

## ON MAXIMAL FUNCTION AND FRACTIONAL INTEGRAL, ASSOCIATED WITH THE BESSSEL DIFFERENTIAL OPERATOR

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*Abstract.* In this paper we consider the generalized shift operator, generated by Bessel differential operator  $B$ , by means of which maximal functions ( $B$ -maximal functions) and fractional integrals ( $B$ -fractional integrals) are investigated. The  $L_p(B)$ -boundedness result for the  $B$ -maximal function and  $(L_p(B), L_q(B))$ -boundedness result for the  $B$ -fractional integral are obtained.

### 1. Introduction

Suppose that  $\mathbf{R}^n$  is the  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space,  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ ,  $\xi = (\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$  are vectors in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $x \cdot \xi = x_1\xi_1 + \dots + x_n\xi_n$ ,  $|x| = (x \cdot x)^{1/2}$ ,  $\mathbf{R}_+^n = \{x = (x_1, \dots, x_n); x_1 > 0, \dots, x_n > 0\}$ ,  $E_+(x, r) = \{y \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : |x - y| < r\}$ .

The Bessel differential operator  $B = (B_1, \dots, B_n)$  is defined by

$$B_i = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2} + \frac{\gamma_i}{x_i} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

$\gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n)$ ,  $\gamma_1 > 0, \dots, \gamma_n > 0$ ,  $|\gamma| = \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_n$ ,  $x^\gamma = x_1^{\gamma_1} \dots x_n^{\gamma_n}$ ,  $|E_+(0, r)|_\gamma = \int_{E_+(0, r)} x^\gamma dx = C r^{n+|\gamma|}$ .

For  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  let  $L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B) \equiv L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, x^\gamma dx)$  be the space of functions measurable on  $\mathbf{R}_+^n$  with the norm

$$\|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} = \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} |f(x)|^p x^\gamma dx \right)^{1/p},$$

$$\|f\|_{L_\infty(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \equiv \|f\|_{L_\infty(\mathbf{R}_+^n)} = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n} |f(x)|.$$

Denote by  $T^\gamma$  the generalized shift operator ( $B$ -shift operator) defined by

$$\begin{aligned} T^\gamma f(x) &= \pi^{-\frac{n}{2}} \prod_{i=1}^n \Gamma\left(\gamma_i + \frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma^{-1}(\gamma_i) \int_0^\pi \dots \int_0^\pi \prod_{i=1}^n \sin^{\gamma_i-1} \alpha_i \times \\ &\times f\left(\sqrt{x_1^2 - 2x_1 y_1 \cos \alpha_1 + y_1^2}, \dots, \sqrt{x_n^2 - 2x_n y_n \cos \alpha_n + y_n^2}\right) d\alpha_1 \dots d\alpha_n. \end{aligned}$$

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Let  $f$  be in  $L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ . Then for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n$ , the function  $T^x f$  belongs to  $L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ , and

$$\|T^x f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}. \quad (1)$$

We note that  $T^y$  is closely connected with the Bessel differential operator  $B = (B_1, \dots, B_n)$  (see [1] for details the one-dimensional case). The  $B$ -shift  $T^y$  generates the corresponding  $B$ -convolution

$$(f * g)_B(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} T^y f(x) g(y) y^\gamma dy.$$

We note the following properties of the  $B$ -convolution:

$$(f * g)_B = (g * f)_B,$$

$$\|(f * g)_B\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \|g\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.$$

The Bessel (Hankel) transformations can be defined by

$$\hat{\varphi}(\lambda) = (F_B \varphi)(\lambda) = \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} \varphi(x) \prod_{i=1}^n j_{\frac{n_i-1}{2}}(x_i \lambda_i) x^\gamma dx,$$

and its inverse transformations can be given by

$$\hat{\varphi}(x) = (F_B^{-1} \varphi)(x) = C_{n,\gamma} \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} \hat{\varphi}(\lambda) \prod_{i=1}^n j_{\frac{n_i-1}{2}}(x_i \lambda_i) \lambda^\gamma d\lambda,$$

where  $j_v(t) = t^{-v} J_v(t)$ ,  $J_v$  being the Bessel function of the first kind.

