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## FINE LIMITS OF GENERALIZED POTENTIAL-TYPE INTEGRAL OPERATORS WITH NON-ISOTROPIC KERNEL

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*Abstract.* This paper deals with the fine limits of generalized potential-type operators with non-isotropic kernels defined for functions on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  satisfying appropriate conditions.

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### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  be positive numbers with  $|\lambda| = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 + \dots + \lambda_n$  and  $\|x\|_\lambda = (|x_1|^{\frac{1}{\lambda_1}} + \dots + |x_n|^{\frac{1}{\lambda_n}})^{\frac{|\lambda|}{n}}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . The expression  $\|x - y\|_\lambda$ , where  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , is called the  $\lambda$ -distance or non-isotropic distance between  $x$  and  $y$ . This distance is an important concept in the theory of partial differential equations and imbedding theorems. Some problems with the  $\lambda$ -distance were examined in [6, 7].

It can be seen that  $\lambda$ -distance becomes the ordinary Euclidean distance  $|x - y|$  for  $\lambda_j = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ . The  $\lambda$ -distance has the following properties.

Using the inequality  $(a + b)^m \leq 2^m (a^m + b^m)$ ,  $m > 1$ , we obtain

$$\|x - y\|_\lambda \leq M_\lambda (\|x\|_\lambda + \|y\|_\lambda), \quad (1.1)$$

where  $M_\lambda = 2^{\left(1 + \frac{1}{\lambda_{\min}}\right) \frac{|\lambda|}{n}}$  and  $\lambda_{\min} = \min(\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n)$ .

Several authors have investigated the properties of classical Riesz potentials and their generalizations. For example, taking some appropriate conditions on the kernel depending on Euclidean distance type of  $K(|x - y|)$ , Gadjiev [3] proved a variant of the Hardy–Littlewood–Sobolev theorem. He also gave the properties of convergence almost everywhere. In [1], a theorem similar to results of [3] was proved for potential-type integrals with kernel depending on the  $\lambda$ -distance.

Some results on potential-type integral operators and Riesz potentials given by generalized shift operators can be found in [2, 4, 5]. Various generalizations of the Riesz potentials are given in [10].

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A potential-type integral operator depending on the  $\lambda$ -distance and defined for non-negative measurable functions  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is given by the equality

$$(Lf)(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K(\|x-y\|_\lambda) f(y) dy,$$

where  $K$  is the kernel function satisfying the following conditions (see [1]):

- ( $K_1$ )  $K$  is a non-negative continuous and decreasing function on semiaxis  $[0, \infty)$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0} K(t) = \infty$ ;  
 ( $K_2$ )  $L(r) = \int_r^a K(2\beta M_\lambda t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}) t^{2|\lambda|-\delta-1} dt < \infty$  for  $0 < \delta < 2|\lambda|$ ,  $\beta \in (0, 1)$  and  $0 \leq r < a$ .

We know that  $(Lf)(x) \neq \infty$  if and only if

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K(\beta(1+\|y\|_\lambda)) f(y) dy, \quad (1.2)$$

where  $\beta \in (0, 1)$ . Hence it is seen that  $(Lf)(x) \neq \infty$  when  $f$  is integrable on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Note that (1) is equivalent to

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x, 1)} K(\beta\|x-y\|_\lambda) f(y) dy$$

for every  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , and  $\beta \in (0, 1)$ , where  $B_\lambda(x, 1)$  is  $\lambda$ -ball centered at  $x$  with radius 1. That is  $B_\lambda(x, 1) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^n : \|x-y\|_\lambda < 1\}$ .

In what follows, we investigate the fine limits of generalized potential-type integral operators with non-isotropic kernels  $Lf$  at  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Our results are generalizations of the corresponding results for classical Riesz potentials given in [9, 11].

To obtain a general result, we assume the condition

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi_p(f(y)) w\left(\|y-x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}\right) dy < \infty. \quad (1.3)$$

where  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\phi_p(r)$  is positive monotone function on interval  $(0, \infty)$  having the following properties:

- ( $\phi_1$ )  $\phi_p(r)$  is of the form  $r^p \varphi(r)$ , where  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $\varphi$  is a positive non-decreasing function on interval  $(0, \infty)$ .  
 ( $\phi_2$ ) There exists  $A_1$  such that  $\varphi(2r) \leq A_1 \varphi(r)$  whenever  $r > 0$ .

