

**COMMUTATORS AND ANALYTIC DEPENDENCE  
OF FOURIER-BESSEL SERIES ON  $(0, \infty)$**

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ABSTRACT. In this paper we study the boundedness of the commutators  $[b, S_n]$  where  $b$  is a BMO function and  $S_n$  denotes the  $n$ -th partial sum of the Fourier-Bessel series on  $(0, \infty)$ . Perturbing the measure by  $\exp(2b)$  we obtain that certain operators related to  $S_n$  depend analytically on the functional parameter  $b$ .

0. INTRODUCTION.

Let  $J_\alpha$  be the Bessel function of order  $\alpha > -1$ . The formula

$$\int_0^\infty J_{\alpha+2n+1}(x)J_{\alpha+2m+1}(x) \frac{dx}{x} = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } n \neq m \\ 2^{-1}(\alpha + 2n + 1)^{-1}, & \text{if } n = m \end{cases}$$

(see [14, XIII.13.41 (7), p. 404] and [14, XIII.13.42 (1), p. 405]) provides an orthonormal system  $(j_n^\alpha)_{n \geq 0}$  in  $L^2((0, \infty), x^\alpha dx)$  [ $L^2(x^\alpha)$ , from now on], given by

$$j_n^\alpha(x) = \sqrt{\alpha + 2n + 1} J_{\alpha+2n+1}(\sqrt{x}) x^{-\alpha/2-1/2}.$$

In this paper we consider the Fourier expansion associated with this orthonormal system, which is usually referred to as the Fourier-Bessel series on  $(0, \infty)$ . For any suitable function  $f$  and any  $n \geq 0$ , the  $n$ -th partial sum of this expansion is given by

$$S_n f = \sum_{k=0}^n c_k(f) j_k^\alpha, \quad c_k(f) = \int_0^\infty f(t) j_k^\alpha(t) t^\alpha dt.$$

We also consider the commutator of the Fourier-Bessel series on  $(0, \infty)$  and the multiplication operator associated to a BMO function; this is defined, for any given  $b \in \text{BMO}$  and  $n \geq 0$ , as

$$[b, S_n]f = bS_n(f) - S_n(bf).$$

In the case  $\alpha \geq -1/2$ , one of the authors proved in [13] that the Fourier-Bessel series is bounded in  $L^p(x^\alpha)$ , i.e., there exists some constant  $C > 0$  (depending on  $\alpha$  and  $p$ ) such that for every  $n \geq 0$  and  $f \in L^p(x^\alpha)$ ,

$$\|S_n f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)},$$

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if and only if  $\max\{4/3, 4(\alpha + 1)/(2\alpha + 3)\} < p < \min\{4, 4(\alpha + 1)/(2\alpha + 1)\}$ . In Theorem 1 we will extend this result to the case  $\alpha > -1$  and prove the corresponding inequality for the commutator  $[b, S_n]$ ,  $b \in \text{BMO}$ .

Regarding the commutator  $[b, S_n]$ , results of this type are of independent interest and have been widely studied for many classical operators; see [2, 10, 11, 12, 4], for instance.

In our case, the commutator  $[b, S_n]$  is closely related to the problem of perturbing the orthonormal system. Given an orthonormal system  $(\varphi_n)_{n \geq 0}$  in some  $L^2(\nu)$  space and a suitable function  $b$  (in some sense close to 0), the classical Gram-Schmidt procedure can be applied to  $(\varphi_n)_{n \geq 0}$  so as to obtain a new orthonormal system in  $L^2(e^{2b}d\nu)$ , which we will refer to as a perturbed system. In this natural way a mapping can be defined that associates a perturbed system (and a perturbed orthogonal expansion) to each (small) function  $b$ . For different compact perturbations of orthogonal polynomial systems and further references, see [7, 9, 1].

