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**ON OPTIMIZATION OF CUBATURE FORMULAE FOR SOBOLEV CLASSES OF FUNCTIONS DEFINED ON STAR DOMAINS**

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We find asymptotically optimal methods of recovery of the integration operator given values of the function at a finite number of points for a class of multivariate functions defined on a bounded star domain that have bounded in  $L_p$  norm of their distributional gradient. Thus we generalize the known solution of this optimization problem in the case, when the domain of the functions is convex. Let  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ , be a nonempty bounded open set. By  $W^{1,p}(Q)$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty]$ , we denote the Sobolev space of functions  $f: Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f$  and all their (distributional) partial derivatives of the first order belong to  $L_p(Q)$ . For  $x = (x^1, \dots, x^d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $q \in [1, \infty)$  set  $|x|_q := \left(\sum_{k=1}^d |x^k|^q\right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$ ,  $|x|_\infty := \max\{|x^k|: k \in \{1, \dots, d\}\}$ , and  $W_p^\infty(Q) := \{f \in W^{1,p}(Q): \|\nabla f\|_1 \|_{L_p(Q)} \leq 1\}$ , where  $\nabla f = (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_d})$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty]$ . In particular we prove the following statement: Let  $d \geq 2$ ,  $p \in (d, \infty]$  and  $Q$  be a bounded star domain. Then  $E_n(W_p^\infty(Q)) = c(d, p) \left(\frac{\text{meas } Q}{2^d}\right)^{\frac{1}{d} + \frac{1}{p}} \cdot \frac{1 + o(1)}{n^{\frac{1}{d}}}$  ( $n \rightarrow \infty$ ), where  $E_n(X) := \inf \left\{ \inf \{e(X, \Phi, x_1, \dots, x_n): \Phi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}: x_1, \dots, x_n \in Q \right\}$ ,  $e(X, \Phi, x_1, \dots, x_n) := \sup \left\{ \left| \int_Q f(x) dx - \Phi(f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n)) \right|: f \in X \right\}$  for  $X = W_p^\infty(Q)$ , and  $c(d, p) \in \mathbb{R}$  depends only on  $d$  and  $p$ .

**1. Introduction.** Let a bounded measurable set  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ , a class  $X$  of continuous on  $Q$  functions, and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  be given. An arbitrary function  $\Phi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is called a method of recovery. For given points  $x_1, \dots, x_n \in Q$  the error of recovery of the integral by the method  $\Phi$  is

$$e(X, \Phi, x_1, \dots, x_n) := \sup \left\{ \left| \int_Q f(x) dx - \Phi(f(x_1), \dots, f(x_n)) \right|: f \in X \right\}.$$

The problem of the optimal recovery of the integral is to find the best error of recovery

$$E_n(X) := \inf \left\{ \inf \{e(X, \Phi, x_1, \dots, x_n): \Phi: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}: x_1, \dots, x_n \in Q \right\}, \tag{1}$$

the best method of recovery, and the best position of the informational set  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  i.e., such method  $\tilde{\Phi}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and points  $\tilde{x}_1, \dots, \tilde{x}_n \in Q$ , for which the infima in (1) are attained (if such a method and points exist).

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In many cases it is hard to find the best error of recovery and an optimal recovery method; in such situations it is interesting to find an asymptotically optimal method of recovery i.e., such sequence of methods  $\Phi_n: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and informational sets  $\{x_1^n, \dots, x_n^n\}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E_n(X)}{e(X, \Phi_n, x_1^n, \dots, x_n^n)} = 1.$$

The problem of optimal recovery and, in particular, the problem of optimization of cubature formulae has a rich history, see e.g. monographs [14]–[17].

Let  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ , be a nonempty bounded open set. By  $W^{1,p}(Q)$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty]$ , we denote the Sobolev space of functions  $f: Q \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f$  and all their (distributional) partial derivatives of the first order belong to  $L_p(Q)$ . As usually, for  $x = (x^1, \dots, x^d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $q \in [1, \infty)$  set

$$|x|_q := \left( \sum_{k=1}^d |x^k|^q \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}, \quad |x|_\infty := \max\{|x^k|: k \in \{1, \dots, d\}\}.$$

It is clear that for all  $f \in W^{1,p}(Q)$  we have  $\|\nabla f\|_{L_p(Q)} < \infty$ , where  $\nabla f = (\frac{\partial f}{\partial x_1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_d})$ . For  $p \in [1, \infty]$  set

$$W_p^\infty(Q) := \{f \in W^{1,p}(Q): \|\nabla f\|_{L_p(Q)} \leq 1\}.$$

Below we consider only the case  $p > d \geq 2$ . For  $p > d$  imbedding of the class  $W^{1,p}(Q)$  into the space of bounded continuous on  $Q$  functions holds, provided by some restrictions on the geometry of  $Q$  (sets  $Q$  for which the imbedding holds will be called admissible). For example, it is sufficient to require that  $Q$  satisfies the cone condition, see Chapter 4 and Theorem 4.12 in [1].

A bounded open set  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is called a star domain with respect to a ball  $B$  (or simply a star domain for brevity), if for all  $x \in Q$  and  $y \in B$  the segment  $xy$  belongs to  $Q$ . It is not hard to verify that the interior of the closure of a star domain  $Q$  coincides with  $Q$ . This implies that the closure of  $Q$  is an asymmetric star body according to [12, Definition I.2.2], hence its distance function is continuous (see [12, Theorem I.2.2]), and thus  $Q$  is Jordan measurable (see the proof of [12, Theorem I.1.5]). Moreover, it is easy to see that a star domain satisfies the cone condition, and hence each function  $f$  from  $W_p^\infty(Q)$  has a continuous representation.

