# ON WEIGHTED NORM INEQUALITIES FOR FRACTIONAL AND SINGULAR INTEGRALS

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**0. Introduction.** In a recent paper [12] Muckenhoupt and Wheeden have established necessary and sufficient conditions for the validity of norm inequalities of the form  $|| |x|^{\alpha}Tf ||_{q} \leq C|| |x|^{\alpha}f ||_{p}$ , where Tf denotes a Calderón and Zygmund singular integral of f or a fractional integral with variable kernel. The purpose of the present paper is to prove, by somewhat different methods, similar inequalities for more general weight functions.

In what follows, for  $p \geq 1$ , p' is the exponent conjugate to p, given by 1/p + 1/p' = 1.  $\Omega$  will always denote a locally integrable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  which is homogeneous of degree 0,  $\Omega^{\sim}$  will denote a measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  such that for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\Omega^{\sim}(x, .)$  is locally integrable and homogeneous of degree 0.  $||\Omega||_u$  is the  $L^u$  norm of  $\Omega$ , restricted to the unit sphere  $S^{n-1} = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| = 1\}$ , with respect to Euclidean surface measure  $\sigma$  on  $S^{n-1}$ . If u = 1

$$||\Omega||_{1}^{*} = 1 + ||\Omega_{0}||[L \log^{+} L(S^{n-1})] + ||\Omega_{1}||_{1},$$

where  $\Omega_0, \Omega_1$  denote the even and odd parts of  $\Omega$ , respectively (see [3, Theorem 1]). |  $||\Omega^{-}|||_u$  will denote ess sup{ $||\Omega^{-}(x, .)||_u$ :  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ }.  $w_0, w_1$  and  $\omega_0, \omega_1$  denote nonnegative measurable functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mathbb{R}_+ = (0, \infty)$ , respectively. For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \omega_0(x)$ , for instance, has the same meaning as  $\omega_0(|x|)$ .

Let  $\chi$  denote the characteristic function of the interval  $(\frac{1}{2}, 2)$ . Z will denote the set of integers. For any integer z, the quantities  $M_{\tau}(w_0, w_1, \Omega, z)$ ,  $M^*_{\tau, v}(w_0, w_1, z)$ ,  $N_{\tau}(w_0, \Omega^{\tau}, z)$ ,  $N^*_{\tau, v}(w_0, z)$  are defined as follows:

(1) 
$$M_{r}(w_{0}, w_{1}, \Omega, z) = \underset{2^{z-1} < |x| < 2^{z}}{\operatorname{ess sup}} w_{0}(x)^{-1} \\ \cdot \left[ \sup_{\rho > 0} \rho^{-n} \int_{|y| < |\Omega(y)|^{r/n_{\rho}}} \chi(|x - y|/|x|) w_{1}(x - y) dy \right]^{1/r};$$
  
(2) 
$$M^{*}_{r,v}(w_{0}, w_{1}, z) = \underset{2^{z-1} < |x| < 2^{z}}{\operatorname{ess sup}} w_{0}(x)^{-1} \\ \cdot \left[ \int_{\mathbb{S}^{n-1}} \left( \sup_{\rho > 0} \rho^{-n} \int_{0}^{\rho} \chi(|x + ty'|/|x|) w_{1}(x + ty') t^{n-1} dt \right)^{v/r} d\sigma(y') \right]^{1/v};$$

(3) 
$$N_r(w_0, \Omega^{\sim}, z) = \underset{2^{z-1} < |x| < 2^z}{\operatorname{ess sup}} \sup_{\alpha > 0} \alpha$$
  
  $\cdot \left( \int_{w_0(x-y) < |\Omega^{\sim}(x,y)| |y|^{-n/r_{\alpha}-1}} \chi(|x-y|/|x|) w_0(x-y) dy \right)^{1/r};$ 

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(4) 
$$N^*_{r,v}(w_0, z) = \underset{2^{z-1} < |z| < 2^z}{\mathrm{ess sup}} \left[ \int_{S^{n-1}} \left( \sup_{\alpha > 0} \alpha^r \int_{w_0(x+ty') < t^{-n/r_{\alpha-1}}} \cdot \chi(|x+ty'|/|x|) w_0(x+ty') t^{n-1} dt \right)^{v/r} d\sigma(y') \right]^{1/v}.$$

If  $\Omega = 1$  or  $\Omega^{\sim} = 1$ , the notation will be abbreviated to  $M_r(w_0, w_1, z)$ ,  $N_r(w_0, z)$ , respectively. For any real numbers  $r_1, r_2$ , let  $r_1 \vee r_2 = \max(r_1, r_2)$ ,  $r_1 \wedge r_2 = \min(r_1, r_2)$ , and  $r_1^+ = r_1 \vee 0$ . *C* denotes a positive constant, not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

The following results will be proved.

PROPOSITION 1. For  $u_0, u_1 > 0$ , define

(5) 
$$B^{u_0u_1}(w_0, w_1) = \sup_{s>0} \left( \int_{|x| < s} w_0(x)^{u_0} dx \right)^{1/u_0} \left( \int_{|x| > s} w_1(x)^{u_1} dx \right)^{1/u_1}$$

Suppose that  $1 < r \leq \infty$ , 1 , <math>1/q = 1/p - 1/r', and set

$$Tf(x) = \int |x - y|^{-n/r} f(y) dy.$$

Then

(6) 
$$||w_{1}Tf||_{q}/||w_{0}f||_{p} \leq \left\{ C[B^{p'q}(w_{0}^{-1}, |\cdot|^{-n/\tau}w_{1}) + B^{qp'}(w_{1}, |\cdot|^{-n/\tau}w_{0}^{-1})] + C_{p,q} \sup_{|z_{1}-z_{2}| \leq 1} M_{\tau}(w_{0}^{p}, w_{1}^{q}, z_{1})^{\tau/q} N_{\tau}(w_{0}^{p}, z_{2})^{\tau/p'} \right\}.$$

On the other hand,

(7) 
$$B^{p'q}(w_0^{-1}, |\cdot|^{-n/r}w_1) + B^{qp'}(w_1, |\cdot|^{-n/r}w_0^{-1}) \leq C \sup_{f} (||w_1Tf||_q/||w_0f||_p).$$

PROPOSITION 2. For  $u_0$ ,  $u_1$ ,  $v_0$ ,  $v_1 > 0$ , and any real  $\alpha$ , define

(8) 
$$B_{\alpha}^{u_{0}u_{1}v_{0}v_{1}}(w_{0},w_{1}) = \sup_{z\in\mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{k=-\infty}^{z} \left( 2^{-nk} \int_{2^{k-1} < |x| < 2^{k}} w_{0}(x)^{v_{0}} dx \right)^{u_{0}/v_{0}} 2^{\alpha k u_{0}} \right)^{1/u_{0}} \cdot \left( \int_{2^{z}}^{\infty} \left( \int_{2^{n}} w_{1}(t\xi)^{v_{1}} d\sigma(\xi) \right)^{u_{1}/v_{1}} t^{-\alpha u_{1}-1} dt \right)^{1/w_{1}}.$$

Suppose that  $1 < r < \infty$ , 1 , <math>1/q = 1/p - 1/r', and set

(9) 
$$Tf(x) = \int \Omega(x-y) |x-y|^{-n/7} f(y) dy$$

Then

(10) 
$$||w_{1}Tf||_{q}/||w_{0}f||_{p} \leq C||\Omega||_{u} \bigg[ B_{\alpha_{1}}^{p'q_{a}a_{1}a_{1}}(w_{0}^{-1},w_{1}) + B_{\alpha_{0}}^{qp'b_{0}b_{1}}(w_{1},w_{0}^{-1}) + C_{p,q} \sup_{|z_{1}-z_{2}| \leq 1} M^{*}{}_{r,v}(w_{0}^{p},w_{1},z_{1})^{r/q}N^{*}{}_{r,v}(w_{0}^{p},z_{2})^{r/p'} \bigg],$$

provided that

$$\begin{aligned} 1/u + 1/v &= 1/r, 1/a_0 + 1/a_1 = 1/b_0 + 1/b_1 = 1/v, 1/q \leq 1/u + 1/a_1 \leq 1/r, \\ 1/p' &\leq 1/u + 1/b_1 \leq 1/r, \\ \alpha_1 &= n/p' + (n-1)(1/a_0 - 1/p')^+, \\ \alpha_0 &= n/q + (n-1)(1/b_0 - 1/q)^+. \end{aligned}$$

COROLLARY 1. Suppose that  $1 \leq r < \infty$ , 1 , <math>1/q = 1/p - 1/r',  $u \geq r$ . If r = 1, suppose further that  $\Omega$  has mean value 0 on  $S^{n-1}$ . Let T be defined by (9) or by

$$Tf(x) = p.v. \int \Omega(x-y) |x-y|^{-n} f(y) dy = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{|y| > \epsilon} \Omega(y) |y|^{-n} f(x-y) dy,$$

according as r > 1 or not. Finally, suppose that

(11) 
$$\omega_i(s)/\omega_i(t) \leq B$$
, for  $1/2 < s/t < 2$ ,  $i = 0, 1 + 1$ 

and that for any s > 0,

(12) 
$$\left(\int_{0}^{s} \omega_{0}(t)^{-p'} t^{p'\alpha_{1}-1} dt\right)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{s}^{\infty} \omega_{1}(t)^{q} t^{-q\alpha_{1}-1} dt\right)^{1/q} \leq A,$$

(13) 
$$\left(\int_{0}^{s} \omega_{1}(t)^{q} t^{q\alpha_{0}-1} dt\right)^{1/q} \left(\int_{s}^{\infty} \omega_{0}(t)^{-p'} t^{-p'\alpha_{0}-1} dt\right)^{1/p'} \leq A,$$

where

$$\alpha_1 = n/p' - (n-1)(1/u - 1/q)^+,$$
  
$$\alpha_0 = n/q - (n-1)(1/u - 1/p)^+.$$

Then

(14) 
$$||\omega_1 Tf||_{\varrho} \leq CA (1 + C_{p,\varrho} B^2) ||\Omega||_{\varrho} ||\omega_0 f||_{\rho},$$

where  $||\Omega||_u$  on the right-hand side must be replaced by  $||\Omega||_1^*$  if u = 1.

