 **Y. Lu, Y. Liu, X. Huang, C. Vetro**, *A new kind of double phase elliptic inclusions with logarithmic perturbation terms II: applications*, **Commun. Nonlinear Sci. Numer. Simul.**, **131** (2024).



Double-phase problems

Application to image processing



 A. Charkaoui, *Nonlinear parabolic double phase variable exponent systems with applications in image noise removal*, *Appl. Math. Comput.*, **467** (2024).

Double phase problems with logarithmic growth

Previous work

$$-\operatorname{div}(\mathcal{A}(x, \nabla u)) = -\operatorname{div}(\mathcal{B}(x, \mathbf{F})), \quad x \in \Omega \quad (\text{P})$$

In (Byun '17), under suitable assumptions on $\mathcal{A}$, $\mathcal{B}$ and Ω , Byun et al. have proved the so-called Calderón-Zygmund estimate or **gradient estimate in Lebesgue space $L^Y(\Omega)$** :

For all $\gamma > 1$, we have:

$$\mathbf{F} := \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(\cdot, \mathbf{F}) \in L^\gamma(\Omega) \implies \mathbb{U} := \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(\cdot, \nabla u) \in L^\gamma(\Omega). \quad (\text{CZ})$$



S. S. Byun, J. Oh, *Global gradient estimates for the borderline case of double phase problems with BMO coefficients in nonsmooth domains*, *J. Differential Equations*, **263**(2) (2017), 1643-1693.



Double-phase problems with logarithmic growth

Problem statement

$$\begin{cases} -\operatorname{div}(\mathcal{A}_{p,\log}(x, \nabla u)) &= -\operatorname{div}(\mathcal{B}_{p,\log}(x, \mathbf{F})) & \text{in } \Omega, \\ u &= 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega. \end{cases} \quad (\text{DPL})$$

under assumptions

$$\begin{cases} |\mathcal{A}_{p,\log}(x, \xi)| + |\partial_\xi \mathcal{A}_{p,\log}(x, \xi)| |\xi| \leq K_1 \mathbb{H}_{p-1,\log}(x, \xi); \\ \langle \partial_\xi \mathcal{A}_{p,\log}(x, \xi) z, z \rangle \geq K_2 \mathbb{H}_{p-2,\log}(x, \xi) |z|^2, \end{cases} \quad (\text{A1})$$

$$|\mathcal{B}_{p,\log}(x, \xi)| \leq K_3 \mathbb{H}_{p-1,\log}(x, \xi), \quad (\text{A2})$$

with

$$\mathbb{H}_{q,\log}(x, \xi) := |\xi|^q + a(x) |\xi|^q \log(e + |\xi|), \quad (x, \xi) \in \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Double-phase problems with logarithmic growth

Problem model

The above problem is a generic one whose model is given by

$$\begin{aligned} & -\operatorname{div} \left(\beta(x) \left[|\nabla u|^{p-2} \nabla u + \alpha(x) |\nabla u|^{p-2} \log(e + |\nabla u|) \nabla u \right] \right) \\ & = -\operatorname{div} \left(|\mathbf{F}|^{p-2} \mathbf{F} + \alpha(x) |\mathbf{F}|^{p-2} \log(e + |\mathbf{F}|) \mathbf{F} \right) \quad \text{in } \Omega, \end{aligned}$$

which is relevant to the corresponding **Euler-Lagrange equation** of functional

$$v \mapsto \mathcal{H}(v) - \int_{\Omega} \left\langle |\mathbf{F}|^{p-2} \mathbf{F} + \alpha(x) |\mathbf{F}|^{p-2} \log(e + |\mathbf{F}|) \mathbf{F}, \nabla v \right\rangle dx,$$

where the energy functional $\mathcal{H}$ is given by

$$\mathcal{H}(v) := \int_{\Omega} \beta(x) \left[|\nabla v|^p + \alpha(x) |\nabla v|^p \log(e + |\nabla v|) \right] dx.$$



Double-phase problems with logarithmic growth

Weak solution

Definition (Weak solution)

