

A Counterexample for Boundedness of Some Pseudo-Differential Operators on Pointwise Multipliers Triebel-Lizorkin Space

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We study the boundedness of some pseudo-differential operators of order 0 on pointwise multipliers Triebel-Lizorkin space $M(F_{p,q}^\eta(\mathbb{R}^n))$, where $F_{p,q}^\eta(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is defined from a positive function $\eta : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ satisfies the condition:

$$\sup_{t>0} t^{-a} \sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \frac{\eta(2^{-k})}{\eta(2^{-k}t)} < +\infty, \quad (a \in \mathbb{R}).$$

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1. Introduction

Several authors studied the continuity of the pseudo-differential operators (ps.d.o.) on certain functional spaces, in particular on Besov space $B_{p,q}^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$, or on Triebel-Lizorkin space $F_{p,q}^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$, can be found in the different works, as [1, 4, 5, 13]. In this work we consider the study of the boundedness on pointwise multipliers Triebel-Lizorkin space $M(F_{p,q}^\eta(\mathbb{R}^n))$ of the ps.d.o. $\varrho(\cdot, D)$ defined as

$$\varrho(\cdot, D) f(x) = (2\pi)^{-n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{ix \cdot \xi} \varrho(x, \xi) \widehat{f}(\xi) d\xi, \quad (\forall f \in \mathcal{S}, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n).$$

We denote by $OP_{\rho,\delta}^m$ the set of all $\varrho(\cdot, D)$ such that its symbol $\varrho : \mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ satisfies

$$|\partial_\xi^\alpha \partial_x^\beta \varrho(x, \xi)| \leq c(1 + |\xi|)^{m-\rho|\alpha|+\delta|\beta|},$$

where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}^n$ and $\delta, \rho, m \in [0, \infty)$.

The main result of this paper has been proved in the case of Besov space $B_{p,q}^{\eta_a}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ by Moussai [5], where the function $\eta_a : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$ satisfies the condition:

$$(1) \quad \sup_{t>0} t^{-a} \sup_{k=0,1,2,\dots} \frac{\eta_a(2^{-k})}{\eta_a(2^{-k}t)} < +\infty, \quad (a \in \mathbb{R}).$$

Our contribution is the following result: we shall prove that $B_{p,q}^{\frac{\eta_n}{p}} \cap L^\infty$ is included in the pointwise multipliers space $M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})$ if $-\frac{n}{p} + \max(0, \frac{2n}{p} - n) < a < \frac{n}{p}$.

Theorem 1. *Let $1 < p < \infty, 1 < q \leq \infty, -\frac{n}{p} + \max(0, \frac{2n}{p} - n) < a < \frac{n}{p}$, and η_a be a positive function satisfies (1), then*

$$B_{p,\infty}^{\frac{\eta_n}{p}} \cap L^\infty \hookrightarrow M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}).$$

On the other hand as it is well-known that for all $\psi \in \mathcal{D}$ the function $|\cdot|^\tau \psi$ belongs to $B_{p,\infty}^{\tau + \frac{n}{p}}$ ($\tau > -\frac{n}{p}$), we will give an assertion in this context for $F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}$ which leads to prove that all ps.d.o. of $OP_{1,1}^0$ is not bounded on $M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})$.

Theorem 2. *Let $0 < a < \frac{n}{p}, 1 < p < \infty, 1 < q \leq \infty$, and η_a be a positive function satisfies (1). Then there exists a ps.d.o. $\varrho(\cdot, D)$ in $OP_{1,0}^0$ and a function $h \in M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})$ such that $\varrho(\cdot, D)h \notin M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})$.*

2. Preliminaries

2.1. Notation

We will work in the Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^n , then all spaces and all functions are defined on \mathbb{R}^n . The norm of the Lebesgue space L^p is $\|\cdot\|_p$. We note by $\partial_x^\beta f = \partial_{x_1}^{\beta_1} \dots \partial_{x_n}^{\beta_n} f$ the derivative of f of order a multi-indices β . The notations $\mathcal{F}f = \widehat{f}$ and $\mathcal{F}^{-1}f = \check{f}$ are used for the Fourier transform of f and its inverse. If $g \in L_{loc}^1$, the Hardy-Littlewood maximal function is

$$M(g)(x) = \sup_{r>0} \frac{1}{|B(x,r)|} \int_{B(x,r)} |g(y)| dy,$$

where $B(x, r)$ is the ball of center x and radius r . The difference operators are

$$\Delta_h^N f = \sum_{k=0}^N \binom{N}{k} (-1)^k f(\cdot + (N - k)h) \quad (N \in \mathbb{N}, h \in \mathbb{R}^n).$$

If $p \in [1, \infty]$, its conjugate p' is $p/(p - 1)$. If $x \in \mathbb{R}$, the number $[x]$ denotes the greatest integer less than or equal to x . As usual, constants c, c_1, \dots are strictly positive and depend only on the fixed parameters n, s, p, q and their values may vary from line to line.

