# ON THE ERROR IN SURFACE SPLINE INTERPOLATION OF A COMPACTLY SUPPORTED FUNCTION

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ABSTRACT. We show that the  $L_p(\Omega)$ -norm of the error in surface spline interpolation of a compactly supported function in the Sobolev space  $W_2^{2m}$  decays like  $O(\delta^{\gamma_p+m})$  where  $\gamma_p := \min\{m, m + d/p - d/2\}$  and m is a parameter related to the smoothness of the surface spline. In case  $1 \leq p \leq 2$ , the achieved rate of  $O(\delta^{2m})$  matches that of the error when the domain is all of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and the interpolation points form an infinite grid.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\Xi$  be a finite set of scattered points in  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and let  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{C}$  be a function which is known only on  $\Xi$ . A problem of practical importance is that of constructing a smooth function which interpolates the known data  $f_{|\Xi}$  and provides a good approximation to fon any domain which is near  $\Xi$ . There are a number of methods which are currently being investigated in the literature for which the reader is referred to the surveys [10], [6], and [18]. In this paper we restrict ourselves to the method known as surface spline interpolation which we now describe.

Let m be an integer greater than d/2, and let H be the set of continuous functions  $s : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{C}$  all of whose derivatives of total order m are square integrable. Let  $||| \cdot |||$  be the semi-norm defined on H by

$$|||s||| := |||\cdot|^m \widehat{s}||_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^d)},$$

where  $\hat{s}$  denotes the Fourier transform of s given formally by  $\hat{s}(w) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} s(x)e^{-iw\cdot x} dx$ ,  $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Duchon [7] has shown that if  $f \in H$  and  $\Xi$  is a bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  satisfying

(1.1) 
$$\forall q \in \Pi_{m-1}(q_{|\Xi} = 0 \Rightarrow q = 0),$$

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where  $\Pi_k := \{\text{polynomials of total degree } \leq k\}$ , then there exists a unique  $s \in H$  which minimizes |||s||| subject to the interpolation conditions  $s|_{\Xi} = f|_{\Xi}$ . The function s is called the surface spline interpolant to f at  $\Xi$  and will be denoted by  $T_{\Xi}f$ . When  $\Xi$  contains only finitely many points, Duchon further shows that  $T_{\Xi}f$  is the unique function in  $S(\phi; \Xi)$ which interpolates f at  $\Xi$ . Here  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$  is the radially symmetric function given by

$$\phi := \begin{cases} \left| \cdot \right|^{2m-d} & \text{if } d \text{ is odd} \\ \left| \cdot \right|^{2m-d} \log \left| \cdot \right| & \text{if } d \text{ is even,} \end{cases}$$

and  $S(\phi; \Xi)$  denotes the space of all functions of the form

$$q + \sum_{\xi \in \Xi} \lambda_{\xi} \phi(\cdot - \xi),$$

where  $q \in \prod_{m-1}$  and the  $\lambda_{\xi}$ 's satisfy<sup>1</sup>

(1.2) 
$$\sum_{\xi \in \Xi} \lambda_{\xi} r(\xi) = 0, \quad \forall r \in \Pi_{m-1}.$$

In order to discuss the extent to which  $T_{\Xi}f$  approximates f, let us assume that  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ is an open bounded domain over which the error between f and  $T_{\Xi}f$  is measured. We assume that  $\Xi \subset \overline{\Omega}$  and define the 'density' of  $\Xi$  in  $\Omega$  to be the number

$$\delta := \delta(\Xi; \Omega) := \sup_{x \in \Omega} \inf_{\xi \in \Xi} |x - \xi|.$$

A common means of describing the asymptotic approximation attributes of an interpolation method is via the notion of  $L_p$ -approximation orders. Surface spline interpolation in  $\Omega$  is said to provide  $L_p$ -approximation of order  $\gamma$  if

$$\|f - T_{\Xi}f\|_{L_n(\Omega)} = O(\delta^{\gamma}) \quad \text{as } \delta \to 0$$

for all sufficiently smooth functions f. Duchon [8] has shown that if  $\Omega$  is connected, has the cone property, and has a Lipschitz boundary, then surface spline interpolation in  $\Omega$ provides  $L_p$ -approximation of order at least

$$\gamma_p := \min\{m, m + d/p - d/2\}$$

for  $p \in [1 \dots \infty]$ . More precisely, it was shown that for all  $f \in H$  and  $p \in [1 \dots \infty]$ ,

(1.3)  $\begin{aligned} \|f - T_{\Xi}f\|_{L_{p}(\Omega)} &\leq \operatorname{const}(m,\Omega)\,\delta^{\gamma_{p}}\,|||T_{\Omega}f - T_{\Xi}f|||, \quad \text{ for sufficiently small }\delta, \text{ and} \\ (1.4)\\ &|||T_{\Omega}f - T_{\Xi}f||| \to 0 \text{ as } \delta \to 0. \end{aligned}$ 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>In case  $\Xi$  is infinite, we require additionally that only finitely many of the  $\lambda_{\xi}$ 's are nonzero.

The lengthy assumptions on  $\Omega$  were employed because Duchon only wanted to assume that  $f \in W_2^m(\Omega)$ . These assumptions assured the existence of a function in H whose restriction to  $\Omega$  agreed with f. If one assumes straight off that  $f \in H$ , then (1.3) and (1.4) hold provided that  $\Omega$  is a bounded open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  having the cone property. In the limiting case when the points  $\Xi$  are taken as the infinite grid  $h\mathbb{Z}^d$  and  $\Omega$  is taken as all of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , it is known (cf. [5], [13]) that  $\|f - T_{\Xi}f\|_{L_p(\mathbb{R}^d)} = O(h^{2m})$  for all sufficiently smooth f.

