

ON THE COMPOSITION OF ROUGH SINGULAR INTEGRAL OPERATORS

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, we investigate the behavior of the bounds of the composition for rough singular integral operators on the weighted space. More precisely, we obtain the quantitative weighted bounds of the composite operator for two singular integral operators with rough homogeneous kernels on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)$, $p \in (1, \infty)$, which is smaller than the product of the quantitative weighted bounds for these two rough singular integral operators. Moreover, at the endpoint $p = 1$, the $L \log L$ weighted weak type bound is also obtained, which has interests of its own in the theory of rough singular integral even in the unweighted case.

1. INTRODUCTION

This paper will be devoted to study the quantitative weighted bounds for the composition of rough singular integral operators. The theory of Calderón-Zygmund singular integral operator, which origins from the pioneering work of Calderón and Zygmund [4] in 1950s, has been developed extensively in the last sixty years (see for example the recently exposition [14],[15]).

The composition of singular integral operators arise typically in the algebra of singular integral (see [6],[2],[3]) and the non-coercive boundary-value problems for elliptic equations (see [31],[28]). In the past decades, considerable attention has been paid to the composition of singular integral operators. We refer the reader to see the work in [34, 31, 9, 30, 7, 28] and the references therein. This paper will be devoted to study the composition of the singular integral operator T_Ω with a rough convolution type kernel. Recall that T_Ω is defined by

$$(1.1) \quad T_\Omega f(x) = \text{p. v.} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{\Omega(x-y)}{|x-y|^d} f(y) dy,$$

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where Ω is homogeneous of degree zero, integrable and has mean value zero on the unit sphere S^{d-1} . This operator was introduced by Calderón and Zygmund [4], and then studied by many authors in the last sixty years (see e.g. [5], [11], [32], [10], [16], [13], [33]). The composite operator $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ has been first appeared in the work of Calderón and Zygmund [6] where the algebra of singular integrals was studied. However in this paper, we will study other properties of the composite operator $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$. Our starting points of this paper are as follows:

- (i). Calderón and Zygmund [5] proved that T_{Ω} is bounded on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ if $p \in (1, \infty)$ for rough kernel Ω . It is trivial to see that the composite operator $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ is bounded on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ for $p \in (1, \infty)$. At the endpoint $p = 1$, it was quite later that Seeger [33] showed T_{Ω} is of weak type (1,1) by means of some deep idea of geometric microlocal decomposition and the Fourier transform. Nevertheless, no proper weak type estimate of $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ was known prior to this article when both Ω_1 and Ω_2 are rough kernels. In this paper, we will prove that $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ satisfies the $L \log L$ weak type estimate.
- (ii). Recently there are numerous work related to seek the optimal quantitative weighted bound for singular integral operator (see e.g. [8, 25, 26, 27, 12, 21, 24, 22, 1, 18, 19]). Motivated by this, our interests are focused on the behavior of the quantitative weighted bound for $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ compared to that of single singular integral. We show that the quantitative weighted bound of $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ is smaller than the products of that of T_{Ω_1} and T_{Ω_2} , which has interests of its own.

We summary our main results as follows.

Theorem 1.1. *Let Ω_1, Ω_2 be homogeneous of degree zero, have mean value zero and $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \in L^\infty(S^{d-1})$. Then for $p \in (1, \infty)$ and $w \in A_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$,*

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)} &\lesssim [w]_{A_p}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left([w]_{A_\infty}^{\frac{1}{p'}} + [\sigma]_{A_\infty}^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) ([\sigma]_{A_\infty} + [w]_{A_\infty}) \\ &\quad \times \min \{ [\sigma]_{A_\infty}, [w]_{A_\infty} \} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)}, \end{aligned}$$

where $p' = p/(p-1)$, $\sigma = w^{-1/(p-1)}$, and the precise definitions of $A_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ weight and A_p constants are listed in Section 2.

Remark 1.2. It is unknown whether the above quantitative weighted bound is optimal. However, from the recent result of Hytönen, Roncal, and Tapiola [24]: if $\Omega \in L^\infty(S^{d-1})$, then for $p \in (1, \infty)$ and $w \in A_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$\|T_{\Omega}f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)} \lesssim [w]_{A_p}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left([w]_{A_\infty}^{\frac{1}{p'}} + [\sigma]_{A_\infty}^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) ([\sigma]_{A_\infty} + [w]_{A_\infty}) \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)},$$

in which the quantitative weighted bound was improved later by Li, Pérez, Rivera-Rios and Roncal [29] as follows,

$$(1.2) \quad [w]_{A_p}^{\frac{1}{p}} \left([w]_{A_\infty}^{\frac{1}{p'}} + [\sigma]_{A_\infty}^{\frac{1}{p}} \right) \min \{ [\sigma]_{A_\infty}, [w]_{A_\infty} \},$$

we can see that the quantitative weighted bound of $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ in Theorem 1.1 is smaller than the product of the quantitative weighted bounds of T_{Ω_1} and T_{Ω_2} in (1.2). In fact, for $p \in (1, \infty)$ and $w \in A_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$, by some elementary computation,

$$\max\{[w]_{A_\infty}, [\sigma]_{A_\infty}\} \leq [w]_{A_p}^{\frac{1}{p}} ([w]_{A_\infty}^{\frac{1}{p'}} + [\sigma]_{A_\infty}^{\frac{1}{p}}),$$

which easily implies our desired estimate.

Theorem 1.3. *Let Ω_1, Ω_2 be homogeneous of degree zero, have mean value zero and $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \in L^\infty(S^{d-1})$. Then for $w \in A_1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $\lambda > 0$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & w(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}f(x)| > \lambda\}) \\ & \lesssim [w]_{A_1} [w]_{A_\infty}^2 \log(e + [w]_{A_\infty}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log\left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda}\right) w(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 1.4. To the best knowledge of the author, the $L \log L$ weak type estimate in Theorem 1.3 is new even in the unweighted case. We do not know whether this kind of $L \log L$ weak type estimate is optimal, but this estimate has no hope to be improved to the weak type (1,1) estimate even in the case $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \in C^\infty(S^{d-1})$. In fact, it was shown by Phong and Stein [31] that in general the composite operator $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ is not of weak type (1,1). More ever, the authors of [31] gave a necessary and sufficient condition such that the composite operator is of weak type (1,1). If $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \in C^\infty(S^{d-1})$, then by [14, Proposition 2.4.8], the symbols of T_{Ω_1} and T_{Ω_2} (thus is $\mathcal{F}[p.v.\Omega_1(\cdot)/|\cdot|^d]$ and $\mathcal{F}[p.v.\Omega_2(\cdot)/|\cdot|^d]$, where $\mathcal{F}[f]$ denote the Fourier transform of f) are $C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\})$. By check the necessary and sufficient condition in [31, Theorem 1], we may show that $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$ is not of weak type (1,1).

