

L^p ESTIMATES FOR THE RIESZ TRANSFORMS ASSOCIATED WITH PARABOLIC SCHRÖDINGER TYPE OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT. Let $\mathcal{P}_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (-\Delta)^2 + V^2$ be the parabolic Schrödinger type operator on \mathbb{R}^{n+1} ($n \geq 5$), where the nonnegative potential V is independent of t and belongs to the reverse Hölder class RH_s ($s \geq n/2$) and the Gaussian class associated with $(-\Delta)^2$. In this paper, we will establish the L^p estimates for the Riesz transforms $V^{2\alpha} \nabla^j \mathcal{P}_2^{-\beta}$, where $j = 0, 1, 2, 3$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1 - j/4$, $j/4 < \beta \leq 1$, and $\beta - \alpha \geq j/4$.

1. INTRODUCTION AND RESULTS

For $1 < s < \infty$, a nonnegative locally L^s -integrable function V is said to belong to the reverse Hölder class RH_s if there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that the reverse Hölder inequality

$$\left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B V(y)^s dy \right)^{1/s} \leq \frac{C}{|B|} \int_B V(y) dy$$

holds for every ball $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$.

Clearly, if V belongs to RH_s with $s > 1$, then V is a Muckenhoupt A_∞ weight; see [10]. From weight theory, we know that $V(x)dx$ is a doubling measure, and the class RH_s has self-improvement property [14]; that is, if $V \in RH_s$ for some $s > 1$, then there exists $\epsilon > 0$ such that $V \in RH_{s+\epsilon}$.

Let $\mathcal{H}_2 = (-\Delta)^2 + V^2$ be the Schrödinger type operator on \mathbb{R}^n , where $n \geq 5$. In [16], it is stated that a locally integrable function V belongs to the Gaussian class associated with $(-\Delta)^2$, denoted by $V \in G((-\Delta)^2)$, if the operator \mathcal{H}_2 generates a C_0 semigroup $\{e^{-t\mathcal{H}_2}\}_{t>0}$ on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ whose kernel $e^{-t\mathcal{H}_2}(x, y)$ satisfies the Gaussian upper bound. Specifically, there exist constants C and c such that

$$|e^{-t\mathcal{H}_2}(x, y)| \leq C t^{-\frac{n}{4}} \exp \left\{ -c \frac{|x - y|^{\frac{4}{3}}}{t^{\frac{1}{3}}} \right\}$$

holds for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $t > 0$.

It is a non-trivial fact that the class $G((-\Delta)^2)$ is not empty, and an example is given in [2].

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Consider the parabolic Schrödinger type operator

$$\mathcal{P}_k = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (-\Delta)^k + V^k, \quad k = 1, 2$$

on \mathbb{R}^{n+1} ($n \geq 2k + 1$), where V is a nonnegative potential and independent of the variable t . When $V \in RH_s$ for $s \geq n/2$, Gao and Jiang in [7] showed the L^p boundedness of $V\mathcal{P}_1^{-1}$. Based on this result, they obtained the L^p boundedness of operator $\nabla^2\mathcal{P}_1^{-1}$. Carbonaro et al. in [4] improved the results in [7] by the potential V with the variables x, t , which is essentially the generalization to \mathbb{R}^{n+1} of the condition of [7]. Suppose $V \in RH_s$ with $n/2 \leq s < n$, Tang and Han [15] established the L^p boundedness of $\nabla\mathcal{P}_1^{-\frac{1}{2}}$; they also obtained the L^p boundedness of $V^{\frac{1}{2}}\nabla\mathcal{P}_1^{-1}$. As for the parabolic Schrödinger type operator \mathcal{P}_2 , Liu et al. established estimate for the fundamental solution of $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + (-\Delta)^2u + V^2u + \lambda u = 0$ in [9], and obtained the L^p estimate for $V^{2\alpha}\mathcal{P}_2^{-\alpha}$, $0 < \alpha \leq 1$. Using this result, they got the L^p boundedness of operator $\nabla^4\mathcal{P}_2^{-1}$.