2.2. Series of Littlewood-Paley

Consider a partition of unity

$$\varphi(\xi) + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \phi(2^{-j}\xi) = 1 \quad (\forall \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n),$$

where $\varphi, \phi \in \mathcal{C}^\infty$ are positive functions such that $\text{supp } \varphi \subset \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n : |\xi| \leq 2\}$ and $\text{supp } \phi \subset \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n : 2^{-1} \leq |\xi| \leq 2\}$. We define the convolution operators S_j and Q_k by the following

$$\begin{aligned} S_j f &= \left(\phi(2^{-j}\cdot) \widehat{f} \right)^\vee \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots) \\ Q_k f &= \left(\varphi(2^{-k}\cdot) \widehat{f} \right)^\vee \quad (k = 0, 1, \dots), \end{aligned}$$

and we set $Q_0 = S_0$. Thus we obtain the Littlewood-Paley decomposition $f = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} S_j f$ (convergence in \mathcal{S}'). The product $f \cdot g$ is defined by

$$f \cdot g = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} Q_k f \cdot Q_k g, \quad (\forall f, g \in \mathcal{S}'),$$

whenever the limit on the right hand side exists in \mathcal{S}' (see [8, Section 4.2]). The support of $\mathcal{F}S_k(S_j f \cdot \Delta_\ell g)$ is not empty in one the following cases

$$\begin{aligned} \ell \leq k + 1 & \quad \text{and} \quad k - 2 \leq j \leq k + 4, \\ j \leq k + 1 & \quad \text{and} \quad k - 2 \leq \ell \leq k + 4, \\ \ell, j \geq k & \quad \text{and} \quad |\ell - 1| \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

and we have

$$S_k(f \cdot g) = \sum_{j, \ell=0}^{\infty} S_k(S_j f \cdot S_\ell g) = (\Pi_k^1 + \Pi_k^2 + \Pi_k^3)(f \cdot g),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \Pi_k^1(f \cdot g) &= S_k(Q_{k+1}g \cdot \tilde{S}_k f), \\ \Pi_k^2(f \cdot g) &= S_k(\tilde{S}_k g \cdot Q_{k+1}f), \\ \Pi_k^3(f \cdot g) &= \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} S_k(\bar{S}_j g \cdot S_j f), \end{aligned}$$

with $\tilde{S}_k = \sum_{j=k-2}^{k+4} S_j$ and $\bar{S}_k = \sum_{j=k-1}^{k+1} S_j$.

2.3. Triebel-Lizorkin and Besov spaces.

Let us now recall the definition of $F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}$ and $B_{p,q}^{\eta_a}$. The classical different properties of $B_{p,q}^s$ and $F_{p,q}^s$ (obtained here by taking $\eta_s(t) = t^{-s}$), as equivalent norms and embeddings, can be found in [3, 8, 10, 11, 12].

Definition 1. Let $\gamma > 0$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, (resp., $1 \leq p \leq \infty$) and $1 \leq q \leq \infty$. Let η_a be a positive function satisfies (1). The space $L^p(\ell_q^{\eta_a})$ (resp., $\ell_q^{\eta_a}(L^p)$) is the set of the sequences $\{f_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{S}'$, such that $\text{supp } \widehat{f}_k \subset \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n : |\xi| \leq \gamma 2^k\}$ and

$$\|\{f_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\|_{L^p(\ell_q^{\eta_a})} = \|\{\eta_a(2^{-k})f_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\|_{L^p(\ell^q)} < \infty,$$

$$(resp., \|\{f_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\|_{\ell_q^{\eta_a}(L^p)} = \|\{\eta_a(2^{-k})f_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\|_{\ell^q(L^p)} < \infty).$$

Definition 2. (i) Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, $1 \leq q \leq \infty$, and η_a be a positive function satisfies (1), then the Triebel-Lizorkin space is

$$F_{p,q}^{\eta_a} = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{S}' : \|f\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} = \|\{\eta_a(2^{-k})S_k f\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\|_{L^p(\ell^q)} < \infty \right\}.$$

(ii) Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty$, and η_a be a positive function satisfies (1), then the Besov space is

$$B_{p,q}^{\eta_a} = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{S}' : \|f\|_{B_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} = \|\{\eta_a(2^{-k})S_k f\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}\|_{\ell^q(L^p)} < \infty \right\}.$$

Remark 1. We introduce the maximal function

$$S_k^{*,d} f(x) = \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{S_k f(x-y)}{1 + (2^k |y|)^d}, \quad (\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n, f \in \mathcal{S}', d > 0, k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Then we can replace $S_k f$ by $S_k^{*,d} f$ with $d > n/\min(p, q)$ (resp. $d > n/p$) in Definition /(i) (resp. (ii)), cf [11, Theorem 2.3.2].

Lemma 1. (i) Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 < p < \infty$, $0 < u, v, q \leq \infty$, and η_a be a positive function satisfies (1), then

$$B_{p,u}^{\eta_a} \hookrightarrow F_{p,q}^{\eta_a} \hookrightarrow B_{p,v}^{\eta_a} \quad \text{and} \quad \ell_u^{\eta_a}(L^p) \hookrightarrow L^p(\ell_q^{\eta_a}) \hookrightarrow \ell_v^{\eta_a}(L^p);$$

for all u and v such that $0 < u \leq \min(p, q)$ and $\max(p, q) \leq v \leq \infty$.

