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Endpoint estimates for the commutators of strongly singular integral operators

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ABSTRACT: In this paper, we give sufficient and necessary conditions for the endpoint estimates of the commutators generated by the strongly singular integrals and the BMO function on the extreme case.

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INTRODUCTION

It is well-known that the theory of the strongly Calderón-Zygmund operator was originated from a class of multiplier operators with its symbol given by $e^{i|\xi|^{\alpha}}/|\xi|^{\beta}$ with $0 < \alpha < 1$ and $\beta > 0$. In 1972, Fefferman and Stein¹ enlarged the multiplier operators onto a class of convolution operators. Later, Coifman² studied a related class of operators in the case n = 1.

In 1986, Alvarez and Milman³ introduced a class of non-convolution operator whose kernel is more singular near the diagonal than those of the classical Calderón-Zygmund operators.

Definition 1 (Ref. 3) Let $T: \mathcal{S} \to \mathcal{S}'$ be a bounded linear operator. T is called a strongly singular Calderón-Zygmund operator if the following conditions are fulfilled:

- (i) T extends to a continuous operator from L^2 into itself.
- (ii) T is associated with a certain standard kernel. More precisely, there exists a function K(x,y) continuous on the diagonal of \mathbb{R}^{2n} such that $|K(x,y)-K(x,z)|+|K(y,x)-K(z,x)| \leq C|y-z|^{\delta}/|x-z|^{n+\delta/\alpha}$ with $2|y-z|^{\alpha} \leq |x-z|$ for some $0 < \delta \leq 1, 0 < \alpha < 1$ and $\langle Tf,g \rangle = \int K(x,y)f(y)g(x)dxdy$ for $f,g \in \mathcal{S}$ with disjoint supports.
- (iii) For some $\frac{(1-\alpha)n}{2} \le \beta < \frac{n}{2}$, both operators T and T^* extend to continuous operators from L^q to L^2 with $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\beta}{n}$ and 1 < q < 2.

(iv) From (iii), we know that T also extends to a continuous operator from L^2 to $L^{q'}$ with $\frac{1}{q'} = 1 - \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\beta}{n}$.

Alvarez and Milman³ proved that the strongly singular Calderón-Zygmund operator T is bounded from L^{∞} to BMO and from L^{1} to $L^{1,\infty}$. Here, BMO is the bounded mean oscillation space and its definition can be stated as follows.

Definition 2 (Ref. 4) A function f is said to belong to BMO(\mathbb{R}^n) if the following sharp maximal function is bounded

$$f^{\sharp}(x) = \sup_{B \ni x} \frac{1}{|B|} \int_{B} |f(y) - f_{B}| dy < \infty,$$

where the supreme is taken over all balls $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. Moreover, $f_B = \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B f(x) dx$ and $||f||_{\text{BMO}} = ||f^{\sharp}||_{L^{\infty}}$.

Then, using the interpolation theory, we know that T is bounded on L^p space with $1 . Moreover, Alvarez and Milman³ gave the estimates of the sharp maximal function <math>(Tf)^{\sharp}$, which implies that the weighted norm estimates for T can be obtained. Thus, by the well-known theorem proved by Alvarez, Bagby, Kurtz and Pérez in Ref. 5, we have the following theorem.

Theorem 1 (Ref. 6) Suppose that T_b is the commutator generated by the strongly singular Calderón-Zygmund operator T and a BMO function b. Then,

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 T_b is bounded on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with $1 and the definition of <math>T_b$ is defined by

$$T_b f(x) = b(x)T(f)(x) - T(bf)(x).$$

Here we would like to mention that the operator T_h was originated from the commutators of the classical C-Z singular integral operators which was proposed by Coifman, Rochberg and Weiss ⁷ in 1976.

In 1995, Pérez⁸ gave a counterexample to show that the commutator of the C-Z singular integral is not bounded from H^1 to L^1 . Later, Harboure, Segovia and Torrea⁹ gave sufficient and necessary conditions for the endpoint estimates of the commutator generated by the C-Z singular integrals on L^{∞} and H^1 spaces.

On the other hand, for the study of commutators generated by the strongly singular integral operators and BMO functions, one may see Refs. 10-12 for more details. However, the sufficient and necessary conditions for the endpoint estimates of T_b is still unknown. In this paper, we will give a positive answer to this question.

Before giving the main results of this paper, we give the atomic decomposition of H^1 space. For more details about H^1 space, one may see Ref. 1.