The gap between  $\gamma_p$  and 2m is rather substantial, and it has been my aim of late to narrow this gap. An upper bound on the possible  $L_p$ -approximation order of surface spline interpolation is obtained in [15] for the special case when  $\Omega = B := \{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |x| < 1\}$ . It is shown that there exists a  $C^{\infty}$  function f such that

$$\|f - T_{\Xi}f\|_{L_p(\Omega)} \neq o(\delta^{m+1/p}) \quad \text{as } \delta \to 0.$$

Interestingly, what is actually proved is that  $||f - T_{\Xi}f||_{L_p(B \setminus (1-h)B)} \neq o(\delta^{m+1/p})$  where  $B \setminus (1-h)B$  can be interpreted as the boundary layer within  $\Omega$  of depth h. Thus it appears that our inability to achieve  $L_p$ -approximation of order 2m is due primarily to boundary effects. This corroborates experimental evidence reported by Powell and Beatson [19]. It becomes interesting now to see if it is possible to approach  $L_p$ -approximation of order 2m is one changes the rules of the game so as to disabe the boundary effects. One approach is to measure the error not on all of  $\Omega$ , but rather on a compact subset of  $\Omega$ . Bejancu [1] has considered the case when  $\Omega$  is the open unit cube  $(0 \dots 1)^d$  and the interpolation points are those points of the grid  $h\mathbb{Z}^d$  which lie in the closed cube  $[0 \dots 1]^d$ . He shows that if K is a compact subset of  $(0 \dots 1)^d$  and f is sufficiently smooth, then

$$||f - T_{\Xi}f||_{L_{\infty}(K)} = O(h^{2m}) \quad \text{as } h \to 0.$$

In the present work, we use an alternate means of disabling the boundary effects. We assume that f, the function being interpolated, is compactly supported within  $\Omega$ . Before stating our main result (see Corollary 5.1 for a more general statement), we define the Sobolev spaces  $W_2^{\gamma}$ .

**Definition 1.5.** The Sobolev space  $W_2^{\gamma}$ ,  $\gamma \geq 0$ , is the set of all  $f \in L_2 := L_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for which

$$\|f\|_{W_{2}^{\gamma}} := \left\| (1+|\cdot|^{2})^{\gamma/2} \, \widehat{f} \right\|_{L_{2}} < \infty.$$

**Theorem 1.6.** Let  $\Omega$  be an open bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  having the cone property. If  $\Xi \subset \overline{\Omega}$  satisfies (1.1) and  $f \in W_2^{2m}$  is supported in  $\overline{\Omega}$ , then

$$\left\|f - T_{\Xi}f\right\|_{L_{p}(\Omega)} \leq \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m)\delta^{\gamma_{p}+m} \left\|f\right\|_{W_{2}^{2m}},$$

for sufficiently small  $\delta := \delta(\Xi; \Omega)$ .

Note that, for  $p \in [1..2]$ , the exponent of  $\delta$  is 2m. Although  $\gamma_p + m < 2m$  when  $2 , we at least have <math>\gamma_p + m > m + 1/p$ . Our proof of Theorem 1.6 is accomplished by showing that the factor  $|||T_{\Omega}f - T_{\Xi}f|||$ , on the right side of (1.3), decays like  $O(\delta^m)$ .

For this, it suffices to show that there exists  $s \in S(\phi; \Xi)$  such that  $|||T_{\Omega}f - s||| = O(\delta^m)$ . We do this by first showing, in Section 3, that there exists an  $s_h \in S(\phi; h\mathbb{Z}^d)$  such that  $|||T_{\Omega}f - s_h||| = O(\delta^m)$ , where h is a multiple of  $\delta$ . Then, in Section 4, we show that there exists  $s \in S(\phi; \Xi)$  such that  $|||s_h - s||| = O(\delta^m)$ . The final result, Corollary 5.1, is then proved in Section 5.

Throughout this paper we use standard multi-index notation:  $D^{\alpha} := \frac{\partial^{\alpha_1}}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1}} \frac{\partial^{\alpha_2}}{\partial x_2^{\alpha_2}} \cdots \frac{\partial^{\alpha_d}}{\partial x_d^{\alpha_d}}$ . The natural numbers are denoted  $\mathbb{N} := \{1, 2, 3, \ldots\}$ , and the non-negative integers are denoted  $\mathbb{N}_0$ . For multi-indices  $\alpha \in \mathbb{N}_0^d$ , we define  $|\alpha| := \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \cdots + \alpha_d$ , while for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , we define  $|x| := \sqrt{x_1^2 + x_2^2 + \cdots + x_d^2}$ . For multi-indices  $\alpha$ , we employ the notation  $()^{\alpha}$  to represent the monomial  $x \mapsto x^{\alpha}, x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . The space of polynomials of total degree  $\leq k$  can then be expressed as  $\Pi_k := \operatorname{span}\{()^{\alpha} : |\alpha| \leq k\}$ . For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , we define the complex exponential  $e_x$  by  $e_x(t) := e^{ix \cdot t}, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . The Fourier transform of a function f can then be expressed as  $\widehat{f}(w) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e_{-w}(x)f(x) dx$ . The space of compactly supported  $C^{\infty}$  functions is denoted  $\langle g, \mu \rangle$ . We employ the notation const to denote a generic constant in the range  $(0 \dots \infty)$  whose value may change with each occurrence. An important aspect of this notation is that const depends only on its arguments if any, and otherwise depends on nothing.

### 2. Preliminaries

The Besov spaces, which we now define, play an essential role in our theory.

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $A_0 := \overline{B}$ , and for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $A_k := 2^k \overline{B} \setminus 2^{k-1} B$ . The Besov space  $B_{2,q}^{\gamma}, \gamma \in \mathbb{R}, 1 \leq q \leq \infty$ , is defined to be the set of all tempered distributions f for which

$$\|f\|_{B^{\gamma}_{2,q}} := \left\| k \mapsto 2^{k\gamma} \left\| \widehat{f} \right\|_{L_2(A_k)} \right\|_{\ell_q(\mathbb{N}_0)} < \infty.$$

The spaces  $B_{2,q}^{\gamma}$  are Banach spaces; the reader is referred to [17] for a general reference.

**Definition.** For  $\gamma \in (0 \dots m]$ , let  $\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}$  be the set of all compactly supported distributions  $\mu$  which satisfy

(2.2) 
$$\langle q, \mu \rangle = 0 \quad \forall q \in \Pi_{m-1}$$

and  $\|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} < \infty$ , where  $\|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} := \begin{cases} \|\mu\|_{B^{\gamma-m}_{2,\infty}} & \text{if } 0 < \gamma < m \\ \|\mu\|_{L_{2}} & \text{if } \gamma = m. \end{cases}$ The set of all  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}$  for which  $\operatorname{supp} \mu \subset A$  is denoted  $\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}(A)$ .