For  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $p = 1$  or  $2$ , we have  $F_B(f * g)_B = F_B f F_B g$ .

We shall define function spaces, generated by the Bessel differential operator  $B = (B_1, \dots, B_n)$ .

**DEFINITION 1.** [2] Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda \leq n + |\gamma|$ ,  $[t]_1 = \min\{1, t\}$ . We denote by  $L_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$   $B$ -Morrey spaces and by  $\tilde{L}_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  modified  $B$ -Morrey spaces which are the sets of functions  $f$  locally integrable on  $\mathbf{R}_+^n$ , with finite norms

$$\|f\|_{L_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} = \sup_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \times (0,\infty)} \left( t^{-\lambda} \int_{E_+(0,t)} |T^y f(x)|^p y^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p},$$

$$\|f\|_{\tilde{L}_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} = \sup_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \times (0,\infty)} \left( [t]_1^{-\lambda} \int_{E_+(0,t)} |T^y f(x)|^p y^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p}.$$

**DEFINITION 2.** Let us now introduce, as in [2], the  $B$ -BMO space  $BMO(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  as the set of functions locally integrable on  $\mathbf{R}_+^n$ , with finite norm

$$\|f\|_{*,B} = \sup_{x,r} |E_+(0,r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0,r)} |T^y f(x) - f_{E_+(0,r)}(x)| y^\gamma dy < \infty,$$

where

$$f_{E_+(0,r)}(x) = |E_+(0,r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0,r)} T^y f(x) y^\gamma dy.$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned}\widetilde{L}_{p,0}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B) &= L_{p,0}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B) = L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B), \\ L_{p,n+|\gamma|}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B) &= L_\infty(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B),\end{aligned}$$

$$\widetilde{L}_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B) \subset L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B) \quad \text{and} \quad \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq \|f\|_{\widetilde{L}_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.$$

LEMMA 1. Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda \leq n + |\gamma|$ . Then for  $\alpha p = n + |\gamma| - \lambda$

$$L_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B) \subset L_{1,n+|\gamma|-\alpha}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B) \quad \text{and} \quad \|f\|_{L_{1,n+|\gamma|-\alpha}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $f \in L_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $0 \leq \lambda \leq n + |\gamma|$ ,  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$  and  $\alpha p = n + |\gamma| - \lambda$ . By applying Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{E_+(0,t)} T^y |f(x)| y^\gamma dy &\leq \left( \int_{E_+(0,t)} (T^y |f(x)|)^p y^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p} \left( \int_{E_+(0,t)} y^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p'} \\ &\leq C t^{(n+|\gamma|)/p'} \left( \int_{E_+(0,t)} T^y |f(x)|^p y^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p}.\end{aligned}$$

Moreover

$$\begin{aligned}t^{\alpha-(n+|\gamma|)} \int_{E_+(0,t)} T^y |f(x)| y^\gamma dy &\leq C t^{\alpha-(n+|\gamma|)/p} \left( \int_{E_+(0,t)} T^y |f(x)|^p y^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C \left( t^{-\lambda} \int_{E_+(0,t)} T^y |f(x)|^p y^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{L_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $f \in L_{1,n+|\gamma|-\alpha}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  and

$$\|f\|_{L_{1,n+|\gamma|-\alpha}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p,\lambda}(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.$$

## 2. $L_p(B)$ -boundedness of $B$ -maximal function

We now consider the  $B$ -maximal operator (see [2], [3])

$$M_B f(x) = \sup_{r>0} |E_+(0,r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0,r)} T^y |f(x)| y^\gamma dy.$$

**THEOREM 1.** *I. If  $f \in L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ , then for every  $\alpha > 0$*

$$|\{x : M_B f(x) > \alpha\}|_\gamma \leq \frac{C}{\alpha} \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} |f(x)| x^\gamma dx,$$

where  $C > 0$  is independent of  $f$ .

