

# Commutators of integral operators with a function in generalized Campanato spaces

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## 1 Introduction

This is an announcement of [1].

Let  $\mathbb{R}^n$  be the  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space. Let  $b \in \text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $T$  be a Calderón-Zygmund singular integral operator. In 1976 Coifman, Rochberg and Weiss [3] proved that the commutator  $[b, T] = bT - Tb$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ), that is,

$$\|[b, T]f\|_{L^p} = \|bTf - T(bf)\|_{L^p} \leq C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}}\|f\|_{L^p},$$

where  $C$  is a positive constant independent of  $b$  and  $f$ . For the fractional integral operator  $I_\alpha$ , Chanillo [2] proved the boundedness of  $[b, I_\alpha]$  in 1982. That is,

$$\|[b, I_\alpha]f\|_{L^q} \leq C\|b\|_{\text{BMO}}\|f\|_{L^p},$$

where  $\alpha \in (0, n)$ ,  $p, q \in (1, \infty)$  and  $-n/p + \alpha = -n/q$ . These results were extended to Morrey spaces by Di Fazio and Ragusa [4] in 1991.

In this talk we discuss the boundedness of the commutators  $[b, T]$  and  $[b, I_\rho]$  on generalized Morrey spaces with variable growth condition, where  $T$  is a Calderón-Zygmund operator,  $I_\rho$  is a generalized fractional integral operator and  $b$  is a function in generalized Campanato spaces with variable growth condition.

We denote by  $B(x, r)$  the open ball centered at  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and of radius  $r$ , that is,

$$B(x, r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : |y - x| < r\}.$$

For a measurable set  $G \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , we denote by  $|G|$  and  $\chi_G$  the Lebesgue measure of  $G$  and the characteristic function of  $G$ , respectively. For a function  $f \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and a ball  $B$ , let

$$f_B = \int_B f = \int_B f(y) dy = \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B f(y) dy.$$

For a variable growth function  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  and a ball  $B = B(x, r)$  we write  $\varphi(B) = \varphi(x, r)$ .

**Definition 1.1.** For  $p \in [1, \infty)$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ , let  $L^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be the sets of all functions  $f$  such that the following functional is finite:

$$\|f\|_{L^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \sup_B \left( \frac{1}{\varphi(B)} \int_B |f(y)|^p dy \right)^{1/p},$$

where the supremum is taken over all balls  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then  $\|f\|_{L^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)}$  is a norm and  $L^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a Banach space. If  $\varphi_\lambda(x, r) = r^\lambda$  with  $\lambda \in [-n, 0]$ , then  $L^{(p, \varphi_\lambda)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is the classical Morrey spaces. If  $\lambda = -n$ , then  $L^{(p, \varphi_{-n})}(\mathbb{R}^n) = L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $\lambda = 0$ , then  $L^{(p, \varphi_0)}(\mathbb{R}^n) = L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**Definition 1.2.** For  $p \in [1, \infty)$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ , let  $\mathcal{L}^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be the sets of all functions  $f$  such that the following functional is finite:

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \sup_B \left( \frac{1}{\varphi(B)} \int_B |f(y) - f_B|^p dy \right)^{1/p},$$

where the supremum is taken over all balls  $B$  in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Then  $\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)}$  is a norm modulo constant functions and thereby  $\mathcal{L}^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a Banach space. If  $p = 1$  and  $\varphi \equiv 1$ , then  $\mathcal{L}^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $p = 1$  and  $\varphi(r) = r^\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ ), then  $\mathcal{L}^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \text{Lip}_\alpha(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

A linear operator  $T$  from  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is said to be a Calderón-Zygmund operator if  $T$  is bounded on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and there exists a standard kernel  $K$  such that, for  $f \in C_{\text{comp}}^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,

$$Tf(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K(x, y)f(y) dy, \quad x \notin \text{supp } f.$$

It is known that any Calderón-Zygmund operator  $T$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $1 < p < \infty$ .