A function $u \in W_0^{1, \mathbb{H}_{p, \log}}(\Omega)$ is said to be weak solution to (DPL) if the following variational formula holds for every test function $\varphi \in W_0^{1, \mathbb{H}_{p, \log}}(\Omega)$:

$$\int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{A}_{p, \log}(x, \nabla u), \nabla \varphi \rangle dx = \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{B}_{p, \log}(x, \mathbf{F}), \nabla \varphi \rangle dx. \quad (\text{VF})$$

Double-phase problems with logarithmic growth

Weak solution

Definition (Weak solution)

A function $u \in W_0^{1, \mathbb{H}_{p, \log}}(\Omega)$ is said to be weak solution to (DPL) if the following variational formula holds for every test function $\varphi \in W_0^{1, \mathbb{H}_{p, \log}}(\Omega)$:

$$\int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{A}_{p, \log}(x, \nabla u), \nabla \varphi \rangle dx = \int_{\Omega} \langle \mathcal{B}_{p, \log}(x, \mathbf{F}), \nabla \varphi \rangle dx. \quad (\text{VF})$$

It is well-known that (DPL) admits an unique weak solution $u \in W_0^{1, \mathbb{H}_{p, \log}}(\Omega)$ which also satisfies the following **global estimate**, proved in (Byun '17, Theorem 3.6):

$$\int_{\Omega} \mathbb{H}_{p, \log}(x, \nabla u) dx \leq C \int_{\Omega} \mathbb{H}_{p, \log}(x, \mathbf{F}) dx. \quad (\text{GE})$$



S. S. Byun, J. Oh, *Global gradient estimates for the borderline case of double phase problems with BMO coefficients*

In nonsmooth domains, J. Differential Equations, **263**(2) (2017), 1643-1693.



Double-phase problems with logarithmic growth

Our regularity results

Our main result is a gradient estimate for a borderline case of double-phase problems with logarithmic growth in generalized weighted Lorentz spaces $\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,s}(\Omega)$, extending the result in (Byun '17) to a gradient estimate via fractional maximal operators $\mathbb{M}_\beta$ as follows:

$$\mathbb{M}_\beta F \in \Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,s}(\Omega) \implies \mathbb{M}_\beta U \in \Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,s}(\Omega). \quad (1)$$

More precisely, we establish the gradient estimate based on the good- $\mathcal{H}$ type inequality introduced in the sequel:

$$\|\mathbb{M}_\beta U\|_{\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,s}(\Omega)} \leq C \|\mathbb{M}_\beta F\|_{\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,s}(\Omega)}, \quad (2)$$



S. S. Byun, J. Oh, *Global gradient estimates for the borderline case of double phase problems with BMO coefficients in nonsmooth domains*, *J. Differential Equations*, **263**(2) (2017), 1643-1693.



Contents

- 1 Motivation
- 2 Main results
 - Preliminaries
 - Main results
- 3 Future researches
- 4 References

Fractional maximal operator

Definition and boundedness

Definition (Fractional maximal operator)

The **maximal operator** $\mathbb{M}_\beta$ with $\beta \in [0, n]$ is a measurable map defined on $L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ reads as follows:

$$\mathbb{M}_\beta f(x) = \sup_{B \ni x} [r(B)]^\beta \int_B |f(\zeta)| d\zeta, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, f \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^n). \quad (3)$$

It is readily seen that $\mathbb{M}_\beta$ coincides with the classical **Hardy-Littlewood maximal operator** $\mathbb{M}$ when $\beta = 0$.

Lemma (Boundedness of fractional maximal operator)

Let $q \geq 1$ and $\beta \in \left[0, \frac{n}{q}\right)$. There exists $C = C(n, q, \beta) > 0$ such that

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : \mathbb{M}_\beta f(x) > \lambda\}| \leq C \left(\frac{1}{\lambda^q} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(\zeta)|^q d\zeta \right)^{\frac{n}{n-q\beta}}, \quad \text{for all } \lambda > 0, f \in L^q(\mathbb{R}^n).$$



Fractional maximal operator

Why fractional maximal operator comes into play?

Fractional maximal function has a relation to Riesz potential (fractional integral operator) due to the following point-wise inequality:

$$\mathbb{M}_a f(x) \leq C \cdot \mathbb{I}_a f(x), \quad \text{for every } x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Fractional maximal operator

Why fractional maximal operator comes into play?