Throughout this paper, let  $w(r)$  be a positive non-increasing function on  $(0, \infty)$  satisfying the condition:

- ( $w_1$ ) There exists  $A_2 > 0$  such that  $A_2^{-1} w(r) \leq w(2r) \leq A_2 w(r)$  whenever  $r > 0$ .

In this paper we will use some ideas from [9, 11]. By the symbol  $M$ , we denote a positive constant whose value may change depending on the context.

## 2. PRELIMINARY LEMMAS

First we collect properties which follow from conditions  $(\varphi_1)$  and  $(\varphi_2)$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** *The function  $\varphi$  satisfies the doubling condition, that is, there exists  $A_3 > 1$  such that*

$$\varphi(r) \leq \varphi(2r) \leq A_3 \varphi(r) \quad \text{for } r > 0.$$

**Lemma 2.2.** *For any  $\gamma > 0$ , there exists  $A_4(\gamma) > 1$  such that*

$$A_4^{-1}(\gamma)\varphi(r) \leq \varphi(r^\gamma) \leq A_4(\gamma)\varphi(r), \text{ whenever } r > 0.$$

3. THE ESTIMATE OF  $Lf$ 

We write  $(Lf)(x) = L_1(x) + L_2(x) + L_3(x)$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n - \{x_0\}$ , where

$$\begin{aligned} L_1(x) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)} K(\|x - y\|_\lambda) f(y) dy, \\ L_2(x) &= \int_{B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) - B_\lambda(x, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)} K(\|x - y\|_\lambda) f(y) dy, \\ L_3(x) &= \int_{B_\lambda(x, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)} K(\|x - y\|_\lambda) f(y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

Using (1.1), then for any  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\|x - y\|_\lambda \geq \frac{1}{M_\lambda} \|y - x_0\|_\lambda - \|x - x_0\|_\lambda.$$

It is obvious that, if  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)$ , then  $\|x - y\|_\lambda \geq \frac{1}{2M_\lambda} \|y - x_0\|_\lambda$ . Taking into account  $L_1(x)$ , we have the inequality

$$L_1(x) \leq M \int_{\mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)} K(\beta \|y - x_0\|_\lambda) f(y) dy \quad (3.1)$$

for any  $\beta = \frac{1}{2M_\lambda} \in (0, 1)$ . For  $y \in B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) - B_\lambda(x, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)$ , since  $\|y - x\|_\lambda \geq \frac{1}{2M_\lambda} \|x - x_0\|_\lambda$ , we have similarly

$$L_2(x) \leq K(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \int_{B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) - B_\lambda(x, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)} f(y) dy \quad (3.2)$$

for any  $\beta = \frac{1}{2M_\lambda} \in (0, 1)$ .

Let us begin with the Hölder type inequality.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Let  $p > 1$ ,  $\delta > 0$ , and  $f$  be a non-negative measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $0 \leq 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda < 2M_\lambda a^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} < 1$ , then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)} K(\beta \|y - x_0\|_\lambda) f(y) dy \\ & \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda a^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}})} K(\beta \|y - x_0\|_\lambda) f(y) dy + ML \left( \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) \\ & + MR_1 \left( \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) \left( \int_{B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda a^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}})} \phi_p(f(y)) w \left( \|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $R_1(r) = \left( \int_r^a K^{p'} \left( 2\beta M_\lambda t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) [\varphi(t^{-1}) w(t)]^{\frac{p'}{p}} t^{2|\lambda|-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}}$  if  $0 < 2M_\lambda r^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} < 1$  and  $R_1(r) = R_1 \left( (2M_\lambda)^{-\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right)$  in the other cases.

