

# BOUNDEDNESS CRITERIA FOR SINGULAR INTEGRALS IN WEIGHTED GRAND LEBESGUE SPACES

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*Boundedness criteria for the Calderón singular integral, Riesz transform and Cauchy singular integral in generalized weighted grand Lebesgue spaces  $L_w^{p),\theta}$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , are studied. It is shown that an operator  $K$  of this type is bounded in  $L_w^{p),\theta}$  if and only if the weight  $w$  satisfies the Muckenhoupt  $A_p$  condition. Bibliography: 15 titles.*

## Introduction

The goal of this paper is to establish criteria for the boundedness of various singular integral operators in the generalized weighted grand Lebesgue space  $L_w^{p),\theta}$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ . In the unweighted case (denoted by  $L^{p),\theta}$ ), such spaces go back to [1], where the existence and uniqueness of a solution to the following inhomogeneous  $n$ -harmonic equation were studied:

$$\operatorname{div} A(x, \nabla u) = \mu.$$

It should be emphasized that the grand Lebesgue spaces  $L^{p)} := L^{p),1}$  first appeared in the paper [2], where the integrability problem of the Jacobian was treated under a minimal hypothesis. In particular, as was shown in [2], if  $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $\Omega$  is an open subset in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $n \geq 2$ , then the Jacobian determinant of  $f$  belongs to the class  $L_{\text{loc}}^1(\Omega)$  provided that  $g \in L^n$ , where

$$g(x) := |Df(x)| = \{\sup |Df(x)y| : y \in S^{n-1}\}.$$

The one-weighted problem in grand Lebesgue spaces was first studied in [3], where necessary and sufficient conditions for the validity of the one-weight inequality for the Hardy–Littlewood maximal operator in  $L_w^{p)}(0, 1)$  were established. The same problem for the Hilbert transform was investigated in [4]. In particular, it turned out that the Hardy–Littlewood maximal operator (the Hilbert transform) is bounded in  $L_w^{p)}(0, 1)$  if and only if the weight  $w$  belongs to the Muckenhoupt

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class  $A_p$ . We see below that the same assertion is valid in the case of the generalized grand Lebesgue spaces  $L_w^{p),\theta}$ .

## 1 Preliminaries

Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded subset of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $w$  be a weight (i.e., an almost everywhere positive integrable function) on  $\Omega$ . The generalized weighted grand Lebesgue space  $L_w^{p),\theta}(\Omega)$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ) is a Banach space equipped with the norm

$$\|f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Omega)} = \sup_{0 < \varepsilon < p-1} \left( \frac{\varepsilon^\theta}{|\Omega|} \int_{\Omega} |f(y)|^{p-\varepsilon} w(y) dy \right)^{1/(p-\varepsilon)}, \quad 1 < p < \infty.$$

In the case  $w \equiv \text{const}$ , the space  $L_w^{p),\theta}(\Omega)$ , denoted by  $L^{p),\theta}(\Omega)$ , is rearrangement invariant and is nonreflexive (cf., for example, [5, 6]).

In the case  $\theta = 1$ , the space  $L^{p),\theta}(\Omega)$  is a grand Lebesgue space, denoted by  $L^p(\Omega)$ .

In general, the weighted space  $L_w^{p),\theta}(\Omega)$  is not rearrangement invariant (cf. also [3]).

It is easy to check the following continuous embeddings (cf. also [1, 3]):

$$L_w^p(\Omega) \subset L_w^{p),\theta_1}(\Omega) \subset L_w^{p),\theta_2}(\Omega) \subset L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(\Omega),$$

where  $0 < \varepsilon < p-1$  and  $\theta_1 < \theta_2$ .

Throughout the paper, constants (often different constants in the same series of inequalities) are, in general, denoted by  $c$ . The symbol  $p'$  means the conjugate of  $p$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , i.e.,  $p' := \frac{p}{p-1}$ . We denote by  $I$  a bounded interval in  $\mathbb{R}$  and by  $\overline{I}$  the closure of  $I$ .