Previous results of quantitative weighted bounds for the composite operator is only known for the smooth singular integral operators, we refer to see [1],[18] and [19]. It should be pointed out that the argument for the smooth singular integral operators used in [1, 18, 19] essentially relies on the smooth condition of the kernel. Our strategy in this paper is to establish a decomposition of the composite operator by representing it as two operators which may have different kinds of bilinear sparse dominations: $(L(\log L)^\beta, L^r)$ and (L^1, L^r) type respectively (see Corollary 5.1). This decomposition is done basing on the weak type estimates of the grand maximal operator $\mathcal{M}_{T_{\Omega}, r}$ and T_{Ω} . In addition, we also show that the $(L(\log L)^\beta, L^r)$ type sparse domination could be applied to the operator that is of $(L(\log L)^\beta)$ weak type to get quantitative weighted bounds. Our main arguments (see Sections 3 and 4) presented in this paper are stated in the abstract setting which have interest of its own. By applying them to the composite operator $T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}$, we may get our main theorems.

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we give some notation and lemmas. In Section 3, we will establish an quantitative weighted weak type estimate for the operator which enjoys a bilinear sparse domination.

Section 4 is devoted to give a decomposition of the composite operator. Finally as applications of the arguments in Sections 3 and 4, the proof of our main theorems are given in Section 5.

2. PRELIMINARY

In this paper, we will work on \mathbb{R}^d , $d \geq 2$. C always denotes a positive constant that is independent of the main parameters involved but whose value may differ from line to line. We use the symbol $A \lesssim B$ to denote that there exists a positive constant C such that $A \leq CB$. Specially, we use $A \lesssim_{d,p} B$ to denote that there exists a positive constant C depending only on d, p such that $A \leq CB$. Constant with subscript such as c_1 , does not change in different occurrences.

For any set $E \subset \mathbb{R}^d$, χ_E denotes its characteristic function. For a cube $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and $\lambda \in (0, \infty)$, we use $\ell(Q)$ ($\text{diam}Q$) to denote the side length (diameter) of Q , and λQ to denote the cube with the same center as Q and whose side length is λ times that of Q . For a fixed cube Q , denote by $\mathcal{D}(Q)$ the set of dyadic cubes with respect to Q , that is, the cubes from $\mathcal{D}(Q)$ are formed by repeating subdivision of Q and each of descendants into 2^d congruent subcubes.

For $\beta \in [0, \infty)$, cube $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and a suitable function g , $\|g\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q}$ is the norm defined by

$$\|g\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q} = \inf \left\{ \lambda > 0 : \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q \frac{|g(y)|}{\lambda} \log^\beta \left(e + \frac{|g(y)|}{\lambda} \right) dy \leq 1 \right\}.$$

$\langle |f| \rangle_Q$ denotes the mean value of $|f|$ on Q and $\langle |g| \rangle_{Q,r} = (\langle |g|^r \rangle_Q)^{\frac{1}{r}}$. We denote $\|g\|_{L(\log L)^0, Q}$ by $\langle |g| \rangle_Q$. Let M_β be the maximal operator defined by

$$M_\beta f(x) = [M(|f|^\beta)(x)]^{\frac{1}{\beta}},$$

where M is the Hardy-Littlewood maximal operator, and $M_{L(\log L)^\beta}$ be the maximal operator defined by

$$M_{L(\log L)^\beta} g(x) = \sup_{Q \ni x} \|g\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q}.$$

For simplicity, we denote $M_{L(\log L)^1}$ by $M_{L \log L}$. It is well known that $M_{L(\log L)^\beta}$ is bounded on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ for all $p \in (1, \infty)$, and for any $\lambda > 0$,

$$(2.1) \quad |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : M_{L(\log L)^\beta} g(x) > \lambda\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|g(x)|}{\lambda} \log^\beta \left(e + \frac{|g(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx.$$

Let w be a nonnegative, locally integrable function on \mathbb{R}^d . We say that $w \in A_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ if the A_p constant $[w]_{A_p}$ is finite, where

$$[w]_{A_p} := \sup_Q \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q w(x) dx \right) \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q w^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}(x) dx \right)^{p-1}, \quad p \in (1, \infty),$$

the supremum is taken over all cubes in \mathbb{R}^d , and the A_1 constant is defined by

$$[w]_{A_1} := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{Mw(x)}{w(x)}.$$

A weight $u \in A_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d) = \cup_{p \geq 1} A_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$. We use the following definition of the A_∞ constant of u (see e.g. [35])

$$[u]_{A_\infty} = \sup_{Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d} \frac{1}{u(Q)} \int_Q M(u\chi_Q)(x) dx.$$

As usual, by a general dyadic grid \mathcal{D} , we mean a collection of cubes with the following properties: (i) for any cube $Q \in \mathcal{D}$, its side length $\ell(Q)$ is of the form 2^k for some $k \in \mathbb{Z}$; (ii) for any cubes $Q_1, Q_2 \in \mathcal{D}$, $Q_1 \cap Q_2 \in \{Q_1, Q_2, \emptyset\}$; (iii) for each $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, the cubes of side length 2^k form a partition of \mathbb{R}^d .

Let $\eta \in (0, 1)$ and $\mathcal{S} = \{Q_j\}$ be a family of cubes. We say that \mathcal{S} is η -sparse, if for each fixed $Q \in \mathcal{S}$, there exists a measurable subset $E_Q \subset Q$, such that $|E_Q| \geq \eta|Q|$ and E_Q 's are pairwise disjoint. Associated with the sparse family \mathcal{S} and constants $\beta \in [0, \infty)$ and $r \in [1, \infty)$, we define the bilinear sparse operator $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}$ by

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f, g) = \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} |Q| \|f\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q} \langle |g| \rangle_{Q, r}.$$

Also, we define the operator $\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L^{r_1}, L^{r_2}}$ by

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L^{r_1}, L^{r_2}}(f, g) = \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} |Q| \langle |f| \rangle_{Q, r_1} \langle |g| \rangle_{Q, r_2}.$$

Let T be a sublinear operator acting on $\cup_{p \geq 1} L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$, $\beta, q \in (0, \infty)$. We say that T enjoys a $(L(\log L)^\beta, L^q)$ -bilinear sparse domination with bound A , if for each bounded function f with compact support, there exists a sparse family \mathcal{S} of cubes, such that for all $g \in L^q_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$(2.2) \quad \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x) T f(x) dx \right| \leq A \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^\beta, L^q}(f, g).$$

We will use the following lemmas in our proof.

Lemma 2.1 (see [23]). *Let $t \in (1, \infty)$. Then for $p \in (1, \infty)$ and weight w ,*

$$\|Mf\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, (M_t w)^{1-p'})} \leq c_d p t^{\frac{1}{p'}} \|f\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, w^{1-p'})}.$$

Lemma 2.2 (see [29] or [27]). *Let $p \in (1, \infty)$ and v be a weight. Let S be the operator defined by*

$$S(h) = v^{-\frac{1}{p}} M(hv^{\frac{1}{p}})$$

and R be the operator defined by

$$(2.3) \quad R(h) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^k} \frac{S^k h}{\|S\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, v) \rightarrow L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, v)}^k}.$$

Then for any $h \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, v)$,

- (i) $0 \leq h \leq R(h)$,
- (ii) $\|R(h)\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, v)} \leq 2\|h\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, v)}$,
- (iii) $R(h)v^{\frac{1}{p}} \in A_1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with $[R(h)v^{\frac{1}{p}}]_{A_1} \leq c_d p'$. Furthermore, when $v = M_r w$ for some $r \in [1, \infty)$, we also have that $[Rh]_{A_\infty} \leq c_d p'$.