Definition 3 (Ref. 1) We say a function a(x) is an atom of H^1 if a satisfies the following conditions

- (i) $supp(a) \subset B(x_0, r)$,
- (ii) $||a||L^{\infty} \le |B(x_0, r)|^{-1}$,
- (iii) $\int a(x) dx = 0.$

It is well-known that if a function f belongs to H^1 , then it can be written as $f = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda_i a_i$ where each a_i is a H^1 atom. Moreover, we have

$$||f||_{H^1} \sim \inf \left\{ \sum_{i=-\infty}^{+\infty} |a_i| \right\},$$

where the infimum is taken over all decompositions of f.

Our results can be stated as follows.

Theorem 2 Let α , β and δ be the same as in Definition 1. Suppose that T_b is a commutator generated by the strongly singular integral operator and a BMO function b, then the following two conditions are equivalent:

(i) T_b is bounded from L^{∞} to BMO.

(ii) For any cube Q = Q(z, r), if r > 1,

$$\left(\frac{1}{|Q|}\int_{Q}|b(x)-b_{Q}|dx\right)$$

$$\times\left|\int_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r))^{c}}K(z,y)f(y)dy\right| \leq C\|f\|_{L^{\infty}},$$

where the constant C only depends on n, α , β and δ. On the other hand, for the case $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$ with any $\epsilon > 0$,

$$\begin{split} &\left(\frac{1}{|Q|}\int_{Q}|b(x)-b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})}|dx\right) \\ &\times\left|\int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})^{c}}K(z,y)f(y)dy\right| \leq C\|f\|_{L^{\infty}}, \end{split}$$

where the constant C only depends on n, α, β, δ and ϵ .

Theorem 3 Let α , β and δ be the same as in Definition 1. Suppose that T_b is a commutator generated by the strongly singular integral operator and a BMO function b, then the following two conditions are equivalent:

- (i) T_b is bounded from H^1 to L^1 .
- (ii) For any H^1 atom a(x) supported on Q(z,r), if

$$\left| \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c} K(x,z) dx \int_Q b(y) a(y) dy \right| \leq C,$$

where the constant C only depends on n, α, β and δ. On the other hand, for the case $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$ with any $\epsilon > 0$, there is

$$\left| \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)^c} K(x,z) dx \int_Q b(y) a(y) dy \right| \leq C,$$

where the constant C only depends on n, α, β, δ and ϵ .

ENDPOINT ESTIMATES FOR T_b FROM L^{∞} TO BMO SPACE.

Before giving the proof of Theorem 2, we give some lemmas that will be very useful throughout this

Lemma 1 (Ref. 4) Let $1 , and let <math>f \in$ BMO(\mathbb{R}^n), then we have

- (i) $||f||_{\text{BMO}} \sim \sup_{B} \left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_{B} |f(x) f_{B}|^{p} dx\right)^{1/p}$. (ii) $||f||_{\text{BMO}} \sim \sup_{B} \inf_{a \in R} \frac{1}{|B|} \int_{B} |f(x) a| dx$.

Lemma 2 (*Ref.* 4) Let $f \in BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and let $1 \le q < m$ have ∞ and $r_1, r_2 \in \mathbb{R}^+$, then

$$\left(\frac{1}{|B(z,r_1)|} \int_{B(z,r_1)} |f(x) - f_{B(z,r_2)}|^q dx\right)^{1/q}$$

$$\leq C \left(1 + |\log \frac{r_1}{r_2}|\right) ||f||_{\text{BMO}}$$

for any $z \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Now, we are going to give the proof of Theorem 2 and we may consider this problem into the case r > 1 and $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$.

(i) The case r > 1

For any cube Q = Q(z, r) with r > 1, splitting f as $f = f_1 + f_2$ with $f_1(x) = f(x)\chi_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)}$. Then using some basic ideas from Ref. 9 (p. 680), we denote

$$\begin{split} \sigma_1(x) &= T_b f_1(x), \\ \sigma_2(x,z) &= (b(x) - b_Q) (T f_2(x) - T f_2(z)), \\ \sigma_3(x,z) &= T((b-b_Q) f_2) (z) - T((b-b_Q) f_2) (x), \\ \sigma_4(x,z) &= (b(x) - b_Q) T f_2(z). \end{split}$$

Thus, we may split $T_b f(x) - (T_b f)_Q$ as

$$T_b f(x) - (T_b f)_Q = \sigma_1(x) - (\sigma_1)_Q + \sigma_2(x, z) + \sigma_4(x, z) - (\sigma_2(\cdot, z))_Q + (\sigma_3(x, \cdot))_Q.$$