Fractional maximal function has a relation to Riesz potential (fractional integral operator) due to the following point-wise inequality:

$$\mathbb{M}_a f(x) \leq C \cdot \mathbb{I}_a f(x), \quad \text{for every } x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Moreover, as shown in (Muckenhoupt '74, Theorem 2.1), the converse inequality holds in its integral form as below:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\mathbb{I}_a f)^q \omega dx \leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\mathbb{M}_a f)^q \omega dx, \quad \text{for } q > 0 \text{ and } \omega \in \mathbf{A}_\infty.$$

Fractional maximal operator

Why fractional maximal operator comes into play?

Fractional maximal function has a relation to Riesz potential (fractional integral operator) due to the following point-wise inequality:

$$\mathbb{M}_a f(x) \leq C \cdot \mathbb{I}_a f(x), \quad \text{for every } x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Moreover, as shown in (Muckenhoupt '74, Theorem 2.1), the converse inequality holds in its integral form as below:

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\mathbb{I}_a f)^q \omega dx \leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\mathbb{M}_a f)^q \omega dx, \quad \text{for } q > 0 \text{ and } \omega \in \mathbf{A}_\infty.$$

Therefore, gradient estimates for solutions to elliptic problems via fractional maximal functions not only provide information of size and oscillations of solutions and their derivatives, but also allow to bound fractional derivatives of u : $\partial^a u$, for $0 \leq a < 2$.



Muckenhoupt, R. Wheeden, *Weighted norm inequalities for fractional integrals*, *Trans. Amer. Math. Soc.*, **192**(1974),



Muckenhoupt class

Definition

By a **weight**, we mean a locally integrable function μ on $\mathbb{R}^n$, i.e. $\mu \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^+)$. For each weight μ , it gives a measure on the measurable subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n$ through integration. For every measurable set $\mathfrak{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, we denote $\mu(\mathfrak{D}) := \int_{\mathfrak{D}} \mu(\zeta) d\zeta$. In a special case when $\mu \equiv 1$, it is well-known that $\mu(\mathfrak{D}) \equiv |\mathfrak{D}|$.

Muckenhoupt class

Definition

By a **weight**, we mean a locally integrable function μ on $\mathbb{R}^n$, i.e. $\mu \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R}^+)$. For each weight μ , it gives a measure on the measurable subsets of $\mathbb{R}^n$ through integration. For every measurable set $\mathcal{D} \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, we denote $\mu(\mathcal{D}) := \int_{\mathcal{D}} \mu(\zeta) d\zeta$. In a special case when $\mu \equiv 1$, it is well-known that $\mu(\mathcal{D}) \equiv |\mathcal{D}|$.

Definition (Muckenhoupt class)

We say that a weighted function μ belonging to the **Muckenhoupt class** $\mathbf{A}_{\infty}$ if there are constants c_1, c_2 and $v_1, v_2 > 0$ such that for every measurable subset $\mathcal{D}$ of a ball $\mathbb{B}$:

$$c_1 \left[\frac{|\mathcal{D}|}{|\mathbb{B}|} \right]^{v_1} \leq \frac{\mu(\mathcal{D})}{\mu(\mathbb{B})} \leq c_2 \left[\frac{|\mathcal{D}|}{|\mathbb{B}|} \right]^{v_2}, \quad (4)$$

When no ambiguity will arise, we denote $[\mu]_{\mathbf{A}_{\infty}} = (c_1, c_2, v_1, v_2)$.



Generalized weighted Lorentz spaces

Definition

Definition (Generalized weighted Lorentz spaces)

Consider two weights $\mu \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^+; \mathbb{R}^+)$, $\omega \in \mathbf{A}_\infty$ and a function Γ defined as follows $\Gamma(\tau) = \int_0^\tau \mu(s)ds$, $\tau \in [0, \infty)$. Given $q \in (0, \infty)$ and $0 < s \leq \infty$, the generalized weighted Lorentz space $\Lambda_{\omega, \mu}^{q, s}(\Omega)$ is defined by:

$$\Lambda_{\omega, \mu}^{q, s}(\Omega) := \left\{ f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is Lebesgue measurable and } \|f\|_{\Lambda_{\omega, \mu}^{q, s}(\Omega)} < \infty \right\}, \quad (5)$$