*Proof.* Without loss of generality we assume that  $f = 0$  outside of  $B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda a^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}})$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)} K(\beta \|y - x_0\|_\lambda) f(y) dy = \int_{A(y)} K(\beta \|y - x_0\|_\lambda) f(y) dy \\ & \leq \int_{\left\{ y \in A(y); f(y) > \|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\frac{\delta n}{2|\lambda|}} \right\}} K(\beta \|y - x_0\|_\lambda) f(y) dy \\ & + \int_{\left\{ y \in A(y); f(y) \leq \|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\frac{\delta n}{2|\lambda|}} \right\}} K(\beta \|y - x_0\|_\lambda) f(y) dy =: L_{11} + L_{12}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $A(y) = B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda a^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}) - B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)$ . Consider the integral  $L_{11}$ . From Hölder's inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} L_{11}(x) & \leq \left( \int_{U(y)} f^p(y) \varphi(f(y)) w \left( \|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ & \times \left( \int_{U(y)} K(\beta \|y - x_0\|_\lambda)^{p'} \left[ \varphi(f(y)) w \left( \|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) \right]^{-\frac{p'}{p}} dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$  and  $U(y) = \left\{ y \in A(y); f(y) > \|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\frac{\delta n}{2|\lambda|}} \right\}$ .

Since  $\varphi$  is a non-decreasing function, we have  $\varphi(f(y)) \geq \varphi(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\frac{\delta n}{2|\lambda|}})$  and therefore, Lemma 2.2 implies  $\varphi(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\frac{\delta n}{2|\lambda|}}) \geq M\varphi(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}})$ . Thus,

$$L_{11}(x) \leq M \left( \int_{U(y)} \phi_p(f(y)) w(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \left( \int_{U(y)} K(\beta\|y - x_0\|_\lambda)^{p'} \left[ \varphi(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) w(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) \right]^{-\frac{p'}{p}} dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}}. \quad (3.3)$$

The right hand side integral with respect to  $y$  may be easily calculated. Namely, passing to generalized spherical coordinates by transformation

$$\begin{aligned} y_1 &= x_{01} + (t \cos \theta_1)^{2\lambda_1}, \\ y_2 &= x_{02} + (t \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2)^{2\lambda_2}, \\ &\vdots \\ y_n &= x_{0n} + (t \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \dots \sin \theta_{n-1})^{2\lambda_n}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\theta_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , are the coordinates of the point  $\theta$  on unit sphere. We can see that the Jacobian of this transformation  $t^{2|\lambda|-1} \Omega_\lambda(\theta)$ , where  $\Omega_\lambda(\theta)$  depends on angles  $\theta_1, \theta_2, \dots, \theta_{n-1}$  only  $0 \leq \theta_1, \dots, \theta_{n-2} \leq \pi, 0 \leq \theta_{n-1} \leq 2\pi$  and

$$\Omega_\lambda(\theta) = 2^n \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} (\cos \theta_j)^{2\lambda_j-1} (\sin \theta_j)^{2|\lambda| - \sum_{k=1}^j \lambda_k - 1}.$$

Here the integral  $\int_{S^{n-1}} \Omega_\lambda(\theta) d\theta$  is finite, where  $S^{n-1}$  is the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Consequently, from (3.3) we have

$$L_{11}(x) \leq M \left( \int_{(2M_\lambda)^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \|x-x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}}^{(2M_\lambda)^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} a} K^{p'} \left( \beta t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) \left[ \varphi(t^{-1}) w(t) \right]^{-\frac{p'}{p}} t^{2|\lambda|-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \times \left( \int_{U(y)} \phi_p(f(y)) w(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \quad (3.4)$$

Let us now consider the integral  $L_{12}$ . By passing to generalized spherical coordinates, we get

$$\begin{aligned} L_{12}(x) &\leq \int_{A(y)} K(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda) \|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}\delta} dy \\ &= ML \left( \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right), \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

where  $L(r)$  is defined in the condition  $(K_2)$ . Relations (3.4) and (3.5) give the desired conclusion.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2.** *Let  $f$  be a non-negative measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $0 < 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda < 1$  and  $0 < \delta < 2|\lambda|$ , then there exists a positive  $M$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} L_2(x) &\leq MR_2(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) \left( \int_{B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)} \phi_p(f(y)) w(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\quad + M \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{2|\lambda| - \delta}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$R_2(r) = K \left( \beta t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) r^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n} - \frac{2|\lambda|}{p'}} \left[ \varphi \left( r^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) w(r) \right]^{-\frac{1}{p}}.$$

*Proof.* It follows from (3.2) that

$$\begin{aligned} L_2(x) &\leq K(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \int_{B(x)} f(y) dy \\ &\leq K(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \left\{ \int_{\{y \in B(x); f(y) > \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\delta}\}} f(y) dy \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{\{y \in B(x); f(y) \leq \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\delta}\}} f(y) dy \right\} =: L_{21}(x) + L_{22}(x), \end{aligned}$$

where  $B(x) = B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) - B_\lambda(x, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)$ .

