TWO–WEIGHT ENTROPY BOUNDEDNESS OF
MULTILINEAR FRACTIONAL TYPE OPERATORS

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Abstract. This paper will be devoted to study the two-weight norm inequalities of the multilinear fractional maximal operator $M_\alpha$ and the multilinear fractional integral operator $I_\alpha$. The entropy conditions in the multilinear setting will be introduced and the entropy bounds for $M_\alpha$ and $I_\alpha$ will be given.

1. Introduction

1.1. Background

Let $M_\alpha$ and $I_\alpha$ be the fractional maximal operator and fractional integral operator defined by

$$M_\alpha f(x) := \sup_Q |Q|^\frac{\alpha}{n} \langle f \rangle_Q \cdot 1_Q(x), \quad I_\alpha f(x) := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{f(y)}{|x-y|^{n-\alpha}} dy, \quad 0 \leq \alpha < n.$$ 

In 1982, Saywer [22] first showed that $M_\alpha(\cdot; \sigma) : L^p(\sigma) \rightarrow L^q(w)$ holds if and only if $(w, \sigma)$ satisfies the following testing condition

$$[w, \sigma]_{S(p,q)} := \sup_Q \sigma(Q)^{-\frac{1}{p}} \|1_Q M_\alpha(1_Q \sigma)\|_{L^q(w)} < \infty.$$ 

Subsequently, using the similar testing conditions, Saywer [23, 24] gave some characterizations of two-weight weak and strong type inequalities of $I_\alpha$.

After the works of Saywer, many works have been done in the characterizations of two weighted boundedness of continuous operators. Among such achievements are the celebrated works of Hytönen [7], Lacey [10, 11], Lacey et al [15], which demonstrated the characterizations of the two weighted $L^2$ inequality of Hilbert transform in terms of Saywer type testing conditions and two-weight $A_2$ condition. Recently, Lacey and Li [12] gave a characterization of two-weight norm inequalities for the classical


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Littlewood-Paley $g$-function. Still more recently, Cao, Li and Xue [1] obtained the characterization of two weighted inequalities for the $g^*_A$-function with more general fractional type of Poisson kernels. As for the discrete operators, on the one hand, two-weight characterizations of martingale transforms and dyadic shifts were presented by Nazarov et al [20] and Hytönen [8]. The two weighted $L^p(\sigma) \rightarrow L^q(\omega)$-type inequalities of positive dyadic operators were established by Nazarov et al [20] with $p = q = 2$, Lacey et al [14] with $p < q$ and Hytönen [6] with $p, q \in (1, \infty)$. On the other hand, in order to study the sufficient conditionS for the two weight inequalities of the singular integral operators, Treil and Volberg [26] introduced the entropy conditions. Later on, the entropy conditions were used to obtain the two-weight norm inequalities of intrinsic square functions and fractional maximal and integral operators by Lacey, Li [13] and Rahm, Spencer [21], respectively.

In the multilinear setting, several works also have already been done for the multilinear fractional maximal operator $\mathcal{M}_\alpha$ and fractional integral operators $\mathcal{I}_\alpha$ ($0 \leq \alpha < mn$), which are defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_\alpha(\vec{f})(x) = \sup_Q |Q|^{1/\alpha} \prod_{i=1}^m |\langle f_i \rangle_Q| \cdot 1_Q(x), \quad \mathcal{I}_\alpha(\vec{f})(x) = \int_{(\mathbb{R}^n)^m} \frac{\prod_{i=1}^m f_i(x - y_i)}{|(y_1, \ldots, y_m)|^{mn-\alpha}} d\vec{y}. $$

In 2013, Chen and Damián [4] first gave some sufficient conditions for the two-weight inequalities of the multilinear maximal operator $\mathcal{M}_0$. In 2015, Li and Sun [18] considered the problem of two weighted inequalities of multilinear fractional maximal operator $\mathcal{M}_\alpha$. But it is worth pointing out that their method is not valid for the case $0 \leq \alpha < n(1/p - 1/\max\{p_i\})$. In 2016, Cao and Xue [2] extended the ranges of exponents to $0 \leq \alpha < mn$ by applying the atomic decomposition of tent space. Moreover, Cao, Xue and Yabuta [3] defined and studied the multilinear fractional strong maximal operator and the corresponding multiple weights associated with rectangles. Under the dyadic reverse doubling condition, a necessary and sufficient condition for two-weight inequalities of the multilinear fractional strong maximal operator was given.

It is well known that it is difficult to give a two-weight characterization of $\mathcal{M}_\alpha$ and $\mathcal{I}_\alpha$ with respect to Saywer-type testing condition. Even if we make it, it is generally very hard to verify Saywer-type testing condition in practice. This leads us to quest some sufficient conditions for two-weight norm inequalities of $\mathcal{M}_\alpha$ and $\mathcal{I}_\alpha$. This kind of conditions should mainly concerned with $A_p$ like conditions.

