

CONTINUITY OF GENERALIZED RIESZ POTENTIALS FOR DOUBLE PHASE FUNCTIONALS

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Abstract. In this note, we are concerned with the continuity of generalized Riesz potentials $I_{p,\mu,\tau}f$ of functions in Morrey spaces $L^{\Phi,\nu,\kappa}(X)$ of double phase functionals over bounded non-doubling metric measure spaces.

1. Introduction

The double phase functional introduced by Zhikov ([27]) is studied intensively by many mathematicians. Regarding regularity theory of differential equations, Baroni, Colombo and Mingione [1, 4, 5] studied a double phase functional

$$\tilde{\Phi}(x, t) = t^p + a(x)t^q, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^N, \quad t \geq 0$$

where $1 \leq p < q$, $a(\cdot)$ is non-negative, bounded and Hölder continuous of order $\theta \in (0, 1]$. We refer to [10, 26] for Calderón–Zygmund estimates, [12, 15] for the Sobolev’s inequality and e.g. [3, 7, 8, 9] for other double phase problems.

In the present note, relaxing the continuity of $a(\cdot)$, we consider the case $\Phi(x, t)$ is a double phase functional given by

$$\Phi(x, t) = t^p + (b(x)t)^q,$$

where $1 < p < q$ and $b(\cdot)$ is non-negative, bounded and Hölder continuous of order $\theta \in (0, 1]$ (cf. [4]).

For $0 < \alpha < N$ and a locally integrable function f on \mathbf{R}^N the Riesz potential $I_\alpha f$ of order α is defined by

$$I_\alpha f(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^N} |x - y|^{\alpha - N} f(y) dy.$$

In [13] we discussed the continuity of Riesz potentials $I_\alpha f$ of functions in Morrey spaces $L^{\Phi,\nu}(\mathbf{R}^N)$ of the double phase functionals $\Phi(x, t)$ in the case $\alpha p < \nu < (\alpha +$

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$\theta)p$ and $(\alpha - 1)q < v < \alpha q$. We refer to [15, Section 5] for the L^Φ case and [14] for the $L^{p,v}$ case.

In the present note we shall extend [13, Theorem 4.1] from the Euclidean case to a non-doubling metric measure setting. We denote by (X, d, μ) a metric measure space, where X is a bounded set, d is a metric on X and μ is a nonnegative complete Borel regular outer measure on X which is finite in every bounded set. We often write X instead of (X, d, μ) . For $x \in X$ and $r > 0$, we denote by $B(x, r)$ the open ball in X centered at x with radius r and $d_X = \sup\{d(x, y) : x, y \in X\}$. We assume that

$$\mu(\{x\}) = 0$$

for $x \in X$ and $0 < \mu(B(x, r)) < \infty$ for $x \in X$ and $r > 0$ for simplicity. We do not assume that μ has a so-called doubling condition. So our results are for non-doubling metric measure spaces. Recall that a Radon measure μ is said to be doubling if there exists a constant $c_0 > 0$ such that $\mu(B(x, 2r)) \leq c_0\mu(B(x, r))$ for all $x \in \text{supp}(\mu)(= X)$ and $r > 0$ (see [2]). Otherwise μ is said to be non-doubling. For examples of non-doubling metric measure spaces we refer to [19, 22].

To obtain general results, we consider the family (ρ) of all functions ρ satisfying the following conditions: $\rho : (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is a measurable function such that

$$\int_0^r \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} < +\infty$$

for all sufficiently small $r > 0$ and there exists constants $0 < k < 1$, $0 < k_1 < k_2$ and $C_\rho > 0$ such that

$$\sup_{kr \leq s \leq r} \rho(s) \leq C_\rho \int_{k_1r}^{k_2r} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \tag{1}$$

for all $r > 0$ (e.g. [6, 23]). We do not postulate the doubling condition on ρ .

EXAMPLE 1. If ρ satisfies the doubling condition, that is, there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that $C^{-1} \leq \rho(r)/\rho(s) \leq C$ for $1/2 \leq r/s \leq 2$, then ρ satisfies (1) whenever $k = 1/2$ and $2k_1 = k_2$. If ρ is increasing, then ρ satisfies (1) with $k = 1/2$, $k_1 = 1$ and $k_2 = 2$. If $\alpha > 0$ such that

$$\rho(r) = \begin{cases} r^\alpha & (0 < r < 1) \\ e^{-(r-1)} & (r \geq 1), \end{cases}$$

then ρ satisfies (1) with $k = 1/2$, $k_1 = 1/4$ and $k_2 = 1/2$. See also [18, Lemma 2.5], [20, 23] and [25, Remark 2.2].