We recall some related results of the Schrödinger operator $\mathcal{H}_1 = -\Delta + V$ and the Schrödinger type operator \mathcal{H}_2 . In [12], Sugano researched the (L^p, L^q) boundedness of operator $V^\alpha\nabla^j\mathcal{H}_1^{-\beta}$ for $j = 0, 1, 0 < \alpha \leq \beta \leq 1$. Liu in [8] extended the result of [12] to the stratified Lie group. Recently, Wang in [18] obtained the (L^p, L^q) boundedness of operator $V^{2\alpha}\mathcal{H}_2^{-\beta}$ for $0 < \alpha \leq \beta \leq 1$, the author of this article in [17] obtained the (L^p, L^q) boundedness of operators $V^{2\alpha}\nabla^j\mathcal{H}_2^{-\beta}$ for $j = 1, 2, 3, 0 < \alpha \leq 1 - j/4, j/4 < \beta \leq 1$, and $\beta - \alpha \geq j/4$.

Inspired by the above results, in this paper, we concentrate on the (L^p, L^q) boundedness of Riesz transforms

$$T_j(f)(x, t) = V^{2\alpha}\nabla^j\mathcal{P}_2^{-\beta}(f)(x, t), \quad j = 0, 1, 2, 3$$

and their adjoint operators T_j^* . The following (L^p, L^q) estimates are established.

Theorem 1.1. *For $j = 0, 1, 2, 3$, let $0 < \alpha \leq 1 - j/4, j/4 < \beta \leq 1$, and $\beta - \alpha \geq j/4$. Suppose $V \in G((-\Delta)^2) \cap RH_s$ with $s \geq \frac{2n}{4-j}$.*

(i) *If $1 < p \leq \left(\frac{2\alpha}{s} + \frac{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}{n+4}\right)^{-1}$, and $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}{n+4}$, then*

$$\|T_j(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})};$$

(ii) *If $\left(\frac{s}{2\alpha}\right)' \leq p < \frac{n+4}{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}$, and $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}{n+4}$, then*

$$\|T_j^*(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})}.$$

Theorem 1.2. For $j = 1, 2, 3$, let $0 < \alpha \leq 1 - j/4$, $j/4 < \beta \leq 1$, and $\beta - \alpha \geq j/4$. Suppose $V \in G((-\Delta)^2) \cap RH_s$ with $\frac{n}{2} \leq s < \frac{2n}{4-j}$.

(i) If $1 < p \leq \left(\frac{1}{p_\alpha} + \frac{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}{n+4} \right)^{-1}$, and $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}{n+4}$, then

$$\|T_j(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})};$$

(ii) If $p'_\alpha \leq p < \frac{n+4}{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}$, and $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}{n+4}$, then

$$\|T_j^*(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})},$$

where $\frac{1}{p_\alpha} = \frac{2\alpha+2}{s} - \frac{4-j}{n}$.

We collect the notation to be used throughout this paper:

$$\nabla_x = (\partial_{x_1}, \partial_{x_2}, \dots, \partial_{x_n}), \quad B = B(x_0, r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : |y - x_0| < r\},$$

$$Q = Q_r(x_0, t_0) = \{(x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : |x - x_0| < r, t_0 - r^4 < t \leq t_0\}.$$

In this paper, we shall use the symbol $A \lesssim B$ to indicate that there exists a universal positive constant C , independent of all important parameters, such that $A \leq CB$. $A \sim B$ means that $A \lesssim B$ and $B \lesssim A$. We also use C_N to represent a constant related to a positive integer N .

2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout this section we always assume $V \in RH_s$ with $s \geq n/2$.

We recall the definition of the auxiliary function (see [11])

$$\frac{1}{m(x, V)} = \sup \left\{ r > 0 : \frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{B(x, r)} V(y) dy \leq 1 \right\}, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

It is well known that $0 < m(x, V) < \infty$ for any $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

Some important properties concerning the auxiliary function $m(x, V)$ have been proved by Shen in [11].

Lemma 2.1. *There exists constant $l_0 > 0$ such that*

$$\frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{B(x, r)} V(y) dy \lesssim (1 + rm(x, V))^{l_0}.$$

Lemma 2.2. *For $0 < r < R < \infty$, we have*

$$\frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{B(x, r)} V(y) dy \lesssim \left(\frac{R}{r} \right)^{n/s-2} \frac{1}{R^{n-2}} \int_{B(x, R)} V(y) dy.$$

Lemma 2.3. *There exist $k_0 \geq 1$ such that*

$$(1 + |x - y|m(x, V))^{-k_0} \lesssim \frac{m(x, V)}{m(y, V)} \lesssim (1 + |x - y|m(x, V))^{\frac{k_0}{1+k_0}}$$

for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$.