In this paper, we are mainly concerned with $A_p$ like conditions that are sufficient for two-weight norm inequalities of $\mathcal{M}_\alpha$ and $\mathcal{I}_\alpha$. We will work with the multiple version of entropy conditions and try to obtain the entropy bounds of $\mathcal{M}_\alpha$ and $\mathcal{I}_\alpha$. For simplicity, we only give the results and the proofs in the case $m=2$, although our results still hold for general $m \geq 2$.

1.2. Main results

First, we give one definition related to multiple weights.

**Definition 1.1.** (Multiple weights class) Let $0 \leq \alpha < mn$, $\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{p_m}$ with $1 < p_1, \ldots, p_m < \infty$, and $0 < p \leq q < \infty$. Let $w, \sigma_i$ ($i = 1, \ldots, m$) be nonnegative
and locally integrable functions on $\mathbb{R}^n$, and $v_\sigma = \prod_{i=1}^m \sigma_i^{p_i/p_j}$. We define

$$[w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{A(\tilde{p}, q)} := \sup_Q \mathcal{A}_\tilde{p}, q(w, \tilde{\sigma}; Q) < \infty,$$

$$[w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{A(\tilde{p}, q) A_\infty} := \sup_Q \mathcal{A}_\tilde{p}, q(w, \tilde{\sigma}; Q) A_\infty^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty,$$

$$[w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{A(\tilde{p}, q) H_\tilde{p}} := \sup_Q \mathcal{A}_\tilde{p}, q(w, \tilde{\sigma}; Q) \prod_{i=1}^m A_\infty^{\frac{1}{p_i}} < \infty,$$

where

$$A_\infty^{\exp}(w; Q) := \langle w \rangle_Q \exp\left(\langle \log w^{-1} \rangle_Q\right), \quad \mathcal{A}_\tilde{p}, q(w, \tilde{\sigma}; Q) := |Q|^{\frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{p} + \frac{q}{n}} \langle w \rangle_Q^{\frac{1}{p}} \prod_{i=1}^m \langle \sigma_i \rangle_{p_i}^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

**Remark 1.2.** If we denote

$$[\tilde{\sigma}]_{H_\tilde{p}} := \sup_Q \prod_{i=1}^m A_\infty^{\exp}(\sigma_i; Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}}, \quad [\tilde{\sigma}]_{RH_\tilde{p}} := \sup_Q v_\tilde{\sigma}(Q)^{-1} \prod_{i=1}^m \sigma_i(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}},$$

it is easy to check that

$$[\tilde{\sigma}]_{H_\tilde{p}} \leq [\tilde{\sigma}]_{RH_\tilde{p}} [v_\tilde{\sigma}]_{A_\infty^{\exp}}, [w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{A(\tilde{p}, q) A_\infty^{\exp}} \leq [w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{A(\tilde{p}, q) A_\infty^{\exp}},$$

$$[w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{A(\tilde{p}, q) H_\tilde{p}} \leq \sup_Q [\sigma_i]_{Q} \langle \sigma_i \rangle_{Q} \langle \sigma_j \rangle_{Q} \langle \sigma_k \rangle_{Q}.$$

Now, we give the definition of multilinear version of entropy conditions.

**Definition 1.3.** (Multilinear version of entropy conditions) Let $0 \leq \alpha < mn$, $\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{p_m}$ with $1 < p_1, \ldots, p_m < \infty$, and $0 < p \leq q < \infty$. Let $w, \sigma_i$ $(i = 1, \ldots, m)$ be nonnegative and locally integrable functions on $\mathbb{R}^n$. We define

$$[w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{\tilde{p}, q, \varepsilon} := \sup_Q \mathcal{A}_{\tilde{p}, q}(w, \tilde{\sigma}; Q) p_{\sigma_i}(Q)^{\frac{1}{p}} \varepsilon(p_{\sigma_i}(Q)),$$

$$[w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{\tilde{p}, q, \varepsilon, \eta} := \sup_Q \mathcal{A}_{\tilde{p}, q}(w, \tilde{\sigma}; Q) p_{\sigma_i}(Q)^{\frac{1}{p}} \varepsilon(p_{\sigma_i}(Q)) \prod_{i=1}^m \rho_{\sigma_i}(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}},$$

$$[[\tilde{\sigma}]]_{(i, j, k), E_i} := \sup_Q \left( |Q|^{\frac{1}{p_i}} \prod_{i=1}^2 \langle \sigma_i \rangle_{Q}^{\frac{1}{p_{ij}}} \langle \sigma_j \rangle_{Q}^{\frac{1}{p_{ij}}} \varepsilon(\gamma_{(i, j, k)}(Q)E_i(\gamma_{(i, j, k)}(Q))) \right).$$

where $\varepsilon, \eta, E_i$ are monotonic increasing functions on $(1, \infty)$, and

$$\rho_w(Q) := w(Q)^{-1} \int_Q M(1_Q w(x)) dx \quad \text{and} \quad \rho_{w, \varepsilon}(Q) = \rho_w(Q) \varepsilon(\rho_w(Q)),$$

$$\gamma_{(i, j, k)}(Q) := \frac{\int_Q \mu_{\sigma_i}(Q^1 \sigma_i)(x)^{\frac{1}{p_{ij}}} dx}{\left( \int_Q \sigma_i^{\frac{1}{p_{ij}}} \sigma_j^{\frac{1}{p_{ij}}} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p_{ij}}}} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{p_{ij}} = \frac{1}{p_i} + \frac{1}{p_j}. $$
We now state the main results of this paper as follows.