Let us take the system  $(j_n^\alpha)_{n \geq 0}$  in  $L^2(x^\alpha)$  as our starting point. Let  $\mathbf{S}_n(b)$  stand for the  $n$ -th partial sum operator of the Fourier series associated to the perturbed measure  $e^{2b}x^\alpha dx$  in the aforementioned way. Once the boundedness properties of  $S_n = \mathbf{S}_n(0)$  have been established, it is interesting to study the mapping  $b \mapsto \mathbf{S}_n(b)$ . This is not, however, a convenient setting, since each perturbed series  $\mathbf{S}_n(b)$  acts on a different space  $L^2(e^{2b}x^\alpha)$ . Instead, we can consider the operators

$$V_n(b) = e^b \mathbf{S}_n(b) e^{-b}.$$

Now, each  $V_n(b)$  acts on  $L^2(x^\alpha)$  and its norm coincides with the operator norm of  $\mathbf{S}_n(b)$  acting on  $L^2(e^{2b}x^\alpha)$ . The problem is further simplified if we take the operators

$$T_n(b) = e^b \mathbf{S}_n(0) e^{-b},$$

i.e.,  $T_n(b)f = e^b S_n(e^{-b}f)$ . Indeed, it has been proved in [3] that the family  $(V_n(b))_{n \geq 0}$  depends analytically on  $b$  belonging to a neighbourhood of 0 in the complexification of BMO whenever the family  $(T_n(b))_{n \geq 0}$  does too.

We will prove in Theorem 2 that the family of operators  $(T_n(b))_{n \geq 0}$  acting on  $L^2(x^\alpha)$  is uniformly bounded for  $b$  belonging to some neighbourhood of 0 in the complexification of BMO. As a consequence (see [3, Propositions 2.1 and 2.3]), the operator-valued mappings  $(T_n)_{n \geq 0}$  are uniformly analytic in a neighbourhood of 0 in the complexification of BMO and so are  $(V_n)_{n \geq 0}$ .

Now, the connection between  $[b, S_n]$  and the perturbed Fourier series comes via the Gâteaux differential of  $T_n$  at 0 in the direction  $b$ :

$$\frac{d}{dz} T_n(zb) \Big|_{z=0} = [b, S_n].$$

In this way, the uniform analyticity of  $T_n$  in a neighbourhood of 0 gives the  $L^2$ -boundedness of  $[b, S_n]$ .

## 1. MAIN RESULTS.

If  $b$  is a locally Lebesgue-integrable function on  $(0, \infty)$ , the mean of  $b$  over an interval  $I \subseteq (0, \infty)$  is

$$b_I = \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I b(x) dx.$$

The function  $b$  is said to have bounded mean oscillation on  $(0, \infty)$  if

$$\|b\|_{\text{BMO}} = \sup_I \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |b(x) - b_I| dx$$

is finite, where the supremum is taken over all the intervals  $I \subseteq (0, \infty)$ . The space BMO of real-valued functions (modulo constants) having bounded mean oscillation on  $(0, \infty)$  is a real Banach space with  $\|\cdot\|_{\text{BMO}}$  as its norm.

**Theorem 1.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $-1 < \alpha$  such that*

$$\begin{cases} 4/3 < p < 4, & \text{if } -1 < \alpha < 0; \\ \frac{4(\alpha+1)}{2\alpha+3} < p < \frac{4(\alpha+1)}{2\alpha+1}, & \text{if } 0 \leq \alpha. \end{cases}$$

(a) *There exists some constant  $C > 0$  such that, for every  $f \in L^p(x^\alpha)$  and  $n \geq 0$ ,*

$$\|S_n f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)}.$$

(b) *If  $b \in \text{BMO}$ , then there exists some constant  $C > 0$  such that, for every  $f \in L^p(x^\alpha)$  and  $n \geq 0$ ,*

$$\|[S_n, b]f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)}.$$

Throughout this paper, we will denote by  $C$  a positive constant which is independent of  $n$  and  $f$ , but may be different in each occurrence, even within the same formula.

**Theorem 2.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $-1 < \alpha$  such that*

$$\begin{cases} 4/3 < p < 4, & \text{if } -1 < \alpha < 0; \\ \frac{4(\alpha+1)}{2\alpha+3} < p < \frac{4(\alpha+1)}{2\alpha+1}, & \text{if } 0 \leq \alpha. \end{cases}$$

*Then there exist some  $C, \delta > 0$  such that, for all  $b \in \text{BMO}$  with  $\|b\|_{\text{BMO}} < \delta$ ,*

$$\sup_n \|T_n(b)\|_{L^p(x^\alpha) \rightarrow L^p(x^\alpha)} \leq C.$$

The next corollary is just a consequence of Theorem 2 and [3, Prop. 2.3].