Lemma 2.3 (see [22]). Let $w \in A_\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Then for any cube Q and $\delta \in (1, 1 + \frac{1}{2^{1+d}[w]_{A_\infty}}]$,

$$\left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q w^\delta(x) dx\right)^{\frac{1}{\delta}} \leq \frac{2}{|Q|} \int_Q w(x) dx.$$

3. ENDPOINT ESTIMATES FOR SPARSE OPERATORS

The main purpose of this section is to establish a weighted weak type endpoint estimate for the operator which enjoys $(L(\log)^\beta, L^q)$ -bilinear sparse domination. We begin with some lemmas.

Lemma 3.1. Let $\beta \in [0, \infty)$, $r \in [1, \infty)$ and w be a weight. Then for any $t \in (1, \infty)$ and $p \in (1, r')$ such that $t^{\frac{p'/r-1}{p'-1}} > 1$,

$$\mathcal{A}_{S, L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f, g) \lesssim p'^{1+\beta} \left(\frac{p'}{r}\right)' \left(t^{\frac{p'/r-1}{p'-1}}\right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, M_t w)} \|g\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, w^{1-p'})}.$$

Proof. Let $p \in (1, r')$, $f \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with $\|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, M_t w)} = 1$ and Rf be the function defined by (2.3). Recall that

$$\|f\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q} \lesssim \left(1 + \left(\frac{\beta}{s-1}\right)^\beta\right) \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |f(y)|^s dy\right)^{\frac{1}{s}}.$$

Applying Lemma 2.2 with $v = M_t w$ and Lemma 2.3, we then get that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} \|f\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q} \langle |g| \rangle_{Q, r} |Q| &\lesssim s'^\beta \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} \langle |g| \rangle_{Q, r} \langle |f| \rangle_{Q, s} |Q| \\ &\lesssim s'^\beta \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} \langle |g| \rangle_{Q, r} \langle |Rf| \rangle_{Q, s} |Q| \\ &\lesssim p'^\beta \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} \langle |g| \rangle_{Q, r} \int_Q Rf(y) dy, \end{aligned}$$

if we choose $s = 1 + \frac{1}{2^{1+d}[Rf]_{A_\infty}}$. As in the proof of Lemma 4.1 in [23], we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} \langle |g| \rangle_{Q, r} \int_Q Rf(x) dx &\lesssim \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} \inf_{y \in Q} M_r g(y) \int_Q Rf(x) dx \\ &\lesssim [Rh]_{A_\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} M_r g(x) Rf(x) dx \\ &\lesssim p' \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} M_r g(x) Rf(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Hölder's inequality, along with Lemma 2.1, tells us that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} M_r g(x) Rf(x) dx &\lesssim \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} [M_r g(x)]^{p'} (M_t w(x))^{1-p'} dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p'}} \|Rf\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, M_t w)} \\ &= \left[\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} [M(|g|^r)(x)]^{\frac{p'}{r}} \left(M_{t^{\frac{p'/r-1}{p'-1}}} (w^{\frac{p'-1}{p'/r-1}})(x) \right)^{1-p'/r} dx \right]^{\frac{1}{p'}} \\ &\lesssim \left[\left(\frac{p'}{r} \right)' \left(t^{\frac{p'/r-1}{p'-1}} \right)' \frac{r}{p'} \right]^{\frac{1}{r}} \|g\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, w^{1-p'})}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the estimates above leads to that

$$\sum_{Q \in \mathcal{S}} \|f\|_{L(\log L)^\beta} \langle |g| \rangle_{Q,r} |Q| \lesssim p'^{1+\beta} \left(\frac{p'}{r} \right)' \left(t^{\frac{p'/r-1}{p'-1}} \right)' \frac{1}{p'} \|g\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, w^{1-p'})}.$$

This, via homogeneity, implies our required estimate and completes the proof of Lemma 3.1. \square

Let U be an operator on $\cup_{p \geq 1} L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$. We say that U is sublinear, if for all functions f_1, f_2 and $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$|U(f_1 + f_2)(x)| \leq |U(f_1)(x)| + |U(f_2)(x)|,$$

and for all $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and function f ,

$$|\lambda Uf(x)| = |U(\lambda f)(x)|.$$

Theorem 3.2. *Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$, $t, r \in [1, \infty)$, $p_1 \in (1, r')$ such that $t^{\frac{p_1'/r-1}{p_1'-1}} > 1$. Let U be a sublinear operator which enjoys a $(L(\log L)^\beta, L^r)$ -sparse domination with bound D . Then for any weight u and bounded function f with compact support,*

$$\begin{aligned} (3.1) \quad &u(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |Uf(x)| > 1\}) \\ &\lesssim \left(1 + \left\{ D p_1^{1+\beta} \left(\frac{p_1'}{r} \right)' \left(t^{\frac{p_1'/r-1}{p_1'-1}} \right)' \frac{1}{p_1'} \right\}^{p_1} \right) \\ &\quad \times \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(y)| \log^\beta(e + |f(y)|) M_t u(y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let f be a bounded function with compact support, and \mathcal{S} be the sparse family such that for $g \in L^r_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} Uf(x) g(x) dx \right| \leq D \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f, g).$$

By the one-third trick (see [21, Lemma 2.5]), there exist dyadic grids $\mathcal{D}_1, \dots, \mathcal{D}_{3^d}$ and sparse families $\mathcal{S}_1, \dots, \mathcal{S}_{3^d}$, such that for $j = 1, \dots, 3^d$, $\mathcal{S}_j \subset \mathcal{D}_j$, and

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f, g) \lesssim \sum_{j=1}^{3^d} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j; L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f, g).$$

Now let $M_{\mathcal{D}_j, L(\log L)^\beta}$ be the maximal operator defined by

$$(3.2) \quad M_{\mathcal{D}_j, L(\log L)^\beta} h(x) = \sup_{Q \ni x, Q \in \mathcal{D}_j} \|h\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q}.$$

For each $j = 1, \dots, 3^d$, decompose the set $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : M_{\mathcal{D}_j, L(\log L)^\beta} f(x) > 1\}$ as

$$\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : M_{\mathcal{D}_j, L(\log L)^\beta} f(x) > 1\} = \cup_k Q_{jk},$$

with Q_{jk} the maximal cubes in \mathcal{D}_j such that $\|f\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q_{jk}} > 1$. We have that

$$1 < \|f\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q_{jk}} \lesssim 2^d.$$

Let

$$f_1^j(y) = f(y)\chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \cup_k Q_{jk}}(y), \quad f_2^j(y) = \sum_k f(y)\chi_{Q_{jk}}(y),$$

and

$$f_3^j(y) = \sum_k \|f\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q_{jk}} \chi_{Q_{jk}}(y).$$

It is obvious that $\|f_1^j\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim \|f\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)}$, $\|f_1^j\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim 1$ and $\|f_3^j\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim 1$.