A ball $B(x, \frac{1}{m(x,V)})$ is called critical. For $x \in B(x_0, \frac{1}{m(x_0,V)})$, we have $m(x, V) \sim m(y, V)$, if $|x - y| < \frac{C}{m(x,V)}$.

We endow the space \mathbb{R}^{n+1} with the following parabolic metric which is different from the usual Euclidean metric:

$$d((x, t), (y, s)) = \max\{|x - y|, |t - s|^{1/4}\}.$$

It is easy to get the following results from Lemma 2.3.

Lemma 2.4. *There exist $k_0 \geq 1$ such that*

$$\left(1 + d((x, t), (y, s))m(x, V)\right)^{-k_0} \lesssim \frac{m(x, V)}{m(y, V)} \lesssim \left(1 + d((x, t), (y, s))m(x, V)\right)^{\frac{k_0}{1+k_0}}$$

for all $(x, t), (y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$.

By Lemma 2.4 we get

Lemma 2.5. *There exist $k_0 \geq 1$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \left(1 + d((x, t), (y, s))m(y, V)\right)^{1/(1+k_0)} &\lesssim 1 + d((x, t), (y, s))m(x, V) \\ &\lesssim \left(1 + d((x, t), (y, s))m(y, V)\right)^{1+k_0} \end{aligned}$$

for all $(x, t), (y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$.

Let $\Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, y; y, s; \lambda)$ be the fundamental solution of operator $\mathcal{P}_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (-\Delta)^2 + V^2 + \lambda$. By Proposition 4.6 in [16], we have

Lemma 2.6. *Suppose $V \in G((-\Delta)^2) \cap RH_s$ with $s \geq n/2$. Then for any positive integer N , there exists a constant C_N such that*

$$\begin{aligned} &\Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y, s; \lambda) \\ &\leq \frac{C_N}{\left(1 + \lambda^{\frac{1}{4}}d((x, t), (y, s))\right)^N \left(1 + m(x, V)d((x, t), (y, s))\right)^N} \frac{e^{-c\frac{|x-y|^{4/3}}{(t-s)^{1/3}}}}{(t-s)^{n/4}}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from Lemma 2.5 that Lemma 2.6 is also valid if replace $m(x, V)$ with $m(y, V)$.

Remark 2.7. From the proof of Corollary 2 in [9] and the explanation in [2], it can be seen that the condition $V \in G((-\Delta)^2)$ in Lemma 2.6 is indispensable.

Remark 2.8. It should be noted that $V \in RH_s$ can not guarantee $V \in G((-\Delta)^2)$. For example, although the heat kernel of the bi-Laplacian $(-\Delta)^2$

satisfies

$$|e^{-t(-\Delta)^2}(x, y)| \leq Ct^{-\frac{n}{4}} \exp\left\{-c \frac{|x-y|^{\frac{4}{3}}}{t^{\frac{1}{3}}}\right\},$$

but the dimension of the space has a restriction $n < 4$ (see (5.2.1) in [5]), while we working in this article is in the case $n \geq 5$. For more details, please refer to [1]-[3].

Let $\Gamma_0(x, t, y, s, \lambda)$ be the fundamental solution of $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (-\Delta)^2 + \lambda$. It follows from Lemma 2.6 that

$$\Gamma_0(x, t, y, s, \lambda) \leq \frac{C_N}{(1 + \lambda^{\frac{1}{4}} d((x, t), (y, s)))^N} e^{-c \frac{|x-y|^{\frac{4}{3}}}{(t-s)^{\frac{1}{3}}}} (t-s)^{n/4}.$$

Let $f \in L_{loc}^\sigma(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$. Denote $|Q|$ by the Lebesgue measure of $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$. The fractional Hardy-Littlewood maximal function $M_{\sigma, \gamma}$ is defined by

$$M_{\sigma, \gamma}(f)(x, t) = \sup_{Q \ni (x, t)} \left(\frac{1}{|Q|^{1-\frac{\sigma\gamma}{n+4}}} \int_Q |f(y, s)|^\sigma dy ds \right)^{1/\sigma}.$$

Lemma 2.9. *Suppose $1 < \sigma < p < \frac{n+4}{\gamma}$, and $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{\gamma}{n+4}$. Then*

$$\|M_{\sigma, \gamma} f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})}.$$

3. THE PROOF OF THEOREM 1.1

We denote the kernel functions of the operator $\mathcal{P}_2^{-\beta}$ as $K_{0, \beta}(x, t, y, s)$. We first give the estimates of $K_{0, \beta}(x, t, y, s)$.