## 2 Calderón Commutators and Riesz Transforms

The purpose of this section is to characterize the boundedness of the Calderón singular operator

$$\mathcal{C}_a f(x) = \int_I \frac{a(x) - a(t)}{(x-t)^2} f(t) dt, \quad x \in I,$$

where  $a : \overline{I} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and  $a \in \text{Lip } 1$  on  $\overline{I}$ , and the Riesz transforms

$$(R_j f)(x) = \int_{I^n} \frac{x_j - y_j}{|x-y|^{n+1}} f(y) dy, \quad x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), \quad x_j \in I, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n,$$

in the weighted spaces  $L_w^{p),\theta}$ , where  $1 < p < \infty$  and  $I$  is a bounded interval in  $\mathbb{R}$ .

We use the notation

$$\rho(E) := \int_E \rho(t) dt,$$

where  $\rho$  is a weight on  $\Omega$  and  $E \subseteq \Omega$ .

**Definition 2.1.** Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . We say that a weight  $w$  belongs to the *Muckenhoupt class*  $A_p(I)$  ( $w \in A_p(I)$ ) if

$$A_p(w, I) := \sup_J \left( \frac{1}{|J|} w(J) \right) \left( \frac{1}{|J|} w^{1-p'}(J) \right)^{p-1} < \infty, \quad (2.1)$$

where the supremum is taken over all subintervals  $J$  of  $I$ .

Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . In his celebrated paper [7], Muckenhoupt introduced the classes of weights  $A_p$  and showed that the Hardy–Littlewood maximal operator is bounded in the weighted classical Lebesgue spaces  $L_w^p$  if and only if  $w \in A_p$ . Later, it was proved [8] that the Hilbert transform in  $L_w^p$  is bounded if and only if  $w$  satisfies the Muckenhoupt condition  $A_p$ .

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . Suppose that  $w \in A_p(I)$ . Then there are positive constants  $\sigma$  and  $L$  such that  $w \in A_{p-\sigma}(I)$  and

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon} \rightarrow L_w^{p-\varepsilon}} \leq L$$

for all  $0 < \varepsilon < \sigma$ .

**Proof.** Since the class  $A_p$  is open, for given  $w \in A_p(I)$  there exists a small constant  $\sigma$  such that  $w \in A_{p-\sigma}(I)$ . Using the boundedness of  $\mathcal{C}_a$  in  $L_w^s$  with  $w \in A_s$ ,  $1 < s < \infty$  (cf. [9]), and the Riesz–Thorin interpolation theorem, we get the boundedness inequality in  $L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)$  for every  $0 < \varepsilon < \sigma$  with a constant independent of  $\varepsilon$ . Indeed, there exist positive constants  $M_i$  ( $M_i > 1$ ),  $i = 1, 2$ , such that for all simple functions  $\psi$

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a \psi\|_{L_w^{p-\sigma}(I)} \leq M_1 \|\psi\|_{L_w^{p-\sigma}(I)}$$

and

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a \psi\|_{L_w^p(I)} \leq M_2 \|\psi\|_{L_w^p(I)},$$

For arbitrary  $0 < \varepsilon < \sigma$  there exists  $0 < t_\varepsilon < 1$  such that

$$\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon} = \frac{1-t_\varepsilon}{p-\sigma} + \frac{t_\varepsilon}{p}.$$

By the Riesz–Thorin interpolation theorem (cf., for example, [10, p. 16]), the inequality

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a \psi\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)} \leq M_1^{1-t_\varepsilon} M_2^{t_\varepsilon} \|\psi\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)}$$

is fulfilled and  $\mathcal{C}_a$  is uniquely extendable to  $L_w^{p-\varepsilon}$  preserving the last inequality. Hence