Let u be a weight and $p_1 \in (1, \infty)$. It then follows from Lemma 3.1 that

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f_1^j, g) \\ & \lesssim p_1^{1+\beta} \left(\frac{p_1'}{r}\right)' \left(t^{\frac{p_1'}{r}-1}\right)'^{\frac{1}{p_1'}} \|f_1^j\|_{L^{p_1}(\mathbb{R}^d, M_t u)} \|g\|_{L^{p_1'}(\mathbb{R}^d, u^{1-p'})}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $E = \cup_{j=1}^{3^d} \cup_k 4dQ_{jk}$ and $\tilde{u}(y) = u(y)\chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E}(y)$. It is obvious that

$$(3.4) \quad u(E) \lesssim \sum_{j,k} \inf_{z \in Q_{jk}} M u(z) |Q_{jk}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(y)| \log^\beta(e + |f(y)|) M u(y) dy.$$

Moreover, by the fact that

$$\inf_{y \in Q_{jk}} M_t \tilde{u}(y) \approx \sup_{z \in Q_{jk}} M_t \tilde{u}(z),$$

we obtain that for $\gamma \in [0, \infty)$,

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \|f_3^j\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d, M_t \tilde{u})} & \lesssim \sum_k \inf_{z \in Q_{jk}} M_t \tilde{u}(z) |Q_{jk}| \|f\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, Q_{jk}} \\ & \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(y)| \log^\beta(e + |f(y)|) M_t u(y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\mathcal{S}_j^* = \{I \in \mathcal{S}_j : I \cap (\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E) \neq \emptyset\}.$$

Note that if $\text{supp } g \subset \mathbb{R}^d \setminus E$, then

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f_2^j, g) = \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j^*, L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f_2^j, g).$$

As in the argument in [17, pp. 160-161], we can verify that for each fixed $I \in \mathcal{S}_j^*$,

$$\|f_2^j\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, I} \lesssim \|f_3^j\|_{L(\log L)^\beta, I}.$$

Again by Lemma 3.1, we have that for $g \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with $\text{supp } g \subset \mathbb{R}^d \setminus E$,

$$(3.6) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f_2^j, g) &\lesssim \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f_3^j, g) \\ &\lesssim p_1'^{1+\beta} \left(\frac{p_1'}{r}\right)' \left(t \frac{p_1'/r-1}{p_1'-1}\right)' \frac{1}{p_1'} \|f_3^j\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d, M_t u)}^{\frac{1}{p_1'}} \|g\|_{L^{p_1'}(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E, u^{1-p'})}. \end{aligned}$$

Inequalities (3.3) and (3.6) tell us that

$$\begin{aligned} &\sup_{\|g\|_{L^{p_1'}(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E, \tilde{u}^{1-p'})} \leq 1} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} Uf(x)g(x)dx \right| \\ &\lesssim D \sup_{\|g\|_{L^{p_1'}(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E, \tilde{u}^{1-p'})} \leq 1} \sum_{j=1}^{3^d} \left(\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f_1^j, g) + \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^\beta, L^r}(f_2^j, g) \right) \\ &\lesssim D p_1'^{1+\beta} \left(\frac{p_1'}{r}\right)' \left(t \frac{p_1'/r-1}{p_1'-1}\right)' \frac{1}{p_1'} \left(\|f_1^j\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d, M_t u)}^{\frac{1}{p_1'}} + \|f_3^j\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d, M_t u)}^{\frac{1}{p_1'}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Thus together with inequalities (3.4) and (3.5), we know that

$$\begin{aligned} &u(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |Uf(x)| > 1\}) \leq u(E) + \|Uf\|_{L^{p_1}(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E, \tilde{u})}^{p_1} \\ &\lesssim \left(1 + \left\{ D p_1'^{1+\beta} \left(\frac{p_1'}{r}\right)' \left(t \frac{p_1'/r-1}{p_1'-1}\right)' \frac{1}{p_1'} \right\}^{p_1} \right) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(y)| \log^\beta(e + |f(y)|) M_t u(y) dy. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 3.2. \square

Corollary 3.3. *Let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ and U be a sublinear operator. Suppose that for any $r \in (1, 3/2]$, U satisfies bilinear $(L(\log L)^\beta, L^r)$ -sparse domination with bound r'^α . Then for any $w \in A_1(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and bounded function f with compact support,*

$$\begin{aligned} &w(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |Uf(x)| > \lambda\}) \\ &\lesssim [w]_{A_\infty}^\alpha \log^{1+\beta}(e + [w]_{A_\infty}) [w]_{A_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^\beta \left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) w(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let $w \in A_1(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Choose $t = 1 + \frac{1}{2^{11+d}[w]_{A_\infty}}$, $r = (1+t)/2$ and $p_1 = 1 + \frac{1}{\log(e+[w]_{A_\infty})}$. We apply Theorem 3.2 and deduce that $t \frac{p_1'/r-1}{p_1'-1} > 1$ and

$$\left(t \frac{p_1'/r-1}{p_1'-1}\right)' = \frac{t(p_1'/r-1)}{t(p_1'/r-1) - p_1' + 1} = \frac{t}{t-1} \frac{\frac{p_1'}{r}-1}{\frac{p_1'}{1+t}-1} = t' \frac{\frac{2p_1'}{1+t}-1}{\frac{p_1'}{1+t}-1} \leq 5t'.$$

Note that $r' = \frac{t+1}{t-1} \leq 2^{12+d}[w]_{A_\infty}$ and $p'_1 \lesssim \log(e + [w]_{A_\infty})$. Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ r'^\alpha p_1'^{1+\beta} \left(\frac{p'_1}{r} \right)' \left(t \frac{p'_1/r - 1}{p'_1 - 1} \right)' \frac{1}{p'_1} \right\}^{p_1} &\lesssim (r'^\alpha p_1'^{1+\beta})^{p_1} t^{p_1-1} \\ &\lesssim [w]_{A_\infty}^\alpha \log^{1+\beta}(e + [w]_{A_\infty}). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we know from Lemma 2.3 that $M_t w(y) \lesssim [w]_{A_1} w(y)$. This, via inequality (3.1) (with $u = w$) yields

$$\begin{aligned} w(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |Uf(x)| > 1\}) &\lesssim [w]_{A_1} [w]_{A_\infty}^\alpha \log^{1+\beta}(e + [w]_{A_\infty}) \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(y)| \log^\beta(e + |f(y)|) w(y) dy, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of Corollary 3.3. \square

4. DECOMPOSITION OF THE COMPOSITE OPERATOR

We begin with an endpoint estimate for composition of sublinear and linear operators.

Theorem 4.1. *Let U_1 be a sublinear operator and U_2 be a linear operator on $\cup_{p \geq 1} L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Suppose that the following conditions hold*

- (i) U_1 is bounded on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with bound 1;
- (ii) there exists a positive constant β_1 , such that for any $\lambda > 0$,

$$(4.1) \quad |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |U_1 f(x)| > \lambda\}| \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^{\beta_1} \left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx;$$

- (iii) for some $q \in (1, \frac{3}{2}]$, U_2 enjoys a bilinear $(L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q)$ -sparse domination with bound 1.

