# A weighted weak type estimate with power weights for sublinear operators

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**Abstract.** A weighted weak type estimate with power weights is established for sub-linear operators which satisfy certain size condition.

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### 1. Introduction

We will work on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . Let K(x) be a function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$ . A well known result of Stein [9] states that if K satisfies the size condition

$$|K(x)| \le C|x|^{-n}, \ x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$$

and the operator

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

is bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for some p with 1 , then <math>T is also bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$  provided that  $-n < \alpha < n(p-1)$ , where  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$  denotes the weighted Lebesgue space defined by

$$L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx) = \Big\{f \text{ is measurable on } \mathbb{R}^n \text{ and}$$
 
$$\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)}^p = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x)|^p |x|^{\alpha}dx < \infty\Big\}.$$

Soria and Weiss [8] gave some beautiful generalizations of Stein's result. In particular, they obtained the result of Stein in the case p=1. However, either the result of Stein or the result of Soria and Weiss does not apply to the commutators of singular integral operators. Lu and Yang [4], Hu, Lu and Yang [3], and Hu [2] established some boundedness results for sublinear operators on weighted  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (1 spaces with power weights, and

these boundedness results are very suitable for the commutators of singular integral operators. The main purpose of this paper is to give a weighted weak type estimate with power weights for certain sublinear operators. Our main result can be stated as follows.

**Theorem 1** Let m be a positive integer,  $-n < \beta_1 < \beta_2 < \infty$ , T be a sublinear operator which satisfies

$$|Tf(x)| \le \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |b(x) - b(y)|^m |K(x, y)f(y)| dy,$$
 (2)

where  $b \in BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , K(x, y) is a function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{(x, y) : x = y\}$ . Suppose that

(i) for some  $\gamma \geq m$ , T is bounded from  $L^1(\log L)^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to weak- $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , namely

$$\left|\left\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n \colon |Tf(x)| > \lambda\right\}\right| \le C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^{\gamma} \left(2 + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda}\right) dx;$$

(ii) for any  $0 < r < \infty$  and  $\beta_1 < \beta < \beta_2$ , the operator

$$S_r f(x) = \int_{r < |x-y| \le 2r} |K(x, y)| \log^m (2 + r^n |K(x, y)|) |f(y)| dy \quad (3)$$

is bounded on  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\beta}dx)$  with bound B and B is independent of

Then T is also bounded from  $L^1(\log L)^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$  to weak- $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$  provided that  $\beta_1 < \alpha < \beta_2$ , that is,

$$\int_{\left\{x\in\mathbb{R}^n\colon |Tf(x)|>\lambda\right\}}|x|^\alpha dx \leq C\!\int_{\mathbb{R}^n}\!\frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda}\log^\gamma\!\left(2+\frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda}\right)\!|x|^\alpha dx,\ \, (4)$$

with the constant C independent of f and  $\lambda$ .

Throughout this paper, C denotes the constants that are independent of the main parameters involved but whose value may differ from line to line. For  $r \geq 1$ , r' is the dual exponent of r, i.e., r' = r/(r-1). For any  $\gamma \geq 1$ , the function  $\Phi_{\gamma}$  is defined by

$$\Phi_{\gamma}(t) = t \log^{\gamma}(2+t), \quad t \ge 0.$$

## 2. Proof of Theorem 1

We begin with a preliminary lemma which will be important in the proof of Theorem 1 and has independent interest.

**Lemma 1** Let m, l and k be nonnegative integers. Then there is a positive constant  $C = C_{m,l,k}$  such that for any a > 0 and  $t_1, t_2, t_3 \ge 0$ ,

$$\Phi_l(t_1 t_2^m) \Phi_k(t_3) \le C \Phi_l(a^{-1}) \left( \Phi_{l+m}(at_1) \Phi_{l+m+k}(t_3) + \exp t_2 \right).$$

*Proof.* At first we claim that there is a positive constant C such that for any  $t_1, t_2, t_3 \geq 0$ ,

$$\Phi_l(t_1 t_2^m) \Phi_k(t_3) \le C(\Phi_{l+m}(t_1) \Phi_{l+m+k}(t_3) + \exp t_2).$$