Let us first consider  $L_{21}$ . Since  $\varphi$  is a non-decreasing function, by Lemma 3.1, we get

$$L_{21}(x) \leq M \left[ \varphi(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{-1}) \right]^{-\frac{1}{p}} K(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \int_{B(x)} f(y) [\varphi(f(y))]^{\frac{1}{p}} dy.$$

From Hölder's inequality, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} L_{21}(x) &\leq M \left[ \varphi(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{-1}) \right]^{-\frac{1}{p}} K(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_{B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)} dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \left( \int_{B(x)} f(y)^p \varphi(f(y)) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$ .

Therefore, because  $w$  is a non-increasing function, it follows that

$$L_{21}(x) \leq M \left[ \varphi(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{-1}) \right]^{-\frac{1}{p}} K(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{p'}} \quad (3.6)$$

$$\times \left( \int_{B(x)} \phi_p(f(y)) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$\leq M \left( \varphi(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{-1}) w(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) \right)^{-\frac{1}{p}} K(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{p'}}$$

$$\times \left( \int_{B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)} \phi_p(f(y)) w(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \quad (3.7)$$

On the other hand, we have

$$L_{22} \leq K(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \int_{B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda \|x - x_0\|_\lambda)} \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{-\delta} dy$$

$$\leq MK(\beta \|x - x_0\|_\lambda) \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{2|\lambda| - \delta}. \quad (3.8)$$

We have the desired conclusion from (3.7) and (3.8).  $\square$

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $f$  be a non-negative measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . If  $\delta > 0$ , then there exists a positive  $M$  such that*

$$L_3(x) \leq MR_3 \left( \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) \left( \int_{B_\lambda(x, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)} \phi_p(f(y)) w(\|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

$$+ M \int_0^{(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}} K^{p'} \left( 2\beta M_\lambda t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) t^{2|\lambda| - \delta - 1} dt$$

where  $R_3(r) = \varphi^*(r) \omega(r)^{-\frac{1}{p}}$  and  $\varphi^*(r) = \left( \int_0^r K^{p'} \left( t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) [\varphi(t^{-1})]^{-\frac{p'}{p}} t^{2|\lambda| - 1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}}$ .

*Proof.* By change of variable, we have

$$L_3(x) = \int_{B_\lambda(0, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)} K(\|y\|_\lambda) f(x + y) dy.$$



In a way similar to the proof of Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
L_3(x) &\leq M \left( \int_0^{(\|x-x_0\|_\lambda/2M_\lambda)^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}} K^{p'} \left( t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) [\varphi(t^{-1})]^{-\frac{p'}{p}} t^{2|\lambda|-1} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \\
&\quad \times \left( \int_{B_\lambda(0, \|x-x_0\|_\lambda/2M_\lambda)} \phi_p(f(x+y)) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\quad + M \int_0^{(\|x-x_0\|_\lambda/2M_\lambda)^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}} K \left( \beta 2M_\lambda t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) t^{2|\lambda|-\delta-1} dt \\
&\leq M \varphi^* \left( \|x-x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) w \left( \|x-x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right)^{-\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\quad \times \left( \int_{B_\lambda(x, \|x-x_0\|_\lambda/2M_\lambda)} \phi_p(f(y)) w(\|y-x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\
&\quad + \int_0^{(\|x-x_0\|_\lambda/2M_\lambda)^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}} K \left( \beta 2M_\lambda t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) t^{2|\lambda|-\delta-1} dt,
\end{aligned}$$

as required.  $\square$

#### 4. FINE LIMIT OF $R_\alpha f$

We consider the function

$$\begin{aligned}
R(r) &= R_1(r) + R_2(r) + R_3(r) \\
&= R_1(r) + K \left( \beta t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} \right) r^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}} t^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{p'}} \left( w(r) \varphi(r^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}) \right)^{-\frac{1}{p}} + \varphi^*(r) w(r)^{-\frac{1}{p}}.
\end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $p > 1$  and  $f$  be a non-negative measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  satisfying conditions (1.2) and (1.3). If  $\varphi^*(1) < \infty$  and  $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} R(r) = \infty$ , then*