Next, we will give the estimates of $\frac{1}{|Q(z,r)|}\int_{Q(z,r)}|\sigma_i|\,dx$ (i=1,2,3), respectively. For $\sigma_1(x)$, from (i) of Definition 1 and Theorem 1, we have

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{|Q(z,r)|} \int_{Q(z,r)} |\sigma_{1}(x)| dx \\ &= \frac{1}{|Q(z,r)|} \int_{Q(z,r)} |T_{b}f_{1}(x)| dx \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|Q(z,r)|} ||T_{b}f_{1}||_{2} |Q(z,r)|^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq C ||f_{1}||_{L^{2}} |Q(z,r)|^{-1/2} \\ &\leq C ||f_{1}||_{L^{\infty}} |Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)|^{1/2} |Q(z,r)|^{-1/2} \\ &\leq C ||f_{1}||_{L^{\infty}}. \end{split} \tag{1}$$

To estimate σ_2 , we give the following estimates. For any $x \in Q(z,r)$ and $y \in Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c$, there is $2|x-z|^{\alpha} \le 2(\sqrt{n}r)^{\alpha} \le 2\sqrt{n}r \le |y-z|$ with r>1 and $0<\alpha<1$. Then, using (ii) of Definition 1, we

$$\begin{split} |Tf_2(x) - Tf_2(z)| \\ & \leq \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r} |K(x,y) - K(z,y)| \times |f(y)| dy \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r} \frac{|x-z|^{\delta}}{|y-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} dy \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} r^{\delta} \int_{2\sqrt{n}r}^{\infty} r^{n-1} r^{-n-\frac{\delta}{a}} dr \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} r^{\delta(1-\frac{1}{a})} \leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}}, \end{split}$$

where the last inequality follows from $r^{\delta(1-\frac{1}{a})} \le r^0 = 1$. Thus, we obtain

$$\frac{1}{|Q(z,r)|} \int_{Q(z,r)} |\sigma_2(x,z)| dx \le C ||b||_{\text{BMO}} ||f||_{L^{\infty}}.$$
(2)

For σ_3 , we have

$$\begin{split} &|\sigma_{3}(x,z)| \\ &= |T((b-b_{Q})f_{2})(z) - T((b-b_{Q})f_{2})(x)| \\ &= \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} (b(y) - b_{Q})f_{2}(y)(K(z,y) - K(x,y))dy \right| \\ &\leq \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r} |b(y) - b_{Q}||f(y)||K(z,y) - K(x,y)|dy \\ &\leq ||f||_{L^{\infty}} \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r} |b(y) - b_{Q}||K(z,y) - K(x,y)|dy. \end{split}$$

As $0 < \alpha < 1$, we have $2|x - z|^{\alpha} \le 2(\sqrt{n}r)^{\alpha} \le 2\sqrt{n}r \le |y - z|$. Then, using (ii) of Definition 1 and

mates of $\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |\sigma_1(x)| dx$ as

 $\frac{1}{|O|} \int_{\Gamma} |\sigma_1(x)| dx$

:= I + II.

Lemma 2, we get

$$\begin{split} |\sigma_{3}(x,z)| &\leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r} |b(y) - b_{Q}| \\ &\times \frac{|x-z|^{\delta}}{|y-z|^{n+\delta/\alpha}} dy \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^{j} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r \leq |y-z| < 2^{j+1} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r} \\ &|b(y) - b_{Q}| \frac{|x-z|^{\delta}}{|y-z|^{n+\delta/\alpha}} dy \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^{\delta}}{(2^{j} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r)^{n+\delta/\alpha}} \\ &\times \int_{2^{j} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r \leq |y-z| < 2^{j+1} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r} |b(y) - b_{Q}| dy \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^{\delta} \cdot (2^{j+1} 2\sqrt{n}r)^{n}}{(2^{j} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r)^{n+\delta/\alpha}} (j+1) \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} r^{\delta(1-\frac{1}{\alpha})} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (2^{j})^{-\delta/\alpha} (j+1) \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} r^{0} = C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}}, \end{split}$$

For I, by using the Hölder inequality, the fact that $0<\epsilon \le r \le 1$, the $L^2\to L^{q'}$ boundedness of T ((iv) of Definition 1) and Lemma 2, we get