In fact, if  $0 < t_3 \le 1$ , then we have

$$\Phi_l(t_1 t_2^m) \Phi_k(t_3) \le C \Phi_l(t_1 t_2^m) \le C \left( \Phi_{l+m}(t_1) + \exp t_2 \right) 
\le C \left( \Phi_{l+m}(t_1) \Phi_{l+m+k}(t_3) + \exp t_2 \right),$$

where in the second inequality we have employed the inequality

$$\Phi_l(t_1 t_2^m) \le C(\Phi_{l+m}(t_1) + \exp t_2),$$

see [6] or [7] for details. On the other hand, if  $t_3 > 1$ , a trivial computation leads to that

$$\Phi_{l}(t_{1}t_{2}^{m}) \leq \Phi_{l}(\Phi_{k}(t_{3})^{-1})\Phi_{l}(\Phi_{k}(t_{3})t_{1}t_{2}^{m}) 
\leq C\Phi_{k}(t_{3})^{-1}(\Phi_{l+m}(t_{1}\Phi_{k}(t_{3})) + \exp t_{2}) 
\leq C\Phi_{k}(t_{3})^{-1}(\Phi_{l+m}(t_{1})\Phi_{l+m+k}(t_{3}) + \exp t_{2}).$$

Lemma 1 now follows from the fact that

$$\Phi_l(t_1 t_2^m) \Phi_k(t_3) \le \Phi_l(a^{-1}) \Phi_l(a t_1 t_2^m) \Phi_k(t_3).$$

*Proof of* Theorem 1. By the John-Nirenberg inequality, there are positive constants  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  such that

$$\sup_{Q\subset\mathbb{R}^n}\frac{1}{|Q|}\int_{Q}\exp\Bigl(\frac{|b(x)-m_Q(b)|}{B_2\|b\|_{\mathrm{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)}}\Bigr)dx\leq B_1,$$

where Q is a ball,  $m_Q(b)$  is the mean value of b on Q, i.e.,  $m_Q(b) =$ 

 $|Q|^{-1}\int_{\Omega}b(y)dy$ . By homogeneity, it suffices to prove that

$$\int_{\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |Tf(x)| > 7DB_1\}} |x|^{\alpha} dx \le C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x)| \log^{\gamma} (2 + |f(x)|) |x|^{\alpha} dx,$$

where  $D = D_1 + D_2 + D_3$  with  $D_1$ ,  $D_2$ ,  $D_3$  positive constants which depend only on  $B_2$ , m and n, and will be chosen later. For each  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , set  $C_k = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : 2^k < |x| \le 2^{k+1}\}$ . Denote by  $\chi_j$  the characteristic function of  $C_j$ . For each fixed  $f \in L^1(\log L)^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$ , write

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)\chi_j(x) = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} f_j(x)$$

and

$$\int_{\{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |Tf(x)| > 7DB_1\}} |x|^{\alpha} dx$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha} \left| \left\{ x \in C_k : T\left(\sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} f_j\right)(x) > 3DB_1 \right\} \right|$$

$$+ C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha} \left| \left\{ x \in C_k : \left| T\left(\sum_{j=k-2}^{k+2} f_j\right)(x) \right| > DB_1 \right\} \right|$$

$$+ C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha} \left| \left\{ x \in C_k : \left| T\left(\sum_{j=k-2}^{k-3} f_j\right) \right| > 3DB_1 \right\} \right|$$

$$= E_1 + E_2 + E_3.$$

Since T is bounded from  $L^1(\log L)^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to weak- $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , it follows that

$$E_{2} \leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha} \sum_{j=k-2}^{k+2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} |f_{j}(x)| \log^{\gamma}(2 + |f_{j}(x)|) dx$$
$$\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} |f(x)| \log^{\gamma}(2 + |f(x)|) |x|^{\alpha} dx.$$

To estimate the term  $E_1$ , we choose a number  $\alpha_1$  such that  $\beta_1 < \alpha_1 < \alpha$  and write

$$E_1 \le C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha - k\alpha_1} \int_{\left\{x \in C_k : \left| T\left(\sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} f_j\right)(x) \right| > 3DB\right\}} |x|^{\alpha_1} dx.$$