where the quasi-norm $\|\cdot\|_{\Lambda_{\omega, \mu}^{q, s}(\Omega)}$ is given by:

$$\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\omega, \mu}^{q, s}(\Omega)} := \left\{ q \int_0^\infty \left[\hat{n}^q \Gamma(\omega(\{x \in \Omega : |f(x)| > \hat{n}\})) \right]^{\frac{1}{s}} \frac{d\hat{n}}{\hat{n}} \right\}^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad \text{if } s < \infty$$

$$\|f\|_{\Lambda_{\omega, \mu}^{q, \infty}(\Omega)} := \sup_{\hat{n} > 0} \left[\hat{n}^q \Gamma(\omega(\{x \in \Omega : |f(x)| > \hat{n}\})) \right]^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad \text{if } s = \infty$$

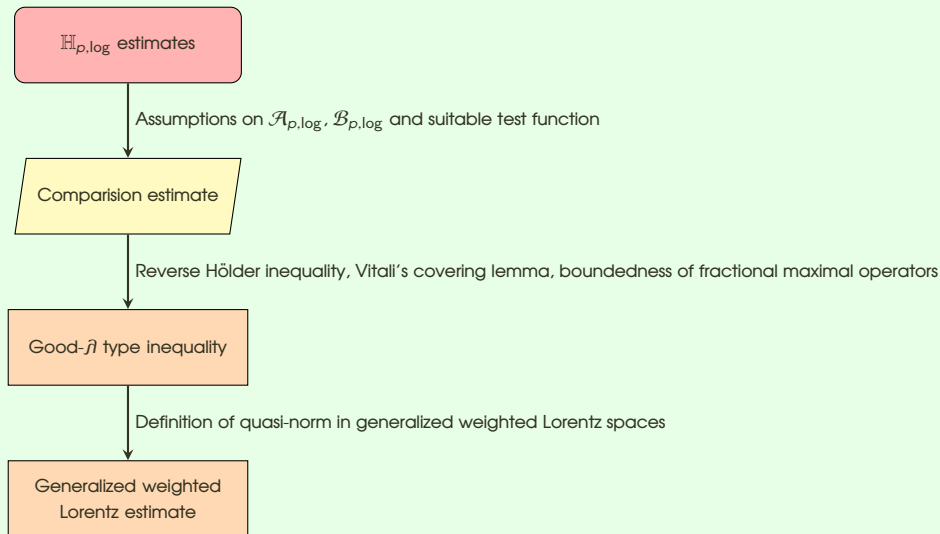


Contents

- 1 Motivation
- 2 Main results
 - Preliminaries
 - Main results
- 3 Future researches
- 4 References

Framework

Main steps



$\mathbb{H}_{p,\log}$ estimates

Define auxiliary functions

$$\mathbb{V}(x, \xi_1, \xi_2) := |V_p(\xi_1) - V_p(\xi_2)|^2 + a(x)|V_{p\log}(\xi_1) - V_{p\log}(\xi_2)|^2, \quad (x, \xi_1, \xi_2) \in \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$$

$$V_p(\xi) := |\xi|^{\frac{p-2}{2}} \xi, \quad V_{p\log}(\xi) := \left(|\xi|^{p-2} \log(\vartheta + |\xi|) + \frac{|\xi|^{p-1}}{p(\vartheta + |\xi|)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \xi, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Lemma ($\mathbb{H}_{p,\log}$ estimates)

For every $p > 1$ and $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$, the following estimates

$$|\xi_1| \mathbb{H}_{p-1,\log}(x, \xi_2) \leq \epsilon \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \xi_1) + \epsilon^{-\frac{1}{p-1}} \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \xi_2), \quad (6)$$

and

$$\mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \xi_1 - \xi_2) \leq \epsilon \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \xi_1) + C\epsilon^{-1} \mathbb{V}(x, \xi_1, \xi_2), \quad (7)$$

hold true for all $x \in \Omega$, $\xi_1, \xi_2 \in \mathbb{R}^n$, where $C = C(p) > 0$.