2. If  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $1 < p \leq \infty$ , then  $M_B f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  and

$$\|M_B f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C_p \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)},$$

where  $C_p > 0$  is independent of  $f$ .

*Proof.* We need to introduce a maximal function defined on a space of homogeneous type. By this we mean a topological space  $X$  equipped with a continuous pseudo-metric  $\rho$  and a positive measure  $\mu$  satisfying the doubling condition

$$\mu(E(x, 2r)) \leq C \mu(E(x, r)), \quad (2)$$

where  $C$  is independent of  $x$  and  $r > 0$ . Here  $E(x, r) = \{y \in X : \rho(x, y) < r\}$ . Let  $(X, \rho, \mu)$  be a space of homogeneous type. Define

$$M_\mu f(x) = \sup_{r>0} \mu(E(x, r))^{-1} \int_{E(x, r)} |f(y)| d\mu(y).$$

It is well known that the maximal operator  $M_\mu$  is of weak type  $(1, 1)$  and is bounded on  $L_p(X, d\mu)$  for  $1 < p < \infty$  (see [4]). We shall use this result in the case in which  $X = \mathbf{R}_+^n$ ,  $\rho(x, y) = |x - y|$ ,  $d\mu(x) = x^\gamma dx$ . It is clear that this measure satisfies the doubling condition (2).

Also

$$\begin{aligned} \mu E(x, r) &= |E_+(x, r)|_\gamma = \int_{\{y \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : |x-y| < r\}} y^\gamma dy \\ &\leq \prod_{i=1}^n \int_{\{y_i > 0 : |x_i - y_i| < r\}} y_i^\gamma dy_i = \prod_{i=1}^n \int_{\max\{0, x_i - r\}}^{x_i + r} y_i^\gamma dy_i \\ &\leq C \prod_{i=1}^n \begin{cases} r^{1+\gamma_i}, & r > x_i \\ rx_i^{\gamma_i}, & r \leq x_i \end{cases} = Cr^{n+|\gamma|} \prod_{i=1}^n \max\{1, (x_i/r)^{\gamma_i}\}. \end{aligned}$$

We shall show that

$$M_B f(x) \leq CM_\mu f(x).$$

By the definition of the  $B$ -shift operator it follows that  $T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)}(x)$  is supported in  $E_+(x, r)$ .

Next we estimate  $T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)}(x)$ .

$$T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)}(x) \leq C \int \int_{\{(\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in (0, \pi)^n : \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 - 2x_i y_i \cos \alpha_i + y_i^2) < r^2\}} \sin^{\gamma_i - 1} \alpha_i d\alpha_1 \dots d\alpha_n$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq C \prod_{i=1}^n \int_{\{\alpha_i \in (0, \pi) : x_i^2 - 2x_i y_i \cos \alpha_i + y_i^2 < r^2\}} \sin^{\gamma_i-1} \alpha_i d\alpha_i \\
&= C \prod_{i=1}^n \int_{\left\{ \alpha_i \in (0, \pi) : \frac{x_i^2 + y_i^2 - r^2}{2x_i y_i} < \cos \alpha_i \right\}} \sin^{\gamma_i-2} \alpha_i d\cos \alpha_i \\
&= C \prod_{i=1}^n \int_{\max\left\{-1, \frac{x_i^2 + y_i^2 - r^2}{2x_i y_i}\right\}}^1 (1 - t_i^2)^{\frac{\gamma_i}{2}-1} dt_i \\
&\leq C \prod_{i=1}^n \min\left\{1, \frac{r^{\gamma_i/2}(r - |x_i - y_i|)^{\gamma_i/2}}{(x_i y_i)^{\gamma_i/2}}\right\} \leq C \prod_{i=1}^n \min\{1, (r/x_i)^{-\gamma_i}\}.
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently there exists  $C > 0$  such that for all  $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n$ ,  $r > 0$  and  $y \in E_+(x, r)$