**THEOREM 1.1.** Let \( 0 < \alpha < 2n, 0 < p \leq q < \infty \) and \( \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} \) with \( 1 < p_1, p_2 < \infty \). Suppose that \( \sigma_1, \sigma_2, w \) are weights on \( \mathbb{R}^n \). Let \( \varepsilon \) be a monotonic increasing function on \( (1, \infty) \) that satisfies \( \int_1^\infty \frac{dt}{t \varepsilon(t)^{p_i}} < \infty \). Then the following inequality holds

\[
\left\| \mathcal{M}_\alpha (f_1 \sigma_1, f_2 \sigma_2) \right\|_{L^q(w)} \lesssim \left[ w, \sigma \right]_{p, q, \varepsilon} \prod_{i=1}^2 \left\| f_i \right\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)}.
\]

**THEOREM 1.2.** Let \( 0 < \alpha < 2n, 0 < p \leq q < \infty \) and \( \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} \) with \( 1 < p_1, p_2, q < \infty \). Suppose that \( \sigma_1, \sigma_2, w \) are weights on \( \mathbb{R}^n \). Let \( \varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2, \eta \) be monotonic increasing functions on \( (1, \infty) \) that satisfy \( \int_1^\infty \frac{dt}{t \varepsilon(t)^{p_i}} < \infty \) and \( \int_1^\infty \frac{dt}{t \eta(t)^q} < \infty \). Then there holds that

\[
\left\| \mathcal{I}_\alpha (f_1 \sigma_1, f_2 \sigma_2) \right\|_{L^q(w)} \lesssim \left[ w, \sigma \right]_{p_i, q_i, \varepsilon_i, \eta_i} \prod_{i=1}^2 \left\| f_i \right\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)}.
\]

**THEOREM 1.3.** Let \( 0 < \alpha < 2n \), and \( 1 < p_i < \infty \) \( (i = 1, 2, 3) \) with \( \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} \geq 1 \) for \( i \neq j \). Suppose that \( \sigma_1, \sigma_2, \sigma_3 \) are weights on \( \mathbb{R}^n \). Let \( \varepsilon_i \) be a monotonic increasing function on \( (1, \infty) \) such that \( \int_1^\infty \frac{dt}{t \varepsilon_i(t)^{1/p_i}} < \infty \), \( i = 1, 2, 3 \). Then the following inequalities hold

\[
\left\| \mathcal{I}_\alpha (f_1 \sigma_1, f_2 \sigma_2) \right\|_{L^{p_1}(\sigma_1)} \lesssim \sum_{(i,j,k) \in \Omega} \left\{ \left[ \sigma \right] \right\}^{1/p'_{k,i,j}} \prod_{i=1}^2 \left\| f_i \right\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)}, \quad (1.1)
\]

\[
\left\| \mathcal{I}_\alpha (f_1 \sigma_1, f_2 \sigma_2) \right\|_{L^{p_1, \infty}(\sigma_1)} \lesssim \sum_{(i,j,k) \in \Omega} \left\{ \left[ \sigma \right] \right\}^{1/p'_{k,i,j}} \prod_{i=1}^2 \left\| f_i \right\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)}, \quad (1.2)
\]

where \( \Omega \) is the set of all permutations of \((1, 2, 3)\).

The article is organized as follows: In Section 2, some notations and lemmas will be given. In Section 3, we will demonstrate Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2. Section 4 will be devoted to complete the proofs of Theorem 1.3.

### 2. Preliminaries

First, we present some definitions and lemmas, which will be used later.

**DEFINITION 2.1.** A collection, \( \mathcal{D} \) of cubes is said to be a dyadic grid if it satisfies

1. The side length of every \( Q \in \mathcal{D} \) equals \( 2^k \) for some \( k \in \mathbb{Z} \).
2. For any \( Q, R \in \mathcal{D} \), \( Q \cap R = \{Q, R, \emptyset\} \).
DEFINITION 2.2. A subset $\mathcal{S}$ of a dyadic grid is said to be spare, if for every $Q \in \mathcal{S}$ there holds that
$$\left| \bigcup_{Q' \subseteq Q} Q' \right| \leq \frac{1}{2} |Q|.$$ Equivalently, if $E(Q) = Q \setminus \bigcup_{Q' \subseteq Q} Q'$, then the sets $\{E(Q)\}_{Q \in \mathcal{S}}$ are pairwise disjoint and $|Q| \leq 2|E(Q)|$.