Let  $A_j = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| \le 2^{j+1}\}$  and  $b_j$  be the mean value of b on  $A_j$ . By the John-Nirenberg inequality, we know that for any  $k, j \in \mathbb{Z}, |b_j - b_k| \le C|k-j|$ . Note that for  $x \in C_k$ ,

$$\begin{split} &T\Big(\sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty}f_j\Big)(x)\\ &\leq \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty}\int_{2^{j-2}\leq |x-y|\leq 2^{j+2}}|K(x,y)||b(x)-b(y)|^m|f_j(y)|dy\\ &\leq \sum_{l=0}^{m}\binom{m}{l}\sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty}|b(x)-b_j|^l\int_{2^{j-2}\leq |x-y|\leq 2^{j+2}}|b(y)-b_j|^{m-l}|K(x,y)f_j(y)|dy\\ &\leq C\sum_{l=0}^{m}\sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty}|b(x)-b_k|^l\int_{2^{j-2}\leq |x-y|\leq 2^{j+2}}|b(y)-b_j|^{m-l}|K(x,y)f_j(y)|dy\\ &+C\sum_{l=0}^{m}\sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty}(j-k)^l\int_{2^{j-2}\leq |x-y|\leq 2^{j+2}}|b(y)-b_j|^{m-l}|K(x,y)f_j(y)|dy\\ &= \mathrm{U}_kf(x)+\mathrm{V}_kf(x). \end{split}$$

By Lemma 1 (with  $t_1 = |b(y) - b_j|^{m-l} |K(x, y)| / (B_2 ||b||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)})^{m-l}$ ,  $t_2 = |b(x) - b_k| / (B_2 ||b||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)})$ ,  $t_3 = 1$ , and  $a = 2^{(k-j)\alpha_1} |C_k|$ ) we have

$$\leq C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_{1}}}{|C_{k}|} \exp\left(\frac{|b(x)-b_{k}|}{B_{2}||b||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^{n})}}\right) ||f_{j}||_{1} 
+ C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_{1}}}{|C_{k}|} 
\times \int_{2^{j-2} \leq |x-y| \leq 2^{j+2}} \Phi_{l}\left(\frac{|b(y)-b_{j}|^{m-l}|C_{k}|}{2^{(j-k)\alpha_{1}}(B_{2}||b||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^{n})})^{m-l}} \right) 
\times |K(x,y)|\right) ||f_{j}(y)||dy 
\leq C \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_{1}}}{|C_{k}|} \exp\left(\frac{|b(x)-b_{k}|}{B_{2}||b||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^{n})}}\right) ||f_{j}||_{1} 
+ C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_{1}}}{|C_{k}|}$$

$$\times \int_{2^{j-2} \le |x-y| \le 2^{j+2}} \Phi_l \left( \frac{|b(y) - b_j|^{m-l} |C_k|}{2^{(j-k)\alpha_1} (B_2 ||b||_{\text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)})^{m-l}} \right) \\
\times |K(x, y)| \left( |f_j(y)| \right) |K(x, y)| + |K(x, y)| \left( |f_j(y)| \right) |K(x, y)| \right) |K(x, y)| + |K(x, y)|$$

A standard computation leads to that

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha - k\alpha_1} \int_{\{C_k : U_k^I f(x) > DB_1\}} |x|^{\alpha_1} dx$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha - k\alpha_1} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} ||f_j||_1 \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_1}}{|C_k|}$$

$$\times \int_{C_k} \exp\left(\frac{|b(x) - b_k|}{B_2 ||b||_{\text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)}}\right) |x|^{\alpha_1} dx$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha - k\alpha_1} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} ||f_j||_1 \frac{2^{-j\alpha_1}}{|A_k|} \int_{A_k} \exp\left(\frac{|b(x) - b_k|}{B_2 ||b||_{\text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)}}\right) dx$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha - k\alpha_1} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} ||f_j||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)} 2^{j(\alpha_1 - \alpha)}$$

$$\leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} ||f_j||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)} 2^{j(\alpha_1 - \alpha)} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-3} 2^{k(\alpha - \alpha_1)}$$

$$\leq C ||f||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)}.$$

Let  $a_{k,j} = |C_j||C_k|^{-1}2^{j-k}2^{(j-k)\alpha_1}$ . It is obvious that for  $k, j \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $j \ge k+3$ ,  $a_{k,j} > 1$ . Another application of Lemma 1 with  $a = a_{k,j}$  yields