(ii) Let $0 < p_0 < p < p_1 \leq \infty$ and $\alpha - (n/p_0) = \beta - (n/p) = a - (n/p_1)$ and $0 < u, v, q \leq \infty$, then

$$B_{p_0,u}^{\eta_a} \hookrightarrow F_{p,q}^{\eta_a} \hookrightarrow B_{p_1,v}^{\eta_a} \quad \text{and} \quad \ell_u^{\eta_a}(L^{p_0}) \hookrightarrow L^p(\ell_q^{\eta_a}) \hookrightarrow \ell_v^{\eta_a}(L^{p_1}),$$

for all u and v such that $0 < u \leq p \leq v \leq \infty$.

Lemma 2. Let $0 < p \leq \infty$ and $\gamma > 0$. Let $\{f_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \subset L^p$ be a sequence of functions such that $\text{supp } \widehat{f_j} \subset \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n : |\xi| \leq \gamma 2^j\}$. Then the estimate

$$\|S_k f_j\|_p \leq c 2^{(j-k)\rho} \|f_j\|_p$$

holds for $\rho = \max(0, \frac{n}{p} - n)$ and $k \leq j < \infty$, where the constant c depends only on n, p and γ .

For Lemma 1. we can see [10, Section 2.3 and 2.8] and [11, Section 2.7], the proof of Lemma is given in [3, Section 2.4].

Proposition 1. Let $1 < p < \infty$, $1 < q \leq \infty$, $a \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\gamma > 1$. Let η_a be a positive function satisfies (1). There exists a constant $c > 0$ such that

$$\left\| \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j \right\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} \leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\eta_a(2^{-j}) |g_j|)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p$$

holds for all $\{g_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \subset \mathcal{S}'$ with $\text{supp } \mathcal{F}g_j \subset \{\xi \in \mathbb{R}^n : \gamma^{-1} 2^j \leq |\xi| \leq \gamma 2^j\}$.

Before the proof of Proposition 1. we shall discuss an estimates in ℓ^q and a maximal inequality.

Lemma 3. Let $\{\varepsilon_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell^q(\mathbb{R}^+)$, $0 < b < 1$ and $1 \leq q \leq \infty$. Then we have

$$\left\| \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^k b^{(k-j)} \varepsilon_j \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^q} + \left\| \left\{ \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} b^{(j-k)} \varepsilon_j \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^q} \leq \frac{2}{1-b} \left\| \{\varepsilon_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^q}.$$

Lemma 4. *Let $1 < p < \infty$ and $1 < q \leq \infty$.*

(i) *If $\theta \in L_1$ and $g \in L_1^{loc}$, then*

$$|(t^{-n}\theta(\cdot/t) * g(x))| \leq \|\theta\|_1 M g(x), \quad (\forall t > 0, \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n).$$

(ii) *There exists a constant $c > 0$ such that the following inequality*

$$\left\| \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (M g_j)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p \leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |g_j|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p$$

holds, for all sequences $\{g_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ of locally Lebesgue-integrable functions.

The proof of Lemma 3. is immediate by using Young’s inequality in ℓ^q . However the proof of Lemma 4. can be found in [9, pp. 55] and [8, p. 21].

Proof. of Proposition 1.

(i) It is easy to see that

$$(2) \quad S_k g_j = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad j \geq k + L \quad \text{or} \quad j \leq k - L, \quad (L = 2 + [\log \gamma / \log 2]).$$

One has

$$\left\| \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j \right\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} = \left\| \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \eta_a(2^{-k}) \sum_{j=k-L}^{k+L} S_k g_j \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p.$$

One makes the decomposition of $S_k g_j(x)$ into $I_1(x) + I_2(x)$ where

$$I_1(x) = 2^{kn} \int_{|x-y| \leq 2^{-k}} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \phi(2^k(x-y)) g_j(y) dy,$$

$$I_2(x) = 2^{kn} \int_{|x-y| \geq 2^{-k}} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \phi(2^k(x-y)) g_j(y) dy.$$

Clearly from Lemma /i) we have $|I_1(x)| \leq c M g_j(x)$. Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} |I_2(x)| &\leq 2^{kn} \sum_{\ell \geq 0} \int_{2^{-k+\ell} \leq |x-y| \leq 2^{-k+\ell+1}} \left| \mathcal{F}^{-1} \phi(2^k(x-y)) \right| |g_j(y)| dy \\ &\leq c M g_j(x) \sum_{\ell \geq 0} 2^{\ell(n-N)}. \end{aligned}$$