DEFINITION 2.3. Let $0 \leq \alpha < mn$ and $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{S}$ be a given dyadic grid and a spare set. The dyadic versions of multilinear fractional maximal and fractional integral operators are defined by
\begin{align*}
\mathcal{M}_\alpha^{\mathcal{D}}(\vec{f})(x) &:= \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{D}} |Q|^\alpha \prod_{i=1}^m (|f_i|)_Q \cdot 1_Q(x), \\
\mathcal{I}_\alpha^{\mathcal{D}}(\vec{f})(x) &:= \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{D}} |Q|^\alpha \prod_{i=1}^m (f_i)_Q \cdot 1_Q(x), \\
\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}, \alpha}(\vec{f})(x) &:= \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} |Q|^\alpha \prod_{i=1}^m (f_i)_Q \cdot 1_{E(Q)}(x).
\end{align*}

We will need the following lemma given by Hytönen and Pérez in [9].

**Lemma 2.1.** There are $2^n$ dyadic grids $\mathcal{D}_t$, $t \in \{0, 1/3\}^n$ such that for any cube $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ there exists a cube $Q_t \in \mathcal{D}_t$ satisfying $Q \subset Q_t$ and $\ell(Q_t) \leq 6 \ell(Q)$, where the dyadic grid $\mathcal{D}_t$ is defined by
$$\mathcal{D}_t := \{2^{-k}([0,1]^n + m + (-1)^k t) : k \in \mathbb{Z}, m \in \mathbb{Z}^n \}, \quad t \in \{0, 1/3\}^n.$$ We also need the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let $\mathcal{D}$ be a dyadic grid. For any non-negative integrable $f_i$ ($i = 1, \ldots, m$), there exist sparse families $\mathcal{I} \subset \mathcal{D}$ such that for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$, it holds that
\begin{align*}
\mathcal{M}_\alpha(\vec{f})(x) &\simeq \sup_{t \in \{0, 1/3\}^n} \mathcal{M}_\alpha^{\mathcal{D}_t}(\vec{f})(x), \quad \mathcal{M}_\alpha^{\mathcal{D}}(\vec{f})(x) \simeq \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}, \alpha}(\vec{f})(x); \\
\mathcal{I}_\alpha(\vec{f})(x) &\simeq \sup_{t \in \{0, 1/3\}^n} \mathcal{I}_\alpha^{\mathcal{D}_t}(\vec{f})(x), \quad \mathcal{I}_\alpha^{\mathcal{D}}(\vec{f})(x) \simeq \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}, \alpha}(\vec{f})(x).
\end{align*}

The proof of (2.1) can be found in [17] and (2.2) was shown in [19].

We will apply the following multilinear version of Carleson embedding theorem [25] at certain key points in the proofs of our results.
LEMMA 2.3. (Carleson embedding theorem) Let $0 < p \leq q < \infty$ and $\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{p_m}$ satisfying $1 < p_1, \ldots, p_m < \infty$. Suppose that the nonnegative numbers $\{c_Q\}_Q$ satisfy
\[
\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{D}} c_Q \lesssim A v_\sigma(Q')^{q/p}, \text{ for any } Q' \in \mathcal{D},
\]
where $\sigma_i (i = 1, \ldots, m)$ are weights and $v_\sigma = \prod_{i=1}^m \sigma_i^{p_i/p_i}$. Then for all nonnegative functions $f_i \in L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)$, we have
\[
\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{D}} c_Q \prod_{i=1}^m (\langle f_i \rangle_{\sigma_i}^q)^{q} \lesssim A \|\mathcal{M}_\sigma^d(\tilde{f})\|_{L^{p,q}(v_\sigma)}^{q} \lesssim A \prod_{i=1}^m \|f_i\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)}^{q},
\]
where $L^{p,q}(w)$ is the Lorentz space defined by
\[
\|f\|_{L^{p,q}(w)} = \left( \int_0^{\infty} \lambda^{q} w(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |f(x)| > \lambda\})^{1/p} \lambda^{1/q} \frac{d\lambda}{\lambda} \right)^{1/q} < \infty.
\]

3. Proofs of Theorems 1.1–1.2

In this section, our aim is to demonstrate Theorem 1.1 and Theorem 1.2 by making use of dyadic techniques (see for examples, [8] and [16]).