For a function $\rho \in (\rho)$ and $\tau \geq 1$, we define the generalized Riesz potential $I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f$ of f by

$$I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f(x) = \int_X \frac{\rho(d(x, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))} d\mu(y),$$

where $f \in L^1(X)$. We write $I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f = I_{\alpha, \mu, \tau} f$ when $\rho(r) = r^\alpha$ for $\alpha > 0$. If $\rho(r) = r^\alpha$, $0 < \alpha < N$ and $X = \mathbf{R}^N$ with the usual distance and the Lebesgue measure, then $I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f$ is equal to $I_\alpha f$. We refer to [21, 24] etc. for the study of $I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f$.

Our aim in this note is to discuss the continuity of generalized Riesz potential $I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f$ of functions f in Morrey spaces $L^{\Phi, \nu, \kappa}(X)$ of the double phase functionals over bounded non-doubling metric measure spaces X (Theorem 1), as an extension of [13, Theorem 4.1].

2. Statement of the main Theorem

Throughout this paper, let C denote various constants independent of the variables in question.

For $\nu > 0$, $\kappa \geq 1$ and $1 \leq p < \infty$, Morrey space $L^{p, \nu, \kappa}(X)$ is the family of measurable functions f on X satisfying

$$\|f\|_{L^{p, \nu, \kappa}(X)} = \left(\sup_{x \in X, 0 < r < d_X} \frac{r^\nu}{\mu(B(x, \kappa r))} \int_{B(x, r)} |f(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} < \infty$$

(cf. see [16]).

We consider a function

$$\Phi(x, t) : X \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$$

satisfying the following conditions $(\Phi 1)$ and $(\Phi 2)$:

$(\Phi 1)$ $\Phi(\cdot, t)$ is measurable on X for each $t \geq 0$ and $\Phi(x, \cdot)$ is convex on $[0, \infty)$ for each $x \in X$;

$(\Phi 2)$ there exists a constant $A_1 \geq 1$ such that

$$A_1^{-1} \leq \Phi(x, 1) \leq A_1 \quad \text{for all } x \in X.$$

For $\nu > 0$ and $\kappa \geq 1$, the Musielak-Orlicz-Morrey space $L^{\Phi, \nu, \kappa}(X)$ is defined by $L^{\Phi, \nu, \kappa}(X)$

$$= \left\{ f \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(X) : \sup_{x \in X, 0 < r < d_X} \frac{r^\nu}{\mu(B(x, \kappa r))} \int_{B(x, r)} \Phi\left(y, \frac{|f(y)|}{\lambda}\right) d\mu(y) < \infty \text{ for some } \lambda > 0 \right\}.$$

It is a Banach space with respect to the norm

$$\|f\|_{L^{\Phi, \nu, \kappa}(X)} = \inf \left\{ \lambda > 0 : \sup_{x \in X, 0 < r < d_X} \frac{r^\nu}{\mu(B(x, \kappa r))} \int_{B(x, r)} \Phi\left(y, \frac{|f(y)|}{\lambda}\right) d\mu(y) \leq 1 \right\}$$

(see [11, 17]).

In what follows, set

$$\Phi(x, t) = t^p + (b(x)t)^q,$$

where $1 \leq p < q$ and $b(\cdot)$ is non-negative, bounded and Hölder continuous of order $\theta \in (0, 1]$ (cf. [4]).

Our result is the following.