We choose $N > n$, then $|I_2(x)| \leq c M g_j(x)$, where c is independent of j and k . Now according to sign of a we separate the cases, indeed by (1) we have

$$\eta_a(2^{-k}) = \left(2^{-(k-j)a} \frac{\eta_a(2^{-k})}{\eta_a(2^{-k}2^{k-j})} \right) 2^{(k-j)a} \eta_a(2^{-j}) \leq c 2^{a(k-j)} \eta_a(2^{-j}),$$

then, in the case $a > 0$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_a(2^{-k}) \sum_{j=k-L}^{k+L} |S_k g_j| &\leq c_1 \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} \frac{\eta_a(2^{-k})}{\eta_a(2^{-k}2^{k-j})} \eta_a(2^{-j}) |S_{k+L} g_j| \\ (3) \qquad \qquad \qquad &\leq c_2 2^{ka} \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} 2^{-aj} \eta_a(2^{-j}) M g_j, \end{aligned}$$

and in the case $a < 0$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_a(2^{-k}) \sum_{j=k-L}^{k+L} |S_k g_j| &\leq c_1 \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{\eta_a(2^{-k})}{\eta_a(2^{-k}2^{k-j})} \eta_a(2^{-j}) |S_{k-L} g_j| \\ (4) \qquad \qquad \qquad &\leq c_2 2^{ka} \sum_{j=0}^k 2^{-aj} \eta_a(2^{-j}) M g_j. \end{aligned}$$

In both (3) and (4) we calculate $L^p(\ell^q)$ -norm, we apply Lemma and Lemma / (ii), successively, then we obtain the desired bound.

If $a = 0$, we immediately get

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_a(2^{-k}) \sum_{j=k-L}^{k+L} |S_k g_j| &\leq c_1 \sum_{j=k-L}^{k+L} \eta_0(2^{-j}) M g_j \\ &\leq c_2 (2L+1)^{1/q'} \left(\sum_{j=k-L}^{k+L} (\eta_0(2^{-j}) M g_j)^q \right)^{1/q}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} g_j \right\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_0}} &\leq c_3 \left\| \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\eta_0(2^{-j}) M g_j)^q \sum_{j=k-L}^{k+L} 1 \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p \\ &\leq c_4 \left\| \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} (\eta_0(2^{-j}) M g_j)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

■

Proposition 2. *Let $1 \leq p < \infty$, $1 \leq q \leq \infty$, and $0 < a < N$ where $N \in \mathbb{N}$. Let η_a be a positive function satisfies (1). We set*

$$\|f\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}}^{(1)} = \|f\|_p + \left\| \left(\int_0^1 (\eta_a(t) \sup_{|h|<t} |\Delta_h^N f|)^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p.$$

Then $\|\cdot\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}}$ and $\|\cdot\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}}^{(1)}$ are equivalent norms in $F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}$.

Proof. Step 1. We prove that there exists a constant $c > 0$ such that

$$(5) \quad \|f\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} \leq c \|f\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}}^{(1)}.$$

Knowing that $\phi(0) = 0$, we derive that

$$(6) \quad S_j f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \phi(-h) \Delta_{2^{-j}h}^1 f(x) \, dh.$$

We combine (6) with the equality

$$\Delta_h^N f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \binom{N-1}{k} (-1)^k \Delta_h^1 f(x + (N-k-1)h),$$

and we obtain

$$(7) \quad S_j f(x) + A_{j,N}(x) = (-1)^{N-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \phi(-h) \Delta_{2^{-j}h}^N f(x) \, dh,$$

where

$$A_{j,N}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{N-2} \binom{N-1}{k} (-1)^{k+N-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \mathcal{F}^{-1} \phi(-h) \times \Delta_{2^{-j}h}^1 f(x + 2^{-j}(N-k-1)h) \, dh,$$

for $N \geq 2$ and $A_{j,1} \equiv 0$.

Next we use the Koch and Sickel’s idea [7] (but not in the sense of Nikol’skij [6, 5.2.1]). For that, let $I_0 = [0, 1)$ and $I_\ell = [2^{\ell-1}, 2^\ell)$, $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$. Then we estimate the right hand side of (7) by

$$\begin{aligned} |S_j f(x) + A_{j,N}(x)| &\leq c_1 \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \int_{I_\ell} \int_{|h'|=1} t^{n-1} |\mathcal{F}^{-1} \phi(-th')| |\Delta_{2^{-j}th'}^N f(x)| \, dt dh' \\ &\leq c_2 \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} 2^{-\ell L} \sup_{|u| \leq 2^{\ell-j}} |\Delta_u^N f(x)|, \end{aligned}$$

where $L > 1$ is an arbitrary natural number. On take the norm of both sides, and passing by the triangle inequality, we get

$$(8) \quad \left\| f \right\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} \leq c_1 \left\| \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} 2^{-\ell L} \left(\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\eta_a(2^{-j}) \sup_{|u| \leq 2^{\ell-j}} |\Delta_u^N f| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p.$$

The left hand-side in (8) is bounded by

$$\begin{aligned} c_2 \left\| \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} 2^{-\ell L} \left[\sup_{k=\ell+1, \dots} \left(\frac{\eta_a(2^{-k})}{\eta_a(2^{\ell-k})} \right)^q \sum_{j=\ell+1}^{\infty} \left(\eta_a(2^{\ell-j}) \sup_{|u| \leq 2^{\ell-j}} |\Delta_u^N f| \right)^q \right]^{1/q} \right\|_p \\ \leq c_3 \left\| \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} 2^{\ell(a-L)} \left(\int_0^1 \left(\eta_a(t) \sup_{|u| \leq t} |\Delta_u^N f| \right)^q \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p, \end{aligned}$$

then it suffices to choose $L > 2a$ to get (5).