For  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}$ , we define the convolution  $\phi * \mu$  by

$$(\phi * \mu) \widehat{} := \widehat{\phi} \widehat{\mu}$$

**Proposition 2.3.** Let  $\gamma \in (0 \dots m]$ . If  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}$ ,  $q \in \prod_{m=1}$ , and  $0 < h \leq 1$ , then

(i) 
$$\phi * \mu + q \in H$$
,  
(ii)  $\left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus h^{-1}B)} \leq \operatorname{const}(m, \gamma) h^{\gamma} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}, \quad and$   
(iii)  $\left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2(h^{-1}B)} \leq \operatorname{const}(m, \gamma) h^{\gamma-m} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}.$ 

*Proof.* The proofs of [16; Lem. 2.3, Prop. 2.4] can be adapted in a straightforward fashion to obtain (i). For (ii),(iii) we have

$$\left\| \left\| \cdot \right\|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus h^{-1}B)} \le h^m \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2} = h^m \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_m}, \quad \text{and} \\ \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2(h^{-1}B)} \le \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2} = \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_m}$$

which proves (ii) and (iii) for the case  $\gamma = m$ . So assume  $0 < \gamma < m$ , and let l be the least integer for which  $2^l > h^{-1}$ . Then

$$\begin{split} \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus h^{-1}B)} &\leq \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(A_{k})} \leq 2^{m} \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} 2^{-km} \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(A_{k})} \\ &\leq 2^{m} \sum_{k=l}^{\infty} 2^{-km} 2^{k(m-\gamma)} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \leq \operatorname{const}(m,\gamma) 2^{-l\gamma} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \leq \operatorname{const}(m,\gamma) h^{\gamma} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}, \quad \text{and} \\ & \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(h^{-1}B)} \leq \sum_{k=0}^{l} \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(A_{k})} \leq \sum_{k=0}^{l} 2^{k(m-\gamma)} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(m,\gamma) 2^{l(m-\gamma)} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \leq \operatorname{const}(m,\gamma) h^{\gamma-m} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \end{split}$$

which completes the proof of (ii) and (iii).  $\Box$ 

## 3. The gridded surface spline $s_h(\mu)$

Let  $\eta \in C_c(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $\sigma \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  satisfy

(3.1) 
$$\sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} |\delta_{0,j} - \widehat{\eta}(w - 2\pi j)| \le \operatorname{const}(d,m) |w|^m, \quad w \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

(3.2) 
$$|1 - \widehat{\sigma}(w)| \le \operatorname{const}(d, m) \frac{|w|^m}{1 + |w|^{3m}}, \quad w \in \mathbb{R}^d,$$

and put

$$\psi := \eta * \sigma.$$

The existence of such functions  $\eta$  and  $\sigma$  is known. For example,  $\eta$  can be realized as a finite linear combination of the translates of a box spline (see [3]) and  $\sigma$  can be realized as a finite linear combination of the translates of any function in  $C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  having nonzero mean.

For  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}$  and h > 0, we define

$$s_h(\mu) := \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} [\psi(\cdot/h) * \mu](hj) \phi(\cdot - hj).$$

The proof of the following result is motivated by the techniques developed in [2].

**Proposition 3.3.** Let  $\gamma \in (0 \dots m]$ ,  $h \in (0 \dots 1]$ . If  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}$ ,  $q \in \Pi_{m-1}$ , and  $f := \phi * \mu + q$ , then

(i) 
$$s_h(\mu) \in S(\phi; h\mathbb{Z}^d \cap (h \operatorname{supp} \psi + \operatorname{supp} \mu))$$
 and  
(ii)  $|||f - s_h(\mu)||| \leq \operatorname{const}(m, \gamma)h^{\gamma} ||\mu||_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}.$ 

Proof. Put  $\mu_h := \psi(\cdot/h) * \mu$ . Since  $\operatorname{supp} \mu_h \subset h \operatorname{supp} \psi + \operatorname{supp} \mu$ , it is clear that  $s_h(\mu) \in \operatorname{span}\{\phi(\cdot-\xi): \xi \in h\mathbb{Z}^d \cap (h \operatorname{supp} \psi + \operatorname{supp} \mu)\}$ . Hence, in order to prove (i), it remains only to show that  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(h_j)r(j) = 0$  for all  $r \in \Pi_{m-1}$ . If we put  $g := \mu_h(h \cdot)r$ , then we obtain from Poisson's summation formula (cf. [20], Chapter 7) that  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} g(j) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \widehat{g}(2\pi j)$ . Now  $\widehat{\mu_h} = h^d \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot)\widehat{\mu}$ ; hence, if  $r = \sum_{|\alpha| < m} i^{-|\alpha|} a_{\alpha}()^{\alpha}$ , then

$$\widehat{g} = \sum_{|\alpha| < m} a_{\alpha} D^{\alpha} (h^{-d} \widehat{\mu_{h}}(\cdot/h)) = \sum_{|\alpha| < m} a_{\alpha} D^{\alpha} [\widehat{\eta} \widehat{\sigma} \widehat{\mu}(\cdot/h)]$$

Condition (3.1) ensures that  $D^{\alpha}[\widehat{\eta}\widehat{\sigma}\widehat{\mu}(\cdot/h)] = 0$  at  $2\pi j$  whenever  $j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d} \setminus 0$  and  $|\alpha| < m$ . On the other hand, (2.2) ensures that  $D^{\alpha}[\widehat{\eta}\widehat{\sigma}\widehat{\mu}(\cdot/h)] = 0$  at 0 for all  $|\alpha| < m$ . Hence,  $\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}^{d}}\mu_{h}(hj)r(j) = \sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}^{d}}\widehat{g}(2\pi j) = 0$  which proves (i). We turn now to (ii). For brevity, let us write  $s_{h}$  in place of  $s_{h}(\mu)$ . According to [11],  $\widehat{\phi}$  can be identified on  $\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus 0$  with  $c_{\phi} |\cdot|^{-2m}$  where  $c_{\phi}$  is a nonzero constant depending only on m and d. For  $w \in \mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus 0$ , we have  $\widehat{s}_{h}(w) = \sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}^{d}}\widehat{\phi}(w)\mu_{h}(hj)e^{-ihj\cdot w}$ . If we define  $g := \mu_{h}(h\cdot)e_{-hw}$ , then we obtain from Poisson's summation formula that  $\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}^{d}}g(j) = \sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}^{d}}\widehat{g}(2\pi j)$ . Hence,

$$\begin{split} \widehat{s_h}(w) &= \widehat{\phi}(w) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} g(j) = \widehat{\phi}(w) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \widehat{g}(2\pi j) \\ &= \widehat{\phi}(w) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} h^{-d} \widehat{\mu_h}(w + 2\pi j/h) = \widehat{\phi}(w) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \widehat{\psi}(hw + 2\pi j) \widehat{\mu}(w + 2\pi j/h). \end{split}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{|c_{\phi}|} |||f - s_{h}||| = \frac{1}{|c_{\phi}|} \left\| |\cdot|^{m} \left(\hat{f} - \hat{s}_{h}\right) \right\|_{L_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus 0)} \\ &= \left\| |\cdot|^{-m} \left[ \hat{\mu} - \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \hat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j) \hat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right] \right\|_{L_{2}} \\ &\leq \left\| |\cdot|^{-m} \left( 1 - \hat{\psi}(h \cdot)) \hat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}} + \left\| |\cdot|^{-m} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d} \setminus 0} \hat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j) \hat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right\|_{L_{2}} =: I + II. \end{aligned}$$