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{U}_{k}^{\Pi}f(x) \\ & \leq C \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_{1}}}{|C_{k}|a_{k,j}} \int_{C_{j}} \exp\left(\frac{|b(y)-b_{j}|}{B_{2}||b||_{\mathrm{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}}\right) dy \\ & + C \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_{1}}}{|C_{k}|a_{k,j}} \\ & \times \int_{2^{j-2} < |x-y| < 2^{j+2}} \Phi_{m}\left(\frac{a_{k,j}|C_{k}|}{2^{(j-k)\alpha_{1}}}|K(x,y)|\right) \Phi_{m}(|f_{j}(y)|) dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq C \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{2^{k-j}}{|A_j|} \int_{A_j} \exp\left(\frac{|b(y) - b_j|}{B_2 ||b||_{\text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)}}\right) dy$$

$$+ C \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{2^{k-j}}{|C_j|}$$

$$\times \int_{2^{j-2} \leq |x-y| \leq 2^{j+2}} \Phi_m \Big(|C_j| 2^{j-k} |K(x, y)|\Big) \Phi_m (|f_j(y)|) dy$$

$$\leq D_1 B_1 + C \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{(j-k)^m}{|C_j|}$$

$$\times \int_{2^{j-2} \leq |x-y| \leq 2^{j+2}} \Phi_m \Big(|C_j| |K(x, y)|\Big) \Phi_m (|f_j(y)|) dy.$$

This in turn implies that

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha - k\alpha_{1}} \int_{\{x \in C_{k} : U_{k}^{\Pi}f(x) > 2DB_{1}\}} |x|^{\alpha_{1}} dx$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha - k\alpha_{1}} \int_{\{x \in C_{k} : \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} \frac{(j-k)^{m}}{|C_{j}|}} \sum_{x \in C_{k} : \times \int_{2^{j-2} \le |x-y| \le 2^{j+2}} \Phi_{m}(|C_{j}||K(x,y)|) \}^{|x|^{\alpha_{1}}} dx$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k\alpha - k\alpha_{1}} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} (j-k)^{m} \|S_{2^{j}}(\Phi_{m}(|f_{j}|))\|_{L^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{n}, |x|^{\alpha_{1}}dx)}$$

$$\leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \|\Phi_{m}(|f_{j}|)\|_{L^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{n}, |x|^{\alpha}dx)} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-3} (j-k)^{m} 2^{(k-j)(\alpha-\alpha_{1})}$$

$$\leq C \|\Phi_{m}(|f|)\|_{L^{1}(\mathbb{R}^{n}, |x|^{\alpha}dx)}.$$

Similarly, for each fixed  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $x \in C_k$ , we can easily deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{V}_{k}f(x) \\ & \leq C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} (j-k)^{l} \frac{2^{k-j}}{|C_{j}|} \int_{C_{j}} \exp\left(\frac{|b(y)-b_{j}|}{B_{2}||b||_{\mathrm{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}}\right) dy \\ & + C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} (j-k)^{l} \frac{2^{k-j}}{|C_{j}|} \end{aligned}$$

$$\times \int_{2^{j-2} \le |x-y| \le 2^{j+2}} \Phi_{m-l} (|C_j| 2^{(j-k)} | K(x,y) || f_j(y) |) dy$$

$$\le D_2 B_1 + C \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} (j-k)^{2m} \frac{1}{|C_j|}$$

$$\times \int_{2^{j-2} \le |x-y| \le 2^{j+2}} \Phi_m (|C_j| |K(x,y)|) \Phi_m (|f_j(y)|) dy.$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k(\alpha-\alpha_1)} \int_{\{x \in C_k : V_k f(x) > 2DB_1\}} |x|^{\alpha_1} dx$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k(\alpha-\alpha_1)} \sum_{j=k+3}^{\infty} (j-k)^{2m} ||S_{2^j}(\Phi_m(|f_j|))||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha_1} dx)}$$

$$\leq C ||\Phi_m(|f|)||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)}.$$