THEOREM 1. Let $\rho \in (\rho)$. Assume that there are constants $\eta > 0, \iota \geq 1$ and $C_0 > 0$ such that

$$\left| \frac{\rho(d(x,y))}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))} - \frac{\rho(d(z,y))}{\mu(B(z, \tau d(z,y)))} \right| \leq C_0 \left(\frac{d(x,z)}{d(x,y)} \right)^\eta \frac{\rho(d(x,y))}{\mu(B(x, \iota d(x,y)))} \tag{2}$$

whenever $d(x,z) \leq d(x,y)/2$. Abbreviate

$$\begin{aligned} \psi(r) \equiv & \int_0^{6k_2r} s^{-v/p+\theta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} + \int_0^{6k_2r} s^{-v/q} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} + r^\theta \int_{2k_1r}^{4k_2d_X} s^{-v/p} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\ & + r^\eta \int_{2k_1r}^{4k_2d_X} s^{-v/p-\eta+\theta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} + r^\eta \int_{2k_1r}^{4k_2d_X} s^{-v/q-\eta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \end{aligned}$$

for $x, z \in X$ and $0 < r \leq d_X$, where k_1 and k_2 are constants in (ρ) . If $1 \leq \kappa < \min\{\tau, \iota\}$, then there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$|b(x)I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f(x) - b(z)I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f(z)| \leq C\psi(d(x,z))$$

for all $x, z \in X$ and measurable functions f on X with $\|f\|_{L^{\Phi, v, \kappa}(X)} \leq 1$.

When $\rho(r) = r^\alpha$, we obtain the following corollary.

COROLLARY 1. Assume that there are constants $\eta > 0, \iota \geq 1$ and $C_0 > 0$ such that

$$\left| \frac{d(x,y)^\alpha}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))} - \frac{d(z,y)^\alpha}{\mu(B(z, \tau d(z,y)))} \right| \leq C_0 \left(\frac{d(x,z)}{d(x,y)} \right)^\eta \frac{d(x,y)^\alpha}{\mu(B(x, \iota d(x,y)))} \tag{3}$$

whenever $d(x,z) \leq d(x,y)/2$. Suppose

$$\max\{\alpha p, (\alpha - \eta + \theta)p\} < v < (\alpha + \theta)p$$

and

$$(\alpha - \eta)q < v < \alpha q.$$

If $1 \leq \kappa < \min\{\tau, \iota\}$, then there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$|b(x)I_{\alpha, \mu, \tau} f(x) - b(z)I_{\alpha, \mu, \tau} f(z)| \leq C \left\{ d(x,z)^{\alpha+\theta-v/p} + d(x,z)^{\alpha-v/q} \right\}$$

for all $x, z \in X$ and measurable functions f on X with $\|f\|_{L^{\Phi, v, \kappa}(X)} \leq 1$.

Compare this with [13, Theorem 4.1] and [15, Theorem 5].

REMARK 1. Assume that there are constants $\eta > 0, \iota \geq 1$ and $C_0 > 0$ such that (3) holds. Suppose

$$(\alpha - \eta)p < v < \alpha p.$$

If $1 \leq \kappa < \min\{\tau, \iota\}$, then there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

$$|I_{\alpha, \mu, \tau} f(x) - I_{\alpha, \mu, \tau} f(z)| \leq Cd(x,z)^{\alpha-v/p}$$

for all $x, z \in X$ and measurable functions f on X with $\|f\|_{L^{p, v, \kappa}(X)} \leq 1$. Compare this with [13, Remark 4.2].

REMARK 2. The referee kindly suggested that the case of $\rho : X \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ can be treated to discuss the continuity of more general Riesz potentials. But we do not go into details any more.

3. Proof of Theorem

Before giving a proof of Theorem 1, we prepare the following lemma.

LEMMA 1. Let $\beta \in \mathbf{R}$ and $\rho \in (\rho)$. Let f be a nonnegative function on X such that $\|f\|_{L^{p,v,\kappa}(X)} \leq 1$. If $1 \leq \kappa < \tau$, then there exist constants $C > 0$ such that

$$\int_{B(x,r)} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} d\mu(y) \leq C \int_0^{2k_2 r} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \tag{4}$$

and

$$\int_{X \setminus B(x,r)} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} d\mu(y) \leq C \int_{k_1 r}^{4k_2 dx} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \tag{5}$$

for all $x \in X$ and $0 < r \leq d_X$, where k_1 and k_2 are constants in (ρ) .