(13), (12) are, in particular, satisfied for some  $A<\infty$  if (11) holds and as  $s\to 0 \mbox{ or } +\infty$  ,

(15) 
$$\left(\int_0^s \omega_1(t)^r t^{r\alpha_0-1} dt\right)^{1/r} = O(\omega_0(s)s^{\alpha_0}),$$

(16) 
$$\left(\int_{s}^{\infty} \omega_{0}(t)^{-\tau} t^{-\tau\alpha_{0}-1} dt\right)^{1/\tau} = O(\omega_{1}(s)^{-1} s^{-\alpha_{0}}),$$

(17) 
$$\left(\int_0^s \omega_0(t)^{-r} t^{r\alpha_1-1} dt\right)^{1/r} = O(\omega_1(s)^{-1} s^{\alpha_1}),$$

(18) 
$$\left(\int_{s}^{\infty}\omega_{1}(t)^{r}t^{-r\alpha_{1}-1}dt\right)^{1/r}=O(\omega_{0}(s)s^{-\alpha_{1}}).$$

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Conditions (15), (18) are of a weaker form than those of [4; 5] for the case  $\omega_0 = \omega_1$ .

Remark 1. For  $r < u \leq p' \wedge q$ ,  $||\Omega||_u$  in (14) can be replaced by  $||\Omega||_{uv}$  where  $v^{-1} = (r^{-1} - u^{-1})(q/p' \vee p'/q)$ . (For the definition of Lorentz norms see, e.g., [2; 7].)

PROPOSITION 3. For r(>1), p, q as above, set

$$\widetilde{T}f(x) = \int \Omega^{\sim}(x, x - y) |x - y|^{-n/\tau} f(y) dy.$$

Suppose that  $p' < u < \infty$ , 1/a = 1/p' - 1/u,  $\beta = n/p' - (n - 1)/u$ , r/v < 1 - p'/u. Then

(19) 
$$||w_1 \tilde{T}f||_q / ||w_0 f||_p \leq C |||\Omega^{\sim}|||_u \left[ B_{\beta}^{p'qaq}(w_0^{-1}, w_1) + B_{n/q}^{qp'qa}(w_1, w_0^{-1}) + C_{p,q,u,v} \sup_{|z_1-z_2| \leq 1} M_r(w_0^p, w_1^q, z_1)^{r/q} N^*_{\tau,v}(w_0^p, z_2)^{r/p'} \right].$$

COROLLARY 2. Suppose that  $1 \leq r < \infty$ , 1 , <math>1/q = 1/p - 1/r',  $u \geq p'$ . If r = 1, suppose further that  $\Omega^{\sim}(\mathbf{x}, .)$  has mean value 0 on  $S^{n-1}$  for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Define

$$\widetilde{T}f(x) = (p.v.) \int \Omega^{\sim}(x, x-y) |x-y|^{-n/r} f(y) dy.$$

Suppose that (11) is satisfied and that for any s > 0,

(20) 
$$\left(\int_{0}^{s} \omega_{0}(t)^{-p'} t^{\beta p'-1} dt\right)^{1/p'} \left(\int_{s}^{\infty} \omega_{1}(t)^{q} t^{-\beta q-1} dt\right)^{1/q} \leq A,$$

(21) 
$$\left(\int_{0}^{s} \omega_{1}(t)^{q} t^{n-1} dt\right)^{1/q} \left(\int_{s}^{\infty} \omega_{0}(t)^{-p'} t^{np'/q-1} dt\right)^{1/p'} \leq A,$$

where  $\beta = n/p' - (n-1)/u$ . Then

(22) 
$$||\omega_1 Tf||_q \leq CA \left(1 + B^2 C_{p,q}\right) ||\Omega^{\sim}||_u||\omega_0 f||_p.$$

As always, the proof of these results starts with the decomposition  $T = T_1 + T_2 + T_3$ , where

$$T_{1}f(x) = \int_{|y| \le |x|/2} \Omega(x-y) |x-y|^{-n/r} f(y) dy,$$
  
$$T_{2}f(x) = \int_{|y| \ge 2|x|} \Omega(x-y) |x-y|^{-n/r} f(y) dy,$$

with a similar decomposition  $\tilde{T}_1 + \tilde{T}_2 + \tilde{T}_3$ , in the case of  $\tilde{T}$ . The major part of the present paper is concerned with proving that  $T_1$  and  $T_2(\tilde{T}_1, \tilde{T}_2)$  satisfy

(6) or, equivalently (for positive  $\Omega, \Omega^{\sim}$ ), that  $S_1, S_2$  defined by

(23) 
$$S_1(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)(f)(x) = w_1(x)|x|^{-n/r} \int_{|y| \le |x|/2} \Omega^{\sim}(x, x - y)w_0(y)^{-1}f(y)dy,$$

(24) 
$$S_2(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)(f)(x) = w_1(x) \int_{|y| \ge 2|x|} \Omega^{\sim}(x, x-y) |y|^{-n/r} w_0(y)^{-1} f(y) dy,$$

are bounded from  $L^p$  to  $L^q$ .

The proof is by interpolation between two cases. In the first case, the conditions on  $w_0$ ,  $w_1$  are as weak as possible compared to those satisfied by  $\Omega$ . In the second case, no additional condition beyond those required for the boundedness of T between unweighted  $L^p$  and  $L^q$  spaces is imposed on  $\Omega$ , and it is found that the conditions obtained in the first case for the dimension n equal to 1 are nearly sufficient.

In Propositions 1, 2, 3, the required inequality for  $T_3$  is obtained by simplification of the conditions for  $T_3$  to be of restricted weak type at the end points p = 1 and p = r' with respect to the measures  $w_0 \mathscr{L}^n$  and  $w_1 \mathscr{L}^n$ , where  $\mathscr{L}^n$  denotes Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and application of the Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem.

In Corollaries 1 and 2, the required norm inequalities for  $T_3$ ,  $\tilde{T}_3$  follow from well known results except possibly for the case r > 1 in Corollary 2. Corollary 2 also provides an answer to a question left open in [12].

**1.** An extension of Hardy's inequality. If T is an operator from  $L^p$  of some measure space Y to the space of measurable functions on some measure space X, define the  $(L^p, L^q)$  norm of T by

$$||T||_{p,q} = \sup\{||Tf||_q/||f||_p : f \in L^p(Y)\}.$$

LEMMA 1. Suppose that  $(X, \mu)$ ,  $(Y, \nu)$  are  $\sigma$ -finite measure spaces, that  $\mathscr{F}$ ,  $\mathscr{G}$ are classes of measurable subsets of X and Y, respectively, which are linearly ordered by inclusion, and that R is a relation with domain  $\mathscr{F}$  and range  $\mathscr{G}$  which is order-reversing in the sense that if  $F_iRG_i$ , i = 1, 2, then  $F_1 \subset F_2$  implies  $G_1 \supseteq G_2$  and  $G_1 \subset G_2$  implies  $F_1 \supseteq F_2$ . (Unless otherwise indicated, the containment is strict.) Define an initial segment  $\mathscr{F}'$  of  $\mathscr{F}$  as a subset such that for every element  $F_1$  of  $\mathscr{F}'$  and every element  $F_2$  of  $\mathscr{F} \sim \mathscr{F}'$ , it is true that  $F_1 \subseteq F_2$ . Suppose that  $\mathscr{F}$  contains a dense countable subset  $\mathscr{F}_0$  in the sense that for every initial segment  $\mathscr{F}'$  of  $\mathscr{F}$  and  $\mathscr{F}'' = \mathscr{F} \sim \mathscr{F}'$ 

(25) 
$$\mu(\bigcup\{F:F\in\mathscr{F}'\}\sim \bigcup\{F:F\in\mathscr{F}'\cap\mathscr{F}_0\})=\mu(\bigcap\{F:F\in\mathscr{F}''\cap\mathscr{F}_0\})$$
$$\sim \bigcap\{F:F\in\mathscr{F}''\})$$

and that this property is shared by  $\mathcal{G}$ . For u, v > 0 set

(26) 
$$B^{uv}(R) = \sup\{\mu(F)^{1/u}\nu(G)^{1/v}: FRG\}$$

(where  $0^0 = 0, 0 \cdot \infty = 0$ ). Define the operator *H* on non-negative measurable functions on *Y* by

$$Hf(x) = \sup\left\{\int_{G} f(y)d\nu(y) \colon x \in F, FRG\right\}.$$

Then for  $1 \le p \le q \le \infty$ , 1/p' + 1/q = 1/r(27)  $1 \le ||H||_{p,q}/B^{p'q}(R) \le (p')^{1/p'}q^{1/q}r^{-1/r}$ .

This can be considered as a (self-dual) generalization of Hardy's inequality  $(X = Y = \mathbf{R}_+, d\mu(x) = x^{\alpha-1}dx, d\nu(x) = x^{-\beta-1}dx$  for  $\alpha, \beta > 0, p = q, \alpha/p' = \beta/p$ ,  $\mathscr{F} = \{[x, \infty): x > 0\}, \mathscr{G} = \{(0, x]: x > 0\})$ . The inequality (27) for the real line, intervals, and p = q has been established by several authors (see [10]). The present proof although similar to that of Muckenhoupt makes the result appear as a natural consequence of the semi-trivial end point results (for p = 1 or  $q = \infty$ ) and the following simple inequality.

LEMMA 2. Suppose that  $(X, \mu)$  is a totally finite measure space and that  $\Phi$  is a function from X to the set of measurable subsets of X such that for each  $x, x \in \Phi(x)$ , the range of  $\Phi$  is linearly ordered by inclusion, the union of any subset  $\mathscr{F}'$  of the range of  $\Phi$  differs from the union of a countable subset of  $\mathscr{F}'$  by a set of measure 0, and  $\mu(\Phi)$  is measurable. Then for any  $\alpha > 0$ ,

(28) 
$$\int_{X} \mu(\Phi(x))^{\alpha-1} d\mu(x) \leq \alpha^{-1} \mu(X).$$

Equality holds if and only if the range of  $\mu(\Phi)$  is dense in the interval  $(0, \mu(X))$ .