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)} \leq L \|f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)} \quad (0 < \varepsilon < \sigma),$$

where  $L = M_1 M_2$ . □

**Lemma 2.2.** Suppose that  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $\theta > 0$ , and  $I$  is a bounded interval. Then there is a positive constant  $c$  such that for all  $f \in L_w^p(I)$  and intervals  $J \subset I$

$$\|f\chi_J\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(I)} \leq c w(J)^{-1/p} \|f\chi_J\|_{L_w^p(I)} \|\chi_J\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(I)}.$$

**Proof.** Let  $f \geq 0$ . By the Hölder inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\chi_J\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(I)} &= \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \left( \varepsilon^\theta \int_J f^{p-\varepsilon} w \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}} = \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \left( \varepsilon^\theta \int_J f^{p-\varepsilon} w^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}} w^{\frac{\varepsilon}{p}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}} \\ &\leq \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \left( \int_J \left( f^{p-\varepsilon} w^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}} \right)^{\frac{p}{p-\varepsilon}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left( \int_J \left( w^{\frac{\varepsilon}{p}} \right)^{\frac{p}{\varepsilon}} \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{p(p-\varepsilon)}} \\ &= \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \left( \int_J f^p w \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_J w \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{p(p-\varepsilon)}} \\ &= \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|f\chi_J\|_{L_w^p(I)} \cdot (w(J))^{-\frac{1}{p}} (w(J))^{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}} \\ &= (w(J))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \|f\chi_J\|_{L_w^p(I)} \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \left( \varepsilon^\theta \int_I (\chi_J w x)^{p-\varepsilon} \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}} \\ &= (w(J))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \|f\chi_J\|_{L_w^p(I)} \|\chi_J\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(I)}. \end{aligned}$$

The lemma is proved.  $\square$

The following lemma will also be useful for us.

**Lemma 2.3.** Suppose that  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $\theta > 0$ , and  $I$  is a bounded interval. If an operator  $\mathcal{C}_a$  is bounded in  $L_w^{p,\theta}(I)$  and there exists a constant  $m$  such that

$$0 < m \leq |a'(t)|,$$

then

$$w^{1-p'}(I) < \infty. \quad (2.2)$$

**Proof.** It suffices to show that (2.2) holds for all intervals  $J \subset I$  such that  $|J| < 1/2$ . Assume the contrary. Let

$$w^{1-p'}(J) = \infty \quad (2.3)$$

for some  $J := (a, b)$ . Without loss of generality, we can assume that  $I = [0, 1]$  and  $b < 1$ . Note that (2.3) implies the existence of a function  $g \in L_w^p(J)$ ,  $g \geq 0$ , such that

$$\int_J g(x) dx = \infty.$$

We set

$$f_J := g\chi_J.$$

Then  $f_J \in L_w^p(I)$ . On the other hand,

$$|\mathcal{C}_a f_J(x)| = \left| \int_J \frac{a(x) - a(t)}{(x-t)^2} g(t) dt \right| = \left| \frac{a(x) - a(\xi)}{x-\xi} \right| \int_J \frac{g(t) dt}{x-t} \geq m \int_J g(t) dt = \infty,$$

where  $\xi \in J$  and  $x$  is an arbitrary point in  $(b, 1)$ .

Here, we used the continuity of the function

$$\varphi_x(t) = \frac{a(x) - a(t)}{x-t}$$

on  $[a, b]$  for arbitrary  $x \in (b, 1)$ . By Lemma 2.2,  $f_J \in L_w^{p,\theta}(I)$ . But

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a f_J\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(I)} = \infty,$$

which contradicts the boundedness of  $\mathcal{C}_a$  in  $L_w^{p,\theta}(I)$ .  $\square$

We formulate and prove the main result of this section.