 $= \frac{1}{|O|} \int_{\Omega} |T((b(x) - b(\cdot))f_1)(x)| dx$

 $= \frac{1}{|O|} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |T(f_1)(x)| |b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}| dx$

 $+\frac{1}{|Q|}\int_{Q}|T((b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}-b(\cdot))f_1)(x)|dx$

which implies

$$\frac{1}{|Q(z,r)|} \int_{Q(z,r)} |\sigma_3(x,z)| dx \le C ||b||_{\text{BMO}} ||f||_{L^{\infty}}.$$
(3)

(ii) The case $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$

For the case $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$ with any $\epsilon > 0$, splitting f as $f = f_1 + f_2$ with $f_1 = f \chi_{Q(z, 2\sqrt{n}r^\alpha)}$. Then, following some basic ideas from the case r > 1, we may denote $\sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3$ and σ_4 as follows.

$$\begin{split} \sigma_1(x) &= T_b f_1(x), \\ \sigma_2(x,z) &= (b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}) (Tf_2(x) - Tf_2(z)), \\ \sigma_3(x,z) &= T((b - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)})f_2)(z) \\ &- T((b - b_Q)f_2)(x), \\ \sigma_4(x,z) &= (b(x) - b_{O(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}) Tf_2(z). \end{split}$$

Thus, we have

$$T_b f(x) - (T_b f)_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}$$

$$= \sigma_1(x) - (\sigma_1)_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)} + \sigma_2(x,z) + \sigma_4(x,z)$$

$$- (\sigma_2(\cdot,z))_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)} + (\sigma_3(x,\cdot))_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}.$$

Next, we will estimate $\frac{1}{|Q|}\int_Q |\sigma_i| dx$ with i=1,2,3, respectively. For σ_1 , we may give the esti-

$$\begin{split} I &= \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |T(f_{1})(x)| |b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})}| dx \\ &\leqslant \frac{|Q|^{1/q}}{|Q|} \times \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})}|^{q} dx\right)^{1/q} \\ &\times \left(\int_{Q} |Tf_{1}(x)|^{q'} dx\right)^{1/q'} \\ &\leqslant C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} \|f_{1}\|_{L^{2}} \frac{|Q|^{1/q}}{|Q|} \\ &\leqslant C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} |Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})|^{1/2} \frac{|Q|^{1/q}}{|Q|} \\ &\leqslant C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} r^{n(\frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{1}{q} - 1)} \\ &\leqslant C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}}, \end{split}$$

where the last inequality follows from the fact $0 < r \le 1$ and $\frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{1}{q} - 1 = \frac{\alpha}{2} - 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\beta}{n} \geqslant \frac{\alpha}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0$. For II, using Lemma 2, the Hölder inequality

and the $L^2 \to L^{q'}$ boundedness of T, we have

$$\begin{split} II &= \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |T((b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} - b(\cdot))f_{1})(x)| dx \\ &\leqslant \frac{1}{|Q|} ||T((b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} - b(\cdot)f_{1}(\cdot)))||_{L^{q'}} |Q|^{1/q} \\ &\leqslant \frac{1}{|Q|} ||(b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} - b(\cdot))f_{1}(\cdot)||_{L^{2}} |Q|^{1/q} \\ &\leqslant ||f||_{L^{\infty}} |Q|^{-1/q'} \\ &\times \left(\int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} |b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} - b(x)|^{2} dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leqslant C ||f||_{L^{\infty}} |Q|^{-1/q'} |Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})|^{1/2} \\ &\times \left(\frac{1}{|Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})|} \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} |^{2} dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leqslant C ||b||_{\mathrm{BMO}} ||f||_{L^{\infty}} r^{n(\alpha/2+1/q-1)} \\ &\leqslant C ||b||_{\mathrm{BMO}} ||f||_{L^{\infty}}. \end{split}$$

Combing the above two estimates, we get

$$\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |\sigma_{1}(x)| dx \le C ||b||_{\text{BMO}} ||f||_{L^{\infty}}. \tag{4}$$

Next, we give the estimate of $\sigma_2(x,z)$. As $y \in Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)$ and $x \in Q(z,r)$, there is $2|x-z|^a \le 2\sqrt{n}r^a \le |y-z|$. Thus, we obtain

$$\begin{split} |Tf_2(x)-Tf_2(z)| & \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |K(x,y)-K(z,y)| f_2(y) |dy \\ & \leq \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r^a} |K(x,y)-K(z,y)| |f_2(y)| dy \\ & \leq \|f\|_{L^\infty} \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r^a} \frac{|x-z|^\delta}{|y-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} dy \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{L^\infty} r^\delta \int_{2\sqrt{n}r^a}^\infty t^{n-1} t^{-n-\frac{\delta}{a}} dt \leq C \|f\|_{L^\infty}. \end{split}$$

Using Lemma 2 and the fact $0 < \epsilon \le \alpha < 1$, we get

$$\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |\sigma_{2}(x,z)| dx$$

$$\leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \frac{1}{|Q|} \times \int_{Q} |b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}| dx$$

$$\leq C \|b\|_{\text{BMO}} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}}, \tag{5}$$

where the last inequalities follows from the fact $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$.