*Proof.* The point is that  $\mu(\Phi)^{-1}$  is in weak  $L^1(L^{1\infty}(X,\mu))$  and hence in  $L^{1-\alpha}(X,\mu)$ , since  $\mu(X) < \infty$ . More precisely, let  $\lambda$  denote the distribution function of  $\mu(\Phi)^{-1}$ ; i.e., for t > 0,  $\lambda(t) = \mu(E_t)$ , where  $E_t = \{x: \mu(\Phi)^{-1} > t\}$ . Let  $F_t = \bigcup \{\Phi(x): x \in E_t\}$ ; then  $E_t \subseteq F_t$ , and the hypotheses further imply that

 $\mu(F_t) = \sup\{\mu(\Phi(x)): x \in E_t\}.$ 

Hence,  $\lambda(t) = \mu(E_t) \leq t^{-1}$ . Clearly,  $\lambda(t) = \mu(X)$  for  $0 < t < \mu(X)^{-1}$ . Moreover (see, e.g., [20, p. 117]),

$$\int_{X} \mu(\Phi(x))^{\alpha-1} d\mu(x) = -\int_{0}^{\infty} t^{1-\alpha} d\lambda(t)$$
$$= \mu(X)^{\alpha-1} \mu(X) + (1-\alpha) \int_{\mu(X)^{-1}}^{\infty} \lambda(t) t^{-\alpha} dt$$
$$\leq \mu(X)^{\alpha} + (1-\alpha) \int_{\mu(X)^{-1}}^{\infty} t^{-1-\alpha} dt$$
$$= \alpha^{-1} \mu(X)^{\alpha}.$$

Since  $\lambda$  is monotonic, strict inequality holds in (28) if and only if  $\lambda(t) < t^{-1}$  for some  $t \in (\mu(X)^{-1}, \infty)$ . It is easy to see that this occurs if and only if  $\mu(\Phi)$  does not assume any value in some subinterval  $(\alpha, \beta)(\alpha < \beta)$  of  $(0, \mu(X))$ .

For  $0 < u, v \leq \infty$  and any measurable function K on  $X \times Y$ , define the double norm  $X^u Y^v K$  by

$$X^{u}Y^{v}K = ||Y^{v}K||_{u}$$
, where  $Y^{v}K(x) = ||K(x, .)||_{v}$ .

It is well known that for S defined by  $Sf(x) = \int K(x, y)f(y)d\nu(y)$ ,

- (29)  $||S||_{p,q} \leq X^q Y^{p'} K \quad \text{if } 1 \leq p \leq \infty, q > 0,$
- (30)  $||S||_{p,q} \leq Y^{p'} X^{q} K \quad \text{if } 1 \leq p, q \leq \infty,$

with equality holding in (29) if  $q = \infty$  and in (30) if p = 1 (see, e.g., [18, Lemma 2]). Furthermore, if  $K = K_0^{1-t}K_1^t$ , where  $K_0, K_1 \ge 0, 0 \le t \le 1$ , then by interpolation (or Hölder's inequality),

(31) 
$$||S||_{p,q} \leq (X^{q_0} Y^{p_0'} K_0)^{1-t} (Y^{p_1'} X^{q_1} K_1)^t,$$

provided that  $1/p = (1 - t)/p_0 + t/p_1$ ,  $1/q = (1 - t)/q_0 + t/q_1(p_0, p_1, q_1 \ge 1, q_0 > 0)$ .

Note that the kernel K of H is the characteristic function  $\chi_E$  of the set  $E = \bigcup \{F \times G: FRG\}$ . Hence,

(32) 
$$X^{\infty}Y'K = \operatorname{ess\,sup\,sup}_{x} \sup\{\nu(G)^{1/r} \colon x \in F, FRG\}$$

(33) 
$$Y^{\infty}X'K = \operatorname{ess\,sup\,sup}\{\mu(F)^{1/r}: y \in G, FRG\}.$$

It is easy to see that  $X^{\infty}Y^{r}K = B^{\infty r}(R)$ . Thus, by (29) and (30), the right-hand inequality of (27) holds if p = r' or p = 1.

In general, the idea is to write

(34) 
$$K = K_0^{r/p'} K_1^{r/q},$$

and to determine  $K_0$ ,  $K_1$  in such a way that  $X^{\infty}Y'K_0$  and  $Y^{\infty}X'K_1$  agree with each other as closely as possible. For this purpose, define two functions  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  on X and Y, respectively, by

$$\Phi(x) = \bigcap \{F: x \in F \in \mathscr{F}\}, \quad \Psi(y) = \bigcap \{G: y \in G \in \mathscr{G}\}.$$

The hypotheses on  $\mathscr{F}$ ,  $\mathscr{G}$  imply that  $\Phi$  and  $\Psi$  have the properties stipulated in Lemma 2. Next, let

$$\begin{split} K_0(x, y) &= \chi_E(x, y) \mu(\Phi(x))^{1/q} \nu(\Psi(y))^{1/p'-1/r}, \\ K_1(x, y) &= \chi_E(x, y) \mu(\Phi(x))^{1/q-1/r} \nu(\Psi(y))^{1/p'}, \end{split}$$

so that (34) is satisfied. Moreover,

$$X^{\infty}Y^{r}K_{0} = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x} \mu(\Phi(x))^{1/q} \left( \int_{\{y:y\in G, FRG, x\in F\}} \nu(\Psi(y))^{r/p'-1} d\nu(y) \right)^{1/r},$$
  
$$Y^{\infty}X^{r}K_{1} = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{y} \nu(\Psi(y))^{1/p'} \left( \int_{\{x:x\in F, FRG, y\in G\}} \mu(\Phi(x))^{r/q-1} d\mu(x) \right)^{1/r}.$$

Hence, by Lemma 2,

$$X^{\infty}Y'K_{0} \leq (q/r)^{1/r} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x} \mu(\Phi(x))^{1/q} \sup_{x} \{\nu(G)^{1/p'} : FRG, x \in F\},$$
  
$$\leq (q/r)^{1/r} \sup_{FRG} \mu(F)^{1/q} \nu(G)^{1/p'}.$$

Analogously,

$$Y^{\infty}X^{r}K_{1} \leq (q/r)^{1/r} \sup_{FRG} \mu(F)^{1/p'} \nu(G)^{1/q}$$

Thus, the right-hand inequality in (27) now follows from (31) and (34).

The left-hand inequality in (27) follows by evaluation of the ratio  $||Hf||_{q}/||f||_{p}$  for  $f = \chi_{F}$ , the characteristic function of any  $F \in \mathscr{F}$ , in which case  $Hf \geq \mu(F)\chi_{G}$  for any G such that FRG.

### **2.** Inequalities for $T_1$ , $T_2$ .

LEMMA 3. Suppose that  $1 \leq r \leq \infty$  and that  $S_1(w_0, w_1)$  is defined by

(35) 
$$S_1(w_0, w_1)(f)(x) = w_1(x)|x|^{-n/r} \int_{|y| \le |x|} f(y)w_0(y)^{-1} d\nu(y).$$

Then, for  $1 \le p \le r', 1/q = 1/p - 1/r'$ ,

(36) 
$$1 \leq ||S_1(w_0, w_1)||_{p,q}/B^{p'q}(w_0^{-1}, |\cdot|^{-n/r}w_1) \leq (p')^{1/p'}q^{1/q}r^{-1/r}.$$

By duality, if

(37) 
$$S_2(w_0, w_1)(f)(x) = w_1(x) \int_{|y| \ge |x|} |y|^{-n/r} w_0(y)^{-1} f(y) dy,$$

then

(38) 
$$1 \leq ||S_2(w_0, w_1)||_{p,q}/B^{qp'}(w_1, |\cdot|^{-n/r}w_0^{-1}) \leq (p')^{1/p'}q^{1/q}r^{-1/r}.$$

*Proof.* Inequalities (36) follow from Lemma 1, if  $X = Y = \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $d\mu(x) = w_1(x)^q |x|^{-nq/7} dx$ , and  $d\nu(y) = w_0(y)^{-p'} dy$ .  $\mathscr{F}$  consists of all closed balls with centre at the origin,  $\mathscr{G}$  of their complements, and *FRG* if  $G = \sim F$ . Hence,  $S_1 f = w_1 |\cdot|^{-n/7} H(w_0^{p'-1}f)$ , and the  $L^p$  and  $L^q$  norms of  $f, S_1 f$  with respect to  $\mathscr{L}^n$  are equal to the norms of  $w_0^{p'-1}f$ ,  $H(w_0^{p'-1}f)$  with respect to  $\nu$ ,  $\mu$ , respectively.

Inequalities (38) follow similarly, or because  $S_2(w_0, w_1)$  is the adjoint of  $S_1(w_1^{-1}, w_0^{-1})$ .

