# Orlicz capacity of balls 

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#### Abstract

The notion of classical Newton capacity has been generalized to various forms. Among others, Meyers introduced a general notion of $L^{p}$-capacity, which is defined by general potentials of functions in the Lebesgue space $L^{p}$ and such notion of capacity has been proved to provide rich results in the nonlinear potential theory as well as in the study of various function spaces and partial differential equations; see e.g., Adams-Hedberg [1]. The most useful $L^{p}$-capacity is Riesz capacity. The aim in this note is to estimate the Riesz capacity of balls $B(x, r)$ centered at $x$ of radius $r$ in the Orlicz setting.


## 1 Introduction and statement of results

For $0<\alpha<n$ and a locally integrable function $f$ on $\mathbf{R}^{n}$, we define the Riesz potential $I_{\alpha} f$ of order $\alpha$ by

$$
I_{\alpha} f(x)=\int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}}|x-y|^{\alpha-n} f(y) d y
$$

In the present note, we treat functions $f$ satisfying an Orlicz condition :

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}}|f(y)|^{p} \varphi(|f(y)|) d y<\infty \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $p>1$ and $\varphi(r)$ is a positive monotone function on the interval $(0, \infty)$ which is of logarithmic type; that is, there exists $c_{1}>0$ such that

$$
c_{1}^{-1} \varphi(r) \leq \varphi\left(r^{2}\right) \leq c_{1} \varphi(r) \quad \text { whenever } r>0
$$

We set $\Phi_{p, \varphi}(r)=r^{p} \varphi(r)$ and

$$
\Phi_{p, \varphi}(0)=0
$$

because we will see from $(\varphi 4)$ below that

$$
\lim _{r \rightarrow 0+} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(r)=0
$$

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see [16, p205].
We denote by $L^{\Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)$ the family of all locally integrable functions $g$ on $\mathbf{R}^{n}$ such that

$$
\Phi_{p, \varphi}(g) \equiv \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n}} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(|g(x)|) d x<\infty .
$$

Let $G$ be a bounded open set in $\mathbf{R}^{n}$. For $E \subset G$, the relative ( $\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}$ )-capacity is defined by

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(E ; G)=\inf _{f} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(f),
$$

where the infimum is taken over all functions $f$ such that $f=0$ outside $G$ and

$$
I_{\alpha} f(x) \geq 1 \quad \text { for all } x \in E
$$

(cf. Adams-Hedberg [1], Meyers [12], Ziemer [21] and the first author [13, 14]).
Our first aim in the present note is to give an estimate of $\left(\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}\right)$-capacity of balls. We denote by $B(x, r)$ the open ball centered at $x$ of radius $r$. For fixed $\alpha$, set

$$
\varphi_{p}(r)=\int_{r}^{1}\left[t^{n-\alpha p} \varphi\left(t^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)} d t / t
$$

when $0 \leq r<1$.
As an extension of Adams-Hurri-Syrjänen [3], Joensuu [11] and Mizuta [14, Section 8.3, Lemma 3.1], we state our theorem in the following.

Theorem A. There exists a constant $A_{1}>0$ such that

$$
A_{1}^{-1} \varphi_{p}(r)^{-(p-1)} \leq C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \leq A_{1} \varphi_{p}(r)^{-(p-1)}
$$

whenever $0<r<1 / 2$.
Theorem A was proved by Adams-Hurri-Syrjänen [3, Theorem 2.11] in the case when $\varphi(t)=(\log (e+t))^{\beta}$ with $p=n / \alpha>1$ and $0 \leq \beta \leq p-1$. Recently Joensuu $[9,10,11]$ treated the case when $\varphi$ is nondecreasing. Their main idea was to use the rearrangement equivalent norm for $\|f\|_{L^{\Phi p, \varphi}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}([6,9,10])$. Our proof will be done straightforward from the definition of capacity, and several technical assumptions posed in [11] are removed. If $\varphi_{p}(0)<\infty$, then $C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(\{0\} ; B(0,1))>0$, and $I_{\alpha} f$ is continuous when $f \in L^{\Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)$ has compact support, in view of MizutaShimomura [18].

If $\alpha p<n$, then we see from ( $\varphi 4$ ) below that

$$
\varphi_{p}(r) \sim\left[r^{n-\alpha p} \varphi\left(r^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)}
$$

when $0<r<1 / 2$, where we write $f \sim g$ if there exists a constant $A>0$ so that $A^{-1} g \leq f \leq A g$.