Everywhere below, for a finite set  $A$ , by  $|A|$  we denote the number of its elements. For  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  by  $(x, y)$  we denote the dot product of  $x$  and  $y$ . For a bounded set  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  we set  $\text{diam } Q := \sup\{|a - b|_2: a, b \in Q\}$ . We write  $\text{meas } Q$  to denote the Lebesgue measure of a measurable set  $Q$ .

The goal of the paper is to find asymptotically optimal cubature formulae on the class  $W_p^\infty(Q)$ , where  $Q$  is a bounded star domain. In the case, when  $Q$  is a convex bounded domain, such problem was solved in [2]. Solutions to some extremal problems for similar classes of functions can be found in [8, 9, 11, 6, 4, 3].

## 2. The main result.

**2.1. Asymptotically optimal informational sets and methods.** The construction of asymptotically optimal informational sets and recovery methods in the case when  $Q$  is a star domain is the same as in the case of a convex set  $Q$ . We adduce it below together with some properties that we will need, see [5, 2, 4].

For a given  $h > 0$  consider the lattice  $\Lambda$  in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  generated by the vectors  $(2h, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$ ,  $(0, 2h, 0, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, (0, \dots, 0, 2h) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Denote by  $P_k(h)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , the cubes into which the lattice  $\Lambda$  divides  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ; their volumes are equal to  $(2h)^d$ . Denote by  $A(h)$  the set of all cubes  $P_k(h)$  that are contained in  $Q$ , let  $a(h)$  be the set of the centers of the cubes from

$A(h)$ . Denote by  $B(h)$  the set of all cubes  $P_k(h)$  that have non-empty set of common with  $Q$  internal points. For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  set

$$h_n := \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\text{meas } Q}{n} \right)^{\frac{1}{d}}. \quad (2)$$

For each cube  $P$  from the set  $B(3h_n)$  choose a point by the following rule: the center of the cube  $P$ , if it belongs to  $a(h_n)$ ; else, arbitrary point from  $P \cap a(h_n)$ , if the intersection is not empty; else, arbitrary internal point of  $Q \cap P$ .

Denote by  $S_1(n)$  the set of chosen points; by  $S_2(n)$  arbitrary subset of the set  $a(h_n) \setminus S_1(n)$  that contains  $n - |S_1(n)|$  points (for large enough  $n$  this number is positive; if the set  $a(h_n) \setminus S_1(n)$  contains less than  $n - |S_1(n)|$  points, then we take all points of  $a(h_n) \setminus S_1(n)$ ). Set

$$S(n) := S_1(n) \cup S_2(n). \quad (3)$$

Let  $S(n) = \{x_1^*, \dots, x_{|S(n)|}^*\}$ . For each  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$  define the set

$$V_k := \{x \in Q \cap P(3h_n; x_k^*) : |x - x_k^*|_\infty < |x - x_s^*|_\infty, s \neq k\},$$

where  $P(3h_n; x_k^*)$  is the cube from  $B(3h_n)$  that contains  $x_k^*$ . Then the sets  $V_k$  are pairwise disjoint,  $\bigcup_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} V_k \subset Q$  and  $\text{meas} \left( Q \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} V_k \right) = 0$ . Set

$$c_k^* := \text{meas } V_k, \quad k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}. \quad (4)$$

The following lemma states some of the properties of the sets  $S(n)$  and  $V_k$ , defined above, see [2, Lemma 4].

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  be a Jordan measurable set,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  be large enough and  $h_n$  be defined by (2). Then the following properties hold:*

1.  $S(n) \subset Q$  and  $|S(n)| \leq n$ .
2. If  $x \in V_k$  then  $|x - x_k^*|_\infty \leq 6h_n$ .
3. For each cube  $P \in B(h_n)$ ,  $|P \cap S(n)| \leq 1$ .
4. Let  $R_n$  be the union of cubes  $P \in A(h_n)$  with centers that belong to  $S(n)$ . Denote by  $U_k := V_k \setminus R_n$ . Then  $\text{meas} \bigcup_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} U_k = o(1)$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**2.2. Asymptotically optimal cubature formulae.** The following theorem is the main result of the paper.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $d \geq 2$ ,  $p \in (d, \infty]$  and a bounded star domain  $Q$  be given. Then*

$$E_n \left( W_p^\infty(Q) \right) = c(d, p) \left( \frac{\text{meas } Q}{2^d} \right)^{\frac{1}{d} + \frac{1}{p'}} \cdot \frac{1 + o(1)}{n^{\frac{1}{d}}}, \quad n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where

$$c(d, p) := \frac{1}{d} \left\| \frac{1}{|\cdot|_\infty^{d-1}} - |\cdot|_\infty \right\|_{L_{p'}(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |x|_\infty \leq 1\})}.$$

The asymptotically optimal informational set is  $S(n)$  defined by (3), and the optimal recovery method is

$$\tilde{\Phi}_n(f(x_1), \dots, f(x_{|S(n)|})) = \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} c_k^* f(x_k),$$

where the weights  $c_k^*$  are defined by (4).

**Remark 1.** We note that the case  $p = \infty$  was obtained (by different methods) in [5], see Theorem 3, in the case of an arbitrary Jordan measurable set  $Q$ .