LEMMA 4. Define

$$A_{u}(w)(t) = \left(\int_{S^{n-1}}^{t} w_{1}(t\xi)^{u} d\sigma(\xi)\right)^{1/u}, \quad t > 0,$$
  
$$b_{\alpha,a}^{uv}(\omega_{0}, \omega_{1}) = \sup_{s>0} \left(\int_{0}^{tas} \omega_{0}(t)^{u} t^{\alpha u-1} dt\right)^{1/u} \left(\int_{s}^{t\infty} \omega_{1}(t)^{v} t^{-\alpha v-1} dt\right)^{1/v},$$
  
$$t = a, h > 0$$

and for a, b > 0

$$S_{1,a,b}(\Omega, w_0, w_1)(f)(x) = w_1(x)|x|^{-n/r} \int_{|y| \le a|x|, |y-x| \ge b|x|} \Omega(x-y)w_0(y)^{-1}f(y)dy.$$

Then, for 
$$1 \leq p \leq r', 1/q = 1/p - 1/r', q \leq u \leq \infty, 1/v_1 + 1/u = 1/q,$$
  
(39)  $||S_{1,a,b}(\Omega, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C_{a,b}||\Omega||_u b_{n/p',a}^{p'q} (A_{p'}(w_0^{-1}), A_{v_1}(w_1)).$   
If

 $S_{2,a,b}(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)(f)(x) =$ 

$$w_1(x) \int_{|y-x| \ge b|x|, |y| \ge |x|/a} \Omega^{\sim}(x, x-y) |y|^{-n/r} w_0(y)^{-1} f(y) dy,$$

then for the same p, q and  $p' \leq u \leq \infty, 1/v_2 + 1/u = 1/p'$ ,

(40)  $||S_{2,a,b}(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C_{a,b}|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_u b_{n/q,a}^{qp'}(A_q(w_1), A_{p'}(w_0^{-1})).$ 

*Proof.* Consider (40) first. Define the isomorphism  $\tau$ , from the space of functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n \sim \{0\}$  onto that of functions on  $\mathbb{R}_+$  with values in the space of functions on  $S^{n-1}$ , by  $\tau(f)(t)(y') = f(ty'), t > 0, y' \in S^{n-1}$ . Note that

$$S_{2,a,b}(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)(f)(sx') = w_1(sx') \int_{|x|/a}^{\infty} \int_{S^{n-1}} \Omega^{\sim}(sx', sx' - ty') w_0(ty')^{-1} \varphi(bs/|sx' - ty'|) f(ty') d\sigma(y') t^{n-1} dt,$$

where  $\varphi$  is the characteristic function of the interval [0, 1].

The diffeomorphism  $\psi_{x,t}$ , defined by  $\psi_{x,t}(y') = |y' - t^{-1}x|^{-1}(y' - t^{-1}x)$ , of the subset of  $S^{n-1}, D_{x,t} = \{y': |y' - t^{-1}x| \ge b|x|t^{-1}\}$ , into  $S^{n-1}$ , has the property that  $\psi_{x,t}^*\sigma$ , the image of the measure  $\sigma$  under the mapping  $\psi_{x,t}$ , satisfies  $C^{-1}\sigma \le \psi_{x,t}^*\sigma \le C\sigma$  on  $D_{x,t}$  for any  $t \ge a^{-1}|x|$ . It follows that

(41)  $||\tau S_{2,a,b}(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)(f)(s)||_q$ 

$$\leq C|||\Omega^{-}|||_{u}A_{q}(w_{1})(s)\int_{s/a}^{\infty}A_{p_{2}}(w_{0}^{-1})(t)||\tau f(t)||_{p}t^{n-1}dt.$$

Also, (40) is equivalent to

$$|| ||\tau S_{2,a,b}(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)(f)||[L^q(S^{n-1})]||[L^q(\mathbf{R}_+, S^{n-1}ds)] \\ \leq C b_{n/p',a}^{p'q} |||\Omega^{\sim}|||_u|| ||\tau f||[L^p(S^{n-1})]||[L^p(\mathbf{R}_+, t^{n-1}dt)].$$

But this follows from (41) and Lemma 1 applied to the case  $X = Y = \mathbf{R}_+$ ,  $d\mu(s) = A_q(w_1)(s)s^{n-1}ds, d\nu(t) = A_{v_2}(w_0^{-1})t^{n-1}dt, R = \{((0, as] \times [s, \infty)): s > 0\}.$ 

To prove (39), observe that if  $\Omega^{\sim} = \Omega$  is independent of the first variable and  $\Omega \geq 0$ , then  $S_{1,a,b}$  is bounded by the adjoint of  $S_{2,a,b/a}(\Omega^{\sim}, w_1^{-1}, w_0^{-1})$  (on the set of positive measurable functions), where  $\Omega^{\sim}(x) = \Omega(-x)$ , because  $|y| \leq a|x|$  and  $|x - y| \geq b|x|$  imply that  $|x - y| \geq b|y|/a$ .

LEMMA 5. Suppose that  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$ ,  $Y_1$ ,  $Y_2$  are measurable spaces, that  $\mu_1$ ,  $\nu_1$  are (totally  $\sigma$ -finite) measures on  $X_1$ ,  $Y_1$ , that  $\mathscr{A}_i$ ,  $\mathscr{B}_i$  denote the  $\sigma$ -algebras of measurable subsets of  $X_i$ ,  $Y_i$ , respectively, and that M(N) is a non-negative real valued function on  $X_1 \times \mathscr{A}_2(Y_1 \times \mathscr{B}_2)$  such that for any  $x_1 \in X_1(y_1 \in Y_1)$ ,  $M(x_1, .)(N(y_1, .))$  is a (totally  $\sigma$ -finite) measure on  $X_2(Y_2)$  and for any set  $A_2 \in \mathscr{A}_2(B_2 \in \mathscr{B}_2)$ ,  $M(., A_2)(N(., B_2))$  is a measurable function on  $X_1(Y_1)$  (see, e.g., [14, p. 73]). Denote by  $\mu$  the measure on  $X = X_1 \times X_2$  determined by

(41) 
$$\mu(A_1 \times A_2) = \int_{A_1} M(x_1, A_2) d\mu_1(x_1), \quad A_i \in \mathscr{A}_i.$$

The measure  $\nu$  on  $Y = Y_1 \times Y_2$  is defined analogously.

Let  $K(=K(x_1, x_2; y_1, y_2))$  be a locally integrable function on  $X \times Y$  and let  $||K||[L^p Y, L^q(X)]$  denote the norm of the integral operator S defined by

$$Sf(x_1, x_2) = \int_{Y_1 \times Y_2} K(x_1, x_2; y_1, y_2) f(y_1, y_2) d\nu(y_1, y_2),$$

between  $L^{p}(Y)$  and  $L^{q}(X)$  (with respect to the measures  $\mu, \nu$ ). Then

$$||K||[L^{p}(Y), L^{q}(X)] \leq || \, ||K||[L^{p}(Y_{2}), L^{q}(X_{2})]||[L^{p}(Y_{1}), L^{q}(X_{1})](p > 0, q \geq 1),$$

where  $||K||[L^p(Y_2), L^q(X_2)](x_1, y_1)$  denotes the norm (quasi-norm if p < 1) of the integral operator with kernel  $K(x_1, .; y_1, .)$  from  $L^p(Y_2, N(y_1, .))$  to  $L^q(X_2, M(x_1, .))$ .

*Proof.* By Minkowski's inequality for integrals, since  $q \ge 1$ ,

$$||Sf(x_1,.)||_q = X_2^q Sf(x_1) = \left\| \int \int K(x_1,.;y_1,y_2) f(y_1,y_2) dN(y_1,y_2) d\nu_1(y_1) \right\|_q$$
  
$$\leq \int \left\| \int K(x_1,.;y_1,y_2) f(y_1,y_2) dN(y_1,y_2) \right\|_q d\nu_1(y_1)$$
  
$$\leq \int ||K|| [L^p(y_2), L^q(X_2)](x_1,y_1) ||f||_p (y_1) d\nu_1(y_1),$$

where  $||f||_{p}(y_{1})$  denotes the norm of  $f(y_{1}, .)$  with respect to the measure  $N(y_{1}, .)$  on  $Y_{2}$ . Hence,

$$||Sf||_{q} = X_{1}^{q}X_{2}^{q}Sf \leq |||K||[L^{p}(Y_{2}), L^{q}(X_{2})]|[L^{p}(Y_{1}), L^{q}(X_{1})]||f||_{p}.$$

*Remark* 2. More generally, if  $u \leq p, v \geq q$ , it follows similarly, by use of the obvious generalization of [19, Lemma 3 and Corollary] from the case of product measures to the more general types of measure defined in (41), that

 $||K||[L^{pu}(y), L^{qv}(X)] \leq C|| ||K||[L^{pu}(Y_2), L^{qv}(X_2)]||[L^{p}(y_1), L^{q}(X_1)].$ 

LEMMA 6. Define

$$b_{\alpha}^{uvw}(\omega_{0}, \omega_{1}) = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \sum_{k=-\infty}^{z} \left( 2^{-k} \int_{2^{k-1}}^{2^{k}} \omega_{0}(t)^{w} dt \right)^{u/w} 2^{\alpha k u} \right)^{1/u} \left( \int_{2^{z}}^{\infty} \omega_{1}(t)^{v} t^{-\alpha v-1} dt \right)^{1/v}.$$
  
Suppose that  $1 \leq r \leq \infty$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - 1/r'$ . Then for  $S_{1}$  defined by (23),  
(42)  $||S_{1}(\Omega, \omega_{0}, \omega_{1})||_{p,q} \leq C ||\Omega||_{r_{\infty}} b_{1/p'}^{n'q_{\infty}}(\omega_{0}^{-1}, \omega_{1}), \text{ for } 1$ 

For p = 1 or  $q = \infty$ , this is still valid provided that the left-hand side is replaced by  $||S_1(\Omega_1, \omega_0, \omega_1)||_{p1,q\infty}$  or if, instead, the right-hand side is replaced by  $||\Omega||_r$ . Dually,

(43) 
$$||S_2(\Omega, \omega_0, \omega_1)||_{p,q} \leq C ||\Omega||_{\tau_{\infty}} b_{1/q}^{qp'_{\infty}}(\omega_1, \omega_0^{-1}),$$

with analogous results if p = 1 or  $q = \infty$ .

*Proof.* This is by application of the preceding lemma. By duality, it suffices to consider  $S_2$ . Let  $X_1 = \mathbb{Z}$ , provided with the measure  $\nu_1$  such that  $\nu_1(\{z\}) = 2^z$  for any  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ .  $X_2$  is the subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\{x: 1/2 < |x| \leq 1\}$ , which together with the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathscr{A}_2$  of Lebesgue measurable subsets becomes a measure space. For  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $A_2 \in \mathscr{A}_2$ , let  $M(z, A_2) = 2^{(n-1)z} \mathscr{L}^n(A_2)$ . Next, let  $Y_1 = \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $Y_2 = S^{n-1}$ ,  $\mathscr{B}_1$ ,  $\mathscr{B}_2$  be the  $\sigma$ -algebras of measurable subsets with respect to  $\mathscr{L}^1$  or  $\sigma$ , respectively, and let  $N(t, B_2) = t^{n-1}\sigma(B_2)$  for  $B_2 \in \mathscr{B}_2$ .