Then we get that: for any $\lambda > 0$,

$$(4.2) \quad |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |U_1 U_2 f(x)| > \lambda\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^{1+\beta_1+\beta_2} \left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx.$$

Proof. Let f be a bounded function and \mathcal{S} be a sparse family of cubes such that for any function g ,

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(x) U_2 f(x) dx \right| \leq \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f, g).$$

By the sparseness of \mathcal{S} , we get that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x) U_2 f(x) dx \right| &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} M_{L(\log L)^{\beta_2}} f(y) M_q g(y) dy \\ &\lesssim \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \|M_q g\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, U_2 is bounded on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ with bound C_q . On the other hand, we know from Theorem 3.2 that for any $\lambda > 0$,

$$(4.3) \quad |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |U_2 f(x)| > \lambda\}| \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^{\beta_2} \left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx.$$

Since U_1 is a sublinear operator and U_2 is a linear operator, $\lambda^{-1}|U_1U_2f| = |U_2U_2(\lambda^{-1}f)|$. Therefore it suffices to consider inequality (4.2) for $\lambda = 1$. Let f be a bounded function with compact support, and \mathcal{S} be the sparse family such that (2.2) holds true. Then there exist dyadic grids $\mathcal{D}_1, \dots, \mathcal{D}_{3^d}$ and sparse families $\mathcal{S}_1, \dots, \mathcal{S}_{3^d}$, such that for $j = 1, \dots, 3^d$, $\mathcal{S}_j \subset \mathcal{D}_j$, and

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f, g) \lesssim \sum_{j=1}^{3^d} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j; L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f, g).$$

Now let $M_{\mathcal{D}_j, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}}$ be the maximal operator defined by (3.2). For each $j = 1, \dots, 3^d$, decompose the set $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : M_{\mathcal{D}_j, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}} f(x) > 1\}$ as

$$\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : M_{\mathcal{D}_j, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}} f(x) > 1\} = \cup_k Q_{jk},$$

with Q_{jk} the maximal cubes in \mathcal{D}_j such that $\|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, Q_{jk}} > 1$. We have that

$$1 < \|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, Q_{jk}} \lesssim 2^d.$$

Let $E = \cup_{j=1}^{3^d} \cup_k 16dQ_{jk}$, f_1^j, f_2^j, f_3^j and \mathcal{S}_j^* ($j = 1, \dots, 3^d$) be the same as we have done in the proof of Theorem 3.2. Write

$$|U_1U_2f(x)| \leq |U_1(\chi_E U_2f)(x)| + |U_1(\chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E} U_2f)(x)| =: \mathbf{I}_1 f(x) + \mathbf{I}_2 f(x).$$

Recall that U_1 satisfies the estimate (4.1), and by the fact (2.1)

$$|E| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^{\beta_2} \left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx.$$

It then follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |\mathbf{I}_1 f(x)| > 1/2\}| \leq \int_E |U_2f(x)| \log^{\beta_1} (e + |U_2f(x)|) dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty |\{x \in E : |U_2f(x)| > s\}| d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e + s)) \\ &\lesssim |E| + \int_{e^{2\beta_1}}^\infty |\{x \in E : |U_2f(x)| > 2s\}| d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e + s)) \\ &\lesssim |E| + \int_{e^{2\beta_1}}^\infty |\{x \in E : |U_2(f\chi_{\{|f|>s\}})(x)| > s\}| d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e + s)) \\ &\quad + \int_{e^{2\beta_1}}^\infty |\{x \in E : |U_2(f\chi_{\{|f|\leq s\}})(x)| > s\}| d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e + s)). \end{aligned}$$

We deduce from (4.3) for U_2 that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{e^{2\beta_1}}^{\infty} |\{x \in E : |U_2(f\chi_{\{|f|>s\}})(x)| > s\}| d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e+s)) \\
& \lesssim \int_{e^{2\beta_1}}^{\infty} \int_{|f(x)|>s} \frac{|f(x)|}{s} \log^{\beta_2}\left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{s}\right) dx d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e+s)) \\
& \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(x)| \log^{\beta_2}(e + |f(x)|) \int_e^{|f(x)|} \frac{1}{s} d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e+s)) dx \\
& \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(x)| \log^{\beta_1+\beta_2+1}(e + |f(x)|) dx,
\end{aligned}$$

Trivial computations leads to that

$$d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e+s)) \lesssim \frac{1}{s^2} \log^{\beta_1}(e+s) ds,$$

and when $s \in [e^{2\beta_1}, \infty)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
-d\left(\frac{1}{s} \log^{\beta_1}(e+s)\right) &= \left[-\frac{1}{s^2} \log^{\beta_1}(e+s) - \frac{\beta_1}{s(e+s)} \log^{\beta_1-1}(e+s)\right] ds \\
&\geq \frac{1}{2s^2} \log^{\beta_1}(e+s) ds
\end{aligned}$$

It follows from the $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ boundedness of U_2 that

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{e^{2\beta_1}}^{\infty} |\{x \in E : |U_2(f\chi_{\{|f|\leq s\}})(x)| > s\}| d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e+s)) \\
& \lesssim \int_{e^{2\beta_1}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{s^2} \int_{|f(x)|\leq s} |f(x)|^2 dx d(s \log^{\beta_1}(e+s)) \\
& = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f(x)|^2 \int_{\max\{|f(x)|, e^{2\beta_1}\}}^{\infty} \frac{1}{s^2} \log^{\beta_1}(e+s) ds \\
& \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(x)| \log^{\beta_1}(e + |f(x)|) dx.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, we conclude the estimate of I_1 as follows

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |I_1 f(x)| > 1/2\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(x)| \log^{\beta_1+\beta_2+1}(e + |f(x)|) dx.$$

We turn our attention to term $I_2 f$. By the $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ boundedness of U_1 , we know that

$$\begin{aligned}
|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |I_2 f(x)| > 1/2\}| &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E} |U_2 f(x)|^2 dx \\
&\lesssim \left(\sup_{\|g\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E)} \leq 1} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E} g(x) U_2 f(x) dx \right| \right)^2.
\end{aligned}$$

For $g \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E)$, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus E} g(x) U_2 f(x) dx \right| &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{3^d} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f_1^j, g) \\ &\quad + \sum_{j=1}^{3^d} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f_2^j, g). \end{aligned}$$

Recall that if $\text{supp } g \subset \mathbb{R}^d \setminus E$, then

$$\mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f_2^j, g) = \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j^*, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f_2^j, g) \lesssim \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f_3^j, g).$$

On the other hand, the sparseness of \mathcal{S}_j states that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}_j, L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^q}(f_3^j, g) &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} M_{L(\log L)^{\beta_2}} f_3^j(x) M_q g(x) dx \\ &\lesssim \|M_{L(\log L)^{\beta_2}} f_3^j\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \|M_q g\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \\ &\lesssim \|f_3^j\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \|g\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\|f_1^j\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)} \leq \|f\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)}$, and

$$\|f_3^j\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(y)| \log^{\beta_2}(e + |f(y)|) dy,$$

we finally obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |I_2 f(x)| > 1/2\}| &\lesssim \left(\sum_{j=1}^{3^d} (\|f_1^j\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} + \|f_3^j\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)}) \right)^2 \\ &\lesssim \left(\sum_{j=1}^{3^d} (\|f_1^j\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)}^{\frac{1}{2}} + \|f_3^j\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)}^{\frac{1}{2}}) \right)^2 \\ &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |f(y)| \log^{\beta_2}(e + |f(y)|) dy. \end{aligned}$$