Comparison estimate and reverse Hölder inequality

Lemma (Comparison estimate and reverse Hölder inequality)

For every $x_0 \in \overline{\Omega}$, $r > 0$, there exists $\delta_0 > 0$ sufficiently small such that if $\mathcal{A}_{p,\log}$ is (δ_0, R_0) -vanishing, Ω is (δ_0, R_0) -Reifenberg flat for some $R_0 > 0$, then one can find $v \in W^{1,\mathbb{H}_{p,\log}}(\Omega(x_0, 4r))$ satisfying

$$\left[\int_{\Omega(x_0, 4r)} [\mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \nabla v)]^\gamma dx \right]^{\frac{1}{\gamma}} \leq C \int_{\Omega(x_0, 8r)} \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \nabla v) dx, \quad (8)$$

for each $\gamma > 1$, where $C = C(\text{data}) > 0$. Moreover, for every $\varepsilon \in (0, 1)$, there exists constants $\kappa := \frac{p+1}{p-1} > 0$ and $C = C(\text{data}) > 0$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega(x_0, 8r)} \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \nabla u - \nabla v) dx &\leq \varepsilon \int_{\Omega(x_0, 8r)} \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \nabla u) dx \\ &+ C\varepsilon^{-\kappa} \int_{\Omega(x_0, 8r)} \mathbb{H}_{p,\log}(x, \mathbf{F}) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$



Good- $\hat{\eta}$ type inequality

Lemma (Vitali's covering lemma)

Assume that Ω is a domain satisfied the (δ, R_0) -Reifenberg condition for some constants $R_0, \delta > 0$ and $\omega \in \mathbf{A}_\infty$. Suppose $0 < \varepsilon < 1, 0 < R \leq R_0$ and consider two measurable sets $\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}$ satisfying $\mathcal{V} \subset \mathcal{W} \subset \Omega$ and the following two conditions:

- (i) $\omega(\mathcal{V}) \leq \varepsilon \omega(B(0, R))$;
- (ii) For all $x \in \Omega$ and $r \in (0, R]$, we have $B(x, r) \cap \Omega \subset \mathcal{W}$ if $\omega(\mathcal{V} \cap B(x, r)) > \varepsilon \omega(B(x, r))$.

Then $\omega(\mathcal{V}) \leq C\varepsilon\omega(\mathcal{W})$ for some constant $C = C(n) > 0$.

Theorem (Good- $\hat{\eta}$ type inequality)

Given $\beta \in [0, n), \omega \in \mathbf{A}_\infty$. Then, for every $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, there exists some constants $\delta > 0, b > 0$ and $\varepsilon_0 \in (0, 1)$ and $C = C(\text{data}, \alpha, \beta)$ such that if $\mathcal{A}_{p, \log}$ is (R_0, δ) -vanishing and Ω is (R_0, δ) -Reifenberg flat for some $R_0 > 0$, the following inequality $\omega(\mathcal{V}_{\varepsilon, \hat{\eta}}) \leq C\varepsilon\omega(\mathcal{W}_{\hat{\eta}})$ holds for all $\hat{\eta} > 0$ and $0 < \varepsilon < \varepsilon_0$, with $\mathcal{V}_{\varepsilon, \hat{\eta}}, \mathcal{W}_{\hat{\eta}}$ defined by $\mathcal{V}_{\varepsilon, \hat{\eta}} := \{x \in \Omega : \mathbb{M}_\beta \mathbf{U}(x) > \varepsilon^{-\alpha} \hat{\eta}; \mathbb{M}_\beta \mathbf{F} \leq \varepsilon^b \hat{\eta}\}; \mathcal{W}_{\hat{\eta}} := \{x \in \Omega : \mathbb{M}_\beta \mathbf{U}(x) > \hat{\eta}\}$.

Generalized weighted Lorentz estimate

Theorem (Generalized weighted Lorentz estimate)

Given $\beta \in [0, n)$, $w \in \mathbf{A}_\infty$ and $\mu \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^+; \mathbb{R}^+)$. With a function Γ defined as follows:

$$\Gamma(\tau) = \int_0^\tau \mu(s) ds, \quad \tau \in [0, \infty), \quad (10)$$

assume that there exists two constants $\varsigma_2 > \varsigma_1 > 1$ satisfying

$$\varsigma_1 \Gamma(\tau) \leq \Gamma(2\tau) \leq \varsigma_2 \Gamma(\tau), \quad (11)$$