Step 2. We prove the converse assertion of (5). As above, there exists a constant $c > 0$, such that $\eta_a(t) \leq c 2^{-a\ell} t^{-a} \eta_a(2^{-\ell})$ for all $0 < t < 1$ and $\forall \ell \in \mathbb{N}$, then we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \left(\eta_a(t) \sup_{|u| \leq t} |\Delta_u^N f| \right)^q \frac{dt}{t} &\leq c_1 \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \left(2^{-a\ell} \eta_a(2^{-\ell}) \sup_{|u| \leq 2^{-\ell}} |\Delta_u^N f| \right)^q \int_{2^{-\ell}}^{2^{-\ell+1}} t^{-aq-1} dt \\ &\leq c_2 \sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \left(\eta_a(2^{-\ell}) \sup_{|u| \leq 2^{-\ell}} |\Delta_u^N f| \right)^q. \end{aligned}$$

Let $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be such that $|u| \leq 2^{-\ell}$ and $j = 0, \dots, \ell$, we have

$$(9) \quad \sup_{|u| \leq 2^{-\ell}} |\Delta_u^N (S_j f)(x)| \leq c \min(1, 2^{(j-\ell)N}) S_j^{*,d} f(x).$$

The proof of (9) is given in [10, p. 111]. We split $\Delta_u^N f$ into

$$\left(\sum_{j=0}^{\ell} + \sum_{j=\ell+1}^{\infty} \right) \Delta_u^N (S_j f) = A_{\ell} + B_{\ell}$$

and we estimate each of the two terms. Choose two real numbers r and t such that $0 < r < a < t$, and using (9) where we replace d by r and t in the estimate of A_{ℓ} and B_{ℓ} respectively, we obtain

$$(10) \quad \left\| \{A_{\ell}\}_{\ell \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{L^p(\ell_q^{\eta_a})} \leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \left(2^{-(t-a)\ell} \sum_{j=0}^{\ell} 2^{(t-a)j} \eta_a(2^{-j}) |S_j^{*,t} f| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p$$

and
(11)

$$\left\| \{B_\ell\}_{\ell \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{L^p(\ell_q^{\eta_a})} \leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{\ell=0}^{\infty} \left(2^{(a-r)\ell} \sum_{j=\ell+1}^{\infty} 2^{-(a-r)j} \eta_a(2^{-j}) |S_j^{*,r} f| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_p.$$

To end the proof, we apply Lemma to (10) and (11). ■

2.4. Pointwise multipliers Triebel-Lizorkin space

Definition 3. Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, $1 \leq q \leq \infty$, and η_a be a positive function satisfies (1). Then we define

$$M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}) = \left\{ f \in L_1^{loc} : f \cdot g \in F_{p,q}^{\eta_a} \quad \text{for all } g \in F_{p,q}^{\eta_a} \right\}$$

and call the elements of $M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})$ pointwise multipliers of $F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}$.

Now, we shall give some properties of $M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})$ necessary for us.

Proposition 3. Let $a > 0$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, $1 \leq q \leq \infty$ and η_a be a positive function satisfies (1), then

- (i) $(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})' = F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}$,
- (ii) $M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}) = M(F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a})$,
- (iii) $M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}) \hookrightarrow L^\infty$.

Proof. Let $f \in F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}$ and $g \in F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}$. We first prove the case $a > 0$: Using the identity

$$(12) \quad \langle f \mid g \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} S_j f(x) \cdot Q_j g(x) \, dx + \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k \tilde{f}(x) \cdot Q_{k-1} \tilde{g}(x) \, dx,$$

where $\tilde{f}(x) = f(-x)$ and $\tilde{g}(x) = g(-x)$. Then, by Hölder's inequality in ℓ^q , the fact that $(1/\eta_a(2^{-j}) \leq c(2^{a(k-j)}/\eta_a(2^{-k}))$, and take to Lemma , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} S_j f(x) \cdot Q_j g(x) \, dx \right| \\ & \leq c_1 \int \left\| \{ \eta_a(2^{-j}) |S_j f(x)| \}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^q} \left\| \{ 2^{-ja} \sum_{k=0}^j 2^{ak} \frac{1}{\eta_a(2^{-k})} |S_k g(x)| \}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^{q'}} \, dx \\ & \leq c_2 \|f\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} \|g\|_{F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we derive

$$\left| \int \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k \tilde{f}(x) \cdot Q_{k-1} \tilde{g}(x) \, dx \right| \leq c \left\| \tilde{f} \right\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} \left\| \tilde{g} \right\|_{F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}},$$

and since $\Delta_h^N \tilde{f}(x) = \Delta_{-h}^N f(x)$, the Proposition 2 gives the correct bound. Next, we prove the case $a < 0$: As in (12), we have

$$\langle f \mid g \rangle = \int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} Q_j f(x) \cdot S_j g(x) \, dx + \int \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} Q_{k-1} \tilde{f}(x) \cdot S_k \tilde{g}(x) \, dx,$$

then we get the estimation

$$\left| \int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} Q_j f(x) \cdot S_j g(x) \, dx \right| \leq c \|f\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} \|g\|_{F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}}.$$