$$T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)}(x) \leq C \prod_{i=1}^n \min\{1, (r/x_i)^{\gamma_i}\}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
M_B f(x) &\leq \sum_{k=0}^n M_{B,k} f(x) \\
&= \sum_{k=0}^n \sup_{\substack{r > x_j, j = 1, k \\ r \leq x_j, j = \overline{k+1, n} \\ i \neq p, j \neq p}} |E_+(0, r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(x, r)} |f(y)| T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)}(x) y^\gamma dy,
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
M_{B,0} f(x) &= \sup_{r \leq x_j, j = 1, n} |E_+(0, r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(x, r)} |f(y)| T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)}(x) y^\gamma dy, \\
M_{B,n} f(x) &= \sup_{r > x_j, j = 1, n} |E_+(0, r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(x, r)} |f(y)| T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)}(x) y^\gamma dy.
\end{aligned}$$

Without loss of generality we assume that  $i_j \equiv j$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ . Then

$$M_{B,k} f(x) = \sup_{\substack{r > x_j, j = 1, k \\ r \leq x_j, j = \overline{k+1, n}}} |E_+(0, r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(x, r)} |f(y)| T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)}(x) y^\gamma dy.$$

In the case  $k = 0$ , by taking into account that  $\mu E_+(x, r) \leq Cr^{n+|\gamma|}$ ,  $|E_+(0, r)|_\gamma = r^{n+|\gamma|}$  and  $T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)} \leq 1$ , we have

$$M_{B,0} f(x) \leq \sup_{r \leq x_j, j = 1, n} \frac{1}{\mu E_+(x, r)} \int_{E_+(x, r)} |f(y)| y^\gamma dy \leq CM_\mu f(x).$$

In the case  $1 \leq k \leq n$ , by taking into account

$$\begin{aligned} \mu E_+(x, r) &\leq C r^{n+|\gamma|} \prod_{i=1}^n \max\{1, (x_i/r)^{\gamma_i}\} = C r^{n+|\gamma|} \prod_{i=1}^k (x_i/r)^{\gamma_i}, \\ T^y \chi_{E_+(0, r)} &\leq C \prod_{i=1}^n \min\{1, (r/x_i)^{\gamma_i}\} = \prod_{i=1}^k (r/x_i)^{\gamma_i}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_{B,k} f(x) &\leq C \sup_{\substack{r > x_j, j=1, k \\ r \leq x_j, j=k+1, n}} |E_+(0, r)|_\gamma^{-1} r^{n+|\gamma|} \prod_{i=1}^k (x_i/r)^{\gamma_i} \prod_{i=1}^k (r/x_i)^{\gamma_i} \times \\ &\quad \times \frac{1}{\mu E_+(x, r)} \int_{E_+(x, r)} |f(y)| y^\gamma dy \leq C M_\mu f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Finally we get

$$M_B f(x) \leq C M_\mu f(x).$$

This completes the proof.

COROLLARY 1. If  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , then

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} |E_+(0, r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0, r)} T^y f(x) y^\gamma dy = f(x)$$

for a. e.  $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n$ .

REMARK 1. In the one-dimensional case Theorem 1 was proved earlier by another method by K. Stempak [5].

### 3. Sobolev – type theorem for the $B$ -fractional integral

Consider the  $B$ -Riesz potentials

$$I_B^\alpha f(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) y^\gamma dy, \quad 0 < \alpha < n + |\gamma|,$$

and the modified of  $B$ -Riesz potentials

$$\tilde{I}_B^\alpha f(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} \left( T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} - |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} \chi_{E_+^*(0,1)}(y) \right) f(y) y^\gamma dy,$$

where  $E_+^*(0, r) = \mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0, r)$ ,  $r > 0$ .

The examples considered below show that if  $p \geq \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ , then the  $B$ -potentials  $I_B^\alpha$  are not defined for all functions  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ .

EXAMPLE 1. Let  $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n$ ,  $0 < \alpha < n + |\gamma|$ ,  $f(x) = \frac{1}{|x|^\alpha \ln|x|} \chi_{E_+^*(0,2)}(x)$ . For  $p = \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ ,  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  and  $I_B^\alpha f(x) = +\infty$ .

EXAMPLE 2. Let  $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n$ ,  $0 < \alpha < n + |\gamma|$ ,  $f(x) = |x|^{-\alpha} \chi_{E_+^*(0,2)}(x)$ . For  $p > \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ ,  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  and  $I_B^\alpha f(x) = +\infty$ .

For these  $B$ -Riesz potentials the following analogue of Hardy–Littlewood–Sobolev theorem is valid.

**THEOREM 2.** Let  $0 < \alpha < n + |\gamma|$ ,  $1 \leq p < \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ , and  $\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q} = \frac{\alpha}{n+|\gamma|}$ .

a) If  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ , then the integral  $I_B^\alpha f$  is absolutely convergent for almost every  $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n$ .

b) If  $1 < p < \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ ,  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ , then  $I_B^\alpha f \in L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  and

$$\|I_B^\alpha f\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C_p \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}, \quad (3)$$

where  $C_p > 0$  is independent of  $f$ .

c) If  $f \in L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $\frac{1}{q} = 1 - \frac{\alpha}{n+|\gamma|}$ , then

$$|\{x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : I_B^\alpha f(x) > \beta\}|_\gamma \leq \left( \frac{C}{\beta} \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \right)^q, \quad \beta > 0, \quad (4)$$

where  $C > 0$  is independent of  $f$ .

*Proof.* a) Let  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ . We denote

$$f_1(x) = f(x) \chi_{E_+(0,1)}(x), \quad f_2(x) = f(x) - f_1(x).$$

Then

$$I_B^\alpha f(x) = I_B^\alpha f_1(x) + I_B^\alpha f_2(x) = J_1(x) + J_2(x).$$

Let us estimate  $J_1(x)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} |J_1(x)| &\leq \int_{E_+(0,1)} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} T^y |f(x)| y^\gamma dy \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} \chi_{E_+(0,1)}(y) T^y |f(x)| y^\gamma dy. \end{aligned}$$

By Young's inequality

$$\|J_1(\cdot)\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C \left\| |\cdot|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} \chi_{E_+(0,1)} \right\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.$$

Here

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| |\cdot|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} \chi_{E_+(0,1)} \right\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} &= \int_{E_+(0,1)} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} y^\gamma dy \\ &= C \int_0^1 r^{\alpha-1} dr = C_1 < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Then for  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$

$$\|J_1(\cdot)\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C_1 \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)},$$

e.g.  $J_1(x)$  is absolutely convergent almost every  $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n$ .

By Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} |J_2(x)| &\leq \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0,1)} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} T^y f(x) |y^\gamma dy \\ &\leq \|T^x f(\cdot)\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0,1)} |y|^{(\alpha-n-|\gamma|)p'} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}}. \end{aligned}$$

By using inequality (1)

$$|J_2(x)| \leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0,1)} |y|^{(\alpha-n-|\gamma|)p'} \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}}.$$

Hence for  $1 \leq p < \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$  for some  $C > 0$

$$|J_2(x)| \leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n.$$

Thus for all functions  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$   $B$ -Riesz potentials  $I_B^\alpha f(x)$  are absolutely convergent for almost every  $x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n$ .

b) We have

$$I_B^\alpha f(x) = \left( \int_{E_+(0,t)} + \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0,t)} \right) T^y f(x) |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} y^\gamma dy = A(x, t) + C(x, t).$$

By taking sum with respect to all integer  $k < 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} |A(x, t)| &\leq \int_{E_+(0,t)} |T^y f(x)| |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} y^\gamma dy \\ &= \sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} \int_{2^k t \leq |y| < 2^{k+1} t} |T^y f(x)| |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} y^\gamma dy \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{-1} (2^k t)^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} \int_{2^k t \leq |y| < 2^{k+1} t} |T^y f(x)| y^\gamma dy \\ &\leq C t^\alpha (M_B f)(x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore it follows that

$$|A(x, t)| \leq C t^\alpha M_B f(x), \quad (5)$$

where  $C > 0$  does not depend  $f$ ,  $x$  and  $t$ .