for each $\tau \geq 0$. Then, one can find some constants $\delta = \delta(\text{data}) > 0$, $C = C(\text{data}, \beta, \varsigma_1, \varsigma_2) > 0$ such that if $\mathcal{A}_{p, \log}$ is (R_0, δ) -vanishing and Ω is (R_0, δ) -Reifenberg flat for some $R_0 > 0$, the following inequality

$$\|\mathbf{M}_\beta \mathbf{U}\|_{\Lambda^{q, \varsigma}_{\omega, \mu}(\Omega)} \leq C \|\mathbf{M}_\beta \mathbf{F}\|_{\Lambda^{q, \varsigma}_{\omega, \mu}(\Omega)}, \quad (12)$$

holds true for all $0 < q < \infty$ and $0 < \varsigma \leq \infty$ provided $\mathbf{M}_\beta \mathbf{F} \in \Lambda^{q, \varsigma}_{\omega, \mu}(\Omega)$.

Proof of generalized weighted Lorentz estimate

Let's take a suitable $0 < \alpha < \min \left\{ \frac{1}{q} \log_2 s_1; 1 \right\}$, apply above good- $\hat{n}$ type inequality and distinguish two cases:

Case 1. $s < \infty$. The statement in (12) can be implied from the following estimate:

$$\|M_\beta U\|_{\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,s}(\Omega)} \leq C \left(s_2^{\log_2 C+2} s_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{q} \log_2 s_1 - \alpha} \|M_\beta U\|_{\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,s}(\Omega)} + C \varepsilon^{-\alpha-b} s_2^{\frac{1}{q}} \|M_\beta F\|_{\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,s}(\Omega)}.$$

by choosing $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 > 0$ sufficiently small such that $C \left(s_2^{\log_2 C+2} s_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \varepsilon_0^{\frac{1}{q} \log_2 s_1 - \alpha} \leq \frac{1}{2}$.

Case 2. $s = \infty$. The statement in (12) can be implied from the following estimate:

$$\|M_\beta U\|_{\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,\infty}(\Omega)} \leq C \left(s_2^{\log_2 C+2} s_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{q} \log_2 s_1 - \alpha} \|M_\beta U\|_{\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,\infty}(\Omega)} + C \varepsilon^{-\alpha-b} s_2^{\frac{1}{q}} \|M_\beta F\|_{\Lambda_{\omega,\mu}^{q,\infty}(\Omega)}.$$

by choosing $\varepsilon = \varepsilon_0 > 0$ sufficiently small such that $C \left(s_2^{\log_2 C+2} s_1 \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \varepsilon_0^{\frac{1}{q} \log_2 s_1 - \alpha} \leq \frac{1}{2}$.



Our manuscript

Regularity results for a borderline case of elliptic double-phase operators

Minh-Phuong Tran^{*}, Thanh-Nhan Nguyen[†], Tan-Phuc Nguyen[§]

June 10, 2025

Abstract

This article is devoted to studying the regularity properties of weak solutions to a class of quasilinear double-phase elliptic equations with logarithmic perturbation terms in divergence form, under suitable structural conditions on the given data. These problems pose significant challenges due to their non-uniform ellipticity and the presence of mixed polynomial-logarithmic growth behavior. Inspired by recent progress in non-standard growth theory, we derive decay estimates for the level sets of the gradient of weak solutions. These estimates, in turn, yield gradient regularity results in generalized weighted Lorentz spaces, provided that the coefficients satisfy some appropriate conditions. Our findings contribute to a deeper understanding of the behavior of solutions to variational problems with non-standard growth, with potential applications to the modeling of strongly anisotropic materials.

Keywords: Regularity estimates; Non-uniform ellipticity; Fractional maximal operators; Lorentz spaces



Future researches

The results and proof techniques developed in our work can be further improved and extended to address more complex situations, such as those arising when the function $\mathbb{H}_{q,\log}$ in (H) is replaced by the following function:

$$\mathbb{H}_{p,q,a,\beta,\log}(x, \xi) := a(x)|\xi|^p \log^a(e + |\xi|) + a(x)|\xi|^q \log^\beta(e + |\xi|), \quad (x, \xi) \in \Omega \times \mathbb{R}^n.$$

Furthermore, the gradient estimates can be extended to more general function spaces, such as [generalized Morrey spaces](#).