Proof. Let f be a nonnegative function on X such that $\|f\|_{L^{p,v,\kappa}(X)} \leq 1$. Take $\gamma \in \mathbf{R}$ such that $1 < \gamma \leq \min\{\tau/\kappa, 1/k, 2\}$. If $y \in B(x, \gamma^j r) \setminus B(x, \gamma^{j-1} r)$ and $j \in \mathbf{Z}$, then a geometric observation and (1) show

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} &\leq \frac{\max\{1, \gamma^{-\beta}\}}{\mu(B(x, \gamma^{j-1} \tau r))(\gamma^{j-1} r)^\beta} \sup_{\gamma^{j-1} r \leq s \leq \gamma^j r} \rho(s) \\ &\leq \frac{\max\{1, \gamma^{-\beta}\}}{\mu(B(x, \gamma^{j-1} \tau r))(\gamma^{j-1} r)^\beta} \sup_{k\gamma^j r \leq s \leq \gamma^j r} \rho(s) \\ &\leq \frac{C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^{-\beta}\}}{\mu(B(x, \gamma^{j-1} \tau r))(\gamma^{j-1} r)^\beta} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^j k_2 r} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \end{aligned}$$

by $\gamma \leq 1/k$. Using $\gamma \leq \tau/\kappa$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{B(x, \gamma^j r) \setminus B(x, \gamma^{j-1} r)} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^{-\beta}\}}{(\gamma^{j-1} r)^\beta} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^j k_2 r} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{\mu(B(x, \gamma^{j-1} \tau r))} \int_{B(x, \gamma^j r)} f(y) d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^{-\beta}\}}{(\gamma^{j-1} r)^\beta} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^j k_2 r} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \cdot \frac{1}{\mu(B(x, \kappa \gamma^j r))} \int_{B(x, \gamma^j r)} f(y) d\mu(y). \end{aligned}$$

By Hölder’s inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{B(x, \gamma^j r) \setminus B(x, \gamma^{j-1} r)} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^{-\beta}\}}{(\gamma^{j-1} r)^\beta} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^j k_2 r} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(B(x, \kappa \gamma^j r))} \int_{B(x, \gamma^j r)} f(y)^p d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq \frac{C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^{-\beta}\}}{(\gamma^{j-1}r)^\beta} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^j k_2 r} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \cdot (\gamma^j r)^{-v/p} \\
 &= C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^\beta\} (\gamma^j r)^{-v/p-\beta} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^j k_2 r} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\
 &\leq C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^\beta\} \max\{k_1^{v/p+\beta}, k_2^{v/p+\beta}\} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^j k_2 r} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Let j_0 be the smallest integer such that $k_2/k_1 \leq \gamma^{j_0}$. Using (6), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_{B(x,r)} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} d\mu(y) \\
 &= \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{B(x, \gamma^{-j}r) \setminus B(x, \gamma^{-j-1}r)} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} d\mu(y) \\
 &\leq C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^\beta\} \max\{k_1^{v/p+\beta}, k_2^{v/p+\beta}\} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{\gamma^{-j} k_1 r}^{\gamma^{-j} k_2 r} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\
 &\leq C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^\beta\} \max\{k_1^{v/p+\beta}, k_2^{v/p+\beta}\} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \int_{\gamma^{-j} k_1 r}^{\gamma^{-j+j_0} k_1 r} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\
 &\leq \max\{1, 2^\beta\} C_\rho j_0 \max\{k_1^{v/p+\beta}, k_2^{v/p+\beta}\} \int_0^{2k_2 r} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s},
 \end{aligned}$$

which proves (4).

Let j_1 be the smallest integer such that $d_X \leq \gamma^{j_1} r$. If we use (6),

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int_{X \setminus B(x,r)} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} d\mu(y) \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{j_1} \int_{B(x, \gamma^j r) \setminus B(x, \gamma^{j-1} r)} \frac{\rho(d(x,y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x,y)))d(x,y)^\beta} d\mu(y) \\
 &\leq C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^\beta\} \max\{k_1^{v/p+\beta}, k_2^{v/p+\beta}\} \sum_{j=1}^{j_1} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^j k_2 r} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\
 &\leq C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^\beta\} \max\{k_1^{v/p+\beta}, k_2^{v/p+\beta}\} \sum_{j=1}^{j_1} \int_{\gamma^j k_1 r}^{\gamma^{j+j_0} k_1 r} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\
 &\leq C_\rho \max\{1, \gamma^\beta\} j_0 \max\{k_1^{v/p+\beta}, k_2^{v/p+\beta}\} \int_{\gamma k_1 r}^{2\gamma^{j_1} k_2 r} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s} \\
 &\leq \max\{1, 2^\beta\} C_\rho j_0 \max\{k_1^{v/p+\beta}, k_2^{v/p+\beta}\} \int_{k_1 r}^{4k_2 d_X} s^{-v/p-\beta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, (5) follows. \square