Corollary 1.1. If $\alpha p<n$, then

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \sim r^{n-\alpha p} \varphi\left(r^{-1}\right)
$$

whenever $0<r<1 / 2$.
Example 1.2. For $n=\alpha p$, consider the function

$$
\varphi(t)=(\log (e+t))^{\beta} .
$$

If $\beta<p-1$, then

$$
\varphi_{p}(r) \sim(\log (e+1 / r))^{-\beta /(p-1)+1}
$$

for $0<r<1$. In this case

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \sim(\log (e+1 / r))^{\beta-p+1}
$$

whenever $0<r<1 / 2$.
If $\beta=p-1$, then

$$
\varphi_{p}(r) \sim \log (e+(\log (e+1 / r)))
$$

for $0<r<1$. In this case

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \sim(\log (e+(\log (e+1 / r))))^{-p+1}
$$

whenever $0<r<1 / 2$.
Remark 1.3. We here introduce another capacity. Define

$$
\|g\|_{L^{\Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}=\inf \left\{\lambda>0: \Phi_{p, \varphi}(g / \lambda) \leq 1\right\} .
$$

This is a quasi-norm in $L^{\Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)$. For a set $E \subset G$, we define

$$
N_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(E ; G)=\inf _{f}\|f\|_{L^{\Phi}, \varphi\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}^{p}
$$

where the infimum is taken over all nonnegative measurable functions $f$ on $\mathbf{R}^{n}$ such that $f=0$ outside $G$ and $I_{\alpha(x)} f(x) \geq 1$ for all $x \in E$. With the aid of [8], one can find a constant $A>1$ such that

$$
A^{-1} \varphi_{p}(r)^{-(p-1)} \leq N_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \leq A \varphi_{p}(r)^{-(p-1)}
$$

for $0<r<1 / 2$. This implies that two quantities $C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1))$ and $N_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1))$ are comparable. We do not know whether two capacites $C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(\cdot ; B(0,1))$ and $N_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(\cdot ; B(0,1))$ are comparable or not.

Next consider the Morrey-Orlicz space $\mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)$ of all functions $g$ such that

$$
\sup _{x \in \mathbf{R}^{n}, r>0} r^{\nu} f_{B(x, r)} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(|g(y)|) d y<\infty
$$

with the quasi-norm

$$
\|g\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}}=\inf \left\{\lambda>0: \sup _{x \in \mathbf{R}^{n}, r>0} r^{\nu} f_{B(x, r)} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(|g(y)| / \lambda) d y \leq 1\right\} .
$$

For fundamental properties of Morrey-Orlicz space, we refer the reader to the papers by Adams-Xiao [4], Mizuta-Nakai-Ohno-Shimomura [15] and Mizuta-Shimomura [19, 20].

Our second aim in the present note is to give an estimate of Morrey-Orlicz capacity of balls defined by

$$
N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}, \varphi}}(E ; G)=\inf _{f}\|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\nu}, \Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}^{p}
$$

where the infimum is taken over all functions $f$ such that $f=0$ outside $G$ and

$$
I_{\alpha} f(x) \geq 1 \quad \text { for all } x \in E \text {. }
$$

For fixed $\alpha, \nu$, consider

$$
\tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r)=\int_{r}^{1}\left[t^{\nu-\alpha p} \varphi\left(t^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 / p} d t / t
$$

when $0<r<1$.
Theorem B. Suppose $\alpha p \leq \nu<n$. There exists a constant $A_{2}>0$ such that

$$
A_{2}^{-1} \tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r)^{-p} \leq N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu}, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \leq A_{2} \tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r)^{-p}
$$

whenever $0<r<1 / 2$.
This is an extension of Adams-Xiao [4, Theorem 5.3].
The case $\nu=n$ was treated by Theorem A. If $\tilde{\varphi}_{p}(0)<\infty$, then $N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}}(\{0\} ; B(0,1))>0$, and $I_{\alpha} f$ is continuous on $\mathbf{R}^{n}$ when $f \in \mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)$ has compact support, in view of Mizuta-Shimomura [19, 20] .

Corollary 1.4. If $\alpha p<\nu$, then

$$
N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \sim r^{\nu-\alpha p} \varphi\left(r^{-1}\right)
$$

whenever $0<r<1 / 2$.