It was proved, see [2, Lemma 5] that for arbitrary admissible  $Q$

$$E_n\left(W_p^\infty(Q)\right) \geq c(d, p) \left(\frac{\text{meas } Q}{2^d}\right)^{\frac{1}{d} + \frac{1}{p'}} \cdot \frac{1 + o(1)}{n^{\frac{1}{d}}}, \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

and, see [2, Lemma 6]

$$E_n\left(W_p^\infty(Q)\right) \leq \sup_{f \in W_p^\infty(Q)} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{U_k} [f(x) - f(x_k^*)] dx \right| + c(d, p) \left(\frac{\text{meas } Q}{2^d}\right)^{\frac{1}{d} + \frac{1}{p'}} \cdot \frac{1 + o(1)}{n^{\frac{1}{d}}}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , where the sets  $U_k$  are defined in property 4 of Lemma 1. Thus in order to prove the theorem it is sufficient to prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $p \in (d, \infty]$  and a bounded star domains  $Q$  be given. Then*

$$\sup_{f \in W_p^\infty(Q)} \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{U_k} |f(x) - f(x_k^*)| dx = o\left(n^{-\frac{1}{d}}\right), \quad n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (5)$$

A crucial tool in the proof of the main results is the following result, see [13, Ch. 6.9].

**Lemma 3.** *Suppose  $p > d$  and  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is admissible. Let  $f \in W^{1,p}(Q)$  and  $x, y \in Q$  be such that the whole segment with ends at the points  $x$  and  $y$  belongs to  $Q$ . Then*

$$f(y) - f(x) = \int_0^1 \left( y - x, \nabla f[(1-t)x + ty] \right) dt.$$

Observe that since the sets  $U_k$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$  are generally speaking not convex, we can not directly apply Lemma 3 to the difference  $f(x) - f(x_k^*)$  under the integral in (5). We define functions  $p_k: U_k \rightarrow Q$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ , such that whole segments  $x p_k(x)$  and  $p_k(x) x_k^*$  belong to  $Q$  and they are "not much longer" than the segment  $x x_k^*$ . Once this is done we can write the inequality

$$|f(x) - f(x_k^*)| \leq |f(x) - f(p_k(x))| + |f(p_k(x)) - f(x_k^*)|,$$

and apply Lemma 3 to switch from the values of the function  $f$  to the values of its gradient. This will allow to obtain an estimate from above for the quantity (5) in terms of  $\| |\nabla f|_1 \|_{L_p(Q)}$  and the total measure of the sets  $U_k$ , which in turn will imply Lemma 2.

### 3. Proof of the main result.

**3.1. Auxiliary results.** We need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $T_k \subset U_k$  and functions  $\phi_k: T_k \rightarrow Q$  be such that  $\phi_k(T_k)$  is measurable,  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ . Assume that there exists a number  $c > 0$  such that*

$$|\phi_k(x) - x_k^*|_\infty \leq c|x - x_k^*|_\infty$$

*for all  $x \in T_k$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ . Then there exists a number  $C > 0$  that does not depend on  $n$  and such that for all integrable on  $Q$  functions  $g$*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{\phi_k(T_k)} |g(x)| dx \leq C \int_Q |g(x)| dx.$$

*Proof.* If the numbers  $1 \leq k_1 < k_2 \leq |S(n)|$  and the points  $x \in T_{k_1}$  and  $y \in T_{k_2}$  are such that  $z = \phi_{k_1}(x) = \phi_{k_2}(y)$ , then, using Property 2 of Lemma 1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |x_{k_1}^* - x_{k_2}^*|_\infty &\leq |x_{k_1}^* - z|_\infty + |z - x_{k_2}^*|_\infty = |x_{k_1}^* - \phi_{k_1}(x)|_\infty + |\phi_{k_2}(y) - x_{k_2}^*|_\infty \leq \\ &\leq c|x_{k_1}^* - x|_\infty + c|y - x_{k_2}^*|_\infty \leq 12h_n \cdot c. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

It is now sufficient to prove that there exists a number  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  that does not depend on  $n$ , and a partition of the set  $\{T_1, \dots, T_{|S(n)|}\}$  into groups  $\{T_{k_1^i}, \dots, T_{k_{m_i}^i}\}$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ , such that for all  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$  and different  $j, s \in \{k_1^i, \dots, k_{m_i}^i\}$ ,  $|x_j^* - x_s^*|_\infty > 12h_n \cdot c$ . Really, if such partition is done, then, due to (6), the sets  $\{\phi_{k_1^i}(T_{k_1^i}), \dots, \phi_{k_{m_i}^i}(T_{k_{m_i}^i})\}$  are pairwise disjoint for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ . Hence we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{\phi_k(T_k)} |g(x)| dx &= \sum_{i=1}^N \sum_{s=1}^{m_i} \int_{\phi_{k_s^i}(T_{k_s^i})} |g(x)| dx = \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^N \int_{\bigcup_{s=1}^{m_i} \phi_{k_s^i}(T_{k_s^i})} |g(x)| dx \leq \sum_{i=1}^N \int_Q |g(x)| dx = N \int_Q |g(x)| dx. \end{aligned}$$

To do such partition we associate an index  $I_P \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  with each of the cubes  $P \in B(h_n)$ . The index  $I_P$  is equal to the coordinates of the "left bottom point" of  $P$  (i.e., the point of the cube  $P$  with minimal coordinates) in the basis of the lattice. Let  $M$  be an integer bigger than  $6c + 1$ . We divide all cubes from  $B(h_n)$  into  $N = M^d$  groups in such a way that two cubes  $P_1, P_2 \in B(h_n)$  belong to the same group if and only if all the coordinates of  $I_{P_1} - I_{P_2}$  are divisible by  $M$ .

Let two different cubes  $P_1, P_2$  belong to one group and  $x \in P_1, y \in P_2$ . Then due to the definition of the group  $|x - y|_\infty \geq (M - 1) \cdot 2h_n > 12ch_n$ .

Now we construct a partition of the sets  $T_k$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ . We put two sets  $T_k$  and  $T_j$  into one group if and only if  $x_k^*$  and  $x_j^*$  belong to cubes from the same group. Such partition is a desired one, since Property 3 of Lemma 1 holds. The lemma is proved.  $\square$

The following lemma follows from the so-called matrix determinant lemma (see [10, Lemma 1.1]), or from the Weinstein–Aronszajn identity; it can also be proved directly by induction on  $d$ . We omit the technical details.