**Corollary.** *The sequences of operators  $(T_n(b))_{n \geq 0}$  and  $(V_n(b))_{n \geq 0}$ , acting on the space  $L^2(x^\alpha)$ , are uniformly analytic in a neighbourhood of 0 in the complexification of BMO.*

Some notation and previous results will be necessary. For  $1 < p < \infty$ , we write  $p' = p/(p-1)$ , i.e.,  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$ . A weight is a nonnegative Lebesgue-measurable function on  $(0, \infty)$ . The class  $A_p(0, \infty)$  [ $A_p$ , for short] consists of those pairs of weights  $(u, v)$  such that, for every subinterval  $I \subseteq (0, \infty)$ ,

$$\frac{1}{|I|} \int_I u \left( \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I v^{-p'/p} \right)^{p/p'} \leq C,$$

where  $C$  is a positive constant independent of  $I$ , and  $|I|$  denotes the length of  $I$ . The  $A_p$  constant of  $(u, v)$  is the smallest constant  $C$  satisfying this inequality and will be denoted by  $A_p(u, v)$ . A single weight  $w$  is said to belong to  $A_p$  if  $(w, w) \in A_p$ ; in this case we denote the constant by  $A_p(w)$ . We refer the reader to [6] for further details on  $A_p$  classes.

The Hilbert transform on  $(0, \infty)$  will be denoted by  $H$ . Fix  $1 < p < \infty$ ; then  $H$  is a bounded linear operator on  $L^p(w)$ , for any weight  $w \in A_p$ . The norm of  $H: L^p(w) \rightarrow L^p(w)$  and the  $A_p$  constant of  $w$  depend only one on another, in the sense that given some constant  $C$  which verifies the  $A_p$  condition for  $w$ , another constant  $C_1$  depending only on  $C$  can be chosen so that  $\|H\| \leq C_1$ , and viceversa. Therefore, for a sequence  $(w_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  uniformly in  $A_p$ , i.e., with some constant  $C$  verifying the  $A_p$  condition for every  $w_n$ , the Hilbert transform is uniformly bounded on  $L^p(w_n)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We refer the reader again to [6] for further details.

Also, if  $(u, v)$  is a pair of weights such that  $C_1 u \leq w \leq C_2 v$  for some  $w \in A_p$ , we deduce that  $H$  is a bounded operator from  $L^p(v)$  into  $L^p(u)$ . The existence of such a weight  $w$  is equivalent to  $(u^\delta, v^\delta) \in A_p$  for some  $\delta > 1$  (see [8]). For short, this is written as  $(u, v) \in A_p^\delta$ .

Analogous results hold also with the commutator  $[b, H]$ , for any  $b \in \text{BMO}$  (see [2], for instance). Namely, given  $b \in \text{BMO}$  and  $w \in A_p$ ,  $[b, H]$  is a bounded operator on  $L^p(w)$  with a norm that depends only on the BMO-norm of  $b$  and the  $A_p$  constant of  $w$ , in the sense above.

## 2. PROOFS.

Let us start with some auxiliary results:

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $u, v, w$  be weights on  $(0, +\infty)$ ,  $\lambda > 0$ .*

- (a)  *$w(x) \in A_p$  if and only if  $w(\lambda x) \in A_p$ ; both weights have the same  $A_p$  constant.*
- (b)  *$w \in A_p$  if and only if  $\lambda w \in A_p$ ; both weights have also the same  $A_p$  constant.*
- (c) *If  $u, v \in A_p$ , then  $u + v \in A_p$  and  $A_p(u + v) \leq A_p(u) + A_p(v)$ .*
- (d) *If  $u, v \in A_p$  and  $1/w = 1/u + 1/v$ , then  $w \in A_p$  and  $A_p(w) \leq C[A_p(u) + A_p(v)]$ .*

*Proof.* Parts (a) and (b) are trivial. Part (c) follows easily from the inequality

$$\left( \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I (u + v)^{-p'/p} \right)^{p/p'} \leq \min \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I u^{-p'/p} \right)^{p/p'}, \left( \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I v^{-p'/p} \right)^{p/p'} \right\}.$$

Part (d) is a consequence of (c) and the fact that  $u \in A_p \iff u^{-p'/p} \in A_{p'}$ , with  $A_{p'}(u^{-p'/p}) = [A_p(u)]^{p'/p}$ .  $\square$

The proof of the next lemma is not difficult, but cumbersome, so we omit it. For the weight in (c), observe that  $x^r |x^{1/2} - 1|^s \sim x^r$  near 0,  $x^r |x^{1/2} - 1|^s \sim |x - 1|^s$  near 1 and  $x^r |x^{1/2} - 1|^s \sim x^{r+s/2}$  near  $\infty$ , whence the three conditions follow.