Note that if the measures  $\mu$ ,  $\nu$  on  $X = \mathbb{Z} \times X_2$ ,  $Y = \mathbb{R}_+ \times S^{n-1}$ , are as in Lemma 5, then there are isomorphisms  $F_1$ ,  $F_2$  between the measure spaces  $(X, \mu)$ ,  $(Y, \nu)$  and  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathscr{L}^n)$  defined by  $F_1(z, x) = 2^z x$ ,  $F_2(t, y) = ty$ , respectively. Therefore, (43) is equivalent to the boundedness between  $L^p(Y)$  and  $L^q(X)$  of the integral operator whose kernel is

$$K(z, x; t, y) = \varphi(2^{z+1}|x|t^{-1})\Omega(2^{z}x - ty)t^{-n/r}\omega_{1}(2^{z}|x|)\omega_{0}(t)^{-1}.$$

To deduce the latter, it will be shown that if

$$k_0(z, t) = ||K||[L^{r'_1}(S^{n-1}), L^{\infty}(X_2)], k_1(z, t) = ||K||[L^1(S^{n-1}), L^{r^{\infty}}(X_2)],$$

then for i = 0, 1,

(44) 
$$k_i(z,t) \leq C ||\Omega||_{\tau_{\infty}} \varphi(2^z t^{-1}) t^{-1/\tau} \omega_0(t)^{-1} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{1/2 < u < 1} \omega_1(2^z u).$$

Now

$$k_0(z, t) = \underset{x \in X_2}{\mathrm{ess}} ||K(z, x; ., .)||_{r_{\infty}}(t)$$

(see, e.g., [19, Lemma 1]). It is easy to see that the  $L^{r^{\infty}}$  norm with respect to the measure  $N(t, .) = t^{n-1}\sigma$  is  $t^{(n-1)/r}$  times the  $L^{r^{\infty}}$  norm with respect to  $\sigma$ . Thus, for  $2^{z+1}|x| \leq t$ ,

(45) 
$$k_0(z,t) \leq Ct^{-1/r} \omega_0(t)^{-1} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x \in X_2} \omega_1(2^z |x|) ||\Omega(2^z x - t.)|| [L^{r_{\infty}}(S^{n-1})].$$

But for  $2^{z}t^{-1}|x| \leq \frac{1}{2}$ ,

$$|\Omega(2^{z}x - t)||[L^{r^{\infty}}(S^{n-1})]| = ||\Omega(2^{z}t^{-1}x - .)||[L^{r^{\infty}}(S^{n-1})]| \leq C||\Omega||_{r^{\infty}}$$

and (44), for i = 0, follows by substituting this in (45). To establish (44) for i = 1, note that

$$k_{1}(z,t) \leq C \underset{y \in S^{n-1}}{\operatorname{ess sup}} ||K(.,.;t,y)||_{\tau_{\infty}}(z)$$
  
=  $Ct^{-n/\tau} 2^{(n-1)z/\tau} \omega_{0}(t)^{-1} \underset{1/2 \leq u \leq 1}{\operatorname{ess sup}} \omega_{1}(2^{z}u) \underset{y \in S^{n-1}}{\operatorname{sup}} ||\Omega(.-2^{-z}ty)||[L^{\tau_{\infty}}(X_{2})].$ 

But the last norm is at most equal to

$$||\Omega||[L^{r^{\infty}}(\{x:t2^{-z}-1<|x|< t2^{-z}+1\})] \leq C||\Omega||_{r_{\infty}},$$

for  $t \geq 2^{z+1}$ . Hence,

$$k_1(z,t) \leq C ||\Omega||_{\tau_{\infty}} t^{-1/\tau} \omega_0(t)^{-1} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{1/2 < u < 1} \omega_1(2^z u).$$

Inequality (44) and the Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem for Lorentz spaces imply that

$$||K||[L^{p}(S^{n-1}), L^{q}(X_{2})](z, t) \leq C_{p,q}||\Omega||_{\tau_{\infty}}\varphi(2^{z}t^{-1})t^{-1/\tau}\omega_{0}(t)^{-1} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{1/2 < u < 1} \omega_{1}(2^{z}u).$$

Hence, by Lemma 5, the proof of (43) will be finished if it can be shown that for

$$k(z, t) = \varphi(2^{z}t^{-1})t^{-1/r}\omega_{0}(t)^{-1} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{1/2 < u < 1} \omega_{1}(2^{z}u),$$
$$||k||[L^{p}(\mathbf{R}_{+}, \mathcal{L}^{1}), L^{q}(\mathbf{Z}, \mu_{1})] \leq Cb_{1/q}^{qp'\infty}(\omega_{1}, \omega_{0}^{-1}).$$

This is a consequence of Lemma 1. For, replace X, Y by Z,  $\mathbf{R}_+$ , respectively,  $\mu$  by the measure assigning mass  $2^z$  ess  $\sup_{1/2 \le u \le 1} \omega_1(2^z u)$  to the one-point set  $\{z\}$ ,  $d\nu$  by  $t^{-1/r}\omega_0(t)^{-1}dt$ , and  $\mathscr{F}$ ,  $\mathscr{G}$  by the collection of intervals of the form  $\Phi(z) = \{z_1; z_1 \in \mathbf{Z}, z_1 \le z\}$  and  $\Psi(t) = [t, \infty)$  for  $z \in \mathbf{Z}, t > 0$ , respectively. The relation R is defined by  $R = \{(\Phi(z), \Psi(t)): 2^z \le t < 2^{z+1}, z \in \mathbf{Z}, t > 0\}$ .

The restricted weak type results for  $S_2$  mentioned in Lemma 4 follow similarly if use is made of Remark 2. It follows, similarly, that

 $||K||[L^{r'}(S^{n-1}), L^{\infty}(X_2)](z, t) \leq C||\Omega||_{r}\varphi(2^{z}t^{-1})t^{-1/r}\omega_0(t)^{-1} \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{1/2 < u < 1} \omega_1(2^{z}y).$ 

Hence, by Lemma 1,

$$||S_2(\Omega, \omega_0, \omega_1)||_{r',\infty} \leq C||\Omega||_r b_{1/q}^{qp'\infty}(\omega_1, \omega_0^{-1}).$$

The same inequality for  $||S_2||_{1,r}$  is proved similarly.

Remark 3. The essentially new result, going beyond Lemma 4, is (44) for i = 1. The preceding argument is just a possible way of interpolating between this result and Lemma 4 in case  $\Omega \in L^{r^{\infty}}$ . It was obtained in an attempt to apply Lemma 5 with  $X_1 = Y_1 = \mathbb{R}_+$ ,  $\mu_1 = \nu_1 = \mathscr{L}^1$ ,  $X_2 = Y_2 = S^{n-1}$ , and  $M(t, E) = N(t, E) = t^{n-1}\sigma(E)$ . This, however, presents the difficulty that the  $L^{r^{\infty}}$  norm of  $\Omega(s - ty)$  on  $S^{n-1}(y \in S^{n-1})$  for s < t need no longer be finite, due to the contribution from a neighbourhood of the (n - 2) dimensional sphere on  $S^{n-1}$  defined by  $\{\xi; \xi \in S^{n-1}, \xi \cdot (s\xi - ty) = 0\}$ . If  $\omega_1$  is not essentially bounded locally, then  $k_1(z, .)$ , for suitable  $\Omega \in L^{r^{\infty}}$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ , will be infinite for t in a set of positive measure. It is in applying Lemma 5 that accuracy is lost even at the end points p = 1, p = r'; for  $f \in L^{r^{\infty}}(X_1 \times X_2)$  does not require that  $X_1 r X_2 r^{\infty} f < \infty$ .

Interpolation between Lemma 4 and Lemma 6 for fixed p, q yields:

LEMMA 7. Suppose that 1 , $(46) <math>1/q \le 1/u + 1/v_1 \le 1/r, 1/s = 1/u - (1 - p'/v_0)(1/r)$ . Then (see [8])

(47) 
$$||S_1(\Omega, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C ||\Omega||_{u_s} B_{1/p'+(n-1)/v_0}^{p'qv_0v_1}(w_0^{-1}, w_1).$$
 If instead of (46),

(48) 
$$1/p' \leq 1/u + 1/v_1 \leq 1/r, 1/s = 1/u - (1 - q/v_0)(1/r),$$

then

(49) 
$$||S_2(\Omega, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C ||\Omega||_{u_s} B_{1/q+(n-1)/v_0}^{qp'v_0v_1}(w_1, w_0^{-1}).$$

*Proof.* It suffices to consider  $S_2$ . Since  $|y| \ge 2|x|$  implies that  $|y - x| \ge |x|$ , by Lemma 4, for  $1/u + 1/v_1 = 1/p'$ ,

(50) 
$$||S_2(\Omega, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C ||\Omega||_u B_{n/q}^{qp'qv_1}(w_1, w_0^{-1}).$$

By Lemma 6,

(51) 
$$||S_2(\Omega, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C ||\Omega||_{\tau_{\infty}} B_{1/q}^{qp'_{\infty\infty}}(w_1, w_0^{-1}).$$

Inequality (49) follows from (50), (51), by interpolation.