**Lemma 5.** *Let two vectors  $u = (u^1, \dots, u^d)$ ,  $v = (v^1, \dots, v^d)$  and numbers  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$  be given. Then*

$$\det \left( \alpha \cdot I + \beta \cdot \left\| u^i v^j \right\|_{i,j=1}^d \right) = \alpha^{d-1} (\alpha + \beta(u, v)),$$

where  $I$  denotes the identity matrix.

**3.2. Auxiliary construction.** Let  $Q$  be a star domain with respect to a ball  $S_R^d(o)$  with the center  $o \in Q$  and the radius larger than some positive number  $R > 0$ . For all  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$  and  $0 < r \leq R$  define a function  $p_k(\cdot; r): U_k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  by the following equation

$$p_k(x; r) := \frac{r \cdot (x + x_k^*) + |x - x_k^*|_2 \cdot o}{|x - x_k^*|_2 + 2r}. \quad (7)$$

Everywhere below we assume that the distance from  $o$  to the boundary  $\partial Q$  of the set  $Q$  is greater than  $R$  (otherwise we can decrease  $R$ ). We also consider so large  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  that all the points  $x_k^*$  (from  $V_k$  with non-empty  $U_k$ ) and sets  $U_k$  are outside of the ball  $S_R^d(o)$ . As the value of  $r$  we will use either  $r = R$ , or  $r = \frac{R}{8}$ , so that  $r$  will be separated from 0 and independent of  $n$ .

Equality (7) has the following geometrical sense.

**Lemma 6.** *Assume that a point  $x \in U_k$  is such that vectors  $\overline{ox}$  and  $\overline{ox_k^*}$  are not collinear. Consider the 2-dimensional space  $E^2$  generated by these two vectors. Let  $S_r^2(o)$  be the boundary circle of  $E^2 \cap S_r^d(o)$ . Let  $o_1o_2$  be the diameter of the circle  $S_r^2(o)$  parallel to the segment  $xx_k^*$ . Then  $p_k(x; r)$  is the point where the diagonals of the convex hull of the points  $o_1, o_2, x$  and  $x_k^*$  intersect.*

This lemma will be proved below together with the following lemma.

**Lemma 7.** *Segments  $xp_k(x)$  and  $p_k(x)x_k^*$  are fully contained in  $Q$  and there exists a number  $C$  that does not depend on  $n$  such that*

$$\max\{|x - p_k(x; r)|_\infty, |x_k^* - p_k(x; r)|_\infty\} \leq C|x - x_k^*|_\infty.$$

*Proof.* Let  $p$  be the intersection of the diagonals  $xo_1$  and  $x_k^*o_2$ . Then triangles  $xpx_k^*$  and  $o_1po_2$  are similar. This, in particular, means that the points  $o, p$  and the middle  $m$  of the segment  $xx_k^*$  belong to a line and  $\frac{|m-p|_2}{|o-p|_2} = \frac{|x-x_k^*|_2}{2r}$ . Hence

$$p = \frac{1}{2r + |x - x_k^*|_2} (|x - x_k^*|_2 \cdot o + 2r \cdot m) = \frac{r \cdot (x + x_k^*) + |x - x_k^*|_2 \cdot o}{|x - x_k^*|_2 + 2r}.$$

This means that  $p = p_k(x; r)$  and Lemma 6 is proved.

From the similarity of triangles  $xpx_k^*$  and  $o_1po_2$  it also follows that  $\frac{|x-p|_2}{|o_1-p|_2} = \frac{|x-x_k^*|_2}{2r}$ . Hence

$$|x - p|_\infty \leq |x - p|_2 = \frac{|o_1 - p|_2 \cdot |x - x_k^*|_2}{2r} \leq \frac{\text{diam } Q \cdot \sqrt{d} \cdot |x - x_k^*|_\infty}{2r}.$$

Hence the inequality in the statement of the lemma holds with the constant  $C := \frac{\text{diam } Q \sqrt{d}}{2r}$ . The estimate for  $|x_k^* - p_k(x; r)|_\infty$  can be obtained using the same arguments.

Segments  $xp_k(x)$  and  $p_k(x)x_k^*$  are fully inside  $Q$ , since the set  $Q$  is a star domain and they are subsegments of the segments  $xo_1$  and  $x_k^*o_2$ .  $\square$

**3.3. Some properties of the functions  $p_k(\cdot; r)$ .** Below we state several properties of the functions  $p_k(\cdot; r)$  defined in the previous paragraph. Everywhere in this paragraph we assume  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$  and  $0 < r \leq R$  are fixed, and  $n$  is big enough, so that the sets  $U_k$  are outside the ball  $S_R^d(o)$ .

**Lemma 8.** *For each  $t \in [0, 1]$  there exists a partition  $U_k = \bigcup_{i=1}^4 U_k^i(t)$  into measurable sets  $U_k^i(t)$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, 4\}$ , such that the function*

$$\psi_k(x; r, t) := t \cdot x + (1 - t) \cdot p_k(x; r) \tag{8}$$

*is injective on each of the sets  $U_k^1(t), \dots, U_k^4(t)$ . For all  $t \in (0, 1]$  the functions*

$$\varphi_k(x; r, t) := (1 - t) \cdot x_k^* + t \cdot p_k(x; r), \tag{9}$$

*are injective on each of the sets  $U_k^1(0), \dots, U_k^4(0)$ .*

*Proof.* First of all note that for  $x, y \in Q$  and  $t \in (0, 1]$ ,

$$\varphi_k(x; r, t) = \varphi_k(y; r, t) \iff p_k(x; r) = p_k(y; r) \iff \psi_k(x; r, 0) = \psi_k(y; r, 0).$$

Thus the statement about functions (9) follows from the statement about functions (8).