We consider first *I*. It follows from (3.1) and (3.2) that  $\left|1 - \widehat{\psi}(w)\right| \leq \operatorname{const}(d,m) \frac{|w|^m}{1 + |w|^m}$ ,

 $w \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Consequently,

$$I^{2} = \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} (1 - \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot))\widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(h^{-1}B)}^{2} + \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} (1 - \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot))\widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus h^{-1}B)}^{2}$$

$$\leq \operatorname{const}(d, m) \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \left| h \cdot \right|^{m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(h^{-1}B)}^{2} + \operatorname{const}(d, m) \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus h^{-1}B)}^{2}$$

$$= \operatorname{const}(d, m) h^{2m} \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(h^{-1}B)}^{2} + \operatorname{const}(d, m) \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus h^{-1}B)}^{2} \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, \gamma) h^{2\gamma} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}^{2}$$

by Proposition 2.3 (ii), (iii). Let  $C := [-\frac{1}{2} \dots \frac{1}{2})^d$ . In order to estimate II, we employ the partition  $\mathbb{R}^d = \bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^d} 2\pi h^{-1}(k+C)$  to write

$$II^{2} = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d} \setminus 0} \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j) \widehat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+C))}^{2}$$

For  $j \in \mathbb{Z}^d \setminus 0$  and  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^d \setminus \{-j\}$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \left\| |\cdot|^{-m} \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j)\widehat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+C))} \\ &= \left\| |\cdot - 2\pi j/h|^{-m} \widehat{\sigma}(h \cdot)\widehat{\eta}(h \cdot)\widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+j+C))} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d,m) \left\| \frac{|h \cdot - 2\pi (k+j)|^{m}}{|\cdot - 2\pi j/h|^{m}} \widehat{\sigma}(h \cdot)\widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+j+C))} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d,m) \left\| \frac{|h \cdot - 2\pi (k+j)|^{m}}{|\cdot - 2\pi j/h|^{m}} \widehat{\sigma}(h \cdot) |\cdot|^{m} \right\|_{L_{\infty}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+j+C))} \left\| |\cdot|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+j+C))} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d,m) \left\| \widehat{\sigma} \right\|_{L_{\infty}(2\pi (k+j+C))} \left\| |\cdot|^{m} \frac{|\cdot + 2\pi (k+j)|^{m}}{|\cdot + 2\pi k|^{m}} \right\|_{L_{\infty}(2\pi C)} \left\| |\cdot|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+j+C))} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d,m) \left\| \widehat{\sigma} \right\|_{L_{\infty}(2\pi (k+j+C))} \frac{|k+j|^{m}}{1+|k|^{m}} \left\| |\cdot|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+j+C))} . \end{split}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{split} & \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d} \setminus \{0, -k\}} \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j) \widehat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+C))} \\ & \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m) \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d} \setminus \{0, -k\}} \left\| \widehat{\sigma} \right\|_{L_{\infty}(2\pi (k+j+C))} \frac{|k+j|^{m}}{1+|k|^{m}} \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+j+C))} \\ & \leq \frac{\operatorname{const}(d, m)}{1+|k|^{m}} \sqrt{\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d} \setminus \{0, -k\}} \left\| \widehat{\sigma} \right\|_{L_{\infty}(2\pi (k+j+C))}^{2} |k+j|^{2m}} \sqrt{\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d} \setminus \{0, -k\}} \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+j+C))}^{2} \\ & \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m) \frac{1}{1+|k|^{m}} \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus 2\pi h^{-1}C)} \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, \gamma) \frac{h^{\gamma}}{1+|k|^{m}} \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \end{split}$$

by Proposition 2.3 (ii). Now if  $k \neq 0$  and j = -k, then

$$\begin{split} \left\| |\cdot|^{-m} \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j) \widehat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}(k+C))} &= \left\| |\cdot + 2\pi k/h|^{-m} \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot) \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}C)} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d,m) \left\| |\cdot + 2\pi k/h|^{-m} \right\|_{L_{\infty}(2\pi h^{-1}C)} \|\widehat{\mu}\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}C)} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d,m) \frac{h^{m}}{1 + |k|^{m}} \|\widehat{\mu}\|_{L_{2}(2\pi h^{-1}C)} \leq \operatorname{const}(d,m,\gamma) \frac{h^{\gamma}}{1 + |k|^{m}} \|\widehat{\mu}\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \end{split}$$

by Proposition 2.3 (iii). Therefore,

$$II^{2} \leq \operatorname{const}(d,m,\gamma)(h^{\gamma} \|\widehat{\mu}\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}})^{2} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \frac{1}{\left(1+\left|k\right|^{m}\right)^{2}} \leq \operatorname{const}(d,m,\gamma)(h^{\gamma} \|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}})^{2}$$

since m > d/2; hence,  $I + II \leq \text{const}(d, m, \gamma)h^{\gamma} \|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}$ .  $\Box$ 

4. An approximation to 
$$s_h(\mu)$$
 from  $S(\phi; \Xi)$ 

Let  $\mathcal{N}$  be the set  $\mathcal{N} := \{\frac{1}{2m}j : j \in \mathbb{Z}^d, j_i \geq 0, \text{ and } j_1 + \cdots + j_d \leq m\}$ . It is known [4] that  $\mathcal{N}$  is 'correct' for interpolation in  $\Pi_m$ ; consequently, we have the following:

**Lemma 4.1.** There exists  $\epsilon_1 \in (0..1/4)$  (depending only on d, m) such that if  $x \in r\overline{B}$ ,  $\#\widetilde{\mathcal{N}} = \#\mathcal{N}$  and  $\delta(\widetilde{\mathcal{N}}; \mathcal{N}) \leq \epsilon_1$ , then there exists  $\{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}}$  such that

$$\max_{\xi \in \tilde{\mathcal{N}}} |a_{\xi}| \le \operatorname{const}(d, m, r) \quad and \quad q(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \tilde{\mathcal{N}}} a_{\xi} q(\xi) \quad \forall q \in \Pi_{m}$$

The following is equivalent to the standard definition of the cone property.