For a function  $\rho : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ , we consider generalized fractional integral operators  $I_\rho$  defined by

$$I_\rho f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\rho(x, |x - y|)}{|x - y|^n} f(y) dy,$$

where we always assume that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\rho(x, t)}{t} dt < \infty \quad \text{for each } x \in \mathbb{R}^n. \quad (1.1)$$

and that there exist positive constants  $C$ ,  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  with  $K_1 < K_2$  such that

$$\sup_{r \leq t \leq 2r} \rho(x, t) \leq C \int_{K_1 r}^{K_2 r} \frac{\rho(x, t)}{t} dt \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } r > 0. \quad (1.2)$$

If  $\rho(x, r) = r^\alpha$ , then  $I_\rho$  is the usual fractional integral operator  $I_\alpha$ . It is known as the Hardy-Littlewood-Sobolev theorem that  $I_\alpha$  is bounded from  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , if  $\alpha \in (0, n)$ ,  $p, q \in (1, \infty)$  and  $-n/p + \alpha = -n/q$ .

## 2 Main results

We say that  $\theta$  is almost increasing (resp. almost decreasing) if there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that, for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r, s \in (0, \infty)$ ,

$$\theta(x, r) \leq C\theta(x, s) \quad (\text{resp. } \theta(x, s) \leq C\theta(x, r)), \quad \text{if } r < s.$$

In this talk we consider the following classes of  $\varphi$ :

**Definition 2.1.** (i) Let  $\mathcal{G}^{dec}$  be the set of all functions  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  such that  $\varphi$  is almost decreasing, and that  $r \mapsto \varphi(x, r)r^n$  is almost increasing. (ii) Let  $\mathcal{G}^{inc}$  be the set of all functions  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  such that  $\varphi$  is almost increasing, and that  $r \mapsto \varphi(x, r)/r$  is almost decreasing.

Let  $\varphi \in \mathcal{G}^{dec}$ . If  $\varphi$  satisfies

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \varphi(x, r) = \infty, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(x, r) = 0, \tag{2.1}$$

then there exists  $\tilde{\varphi} \in \mathcal{G}^{dec}$  such that  $\varphi \sim \tilde{\varphi}$  and that  $\varphi(x, \cdot)$  is continuous, strictly decreasing and bijective from  $(0, \infty)$  to itself for each  $x$ .

We also consider the following conditions:

$$\exists C > 0 \forall x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n \forall r \in (0, \infty),$$

$$\frac{1}{C} \leq \frac{\theta(x, r)}{\theta(y, r)} \leq C, \quad \text{if } |x - y| \leq r. \tag{2.2}$$

$$\exists C > 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \forall r \in (0, \infty),$$

$$\int_r^\infty \frac{\varphi(x, t)}{t} dt \leq C\varphi(x, r). \tag{2.3}$$

For functions  $f$  in Morrey spaces, we define  $[b, T]f$  on each ball  $B$  by

$$[b, T]f(x) = [b, T](f\chi_{2B})(x) + \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus 2B} (b(x) - b(y))K(x, y)f(y) dy, \quad x \in B.$$

Then we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $1 < p \leq q < \infty$  and  $\varphi, \psi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ . Assume that  $\varphi \in \mathcal{G}^{dec}$  and  $\psi \in \mathcal{G}^{inc}$ . Let  $T$  be a Calderón-Zygmund operator.*

(i) *Assume that  $\psi$  satisfy (2.2), that  $\varphi$  satisfies (2.3), and that there exists a positive constant  $C_0$  such that, for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r \in (0, \infty)$ ,*

$$\psi(x, r)\varphi(x, r)^{1/p} \leq C_0\varphi(x, r)^{1/q}.$$

*If  $b \in \mathcal{L}^{(1, \psi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $[b, T]f$  is well defined for all  $f \in L^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and there exists a positive constant  $C$ , independent of  $b$  and  $f$ , such that*

$$\|[b, T]f\|_{L^{(q, \varphi)}} \leq C\|b\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(1, \psi)}}\|f\|_{L^{(p, \varphi)}}.$$

- (ii) Conversely, assume that  $\varphi$  satisfies (2.2) and that there exists a positive constant  $C_0$  such that, for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r \in (0, \infty)$ ,

$$C_0\psi(x, r)\varphi(x, r)^{1/p} \geq \varphi(x, r)^{1/q}.$$

If  $T$  is a convolution type such that

$$Tf(x) = p.v. \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K(x - y)f(y) dy$$

with homogeneous kernel  $K$  satisfying  $K(x) = |x|^{-n}K(x/|x|)$ ,  $\int_{S^{n-1}} K = 0$  and  $K \in C^\infty(S^{n-1})$  and  $K \not\equiv 0$ , and if  $[b, T]$  is bounded from  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^{(q,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $b \in \mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and there exists a positive constant  $C$ , independent of  $b$ , such that

$$\|b\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}} \leq C\|[b, T]\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)} \rightarrow L^{(q,\varphi)}},$$

where  $\|[b, T]\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)} \rightarrow L^{(q,\varphi)}}$  is the operator norm of  $[b, T]$  from  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^{(q,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

In the above theorem, if  $\psi \equiv 1$  and  $\varphi(x, r) = r^{-n}$ , then  $\mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n) = L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . This is the case of the theorem by Coifman, Rochberg and Weiss.