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $r, s \in \mathbb{R}$ .*

- (a)  $x^r \in A_p \iff -1 < r < p - 1$ .
- (b) *Set  $\Phi(x) = x^r$  if  $x \in (0, 1)$  and  $\Phi(x) = x^s$  if  $x \in (1, \infty)$ . Then,  $\Phi \in A_p$  if and only if  $-1 < r < p - 1$  and  $-1 < s < p - 1$ .*
- (c)  $x^r |x^{1/2} - 1|^s \in A_p \iff -1 < r < p - 1, -1 < s < p - 1$  and  $-1 < r + s/2 < p - 1$ .

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $\alpha > -1$ . Then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^n 2(\alpha + 2k + 1) J_{\alpha+2k+1}(x) J_{\alpha+2k+1}(t) \\ &= \frac{xt}{x^2 - t^2} [x J_{\alpha+1}(x) J_{\alpha}(t) - t J_{\alpha}(x) J_{\alpha+1}(t) \\ & \quad + x J'_{\alpha+2n+2}(x) J_{\alpha+2n+2}(t) - t J_{\alpha+2n+2}(x) J'_{\alpha+2n+2}(t)]. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof.* Using the equality  $J_{\nu-1}(z) + J_{\nu+1}(z) = \frac{2\nu}{z} J_{\nu}(z)$  (see [14, III.3.2, p. 45]) to write  $J_{\mu-1}$  and  $J_{\mu+2}$  in terms of  $J_{\mu}$  and  $J_{\mu+1}$  proves the formula

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{xt}{x^2 - t^2} [x J_{\mu}(x) J_{\mu-1}(t) - t J_{\mu-1}(x) J_{\mu}(t) - x J_{\mu+2}(x) J_{\mu+1}(t) + t J_{\mu+1}(x) J_{\mu+2}(t)] \\ &= 2\mu J_{\mu}(x) J_{\mu}(t). \end{aligned}$$

This gives now

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^n 2(\alpha + 2k + 1) J_{\alpha+2k+1}(x) J_{\alpha+2k+1}(t) \\ &= \frac{xt}{x^2 - t^2} [x J_{\alpha+1}(x) J_{\alpha}(t) - t J_{\alpha}(x) J_{\alpha+1}(t) \\ & \quad - x J_{\alpha+2n+3}(x) J_{\alpha+2n+2}(t) + t J_{\alpha+2n+2}(x) J_{\alpha+2n+3}(t)]. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, use the formula  $z J_{\nu+1}(z) = \nu J_{\nu}(z) - z J'_{\nu}(z)$  (see [14, III.3.2, p. 45]) to take out  $J_{\alpha+2n+3}$ .  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 1.* From the definition,

$$S_n f(x) = x^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{\infty} \left[ \sum_{k=0}^n (\alpha + 2k + 1) J_{\alpha+2k+1}(x^{\frac{1}{2}}) J_{\alpha+2k+1}(t^{\frac{1}{2}}) \right] t^{\frac{\alpha}{2} - \frac{1}{2}} f(t) dt$$

so that Lemma 3 leads to

$$S_n f = W_1 f - W_2 f + W_{3,n} f - W_{4,n} f,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} W_1 f(x) &= 2^{-1} x^{-\alpha/2+1/2} J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2}) H(t^{\alpha/2} J_{\alpha}(t^{1/2}) f(t))(x), \\ W_2 f(x) &= 2^{-1} x^{-\alpha/2} J_{\alpha}(x^{1/2}) H(t^{\alpha/2+1/2} J_{\alpha+1}(t^{1/2}) f(t))(x), \\ W_{3,n} f(x) &= 2^{-1} x^{-\alpha/2+1/2} J'_{\nu}(x^{1/2}) H(t^{\alpha/2} J_{\nu}(t^{1/2}) f(t))(x), \\ W_{4,n} f(x) &= 2^{-1} x^{-\alpha/2} J_{\nu}(x^{1/2}) H(t^{\alpha/2+1/2} J'_{\nu}(t^{1/2}) f(t))(x) \end{aligned}$$

and  $\nu = \alpha + 2n + 2$ . Thus, we will show that the operators  $W_1$ ,  $W_2$  are bounded and the operators  $W_{3,n}$ ,  $W_{4,n}$  are uniformly bounded for  $n \geq 0$ . The proof for the commutator  $[b, S_n]$  is the same: just put  $[b, H]$  instead of  $H$ .