Let  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $q \in \psi_k(U_k; r, t)$  be fixed. Next we prove that the preimage  $\psi_k^{-1}(q; r, t)$  consists of at most 4 points.

If the points  $q$ ,  $o$  and  $x_k^*$  belong to one line (i.e., are linearly dependent), then all the points from the set  $\psi_k^{-1}(q; r, t)$  also belong to this line and the proof of the lemma is analogous to the that below for the case when the points  $q$ ,  $o$  and  $x_k^*$  are linearly independent.

Assume that the points  $q$ ,  $o$  and  $x_k^*$  are linearly independent. Then they generate a 2-dimensional space. From the geometrical sense of  $p_k(\cdot; r)$  it follows that the set  $\psi_k^{-1}(q; r, t)$  is a subset of this 2-dimensional space. Let

$$x \in \psi_k^{-1}(q; r, t). \quad (10)$$

Consider a 2-dimensional Cartesian coordinate system in it such that the point  $o$  is on the ordinate axis and the point  $x$  and the point that is symmetric to the point  $x_k^*$  with respect to  $o$  are on the abscissa axis (to determine the coordinate system uniquely we can additionally require the point  $x_k^*$  to be in the upper half-plane with respect to the abscissa axis). Let  $x_k^* = (x_*, 2y_*)$ ,  $q = (x_q, y_q)$ , and  $x = (x_z, 0)$  in this coordinate system. Then  $o = (0, y_*)$ . By (7) and the definition of the function  $\psi_k$  we have that for arbitrary point  $z = (x_z, y_z)$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_k(z; r, t) &= (1-t) \frac{r(x_z + x_*, y_z + 2y_*) + (0, y_* |x_k^* - z|_2)}{2r + |x_k^* - z|_2} + t(x_z, y_z) = \\ &= \left( (1-t) \frac{r(x_z + x_*)}{2r + |x_k^* - z|_2} + tx_z, (1-t)y_* + (1-t) \frac{ry_z}{2r + |x_k^* - z|_2} + ty_z \right). \end{aligned}$$

From (10) we obtain that  $y_q = (1-t)y_*$ ; hence  $\psi_k^{-1}(q; r, t)$  is a subset of the abscissa axis, and for all  $z = (x_z, 0) \in \psi_k^{-1}(q; r, t)$  we have

$$(1-t) \frac{r(x_z + x_*)}{2r + \sqrt{(x_* - x_z)^2 + 4y_*^2}} + tx_z = x_q.$$

All the solutions of the latter equation are also solutions of the equation

$$\left[ (1-t)r(x_z + x_*) - 2r(x_q - tx_z) \right]^2 = (x_q - tx_z)^2 ((x_* - x_z)^2 + 4y_*^2),$$

which is an equation of not more than degree 4 with respect to the unknown  $x_z$ ; hence the set  $\psi_k^{-1}(q; r, t)$  contains at most 4 points.

Finally, we construct the required partition of the set  $U_k$ . Consider the function  $\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)$  as a function defined on the closure  $\overline{U_k}$  of  $U_k$ . It is easy to see that  $\psi_k$  is continuous, and hence by [7, Theorem 6.9.7] there exists a Borel set  $B \subset \overline{U_k}$  such that  $\psi_k(B; r, t) = \psi_k(\overline{U_k}; r, t)$  and  $\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)$  is injective on  $B$ . Set  $U_k^1 = B \cap U_k$ . The set  $\psi_k^{-1}(q; r, t) \setminus U_k^1$  consists of at most 3 points for any  $q \in \psi_k(U_k; r, t)$ . Repeating the same arguments we obtain measurable sets  $U_k^2 \subset U_k \setminus U_k^1$  and  $U_k^3 \subset U_k \setminus (U_k^1 \cup U_k^2)$  such that  $\psi_k$  is injective on each of them, and is injective on the measurable set  $U_k^4 := U_k \setminus (U_k^1 \cup U_k^2 \cup U_k^3)$ .  $\square$

Below for a function  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$  by  $\frac{D\phi}{Dx}$  we denote its Jacobian matrix,  $J_\phi(x) := \det \frac{D\phi}{Dx}(x)$  and  $I$  is the identity matrix. For a point or a vector  $y \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $s \in \{1, \dots, d\}$  by  $y^s$  we denote its  $s$ -th coordinate.

**Lemma 9.** *Assume a point  $x \in U_k$  is given. Let  $m$  be the middle of the segment  $xx_k^*$ ,  $\overline{\Delta x} = \frac{x_k^* x}{|x - x_k^*|_2}$ . Then*

$$\frac{Dp_k(\cdot; r)}{Dx}(x) = \frac{r}{2r + |x - x_k^*|_2} I + \frac{2r}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2} \cdot \left\| \overline{m} o^i \cdot \overline{\Delta x}^j \right\|_{i,j=1}^d.$$