**Definition 4.2.** A set  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  is said to have the *cone property* if there exists  $\epsilon_{\Omega}, r_{\Omega} \in (0..\infty)$  such that for all  $x \in \Omega$  there exists  $y \in \Omega$  such that  $|x - y| = \epsilon_{\Omega}$  and

$$(1-t)x + ty + r_{\Omega}tB \subset \Omega \quad \forall t \in [0..1].$$

The purpose of this section is to prove the following

**Proposition 4.3.** Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded, open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  having the cone property. If  $\Xi$  is a finite subset of  $\overline{\Omega}$  satisfying  $\delta := \delta(\Xi; \Omega) \leq \epsilon_1 r_{\Omega}$ , then for all  $\gamma \in (0 \dots m]$ ,  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}(\overline{\Omega})$ , there exists  $s \in S(\phi; \Xi)$  such that

$$\left\| \left\| s_{h}(\mu) - s \right\| \right\| \leq \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \psi, \gamma) \delta^{\gamma} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}},$$

where  $h := \delta / \epsilon_1$ .

Let  $r_0$  be the smallest positive real number for which

 $\operatorname{supp} \psi \subset r_0 \overline{B}.$ 

Let  $\Omega$ ,  $\mu$ , and  $\Xi$  satisfy the hypothesis of Proposition 4.3. Let  $\mu_h \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  be given by  $\mu_h := \psi(\cdot/h) * \mu$ , and note that  $\operatorname{supp} \mu_h \subset \operatorname{supp} \mu + h \operatorname{supp} \psi \subset \overline{\Omega} + hr_0 \overline{B}$ . For  $j \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  satisfying  $\mu_h(hj) \neq 0$ , there exists  $x_j \in \Omega$  such that  $|x_j - hj| \leq hr_0$ . By Definition 4.2, there exists  $y_j \in \Omega$  such that  $|x_j - y_j| = \epsilon_\Omega$  and

$$(1-t)x_j + ty_j + r_{\Omega}tB \subset \Omega, \quad \forall t \in [0..1].$$

Substituting  $t = h/r_{\Omega}$  (necessarily  $\leq 1$ ) we obtain  $z_j + hB \subset \Omega$ , where  $z_j := (1 - h/r_{\Omega})x_j + (h/r_{\Omega})y_j$ . Note that

(4.4) 
$$|j - h^{-1}z_j| \le |hj - x_j|/h + |x_j - z_j|/h \le r_0 + \epsilon_\Omega/r_\Omega =: r_1,$$

and  $\delta(h^{-1}\Xi; h^{-1}z_j + B) \leq h^{-1}\delta(\Xi; \Omega) = \epsilon_1$ . Since  $\mathcal{N} \subset B$ , there exists  $\mathcal{N}_j \subset \Xi$  such that  $\#\mathcal{N}_j = \#\mathcal{N}$  and  $\delta(h^{-1}\mathcal{N}_j - h^{-1}z_j; \mathcal{N}) \leq \epsilon_1$ . By Lemma 4.1, there exists  $\{a_{j,\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j}$  such that

(4.5) 
$$\max_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} |a_{j,\xi}| \le \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_1) \quad \text{and}$$

(4.6) 
$$q(j - h^{-1}z_j) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} q(h^{-1}(\xi - z_j)), \quad \forall q \in \Pi_m.$$

Two easily proved consequences of (4.6) are that for all  $q \in \Pi_m$ ,

(4.7) 
$$q(0) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} q(\xi/h - j) \text{ and } q = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} q(\cdot - (\xi/h - j)).$$

Noting that  $s_h(\mu)$  can be written as  $s_h(\mu) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj)\phi(\cdot - hj)$ , Dyn and Ron [9] have suggested that in order to approximate  $s_h(\mu)$  from  $S(\phi; \Xi)$ , one should first find 'pseudo-shifts'  $\phi_j \in \text{span}\{\phi(\cdot - \xi) : \xi \in \Xi\}$  which approximate  $\phi(\cdot - hj)$  and then put  $s := \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj)\phi_j$ .

**Definition.** For  $j \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  satisfying  $\mu_h(hj) \neq 0$ , define

$$\begin{split} \phi_j &:= \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} \phi(\cdot - \xi), \\ \zeta_j &:= \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} \zeta(\cdot - \xi), \quad \text{where } \zeta &:= \begin{cases} |\cdot|^{m-d} & \text{if } m - d \notin 2\mathbb{N}_0 \\ |\cdot|^{m-d} \log |\cdot| & \text{if } m - d \in 2\mathbb{N}_0 \end{cases}. \end{split}$$

**Lemma 4.8.** If  $s := \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj)\phi_j$ , then  $s \in S(\phi; \Xi)$  and

(4.9) 
$$|||s_h(\mu) - s||| \le \operatorname{const}(d,m) \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj)(\zeta(\cdot - hj) - \zeta_j) \right\|_{L_2}$$

Proof. It is clear that  $s \in \text{span}\{\phi(\cdot-\xi) : \xi \in \Xi\}$ , so in order to show that  $s \in S(\phi; \Xi)$ , it suffices to show that  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj) \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} q(\xi) = 0$ , for all  $q \in \Pi_{m-1}$ . It was shown in the proof of Proposition 3.3 that  $s_h(\mu) \in S(\phi; h\mathbb{Z}^d \cap \text{supp}\,\mu_h)$ ; hence  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} q(hj)\mu_h(hj) = 0$  for all  $q \in \Pi_{m-1}$ . Therefore, if  $q \in \Pi_{m-1}$ , then  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj) \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} q(\xi) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj)q(hj) = 0$  which proves that  $s \in S(\phi; \Xi)$ . Now, if  $\left\|\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj)(\zeta(\cdot - hj) - \zeta_j)\right\|_{L_2} = \infty$ , then the inequality is clear; so assume  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj)(\zeta(\cdot - hj) - \zeta_j) \in L_2$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} |||s_{h}(\mu) - s||| &= ||| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)[\phi(\cdot - hj) - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_{j}} a_{j,\xi}\phi(\cdot - \xi)]||| \\ &= |c_{\phi}| \left\| |\cdot|^{m} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)[|\cdot|^{-2m} e_{-hj} - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_{j}} a_{j,\xi} |\cdot|^{-2m} e_{-\xi}] \right\|_{L_{2}} \\ &= |c_{\phi}| \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)[|\cdot|^{-m} e_{-hj} - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_{j}} a_{j,\xi} |\cdot|^{-m} e_{-\xi}] \right\|_{L_{2}} \\ &= \operatorname{const}(d,m) \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)(\zeta(\cdot - hj) - \zeta_{j}) \right\|_{L_{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $\left|\widehat{\zeta}\right| = \operatorname{const}(d,m) \left|\cdot\right|^{-m}$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 0$  (cf. [11]).  $\Box$ 