If  $\psi(x, r) = r^\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $\varphi(x, r) = r^{-n}$ , then  $\mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \text{Lip}_\alpha(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n) = L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $L^{(q,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n) = L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with  $-n/p + \alpha = -n/q$ . That is,

$$\|[b, T]f\|_{L^q} \lesssim \|b\|_{\text{Lip}_\alpha} \|f\|_{L^p}.$$

This is the case of Janson [5, Lemma 12].

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $1 < p < q < \infty$  and  $\rho, \varphi, \psi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ . Assume that  $\varphi \in \mathcal{G}^{dec}$  and  $\psi \in \mathcal{G}^{inc}$ . Assume also that  $\rho$  satisfies (1.1) and (1.2). Let  $\rho^*(x, r) = \int_0^r \frac{\rho(x,t)}{t} dt$ .

- (i) Assume that  $\rho, \rho^*$  and  $\psi$  satisfy (2.2), that  $\varphi$  satisfies (2.3) and that there exist positive constants  $\epsilon, C_\rho, C_0, C_1$  and an exponent  $\tilde{p} \in (p, q]$  such that, for all  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r, s \in (0, \infty)$ ,

$$C_\rho \frac{\rho(x, r)}{r^{n-\epsilon}} \geq \frac{\rho(x, s)}{s^{n-\epsilon}}, \text{ if } r < s, \tag{2.4}$$

$$\left| \frac{\rho(x, r)}{r^n} - \frac{\rho(y, s)}{s^n} \right| \leq C_\rho (|r - s| + |x - y|) \frac{\rho^*(x, r)}{r^{n+1}}, \tag{2.5}$$

$$\text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq \frac{r}{s} \leq 2 \text{ and } |x - y| < r/2,$$

$$\int_0^r \frac{\rho(x, t)}{t} dt \varphi(x, r)^{1/p} + \int_r^\infty \frac{\rho(x, t)\varphi(x, t)^{1/p}}{t} dt \leq C_0\varphi(x, t)^{1/\tilde{p}}, \tag{2.6}$$

$$\psi(x, r)\varphi(x, r)^{1/\tilde{p}} \leq C_1\varphi(x, r)^{1/q}. \tag{2.7}$$

If  $b \in \mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $[b, I_\rho]f$  is well defined for all  $f \in L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and there exists a positive constant  $C$ , independent of  $b$  and  $f$ , such that

$$\|[b, I_\rho]f\|_{L^{(q,\varphi)}} \leq C \|b\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}} \|f\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)}}.$$

(ii) Conversely, assume that  $\varphi$  satisfies (2.2), that  $\rho(x, r) = r^\alpha$ ,  $0 < \alpha < n$ , and that

$$C_0 \psi(x, r) r^\alpha \varphi(x, r)^{1/p} \geq \varphi(x, r)^{1/q}. \tag{2.8}$$

If  $[b, I_\alpha]$  is bounded from  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^{(q,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then  $b \in \mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and there exists a positive constant  $C$ , independent of  $b$ , such that

$$\|b\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}} \leq C \|[b, I_\alpha]\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)} \rightarrow L^{(q,\varphi)}},$$

where  $\|[b, I_\alpha]\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)} \rightarrow L^{(q,\varphi)}}$  is the operator norm of  $[b, I_\alpha]$  from  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^{(q,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

### 3 Sketch of proof

We give a sketch of the proof of Theorem 2.2. To prove the theorem we use the following inequality and theorem:

$$M^\sharp([b, I_\rho]f)(x) \leq C \|b\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(1,\psi)}} \left( (M_{\psi^\eta}(|I_\rho f|^\eta)(x))^{1/\eta} + (M_{(\rho^* \psi)^\eta}(|f|^\eta)(x))^{1/\eta} \right),$$

where  $1 < \eta < \infty$ ,  $\rho^*(x, r) = \int_0^r \rho(x, t) t^{-1} dt$  and

$$M^\sharp f(x) = \sup_{B \ni x} \int_B |f(y) - f_B| dy, \quad M_\rho f(x) = \sup_{B \ni x} \rho(B) \int_B |f(y)| dy.$$