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} [R(\|x-x_0\|_\lambda)]^{-1} (Lf)(x) = 0.$$

*If  $R(r)$  is bounded, then  $(Lf)(x_0)$  is finite and  $(Lf)(x)$  tends to  $(Lf)(x_0)$  as  $x \rightarrow x_0$ .*

*Proof.* By condition (1.2), the integral

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda a^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}})} K(\beta \|y-x_0\|_\lambda) f(y) dy$$

is finite. It follows from (3.1), the condition  $K_2$  and Lemma 3.1 that

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} \left( R \left( \|x - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) \right)^{-1} L_1(x) \\ \leq M \left( \int_{B_\lambda(x_0, 2M_\lambda a^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}})} \phi_p(f(y)) w \left( \|y - x_0\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}} \right) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $a$  is arbitrary, we see that the integral in the left-hand side of the last estimate is equal to zero.

In view of Lemmas 3.2 and 3.3 and condition (1.3), we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} [R(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda)]^{-1} (L_2(x) + L_3(x)) = 0.$$

If we combine these results, we have

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} [R(\|x - x_0\|_\lambda)]^{-1} (Lf)(x) = 0.$$

If  $R(r)$  is bounded, then Lemmas 3.2 and 3.3 imply that  $L_2(x) + L_3(x)$  tends to zero at  $x \rightarrow x_0$ . Furthermore, in view of Lemma 3.1, we have  $\limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} L_1(x) < \infty$ . Thus it follows that  $(Lf)(x_0)$  is finite. Hence

$$L_1(x) + L_2(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)} K(\|x - y\|_\lambda) f(y) dy.$$

Since  $\|y - x_0\|_\lambda \leq 2M_\lambda^2 \|y - x\|_\lambda$  for  $y \in \mathbb{R}^n - B_\lambda(x, \|x - x_0\|_\lambda / 2M_\lambda)$ , we have by Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} (L_1(x) + L_2(x)) = (Lf)(x_0).$$

However, we also know that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow x_0} L_3(x) = 0$ . The proof of Theorem 4.1 is thus complete.  $\square$

**Corollary 4.1** ([8,9]). *Let  $p = \frac{n}{\alpha}$  and  $\phi^*(1) < \infty$ . If  $f$  is a non-negative measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  satisfying (1.2) and the condition*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi_p(f(y)) dy < \infty,$$

*then  $L_\alpha f$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with  $K(t) = t^{\alpha-n}$ ,  $0 < \alpha < n$ , and  $\lambda_k = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .*

**Corollary 4.2** ([1]). *Let  $f$  be a non-negative measurable function satisfying conditions (1.2) and the condition*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi_p(f(y)) dy < \infty,$$

*then  $L_\alpha f$  is continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .*

**Proposition 4.1.** Let  $ap = n$ ,  $\varphi^*(1) < \infty$ ,  $x_0 = 0$ ,  $K(t) = t^{\alpha-n}$ , and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} r^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{p'}} (w(r))^{-\frac{1}{p}} (\varphi(r^{-1}))^{-\frac{1}{p}} = 0.$$

Then for any positive non-decreasing function  $a(r)$  on  $(0, \infty)$  such that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} a(r) = \infty,$$

there exists a non-negative measurable function  $f$  satisfying (1.2) and (1.3) such that

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow x_0} a\left(\|x\|_{\lambda}^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}\right) \left(w\left(\|x\|_{\lambda}^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}\right) \varphi\left(\|x\|_{\lambda}^{-\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}\right)\right)^{-\frac{1}{p}} R_{\alpha} f(x) = \infty,$$

where  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{p'} = 1$ .