By Hölder's inequality and the inequality (1) we have

$$\begin{aligned} |C(x, t)| &\leq \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0, t)} |T^y f(x)|^p y^\gamma dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0, t)} |y|^{(\alpha-n-|\gamma|)p'} y^\gamma dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \\ &\leq \|T^y f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0, t)} |y|^{(\alpha-n-|\gamma|)p'} y^\gamma dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \\ &\leq \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0, t)} |y|^{(\alpha-n-|\gamma|)p'} y^\gamma dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \leq C t^{-(n+|\gamma|)/q} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently

$$|C(x, t)| \leq C t^{-(n+|\gamma|)/q} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}. \quad (6)$$

Thus, from (5) and (6), we have

$$|I_B^\alpha f(x)| \leq C \left( t^\alpha M_B f(x) + t^{-(n+|\gamma|)/q} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \right).$$

Minimum of the right-hand side is attained at  $t = \left[ (M_B f(x))^{-1} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \right]^{p/(n+|\gamma|)}$ ,

so

$$|I_B^\alpha f(x)| \leq C (M_B f(x))^{p/q} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}^{1-p/q}.$$

Hence, by the Theorem 1, we have

$$\int_{E_+(0, t)} |I_B^\alpha f(y)|^q y^\gamma dy \leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}^{q-p} \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0, t)} (M_B f(y))^p y^\gamma dy \leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}^q,$$

and (3) follows.

c) Let  $f \in L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ . Note that

$$|\{x : |I_B^\alpha f(x)| > 2\beta\}|_\gamma \leq |\{x : |A(x, t)| > \beta\}|_\gamma + |\{x : |C(x, t)| > \beta\}|_\gamma.$$

By taking into account the inequality (6) and applying Theorem 1 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \beta |\{x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : |A(x, t)| > \beta\}|_\gamma &= \beta \int_{\{x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : |A(x, t)| > \beta\}} x^\gamma dx \leq \beta \int_{\{x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : Ct^\alpha M_B f(x) > \beta\}} x^\gamma dx \\ &= \beta \left| \left\{ x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : M_B f(x) > \frac{\beta}{Ct^\alpha} \right\} \right|_\gamma \\ &\leq \beta \cdot \frac{C_1 t^\alpha}{\beta} \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} |f(x)| x^\gamma dx = C_1 t^\alpha \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \end{aligned}$$

and also

$$\begin{aligned} |C(x, t)| &\leqslant \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0, t)} |T^y f(x)| |y|^{\alpha - n - |\gamma|} y^\gamma dy \\ &\leqslant t^{\alpha - n - |\gamma|} \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0, t)} |T^y f(x)| y^\gamma dy \\ &= t^{-\frac{n+|\gamma|}{q}} \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} |f(x)| x^\gamma dx = t^{-\frac{n+|\gamma|}{q}} \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, if  $t^{-\frac{n+|\gamma|}{q}} \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} = \beta$ , then  $|C(x, t)| \leqslant \beta$  and, consequently,

$$|\{x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : |C(x, t)| > \beta\}|_\gamma = 0.$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned} |\{x \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : |I_B^\alpha f(x)| > 2\beta\}|_\gamma &\leqslant \frac{C_1}{\beta} t^\alpha \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} = C_1 t^{\alpha + \frac{n+|\gamma|}{q}} \\ &= C_1 t^{n+|\gamma|} = C_1 \beta^{-q} \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}^q = \frac{C}{\beta} \|f\|_{L_1(\mathbf{R}_+^n)}^q. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore the mapping  $f \rightarrow R_B^\alpha f$  is of weak type  $(1, q)$ .