Lemma 3.1. *Let $V \in G((-\Delta)^2) \cap RH_s$ with $s \geq \frac{n}{2}, 0 < \beta \leq 1$. Then,*

$$|K_{0, \beta}(x, t, y, s)| \lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^{n+4-4\beta} (1 + m(x, V) d((x, t), (y, s)))^N}.$$

Proof. For $\beta = 1$, by Lemma 2.6 we have

$$\begin{aligned} |K_{0, \beta}(x, t, y, s)| &= |\Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t, y, s; 0)| \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{(1 + m(x, V) d((x, t), (y, s)))^N} e^{-c \frac{|x-y|^{\frac{4}{3}}}{(t-s)^{\frac{1}{3}}}} (t-s)^{n/4}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{1}{(t-s)^{n/4}} e^{-c \frac{|x-y|^{\frac{4}{3}}}{(t-s)^{\frac{1}{3}}}} \lesssim \frac{1}{(d((x, t), (y, s)))^n}.$$

Then

$$|K_{0, \beta}(x, t, y, s)| \lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^n (1 + m(x, V) d((x, t), (y, s)))^N}.$$

For $0 < \beta < 1$, by the functional calculus,

$$\mathcal{P}_2^{-\beta} = \frac{\sin \pi \beta}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \lambda^{-\beta} (\mathcal{P}_2 + \lambda)^{-1} d\lambda.$$

Let $f \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$. As a consequence of

$$(\mathcal{P}_2 + \lambda)^{-1}(f)(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y, s; \lambda) f(y, s) dy ds,$$

we find that

$$\mathcal{P}_2^{-\beta}(f)(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} K_{0,\beta}(x, t; y, s) f(y, s) dy ds,$$

where

$$K_{0,\beta}(x, t; y, s) = C \int_0^\infty \lambda^{-\beta} \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y, s; \lambda) d\lambda.$$

From (3.1) and noting

$$(3.2) \quad \int_0^\infty \frac{\lambda^{-\beta}}{(1 + \lambda^{\frac{1}{4}} d((x, t), (y, s)))^N} d\lambda \lesssim d((x, t), (y, s))^{4\beta-4},$$

we obtain

$$|K_{0,\beta}(x, t; y, s)| \lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^{n+4-4\beta} (1 + m(x, V) d((x, t), (y, s)))^N}.$$

□

For $j = 1, 2, 3$, we denote the kernel functions of the operators $\nabla_x^j \mathcal{P}_2^{-\beta}$ as $K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)$. Let us estimate $K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)$.

Lemma 3.2. *For $j = 1, 2, 3$, let $V \in G((-\Delta)^2) \cap RH_s$ with $s \geq \frac{2n}{4-j}$, $j/4 < \beta \leq 1$. Then*

$$|K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)| \lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^{n+4+j-4\beta} (1 + m(x, V) d((x, t), (y, s)))^N}.$$

Proof. Similar to the proof of Lemma 3.1, for any $f \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$, we have

$$\nabla_x^j \mathcal{P}_2^{-\beta} f(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s) f(y, s) dy ds,$$

where

$$K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s) = \begin{cases} C \int_0^\infty \lambda^{-\beta} \nabla_x^j \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y, s; \lambda) d\lambda, & \text{if } j/4 < \beta < 1; \\ \nabla_x^j \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}}(x, t; y, s; 0), & \text{if } \beta = 1. \end{cases}$$

Suppose $\Gamma_0(x, t; y, s; \lambda)$ is the fundamental solution of $\frac{\partial}{\partial t} + (-\Delta)^2 + \lambda$. In accordance with Chapter 9 in [6], for $j = 1, 2, 3$,

$$(3.3) \quad |\nabla_x^j \Gamma_0(x, t; y, s; \lambda)| \lesssim \frac{1}{(t-s)^{(n+j)/4}} e^{-c \frac{|x-y|^{4/3}}{(t-s)^{1/3}}},$$

and by a simple calculate,

$$(3.4) \quad \frac{1}{(t-s)^{(n+j)/4}} e^{-c \frac{|x-y|^{4/3}}{(t-s)^{1/3}}} \lesssim \frac{1}{(d((x,t), (y,s)))^{n+j}},$$

where c is a positive constant.