*Proof.* Let  $(j_i)$  be a sequence of positive integers such that  $j_i + 2 < j_{i+1}$  and  $\sum_i a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} < \infty$ , where  $a_i(r_j) = a_i$  and  $r_j = 2^{-j_i}$ . We set

$$f(y) = a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{1}{p'}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \|x_i - y\|_{\lambda}^{-\alpha} [\varphi(\|x_i - y\|_{\lambda}^{-1})]^{-1}$$

if  $y \in \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_{\lambda}(x_i, (2r_j)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}) - B_{\lambda}(x_i, (r_j)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}})$ , otherwise  $f(y) = 0$ , where  $x_i = (r_j, 0, \dots, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .

Let us now show that  $f$  meets all the conditions in the proposition. If we use Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2, then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int f(y) dy &= \sum_i a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{1}{p'}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\quad \times \int_{B_{\lambda}(x_i, (2r_j)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}) - B_{\lambda}(x_i, (r_j)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}})} \|x_i - y\|_{\lambda}^{-\alpha} [\varphi(\|x_i - y\|_{\lambda}^{-1})]^{-1} dy \\ &\leq M \sum_i a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{1}{p'}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \int_{r_j}^{2r_j} t^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}\alpha} (\varphi(t^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}))^{-1} t^{2|\lambda|-1} dt \\ &\leq M \sum_i a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ r_j^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{p'}} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{1}{p}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \right\} \\ &\leq M \sum_i a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently  $f$  satisfies (1.2). On the other hand, since the values  $(a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}})$  and  $(r_j^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{p'}} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{-\frac{1}{p}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}})$  are bounded, we have

$$\begin{aligned} f(y) &\leq M (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{1}{p'}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \|x_i - y\|_\lambda^{-\alpha} [\varphi(\|x_i - y\|_\lambda)]^{-1} \\ &\leq M (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \left\{ r_j^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{p'}} \varphi(r_j^{-1})^{-\frac{1}{p}} \|x_i - y\|_\lambda^{-\alpha} \right\}^{-1} \\ &\leq M \|x_i - y\|_\lambda^{-\alpha - \frac{n}{p'}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the inequality  $\varphi(f(y)) \leq \varphi(\|x_i - y\|_\lambda^{-1})$  holds.

Now we show that  $f$  satisfies (1.3). Using condition  $(w_1)$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi_p(f(y)) w\left(\|y\|_\lambda^{\frac{n}{2|\lambda|}}\right) dy \\ &\leq \sum_i a_i^{-1} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{p}{p'}} \int_{B_\lambda(x_i, (2r_j)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}) - B_\lambda(x_i, r_j)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}} \|x_i - y\|_\lambda^{-\alpha p} \\ &\quad \times [\varphi(\|x_i - y\|_\lambda^{-1})]^{-\frac{p}{p'}} dy \\ &\leq M \sum_i a_i^{-1} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{p}{p'}} \int_{r_j}^{2r_j} t^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n} \alpha p} (\varphi(t^{-\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}))^{-\frac{p}{p'}} t^{2|\lambda|-1} dt \\ &\leq M \sum_i a_i^{-1} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{p}{p'}} \int_{r_j}^{2r_j} (\varphi(t^{-1}))^{-\frac{p}{p'}} t^{-1} dt \\ &\leq M \sum_i a_i^{-1} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} R_\alpha f(x_i) &\geq a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{1}{p'}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\quad \times \int_{B_\lambda(x_i, (2r_j)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}) - B_\lambda(x_i, r_j)^{\frac{2|\lambda|}{n}}} \|x_i - y\|_\lambda^{-n} [\varphi(\|x_i - y\|_\lambda^{-1})]^{-1} dy \\ &\geq M a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{\frac{1}{p'}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \int_{r_j}^{2r_j} (\varphi(t^{-1}))^{-1} t^{-1} dt \\ &\geq M a_i^{-\frac{1}{p}} (\varphi(r_j^{-1}))^{-\frac{1}{p}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$a_i \left( \varphi(r_j^{-1}) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} (w(r_j))^{-\frac{1}{p}} R_\alpha f(x^{(i)}) \geq M a_i^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

This proves the proposition for  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\square$

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