Example 1.5. Let $\varphi(t)=(\log (e+t))^{\beta}$. If $\alpha p<\nu$, then

$$
\tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r) \sim\left[r^{\nu-\alpha p}(\log (e+1 / r))^{\beta}\right]^{-1 / p}
$$

for $0<r<1 / 2$, so that

$$
N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \sim r^{\nu-\alpha p}(\log (e+1 / r))^{\beta}
$$

whenever $0<r<1 / 2$.
If $\alpha p=\nu$ and $\beta<p$, then

$$
\tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r) \sim(\log (e+1 / r))^{1-\beta / p}
$$

for $0<r<1 / 2$, so that

$$
N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \sim(\log (e+1 / r))^{\beta-p}
$$

whenever $0<r<1 / 2$.
For further related results, see Aissaoui-Benkirane [5], Adams-Hurri-Syrjänen [2], Edmunds-Evans [7] and Mizuta-Shimomura [16, 17, 18].

Throughout this note, let $A$ denote various constants independent of the variables in question and $A(a, b, \cdots)$ be a constant that depends on $a, b, \cdots$.

## 2 Proof of Theorem A

First we collect properties which follow from condition $(\varphi 1)$ (see [14], [16, Lemma 2.3], [15, Section 7]).
( $\varphi$ 2) $\varphi$ satisfies the doubling condition, that is, there exists $c_{2}>1$ such that

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

( $\varphi 3$ ) For each $\gamma>0$, there exists $c_{3}=c_{3}(\gamma) \geq 1$ such that

$$
c_{3}^{-1} \varphi(r) \leq \varphi\left(r^{\gamma}\right) \leq c_{3} \varphi(r) \quad \text { whenever } r>0
$$

( $\varphi 4$ ) For each $\gamma>0$, there exists $c_{4}=c_{4}(\gamma) \geq 1$ such that

$$
s^{\gamma} \varphi(s) \leq c_{4} t^{\gamma} \varphi(t) \quad \text { whenever } 0<s<t
$$

( $\varphi 5$ ) For each $\gamma>0$, there exists $c_{5}=c_{5}(\gamma) \geq 1$ such that

$$
t^{-\gamma} \varphi(t) \leq c_{5} s^{-\gamma} \varphi(s) \quad \text { whenever } 0<s<t
$$

( $\varphi 6$ ) If $\varphi$ and $\varphi_{1}$ are positive monotone functions on $[0, \infty)$ satisfying ( $\varphi 1$ ), then for each $\gamma>0$ there exists a constant $c_{6}=c_{6}(\gamma) \geq 1$ such that

$$
c_{6}^{-1} \varphi(r) \leq \varphi\left(r^{\gamma} \varphi_{1}(r)\right) \leq c_{6} \varphi(r) \quad \text { whenever } r>0
$$

Consider the function

$$
\bar{\Phi}_{p, \varphi}(r)=\int_{0}^{r} \sup _{0<s<t} s^{-1} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(s) d t
$$

Then $\bar{\Phi}_{p, \varphi}$ is nondecreasing and

$$
\bar{\Phi}_{p, \varphi}(r) \sim \Phi_{p, \varphi}(r)
$$

by $(\varphi 4)$. Thus $\|\cdot\|_{L^{\bar{\Phi}_{p, \varphi}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}}$ defines an equivalent norm to $\|\cdot\|_{L^{\Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}}$, and

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(E, B(0,1)) \sim C_{\alpha, \bar{\Phi}_{p, \varphi}}(E, B(0,1))
$$

for $E \subset B(0,1 / 2)$.
Lemma 2.1. There exists a constant $A>0$ such that

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r), B(0,1)) \leq A \varphi_{p}(r)^{-(p-1)}
$$

for $0<r<1 / 2$.
Proof. We prove this lemma only when $\alpha p=n$. Set $K=\varphi_{p}(r)$. If $r>0$ is small, say $0<r<r_{0}(<1 / 2)$, then we see from $(\varphi 4)$ that

$$
r K^{1 / \alpha}<\sqrt{r} .
$$

For $0<r<r_{0}$, consider the function

$$
f_{r}(y)=K^{-1}|y|^{-\alpha}\left[\varphi\left(K^{-1 / \alpha}|y|^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)}
$$

for $r<|y|<K^{-1 / \alpha}$ and $f_{r}=0$ elsewhere. If $y \in B(0,1) \backslash B(0, r)$ and $x \in B(0, r)$, then $|x-y|<2|y|$. Hence we have

$$
\begin{aligned}
I_{\alpha} f_{r}(x) & \geq 2^{\alpha-n} \int_{B(0,1) \backslash B(0, r)}|y|^{\alpha-n} f_{r}(y) d y \\
& \geq 2^{\alpha-n} \omega_{n-1} K^{-1} \int_{r K^{1 / \alpha}}^{1}\left[\varphi\left(t^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)} d t / t \\
& \geq A K^{-1} \int_{\sqrt{r}}^{1}\left[\varphi\left(t^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)} d t / t \\
& \geq A
\end{aligned}
$$

since $\varphi_{p}(r)$ is of log-type, where $\omega_{n-1}$ denotes the area of the unit sphere. Hence we obtain