Fix $x_0, y_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n, t_0, s_0 \in \mathbb{R}$, and let $R = \frac{1}{4}d((x_0, t_0), (y_0, s_0))$. Note that $u(x, t) = \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y_0, s_0, \lambda)$ satisfies $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} + (-\Delta)^2 u + (V^2 + \lambda)u = 0$. Then

$$u(x, t)\eta(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \Gamma_0(x, t; z, s; \lambda) \left\{ \frac{\partial}{\partial s} + (-\Delta)^2 + \lambda \right\} (u\eta)(z, s) dz ds,$$

where $\eta(x, t) \in C_0^\infty(Q_{2R}(x_0, t_0))$ such that $\eta \equiv 1$ on $Q_R(x_0, t_0)$. Furthermore, η satisfies the following estimates:

$$\left| \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial s} \right| \lesssim R^{-4}, \quad |\nabla^b(\Delta^a \eta)| \lesssim R^{-2a-b} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq 2a + b \leq 4.$$

Similar to the proof of Lemma 7 in [13] we have

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} u(x, t)\eta(x, t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \Gamma_0(x, t; z, s; \lambda) \left\{ -V^2 u\eta + u \frac{\partial \eta}{\partial s} + 4\Delta(\nabla u \nabla \eta) \right. \\ \left. + 2\Delta(u\Delta\eta) - 4\nabla^2 u \nabla^2 \eta - 4\nabla u \nabla(\Delta\eta) - u(\Delta^2 \eta) \right\} dz ds, \end{aligned}$$

Note

$$(3.6) \quad \int_{-\infty}^t \frac{e^{-c \frac{|x-z|^{4/3}}{(t-s)^{1/3}}}}{(t-s)^{(n+j)/4}} ds \lesssim \frac{1}{|z-x|^{n-(4-j)}},$$

Then, using (3.3)-(3.6), Lemma 2.6 and by integration by parts we get

$$(3.7) \quad \begin{aligned} & |\nabla_x^j \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x_0, t_0; y_0, s_0; \lambda)| \\ & \lesssim \frac{1}{(1 + \lambda^{\frac{1}{4}} R)^N (1 + m(x_0, V) R)^N} \left(\frac{1}{R^n} \int_{B(x_0, R)} \frac{V^2(z) dz}{|z - x_0|^{n-(4-j)}} + \frac{1}{R^{n+j}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

By the self-improvement of class RH_s we can take some $s > 2n/(4-j)$. Choose $t > 1$ such that $2/s + 1/t = 1$. By Hölder inequality and Lemma 2.1,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{B(x_0, R)} \frac{V^2(z) dz}{|z - x_0|^{n-(4-j)}} \\ & \lesssim R^n \left(\frac{1}{R^n} \int_{B(x_0, R)} V(z)^s dz \right)^{2/s} \left(\frac{1}{R^n} \int_{B(x_0, R)} \frac{dz}{|z - x_0|^{(n-4+j)t}} \right)^{1/t} \\ & \lesssim R^{n-4} \left(\frac{1}{R^{n-2}} \int_{B(x_0, R)} V(z) dz \right)^2 R^{-n+4-j} \\ & \lesssim R^{-j} (1 + Rm(x_0, V))^{2l_0}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$|\nabla_x^j \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x_0, t_0; y_0, s_0; \lambda)| \lesssim \frac{1}{(1 + \lambda^{\frac{1}{4}} R)^N (1 + m(x_0, V) R)^N R^{n+j}}.$$

For $\beta = 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)| &= |\nabla_x^j \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y, s; 0)| \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^{n+j} (1 + m(x, V) d((x, t), (y, s)))^N}. \end{aligned}$$

When $j/4 < \beta < 1$, by (3.2),

$$\begin{aligned} |K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)| &\lesssim \int_0^\infty \lambda^{-\beta} |\nabla_x^j \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y, s; \lambda)| d\lambda \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^{n+4+j-4\beta} (1 + m(x, V) d((x, t), (y, s)))^N}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 3.3. *Assume that $V \in G((-\Delta)^2) \cap RH_s$ for $s \geq 2n/(4-j)$, $j = 0, 1, 2, 3$. let $0 < \alpha \leq 1 - j/4$, $j/4 < \beta \leq 1$, and $\beta - \alpha \geq j/4$. Then*

$$|T_j^*(f)(x, t)| \lesssim M_{q_1, \gamma}(f)(x, t)$$

for some $1 < q_1 < q_0$, where $\frac{1}{q_0} = 1 - \frac{2\alpha}{s}$ and $\gamma = 4(\beta - \alpha) - j$.