References I

-  E. Acerbi, G. Mingione, *Regularity results for stationary electro-rheological fluids*, Arch. Ration. Mech. Anal. **164** (2002), 213{259.
-  R. Arora, Á. Crespo-Blanco, and P. Winkert, *On logarithmic double phase problems*, J. Differential Equations, **433** (2025), 113247.
-  H.O. Bae, B.J. Jin, *Regularity of Non-Newtonian Fluids*, J. Math. Fluid Mech. **16** (2014), 225{241.
-  P. Baroni, M. Colombo, G. Mingione, *Harnack inequalities for double phase functionals*, Nonlinear Anal. **121** (2015), 206-222.
-  P. Baroni, M. Colombo, G. Mingione, *Non-autonomous functionals, borderline cases and related function classes*, St. Petersburg Math. J. **27** (2016), 347–379.
-  P. Baroni, M. Colombo, G. Mingione, *Regularity for general functionals with double phase*, Calc. Var. Partial Differential Equations (2018), 57-62.
-  S.-S. Byun, L. Wang, *L^p -estimates for general nonlinear elliptic equations*, Indiana Univ. Math. J. **56**(6) (2007), 3193-3221.
-  S.-S. Byun, L. Wang, S. Zhou, *Nonlinear elliptic equations with BMO coefficients in Reifenberg domains*, J. Funct. Anal. **250**(1) (2007), 167-196.



References II

-  S.-S. Byun, L. Wang, *Nonlinear gradient estimates for elliptic equations of general type*, Calc. Var. Partial Differential Equations **45**(3-4) (2012), 403-419.
-  S.-S. Byun, S. Ryu, *Global weighted estimates for the gradient of solutions to nonlinear elliptic equations*, Ann. Inst. H. Poincaré AN **30** (2013), 291-313.
-  S. S. Byun, J. Oh, *Global gradient estimates for non-uniformly elliptic equations*, Calc. Var. Partial Differential Equations (2017), 56:46.
-  S. S. Byun, J. Oh, *Global gradient estimates for the borderline case of double phase problems with BMO coefficients in nonsmooth domains*, J. Differential Equations **263**(2) (2017), 1643-1693.
-  S.-S. Byun, D. K. Palagachev, P. Shin, *Global Sobolev regularity for general elliptic equations of p -Laplacian type*, Calc. Var. Partial Differential Equations (2018), 57:135.
-  M. Colombo, G. Mingione, *Regularity for double phase variational problems*, Arch. Rat. Mech. Anal. **215** (2015), 443-496.
-  M. Colombo, G. Mingione, *Bounded minimisers of double phase variational integrals*, Arch. Ration. Mech. Anal. **218** (2015), 219-273.
-  F. Duzaar and G. Mingione, *Gradient estimates via linear and nonlinear potentials*, J. Funct. Anal. **259** (2010), 2961-2998.



References III

-  F. Duzaar and G. Mingione, *Gradient estimates via non-linear potentials*, Amer. J. Math. **133** (2011), 1093–1149.
-  P. Harjulehto, P. Hästö, *Orlicz spaces and generalized Orlicz spaces*, Lecture Notes in Mathematics, Springer, 1st ed. 2019.
-  T. Kuusi, G. Mingione, *Guide to nonlinear potential estimates*, Bull. Math. Sci., **4**(1) (2014), 1–82.
-  J. Lang, O. Mendez, *Analysis on Function Spaces of Musielak-Orlicz Type*, Chapman & Hall/CRC Monographs and Research Notes in Mathematics, 2019.
-  B. Muckenhoupt, R. Wheeden, *Weighted norm inequalities for fractional integrals*, Trans. Amer. Math. Soc. **192** (1974), 261–274.
-  M.-P. Tran, *Good- λ type bounds of quasilinear elliptic equations for singular case*, Nonlinear Anal. **178** (2019), 266–281.
-  M.-P. Tran, T.-N. Nguyen, *Global Lorentz estimates for non-uniformly nonlinear elliptic equations via fractional maximal operators*, J. Math. Anal. Appl. **501** (1) (2021) 124084.
-  Verde. A, *Calderón-Zygmund estimates for systems of φ -growth*. J. Convex Anal, **18** (2011) (1), 67–84.



Thank you for your attention!