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r), B(0,1)) \leq A \Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(f_{r}\right) .
$$

Since $\varphi\left(f_{r}\right) \leq A \varphi\left(K^{-1 / \alpha}|y|^{-1}\right)$ by ( $\varphi 6$ ), we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{B(0,1)} \Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(f_{r}(y)\right) d y & \leq A K^{-p} \int_{B\left(0, K^{-1 / \alpha}\right) \backslash B(0, r)}|y|^{-\alpha p} \varphi\left(K^{-1 / \alpha}|y|^{-1}\right)^{-p /(p-1)+1} d y \\
& \leq A K^{-p+1}
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus it follows that

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r), B(0,1)) \leq A K^{-p+1}
$$

for $0<r<r_{0}$.
If $r_{0} \leq r<1 / 2$, then

$$
\begin{aligned}
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r), B(0,1)) & \leq C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0,1 / 2), B(0,1)) \\
& =A \\
& \leq A K^{-p+1}
\end{aligned}
$$

which proves the lemma.
Lemma 2.2. There exists a constant $A>0$ such that

$$
C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r), B(0,1)) \geq A \varphi_{p}(r)^{-(p-1)}
$$

for $0<r<1 / 2$.
Proof. We prove this only when $\alpha p=n$, since the case $\alpha p<n$ is proved similarly. For $0<r<1 / 2$, take a nonnegative measurable function $f$ on $B(0,1)$ such that

$$
I_{\alpha} f(x) \geq 1 \quad \text { for } x \in B(0, r)
$$

Then we have by Fubini's theorem

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{B(0, r)} d x & \leq \int_{B(0, r)} I_{\alpha} f(x) d x \\
& \leq \int_{B(0,1)}\left(\int_{B(0, r)}|x-y|^{\alpha-n} d x\right) f(y) d y \\
& \leq A r^{n} \int_{B(0,1)}(r+|y|)^{\alpha-n} f(y) d y
\end{aligned}
$$

so that

$$
1 \leq A \int_{B(0,1)}(r+|y|)^{\alpha-n} f(y) d y
$$

We show that

$$
\begin{equation*}
1 \leq A\left[\varphi_{p}(r)\right]^{p-1} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(f) . \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Let $0<\varepsilon<1$ and $K=\varphi_{p}(r)$. Considering

$$
k(y)=\varepsilon K^{-1}(r+|y|)^{-\alpha}\left[\varphi\left(K^{-1 / \alpha}(r+|y|)^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)},
$$

we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \int_{B(0,1)}(r+|y|)^{\alpha-n} f(y) d y \leq \int_{B(0,1)}(r+|y|)^{\alpha-n} k(y) d y \\
& +A \int_{B(0,1)}(r+|y|)^{\alpha-n} f(y)\left(\frac{f(y)}{k(y)}\right)^{p-1} \frac{\varphi(f(y))}{\varphi(k(y))} d y \\
\leq & A \varepsilon K^{-1} \int_{0}^{1}\left[\varphi\left(K^{-1 / \alpha}(r+t)^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)}(r+t)^{-1} d t \\
& +A(\varepsilon) K^{p-1} \int_{B(0,1)} f(y)^{p} \varphi(f(y)) d y \\
\leq & A \varepsilon+A(\varepsilon) K^{p-1} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(f),
\end{aligned}
$$

since

$$
\begin{aligned}
\varphi(k(y)) & \geq A(\varepsilon) \varphi\left(\left(K^{-1 / \alpha}(r+|y|)^{-1}\right)^{\alpha}\left[\varphi\left(K^{-1 / \alpha}(r+|y|)^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)}\right) \\
& \geq A(\varepsilon) \varphi\left(K^{-1 / \alpha}(r+|y|)^{-1}\right)
\end{aligned}
$$

by $(\varphi 2)$ and $(\varphi 6)$, and

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{r}^{1}\left[\varphi\left(K^{-1 / \alpha} t^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)} d t / t & \leq \int_{r K^{1 / \alpha}}^{K^{1 / \alpha}}\left[\varphi\left(s^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)} d s / s \\
& \leq A K+\int_{1}^{K^{1 / \alpha}}\left[\varphi\left(s^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)} d s / s \\
& \leq A K+A \max \left\{1,\left[\varphi\left(K^{1 / \alpha}\right)\right]^{-1 /(p-1)}\right\} \log K \\
& \leq A K
\end{aligned}
$$

by $(\varphi 6)$. Now it follows that

$$
1 \leq A \varepsilon+A(\varepsilon) K^{p-1} \Phi_{p, \varphi}(f)
$$

By taking $A \varepsilon=1 / 2$, we obtain (2.1), and hence

$$
1 \leq A \varphi_{p}(r)^{p-1} C_{\alpha, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)),
$$

which proves the conclusion.
Now we establish Theorem A by use of Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2.