Proof. Let $r = \frac{1}{m(x, V)}$, $C_k = \{(y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : 2^{k-1}r \leq d((x, t), (y, s)) < 2^k r\}$.

Then by Lemma 3.1 and Lemma 3.2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} |T_1^*(f)(x, t)| &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |K_{j,\beta}(y, s; x, t)| V(y)^{2\alpha} |f(y, s)| dy ds \\ &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} \frac{V(y)^{2\alpha} |f(y, s)| dy ds}{d((x, t), (y, s))^{n+4+j-4\beta} (1 + m(x, V) d((x, t), (y, s)))^N} \\ &\lesssim \sum_{k=-\infty}^\infty \frac{(2^k r)^{4\beta-j}}{(1 + 2^k)^N} \frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4}} \int_{d((x, t), (y, s)) < 2^k r} V(y)^{2\alpha} |f(y, s)| dy ds. \end{aligned}$$

Choose q_0 such that $\frac{1}{q_0} + \frac{2\alpha}{s} = 1$. Then, by Hölder inequality and $V \in RH_s$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4}} \int_{d((x, t), (y, s)) < 2^k r} V(y)^{2\alpha} |f(y, s)| dy ds \\ &\lesssim \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^n} \int_{|y-x| \leq 2^k r} V(y) dy \right)^{2\alpha} \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4}} \int_{d((x, t), (y, s)) < 2^k r} |f(y, s)|^{q_0} dy ds \right)^{1/q_0} \end{aligned}$$

For $k \geq 1$, by Lemma 2.1,

$$\left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^n} \int_{|y-x| \leq 2^k r} V(y) dy \right)^{2\alpha} \lesssim (2^k r)^{-4\alpha} (1 + 2^k)^{2l_0\alpha} \lesssim (2^k r)^{-4\alpha} 2^{2l_0\alpha k}.$$

For $k \leq 0$, by Lemma 2.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^n} \int_{|y-x| \leq 2^k r} V(y) dy \right)^{2\alpha} \\ & \leq C(2^k r)^{-4\alpha} \left(\frac{r}{2^k r} \right)^{2\alpha(n/s-2)} \left(\frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{|y-x| \leq r} V(y) dy \right)^{2\alpha} \\ & \leq C(2^k r)^{-4\alpha} 2^{2\alpha k(2-n/s)}. \end{aligned}$$

Taking $N > 2l_0\alpha$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |T_1^*(f)(x, t)| & \lesssim \left(\sum_{k=-\infty}^0 2^{2\alpha k(2-n/s)} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{k(2l_0\alpha-N)} \right) \\ & \quad \times \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4-(4(\beta-\alpha)-j)q_0}} \int_{d((x,t),(y,s)) < 2^k r} |f(y, s)|^{q_0} dy ds \right)^{1/q_0} \\ & \lesssim M_{q_0, \gamma}(f)(x, t), \end{aligned}$$

where $\gamma = 4(\beta - \alpha) - j$, $\frac{1}{q_0} = 1 - \frac{2\alpha}{s}$. By the self-improvement of class RH_s we know that there exists some $1 < q_1 < q_0$ such that

$$|T_1^*(f)(x, t)| \lesssim M_{q_1, \gamma}(|f|)(x, t).$$

□

Proof of Theorem 1.1 By Lemma 3.3 and Lemma 2.9 we get

$$\|T_j^*(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \lesssim \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})}$$

for $(\frac{s}{2\alpha})' = q_0 \leq p < \frac{n+4}{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}$, $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}{n+4}$.