Theorem has been proved.

**THEOREM 3.** Let  $0 < \alpha < n + |\gamma|$ ,  $1 < p < \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ , then the condition

$$\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q} = \frac{\alpha}{n + |\gamma|}$$

is necessary for inequality (3) to be valid.

*Proof.* Let  $1 < p < \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ ,  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  and assume that the inequality

$$\|I_B^\alpha f\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leqslant C_p \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}$$

holds.

Define  $f_t(x) := f(t^\alpha x)$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_t\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} &= \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} |f(tx)|^p x^\gamma dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &= \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} |f(y)|^p t^{-n-|\gamma|} y^\gamma dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} = t^{-\frac{n+|\gamma|}{p}} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|I_B^\alpha f_t\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} = \left\| \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} f_t(y) T^y |x|^{\alpha - n - |\gamma|} y^\gamma dy \right\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left\| \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(ty) y^\gamma dy \right\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \\
&= \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} T^{ty} |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) t^{-n-|\gamma|} y^\gamma dy \right|^q x^\gamma dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} \left| \int \mathbf{R}_+^n t^{n+|\gamma|-\alpha} T^y |tx|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) t^{-n-|\gamma|} y^\gamma dy \right|^q x^\gamma dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
&= t^{-\alpha - \frac{n+|\gamma|}{q}} \|I_B^\alpha f\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.
\end{aligned}$$

By inequality (3)

$$\|I_B^\alpha f\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n)} \leq C_{p,q} t^{\alpha + \frac{n+|\gamma|}{q} - \frac{n+|\gamma|}{p}} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.$$

If  $\frac{1}{p} > \frac{1}{q} + \frac{\alpha}{n+|\gamma|}$ , then in the case  $t \rightarrow 0$  we have  $\|I_B^\alpha f\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} = 0$ , for all  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ , which is impossible. Similarly, if  $\frac{1}{p} < \frac{1}{q} + \frac{\alpha}{n+|\gamma|}$ , then at  $t \rightarrow \infty$  we obtain  $\|I_B^\alpha f\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} = 0$ , for all  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ , which is also impossible.

Therefore  $\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{q} + \frac{\alpha}{n+|\gamma|}$ .

**THEOREM 4.** Let  $0 < \alpha < n + |\gamma|$ ,  $p = \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ ,  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ . Then  $\tilde{I}_B^\alpha f \in BMO(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  and

$$\|\tilde{I}_B^\alpha f\|_{BMO(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C_p \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ . Given  $t > 0$  we denote

$$f_1(x) = f(x)\chi_{E_+(0,2t)}(x), \quad f_2(x) = f(x) - f_1(x),$$

where  $\chi_{E_+(0,2t)}$  is the characteristic function of the set  $E_+(0, 2t)$ . Then

$$\tilde{I}_B^\alpha f(x) = \tilde{I}_B^\alpha f_1(x) + \tilde{I}_B^\alpha f_2(x) = F_1(x) + F_2(x),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
F_1(x) &= \int_{E_+(0,2t)} \left( T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} - |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} \chi_{E_+^*(0,1)}(y) \right) f(y) y^\gamma dy, \\
F_2(x) &= \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0,2t)} \left( T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} - |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} \chi_{E_+^*(0,1)}(y) \right) f(y) y^\gamma dy.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that the function  $f_1$  has compact support and thus

$$a_1 = - \int_{E_+(0,2t) \setminus E_+(0,\min\{1,2t\})} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) y^\gamma dy$$

is finite.