It remain to prove the last case $a = 0$: Remark that, there exists $y_{j,x} \in \mathbb{R}^n$ such that $|x - y_{j,x}| \leq 2^{-j}$ for all j and x . Choosing $d > (n/\min(p, q))$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (13) \quad & \left| \int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} S_j f(x) \cdot Q_j g(x) \, dx \right| \\ & \leq \int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |S_j f(x)| \left(\sum_{k=0}^j \frac{|S_k g(x)|}{1 + (2^k |x - y_{j,x}|)^d} (1 + (2^k |x - y_{j,x}|)^d) \right) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\eta_0(2^{-j}) \leq c\eta_0(2^{-k})$, the last term of (13) is bounded by

$$c \int \left\| \left\{ \eta_0(2^{-j}) |S_j f(x)| \right\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^q} \left\| \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^j 2^{d(k-j)} \frac{1}{\eta_0(2^{-k})} |S_k^{*,d} g(x)| \right\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^{q'}}$$

the we use the Hölder inequality. These cases imply $F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a} \hookrightarrow (F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})'$.

For the converse embedding, let $g \in (F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})'$ and consider the mapping $f \in F_{p,q}^{\eta_a} \rightarrow g(f) = \langle f \mid g \rangle$. By Hahn-Banach's theorem and [10, Proposition 2.11.1/(i)] we obtain

$$\left\| \left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\eta_a(2^{-k})} |S_k g| \right)^{q'} \right)^{1/q'} \right\|_{p'} \sim \|g\|$$

($\|g\|$ denotes the norm of the continuous linear application g), thus $g \in F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}$ and $(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})' \hookrightarrow F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}$.

In order to show (ii), let $b \in M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})$, $f \in F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}$ and $g \in F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}$. The product $\langle bf \mid g \rangle$ can be written as

$$\int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} Q_j f(x) \cdot S_j(bg)(x) dx + \int \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} Q_{k-1} \tilde{f}(x) \cdot S_k \tilde{b}g(x) dx \quad (\text{if } a > 0),$$

or

$$\int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} S_j f(x) \cdot Q_j(bg)(x) dx + \int \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} S_k \tilde{f}(x) \cdot Q_{k-1} \tilde{b}g(x) dx \quad (\text{if } a < 0),$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} Q_j f(x) \cdot S_j(bg)(x) dx \right| \leq \\ & c \int \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{k=0}^j 2^{d(k-j)} \frac{1}{\eta_0 (2^{-k})} S_k^{*,d} f(x) \right) \eta_0 (2^{-j}) |S_j(bg)(x)| \quad (\text{if } a = 0, \text{ see (13)}), \end{aligned}$$

and the estimate $|\langle bf \mid g \rangle| \leq c \|f\|_{F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}} \|bg\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}}$ can be obtained in a similar manner to the proof of (i). It follows that,

$$\|bf\|_{F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}} \leq \sup_{\|g\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}}=1} |\langle bf \mid g \rangle| \leq c \|f\|_{F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a}}, \quad (\forall a \in \mathbb{R}),$$

which proves that $M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}) \hookrightarrow M(F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a})$. The converse embedding is obtained by the same technique.

Finally, to prove (iii), let u_s and v_t be two positive functions satisfies (1). The real interpolation see [10, Section 2.4.2] yields

$$(F_{p_0,q_0}^{u_s}, F_{p_1,q_1}^{v_t})_{\theta,p} = F_{p,q}^{\eta_r},$$

where

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{\theta}{p_0} + \frac{1-\theta}{p_1}, \quad \frac{1}{q} = \frac{\theta}{q_0} + \frac{1-\theta}{q_1}, \quad \eta_r = u_s^\theta v_t^{1-\theta}, \quad r = \theta s + (1-\theta)t, \quad 0 < \theta < 1.$$

Let $b \in M(F_{p,q}^{\eta_a})$ by duality we have $b \in M(F_{p',q'}^{1/\eta_a})$. Remark that $(F_{2,2}^{\eta_a}, F_{2,2}^{1/\eta_a})_{1/2,2} = F_{2,2}^{\eta_0} = L^2$, therefore $b \in M(L^2) = L^\infty$ ($M(L^2)$ denotes the pointwise multipliers space of L^2). This completes the proof of (iii). ■

3. Proof of Theorem 1

Let $f \in F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}$ and $g \in (B_{p,\infty}^{\frac{\eta_n}{p}} \cap L^\infty)$, according to the decomposition of $f \cdot g$ and Proposition 1., we obtain

$$\|f \cdot g\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}} \leq c \sum_{i=1}^3 \left\| \left\{ \eta_a(2^{-k}) \Pi_k^i(f \cdot g) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{L^p(\ell^q)}.$$

Then we estimate respectively $\Pi_k^1(f \cdot g)$, $\Pi_k^2(f \cdot g)$ and $\Pi_k^3(f \cdot g)$ in $L^p(\ell_q^{\eta_a})$ -norm.