Combining estimates for I and II completes the proof of Theorem 4.1. \square

For a linear operator T , we define the corresponding grand maximal operator $\mathcal{M}_{T,r}$ by

$$\mathcal{M}_{T,r} f(x) = \sup_{Q \ni x} |Q|^{-\frac{1}{r}} \|T(f \chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 3Q}) \chi_Q\|_{L^r(\mathbb{R}^d)},$$

where the supremum is taken over all cubes $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ containing x . $\mathcal{M}_{T,r}$ was introduced by Lerner [25] and is useful in establishing bilinear sparse domination of rough operator T_Ω . Let T_1, T_2 be two linear operators. We define the grand maximal operator $\mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2, r}^*$ by

$$\mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2, r}^* f(x) = \sup_{Q \ni x} \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |T_1(\chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 3Q} T_2(f \chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 9Q}))(\xi)|^r d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{r}}.$$

Lemma 4.2. *Let $s \in [0, \infty)$ and $A \in (1, \infty)$, S be a sublinear operator which satisfies that for any $\lambda > 0$,*

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |Sf(x)| > \lambda\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{A|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^s \left(e + \frac{A|f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx.$$

Then for any $\varrho \in (0, 1)$ and cube $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$\left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |S(f\chi_Q)(x)|^e dx \right)^{\frac{1}{e}} \lesssim A \|f\|_{L(\log L)^s, Q}.$$

Proof. Lemma 4.2 was proved essentially in [20, p. 643]. We present the proof here mainly to make clear the bound. By homogeneity, we may assume that $\|f\|_{L(\log L)^s, Q} = 1$, which means that

$$\int_Q |f(x)| \log^s(e + |f(x)|) dx \leq |Q|.$$

A trivial computation leads to that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_Q |S(f\chi_Q)(x)|^e dx &= \int_0^A |\{x \in Q : |S(f\chi_Q)(x)| > t\}| t^{e-1} dt \\ &\quad + \int_A^\infty |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |S(f\chi_Q)(x)| > t\}| t^{e-1} dt \\ &\lesssim |Q| A^e + \int_A^\infty \int_Q \frac{A|f(x)|}{t} \log^s \left(e + \frac{A|f(x)|}{t} \right) dx t^{e-1} dt \\ &\lesssim |Q| A^e. \end{aligned}$$

This gives the desired conclusion and completes the proof of Lemma 4.2. \square

Lemma 4.3. *Let T_1, T_2 be two linear operators. Suppose that for some $\alpha, \beta \in [0, \infty)$ and $r \in (1, 2]$,*

$$(4.4) \quad |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \mathcal{M}_{T_1, r} T_2 f(x) > t\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{r^\alpha |f(x)|}{t} \log^\beta \left(e + \frac{r^\alpha |f(x)|}{t} \right) dx.$$

Then

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2, r}^* f(x) > t\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{r^\alpha |f(x)|}{t} \log^\beta \left(e + \frac{r^\alpha |f(x)|}{t} \right) dx.$$

Proof. Let $\tau \in (0, 1)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a cube containing x . We know by (4.4) and Lemma 4.2 that

$$\left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q [\mathcal{M}_{T_1, r} T_2 (f\chi_Q)(\xi)]^\tau d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{\tau}} \lesssim r^\alpha M_{L(\log L)^\beta} f(x).$$

A straightforward computation leads to that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |T_1(\chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 3Q} T_2(f \chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 9Q}))(\xi)|^r d\xi \right]^{\frac{1}{r}} \leq \inf_{\xi \in Q} \mathcal{M}_{T_1, r}(T_2(f \chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 9Q}))(\xi) \\ & \lesssim \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q [\mathcal{M}_{T_1, r} T_2 f(\xi)]^\tau d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{\tau}} + \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q [\mathcal{M}_{T_1, r}(T_2(f \chi_{9Q}))(\xi)]^\tau d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{\tau}} \\ & \lesssim M_\tau \mathcal{M}_{T_1, r} T_2 f(x) + r^\alpha M_{L(\log L)^\beta} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : M_\tau \mathcal{M}_{T_1, r} T_2 f(x) > \lambda\}| \\ & \lesssim \lambda^{-1} \sup_{t \geq 2^{-1/\tau} \lambda} t |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \mathcal{M}_{T_1, r} T_2 f(x) > t\}| \\ & \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{r^\alpha |f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^\beta \left(e + \frac{r^\alpha |f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx, \end{aligned}$$

where the first inequality follows from inequality (11) in [20]. This, along with (2.1) gives us the desired conclusion. \square

Theorem 4.4. *Let T_1, T_2 be two linear operators, $r \in (1, 3/2]$, $\beta_1, \beta_2, \gamma \in [0, \infty)$. Suppose that the following conditions hold*

- (i) T_1 , is bounded on $L^{r'}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with bound A ;
- (ii) for each $\lambda > 0$,

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |T_1 T_2 f(x)| > \lambda\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{A_0 |f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^{\beta_1} \left(e + \frac{A_0 |f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx;$$

- (iii) for each $\lambda > 0$,

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \mathcal{M}_{T_1, r'} T_2 f(x) > \lambda\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{A_1 |f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^{\beta_1} \left(e + \frac{A_1 |f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx,$$

and

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \mathcal{M}_{T_2, r'} f(x) > \lambda\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{A_2 |f(x)|}{\lambda} \log^{\beta_2} \left(e + \frac{A_2 |f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx.$$

Then for a bounded function f with compact support, there exists a $\frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{9^d}$ -sparse family of cubes $\mathcal{S} = \{Q\}$, and functions H_1 and H_2 , such that for each function g ,

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} H_1(x) g(x) dx \right| \lesssim (A_0 + A_1) \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^{\beta_1}, L^r}(f, g),$$

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} H_2(x) g(x) dx \right| \lesssim A A_2 \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, L^r}(f, g),$$

and for a. e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$T_1 T_2 f(x) = H_1(x) + H_2(x).$$