The problem of estimating the right side of (4.9) would be much simpler if the function  $\zeta - \zeta_j(\cdot + hj)$  was independent of j. The following lemma, proposition, and lemma will allow us to carry forth our desired estimate despite the dependence of  $\zeta - \zeta_j(\cdot + hj)$  on j.

Let  $\rho : \mathbb{R}^d \to [0 \dots \infty)$  be given by  $\rho(x) := 0$  if  $x \in (1 + r_1)B$  and

$$\rho(x) := \max\{ \left| \zeta(x) - \sum_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} a_{\xi} \zeta(x - \xi) \right| \}, \quad \text{if } x \notin (1 + r_1)B,$$

where the maximum is taken over all  $z, \tilde{\mathcal{N}}$  satisfying  $z \in r_1 \overline{B}, \#\tilde{\mathcal{N}} = \#\mathcal{N}, \delta(\tilde{\mathcal{N}} - z, \mathcal{N}) \leq \epsilon_1$ , and the coefficients  $\{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \tilde{\mathcal{N}}}$  are determined by the requirement  $q(0) = \sum_{\xi \in \tilde{\mathcal{N}}} a_{\xi}q(\xi)$ ,  $\forall q \in \Pi_m$ . We will show that  $\rho$  belongs to the space  $\mathcal{L}_2$  which was first introduced by Jia and Micchelli [14] as the set of all  $g \in L_2$  for which

$$\|g\|_{\mathcal{L}_2} := \left\|\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}^d} |g(\cdot-j)|\right\|_{L_2(C)} < \infty,$$

where  $C := [-1/2 \dots 1/2)^d$ .

**Lemma 4.10.**  $\|\rho\|_{\mathcal{L}_2} \leq \text{const}(d, m, r_1).$ 

Proof. Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus (1+r_1)B$ , and let  $z, \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}$  be such that  $\rho(x) = \left| \zeta(x) - \sum_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} a_\xi \zeta(x-\xi) \right|$ , where the coefficients  $\{a_\xi\}$  are as described in the definition of  $\rho$ . Since  $\delta(\widetilde{\mathcal{N}} - z, \mathcal{N}) \leq \epsilon_1$ ,  $z \in r_1\overline{B}$ , and  $q(-z) = \sum_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} a_\xi q(\xi - z)$  for all  $q \in \Pi_m$ , it follows by Lemma 4.1 that  $\max_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} |a_\xi| \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_1)$ . Note that since  $\mathcal{N} \subset \frac{1}{2}\overline{B}$  and  $\epsilon_1 \in (0..1/4)$ , it follows that  $\widetilde{\mathcal{N}} \subset (r_1 + \frac{3}{4})B$ . Define the difference operator T by  $Tg := g - \sum_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} a_\xi g(\cdot - \xi)$ . It follows from the requirement  $q(0) = \sum_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} a_\xi q(\xi) \ \forall q \in \Pi_m$  that  $Tq = 0 \ \forall q \in \Pi_m$ . Let  $q \in \Pi_m$  be the *m*th-degree Taylor polynomial of  $\zeta$  at x. Then

$$\begin{split} \rho(x) &= |T\zeta(x)| = |T(\zeta - q)(x)| = \left| \zeta(x) - q(x) + \sum_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} a_{\xi}(\zeta(x - \xi) - q(x - \xi)) \right| \\ &\leq \left( \max_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} |a_{\xi}| \right) \sum_{\xi \in \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}} |\zeta(x - \xi) - q(x - \xi)| \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_1) \max\{ |D^{\alpha}\zeta(w)| : |\alpha| = m + 1 \text{ and } w \in x + (r_1 + 3/4)\overline{B} \} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_1) |x|^{-d - 1} (1 + \log |x|). \end{split}$$

It follows from this that  $\|\rho\|_{\mathcal{L}_2} \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_1)$ .  $\Box$ 

The following proposition, which demonstrates the utility of the space  $\mathcal{L}_2$ , was proved in [14].

**Proposition 4.11.** If  $c \in \ell_2(\mathbb{Z}^d)$  and  $g \in \mathcal{L}_2$ , then

$$\left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} c_j g(\cdot - j) \right\|_{L_2} \le \|c\|_{\ell_2(\mathbb{Z}^d)} \|g\|_{\mathcal{L}_2}.$$

**Lemma 4.12.** If  $j \in \mathbb{Z}^d$  is such that  $\mu_h(hj) \neq 0$  and  $\rho_j := \zeta - \zeta_j(\cdot + hj)$ , then

(i) 
$$|\rho_j(x)| \le h^{m-d}\rho(x/h) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^d \setminus h(1+r_1)B$$
 and  
(ii)  $\|\rho_j\|_{L_2(h(1+r_1)B)} \le \operatorname{const}(d,m,r_1)h^{m-d/2}.$ 

*Proof.* We first establish the identity

(4.13) 
$$\rho_j(x) = h^{m-d} [\zeta(x/h) - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} \zeta(x/h - (\xi/h - j))], \quad x \notin \{0\} \cup (\mathcal{N}_j - hj).$$

If  $m - d \notin 2\mathbb{N}_0$ , then (4.13) is simply a consequence of the fact that  $\zeta(y) = h^{m-d}\zeta(y/h)$ . If  $m - d \in 2\mathbb{N}_0$ , then  $\zeta(x) = \zeta(hx/h) = h^{m-d}\zeta(x/h) + h^{m-d}|x/h|^{m-d}\log h$ , and hence

(4.14)  

$$\rho_{j}(x) = h^{m-d} [\zeta(x/h) - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_{j}} a_{j,\xi} \zeta(x/h - (\xi/h - j))] + h^{m-d} \log h[|x/h|^{m-d} - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_{j}} a_{j,\xi} |x/h - (\xi/h - j)|^{m-d}].$$