3.1. Proof of Theorem 1.1

Let $\mathcal{S}$ be any sparse set of $\mathcal{D}$. By Lemma 2.2, it suffices to show that
\[
\|\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}(f_1 \sigma_1, f_2 \sigma_2)\|_{L^q(w)} \lesssim [w, \sigma]_{\bar{p}, q, \epsilon} \prod_{i=1}^2 \|f_i\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)}. \tag{3.1}
\]

We may assume that each $f_i$ is a non-negative function for $i = 1, 2$. Denote
\[
\mathcal{S}_k := \{Q \in \mathcal{S} ; 2^{-k}[w, \sigma]_{\bar{p}, q, \epsilon} \leq \Gamma(Q) \leq 2^{-k+1}[w, \sigma]_{\bar{p}, q, \epsilon} \},
\]
where $\Gamma(Q) := |Q|^\frac{1}{q} \frac{1}{p_i} + \frac{1}{q} \langle w \rangle Q \prod_{i=1}^2 \langle \sigma_i \rangle_{\sigma_i} \cdot \rho_{\nu_\sigma}(Q)^\epsilon \rho_{\nu_\sigma}(Q)$. Using the pairwise disjointness of the sets $\{E(Q)\}_{Q \in \mathcal{S}}$, we deduce that
\[
\|\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{S}}(f_1 \sigma_1, f_2 \sigma_2)\|_{L^q(w)}^q = \sum_{k=1}^\infty \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}_k} |Q|^\frac{a}{n} \prod_{i=1}^2 (f_i \sigma_i)_Q^q w(E(Q)) := \sum_{k=1}^\infty \Delta_k.
\]

To obtain the bound of $\Delta_k$, we need to introduce the notion
\[
c_Q = (|Q|^a/n (\sigma_1)_Q (\sigma_2)_Q)^q w(E(Q)).
\]

Then, it is easy to see that
\[
\Delta_k = \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}_k} c_Q (\langle f_1 \rangle_{\sigma_1}^q (\langle f_2 \rangle_{\sigma_2}^q) q).
\]
In order to apply the Carleson embedding theorem, we need to analyze \( \{ c_Q \}_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_k} \). Fix \( Q' \in \mathcal{R}_k \). Since \( \Gamma(Q) \approx 2^{-k} \lceil w, \tilde{\sigma} \rceil_{\tilde{p}, q, e} \) for each \( Q \in \mathcal{R}_k \), we get

\[
\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_k : Q \subset Q'} c_Q \leq \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_k : Q \subset Q'} \Gamma(Q)^q \left( \frac{\sigma_1(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_1}} \sigma_2(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_2}}}{\rho_{v_{\tilde{\sigma}}}(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_1}} e(\rho_{v_{\tilde{\sigma}}}(Q))} \right)^q \\
\leq 2^{-kq} [w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{\tilde{p}, q, e} \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_k : Q \subset Q'} v_{\tilde{\sigma}}(Q)^q/p \\
\rho_{v_{\tilde{\sigma}}}(Q)^q/p e(\rho_{v_{\tilde{\sigma}}}(Q)) \\
:= 2^{-kq} [w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{\tilde{p}, q, e} \Delta'_k.
\]

Now, we tentatively claim that

\[
\Delta'_k \lesssim v_{\tilde{\sigma}}(Q')^{q/p}. \tag{3.2}
\]

Therefore, if the above claim is true, we actually obtain that

\[
\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_k : Q \subset Q'} c_Q \lesssim 2^{-kq} [w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{\tilde{p}, q, e} v_{\tilde{\sigma}}(Q')^{q/p},
\]

and

\[
\Delta_k \lesssim 2^{-kq} [w, \tilde{\sigma}]_{\tilde{p}, q, e} \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \| f_i \|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma)},
\]

where we have used Lemma 2.3. Consequently, it yields that

\[
\| \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{R}, \alpha} (\hat{f} \cdot \tilde{\sigma}) \|_{L^{q}(w)} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Delta_k \lesssim [w, \tilde{\sigma}] \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \| f_i \|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma)}.
\]

This shows that inequality (3.1) is true.

Now, we are in the position to demonstrate (3.2). Set

\[
\mathcal{R}_{k,j} := \{ Q \in \mathcal{R}_k : Q \subset Q', 2^{j-1} \leq \rho_{v_{\tilde{\sigma}}}(Q) < 2^j \},
\]

and \( \mathcal{R}_{k,j}^* \) is the collection of maximal elements in \( \mathcal{R}_{k,j} \). Thereby, we have

\[
\left( \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{R}_{k,j}} v_{\tilde{\sigma}}(Q)^{q/p} \right)^{p/q} \leq \sum_{Q^* \in \mathcal{R}_{k,j}^*} \sum_{Q \subset Q^*} v_{\tilde{\sigma}}(Q) \\
\lesssim \sum_{Q^* \in \mathcal{R}_{k,j}^*} \sum_{Q \subset Q^*} \int_{E(Q)} \langle 1_{Q^*} v_{\tilde{\sigma}} \rangle Q 1_Q(x) dx \\
\lesssim \sum_{Q^* \in \mathcal{R}_{k,j}^*} \sum_{Q \subset Q^*} \int_{E(Q)} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \langle 1_{Q^*} v_{\tilde{\sigma}} \rangle P 1_P(x) dx \\
\leq \sum_{Q^* \in \mathcal{R}_{k,j}^*} \int_{Q^*} \sup_{P \in \mathcal{P}} \langle 1_{Q^*} v_{\tilde{\sigma}} \rangle P 1_P(x) dx
\]
Accordingly, we deduce that

\[
\Delta_k' \lesssim \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 2^{jq/p} e(2^j)^q \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{A}_{k,j}} v_\tilde{\sigma}(Q)^{q/p} \\
\lesssim v_\tilde{\sigma}(Q')^{q/p} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} 1 \lesssim v_\tilde{\sigma}(Q')^{q/p}.
\]