Now we turn our attention to the term E<sub>3</sub>. Take  $\alpha_2$  such that  $\alpha < \alpha_2 < \beta_2$  and write

$$E_{3} \leq \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k(\alpha-\alpha_{2})} \int_{\left\{x \in C_{k}: \left|T\left(\sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} f_{j}\right)(x)\right| > 3DB_{1}\right\}} |x|^{\alpha_{2}} dx.$$

A familiar argument involving Lemma 1 tells us that for each fixed  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $x \in C_k$ ,

$$\left| T \left( \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} f_j \right)(x) \right|$$

$$\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} \int_{2^{k-2} \le |x-y| \le 2^{k+2}} |K(x, y)| |b(x) - b(y)|^m |f_j(y)| dy$$

$$\leq C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} |b(x) - b_k|^l$$

$$\times \int_{2^{k-2} \le |x-y| \le 2^{k+2}} |b(y) - b_k|^{m-l} |K(x, y) f_j(y)| dy$$

$$\leq C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_2}}{|C_k|} \exp\left(\frac{|b(x) - b_k|}{B_2 ||b||_{\text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)}}\right) ||f_j||_1$$

$$+ C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_2}}{|C_k|}$$

$$\times \int_{2^{k-2} \le |x-y| \le 2^{k+2}} \Phi_l \left( \frac{|b(y) - b_k|^{m-l} |C_k|}{2^{(j-k)\alpha_2} (B_2 ||b||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)})^{m-l}} |K(x, y)| \right)$$

$$\times |f_j(y)| dy$$

$$\le C \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_2}}{|C_k|} \exp\left( \frac{|b(x) - b_k|}{B_2 ||b||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)}} \right) ||f_j||_1$$

$$+ C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} \frac{2^{(j-k)\alpha_2}}{|C_k|}$$

$$\times \int_{2^{k-2} \le |x-y| \le 2^{k+2}} \Phi_l \left( \frac{|b(y) - b_k|^{m-l} |C_k|}{2^{(j-k)\alpha_2} (B_2 ||b||_{BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)})^{m-l}} |K(x, y)| \right)$$

$$\times |f_j(y)| dy$$

$$= W_k^I f(x) + W_k^{II} f(x).$$

For  $W_k^I$ , we have

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k(\alpha-\alpha_2)} \int_{\{x \in C_k : |W_k^I f(x)| > DB_1\}} |x|^{\alpha_2} dx$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k(\alpha-\alpha_2)} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} 2^{j\alpha_2} ||f_j||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)}$$

$$\leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} ||f_j||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)} \sum_{k=j+3}^{\infty} 2^{(k-j)(\alpha-\alpha_2)}$$

$$\leq C ||f||_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)}.$$

Applying Lemma 1 with  $\widetilde{a_{k,j}} = 2^{k-j} 2^{(j-k)\alpha_2}$ , we have that

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{W}_{k}^{\mathrm{II}}f(x) \\ & \leq C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} \frac{\Phi_{l}(\widetilde{a_{k,j}}^{-1})2^{(j-k)\alpha_{2}}}{|C_{k}|} \int_{C_{k}} \exp\left(\frac{|b(y) - b_{k}|}{B_{2}||b||_{\mathrm{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^{n})}}\right) dy \\ & + C \sum_{l=0}^{m} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} \frac{\Phi_{l}(\widetilde{a_{k,j}}^{-1})2^{(j-k)\alpha_{2}}}{|C_{k}|} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{split} & \times \int_{C_k} \Phi_m \Big( \frac{\widetilde{a_{k,j}} |C_k|}{2^{(j-k)\alpha_2}} |K(x,\,y)| \Big) \Phi_m(|f_j(y)|) dy \\ \leq D_3 B_1 + C \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} \frac{(k-j)^{m(1+\max(0,\,\alpha_2-1))}}{|C_k|} \\ & \qquad \qquad \times \int_{C_k} \Phi_m \Big(|C_k| |K(x,\,y)| \Big) \Phi_m(|f_j(y)|) dy. \end{split}$$