Proof of Theorem 1. Let f be a nonnegative function on X such that $\|f\|_{L^{\Phi, \nu, \kappa}(X)} \leq 1$. First note from (2) that for $x, y \in X$ and $r = d(x, z)$

$$\begin{aligned} & |b(x)I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f(x) - b(z)I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f(z)| \\ & \leq b(x) \int_{B(x, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))} d\mu(y) \\ & \quad + b(z) \int_{B(x, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(z, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(z, \tau d(z, y)))} d\mu(y) \\ & \quad + |b(x) - b(z)| \int_{X \setminus B(x, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(z, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(z, \tau d(z, y)))} d\mu(y) \\ & \quad + b(x) \int_{X \setminus B(x, 2r)} \left| \frac{\rho(d(x, y))}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))} - \frac{\rho(d(z, y))}{\mu(B(z, \tau d(z, y)))} \right| f(y) d\mu(y) \\ & \leq C \left\{ b(x) \int_{B(x, 3r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))} d\mu(y) \right. \\ & \quad + b(z) \int_{B(z, 3r)} \frac{\rho(d(z, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(z, \tau d(z, y)))} d\mu(y) \\ & \quad + r^\theta \int_{X \setminus B(z, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(z, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(z, \tau d(z, y)))} d\mu(y) \\ & \quad \left. + r^\eta b(x) \int_{X \setminus B(x, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))d(x, y)^\eta} d\mu(y) \right\} \\ & = C \{I_1(x) + I_1(z) + I_2(z) + I_3(x)\}. \end{aligned}$$

For $I_1(x)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(x) & \leq \int_{B(x, 3r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))} |b(x) - b(y)| f(y) d\mu(y) \\ & \quad + \int_{B(x, 3r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))} b(y) f(y) d\mu(y) \\ & \leq C \int_{B(x, 3r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))d(x, y)^{-\theta}} d\mu(y) + \int_{B(x, 3r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))\{b(y)f(y)\}}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))} d\mu(y) \\ & = CI_{11}(x) + I_{12}(x). \end{aligned}$$

By (4), we obtain

$$I_{11}(x) \leq C \int_0^{6k_2 r} s^{-v/p+\theta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s},$$

and

$$I_{12}(x) \leq C \int_0^{6k_2 r} s^{-v/q} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s}.$$

For $I_2(z)$, we have by (5)

$$I_2(z) \leq Cr^\theta \int_{2k_1 r}^{4k_2 d_X} s^{-v/p} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s}.$$

Finally, for $I_3(x)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_3(x) &\leq r^\eta \int_{X \setminus B(x, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))d(x, y)^\eta} |b(x) - b(y)| f(y) d\mu(y) \\ &\quad + r^\eta \int_{X \setminus B(x, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y))}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))d(x, y)^\eta} b(y) f(y) d\mu(y) \\ &\leq Cr^\eta \int_{X \setminus B(x, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y)) f(y)}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))d(x, y)^{-\theta+\eta}} d\mu(y) \\ &\quad + r^\eta \int_{X \setminus B(x, 2r)} \frac{\rho(d(x, y)) \{b(y) f(y)\}}{\mu(B(x, \tau d(x, y)))d(x, y)^\eta} d\mu(y) \\ &= CI_{31}(x) + I_{32}(x). \end{aligned}$$

Note from (5) that

$$I_{31}(x) \leq Cr^\eta \int_{2k_1 r}^{4k_2 d_X} s^{-v/p-\eta+\theta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s}$$

and

$$I_{32}(x) \leq Cr^\eta \int_{2k_1 r}^{4k_2 d_X} s^{-v/q-\eta} \rho(s) \frac{ds}{s}.$$

Collecting these facts, we obtain

$$|b(x)I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f(x) - b(z)I_{\rho, \mu, \tau} f(z)| \leq C\psi(r).$$

Thus this theorem is proved. \square

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