For $\sigma_3(x,z)$, by the fact $2|x-z|^{\alpha} \le 2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha} \le |y-z|$, Lemma 2 and (ii) of Definition 1, we get

$$\begin{split} |\sigma_{3}(x,z)| &= \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} (b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}) \right. \\ &\times f_{2}(y)(K(z,y) - K(x,y)) dy | \\ &\leq \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r^{a}} |b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}| \\ &\times |f(y)| |K(x,y) - K(z,y)| dy \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \int_{|y-z| \geq 2\sqrt{n}r^{a}} |b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}| \\ &\times \frac{|x-z|^{\delta}}{|y-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} dy \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^{j} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r^{a} \leq |y-z| < 2^{j+1} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r^{a}} \\ &|b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}| \frac{|x-z|^{\delta}}{|y-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} dy \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^{\delta}}{(2^{j} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} \\ &\times \int_{2^{j} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r^{a} \leq |y-z| < 2^{j+1} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r^{a}} \\ &|b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}| dy \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{BMO} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}} \\ &\times \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^{\delta}(2^{j+1} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{n}(j+1)}{(2^{j+1} \cdot 2\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{BMO} \|f\|_{L^{\infty}}, \end{split}$$

which implies

$$\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |\sigma_3(x, z)| dx \le C ||b||_{\text{BMO}} ||f||_{L^{\infty}}.$$
 (6)

Proof of Theorem 2

Now we are ready to give the proof of Theorem 2. For any cube Q=Q(z,r) with r>1, as $\sigma_4(x,z)=T_bf(x)-(T_b(f))_Q-\sigma_1(x)+(\sigma_1)_Q-\sigma_2(x,z)+(\sigma_2(\cdot,z))_Q-(\sigma_3(x,\cdot))_Q$. From (1)-(3), we find that if T_b is bounded from L^∞ to BMO, then it is easy to get

$$\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |\sigma_{4}(x,z)| dx \le C ||b||_{\text{BMO}} ||f||_{L^{\infty}}.$$
 (7)

By the definition of σ_4 , (7) is equivalent to

$$\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |b(x) - b_{Q}| dx$$

$$\times \left| \int_{(Q(z, 2\sqrt{n}r))^{c}} K(z, y) f(y) dy \right| \le C ||f||_{L^{\infty}}.$$
 (8)

On the other hand, if (8) holds, it is clear that T_b is bounded from L^{∞} to BMO.

Similarly, for any cube Q = Q(z, r) with $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$, using -, it is easy to see that the boundedness of T_b from L^{∞} to BMO is equivalent to

$$\left(\frac{1}{|Q|}\int_{Q}|b(x)-b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}|dx\right)$$

$$\times\left|\int_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a}))^{c}}K(z,y)f(y)dy\right| \leq C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}}\|f\|_{L^{\infty}}.$$

Thus, the proof of Theorem 2 has been finished.

ENDPOINT ESTIMATES FOR T_b FROM H^1 TO L^1 SPACES.

In this section, we will give the proof of Theorem 3. For any H^1 atom a(x) supported on Q = Q(z, r), we will estimate $T_b a(x)$ in two cases.

(i) The case r > 1

For the case r > 1, we may decompose $T_b a(x)$ by

$$T_{b}a(x) = T_{b}a(x)\chi_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)}(x) + T_{b}a(x)\chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r))^{c}}(x) = T_{b}a(x)\chi_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)}(x) + T(a(\cdot)(b(\cdot) - b_{Q}))(x)\chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r))^{c}}(x) + \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r))^{c}}(x)T((b(\cdot) - b_{Q})a)(x) = T_{b}a(x)\chi_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)}(x) + T(a(\cdot)(b(\cdot) - b_{Q}))(x)\chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r))^{c}}(x) + \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r))^{c}}(x) \int_{Q} (K(x,y) - K(x,z)) \times (b(y) - b_{Q})a(y)dy + \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r))^{c}}(x) \times \int_{Q} K(x,z)(b(y) - b_{Q})a(y)dy := \mu_{1}(x) + \mu_{2}(x) + \mu_{3}(x,z) + \mu_{4}(x,z).$$