*Proof.* Let  $x = (x^1, \dots, x^d)$ ,  $x_k^* = (x_k^{*1}, \dots, x_k^{*d})$ ,  $o = (o^1, \dots, o^d)$ . Let also  $\delta_{ij} = 1$  if  $i = j$ , and  $\delta_{ij} = 0$  if  $i \neq j$ . Equality (7) can be rewritten in the coordinates

$$\begin{aligned} p_k(x; r) &:= \frac{r \cdot (x^1 + x_k^{*1}, \dots, x^d + x_k^{*d}) + \sqrt{\sum_{s=1}^d (x^s - x_k^{*s})^2} \cdot (o^1, \dots, o^d)}{\sqrt{\sum_{s=1}^d (x^s - x_k^{*s})^2} + 2r}, \\ \frac{\partial p_k(x; r)^i}{\partial x^j} &= \frac{(r\delta_{ij} + \frac{x^j - x_k^{*j}}{|x - x_k^*|_2} o^i) \cdot (2r + |x - x_k^*|_2) - (r(x^i + x_k^{*i}) + |x - x_k^*|_2 o^i) \frac{x^j - x_k^{*j}}{|x - x_k^*|_2}}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2} = \\ &= \frac{r(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)\delta_{ij} + 2r \frac{x^j - x_k^{*j}}{|x - x_k^*|_2} o^i - r \frac{x^j - x_k^{*j}}{|x - x_k^*|_2} (x^i + x_k^{*i})}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2} = \\ &= \frac{r}{2r + |x - x_k^*|_2} \delta_{ij} + \frac{2r}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2} \cdot \frac{x^j - x_k^{*j}}{|x - x_k^*|_2} \cdot \left( o^i - \frac{x^i + x_k^{*i}}{2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

□

From Lemmas 9 and 5 we immediately get the following lemma.

**Lemma 10.** *Let the function  $\varphi_k(x; r, t)$  be defined in (8). Then for all  $t \in [0, 1]$*

$$J_{\varphi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(x) = t^d \frac{r^d}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^{d+1}} \left( 2r + |x - x_k^*|_2 + 2(\overline{m} o, \overline{\Delta x}) \right).$$

**Lemma 11.** *Let the function  $\psi_k(x; r, t)$  be defined in (8). Then for all  $t \in [0, 1]$*

$$\begin{aligned} &J_{\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(x) = \\ &= \left( \frac{r(1-t)}{2r + |x - x_k^*|_2} + t \right)^{d-1} \cdot \left( \frac{2r^2 + 3r|x - x_k^*|_2 + |x - x_k^*|_2^2 - 2r(\overline{m} o, \overline{\Delta x})}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2} (t-1) + 1 \right). \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* To prove this lemma it is sufficient to apply Lemmas 9 and 5 and notice that

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{r(1-t)}{2r + |x - x_k^*|_2} + t + \frac{2r(1-t)}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2} (\overline{m} o, \overline{\Delta x}) = \\ &= \frac{2r^2 + 3r|x - x_k^*|_2 + |x - x_k^*|_2^2 - 2r(\overline{m} o, \overline{\Delta x})}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2} (t-1) + 1. \end{aligned}$$

□



The next lemma justifies possibility to make a substitution  $y = \psi_k(x; r, t)$  in the integrals considered below.

**Lemma 12.** *For each fixed  $0 < r < R$  the function  $\psi_k(x; r, t)$ ,  $x \in U_k$ ,  $t \in [0, 1]$  is continuous on  $U_k \times [0, 1]$ . The set  $\Theta := \{(x, t) \in U_k \times [0, 1]: J_{\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(x) = 0\}$  has measure zero in  $\mathbb{R}^{d+1}$ .*

*Proof.* Continuity of  $\psi_k$  follows from the definition. The set  $\Theta$  is a piece of the plot of the function

$$t(x) = 1 - \frac{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2}{2r^2 + 3r|x - x_k^*|_2 + |x - x_k^*|_2^2 - 2r(\overline{m\sigma}, \overline{\Delta x})}, \quad x \in U_k$$

on which  $t(x) \in [0, 1]$ . There exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that

$$\Theta \cap \left\{ (x, t) \in U_k \times [0, 1]: \left| 2r^2 + 3r|x - x_k^*|_2 + |x - x_k^*|_2^2 - 2r(\overline{m\sigma}, \overline{\Delta x}) \right| < \varepsilon \right\} = \emptyset.$$

Thus on the set  $\{x \in U_k: t(x) \in [0, 1]\}$  the function  $t$  is uniformly continuous, and hence its plot has zero measure.  $\square$

In the next two paragraphs we use the following notation. The symbol  $C$  stands for a positive number that does not depend on  $n$ . This number may be different in left and right parts of equality or inequality.

**3.4. Estimate for**  $\sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |f(x) - f(p_k(x; r))| dx$ .

**Lemma 13.** *Assume  $T_k \subset U_k$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ , are measurable sets and*

$$\max_{k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}} \text{diam } U_k \leq r \leq R. \quad (11)$$

*Then there exists a number  $C$  that does not depend on  $n$  and such that for all  $f \in W^{1,p}(Q)$*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |f(x) - f(p_k(x; r))| dx \leq Ch_n \left( \text{meas} \bigcup_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} T_k \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \|\nabla f\|_{L_p(Q)}.$$

*Proof.* Using Lemma 3 and Lemma 7 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |f(x) - f(p_k(x; r))| dx &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_0^1 \int_{T_k} |p_k(x; r) - x|_\infty |\nabla f((1-t)p_k(x; r) + tx)|_1 dx dt \leq \\ &\leq Ch_n \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_0^1 \int_{T_k} |\nabla f(\psi_k(x; r, t))|_1 dx dt, \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where the functions  $\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)$  are defined in (8). Due to Lemma 8 for each  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$  there exists a partition  $T_k = \bigcup_{i=1}^4 T_k^i(t)$  such that the function  $\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)$  is injective on each of  $T_k^i(t)$ ,  $i \in \{1, \dots, 4\}$ . Hence for all  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$

$$\int_0^1 \int_{T_k} |\nabla f(\psi_k(x; r, t))|_1 dx dt = \sum_{i=1}^4 \int_0^1 \int_{T_k^i(t)} |\nabla f(\psi_k(x; r, t))|_1 dx dt, \quad (13)$$

and for each  $i \in \{1, \dots, 4\}$ , making a substitution  $y = \psi_k(x; r, t)$  in the internal integral, and applying Holder's inequality, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_{T_k^i(t)} |\nabla f(\psi_k(x; r, t))|_1 dx dt &= \int_0^1 \int_{\psi_k(T_k^i(t); r, t)} |\nabla f(y)|_1 |J_{\psi_k^{-1}(\cdot; r, t)}(y)| dy dt \leq \\ &\leq \left( \int_0^1 \int_{\psi_k(T_k^i(t); r, t)} |\nabla f(y)|_1^p dy dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_0^1 \int_{\psi_k(T_k^i(t); r, t)} |J_{\psi_k^{-1}(\cdot; r, t)}(y)|^{p'} dy dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}}. \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