The proof of (3.2) is finished. \(\square\)

### 3.2. Proof of Theorem 1.2

By duality, we have

\[
\left\| T_{\mathcal{A}}(f \cdot \tilde{\sigma}) \right\|_{L^q(w)} = \sup_{\|g\|_{L^q(w)} = 1} \left| \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{A}} (|Q|^\frac{a}{2} \langle f_1 \sigma_1 \rangle_Q \langle f_2 \sigma_2 \rangle_Q) \int_Q g(x)w(x)dx \right|
\]

Denote

\[
\mathcal{A}_k = \{ Q \in \mathcal{A} : 2^k < \lambda_Q \leq 2^{k+1} \}, \quad \lambda_Q = \mathcal{A}_{\rho,q}(w, \tilde{\sigma}; Q) p_{\omega, \eta}(Q)^{\frac{1}{q}} \prod_{i=1}^2 p_{\sigma_i, \epsilon_i}(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}}.
\]

Then, we have \(k \leq K_0 := \log_2 [w, \tilde{\sigma}, \rho, q, \tilde{\epsilon}, \eta] \). Therefore, by the Hölder inequality, it now follows that

\[
\mathcal{V}(g) = \sum_{k=1}^{K_0} \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{A}_k} \lambda_Q \prod_{i=1}^2 \left( \frac{\langle f_i \rangle_Q^{\sigma_i(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}}} w(Q)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \langle g \rangle_Q^{w(Q)^{\frac{1}{q'}}}}{\rho_{\sigma_i, \epsilon_i}(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}}
\]

\[
\lesssim \sum_{k=1}^{K_0} 2^k \left( \prod_{Q \in \mathcal{A}_k} \left( \frac{\langle f_i \rangle_Q^{\sigma_i(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}}} w(Q)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \langle g \rangle_Q^{w(Q)^{\frac{1}{q'}}}}{\rho_{\sigma_i, \epsilon_i}(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}}
\]

\[
\lesssim \left[ w, \tilde{\sigma}, \rho, q, \tilde{\epsilon}, \eta \right] \prod_{i=1}^2 \left( \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{A}_k} \left( \frac{\langle f_i \rangle_Q^{\sigma_i(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}}} w(Q)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \langle g \rangle_Q^{w(Q)^{\frac{1}{q'}}}}{\rho_{\sigma_i, \epsilon_i}(Q)^{\frac{1}{p_i}}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}} \right)^{\frac{1}{q'}}.
\]

By the Carleson embedding theorem 2.3, it is enough to show that for each \(Q' \in \mathcal{A}_k\)

\[
\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{A}_k} \frac{\sigma_i(Q)}{p_{\sigma_i, \epsilon_i}(Q)} \lesssim \sigma_i(Q'), \quad i = 1, 2, 3,
\]
where $\sigma_3 = w$ and $\varepsilon_3 = \eta$. A completely analogous calculation to that of the preceding subsection yields the desired result. □

4. Proof of Theorem 1.3

In this section, we shall give the proof of Theorem 1.3. We need the following two-weight characterization of $\mathcal{I}_\alpha^\mathcal{I}$, which was proved in [6] and [19].

**Lemma 4.1.** Let $D$ be a dyadic grid and $\mathcal{I} \subset D$ be a sparse family. Suppose that $\sigma_1$, $\sigma_2$ and $\sigma_3$ are positive Borel measures and $1 < p_i < \infty$ ($i = 1, 2, 3$) with $\frac{1}{p_i} + \frac{1}{p_j} \geq 1$ for $i \neq j$. Then

1. The strong type inequality

$$\left\| \mathcal{I}_\alpha^\mathcal{I} (f_1 \sigma_1, f_2 \sigma_2) \right\|_{L^q(\sigma_3)} \leq N \prod_{i=1}^{2} \left\| f_i \right\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)}$$

holds if and only if the following test conditions hold for any triple $(i, j, k) \in \Omega$,

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}, (i, j, k)} := \sup_{R \subset \mathcal{I}} \left\| \sum_{Q \subset R} |Q|^{\frac{p_i}{\gamma}} \langle \sigma_j \rangle_Q \langle \sigma_k \rangle_Q^1 \right\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)} < \infty.$$

2. The weak type inequality

$$\left\| \mathcal{I}_\alpha^\mathcal{I} (f_1 \sigma_1, f_2 \sigma_2) \right\|_{L^{q, \infty}(\sigma_3)} \leq N_{\text{weak}} \prod_{i=1}^{2} \left\| f_i \right\|_{L^{p_i}(\sigma_i)}$$

holds if and only if $\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}, (i, j, k)} < \infty$, for any triple $(i, j, k) \in \Omega$ and $i \neq 3$.