## 3 Proof of Theorem B

To prove Theorem B, we prepare some lemmas.
Lemma 3.1. If $\alpha p \leq \nu<n$, then there exists a constant $A>0$ such that

$$
N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu}, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \leq A \tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r)^{-p}
$$

whenever $0<r \leq 1 / 2$.
Proof. We show this lemma only when $\alpha p=\nu$. For $0<r<1 / 2$ and $K=\tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r)$, consider the function

$$
f_{r}(y)=K^{-1}|y|^{-\alpha}\left[\varphi\left(|y|^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 / p}
$$

for $r<|y|<1$ and $f_{r}=0$ elsewhere. If $x \in B(0, r)$, then, as in the proof of Lemma 2.1, we have

$$
I_{\alpha} f_{r}(x) \geq A,
$$

so that

$$
N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \leq A\left\|f_{r}\right\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\nu}, \Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}^{p}
$$

Setting

$$
g_{r}(y)=|y|^{-\alpha}\left[\varphi\left(|y|^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 / p},
$$

we have

$$
\int_{B(x, t)} \Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(g_{r}(y)\right) d y \leq A \int_{B(0, t)}|y|^{-\alpha p} d y \leq A t^{N-\alpha p},
$$

which implies that $\left\|g_{r}\right\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)} \leq A$. Hence it follows that

$$
\left\|f_{r}\right\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)} \leq A K^{-1}\left\|g_{r}\right\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}} \leq A K^{-1}
$$

which proves the lemma.
Lemma 3.2. If $\alpha p \leq \nu<n$, then there exists a constant $A>0$ such that

$$
N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu}, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)) \geq A \tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r)^{-p}
$$

whenever $0<r \leq 1 / 2$.
Proof. As before, we show this lemma only when $\alpha p=\nu$. For $0<r<1 / 2$, take a nonnegative measurable function $f$ on $B(0,1)$ such that

$$
I_{\alpha} f(x) \geq 1 \quad \text { for } x \in B(0, r)
$$

Then, as in the proof of Lemma 2.2, we have

$$
1 \leq A \int_{B(0,1)}(r+|y|)^{\alpha-n} f(y) d y .
$$

We show that

$$
\begin{equation*}
1 \leq A \tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r)^{p}\|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\nu}, \Phi_{p, \varphi}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)}^{p} . \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

To show this, we may assume that $\|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\nu, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}\left(\mathbf{R}^{n}\right)} \leq 1$. Considering

$$
k(y)=|y|^{-\alpha}\left[\varphi\left(|y|^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 / p},
$$

we find

$$
\begin{aligned}
f_{B(0, t)} f(y) d y & \leq f_{B(0, t)} k(y) d y+A f_{B(0, t)} f(y)\left(\frac{f(y)}{k(y)}\right)^{p-1} \frac{\varphi(f(y))}{\varphi(k(y))} d y \\
& \leq A t^{-\alpha}\left[\varphi\left(t^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 / p}+A t^{\alpha(p-1)}\left[\varphi\left(t^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 / p} f_{B(0, t)} f(y)^{p} \varphi(f(y)) d y \\
& \leq A t^{-\alpha}\left[\varphi\left(t^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 / p},
\end{aligned}
$$

so that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{B(0,1)}(r+|y|)^{\alpha-n} f(y) d y & \leq A \int_{0}^{1}\left(\int_{B(0, t)} f(y) d y\right)(r+t)^{\alpha-n-1} d t \\
& \leq A \int_{0}^{1}(r+t)^{-1}\left[\varphi\left((r+t)^{-1}\right)\right]^{-1 / p} d t \\
& \leq A \tilde{\varphi}(r),
\end{aligned}
$$

which gives (3.1). Thus we obtain

$$
1 \leq A \tilde{\varphi}_{p}(r)^{p} N_{\alpha, \mathcal{M}^{\nu}, \Phi_{p, \varphi}}(B(0, r) ; B(0,1)),
$$

which proves the conclusion.
Now we establish Theorem B by use of Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2.

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