Applying the inverse function theorem and making a substitution  $x = \psi_k^{-1}(y; r, t)$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \int_{\psi_k(T_k^i(t); r, t)} |J_{\psi_k^{-1}(\cdot; r, t)}(y)|^{p'} dy dt &= \int_0^1 \int_{\psi_k(T_k^i(t); r, t)} |J_{\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(\psi_k^{-1}(y; r, t))|^{-p'} dy dt = \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_{T_k^i(t)} |J_{\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(x)|^{1-p'} dx dt \leq \int_{T_k} \int_0^1 |J_{\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(x)|^{1-p'} dt dx. \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

Since  $p > d \geq 2$  we have  $\frac{1}{p'} = 1 - \frac{1}{p} > \frac{1}{2}$  and hence  $0 \geq 1 - p' > -1$ . Note that for all  $t \in [0, 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{r(1-t)}{2r + |x - x_k^*|_2} + t &= \frac{r(1+t) + t|x - x_k^*|_2}{2r + |x - x_k^*|_2} > \frac{r}{2r + r} = \frac{1}{3}, \\ -\frac{\text{diam } Q}{2r} &\leq \frac{2r^2 + 3r|x - x_k^*|_2 + |x - x_k^*|_2^2 - 2r(\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x})}{(2r + |x - x_k^*|_2)^2} \leq \\ &\leq \frac{2r^2 + 3r^2 + r^2 + 2r \cdot \text{diam } Q}{4r^2} = \frac{3}{2} + \frac{\text{diam } Q}{2r}. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 11, the latter inequalities and  $0 \geq 1 - p' > -1$  we obtain

$$\int_0^1 |J_{\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(x)|^{1-p'} dt \leq 3^{(d-1)(p'-1)} \sup_A \int_0^1 (A(t-1) + 1)^{1-p'} dt \leq C, \quad (16)$$

where the supremum is taken over the segment

$$A \in \left[ -\frac{\text{diam } Q}{2r}, \frac{3}{2} + \frac{\text{diam } Q}{2r} \right]$$

and the number  $C$  is finite and depends on  $\text{diam } Q$  and  $r$  and does not depend on  $h_n$ . Using (16), (15), (14), (13) and (12), we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |f(x) - f(p_k(x; r))| dx &\leq Ch_n \sum_{i=1}^4 \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \left( \int_0^1 \int_{\psi_k(T_k^i(t); r, t)} |\nabla f(y)|_1^p dy dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} (\text{meas } T_k)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \leq \\ &\leq Ch_n \sum_{i=1}^4 \left( \int_0^1 \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{\psi_k(T_k^i(t); r, t)} |\nabla f(y)|_1^p dy dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \text{meas } T_k \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}}. \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

Note that for all  $t \in [0, 1]$  and each  $i \in \{1, \dots, 4\}$  the sets  $T_k^i(t)$  and the functions  $\psi_k(\cdot; r, t)$  satisfy the conditions of Lemma 4, because for all  $x \in T_k^i(t)$  due to Lemma 7

$$\begin{aligned} |x_k^* - \psi_k(x; r, t)|_\infty &= |x_k^* - (1-t)p_k(x; r) - tx|_\infty \leq t|x_k^* - x|_\infty + \\ &+ (1-t)|x_k^* - p_k(x; r)|_\infty \leq |x_k^* - x|_\infty + |x_k^* - p_k(x; r)|_\infty \leq C|x_k^* - x|_\infty \end{aligned}$$

with some number  $C$  independent of  $n$  (and  $t$ ). To finish the proof of the lemma it is sufficient to apply Lemma 4 to (17).  $\square$

### 3.5. Estimate for $\sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |f(x_k^*) - f(p_k(x; r))| dx$ .

**Lemma 14.** *Assume (11) holds, and measurable sets  $T_k \subset U_k$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ , are such that there exists a number  $c > 0$  that does not depend on  $n$  for which  $|J_{\varphi_k(\cdot; r, 1)}(x)| > c$  for all  $x \in T_k$ . Then there exists a number  $C$  that does not depend on  $n$ , such that for all  $f \in W^{1,p}(Q)$*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |f(x_k^*) - f(p_k(x; r))| dx \leq Ch_n \left( \text{meas} \bigcup_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} T_k \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \|\nabla f\|_{L_p(Q)}.$$