**Theorem 2.1.** *Suppose that  $I$  is a finite interval,  $1 < p < \infty$ , and  $\theta > 0$ . Then  $\mathcal{C}_a$  is bounded in  $L_w^{p,\theta}(I)$  if  $w \in A_p(I)$ .*

*Conversely, if  $\mathcal{C}_a$  is bounded in  $L_w^{p,\theta}$  under the assumption that there exists a constant  $m$  such that  $0 < m \leq |a'(x)|$  for all  $x \in I$ , then  $w \in A_p(I)$ .*

**Proof.** For the sake of simplicity, we assume that  $I := [0, 1]$ .

*Sufficiency.* Note that  $\mathcal{C}_a f(x)$  exists almost everywhere on  $[0, 1]$  for  $f \in L_w^{p,\theta}(I)$ . Indeed, since  $w \in A_p(I)$ , there is a small positive number  $\varepsilon$  such that  $w \in A_{p-\varepsilon}(I)$ . Further, by the definition of the space  $L_w^{p,\theta}(I)$ , we have  $f \in L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)$ . Consequently, the existence of  $\mathcal{C}_a f(x)$  follows immediately.

By Lemma 2.1, we conclude that there is a constant  $\sigma \in (0, p-1)$  such that

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)} \leq c \|f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)}, \quad \varepsilon \in (0, \sigma],$$

where  $c$  is a constant independent of  $f$  and  $\varepsilon$ .

We fix  $\varepsilon \in (\sigma, p-1)$ . Then

$$\frac{p-\sigma}{p-\varepsilon} > 1.$$

Using the Hölder inequality with the exponent  $(p-\sigma)/(p-\varepsilon)$  and observing that

$$\left( \frac{p-\sigma}{p-\varepsilon} \right)' = \frac{p-\sigma}{\varepsilon-\sigma},$$

we find

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)} \leq \left( \int_I |\mathcal{C}_a f(x)|^{p-\sigma} w(x) dx \right)^{1/(p-\sigma)} w(I)^{(\varepsilon-\sigma)/[(p-\sigma)(p-\varepsilon)]}. \quad (2.4)$$

Further, since  $\sigma < p - 1$  and  $\varepsilon \in (\sigma, p - 1)$ , we have

$$0 < \frac{\varepsilon - \sigma}{(p - \sigma)(p - \varepsilon)} < \frac{p - 1 - \sigma}{p - \sigma}, \quad (p - 1)\sigma^{-1/(p-\sigma)} > 1.$$

Using (2.4) and the Hölder inequality, we find

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} &= \max \left\{ \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leqslant \sigma} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)}, \sup_{\sigma < \varepsilon < p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)} \right\} \\ &\leqslant \max \left\{ \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leqslant \sigma} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)}, \sup_{\sigma < \varepsilon < p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\sigma}} w(I)^{\frac{\varepsilon-\sigma}{(p-\sigma)(p-\varepsilon)}} \right\} \\ &= \max \left\{ \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leqslant \sigma} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)}, \sup_{\sigma < \varepsilon < p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \sigma^{-\frac{\theta}{p-\sigma}} \sigma^{\frac{\theta}{p-\sigma}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\sigma}} w(I)^{\frac{\varepsilon-\sigma}{(p-\sigma)(p-\varepsilon)}} \right\} \\ &\leqslant \max \left\{ \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leqslant \sigma} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)}, \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left( \sup_{\sigma < \varepsilon < p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \sigma^{-\frac{\theta}{p-\sigma}} w(I)^{\frac{\varepsilon-\sigma}{(p-\sigma)(p-\varepsilon)}} \right) \left( \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leqslant \sigma} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)} \right) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

Using the notation

$$\begin{aligned} S &:= \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leqslant \sigma} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)}, \\ T &:= \sup_{\sigma < \varepsilon < p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \sigma^{-\frac{\theta}{p-\sigma}} w(I)^{\frac{\varepsilon-\sigma}{(p-\sigma)(p-\varepsilon)}}, \end{aligned}$$

we find

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} &\leqslant \max\{1, T\} \cdot S \\ &\leqslant \max \left\{ 1, \sup_{\sigma < \varepsilon < p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \sigma^{-\frac{\theta}{p-\sigma}} (1 + w(I))^{\frac{\varepsilon-\sigma}{(p-\sigma)(p-\varepsilon)}} \right\} \cdot S. \end{aligned}$$

We set

$$\begin{aligned} h(\varepsilon) &:= \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}}, \\ g(\varepsilon) &:= (1 + w(I))^{\frac{\varepsilon-\sigma}{(p-\sigma)(p-\varepsilon)}}. \end{aligned}$$

We see that  $h$  and  $g$  are increasing in  $(\sigma, p - 1)$ .