Note also that

$$\begin{aligned}
F_1(x) - a_1 &= \int_{E_+(0,2t)} T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) y^\gamma dy \\
&\quad - \int_{E_+(0,2t) \setminus E_+(0,\min\{1,2t\})} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) y^\gamma dy \\
&\quad + \int_{E_+(0,2t) \setminus E_+(0,\min\{1,2t\})} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) y^\gamma dy \\
&= \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f_1(y) y^\gamma dy = I_B^\alpha f_1(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
|F_1(x) - a_1| &\leq \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} |T^y f_1(x)| y^\gamma dy \\
&= \int_{\{y \in \mathbf{R}_+^n : T^y |x| < 2t\}} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} |T^y f(x)| y^\gamma dy.
\end{aligned}$$

Furthermore, for  $|x| < t$  and  $T^y |x| < 2t$  we have

$$|y| \leq |x| + |x - y| \leq |x| + T^y |x| < 3t.$$

Consequently

$$|F_1(x) - a_1| \leq \int_{E_+(0,3t)} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} |T^y f(x)| y^\gamma dy, \quad (7)$$

if  $x \in E_+(0, t)$ .

By Theorem 1, (1) and (7) for  $\alpha p = n + |\gamma|$

$$\begin{aligned}
&|E_+(0, t)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0,t)} |T^z F_1(x) - a_1| z^\gamma dz \\
&\leq |E_+(0, t)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0,t)} T^z |F_1(x) - a_1| z^\gamma dz \\
&\leq |E_+(0, t)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0,t)} \left( \int_{E_+(0,3t)} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} |T^y T^z f(x)| y^\gamma dy \right) z^\gamma dz \\
&\leq C t^{-n-|\gamma|} \cdot t^\alpha \cdot t^{(n+|\gamma|)/p'} \left( \int_{E_+(0,t)} (M_B(T^z f(x)))^p z^\gamma dz \right)^{1/p} \\
&\leq C_p \|T^z f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C_p \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}. \quad (8)
\end{aligned}$$

Denote

$$a_2 = \int_{E_+(\max\{1,2t\}) \setminus E_+(0,2t)} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) y^\gamma dy.$$

Let us estimate  $|F_2(x) - a_2|$ . By applying Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} |F_2(x) - a_2| &\leq \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0,2t)} |f(y)| \left| T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} - |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} \right| y^\gamma dy \\ &\leq C|x| \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0,2t)} |f(y)| |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|-1} y^\gamma dy \\ &\leq C|x| \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus E_+(0,2t)} |y|^{(\alpha-n-|\gamma|-1)p'} y^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p'} \\ &\leq C|x| t^{\alpha-1-\frac{n+|\gamma|}{p}} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C|x| t^{-1} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that if  $|x| \leq t$ ,  $|z| \leq 2t$ , then  $T^z|x| \leq |x| + |z| \leq 3t$ . Thus for  $\alpha p = n + |\gamma|$  we obtain

$$|T^z F_2(x) - a_2| \leq T^z |F_2(x) - a_2| \leq CT^z |x| t^{-1} \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}. \quad (9)$$

Denote

$$a_f = a_1 + a_2 = \int_{E_+(0, \max\{1, 2t\})} |y|^{\alpha-n-|\gamma|} f(y) y^\gamma dy.$$

Finally, by (8) and (9) we have

$$\sup_{x,t} |E_+(0, t)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0, t)} \left| T^y \tilde{I}_B^\alpha f(x) - a_f \right| y^\gamma dy \leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}.$$

Finally

$$\begin{aligned} \|\tilde{I}_B^\alpha f\|_{BMO(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} &\leq 2 \sup_{x,t} |E_+(0, t)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{E_+(0, t)} \left| T^y \tilde{I}_B^\alpha f(x) - a_f \right| y^\gamma dy \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}. \end{aligned}$$

and the statement of the theorem follows.

**COROLLARY 2.** Let  $p = \frac{n+|\gamma|}{\alpha}$ ,  $f \in L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$ .

If integral  $I_B^\alpha f$  exists everywhere, then  $I_B^\alpha f \in BMO(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)$  and the inequality

$$\|I_B^\alpha f\|_{BMO(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)} \leq C_p \|f\|_{L_p(\mathbf{R}_+^n, B)}$$

is valid.

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