Let T be the difference operator defined by  $Tg := g - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} g(\cdot - (\xi/h - j))$ , and note that  $Tq = 0 \ \forall q \in \Pi_m$  by (4.7). In particular, since  $|\cdot|^{m-d} \in \Pi_m$ , it follows that  $|x/h|^{m-d} - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} |x/h - (\xi/h - j)|^{m-d} = [T(|\cdot|^{m-d})](x/h) = 0$  which, in view of (4.14), completes the proof of (4.13). In order to establish (i), let  $z = h^{-1}z_j - j$ . Then  $(h^{-1}\mathcal{N}_j - j) - z = h^{-1}\mathcal{N}_j - h^{-1}z_j$  and hence  $\delta((h^{-1}\mathcal{N}_j - j) - z, \mathcal{N}) \leq \epsilon_1$ . (i) now follows from (4.13) since by the definition of  $\rho$  and with (4.4),(4.7) in view,  $|\zeta(x/h) - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_j} a_{j,\xi} \zeta(x/h - (\xi/h - j))| \leq \rho(x/h)$ . For (ii), we note that

$$\begin{split} \|\rho_{j}\|_{L_{2}(h(1+r_{1})B)} &= h^{m-d} \left\| \zeta(\cdot/h) - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_{j}} a_{j,\xi} \zeta(\cdot/h - (\xi/h - j)) \right\|_{L_{2}(h(1+r_{1})B)}, \quad \text{by (4.13)}, \\ &= h^{m-d/2} \left\| \zeta - \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{N}_{j}} a_{j,\xi} \zeta(\cdot - (\xi/h - j)) \right\|_{L_{2}((1+r_{1})B)} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_{1}) h^{m-d/2} \left\| \zeta \right\|_{L_{2}(2(1+r_{1})B)} = \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_{1}) h^{m-d/2}, \quad \text{by (4.5)}. \end{split}$$

Proof of Proposition 4.3. Let  $s \in S(\phi; \Xi)$  be as in Lemma 4.8, and for brevity, put  $\widetilde{B} := (1 + r_1)B$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \cosh(d,m) \|\|s_{h}(\mu) - s\|\| &\leq \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)(\zeta(\cdot - hj) - \zeta_{j}) \right\|_{L_{2}} = \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)\rho_{j}(\cdot - hj) \right\|_{L_{2}} \\ &\leq \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)\chi_{h(j+\widetilde{B})}\rho_{j}(\cdot - hj) \right\|_{L_{2}} + \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)\chi_{\mathbb{R}^{d} \setminus h(j+\widetilde{B})}\rho_{j}(\cdot - hj) \right\|_{L_{2}} \\ &\leq \operatorname{const}(d,r_{1})\sqrt{\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} |\mu_{h}(hj)|^{2} \|\rho_{j}(\cdot - hj)\|_{L_{2}(h(j+\widetilde{B}))}^{2}} + h^{m-d} \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)\rho(\cdot/h - j) \right\|_{L_{2}} \\ &= \operatorname{const}(d,r_{1})\sqrt{\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} |\mu_{h}(hj)|^{2} \|\rho_{j}\|_{L_{2}(h\widetilde{B})}^{2}} + h^{m-d/2} \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^{d}} \mu_{h}(hj)\rho(\cdot - j) \right\|_{L_{2}} \end{aligned}$$

 $\leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_1)h^{m-d/2} \|\mu_h\|_{\ell_2(h\mathbb{Z}^d)},$  by Lemma 4.12 (ii), Lemma 4.10, and Proposition 4.11. Therefore,

(4.15) 
$$|||s_h(\mu) - s||| \le \operatorname{const}(d, m, r_1) h^{m-d/2} \|\mu_h\|_{\ell_2(h\mathbb{Z}^d)}.$$

**Claim 4.16.** 
$$\|\mu_h\|_{\ell_2(h\mathbb{Z}^d)} = (h/2\pi)^{d/2} \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j) \widehat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right\|_{L_2(2\pi h^{-1}C)}$$

*proof.* Define  $G: 2\pi h^{-1}C \to \mathbb{C}$  by  $G:=\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}^d} \mu_h(hj)e_{-hj}$  and note that  $\|G\|_{L_2(2\pi h^{-1}C)} = (2\pi/h)^{d/2} \|\mu_h\|_{\ell_2(h\mathbb{Z}^d)}$ . Hence

(4.17) 
$$\|\mu_h\|_{\ell_2(h\mathbb{Z}^d)} = (h/2\pi)^{d/2} \|G\|_{L_2(2\pi h^{-1}C)}.$$

Fix  $x \in 2\pi h^{-1}C$  and put  $g := \mu_h(h \cdot)e_{-hx}$  and note that  $G(x) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} g(j) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \widehat{g}(2\pi j)$ by Poisson's summation formula (cf. [20], Chapter 7). Now,  $\widehat{g} = (\mu_h(h \cdot)) \widehat{(\cdot + hx)} = h^{-d}\widehat{\mu_h}(\cdot/h + x) = \widehat{\psi}(\cdot + hx)\widehat{\mu}(\cdot/h + x)$ . Therefore,  $G(x) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \widehat{g}(2\pi j) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \widehat{\psi}(2\pi j + hx)\widehat{\mu}(2\pi j/h + x)$  which, in view of (4.17), proves the claim.

Now,

$$\begin{split} & \left\| \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j) \widehat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right\|_{L_2(2\pi h^{-1}C)} \leq \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \left\| \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot + 2\pi j) \widehat{\mu}(\cdot + 2\pi j/h) \right\|_{L_2(2\pi h^{-1}C)} \\ & \leq \left\| \widehat{\psi} \right\|_{L_\infty(2\pi C)} \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2(2\pi h^{-1}C)} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d \setminus 0} \left\| \widehat{\psi}(h \cdot) \left| \cdot \right|^m \right\|_{L_\infty(2\pi h^{-1}(j+C))} \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2(2\pi h^{-1}(j+C))} \\ & \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, \psi) \left\| \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2(2\pi h^{-1}C)} + h^{-m} \sqrt{\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}^d \setminus 0} \left\| \widehat{\psi} \left| \cdot \right|^m \right\|_{L_\infty(2\pi(j+C))}^2} \left\| \left| \cdot \right|^{-m} \widehat{\mu} \right\|_{L_2(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 2\pi h^{-1}C)} \\ & \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, \psi, \gamma) h^{\gamma - m} \left\| \mu \right\|_{\mathcal{M}_\gamma}, \quad \text{by Proposition 2.3, (3.1), (3.2), \end{split}$$

which, in view of (4.15) and Claim 4.16 completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