Moreover, the best constants satisfy

$$N \sim \sum_{(i, j, k) \in \Omega} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}, (i, j, k)}, \quad N_{\text{weak}} \sim \sum_{i \neq 3, (i, j, k) \in \Omega} \mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}, (i, j, k)}.$$

**Proof of Theorem 1.3.** By Lemma 4.1, it suffices to show

$$\mathcal{T}_{\mathcal{I}, (i, j, k)} \lesssim \left\| [\overline{\sigma}] \right\|_{(i, j, k), \overline{\sigma}_i}, \quad \text{for each } (i, j, k) \in \Omega.$$

By symmetry, we only focus on estimating the case $(i, j, k) = (1, 2, 3)$. For convenience, we write $q = p_3$, $p = p_{12}$ and $\gamma = \gamma_{(1, 2, 3)}$. From now on, we fix the cube $R \in D$ and introduce the notations

$$\mathcal{A}(R) := \left\| \sum_{Q \subset \mathcal{I}} |Q|^{\frac{p_i}{\gamma}} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_Q \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_Q^1 \right\|_{L^q(R, w)},$$

$$\mathcal{B}(Q) := \left( |Q|^{\frac{m}{\gamma}} \prod_{i=1}^{m} \langle \sigma_i \rangle_Q^\gamma \right)^{\frac{1}{p_i}} \cdot \langle w \rangle_Q \gamma(Q) \varepsilon_1(\gamma(Q)).$$
Then, we make a partition of $\mathcal{I}$ by setting
\[ \mathcal{I}_{a,b} := \{ Q \in \mathcal{I} : Q \subset R, 2^a < \mathcal{B}(Q) \leq 2^{a+1}, 2^b < \gamma(Q) \leq 2^{b+1} \}. \]

Note that $2^a \leq \lvert Q \rvert \leq [\lvert Q \rvert]_{(1,2,3), \xi}$. Now we construct the stopping cubes $\mathcal{F}$. Let $\mathcal{F}$ be the minimal subset of $\mathcal{I}_{a,b}$ containing the maximal cubes in $\mathcal{I}_{a,b}$ such that whenever $F \in \mathcal{F}$, the maximal cubes $Q \subset F$, $Q \in \mathcal{I}_{a,b}$ with $|Q|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_Q \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_Q > 4|F|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F$ are also in $\mathcal{F}$. Denote by $\pi_\mathcal{F}(Q)$ the minimal cube in $\mathcal{F}$ which contains $Q$. Denote $\mathcal{I}^k_{a,b} := \{ Q \in \mathcal{I}_{a,b} : |Q|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_Q \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_Q \approx 2^{-k} |\pi_\mathcal{F}(Q)|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_{\pi_\mathcal{F}(Q)} \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_{\pi_\mathcal{F}(Q)} \}$. Then Minkowski inequality implies that
\[ \mathcal{A}(R) \leq \sum_{a,b,k=1}^{\infty} \left\| \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{I}^k_{a,b}} |Q|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_Q \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_Q \mathbf{1}_Q \right\|_{L^q(w)} := \sum_{a,b,k=1}^{\infty} \Theta^k_{a,b}. \]  

(4.1)

For each $F \in \mathcal{F}$, write
\[ \Psi_F := \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{I}^k_{a,b}, \pi_\mathcal{F}(Q) = F} |Q|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_Q \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_Q, \quad \Psi_{F,j} := \Psi_F \mathbf{1}_{|\Psi_F| \approx 2^{-j} |F|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F}. \]

Making use of Hölder inequality, we may obtain that
\[ \Theta^k_{a,b} \leq \left\| \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{-\frac{a}{q} - j} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \Psi_{F,j} \right)^q \right\|^{\frac{1}{q}}_{L^q(w)} \]
\[ \leq \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{-\frac{a}{q} - j} \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{\frac{2}{q} - j} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \Psi_F^q \right\|^{\frac{1}{q}}_{L^1(w)} \]
\[ \lesssim \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{2(q-1)} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \int_{Q_0} \Psi_{F,j}(x)^q w \, dx \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \]

(4.2)

Therefore, we are in a position to consider the contribution of the integral in the above inequality. Before doing that, we first claim that the following estimate is true:
\[ w\left( \{ x; \Psi_F(x) > \lambda 2^{-k} |F|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F \} \right) \lesssim 2^{-\lambda} w(F). \]

(4.3)

By (4.3) and noticing the fact that the set $\{ x; \Psi_F(x) > \lambda 2^{-k} |F|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F \}$ coincides with $F$ if $0 < \lambda < j/2$ and is empty if $\lambda > j$, it is easy to get that
\[ \int_0^\infty q \lambda^{q-1} w\left( \{ x; \Psi_F(x) > \lambda 2^{-k} |F|^\frac{a}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F \} \right) d\lambda \lesssim j^q 2^{-\frac{q}{2}} w(F). \]