Estimate of $\{\Pi_k^1(f \cdot g)\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$. Since

$$|\Pi_k^1(f \cdot g)(x)| \leq c \|g\|_\infty (\tilde{S}_k^{*,b} f)(x),$$

where $\tilde{S}_k^{*,b} f$ is defined as in Remark 1 , we derive

$$\left\| \left\{ \eta_a(2^{-k}) \Pi_k^1(f \cdot g) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{L^p(\ell^q)} \leq c \|g\|_\infty \left\| \left\{ \eta_a(2^{-k}) \tilde{S}_k^{*,b} f \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{L^p(\ell^q)}.$$

Choosing $b > n/\min(p, q)$, we get

$$\left\| \left\{ \eta_a(2^{-k}) \Pi_k^1(f \cdot g) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{L^p(\ell^q)} \leq c \|g\|_\infty \left\| \left\{ \eta_a(2^{-k}) S_k f \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{L^p(\ell^q)}.$$

Estimate of $\{\Pi_k^2(f \cdot g)\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$. Let $u \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$(14) \quad \max(p, n/(n/p - a)) < u < \infty.$$

We set

$$(15) \quad \frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{u}, \quad \sigma = a - \frac{n}{p} + \frac{n}{v}, \quad \text{and} \quad \beta = a - \frac{n}{p} + \frac{n}{u}.$$

Then, the following inclusions hold (see [3, Section 2.3])

$$(16) \quad \ell_p^{\eta_\sigma}(L_v) \hookrightarrow L^p(\ell_q^{\eta_a}) \quad \text{and} \quad F_{p,q}^{\eta_a} \hookrightarrow B_{u,p}^{\eta_\beta}.$$

On the other hand, the Hölder inequality in L^p -norm yields

$$\eta_\sigma(2^{-k}) \|\Pi_k^2(f \cdot g)\|_v \leq c \eta_p^\sigma(2^{-k}) \left\| \tilde{S}_k g \right\|_p 2^{k\beta} \sum_{j=0}^{k+1} 2^{-j\beta} (\eta_\beta(2^{-j}) \|S_j f\|_u).$$

Next the Hölder inequality in ℓ^p -norm and Lemma , gives

$$\left\| \left\{ \eta_a(2^{-k}) \Pi_k^2(f \cdot g) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{L^p(\ell^q)} \leq c \|g\|_{B_{p,\infty}^{\frac{\eta_n}{p}}} \|f\|_{F_{p,q}^{\eta_a}}.$$

Estimate of $\{\Pi_k^3(f \cdot g)\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$. We first consider $p \geq 2$. Let $u \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $p < u < \infty$, applying Lemma , we find

$$\eta_\sigma(2^{-k}) \|\Pi_k^3(f \cdot g)\|_v \leq c 2^{k(\beta + \frac{n}{p})} \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} 2^{-j(\beta + \frac{n}{p})} \left(\eta_{\frac{n}{p}}(2^{-j}) \|\overline{S}_j g\|_p \right) (\eta_\beta(2^{-j}) \|S_j f\|_u),$$

where v , σ and β are defined in (15). Arguing as above we obtain

$$(17) \quad \left\| \left\{ \eta_\sigma(2^{-k}) \Pi_k^3(f \cdot g) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^p(L^v)} \leq c \left\| \left\{ 2^{k(\beta + \frac{n}{p})} \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} 2^{-j(\beta + \frac{n}{p})} (\eta_{\frac{n}{p}}(2^{-j}) \|\overline{S}_j g\|_p) \right. \right. \\ \left. \left. \times (\eta_\beta(2^{-j}) \|S_j f\|_u) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^p}.$$

Thanks to the Hölder inequality, the right hand of (17) is bounded by $\|g\|_{B_{p,\infty}^{\frac{\eta_n}{p}}} \|f\|_{B_{u,p}^{\eta_\beta}}$. Thus we conclude the desired estimate by (16).

For the case $p < 2$, let $u \in \mathbb{R}^n$ satisfying $p < u < n/\max(0, n - n/p)$, then we set $\frac{1}{v} = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{u}$, ($v < 1$), and $\sigma = s - \frac{n}{p} + \frac{n}{v}$. Using Lemma and Hölder's inequality we get

$$\eta_\sigma(2^{-k}) \|\Pi_k^3(f \cdot g)\|_v \leq c_1 \eta_\sigma(2^{-k}) \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} 2^{(j-k)(\frac{n}{p} + \frac{n}{v} - n)} \|\overline{S}_j g\|_p \|S_j f\|_u \\ \leq c_2 \sup_{k \geq 0} \left(\eta_{\frac{n}{p}}(2^{-j}) \|\overline{S}_j g\|_p \right) 2^{k\mu} \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} 2^{-j\mu} (\eta_\rho(2^{-j}) \|S_j f\|_u),$$

where $\rho = s - \frac{n}{p} + \frac{n}{u}$ and $\mu = s - \frac{n}{p} + n > 0$ which allow us to apply Lemma , therefore

$$\left\| \left\{ \eta_\sigma(2^{-k}) \Pi_k^3(f \cdot g) \right\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \right\|_{\ell^p(L^v)} \leq c \|g\|_{B_{p,\infty}^{\frac{\eta_n}{p}}} \|f\|_{B_{u,p}^{\eta_\rho}}.$$