### 5. The Main Results

Combining Proposition 3.3 and Proposition 4.3 yields the following:

**Theorem 5.1.** Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded, open subset of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  having the cone property, and let  $\Xi \subset \overline{\Omega}$  satisfy  $\delta := \delta(\Xi; \Omega) \leq \min\{\epsilon_1 r_\Omega, \epsilon_1\}$ . If  $f \in C(\mathbb{R}^d)$  is such that there exists  $\gamma \in (0 \dots m], \ \mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}(\overline{\Omega}), \ q \in \Pi_{m-1}$  such that  $f = \phi * \mu + q$  on  $\Omega$ , then

(i) 
$$\phi * \mu + q = T_{\Omega} f,$$
  
(ii)  $\| \phi * \mu + q - T_{\Xi} f \| \le \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \gamma) \delta^{\gamma} \| \mu \|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}},$  and  
(iii)  $\| f - T_{\Xi} f \|_{L_{p}(\Omega)} \le \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \gamma) \delta^{\gamma_{p} + \gamma} \| \mu \|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}$ 

for all  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ .

*Proof.* Since (i) follows from (ii) via (1.4) and (iii) follows from (i) and (ii) via (1.3), it suffices to prove (ii). It is known [7] that

(5.2) 
$$|||\phi * \mu + q - T_{\Xi}f||| \le |||\phi * \mu - s||| \quad \forall s \in S(\phi; \Xi).$$

Put  $h = \delta/\epsilon_1$  and recall from Proposition 3.3 (ii) that  $|||\phi * \mu - s_h(\mu)||| \leq \operatorname{const}(m, \gamma, \psi)h^{\gamma} ||\mu||_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}$ . By Proposition 4.3, there exists  $s \in S(\phi; \Xi)$  such that  $|||s_h(\mu) - s||| \leq \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \gamma, \psi)\delta^{\gamma} ||\mu||_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}}$ . Hence, by (5.2),

$$|||\phi * \mu + q - T_{\Xi}f||| \le |||\phi * \mu - s_h(\mu)||| + |||s_h(\mu) - s||| \le \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \gamma, \psi)\delta^{\gamma} \|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}}$$

which, after a suitable choice of  $\psi$ , proves (ii).  $\Box$ 

Given a smooth f, the problem of finding  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}(\overline{\Omega})$ ,  $q \in \Pi_{m-1}$  such that  $\phi * \mu + q = f$ on  $\Omega$  is quite difficult. In the special case m = d = 2,  $\Omega = B$ , it is known [16] that if  $f \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ , then there exists  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{1/2}(\overline{\Omega})$ ,  $q \in \Pi_1$  such that  $\phi * \mu + q = f$  on  $\Omega$ . There is one special case in which  $\mu$  is easily found. That is the case when f is a smooth function supported in  $\overline{\Omega}$ . The following corollary deals with this special case.

For  $\gamma \in (0 \dots m]$ , let  $\mathcal{F}_{\gamma}$  be the space given by

$$\mathcal{F}_{\gamma} := \begin{cases} B_{2,\infty}^{\gamma+m} & \text{if } \gamma \in (0 \dots m) \\ W_2^{2m} & \text{if } \gamma = m. \end{cases}$$

**Corollary 5.3.** Let  $\Omega$  and  $\Xi$  be as in Theorem 5.1, and let  $\gamma \in (0..m]$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\gamma}$  is supported in  $\overline{\Omega}$ , then

(i) 
$$f = T_{\Omega} f$$
 and  
(ii)  $|||f - T_{\Xi} f||| \le \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \gamma) \delta^{\gamma} ||f||_{\mathcal{F}_{\gamma}},$ 

where  $\delta := \delta(\Xi; \Omega)$ . Additionally, if  $\delta$  is sufficiently small, then

(*iii*) 
$$\|f - T_{\Xi} f\|_{L_p(\Omega)} \leq \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \gamma) \delta^{\gamma_p + \gamma} \|f\|_{\mathcal{F}_{\gamma}},$$

for all  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ .

*Proof.* As mentioned in the proof of Theorem 5.1, it suffices to prove (ii). Assume  $f \in \mathcal{F}_{\gamma}$  is supported in  $\overline{\Omega}$ . Put  $\mu := \frac{(-1)^m}{c_{\phi}} \Delta^m f$ , where  $\Delta := \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_1^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_2^2} + \dots + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_d^2}$  denotes the Laplacian operator, and note that  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}_{\gamma}(\overline{\Omega})$  and  $\|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \leq \operatorname{const}(d, m, \gamma) \|f\|_{\mathcal{F}_{\gamma}}$ . We show that  $f = \phi * \mu$ . Since  $\widehat{f} = (\phi * \mu)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 0$ , it follows that the difference  $f - \phi * \mu$  is a polynomial. For  $x \notin \operatorname{supp} f$ , it follows from Green's second identity [12; page 5] that

$$\phi * \mu(x) = \frac{(-1)^m}{c_{\phi}} \int_{\text{supp } f} \phi(x-t) \Delta^m f(t) \, dt = \frac{(-1)^m}{c_{\phi}} \int_{\text{supp } f} \Delta^m \phi(x-t) f(t) \, dt = 0$$

since  $\Delta^m \phi = 0$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 0$ . Thus the polynomial  $f - \phi * \mu = 0$  on  $\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \operatorname{supp} f$ ; hence  $f = \phi * \mu$ . If  $\delta > \min\{\epsilon_1 r_{\Omega}, \epsilon_1\}$ , then choosing s = 0 in (5.2) yields

$$|||f - T_{\Xi}f||| \le |||f||| \le \operatorname{const}(m,\gamma) ||f||_{\mathcal{F}_{\gamma}} \le \operatorname{const}(\Omega,m,\gamma)\delta^{\gamma} ||f||_{\mathcal{F}_{\gamma}}.$$

On the other hand, if  $\delta \leq \min\{\epsilon_1 r_{\Omega}, \epsilon_1\}$ , then by Theorem 5.1 (ii),

$$|||f - T_{\Xi}f||| \leq \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \gamma)\delta^{\gamma} \|\mu\|_{\mathcal{M}_{\gamma}} \leq \operatorname{const}(\Omega, m, \gamma)\delta^{\gamma} \|f\|_{\mathcal{F}_{\gamma}}.$$

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