**Theorem 3.1** (Nakai, 2014). *Let  $p \in [1, \infty)$  be a constant and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ . Assume that there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that,*

$$\varphi(x, r) \geq C \varphi(x, s) \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and } r \in (0, s).$$

*Then the operator  $M$  is bounded from  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to itself if  $p \in (1, \infty)$ .*

**Theorem 3.2** (Nakai, 2014). *Let  $1 < p < q < \infty$  and  $\rho, \varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ . Assume that  $\rho$  satisfies (1.1) and (1.2) and that  $\varphi$  is in  $\mathcal{G}^{\text{dec}}$  and satisfies (2.1). Assume also that there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that, for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r \in (0, \infty)$ ,*

$$\int_0^r \frac{\rho(x, t)}{t} dt \varphi(x, r)^{1/p} + \int_r^\infty \frac{\rho(x, t) \varphi(x, t)^{1/p}}{t} dt \leq C \varphi(x, r)^{1/q}.$$

*Then  $I_\rho$  is bounded from  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^{(q,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

**Theorem 3.3.** *Let  $1 < p < q < \infty$  and  $\rho, \varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ . Assume that  $\varphi$  is in  $\mathcal{G}^{dec}$  and satisfies (2.1). Assume also that*

$$\rho(x, r)\varphi(x, r)^{1/p} \leq C_0\varphi(x, r)^{1/q}. \tag{3.1}$$

*Then  $M_\rho$  is bounded from  $L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $L^{(q,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

*Proof.* We may assume that  $\varphi(x, \cdot)$  is continuous, strictly decreasing and bijective from  $(0, \infty)$  to itself for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

We prove that, for  $f \in L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with  $\|f\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)} = 1$ ,

$$M_\rho f(x) \leq CMf(x)^{p/q}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \tag{3.2}$$

for some positive constant  $C$  independent of  $f$  and  $x$ . To prove (3.2) we show that, for any ball  $B = B(x, r)$ ,

$$\rho(B) \int_B |f| \leq C_0Mf(x)^{p/q}. \tag{3.3}$$

Choose  $u > 0$  such that  $\varphi(x, u) = Mf(x)^p$ . If  $r \leq u$ , then  $\varphi(B) = \varphi(x, r) \geq Mf(x)^p$  and  $\varphi(B)^{1/q-1/p} \leq Mf(x)^{p/q-1}$ . By (3.1) we have

$$\rho(B) \int_B |f| \leq C_0\varphi(B)^{1/q-1/p} \int_B |f| \leq C_0Mf(x)^{p/q}.$$

If  $r > u$ , then  $\varphi(B) = \varphi(x, r) < Mf(x)^p$  and  $\varphi(B)^{1/q} < Mf(x)^{p/q}$ . By (3.1) we have

$$\rho(B) \int_B |f| \leq \rho(B) \left( \int_B |f|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \rho(B)\varphi(B)^{1/p} \leq C_0\varphi(B)^{1/q} \leq C_0Mf(x)^{p/q}.$$

Then we have (3.3) and the conclusion. □

**Proposition 3.4.** *Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ . Then, for  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,*

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(p,\varphi)}} \leq C\|M^\sharp f\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)}}, \tag{3.4}$$

*where  $C$  is a positive constant independent of  $f$ .*

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ . Assume that  $\varphi \in \mathcal{G}^{dec}$  and that  $\varphi$  satisfies (2.3). For  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , if  $\lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} f_{B(0,r)} = 0$ , then*

$$\|f\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)}} \leq C\|M^\sharp f\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)}}, \tag{3.5}$$

*where  $C$  is a positive constant independent of  $f$ .*

**Lemma 3.6** ([8, Theorem 2.1 and Remark 2.1]). *Let  $p \in [1, \infty)$  and  $\varphi$  is in  $\mathcal{G}^{dec}$  and satisfies (2.3). Then, for every  $f \in \mathcal{L}^{(p,\varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $f_{B(0,r)}$  converges as  $r \rightarrow \infty$  and*

$$\|f - \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} f_{B(0,r)}\|_{L^{(p,\varphi)}} \sim \|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{(p,\varphi)}},$$

For any cube  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  centered at  $a \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and with sidelength  $2r > 0$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{Q}^{\text{dy}}(Q)$  the set of all dyadic cubes with respect to  $Q$ .