By duality, we have

$$\|T_j(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \lesssim \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})}$$

for $\frac{n+4}{n+4-(4(\beta-\alpha)-j)} < q \leq \frac{s}{2\alpha}$, and $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{4(\beta-\alpha)-j}{n+4}$. These condition are equivalent to

$$1 < p \leq \left(\frac{2\alpha}{s} + \frac{4(\beta - \alpha) - j}{n + 4} \right)^{-1}, \text{ and } \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{4(\beta - \alpha) - j}{n + 4}.$$

These complete the proof of Theorem 1.1.

4. THE PROOF OF THEOREM 1.2

Let us estimate the kernel function $K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)$ when $V \in RH_s$ for $\frac{n}{2} \leq s < \frac{2n}{n-j}$.

Lemma 4.1. For $j = 1, 2, 3$, let $V \in G((-\Delta)^2) \cap RH_s$ with $\frac{n}{2} \leq s < \frac{2n}{n-j}$ and $\frac{j}{4} < \beta \leq 1$. Then,

$$|K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)| \lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^{n+4-4\beta} (1 + m(x, V)d((x, t), (y, s)))^N} \\ \times \left(\int_{B(x, |x-y|/4)} \frac{V^2(z)dz}{|z-x|^{n-(4-j)}} + \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^j} \right).$$

Proof. By (3.7), we have

$$|\nabla_x^j \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y, s; \lambda)| \\ \lesssim \frac{1}{(1 + \lambda^{\frac{1}{4}}d((x, t), (y, s)))^N (1 + m(x, V)d((x, t), (y, s)))^N d((x, t), (y, s))^n} \\ \times \left(\int_{B(x, |x-y|/4)} \frac{V^2(z)dz}{|z-x|^{n-(4-j)}} + \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^j} \right).$$

Then for $\beta = 1$,

$$|K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)| \lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^n (1 + m(x, V)d((x, t), (y, s)))^N} \\ \times \left(\int_{B(x, |x-y|/4)} \frac{V^2(z)dz}{|z-x|^{n-(4-j)}} + \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^j} \right).$$

For $j/4 < \beta < 1$, by (3.2),

$$|K_{j,\beta}(x, t; y, s)| \lesssim \int_0^\infty \lambda^{-\beta} |\nabla_x^j \Gamma_{\mathcal{P}_2}(x, t; y, s; \lambda)| d\lambda \\ \lesssim \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^{n+4-4\beta} (1 + m(x, V)d((x, t), (y, s)))^N} \\ \times \left(\int_{B(x, |x-y|/4)} \frac{V^2(z)dz}{|z-x|^{n-(4-j)}} + \frac{1}{d((x, t), (y, s))^j} \right).$$

□

Lemma 4.2. Assume that $V \in G((-\Delta)^2) \cap RH_s$ for $\frac{n}{2} \leq s < \frac{2n}{n-j}$, $j = 1, 2, 3$. let $0 < \alpha \leq 1 - j/4$, $j/4 < \beta \leq 1$, and $\beta - \alpha \geq j/4$. Then

$$|T_j^*(f)(x, t)| \lesssim M_{p'_\alpha, \gamma}(f)(x, t)$$

for some $1 < q_1 < p'_\alpha$, where $\frac{1}{p_\alpha} = \frac{2\alpha+2}{s} - \frac{4-j}{n}$. and $\gamma = 4(\beta - \alpha) - j$.

Proof. Let $r = \frac{1}{m(x, V)}$, $C_k = \{(y, s) \in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} : 2^{k-1}r \leq d((x, t), (y, s)) < 2^k r\}$. We choose t such that $\frac{1}{t} = \frac{2}{s} - \frac{4-j}{n}$. Then $\frac{1}{p'_\alpha} + \frac{2\alpha}{s} + \frac{1}{t} = 1$. By Hölder

inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} |T_j^*(f)(x, t)| &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} |K_{j,\beta}(y, s; x, t)| V(y)^{2\alpha} |f(y, s)| dy ds \\ &\lesssim \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\int_{C_k} |K_{j,\beta}(y, s; x, t)|^t dy ds \right)^{1/t} \left(\int_{C_k} V(y)^s dy ds \right)^{2\alpha/s} \\ &\quad \times \left(\int_{C_k} |f(y, s)|^{p'_\alpha} dy ds \right)^{1/p'_\alpha}. \end{aligned}$$