Then we will give the estimates of $\|\mu_i(\cdot)\|_{L^1}$ (i=1,2,3), respectively. For μ_1 , by Theorem 1 and the

Hölder inequality, we have

$$\|\mu_{1}(\cdot)\|_{L^{1}} = \|T_{b}(a)\|_{L^{1}(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r))}$$

$$= \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)} |T_{b}(a)(x)| dx$$

$$\leq C|Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)|^{1/2} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} |T_{b}(a)(x)|^{2} dx\right)^{1/2}$$

$$\leq Cr^{\frac{n}{2}} \|a\|_{L^{2}}$$

$$\leq C|Q|^{1/2}|Q|^{-1/2} \leq C. \tag{9}$$

For μ_2 , as $x \in Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c$ and $y \in Q(z,r)$, there is $2|y-z|^\alpha \le 2\sqrt{n}r^\alpha \le 2\sqrt{n}r \le |x-z|$. Moreover, by the cancellation condition of a and (ii) of Definition 1, we obtain

$$\begin{split} &\|\mu_2(\cdot)\|_{L^1} \\ &= \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c} (b(x) - b_Q) \int_Q K(x,y) a(y) dy dx \\ &= \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c} (b(x) - b_Q) \\ &\quad \times \int_Q (K(x,y) - K(x,z)) a(y) dy dx \\ &\leqslant \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c} |b(x) - b_Q| \left| \int_Q \frac{|y-z|^\delta}{|x-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} |a(y)| dy \right| dx \\ &\leqslant r^\delta \int_Q |a(y)| dy \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c} \frac{|b(x) - b_Q|}{|x-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} dx. \end{split}$$

 $\int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^{c}} \frac{|b(x) - b_{Q}|}{|x - z|^{n + \frac{\delta}{a}}} dx$ $\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^{j}r \leq |x - z| < 2^{j+1}r} \frac{|b(x) - b_{Q}|}{|x - z|^{n + \frac{\delta}{a}}} dx$ $\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2^{j+1}r)^{-n - \frac{\delta}{a}} \int_{Q(z,2^{j+1}r)} |b(x) - b_{Q}| dx$ $\leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{-(j+1)(n + \frac{\delta}{a})} jr^{-n - \frac{\delta}{a}} (2^{j+1}r)^{n} ||b||_{\text{BMO}}$ $\leq C ||b||_{\text{BMO}} r^{-\frac{\delta}{a}}.$

Thus, we get

As

$$\|\mu_{2}(\cdot)\|_{L^{1}} \leq C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}} r^{\delta(1-\frac{1}{a})} \|a\|_{L^{2}} |Q|^{1/2}$$

$$\leq C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}} r^{0} = C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}}. \tag{10}$$

For μ_3 , as $x \in Q(z, 2\sqrt{n}r)^c$ and $y \in Q(z, r)$, there is $2|y-z|^\alpha < 2\sqrt{n}r^\alpha \le 2\sqrt{n}r \le |x-z|$. Thus, using the Hölder inequality and Lemma 1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mu_{3}(\cdot,z)\|_{L^{1}} &\leq \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^{c}} \frac{|y-z|^{\delta}}{|x-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} \\ &\times |b(y)-b_{Q}||a(y)|dydx \\ &\leq r^{\delta} \int_{Q} |a(y)||b(y)-b_{Q}|dy \\ &\times \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^{c}} \frac{1}{|x-z|^{n+\delta/a}} dx \\ &\leq Cr^{\delta} \|a\|_{L^{2}} \left(\int_{Q} |b(y)-b_{Q}|^{2} dy \right)^{1/2} \\ &\times \int_{2\sqrt{n}r}^{\infty} r^{n-1-n-\frac{\delta}{a}} dr \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}} r^{\delta(1-\frac{1}{a})} |Q|^{-1/2+1/2} \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}}. \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