Since $\sigma > s$, $v < p$ and $F_{p,q}^{\eta_a} \hookrightarrow B_{u,p}^{\eta_\rho}$, we conclude by using the embeddings in (16). ■

4. Proof of Theorem 2

We set $h(x) = \vartheta(\frac{x}{|x|})\psi(x)$ where $\vartheta(x) > 0$, $\text{supp } \vartheta \subset \{x = (x_1, x') \in S^{n-1} : x_1 \leq -1/2\}$, $\psi(x) = 0$ if $|x| \leq (1/2)$, $\psi(x) = 1$ if $(1/2) \leq |x| \leq 1$ and $0 \leq \psi(x) \leq 1$. It is well-known that $h \in B_{p,\infty}^{\frac{n}{p}}$ (see [5, Proposition 4.3]), then by Theorem , $h \in M(F_{p,q}^{\eta a})$ for $0 < a < (n/p)$. Let

$$\varrho(\xi) = \frac{\xi_1}{|\xi|}(1 - \widehat{\lambda}(\xi)),$$

where $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi') \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ and $\widehat{\lambda} \in \mathcal{D}$ which equals 1 near the origin. Since $|\partial_\xi^\alpha \varrho(\xi)| \leq c(1 + |\xi|)^{-|\alpha|}$ we have

$$\varrho(\cdot, D) \in OP_{1,0}^0,$$

and, we can verify that

$$\varrho(\cdot, D) h \notin M(F_{p,q}^{\eta a}).$$

Indeed, $\varrho(\cdot, D) h = R_1 h - \lambda * R_1 h$ where R_1 is the Riesz transform which is bounded on L^2 , (see [9, p. 56] or [2, p. 86]). Thus, we get

$$\|\lambda * R_1 h\|_\infty \leq \|h\|_2 \|\lambda\|_2.$$

Using the identity

$$(18) \quad \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\xi_1}{|\xi|} \phi(\xi) \, d\xi = c_n \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{x_1}{|x|^{n+1}} \widehat{\phi}(x) \, dx \quad (\forall \phi \in \mathcal{D})$$

for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$, such that $x_1 \geq (|x|/2)$ and $y_1 \leq (-|y|/2)$ (i.e. $x_1 - y_1 \geq \frac{1}{2}|x - y|$), then

$$\begin{aligned} R_1 h(x) &= c_n \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{|x-y| \geq \varepsilon} \frac{(x_1 - y_1)}{|x-y|^{n+1}} h(y) \, dy \\ &\geq c \int_{|x| \leq |y| \leq 1} |y|^{-n} \vartheta(\frac{y}{|y|}) \, dy \geq c' |\text{Log } |x||, \end{aligned}$$

and we deduce the result by Proposition 3/(iii). It remains to prove (18). It suffices to see that the locally integrable function $f(\xi) = \xi_1^k / |\xi|^a$ (for $k = 1, 2, \dots$ and $0 < a < n + 2k$), is the Fourier transform in \mathcal{D}' , of the function $\mathcal{F}^{-1} f(x) = x_1^k / |x|^{n-a+2k}$, (cf. see [9, ch. 3/(31) p. 73]). Indeed, since the function $(i\xi_1)^k e^{-\frac{1}{2t}|\xi|^2}$ is the Fourier transform of $(t/2\pi)^{\frac{n}{2}} \partial_{x_1}^k (e^{-\frac{t}{2}|x|^2})$, then

$$(2\pi)^{-\frac{n}{2}} t^{k+\frac{n}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (-\frac{1}{2}x_1)^k e^{-\frac{t}{2}|x|^2} \widehat{\phi}(x) \, dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (i\xi_1)^k e^{-\frac{1}{2t}|\xi|^2} \phi(\xi) \, d\xi,$$

for any $\phi \in \mathcal{D}$. We multiply both sides of this equality by $t^{-1-\frac{a}{2}}$, we integrate on t in $[0, \infty)$ and using the fact that

$$\int_0^\infty t^{\frac{n-a}{2}+k-1} e^{-\frac{t}{2}|x|^2} dt = \frac{2^{k+(n-a)/2}}{|x|^{n-a+2k}} \Gamma\left(k + \frac{n-a}{2}\right),$$

$$\int_0^\infty t^{-1-\frac{a}{2}} e^{-\frac{1}{2t}|\xi|^2} dt = \frac{2^a}{|\xi|^a} \Gamma\left(\frac{a}{2}\right),$$

then we conclude the desired conclusion by Fubini's theorem. ■

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