In fact, let  $\lambda = 1 - q/v_0$  and  $1/u_0 = (v_0/q)(1/u) - (v_0/q - 1)(1/r)$ . Then  $L^{u_s} = (L^{u_0})^{1-\lambda} (L^{r^{\infty}})^{\lambda}$ . Further,  $w_i = w_{i0}^{1-\lambda} w_{i1}^{\lambda}$ , i = 0, 1; for

$$\begin{split} w_{00}(y) &= w_0(y)^{v_0/q} w_0(y)^{1-v_0/q} |y|^{\gamma_0}, \\ w_{01}(y) &= [A_{v_1}(w_0^{-1})(|y|)]^{-1} |y|^{\gamma_1}, \\ \gamma_0 &= (1 - q/v_0)\gamma, \\ \gamma_1 &= -(q/v_0)\gamma, \\ \gamma &= (n - 1)(1/p' - 1/r), \end{split}$$

and for  $2^{k-1} < |x| \le 2^k$ ,

$$w_{10}(x) = w_1(x)^{v_0/q} w_{11}(x)^{1-v_0/q} 2^{k\delta_0},$$
  

$$w_{11}(x) = \left(2^{-kn} \int_{2^{k-1} < |y| < 2^k} w_1(y)^{v_1} dy\right)^{1/v_1} 2^{k\delta_1}$$
  

$$\delta_0 = -(n-1)(1/q - 1/v_0),$$
  

$$\delta_1 = (n-1)/v_0,$$

and

$$B_{n/q}^{qp'q(v_0v_1/q)}(w_{10}, w_{00}^{-1}), B_{1/q}^{qp'\infty\infty}(w_{11}, w_{01}^{-1}) \leq CB_{1/q+(n-1)/v_0}^{qp'v_0v_1}(w_1, w_{0}^{-1}).$$
  
LEMMA 8. Suppose that  $1/r' \leq 1/p \leq 1$ ,  $1/q = 1/p - 1/r'$ . Then  
(52)  $||S_1(\Omega^{\sim}, \omega_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_{p'}b_{1/p'}^{p'q_{\infty}}(\omega_0^{-1}, A_q(w_1)).$ 

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*Proof.* The proof is similar to that of Lemma 6. Let  $\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $X_2$ , M, N be as there, and let

$$K(t, y; z, x) = \varphi(2^{z+1}|x|t^{-1})t^{-n/r}w_1(ty)\Omega^{\sim}(ty, ty - 2^z x)\omega_0(2^z|x|)^{-1}.$$

Then, by the proof of Lemma 6, it suffices to show that for

$$k_p(t, z) = ||K||[L^p(X_2), L^q(S^{n-1})], \quad 1 \leq p \leq r',$$

(53) 
$$k_p(t,z) \leq C |||\Omega^{-}|||_{p'} \varphi(2^z t^{-1}) t^{-1/r} A_q(w_1)(t) \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{1/2 < u < 1} \omega_0(2^z u)^{-1}.$$

In fact, for  $2^z \leq t$ ,

$$k_{1}(t, z) = ||K||[L^{1}(X_{2}), L^{r}(S^{n-1})](t, z)$$
  

$$\leq C|||\Omega^{-}|||_{\infty}t^{-n/r} \operatorname{ess sup}_{1/2 < u < 1} \omega_{0}(2^{z}u)^{-1}A_{r}(w_{1})(t)t^{(n-1)/r}$$
  

$$\leq C|||\Omega^{-}|||_{\infty}t^{-1/r}A_{r}(w_{1})(t) \operatorname{ess sup}_{1/2 < u < 1} \omega_{0}(2^{z}u)^{-1}.$$

On the other hand, for p = r' and  $2^{z} \leq t$ , similarly, as in the proof of Lemma 4,

$$A_{\infty}(w_{1})(t)^{-1} \left[ \underset{1/2 < u < 1}{\operatorname{ess sup}} \omega_{0}(2^{z}u)^{-1} \right]^{-1} \\ \leq Ct^{-n/r} 2^{z(n-1)/r} \underset{y \in S^{n-1}}{\operatorname{sup}} ||\Omega^{\sim}(ty, ty - 2^{\cdot})||_{r}(z) \leq C|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_{r}t^{-1/r}.$$

Thus, (53) holds for p = 1 and r'. The general case then follows by interpolation.

LEMMA 9. Suppose that 
$$1 \leq p \leq r', 1/q = 1/p - 1/r', 0 \leq 1/u \leq 1/p'$$
. Then  
(54)  $||S_1(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_u B_{n/p'-(n-1)/u}^{p'qv_0q}(w_0^{-1}, w_1),$ 

where  $1/v_0 = 1/p' - 1/u$ .

*Proof.* This is by interpolation between Lemmas 4 and 8. In fact, as a consequence of Lemma 4 (or Lemma 3),

$$||S_1(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_{\infty}B_{n/p'}^{p'qp'q}(w_0^{-1}, w_1).$$

By Lemma 8,

$$||S_1(\Omega^{\sim}, w_0, w_1)||_{p,q} \leq C|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_{p'}B_{1/p'}^{p'_{q \otimes q}}(w_0^{-1}, w_1).$$

Inequality (54) then follows by interpolation between the preceding two inequalities, similarly, as in the proof of Lemma 7.

## **3.** Inequalities for $T_3$ .

LEMMA 10. If w is a non-negative measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , let  $||.||_{uv,w}$  denote the  $L^{uv}$  norm with respect to the measure  $w\mathcal{L}^n$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Suppose that r > 1. Then for

 $\tilde{T}_3$ , defined in the Introduction,

(55) 
$$C^{-1} \leq \sup_{f} (||T_{3}f||_{r_{\infty},w_{1}}/||w_{0}f||_{1}) / \sup_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} M_{\tau}(w_{0},w_{1},\Omega,z) \leq C,$$

(56) 
$$C^{-1} \leq \sup_{f} (||\widetilde{T}_{3}f||_{\infty}/||f||_{r'^{1},w_{0}}) / \sup_{z \in \mathbb{Z}} N_{r}(w_{0}, \Omega^{\sim}, z) \leq C,$$

and for 1 , <math>1/q = 1/p - 1/r',

(57) 
$$||w_1T_3f||_q \leq C_{p,q} \sup_{|z_1-z_2|\leq 1} M_r(w_0^p, w_1^q, \Omega, z_1)^{r/q} N_r(w_0^p, \Omega, z_2)^{r/p'} ||w_0f||_p.$$

*Proof.* Observe that (since r > 1)

$$\sup_{f}(||\widetilde{T}_{3}f||_{r_{\infty},w_{1}}/||w_{0}f||_{1}) = Y^{\infty}X^{r_{\infty}}K,$$

where  $X = Y = \mathbf{R}^n$  and X, Y are provided with the measures  $w_1 \mathcal{L}^n$ ,  $w_0 \mathcal{L}^n$ , respectively, and

$$K(x, y) = \chi(|x|/|y|)\Omega^{\sim}(x, x - y)|x - y|^{-n/r}w_0(y)^{-1}.$$

But for  $\Omega^{\sim} = \Omega$ ,

$$Y^{\infty}X^{\tau_{\infty}}K = \underset{y}{\mathrm{ess}} \sup_{y} ||\chi(|.|/|y|)\Omega(.-y)|.-y|^{-n/\tau}w_{0}^{-1}||_{\tau_{\infty},w_{1}},$$

which is equivalent to (see [7])

$$\operatorname{ess\,sup\,sup}_{y} \sup_{\alpha>0} \left( \int_{|\Omega(x-y)||x-y|^{-n/r}w_0(y)^{-1}>\alpha} \chi(|x|/|y|)w_1(x)dx \right)^{1/r}.$$

Hence, (55) follows if, for  $w_0(y) \neq 0$ ,  $w_0(y)^{-1} \rho^{-n/r}$  is substituted for  $\alpha$ . Similarly,

$$X^{\infty}Y^{\tau_{\infty}}K = \mathrm{ess}\sup_{x} ||\chi(|.|/|x|)\Omega^{\sim}(x,x-.)|x-.|^{-n/r}w_{0}^{-1}||_{\tau_{\infty},w_{0}}.$$

The latter is equivalent to

$$\underset{x}{\operatorname{ess\,sup\,sup}} \sup_{\alpha} \left( \int_{|\Omega^{\sim}(x,x-y)||x-y|^{-n/r}w_{0}(y)^{-1}>\alpha} \chi(|y|/|x|)w_{0}(y)dy \right)^{1/r} = \\ \operatorname{ess\,sup\,sup}_{x} \sup_{\alpha>0} \left( \int_{w_{0}(x-y)\leq |\Omega^{\sim}(x,y)||y|^{-n/r}\alpha^{-1}} \chi(|x-y|/|x|)w_{0}(x-y)dy \right)^{1/r}.$$

Inequality (57) can be proved by means of Lemma 5. For, let  $X_1 = Y_1 = \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mu_1 = \nu_1$  and such that  $\mu_1(\{z\}) = 1$  for any  $z \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Further, let  $X_2 = Y_2 = S = \{x: 1/2 < |x| \leq 1\}$ . Then for  $\mu$ ,  $\nu$  defined by

$$\mu(\{z\} \times E) = M(z, E) = \int_{2^{z}E} w_1(x) dx, \, \nu(\{z\} \times E)$$
$$= N(z, E)$$
$$= \int_{2^{z}E} w_0(x) dx,$$

 $(Z \times S, \mu)$ ,  $(Z \times S, \nu)$  are isomorphic to  $(\mathbb{R}^n, w_1 \mathscr{L}^n)$ ,  $(\mathbb{R}^n, w_0 \mathscr{L}^n)$ , respectively, and  $T_3$  is equivalent to an integral operator with kernel

(58) 
$$K(z_1, x; z_2, y) = \chi(2^{z_1 - z_2} |x_1| / |x_2|) \Omega^{\sim} (2^{z_1} x_1, 2^{z_1} x_1 - 2^{z_2} x_2) \cdot |2^{z_1} x_1 - 2^{z_2} x_2|^{-n/\tau} w_0 (2^{z_2} x_2)^{-1}$$

on  $(Z \times S)^2$ .

By the preceding estimates for  $|z_1 - z_2| \leq 1$ ,

$$||K||[L^{1}(S), L^{r^{\infty}}(S)](z_{1}, z_{2}) \leq M_{r}(w_{0}, w_{1}, \Omega, z_{2}),$$
  
$$||K||[L^{r'^{1}}(S), L^{\infty}(S)](z_{1}, z_{2}) \leq N_{r}(w_{0}, \Omega^{\sim}, z_{1}),$$

while, if  $|z_1 - z_2| > 1$ , these norms are 0. Hence, by the Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem for Lorentz spaces,

(59) 
$$||K||[L^{p}(S), L^{q}(S)](z_{1}, z_{2}) \leq C_{p,q}\varphi(|z_{1} - z_{2}|)M_{r}(w_{0}, w_{1}, \Omega, z_{2})^{r/q} \times N_{r}(w_{0}, \Omega, z_{1})^{r/p'}.$$

(To obtain the bound  $C_{p,q}M(w_0, w_1)^{r/q}N(w_0)^{r/p'}$ , replace  $w_0, w_1$  by  $w_0' = N(w_0)^{r'}w_0, w_1' = M(w_0, w_1)^{-r}N(w_0)^{rr'}w_1$ . Then  $M(w_0', w_1') = N(w_0') = 1$  and, e.g.,  $||f||_{p,w_0'} = N(w_0)^{r/p}||f||_{p,w_0}$ , so, by the form of the Marcinkiewicz Theorem in [7],  $||K||[L^p(S), L^q(S)](z_1, z_2) \leq C_{p,q}\varphi(|z_1 - z_2|)M_r^{r/q}N_r^{r'/p-rr'/q}$ , i.e., (59) is satisfied.)