The case $r \leq 1$

For any H^1 atom supp $(a) \subset Q = Q(z, r)$ with $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$, we may decompose $T_h a(x)$ as

$$\begin{split} T_b a(x) &= T_b a(x) \chi_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}(x) + T_b a(x) \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a))^c}(x) \\ &= T_b a(x) \chi_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}(x) \\ &+ T(a(\cdot)(b(\cdot) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}))(x) \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a))^c}(x) \\ &+ \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a))^c}(x) T((b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)} - b(\cdot))a)(x) \\ &= T_b a(x) \chi_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}(x) \\ &+ T(a(\cdot)(b(\cdot) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}))(x) \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a))^c}(x) \\ &+ \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a))^c}(x) \int_Q (K(x,y) - K(x,z)) \\ &\times (b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)})a(y) dy \\ &+ \chi_{(Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a))^c}(x) \\ &\times \int_Q K(x,z)(b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)})a(y) dy \\ &:= \mu_1(x) + \mu_2(x) + \mu_3(x,z) + \mu_4(x,z). \end{split}$$

Next, we will give the estimates of $\|\mu_i\|_{L^1}$ (i = 1,2,3) respectively.

$$\begin{split} &\|\mu_{1}(\cdot)\|_{L^{1}} \\ &= \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})} |T((b(x)-b(\cdot))a(\cdot))(x)dx| \, dx \\ &\leqslant \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})} |Ta(x)||b(x)-b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}| \, dx \\ &+ \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})} |T((b(\cdot)-b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})})a(\cdot))(x)| \, dx \\ &:= I+II. \end{split}$$

For I, by the $L^q \to L^2$ boundedness of T ((iii) of Definition 1), we have

$$\begin{split} I &= \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} |Ta(x)| |b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})}| dx \\ &\leq \left(\int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} |b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})}|^{2} dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\times \left(\int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})} |Ta(x)|^{2} dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\text{BMO}} |Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})|^{1/2} \|a\|_{L^{q}} \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\text{BMO}} r^{n(\frac{\alpha}{2}+1/q-1)}. \end{split}$$

As
$$\frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{1}{q} - 1 = \frac{\alpha}{2} - 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{\beta}{n} \geqslant \frac{\alpha}{2} - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{\alpha}{2} = 0$$
 and $0 < r \leqslant 1$, we may get

$$I \leq C \|b\|_{\text{BMO}} r^0 = C \|b\|_{\text{BMO}}$$

For II, using the Hölder inequality, Lemma 2 and the $L^q \to L^2(1 < q < 2)$ boundedness of T, we have

$$\begin{split} II &= \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})} |T((b(\cdot)-b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})})a(\cdot))(x)| dx \\ &\leq \left(\int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})} \left| T((b(\cdot)-b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})})a(\cdot))(x) \right|^{2} dx \right)^{1/2} \\ &\times |Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})|^{1/2} \\ &\leq C \|(b(\cdot)-b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})})a(\cdot)\|_{L^{q}} r^{\frac{a}{2}n} \\ &\leq C r^{\frac{a}{2}n} \|a\|_{L^{2}} \left(\int_{Q(z,r)} |b(x)-b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}|^{\frac{2q}{2-q}} dx \right)^{\frac{2-q}{2q}}. \end{split}$$

Recall $\frac{\alpha}{2} + \frac{1}{q} - 1 \ge 0$. Then, using the fact $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$ and Lemma 2, we get

$$II \leqslant r^{\frac{\alpha}{2}n} \|a\|_{L^{2}} \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})}|^{\frac{2q}{2-q}} dy \right)^{\frac{2-q}{2q}} \times |Q|^{(1-\frac{q}{2})\frac{1}{q}}$$

$$\leqslant C \|b\|_{\text{BMO}} r^{\frac{\alpha}{2}n} r^{n(1-\frac{q}{2})\frac{1}{q}} r^{-\frac{n}{2}}$$

$$= C \|b\|_{\text{BMO}} r^{n(\frac{\alpha}{2}+1/q-1)} \leqslant C \|b\|_{\text{BMO}}.$$

Combining the above two estimates, we obtain

$$\|\mu_1(\cdot)\|_{L^1} \le C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}}.$$
 (12)

For μ_2 , by the fact $y \in Q(z, r)$ and $x \in Q(z, 2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha})$, there is $2|y-z|^{\alpha} \le 2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha} \le |x-z|$. Thus, we get

$$\begin{split} \|\mu_2(\cdot)\|_{L^1} & \leq \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)^c} |b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}| \\ & \times \int_{Q(z,r)} \frac{|y-z|^\delta |a(y)|}{|x-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} dy dx \\ & \leq r^\delta \int_{Q(z,r)} |a(y)| dy \\ & \times \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)^c} \frac{|b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)}|}{|x-z|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} dx. \end{split}$$