(I) *Boundedness of the operator  $W_1$* . From the definition, it follows that

$$\|W_1 f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)}$$

if and only if

$$\|Hg\|_{L^p(x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/2}|J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2})|^p)} \leq C \|g\|_{L^p(x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\alpha(x^{1/2})|^{-p})}.$$

Proving that there is a weight  $\Phi \in A_p$  with

$$(1) \quad Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/2}|J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2})|^p \leq \Phi(x) \leq Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\alpha(x^{1/2})|^{-p}$$

will be enough. According to the bounds

$$\begin{aligned} |J_\alpha(x)| &\leq C_\alpha x^\alpha, & x \in (0, 1), \\ |J_\alpha(x)| &\leq C_\alpha x^{-1/2}, & x \in (1, \infty) \end{aligned}$$

(see, e.g., [14, III.3.1 (8), p. 40] and [14, VII.7.21 (1), p. 199]), we have

$$\begin{aligned} x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/2}|J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2})|^p &\leq \begin{cases} Cx^{\alpha+p}, & \text{if } x \in (0, 1), \\ Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/4}, & \text{if } x \in (1, \infty), \end{cases} \\ x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\alpha(x^{1/2})|^{-p} &\geq \begin{cases} Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p}, & \text{if } x \in (0, 1), \\ Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/4}, & \text{if } x \in (1, \infty). \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Let us try

$$\Phi(x) = \begin{cases} x^r, & \text{if } x \in (0, 1), \\ x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/4}, & \text{if } x \in (1, \infty). \end{cases}$$

By (b) in Lemma 2, conditions (1) and  $\Phi \in A_p$  will hold if

$$\begin{cases} \alpha - \alpha p \leq r \leq \alpha + p, \\ -1 < r < p - 1, \\ -1 < \alpha - \alpha p/2 + p/4 < p - 1. \end{cases}$$

The third line is equivalent to

$$\frac{2\alpha - 1}{4} p < \alpha + 1, \quad \alpha + 1 < \frac{2\alpha + 3}{4} p,$$

and these follow from the hypothesis. For the inequalities involving  $r$  it suffices

$$\max\{-1, \alpha - \alpha p\} < \min\{p - 1, \alpha + p\}.$$

It is easy to check that this also holds, whenever  $\alpha > -1$  and  $p > 1$ .

(II) *Boundedness of the operator  $W_2$* . The proof is entirely similar: we have

$$\|W_2 f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)}$$

if and only if

$$\|Hg\|_{L^p(x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\alpha(x^{1/2})|^p)} \leq C \|g\|_{L^p(x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/2}|J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2})|^{-p})}$$

so that we can prove that there is a weight  $\Psi \in A_p$  with

$$(2) \quad Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\alpha(x^{1/2})|^p \leq \Psi(x) \leq Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/2}|J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2})|^{-p}.$$

Now we have

$$x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\alpha(x^{1/2})|^p \leq \begin{cases} Cx^\alpha, & \text{if } x \in (0, 1), \\ Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/4}, & \text{if } x \in (1, \infty), \end{cases}$$

$$x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/2}|J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2})|^{-p} \geq \begin{cases} Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p-p}, & \text{if } x \in (0, 1), \\ Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/4}, & \text{if } x \in (1, \infty). \end{cases}$$

Setting

$$\Psi(x) = \begin{cases} x^r, & \text{if } x \in (0, 1), \\ x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/4}, & \text{if } x \in (1, \infty), \end{cases}$$

conditions (2) and  $\Psi \in A_p$  will hold if

$$\begin{cases} \alpha - \alpha p - p \leq r \leq \alpha, \\ -1 < r < p - 1, \\ -1 < \alpha - \alpha p/2 - p/4 < p - 1. \end{cases}$$

The third line is equivalent to

$$\frac{2\alpha + 1}{4} p < \alpha + 1, \quad \alpha + 1 < \frac{2\alpha + 5}{4} p,$$

and these hold, by the hypothesis. For the inequalities involving  $r$  we only need

$$\max\{-1, \alpha - \alpha p - p\} < \min\{p - 1, \alpha\}.$$

It is easy to check that this also holds, whenever  $\alpha > -1$  and  $p > 1$ .