This together with our hypothesis states that

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k(\alpha-\alpha_2)} \int_{\{x \in C_k : W_k^{\text{II}} f(x) > 2DB_1\}} |x|^{\alpha_2} dx$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{k(\alpha-\alpha_2)} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{k-3} (k-j)^{2m} \left\| S_{2^k} \left( \Phi_m(|f_j|) \right) \right\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha_2} dx)}$$

$$\leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \| \Phi_m(|f_j|) \|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)} \sum_{k=j+3}^{\infty} (k-j)^{2m} 2^{(j-k)(\alpha_2-\alpha)}$$

$$\leq C \| \Phi_m(f) \|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)}.$$

**Remark** Repeating the proof of Theorem 1, we can obtain

**Theorem 2** Let  $-n < \beta_1 < \beta_2 < \infty$ , T be a sublinear operator which satisfies

$$|Tf(x)| \le \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |K(x, y)| \frac{R_{m+1}(A; x, y)}{|x - y|^m} |f(y)| dy$$

where K(x, y) is a function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{(x, y) : x \neq y\}$ , m is a positive integer,  $R_{m+1}(A; x, y) = A(x) - \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} \{\partial^{\alpha} A(y)/\alpha!\}(x-y)^{\alpha}$ , and A has derivatives of order m in  $BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Suppose that

- (i) for some  $\gamma \geq 1$ , T is bounded from  $L^1(\log L)^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to weak- $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ;
- (ii) for any  $0 < r < \infty$  and  $\beta_1 < \beta < \beta_2$ , the operator

$$S_r f(x) = \int_{r < |x-y| \le 2r} \Phi(r^n |K(x, y)|) |f(y)| dy$$

is bounded on  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\beta}dx)$  with bound  $Br^n$  and B is independent of r.

Then T is also bounded from  $L^1(\log L)^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$  to weak- $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$  provided that  $\beta_1 < \alpha < \beta_2$ .

## 3. Application

This section is devoted to an application of Theorem 1. We consider the sublinear operator which satisfies the size condition

$$|Tf(x)| \le \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |b(x) - b(y)|^m \frac{|\Omega(x-y)|}{|x-y|^n} |f(y)| dy,$$
 (5)

where m is a positive integer and  $b \in BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $\Omega$  is homogeneous of degree zero. Note that if  $\Omega \in L^q(S^{n-1})$  for some q > 1, then  $\Phi_m(|\Omega|) \in L^{q-\epsilon}(S^{n-1})$  for any positive integer m and  $\epsilon$  with  $0 < \epsilon < q$ , and in this case, the operator

$$R_r f(x) = \frac{1}{r^n} \int_{r < |x-y| \le 2r} \Phi_m(|\Omega(x-y)|) |f(y)| dy$$

is bounded on  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha} dx)$  with bound independent of r provided that  $-1 - (n-1)/q' < \alpha < 0$  (this can be proved, using the estimate

$$\left(\int_{S^{n-1}} \left(r^{-1} \int_{x}^{2r} |y - su|^{\alpha} ds\right)^{q'} d\sigma(u)\right)^{1/q'} \le C|y|^{\alpha},$$

cf. [1, page 874]). On the other hand, if  $\Omega \in L(\log L)^m(S^{n-1})$ , i.e.

$$\int_{S^{n-1}} |\Omega(x)| \log^m (2 + |\Omega(x)|) dx < \infty,$$

then the operator  $R_r$  is bounded on  $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$  provided that  $-1 < \alpha \le 0$  (this can be proved, using the estimate  $r^{-1} \int_r^{2r} |y - su|^{\alpha} ds \le C|y|^{\alpha}$ , cf. [1, page 874]). Thus by Theorem 1, we have

Corollary 1 Let T be a sublinear operator which satisfies the size condition (5). Suppose when q > 1,  $\Omega \in L^q(S^{n-1})$ ; or when q = 1,  $\Omega \in L(\log L)^m(S^{n-1})$ . If T is bounded from  $L^1(\log L)^m(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to weak- $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $-1-(n-1)/q' < \alpha < 0$ , then T is also bounded from  $L^1(\log L)^m(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$  to weak- $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n, |x|^{\alpha}dx)$ .

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