To complete the proof of (57), it remains to observe that for  $k(z_1, z_2) = \varphi(|z_1 - z_2|)$ ,  $||k||[L^p(Z), L^q(Z)] \leq 3$ , and to replace  $w_0, w_1$  by  $w_0^p, w_1^q$ , respectively.

LEMMA 11. Suppose that 1 , <math>1/q = 1/p - 1/r',  $r \le u \le \infty$  and 1/u + 1/v = 1/r. Then

$$||w_{1}T_{3}f||_{q} \leq C_{p,q}||\Omega||_{u}\left(\sup_{|z_{1}-z_{2}|\leq 1}M^{*}_{r,v}(w_{0}^{p},w_{1}^{q},z_{1})^{r/q}N^{*}_{r,v}(w_{0}^{p},z_{2})^{r/p'}\right)||w_{0}f||_{p},$$

where  $M^*_{r,v}$ ,  $N^*_{r,v}$  are defined by (2), (4).

*Proof.*  $M_r(w_0, w_1, \Omega, z)$  is defined as the essential supremum in  $\{x: 2^{z-1} < |x| < 2^z\}$  of

$$w_{0}(x)^{-1} \left( \sup_{\rho>0} \rho^{-n} \int_{|y| \leq |\Omega(y)|^{r/n}\rho} \chi(|x-y|/|x_{|})w_{1}(x-y)dy \right)^{1/r} \leq w_{0}(x)^{-1} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} |\Omega(y')|^{r} \sup_{\rho>0} \rho^{-n} \int_{0}^{\rho} \chi(|x-ty'|/|x|)w_{1}(x-ty')t^{n-1}dtd\sigma(y') \right)^{1/r}.$$

By Hölder's inequality,  $M_r(w_0, w_1, \Omega, z) \leq ||\Omega||_u M^*_{r,v}(w_0, w_1, z)$ .

Moreover,

$$\begin{aligned} \underset{2^{x-1} < |x| < 2^{x}}{\text{ess sup}} \sup_{\alpha > 0} \alpha \left( \int_{w_{0}(x-y) \leq |\Omega(y)| |y|^{-n/r_{\alpha}-1}} w_{0}(x-y) dy \right)^{1/r} \\ &\leq \underset{2^{x-1} < |x| < 2^{x}}{\text{ess sup}} \left( \int_{S^{n-1}} \sup_{\alpha '} \alpha' |\Omega(y)|^{r} \\ &\times \int_{w_{0}(x-ty') \leq t^{-n/r_{\alpha}-1}} \chi(|x-ty'|/|x|) w_{0}(x-ty') t^{n-1} dt d\sigma(y') \right)^{1/r} \\ &\leq ||\Omega||_{u} N^{*}_{r,v}(w_{0},z). \end{aligned}$$

To complete the proof of Proposition 2, it is necessary to consider  $\tilde{T}_3$  again.

LEMMA 12. Suppose that 0 < 1/u < 1/p', 1/v < (1/r)(1 - p'/u), 1/r' < 1/p < 1, 1/q = 1/p - 1/r'. Then

$$||w_1 \tilde{T}_3 f||_q \leq C_{p,q,u,v} |||\Omega^{\sim}||| \sup_{|z_1-z_2| \leq 1} (M_r(w_0^{p}, w_1^{q}, z_1)^{r/q} N_v^{*}(w_0^{p}, z_2)^{r/p'})||w_0 f||_p.$$

Proof. By the proof of Lemma 10, it suffices to show that for K as in (58), (60)  $||K||[L^{p}(S), L^{q}(S)](z_{1}, z_{2}) \leq C_{p,q,u,v}|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_{u}\varphi(|z_{1} - z_{2}|)M_{r}(w_{0}, w_{1}, z_{2})^{r/q}$  $\times N^{*}_{\tau,v}(w_{0}^{p}, z_{1})^{\tau/p'}.$ 

By (55) of Lemma 10,

$$||K||[L^{1}(S), L^{r^{\infty}}(S)](z_{1}, z_{2}) \leq C|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_{\infty}M_{r}(w_{0}, w_{1}, z_{2}),$$

and by (56) and the proof of Lemma 11,

(61) 
$$||K||[L^{r'_1}(S), L^{\infty}(S)](z_1, z_2) \leq C |||\Omega^{\sim}|||_{ru/p_0} N^*_{r, r}(w_0, z_1),$$

where p'/(ru) + 1/v = 1/r. Hence, by interpolation (see [2]),

(62)  $||K||[L^{p_{0}1}(S), L^{q_{0}\infty}(S)] \leq C|||\Omega^{\prime}|||_{u}M_{\tau}(w_{0}, w_{1}, v_{2})^{\tau/q_{0}}N^{*}_{\tau, v}(w_{0}, z_{1})^{\tau/p_{0}}$ 

 $(1/q_0 = 1/p_0 - 1/r')$ . Since  $r < p_0'$ ,  $|||\Omega^{-}|||_{ru/p_0'}$  can be replaced by  $|||\Omega^{-}|||_u$  in (61). Inequality (60) then follows from (61), (62) by the Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem.

4. Proof of Propositions 1, 2, 3 and Corollaries 1, 2. Inequality (6) of Proposition 1 follows from (36), (38) of Lemma 3 and (57) of Lemma 10, for  $\Omega = 1$ . For the proof of (7), notice that  $S_1(w_0, w_1)(f)$  and  $S_2(w_0, w_1)(f)$  defined by (35), (36), are both at most equal to  $Cw_1T(w_0^{-1}f)$ . Hence, (7) follows from the left-hand inequalities of (36), (38). Proposition 2 follows from Lemmas 4, 7, 11, and Proposition 3 from Lemmas 8 and 12.

*Remark* 4. Conversely, there is a constant  $C_{p,r,n}$ , depending only on the indicated variables, such that for any  $\Omega \geq 0$  and if

$$||T|| = \sup\{||w_1Tf||_q/||w_0f||_p:w_0f \in L^p\},\$$

then, for r > 1,

(63)

$$||\Omega||_{1}w_{1} \leq C_{p,r,n}||T||w_{0}$$
 a.e

For, suppose that a > 0 and that the set of x where  $w_1(x)/w_0(x) > a$  has positive measure. Then there are  $\alpha, \beta > 0$  for which  $\beta/\alpha > a$  and  $w_0 \leq \alpha$ ,  $w_1 \geq \beta$  on a set  $E_{\alpha\beta}$  of positive measure. Suppose that  $x_0$  is a point of density 1 of  $E_{\alpha\beta}$ . For  $\rho > 0$ , let  $B(x_0, \rho)$  denote the open ball of radius  $\rho$  about  $x_0$ . For any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\rho$  such that  $\mathscr{L}^n(B(x_0, \rho) \sim E_{\alpha\beta}) < \epsilon(\omega_n/n)\rho^n$ , where  $\omega_n/n$  is the volume of the unit ball. Also, for f the characteristic function of  $B(x_0, \rho) \cap E_{\alpha\beta}$ , and  $|x - x_0| < \rho/2$ 

$$Tf(x) \geq \int_{|y|<\rho/2} \Omega(y) |y|^{-n/\tau} dy - g * \chi_{\alpha,\beta}(x),$$

where  $g(x) = \Omega(x)|x|^{-n/r}$  and  $\chi_{\alpha\beta}$  is the characteristic function of  $B(x_0, \rho) \sim E_{\alpha\beta}$ . Note that the first term on the right-hand side of the preceding inequality equals  $C_n||\Omega||_1\rho^{n/r'}$ . Suppose first that  $||\Omega||_r < \infty$ . Then  $||g||_{r\infty} \leq C_n||\Omega||_r$  (see, e.g., [13]). Thus, the non-increasing rearrangement of g on  $\mathbf{R}_+$  satisfies  $g^*(t) \leq C_n||\Omega||_r t^{-1/r}$ . Hence,

$$|g*\chi_{\alpha\beta}| \leq C_n ||\Omega||_{\tau} \int t^{-1/r} dt \leq C_n ||\Omega||_{\tau} \epsilon^{1/r'} \rho^{n/r'},$$

where the limits of integration are 0 to  $\mathscr{L}^n(E_{\alpha\beta})$ .

It follows that for  $|x - x_0| < \rho/2$ ,

$$Tf(x) \geq C_n \rho^{n/r'}(||\Omega||_1 - \epsilon^{1/r'} ||\Omega||_r).$$

Thus, if  $\epsilon < 2^{-n-1}$ , then

$$||w_1Tf||_q \geq C_n \beta \rho^{n(1/q+1/r')} (||\Omega||_1 - \epsilon^{1/r'} ||\Omega||_r),$$

and, also,  $||w_0f||_p \leq \alpha ||f||_p \leq C_n \alpha \rho^{n/p}$ . Hence,

$$||w_1Tf||_q/||w_0f||_p \geq C_n(\beta/\alpha)(||\Omega||_1 - \epsilon^{1/\tau'}||\Omega||_r),$$

and so

$$(\beta/\alpha)(||\Omega||_1 - \epsilon^{1/r'} ||\Omega||_r) \leq C_n ||T||.$$

Since  $\epsilon > 0$  may be arbitrarily small, it follows that  $(\beta/\alpha)||\Omega||_1 \leq C_n||T||$ . Hence,  $a||\Omega||_1 \leq C_n||T||$  and  $(w_1/w_0)||\Omega||_1 \leq C_n||T||$  a.e. If  $||\Omega||_r = \infty$ , this holds for  $\Omega_k = \Omega \wedge k$ . Hence, by Fatou's Lemma, for  $\Omega$  likewise.