For any cube  $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , let

$$M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) = \sup_{R \in \mathcal{Q}^{\text{dy}}(Q), x \in R \subset Q} \int_Q |f(y)| dy,$$

$$M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f(x) = \sup_{R \in \mathcal{Q}^{\text{dy}}(Q), x \in R \subset Q} \int_Q |f(y) - f_Q| dy.$$

**Lemma 3.7** (Tsutsui, 2011 Komori, 2015). *Let  $Q$  be a cube and  $f \in L^1(Q)$ . Then, for any  $0 < \gamma \leq 1$  and  $\lambda > |f|_Q$ ,*

$$|\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > 2\lambda, M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f(x) \leq \gamma\lambda\}| \leq 2^n \gamma |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}|. \quad (3.6)$$

**Lemma 3.8.** *There exists a positive constant  $C$ , for any cube  $Q$  and any function  $f \in L^1(Q)$ ,*

$$\|f - f_Q\|_{L^p(Q)} \leq C \|M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f\|_{L^p(Q)}.$$

*Proof.* By the good  $\lambda$  inequality (3.6) and the standard argument we have the following boundedness: There exists a positive constant  $C$ , for any cube  $Q$  and any function  $f \in L^1(Q)$ ,

$$\|M_Q^{\text{dy}} f\|_{L^p(Q)} \leq C \left( \|M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f\|_{L^p(Q)} + |Q|^{1/p} |f|_Q \right). \quad (3.7)$$

Actually, for any  $L > 2|f|_Q$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^L p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}| d\lambda \\ &= \int_0^{2|f|_Q} p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}| d\lambda \\ & \quad + \int_{2|f|_Q}^L p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}| d\lambda \\ &\leq (2|f|_Q)^p |Q| + 2^p \int_{|f|_Q}^{L/2} p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > 2\lambda\}| d\lambda. \end{aligned}$$

By the good  $\lambda$  inequality (3.6) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & 2^p \int_{|f|_Q}^{L/2} p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > 2\lambda\}| d\lambda \\
 & \leq 2^{n+p}\gamma \int_{|f|_Q}^{L/2} p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}| d\lambda \\
 & \quad + 2^p \int_{|f|_Q}^{L/2} p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f(x) > \gamma\lambda\}| d\lambda \\
 & \leq 2^{n+p}\gamma \int_0^L p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}| d\lambda \\
 & \quad + 2^p\gamma^{-p} \int_0^\infty p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}| d\lambda.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, for small  $\gamma > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (1 - 2^{n+p}\gamma) \int_0^L p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}| d\lambda \\
 & \leq (2|f|_Q)^p |Q| + 2^p\gamma^{-p} \int_0^\infty p\lambda^{p-1} |\{x \in Q : M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f(x) > \lambda\}| d\lambda.
 \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $L \rightarrow \infty$ , we have (3.7). Substitute  $f - f_Q$  for  $f$  in (3.7). Then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|f - f_Q\|_{L^p(Q)} & \leq \|M_Q^{\text{dy}}(f - f_Q)\|_{L^p(Q)} \\
 & \lesssim \|M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f\|_{L^p(Q)} + |Q|^{1/p} \int_Q |f - f_Q| \\
 & \leq \|M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f\|_{L^p(Q)} + |Q|^{1/p} \inf_{x \in Q} M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned}
 |Q|^{1/p} \inf_{x \in Q} M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f(x) & = \left( \int_Q \left[ \inf_{x \in Q} M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f(x) \right]^p dy \right)^{1/p} \\
 & \leq \|M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f\|_{L^p(Q)},
 \end{aligned}$$

we have the conclusion. □

*Proof of Proposition 3.4.* For any ball  $B = B(x, r)$ , take the cube  $Q$  centered at  $x$  and with sidelength  $2r$ . Then  $B \subset Q$ . By Lemma 3.8 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left( \frac{1}{\varphi(B)} \int_B |f - f_B|^p \right)^{1/p} & \leq \left( \frac{2}{\varphi(B)} \frac{|Q|}{|B|} \int_Q |f - f_Q|^p \right)^{1/p} \\
 & \lesssim \left( \frac{1}{\varphi(B)} \int_Q (M_Q^{\sharp, \text{dy}} f)^p \right)^{1/p} \\
 & \lesssim \|M^\sharp f\|_{L^{(p, \varphi)}(\mathbb{R}^n)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

This shows the conclusion. □



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