As

$$\begin{split} & \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{c}} \frac{|b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}|}{|x - z|^{n + \frac{\delta}{a}}} dx \\ &= \int_{|x - z| \geqslant 2\sqrt{n}r^{a}} \frac{|b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}|}{|x - z|^{n + \frac{\delta}{a}}} dx \\ & \leqslant \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^{j}\sqrt{n}r^{a} \leqslant |x - z| < 2^{j+1}\sqrt{n}r^{a}} \\ & \frac{|b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}|}{|x - z|^{n + \frac{\delta}{a}}} dx \\ & \leqslant \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2^{j+1}\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{-n - \frac{\delta}{a}} \int_{Q(z,2^{j+1}\sqrt{n}r^{a})} \\ & |b(x) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}| dx \\ & \leqslant C ||b||_{\text{BMO}} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2^{j+1}\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{-n - \frac{\delta}{a}} (j+1) \\ & \times (2^{j+1}\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{n} \\ &= C ||b||_{\text{BMO}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (2^{j+1}\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{-\frac{\delta}{a}} (j+1), \end{split}$$

we may get

$$\|\mu_{2}(\cdot)\|_{L^{1}} \leq C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}} r^{\delta} \|a\|_{L^{2}} |Q|^{1/2} \times \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (2^{j+1} \sqrt{n} r^{\alpha})^{-\frac{\delta}{a}} (j+1) \leq C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}}.$$
(13)

For $\mu_3(x,z)$, note that $2|y-z|^{\alpha} \le 2\sqrt{n}r^{\alpha} \le |z-x|$, the fact $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$ with any $\epsilon > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 1$. Then using (ii) of Definition 1 and Lemma 2, we get

$$\|\mu_{3}(\cdot,z)\|_{L^{1}} = \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{c}} \int_{Q} |K(x,y) - K(x,z)| \\ \times |b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}||a(y)|dydx$$

$$\leq \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{c}} \int_{Q} \frac{|y-z|^{\delta}}{|z-x|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} \\ \times |b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}||a(y)|dydx$$

$$\leq r^{\delta} \int_{Q} |a(y)||b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}|dy$$

$$\times \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})^{c}} \frac{1}{|z-x|^{n+\frac{\delta}{a}}} dx$$

$$\leq Cr^{\delta} ||a||_{L^{2}} |Q|^{1/2}$$

$$\times \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |b(y) - b_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^{a})}|^{2} dy\right)^{1/2}$$

$$\times \int_{2\sqrt{n}r^{a}}^{\infty} t^{n-1-n-\frac{\delta}{a}} dt$$

$$\leq Cr^{\delta} ||a||_{L^{2}} |Q|^{1/2} ||b||_{BMO} \times \int_{2\sqrt{n}r^{a}}^{\infty} t^{n-1-n-\frac{\delta}{a}} dt$$

$$\leq C||b||_{BMO}.$$

$$(14)$$

Proof of Theorem 3

Finally, we will give the proof of Theorem 3. From Definition 3, we know that for any $f \in H^1$, f can be decomposed by

$$f=\sum_{j}\lambda_{j}a_{j},$$

where a_j is an H^1 atom. By using the main results of Ref. 13, we know that the boundedness of T_b from H^1 to L^1 is equivalent to

$$||T_b a||_{L^1} \leqslant C, \tag{15}$$

where a is an H^1 atom supported on Q = Q(z, r).

For case r > 1. By the definition of $\mu_4(x, z)$, the estimates of μ_i (i = 1, 2, 3) and (15), we know that if T_b is bounded from H^1 to L^1 . Thus, we obtain

$$\left| \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c} K(x,z) dx \int_{Q} (b_Q - b(y)) a(y) dy \right| \le C.$$
(16)

By the cancellation conditions of a, (16) is equivalent to

$$\left| \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r)^c} K(x,z) dx \int_Q b(y) a(y) dy \right| \le C. \quad (17)$$

On the other hand, if (17) holds, combining (9)-(12), we may get (15), which is equivalent to the fact $T_b f(x)$ is bounded from H^1 to L^1 .

Similarly for the case $0 < \epsilon \le r \le 1$, we know that the boundedness of T_b from H^1 to L^1 is also equivalent to

$$\left| \int_{Q(z,2\sqrt{n}r^a)^c} K(x,z) dx \int_Q b(y) a(y) dy \right| \leq C.$$

Consequently, the proof of Theorem 3 has been finished.

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