(III) *Uniform boundedness of the operators  $W_{3,n}$ .* Here,

$$\|W_{3,n}f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)}$$

if and only if

$$\|Hg\|_{L^p(x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/2}|J'_\nu(x^{1/2})|^p)} \leq C\|g\|_{L^p(x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\nu(x^{1/2})|^{-p})}.$$

We make now use of the bounds

$$|J_\nu(x)| \leq Cx^{-1/4} \left[|x - \nu| + \nu^{1/3}\right]^{-1/4}, \quad \nu = \alpha + 2n + 2, \quad x \in (0, \infty),$$

$$|J'_\nu(x)| \leq Cx^{-3/4} \left[|x - \nu| + \nu^{1/3}\right]^{1/4}, \quad \nu = \alpha + 2n + 2, \quad x \in (0, \infty),$$

with some universal constant  $C$ . They follow from those in [5], for instance. Therefore,

$$x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/2}|J'_\nu(x^{1/2})|^p \leq Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} \left[|x^{1/2} - \nu| + \nu^{1/3}\right]^{p/4},$$

$$x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\nu(x^{1/2})|^{-p} \geq Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} \left[|x^{1/2} - \nu| + \nu^{1/3}\right]^{p/4}.$$

It will be enough to prove that  $\varphi_\nu \in A_p$  uniformly in  $n$ , with

$$(3) \quad \varphi_\nu(x) = x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - \nu| + \nu^{1/3} \right]^{p/4}.$$

From Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi_\nu(x) \in A_p \text{ unif.} &\iff \varphi_\nu(\nu^2 x) \in A_p \text{ unif.} \\ &\iff x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - 1| + \nu^{-2/3} \right]^{p/4} \in A_p \text{ unif.} \\ &\iff x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} |x^{1/2} - 1|^{p/4} + \nu^{-p/6} x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} \in A_p \text{ unif.,} \end{aligned}$$

where the last equivalence follows from

$$\left[ |x^{1/2} - 1| + \nu^{-2/3} \right]^{p/4} \sim |x^{1/2} - 1|^{p/4} + \nu^{-p/6},$$

i.e., the ratio of both terms is bounded below and above by two positive constants not depending on  $n$  or  $x$ . Now, again by Lemma 1, proving that  $x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} \in A_p$  and  $x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} |x^{1/2} - 1|^{p/4} \in A_p$  will suffice. According to Lemma 2,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{cases} x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} \in A_p \\ x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} |x^{1/2} - 1|^{p/4} \in A_p \end{cases} &\iff \begin{cases} -1 < \alpha - \alpha p/2 + p/8 < p - 1 \\ -1 < p/4 < p - 1 \\ -1 < \alpha - \alpha p/2 + p/4 < p - 1 \end{cases} \\ &\iff \begin{cases} -1 < \alpha - \alpha p/2 + p/8 \\ 4/3 < p \\ \alpha - \alpha p/2 + p/4 < p - 1 \end{cases} \\ &\iff \begin{cases} \frac{2\alpha-1/2}{4} p < \alpha + 1 < \frac{2\alpha+3}{4} p \\ 4/3 < p \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and these inequalities follow from the initial conditions.

(IV) *Uniform boundedness of the operators  $W_{4,n}$ .* Finally,

$$\|W_{4,n}f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p(x^\alpha)}$$

if and only if

$$\|Hg\|_{L^p(x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\nu(x^{1/2})|^p)} \leq C\|g\|_{L^p(x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/2}|J'_\nu(x^{1/2})|^{-p})}.$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned} x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2}|J_\nu(x^{1/2})|^p &\leq Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - \nu| + \nu^{1/3} \right]^{-p/4}, \\ x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/2}|J'_\nu(x^{1/2})|^{-p} &\geq Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - \nu| + \nu^{1/3} \right]^{-p/4} \end{aligned}$$

so let us put

$$(4) \quad \psi_\nu(x) = x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - \nu| + \nu^{1/3} \right]^{-p/4}$$



and show that  $\psi_\nu \in A_p$  uniformly in  $n$ . Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_\nu(x) \in A_p \text{ unif.} &\iff \psi_\nu(\nu^2 x) \in A_p \text{ unif.} \\ &\iff x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - 1| + \nu^{-2/3} \right]^{-p/4} \in A_p \text{ unif.} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &\left( x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - 1| + \nu^{-2/3} \right]^{-p/4} \right)^{-1} \\ &\sim x^{-\alpha+\alpha p/2+p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - 1|^{p/4} + \nu^{-p/6} \right] \\ &= \left[ x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} |x^{1/2} - 1|^{-p/4} \right]^{-1} + \left[ \nu^{p/6} x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \right]^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

so that proving that  $x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} |x^{1/2} - 1|^{-p/4} \in A_p$  and  $x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \in A_p$  will suffice. But