Therefore, using the boundedness of the Calderón singular integral operator in the classical  $L_w^p$  spaces [9] and Lemma 2.1, we conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} &\leqslant c \max \left\{ 1, (p - 1)^\theta \sigma^{-\frac{\theta}{p-\sigma}} (1 + w(I))^{\frac{p-1-\sigma}{p-\sigma}} \right\} \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leqslant \sigma} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \|f\|_{L_w^{p-\varepsilon}(I)} \\ &\leqslant c(p - 1)^\theta \sigma^{-\frac{\theta}{p-\sigma}} (1 + w(I))^{\frac{p-1-\sigma}{p-\sigma}} \|f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)}. \end{aligned}$$

*Necessity.* Since  $w$  is integrable on  $I$ , we have

$$\|1\|_{L_w^{p)}(I)} < \infty.$$

It suffices to prove that

$$\sup_{\substack{J \subset I \\ |J| \leq 1/4}} \left( \frac{1}{|J|} \int_J w(x) dx \right) \left( \frac{1}{|J|} \int_J w^{1-p'}(t) dt \right)^{p-1} < \infty.$$

Let  $J := (a, b)$  be a subinterval of  $I$  such that  $b - a \leq 1/4$ . We set

$$J' := (b, 2b - a)$$

if  $(b, 2b - a)$ ; otherwise,

$$J' := (2a - b, a).$$

First we claim that there is a positive constant  $c$  independent of  $J$  such that

$$\|\chi_J\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} \leq c \|\chi_{J'}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)}. \quad (2.5)$$

Indeed, without loss of generality we can assume that  $J' = (b, 2b - a)$ . Then  $t - x \leq 2|J|$  whenever  $t \in J'$  and  $x \in J$ . Let  $f := \chi_{J'}$ . Then

$$|\mathcal{C}_a f(x)| = \left| \int_{J'} \frac{a(x) - a(t)}{(x-t)^2} dt \right| = \left| \frac{a(x) - a(\xi)}{x - \xi} \right| \int_{J'} \frac{dt}{t-x} \geq \frac{1}{2} m$$

for arbitrary  $x \in J$  and some  $\xi \in [b, 2b - a]$ . Thus,

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} \geq \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(J)} \geq m \left\| \int_{J'} \frac{dt}{t-x} \right\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(J)} \geq \frac{1}{2} m \|\chi_J\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\|f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} = \|\chi_{J'}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)}.$$

Consequently, the boundedness of  $\mathcal{C}_a$  in  $L_w^{p),\theta}(I)$  implies (2.5).

Consider the test function  $f = w^{1-p'} \chi_J$ . For  $x \in J'$  we have

$$|\mathcal{C}_a f(x)| = \left| \int_J \frac{a(x) - a(t)}{(x-t)^2} w^{1-p'}(t) dt \right| \geq \frac{m}{2|J|} \int_J w^{1-p'}(t) dt$$

which implies the estimate

$$\|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} \geq c \left( \frac{1}{|J|} \int_J w^{1-p'}(t) dt \right) \|\chi_{J'}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(0,1)}.$$