Similar to the estimates in Theorem 1.1,

$$\left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4}} \int_{C_k} V(y)^s dy ds \right)^{2\alpha/s} \lesssim \begin{cases} (2^k r)^{-4\alpha} 2^{2kl_0\alpha}, & \text{if } k \geq 1; \\ (2^k r)^{-4\alpha} 2^{2k\alpha(2-n/s)}, & \text{if } k \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

For $(y, s) \in C_k$,

$$\begin{aligned} |K_{j,\beta}(y, s; x, t)| &\lesssim \frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4-4\beta}(1+2^k)^N} \left(\int_{|z-y| < 2^k r} \frac{V(z)^2 dz}{|z-y|^{n-(4-j)}} + \frac{1}{(2^k r)^j} \right) \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4-4\beta}(1+2^k)^N} (\mathcal{I}_{4-j}(V^2 \chi_{B(x, 2^{k+1}r)})(y) + (2^k r)^{-j}), \end{aligned}$$

where $\mathcal{I}_\alpha(f)(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{f(z) dz}{|z-y|^{n-\alpha}}$. Note that $\frac{1}{t} = \frac{2}{s} - \frac{4-j}{n}$, by the theorem on fractional integral and $V \in RH_s$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^n} \int_{|y-x| \leq 2^k r} (\mathcal{I}_{4-j}(V^2 \chi_{B(x, 2^{k+1}r)})(y) + (2^k r)^{-j})^t dy \right)^{1/t} \\ &\lesssim (2^k r)^{-\frac{n}{t} + \frac{2n}{s}} \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^n} \int_{B(x, 2^{k+1}r)} V(y)^s dy \right)^{2/s} + (2^k r)^{-j} \\ &\lesssim (2^k r)^{-\frac{n}{t} + \frac{2n}{s} - 4} \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n-2}} \int_{B(x, 2^k r)} V(y) dy \right)^2 + (2^k r)^{-j} \\ &\lesssim (2^k r)^{-j} (1+2^k)^{2l_0}. \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} &(2^k r)^{n+4} \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4}} \int_{C_k} |K_{j,\beta}(y, s; x, t)|^t dy ds \right)^{1/t} \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{(2^j r)^{-4\beta}(1+2^k)^N} \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+4}} \int_{C_k} (\mathcal{I}_{4-j}(V^2 \chi_{B(x, 2^{j+1}r)})(y) + (2^k r)^{-j})^t dy ds \right)^{1/t} \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{(2^j r)^{-4\beta}(1+2^k)^N} \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (\mathcal{I}_{4-j}(V^2 \chi_{B(x, 2^{j+1}r)})(y) + (2^k r)^{-j})^t dy \right)^{1/t} \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{(2^j r)^{j-4\beta}(1+2^k)^N} \left(\frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n-2}} \int_{B(x, 2^k r)} V(y) dy + 1 \right) \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{(2^k r)^{j-4\beta}(1+2^k)^{N'}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, taking $N > 2\alpha l_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} |T_j^* f(x, t)| &\lesssim \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{C_k} |K_{j,\beta}(y, s; x, t)| V(y)^{2\alpha} |f(y, s)| dy ds \\ &\lesssim \left(\sum_{k=-\infty}^0 2^{2k\alpha(2-n/q)} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{k(N-2\alpha l_0)} \right) M_{p'_\alpha, \gamma}(x, t) \\ &\lesssim M_{p'_\alpha, \gamma}(f)(x, t). \end{aligned}$$

By the self-improvement of class RH_s we know that there exists some $1 < q_1 < p'_\alpha$ such that

$$|T_j^* f(x, t)| \lesssim M_{q_1, \gamma}(f)(x, t).$$

□

Proof of Theorem 1.2 By Lemma 4.2 and Lemma 2.9 we get

$$\|T_j^*(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \lesssim \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})}$$

for $p'_\alpha \leq p < \frac{n+4}{\gamma}$, and $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{\gamma}{n+4}$, where $\gamma = 4(\beta - \alpha) - j$.

By duality, we get

$$\|T_j(f)\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})} \lesssim \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})}$$

for $\frac{n+4}{n+4-\gamma} < q \leq p_\alpha$, and $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{\gamma}{n+4}$. These conditions are equivalent to

$$1 < p \leq \frac{1}{\frac{1}{p_\alpha} + \frac{\gamma}{n+4}}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \frac{\gamma}{n+4}.$$

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