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{cases} x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \in A_p \\ x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} |x^{1/2} - 1|^{-p/4} \in A_p \end{cases} &\iff \begin{cases} -1 < \alpha - \alpha p/2 - p/8 < p - 1 \\ -1 < -p/4 < p - 1 \\ -1 < \alpha - \alpha p/2 - p/4 < p - 1 \end{cases} \\ &\iff \begin{cases} \alpha - \alpha p/2 - p/8 < p - 1 \\ p < 4 \\ -1 < \alpha - \alpha p/2 - p/4 \end{cases} \\ &\iff \begin{cases} \frac{2\alpha+1}{4} p < \alpha + 1 < \frac{2\alpha+9/2}{4} p \\ p < 4 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

and these inequalities hold by the hypothesis. The proof of Theorem 1 is now complete.  $\square$

*Proof of Theorem 2.* For each  $n \geq 0$  and  $b \in \text{BMO}$ ,  $T_n(b): L^p(x^\alpha) \rightarrow L^p(x^\alpha)$  is bounded if and only if  $S_n: L^p(e^{pb}x^\alpha) \rightarrow L^p(e^{pb}x^\alpha)$  is bounded, and both operators have the same norm. Thus, we can follow the proof of Theorem 1 and conclude that conditions (1), (2), (3) and (4), i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned} Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/2} |J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2})|^p &\leq \Phi(x) \leq Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2} |J_\alpha(x^{1/2})|^{-p}, \\ Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2} |J_\alpha(x^{1/2})|^p &\leq \Psi(x) \leq Cx^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/2} |J_{\alpha+1}(x^{1/2})|^{-p}, \\ \varphi_\nu(x) &= x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2+p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - \nu| + \nu^{1/3} \right]^{p/4}, \\ \psi_\nu(x) &= x^{\alpha-\alpha p/2-p/8} \left[ |x^{1/2} - \nu| + \nu^{1/3} \right]^{-p/4}, \end{aligned}$$

are still sufficient, if we require now  $e^{pb}\Phi, e^{pb}\Psi, e^{pb}\varphi_\nu, e^{pb}\psi_\nu \in A_p$  uniformly in  $\nu$ . The proof of Theorem 1, together with next lemma, finish the proof of Theorem 2.  $\square$

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . For each  $\phi \in A_p$ , there exists some  $\delta > 0$  such that  $e^{pb}\phi \in A_p$  whenever  $b \in \text{BMO}$  with  $\|b\|_{\text{BMO}} < \delta$ . Moreover,  $\delta$  and the  $A_p$  constant of  $e^{pb}\phi$  depend only on the  $A_p$  constant of  $\phi$ .*

*Remark.* Again, statements like “ $\delta$  depends only on the  $A_p$  constant of  $\phi$ ” should be understood as: given a constant  $C > 0$  which verifies the  $A_p$  condition for  $\phi$ , some  $\delta$  can be chosen depending only on  $C$ .

*Proof.* If  $\phi \in A_p$ , there exists some  $\varepsilon > 1$  such that  $\phi^\varepsilon \in A_p$ ; moreover,  $\varepsilon$  and the  $A_p$  constant of  $\phi^\varepsilon$  depend only on the  $A_p$  constant of  $\phi$  [6, Theorem IV.2.7, p. 399]. Take now  $1/\varepsilon + 1/\varepsilon' = 1$ . There exists some  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\|b\|_{\text{BMO}} < \delta \implies e^{p\varepsilon'b} \in A_p;$$

here,  $\delta$  and the  $A_p$  constant of  $e^{p\varepsilon'b}$  depend only on  $\varepsilon'$  [6, p. 409]. This, together with  $\phi^\varepsilon \in A_p$  and Hölder’s inequality, imply  $e^{pb}\phi \in A_p$  with an  $A_p$  constant depending only on the  $A_p$  constant of  $\phi$ .  $\square$

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