Hence, it now follows that
\[ \int_{Q_0} \Psi_{F,j}(x)^q w \, dx \lesssim 2^{-kq} |F|^\frac{aq}{q} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F^q \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F^q \left( j^q 2^{-\frac{q}{2}} w(F) \right). \]

(4.4)
Collecting the inequalities (4.2) and (4.4), we have

\[
\left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Theta_{a,b}^k \right)^q \lesssim \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-k} \right)^q \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{jq - 2\beta - \frac{\beta}{n}} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} |F|^{\frac{aq}{p}} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F^{\frac{q}{2}} \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F^{\frac{q}{2}} w(F) \\
\lesssim \frac{2^a}{2^b \epsilon_1(2^b)} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}} \left( |F|^{\frac{q}{p}} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F \right)^\frac{q}{p} |F|.
\]

Let $\mathcal{F}^*$ be the maximal elements of $\mathcal{F}$, then we obtain

\[
\left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \Theta_{a,b}^k \right)^q \lesssim \frac{2^a}{2^b \epsilon_1(2^b)} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}^*, F \supset \mathcal{F}} \int_{E(F)} \mathcal{M}_\alpha(1_{F*} \sigma_1, 1_{F*} \sigma_2)(x)^\frac{q}{p} \, dx
\]
\[
\leq \frac{2^a}{2^b \epsilon_1(2^b)} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}^*, F \supset \mathcal{F}} \int_{E(F)} \mathcal{M}_\alpha(1_{F*} \sigma_1, 1_{F*} \sigma_2)(x)^\frac{q}{p} \, dx
\]
\[
\leq \frac{2^a}{\epsilon_1(2^b)} \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}^*} \nu_{\mathcal{F}^*}(F^*)^\frac{q}{p} \leq \frac{2^a}{\epsilon_1(2^b)} \left( \sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}^*} \nu_{\mathcal{F}^*}(F^*) \right)^\frac{q}{p}
\]
\[
\leq \frac{2^a}{\epsilon_1(2^b)} \nu_{\mathcal{F}^*}(R)^\frac{q}{p} \leq \frac{2^a}{\epsilon_1(2^b)} \left[ \sigma_1(R)^\frac{1}{p_1} \sigma_2(R)^\frac{1}{p_2} \right]^q.
\]

Consequently, the equation (4.1) gives that

\[
\mathcal{A}(R) \lesssim \sum_{a,b} \frac{2^{a/q}}{\epsilon_1(2^b)^{1/q}} \sigma_1(R)^\frac{1}{p_1} \sigma_2(R)^\frac{1}{p_2}
\]
\[
\lesssim \left[ [\mathcal{S}]_{1/2,3,\epsilon_1} \right]^{1/q} \int_1^\infty \frac{dt}{t^{\epsilon_1}(t)^{1/q}} \sigma_1(R)^\frac{1}{p_1} \sigma_2(R)^\frac{1}{p_2}.
\]

This shows that

\[
\mathcal{F}_{1/2,3} \lesssim [\mathcal{S}]_{1/2,3,\epsilon_1}.
\]

We are left to prove the claim (4.3). If $w$ is the Lebesgue measure, the inequality is obvious. For any $Q \in \mathcal{J}^k_{a,b}$ satisfying $\pi_{\mathcal{F}}(Q) = F$, it holds that

\[
2^a \simeq \mathcal{B}(Q) \simeq (2^{-k} |F|^{\frac{q}{p}} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F)^\frac{q}{p} w \sigma_2(R)^2.
\]

Let $\mathcal{J}^{k,*}_{a,b}$ be the maximal cubes in $\mathcal{J}^k_{a,b}$ and

\[
\Lambda_F := \frac{2^a}{2^b \epsilon_1(2^b)} \left( 2^{-k} |F|^{\frac{q}{p}} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F \right)^{-\frac{q}{p}}.
\]

Note that the set $\{x; \Psi_F(x) > \lambda 2^{-k} |F|^{\frac{q}{p}} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F \}$ is the union of maximal cubes $P \in \mathcal{J}^k_{a,b}$ with $\pi_{\mathcal{F}}(P) = F$ and $\inf_{x \in P} \Psi_F(x) > \lambda 2^{-k} |F|^{\frac{q}{p}} \langle \sigma_1 \rangle_F \langle \sigma_2 \rangle_F$. Then, it yields
that
\[
\begin{align*}
\lambda \varepsilon F \{ x ; \Psi_F(x) > \lambda 2^{-k} |F|^{\alpha} (\sigma_1) F(\sigma_2) \} & \\
\approx \Lambda_F \{ x ; \Psi_F(x) > \lambda 2^{-k} |F|^{\alpha} (\sigma_1) F(\sigma_2) \} & \\
\lesssim \Lambda_F 2^{-\lambda} \sum_{Q^* \in \mathcal{Q}^*_a,b} |Q^*| & \lesssim 2^{-\lambda} \sum_{Q^* \in \mathcal{Q}^*_a,b} w(Q^*) & \\
\lesssim 2^{-\lambda} w(F). & \quad \square
\end{align*}
\]

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