*Proof.* We may assume that each function  $\varphi_k(\cdot; r, t)$  is injective on  $T_k$ ,  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ . Otherwise, due to Lemma 8, we can divide each of the sets  $T_k$  into four subsets, so that the functions  $\varphi_k(\cdot; r, t)$  are injective on each of the subsets, and apply arguments below to each of the subsets. Using Lemma 3 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |f(p_k(x; r)) - f(x_k^*)| dx &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_0^1 \int_{T_k} |p_k(x; r) - x_k^*|_\infty |\nabla f(\varphi_k(x; r, t))|_1 dx dt \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_0^1 \left( \int_{T_k} |p_k(x; r) - x_k^*|^{p'} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \left( \int_{T_k} |\nabla f(\varphi_k(x; r, t))|_1^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} dt \leq \\ &\stackrel{\text{by Lemma 7}}{\leq} Ch_n \int_0^1 \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} (\text{meas } T_k)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \left( \int_{T_k} |\nabla f(\varphi_k(x; r, t))|_1^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} dt \leq \\ &\leq Ch_n \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \text{meas } T_k \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \int_0^1 \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |\nabla f(\varphi_k(x; r, t))|_1^p dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} dt = \\ &= Ch_n \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \text{meas } T_k \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \int_0^1 \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{\varphi_k(T_k; r, t)} |\nabla f(y)|_1^p |J_{\varphi_k^{-1}(\cdot; r, t)}(y)| dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} dt = \\ &= Ch_n \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \text{meas } T_k \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \int_0^1 \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{\varphi_k(T_k; r, t)} \frac{|\nabla f(y)|_1^p dy}{|J_{\varphi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(\varphi_k^{-1}(y; r, t))|} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Due to Lemma 10 for all  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ ,  $t \in [0, 1]$  and  $x \in T_k$ ,  $J_{\varphi_k(\cdot; r, t)}(x) = t^d J_{\varphi_k(\cdot; r, 1)}(x)$ . Hence, using the conditions of the lemma we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{T_k} |f(p_k(x; r)) - f(x_k^*)| dx \leq$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq Ch_n \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \text{meas } T_k \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \int_0^1 t^{-\frac{d}{p}} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{\varphi_k(T_k; r, t)} \frac{|\nabla f(y)|_1^p dy}{|J_{\varphi_k(\cdot; r, 1)}(\varphi_k^{-1}(y; r, t))|} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} dt \leq \\ &\leq Ch_n \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \text{meas } T_k \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \int_0^1 t^{-\frac{d}{p}} \left( \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{\varphi_k(T_k; r, t)} \frac{|\nabla f(y)|_1^p dy}{c} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the sets  $T_k$  and the functions  $\varphi_k(\cdot; r, t)$  satisfy the conditions of Lemma 4, since by Lemma 7 for all  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$ ,  $t \in [0, 1]$ , and  $x \in T_k$

$$|x_k^* - \varphi_k(x; r, t)|_\infty = t|p_k(x; r) - x_k^*|_\infty \leq |p_k(x; r) - x_k^*|_\infty \leq C|x - x_k^*|_\infty.$$

To finish the proof of the lemma it is sufficient to apply Lemma 4 and recall that  $p > d$ , and hence the integral  $\int_0^1 t^{-\frac{d}{p}} dt$  converges.  $\square$

**3.6. Proof of Lemma 2.** For each  $k = 1, \dots, |S(n)|$ , we divide the set  $U_k$  into three subsets  $W_k^1 := \{x \in U_k : (\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x}) < -2R\}$ ,  $W_k^2 := \{x \in U_k : (\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x}) \in [-2R, -\frac{R}{2}]\}$  and  $W_k^3 := \{x \in U_k : (\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x}) > -\frac{R}{2}\}$ .

Let  $n$  be so large that for all  $k \in \{1, \dots, |S(n)|\}$  and  $x \in U_k$ ,  $|x - x_k^*|_2 < \frac{R}{8}$ . For all  $x \in W_k^1$  we have  $2R + |x - x_k^*|_2 + 2(\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x}) < 2R + \frac{R}{8} - 4R < -R$ , for all  $x \in W_k^3$  we have  $2R + |x - x_k^*|_2 + 2(\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x}) > 2R - R = R$ , and hence by Lemma 10 for all  $x \in W_k^1 \cup W_k^3$  we have

$$\left| J_{\varphi_k(\cdot; R, 1)}(x) \right| = \frac{R^d}{(2R + |x - x_k^*|_2)^{d+1}} \left| 2R + |x - x_k^*|_2 + 2(\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x}) \right| > \frac{R^d}{(3R)^{d+1}} R = \frac{1}{3^{d+1}}.$$

For all  $x \in W_k^2$  we have  $2 \cdot \frac{R}{8} + |x - x_k^*|_2 + 2(\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x}) < \frac{2R}{8} + \frac{R}{8} - R < -\frac{R}{2}$ , and hence by Lemma 10 for all  $x \in W_k^2$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left| J_{\varphi_k\left(\cdot; \frac{R}{8}, 1\right)}(x) \right| &= \frac{\left(\frac{R}{8}\right)^d}{\left(\frac{2R}{8} + |x - x_k^*|_2\right)^{d+1}} \left| \frac{2R}{8} + |x - x_k^*|_2 + 2(\overline{m\bar{o}}, \overline{\Delta x}) \right| > \\ &> \frac{8R^d}{(2R + R)^{d+1}} \cdot \frac{R}{2} = \frac{4}{3^{d+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally let us return to the proof of (5).

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{U_k} |f(x) - f(x_k^*)| dx &= \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{W_k^1 \cup W_k^3} |f(x) - f(x_k^*)| dx + \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{W_k^2} |f(x) - f(x_k^*)| dx \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{W_k^1 \cup W_k^3} |f(x) - f(p_k(x; R))| dx + \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{W_k^1 \cup W_k^3} |f(p_k(x; R)) - f(x_k^*)| dx + \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{W_k^2} |f(x) - f\left(p_k\left(x; \frac{R}{8}\right)\right)| dx + \sum_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} \int_{W_k^2} |f\left(p_k\left(x; \frac{R}{8}\right)\right) - f(x_k^*)| dx. \end{aligned}$$

To prove (5) we need to apply Lemmas 13, 14 and note that  $\text{meas} \bigcup_{k=1}^{|S(n)|} U_k = o(1)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  due to property 4 of Lemma 1.  $\square$

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