Proof. We will employ the argument in [25], together with some ideas in [19]. For a fixed cube Q_0 , define the local analogy of $\mathcal{M}_{T_2, r'}$ and $\mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2, r'}^*$ by

$$\mathcal{M}_{T_2; r'; Q_0} f(x) = \sup_{Q \ni x, Q \subset Q_0} |Q|^{-\frac{1}{r'}} \|\chi_Q T_2(f \chi_{3Q_0 \setminus 3Q})\|_{L^{r'}(\mathbb{R}^d)},$$

and

$$\mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2, r'; Q_0}^* f(x) = \sup_{Q \ni x, Q \subset Q_0} \left(\frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |T_1(\chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 3Q} T_2(f \chi_{9Q_0 \setminus 9Q}))(\xi)|^{r'} d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}}$$

respectively. Let $E = \cup_{j=1}^3 E_j$ with

$$E_1 = \{x \in Q_0 : |T_1 T_2(f \chi_{9Q_0})(x)| > DA_0 \|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_1}, 9Q_0}\},$$

$$E_2 = \{x \in Q_0 : \mathcal{M}_{T_2, r'; Q_0} f(x) > DA_2 \|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, 9Q_0}\},$$

$$E_3 = \{x \in Q_0 : \mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2, r'; Q_0}^* f(x) > DA_1 \|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_1}, 9Q_0}\},$$

with D a positive constant. Our hypothesis, via Lemma 4.3 tells us that

$$|E| \leq \frac{1}{2^{d+2}} |Q_0|,$$

if we choose D large enough. Now on the cube Q_0 , we apply the Calderón-Zygmund decomposition to χ_E at level $\frac{1}{2^{d+1}}$, and obtain pairwise disjoint cubes $\{P_j\} \subset \mathcal{D}(Q_0)$, such that

$$\frac{1}{2^{d+1}} |P_j| \leq |P_j \cap E| \leq \frac{1}{2} |P_j|$$

and $|E \setminus \cup_j P_j| = 0$. Observe that $\sum_j |P_j| \leq \frac{1}{2} |Q_0|$. Let

$$\begin{aligned} G_1(x) &= T_1 T_2(f \chi_{9Q_0})(x) \chi_{Q_0 \setminus \cup_l P_l}(x) \\ &\quad + \sum_l T_1 \left(\chi_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus 3P_l} T_2(f \chi_{9Q_0 \setminus 9P_l}) \right)(x) \chi_{P_l}(x). \end{aligned}$$

The facts that $P_l \cap E^c \neq \emptyset$ and $|E \setminus \cup_j P_j| = 0$ imply that for any $g \in L^r(\mathbb{R}^d)$,

$$\begin{aligned} (4.5) \quad \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} G_1(x) g(x) dx \right| &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |T_1 T_2(f \chi_{9Q_0})(x) g(x)| \chi_{Q_0 \setminus \cup_l P_l}(x) dx \\ &\quad + \sum_l \inf_{\xi \in P_l} |P_l|^{\frac{1}{r'}} \mathcal{M}_{T_1 T_2; Q_0, r'}^* f(\xi) \left(\int_{P_l} |g(x)|^r dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\ &\lesssim (A_0 + A_1) \|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_1}, 9Q_0} \langle |g| \rangle_{r, Q_0} |Q_0|. \end{aligned}$$

Also, we define function G_2 by

$$G_2(x) = \sum_l T_1(\chi_{3P_l} T_2(f \chi_{9Q_0 \setminus 9P_l}))(x) \chi_{P_l}(x).$$

For each function g , we have by Hölder's inequality that

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.6) \quad & \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} G_2(x)g(x)dx \right| \\
& \leq A \sum_l \left(\int_{3P_l} |T_2(f\chi_{9Q_0 \setminus 9P_l})(x)|^{r'} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{r'}} \left(\int_{P_l} |g(y)|dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
& \lesssim A \sum_l |P_l|^{\frac{1}{r'}} \inf_{\xi \in P_l} \mathcal{M}_{T_2, r'; Q_0} f(\xi) \left(\int_{P_l} |g(y)|dy \right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \\
& \lesssim AA_2 \|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_2}; 9Q_0} \langle |g| \rangle_{r, Q_0} |Q_0|.
\end{aligned}$$

It is obvious that

$$T_1 T_2(f\chi_{9Q_0})(x)\chi_{Q_0}(x) = G_1(x) + G_2(x) + \sum_l T_1 T_2(\chi_{9P_l})(x)\chi_{P_l}(x).$$

As in [19], we now repeat the argument above with $T_1 T_2(f\chi_{9Q_0})(x)\chi_{Q_0}$ replaced by each $T_1 T_2(\chi_{9P_l})(x)\chi_{P_l}(x)$, and so on. Let $\{Q_0^{j_1}\} = \{P_j\}$, and for fixed j_1, \dots, j_{m-1} , $\{Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_{m-1} j_m}\}_{j_m}$ be the cubes obtained at the m -th stage of the decomposition process to the cube $Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_{m-1}}$. For each fixed j_1, \dots, j_m , define the functions $H_{Q_0,1}^{j_1 \dots j_m} f$ and $H_{Q_0,2}^{j_1 \dots j_m} f$ by

$$H_{Q_0,1}^{j_1 \dots j_m} f(x) = T_1(\chi_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus 3Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}} T_2(f\chi_{9Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_{m-1}} \setminus 9Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}}))(x)\chi_{Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}}(x),$$

and

$$H_{Q_0,2}^{j_1 \dots j_m} f(x) = T_1\left(\chi_{3Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}} T_2(f\chi_{9Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_{m-1}} \setminus 9Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}})\right)(x)\chi_{Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}}(x),$$

respectively. Set $\mathcal{F} = \{Q_0\} \cup_{m=1}^{\infty} \cup_{j_1, \dots, j_m} \{Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}\}$. Then $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{D}(Q_0)$ is a $\frac{1}{2}$ -sparse family. Let

$$\begin{aligned}
H_{Q_0,1}(x) &= T_1 T_2(f\chi_{9Q_0})\chi_{Q_0 \setminus \cup_{j_1} Q_0^{j_1}}(x) \\
&+ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_m} T_1 T_2(f\chi_{9Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}})\chi_{Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m} \setminus \cup_{j_{m+1}} Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_{m+1}}}(x) \\
&+ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_m} H_{Q_0,1}^{j_1 \dots j_m} f(x)\chi_{Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}}(x).
\end{aligned}$$

Also, we define the function $H_{Q_0,2}$ by

$$H_{Q_0,2}(x) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_m} H_{Q_0,2}^{j_1 \dots j_m} f(x)\chi_{Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}}(x).$$

Then for a. e. $x \in Q_0$,

$$T_1 T_2(f\chi_{9Q_0})(x) = H_{Q_0,1}(x) + H_{Q_0,2}(x).$$

Moreover, as in the inequalities (4.5) and (4.6), the process of producing $\{Q_0^{j_1 \dots j_m}\}$ leads to that

$$(4.7) \quad \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} H_{Q_0,1} f(x) \chi_{Q_0}(x) dx \right| \lesssim (A_0 + A_1) \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{F}} \|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_1}, 9Q} \langle |g| \rangle_{r,Q} |Q|,$$

and for the function g ,

$$(4.8) \quad \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x) H_{Q_0,2}(x) dx \right| \lesssim AA_2 \sum_{Q \in \mathcal{F}} |Q| \|f\|_{L(\log L)^{\beta_2}, 9Q} \langle |g| \rangle_{r,Q}.$$

We can now conclude the proof of Theorem 4.4. In fact, as in [25], we decompose \mathbb{R}^d by cubes $\{R_l\}$, such that $\text{supp } f \subset 3R_l$ for each l , and R_l 's have disjoint interiors. Then for a. e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$T_1 T_2 f(x) = \sum_l H_{R_l,1} f(x) + \sum_l H_{R_l,2} f(x) := H_1 f(x) + H_2 f(x).$$

Our desired conclusion follows from inequalities (4.7) and (4.8) directly. \square

5. PROOF OF THEOREMS

Applying Theorem 4.1 to the rough singular integral operators T_{Ω_1} and T_{Ω_2} , we get the following result.