In the case of fractional integration (r > 1), Corollary 1 is a consequence of Proposition 1; for, if  $a_0 = b = v$ ,  $a_1 = b_1 = \infty$ , then  $1/a_0 - 1/p' = 1/r - 1/u - 1/p' = 1/q - 1/u$ ; hence,  $\alpha_1 = n/p' + (n-1)(1/q - 1/u)^+$  and, similarly,  $\alpha_0 = n/q + (n-1)(1/p' - 1/u)^+$ . Thus,  $B_{\alpha_1}{}^{p'qv\infty}(w_0^{-1}, w_1)$ ,  $B_{\alpha_0}{}^{qp'v\infty}(w_1, w_0^{-1})$  are at most equal to constant multiples of the left-hand sides of (12) and (13). Also, (11) and (12), (13) imply that

(64) 
$$\sup_{1/2 < s/t < 2} \omega_0(s)^{-1} \omega_1(t) \leq CAB^2,$$

for s > 0.

It follows easily that  $M^*_{r,v}(\omega_0^p, \omega_1^q)^{r/q} N^*_{r,v}(\omega_0^p)^{r/p'} \leq CAB^4$ . An examination of the proof of Lemma 10 leads to the conclusion that

$$(65) \qquad \qquad ||\omega_1 T_3||_q \leq CAB^2 ||\omega_0 f||_p.$$

This can be deduced directly from (64). For, the kernel K of  $w_1T_3w_0^{-1}$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} |K(x, y)| &= \chi(|y|/|x|)\omega_1(x)|\Omega(x - y)| |x - y|^{-n/r}\omega_0(y)^{-1} \\ &\leq CAB^2|\Omega(x - y)| |x - y|^{-n/r} \\ &= CAB^2g(x - y), \end{aligned}$$

where  $||g||_{r_{\infty}} \leq C||\Omega||_r$  and  $||g^*f||_q \leq C||g||_{r_{\infty}}||f||_p$  (see, e.g., [7; 13]).

If r = 1, (65) is a consequence of well known results of Calderón and Zygmund [3, Theorem 1] and, e.g., [19, Lemma 4]. The required inequalities for  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ are, of course, contained in Lemmas 4 and 7. Remark 1 follows from Lemma 7. For if, e.g., in (46),  $1/v_0 = 1/a_0 = 1/r - 1/u$ , then 1/s = p'/q(1/r - 1/u). The fact that, e.g., (15), (16) imply (18) follows from the logarithmic convexity of the function  $1/p \rightarrow ||f||_p$  (Hölder's inequality); hence of  $1/p \rightarrow ||f||_p ||g||_q$ , for  $f(t) = \varphi(t/s)\omega_1(t)t^{\alpha_0}$ ,  $g(t) = \varphi(s/t)\omega_0(t)^{-1}t^{-\alpha_0}$ .

Corollary 2 follows similarly from Lemma 8 with  $a_1 = \infty$ , [3, Theorem 2] and, e.g., [19, Lemma 4] for the middle part  $\tilde{T}_3$  if r = 1. If r > 1, the proof that

$$||\omega_1 \widetilde{T}_3 f||_q \leq C_{p,q} A B^2 |||\Omega^{\sim}|||_u||\omega_0 f||_p$$

is completed by the following.

LEMMA 13. Suppose that  $1 < r < \infty$ , 1 , <math>1/q = 1/p - 1/r', and  $\tilde{T}$  is as defined in Proposition 3. Then

(66) 
$$||\widetilde{T}f||_q \leq C|||\Omega^{\sim}||_{p'}||f||_p \quad (C = C_{p,q}).$$

*Proof.* This is very similar to the argument for [9, Theorem 9] in the case that  $\Omega^{\sim}(x, y)$  does not depend on x. In fact, for  $0 \leq \text{Re } z < 1$  and f in the class  $C_c^{1}$  of continuously differentiable functions of compact support, define

$$T_z f(x) = c(z) \int \operatorname{sgn} \Omega^{\sim}(x, y) |\Omega^{\sim}(x, y)|^{rz} |y|^{-nz} f(x - y) dy,$$

where  $c(z) = (z - 1)(z - 2)^{-2}$ , sgn  $\Omega^{\sim} = \Omega^{\sim}/|\Omega^{\sim}|$ . For any  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $T_z f(x)$  is a holomorphic function in  $\{z: 0 < \text{Re } z < 1\}$ , continuous in  $\{z: 0 \leq \text{Re } z < 1\}$ ,

and has a continuous extension to the closed strip  $\{z: 0 \leq \text{Re } z \leq 1\}$ , which is uniformly bounded for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

For, if  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $T_z f(x)$  can be written

$$T_{2}f(x) = c(z) \int_{|y|>\epsilon} \Omega^{\sim}_{z}(x, y) |y|^{-nz} f(x - y) dy$$
  
-  $n^{-1}(z - 2)^{-2} \epsilon^{n(1-z)} f(x) \int_{S^{n-1}} \Omega^{\sim}_{z}(x, y') d\sigma(y')$   
+  $c(z) \int_{|y|\leq\epsilon} \Omega^{\sim}_{z}(x, y) (f(x - y) - f(x)) dy,$ 

where  $\Omega_{z}^{\sim}(x, y) = \operatorname{sgn} \Omega^{\sim}(x, y) |\Omega^{\sim}(x, y)|^{rz}$ . The last term on the right-hand side approaches 0 uniformly in z as  $\epsilon$  goes to 0 due to the integrability of  $|\Omega(x, .)|^{r}$  and since  $|f(x - y) - f(x)| \leq C|y|$ , while, for any fixed  $\epsilon > 0$ , the first and second terms are bounded continuous functions of z in the closed strip and these statements hold uniformly for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^{n}$ .

If  $T_{1+i\eta}f(x)$  denotes the value of the continuous extension of  $T_z f(x)$  at  $1 + i\eta, -\infty < \eta < \infty$ , clearly

$$T_{1+i\eta}f(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left[ c(1+i\eta) \int_{|y|>\epsilon} \Omega^{\sim}_{1+i\eta}(x,y) |y|^{-n(1+i\eta)} f(x-y) dy - n^{-1}(i\eta-1)^{-2} \epsilon^{-n\,i\eta} f(x) \int_{S^{n-1}} \Omega^{\sim}_{1+i\eta}(x,y') d\sigma(y') \right].$$

By the results of [9] and [3],

(67) 
$$T_{1+i\eta}f(x) = \int_{S^{n-1}} \Omega^{\sim}_{z}(x, y')\tilde{f}_{i\eta}(x, y')d\sigma(y'),$$
where for  $|y'| = 1, n \neq 0$ 

where for  $|y'| = 1, \eta \neq 0$ ,

$$\tilde{f}_{i\eta}(x,y') = c(1+i\eta) \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \left( \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} t^{-1-n\,i\eta} f(x-ty') dt - (in\eta)^{-1} \epsilon^{-in\eta} f(x) \right)$$

(if  $\eta = 0, \tilde{f}_0(x, y') = -n^{-1}f(x)$ ). From [9, Theorem 6], it follows that (68)  $\|\tilde{f}_0(x, y')\| \le C \|f\| = 1 \le s \le \infty$ 

(68) 
$$||f_{i\eta}(., y')||_s \leq C_s ||f||_s, \quad 1 < s < \infty.$$

By precisely the same argument as in the proof of [3, Theorem 2], (67), (68) imply

(69) 
$$||T_{1+i\eta}f||_{s} \leq C|||\Omega^{-}_{1+i\eta}||_{s'}||f||_{s} = C|||\Omega^{-}|^{\tau}||_{s'}||f||_{s}.$$

Furthermore,

(70) 
$$||T_{i\eta}f||_{\infty} \leq |c(i\eta)| ||f||_{1} \leq C/(1+|\eta|)||f||_{1}$$

Let now s = q/r; then 1/p = (1/r)(1/s) + (1 - 1/r), 1/q = (1/r)(1/s), 1/s' = r/p', and (69) becomes

(71) 
$$||T_{1+i\eta}f||_{s} \leq C|||\Omega^{-}||_{p'}||f||_{s}.$$

Since  $T_z$  is an analytic family of operators of admissible growth on  $C_c^1$  satisfying (70), (71), a theorem of Stein (see [15, Theorem 2; 20, p. 110]) implies that  $\tilde{T} = c(1/r)^{-1}T_{1/r}$  satisfies

(72) 
$$||\widetilde{T}f||_q \leq C_r |||\Omega^{-}|||_{p'}||f||_p, \quad f \in C_c^1.$$

It clearly suffices to prove (72), in general, for non-negative  $f, \Omega^{\sim}$ . Since any non-negative function f in  $L^p$  is the limit a.e. of a sequence  $\{f_n\}$  in  $C_c^1$ , which is bounded in  $L^p$  by  $||f||_p$ , the general validity of (72) follows from Fatou's Lemma.

*Remark* 5. It does not seem unlikely that the preceding result on positive kernels can be proved without the use of singular integrals. The weaker result

(73) 
$$||\widetilde{T}f||_q \leq C_{p,q}|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_u||f||_p, \quad \text{for } u > p',$$

which is [12, Lemma 7], follows from the Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem, and the restricted weak type result

(74) 
$$||\tilde{T}f||_{q_{\infty}} \leq C|||\Omega^{\sim}|||_{p'}||f||_{p_1}.$$

If p = 1, this is nothing but a well known result about the fractional integral  $\int |x - y|^{-n/r} f(y) dy$ . If p = r',  $|\tilde{T}f(x)| \leq C ||\Omega^{\sim}(x, .)||_r|| f ||_{r'1}$ , as a result of the duality between  $L^{r^{\infty}}$  and  $L^{r'1}$  (see [6; 7; 13]). It follows by the complex method of interpolation, that (74) is generally valid (see [2, § 13]). Suppose now u > p', and let  $p_0 = u' < p$  and  $p_1 = r' > p$ ; then (73) follows from (74) for  $p_0, p_1$  and the Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem.

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