Corollary 5.1. *Let Ω_1, Ω_2 be homogeneous of degree zero, have mean value zero and $\Omega_1, \Omega_2 \in L^\infty(S^{d-1})$. Let $r \in (1, 3/2]$. Then for each bounded function f with compact support, there exists a $\frac{1}{2 \cdot 9^d}$ -sparse family of cubes $\mathcal{S} = \{Q\}$, and functions J_1 and J_2 , such that for each function g ,*

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} J_1(x) g(x) dx \right| &\lesssim r' \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L \log L, L^r}(f, g), \\ \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} J_2(x) g(x) dx \right| &\lesssim r'^2 \mathcal{A}_{\mathcal{S}; L^1, L^r}(f, g), \end{aligned}$$

and for a. e. $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$,

$$T_{\Omega_1} T_{\Omega_2} f(x) = J_1(x) + J_2(x).$$

Proof. Let $r \in (1, 3/2]$. Lerner [25] proved that if $\Omega \in L^\infty(S^{d-1})$, then

$$(5.1) \quad \|\mathcal{M}_{T_\Omega, r'} f\|_{L^1, \infty(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim r' \|\Omega\|_{L^\infty(S^{d-1})} \|f\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^d)}.$$

On the other hand, since T_Ω is bounded on $L^{r'}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with bound $\max\{r, r'\}$, we deduce that

$$\mathcal{M}_{T_\Omega, r'} f(x) \leq M_{r'} T_\Omega f(x) + \max\{r, r'\} M_{r'} f(x).$$

Therefore, $\mathcal{M}_{T_\Omega, r'}$ is bounded on $L^{2r}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with bound $C r'$. This, via estimate (5.1), leads to that

$$(5.2) \quad \|\mathcal{M}_{T_\Omega, r'} f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim r' \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)}.$$

We now conclude the proof of Corollary 5.1. Let I be the identity operator. It is obvious that $\mathcal{M}_{I,r'}T_{\Omega_2}f(x) = 0$. Applying (5.1) and Theorem 4.4 with $T_1 = I$, $T_2 = T_{\Omega_2}$, we know that T_{Ω_2} satisfies a (L^1, L^r) -bilinear sparse domination with bound r' . Thus by Theorem 4.1 with the fact T_{Ω_1} is of weak type (1,1) (see e.g. [33]), we have that for any $\lambda > 0$,

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}f(x)| > \lambda\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log \left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx.$$

Furthermore, it follows from Theorem 4.1, (5.1) and (5.2) that for any $\lambda > 0$,

$$|\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : \mathcal{M}_{T_{\Omega_1}, r'}T_{\Omega_2}f(x) > \lambda\}| \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{r'|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log \left(e + \frac{r'|f(x)|}{\lambda} \right) dx.$$

Recall that T_{Ω_1} is bounded on $L^r(\mathbb{R}^d)$ with bound Cr' . Another application of Theorem 4.4 yields desired conclusion. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.1. For $p \in (1, \infty)$ and $w \in A_p(\mathbb{R}^d)$, let $\tau_w = 2^{11+d}[w]_{A_\infty}$ and $\tau_\sigma = 2^{11+d}[\sigma]_{A_\infty}$, $\varepsilon_1 = \frac{p-1}{2p\tau_\sigma+1}$, and $\varepsilon_2 = \frac{p'-1}{2p'\tau_w+1}$. It was proved in [18] that

$$(5.3) \quad \mathcal{A}_{S; L^{1+\varepsilon_1}, L^{1+\varepsilon_2}}(f, g) \lesssim [w]_{A_p}^{1/p}([\sigma]_{A_\infty}^{1/p} + [w]_{A_\infty}^{1/p'}) \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)} \|g\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, \sigma)}.$$

Note that

$$\mathcal{A}_{S; L \log L, L^{1+\varepsilon_2}}(f, g) \lesssim \frac{1}{\varepsilon_1} \mathcal{A}_{S; L^{1+\varepsilon_1}, L^{1+\varepsilon_2}}(f, g).$$

Invoking Corollary 5.1 and inequality (5.3), we deduce that for bounded functions f and g ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x)T_{\Omega_1}T_{\Omega_2}f(x)dx \right| &\lesssim [w]_{A_p}^{1/p}([\sigma]_{A_\infty}^{1/p} + [w]_{A_\infty}^{1/p'})[w]_{A_\infty} \\ &\quad \times ([w]_{A_\infty} + [\sigma]_{A_\infty}) \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)} \|g\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, \sigma)}. \end{aligned}$$

Recall that $w \in A_p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ implies that $\sigma \in A_{p'}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $[\sigma]_{A_{p'}}^{1/p'} = [w]_{A_p}^{1/p}$. Applying Corollary 5.1 to $T_{\Omega_2}T_{\Omega_1}$, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} f(x)T_{\Omega_2}T_{\Omega_1}g(x)dx \right| &\lesssim [\sigma]_{A_{p'}}^{1/p'}([\sigma]_{A_\infty}^{1/p} + [w]_{A_\infty}^{1/p'})[\sigma]_{A_\infty} \\ &\quad \times ([w]_{A_\infty} + [\sigma]_{A_\infty}) \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)} \|g\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, \sigma)} \\ &\lesssim [w]_{A_p}^{1/p}([\sigma]_{A_\infty}^{1/p} + [w]_{A_\infty}^{1/p'})[\sigma]_{A_\infty} \\ &\quad \times ([w]_{A_\infty} + [\sigma]_{A_\infty}) \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, w)} \|g\|_{L^{p'}(\mathbb{R}^d, \sigma)}. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the last two inequalities yields desired conclusion. \square

Proof of Theorem 1.3. Let $w \in A_1(\mathbb{R}^d)$. We obtain from Corollary 5.1 and Corollary 3.3 that

$$\begin{aligned}
& w(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |T_{\Omega_1} T_{\Omega_2} f(x)| > \lambda\}) \\
& \leq w(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |J_1(x)| > \lambda/2\}) + u(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |J_2(x)| > \lambda/2\}) \\
& \lesssim [w]_{A_\infty} \log^2(e + [w]_{A_\infty}) [w]_{A_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log\left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda}\right) u(x) dx \\
& \quad + [w]_{A_\infty}^2 \log(e + [w]_{A_\infty}) [w]_{A_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} w(x) dx \\
& \lesssim [w]_{A_\infty}^2 \log(e + [w]_{A_\infty}) [w]_{A_1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda} \log\left(e + \frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda}\right) w(x) dx,
\end{aligned}$$

with J_1 and J_2 the functions defined in Corollary 5.1. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.3. \square

Added in Proof. After this paper was prepared, we learned that Li et al. [29] established the weighted bounds for linear operators satisfying the assumptions in Corollary 3.3 with $\beta = 0$, which coincides the conclusion in Corollary 3.3 for $\beta = 0$. The argument in [29] is different from the argument in the proof of Corollary 3.3 and is of independent interest.

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