Taking into account the last estimate, the boundedness of  $\mathcal{C}_a$  in  $L_w^{p)}(I)$ , Lemma 2.2, and the inequality (2.5), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{|J|} w^{1-p'}(J) \|\chi_{J'}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} &\leq c \|\mathcal{C}_a f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} \leq c \|f\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(J)} \\ &\leq c(w(J))^{-1/p} \left( \int_J w^{1-p'}(t) dt \right)^{1/p} \|\chi_{J'}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)}. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.3 ,

$$|J|^{-1} (w(J))^{1/p} (w^{1-p'}(J))^{1/p'} \leq c,$$

where the positive constant  $c$  is independent of  $J$ .  $\square$

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $I$  be a bounded interval, and let  $1 < p < \infty$ . Then the Riesz transforms are bounded in  $L_w^{p),\theta}(I^n)$  for all  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , if and only if  $w \in A_p(I^n)$ , i.e.,*

$$\sup_Q \left( \frac{1}{|Q \cap I^n|} w(Q \cap I^n) \right) \left( \frac{1}{|Q \cap I^n|} \int_Q w^{1-p'}(Q \cap I^n) dt \right)^{p-1} < \infty,$$

where the supremum is taken over all  $n$ -dimensional cubes  $Q$  with centers at  $I^n$ .

The proof is similar to that of Theorem 2.1.

Finally, we note that the one-weight theorem for the Hardy–Littlewood maximal operator

$$Mf(x) = \sup_{J \ni x} \frac{1}{|J|} \int_J |f(y)| dy, \quad x \in I,$$

remains true for the generalized grand Lebesgue spaces  $L_w^{p),\theta}$  under the condition that  $w \in A_p$  (cf. [3] in the case  $\theta = 1$ ). Namely, the following assertion holds.

**Theorem 2.3.** *Suppose that  $I$  is a bounded interval,  $1 < p < \infty$ , and  $\theta > 0$ . Then the Hardy–Littlewood maximal operator  $M$  is bounded in  $L_w^{p),\theta}(I)$  if and only if  $w \in A_p$ .*

**Proof.** We follow [3].

*Necessity.* Consider an interval  $J \subset I$ . By the definition of the maximal operator,

$$\frac{1}{|J|} \int_J |f(t)| dt \leq M(f \cdot \chi_J)(x), \quad x \in J.$$

By the boundedness of  $M$  in  $L_w^{p),\theta}(I)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{1}{|J|} \int_J |f(y)| dy \right) \|\chi_J\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} &= \left\| \left( \frac{1}{|J|} \int_J |f(y)| dy \right) \cdot \chi_J \right\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} \\ &\leq \|M(f \cdot \chi_J)\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} \leq c \|f \cdot \chi_J\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)} \\ &= c \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \left( \varepsilon^\theta \int_J |f(y)|^{p-\varepsilon} w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= c \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \left( \varepsilon^\theta \int_J |f(y)|^{p-\varepsilon} w^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}}(y) w^{\frac{\varepsilon}{p}}(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}} \\
&\leq c \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} \left( \int_J (|f(y)|^{p-\varepsilon} w^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}}(y))^{\frac{p}{p-\varepsilon}} dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_J (w^{\frac{\varepsilon}{p}}(y))^{\frac{p}{\varepsilon}} dy \right)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{p(p-\varepsilon)}} \\
&= c \left( \int_J |f(y)|^p w(y) dy \right)^{1/p} \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} w(J)^{\frac{\varepsilon}{p(p-\varepsilon)}} \\
&= cw^{-1/p}(J) \left( \int_J |f(y)|^p w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \sup_{0 < \varepsilon \leq p-1} \left( \varepsilon^{\frac{\theta}{p-\varepsilon}} w(J)^{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}} \right) \\
&= cw^{-1/p}(J) \left( \int_J |f(y)|^p w(y) dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \|\chi_J\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(I)}.
\end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$\frac{1}{|J|} \int_J |f(y)| dy \leq cw^{-1/p}(J) \left( \int_J |f(y)|^p w(y) dy \right)^{1/p}. \quad (2.6)$$

Substituting

$$f = w^{-\frac{1}{p-1}} \chi_J$$

into (2.6), we have  $w \in A_p(I)$ .

*Sufficiency.* The proof is similar to that of Theorem 2.1. In this case, we need to use Muckenhoupt's [7] result on the one-weight inequality for  $M$  (cf. also [3] in the case  $\theta = 1$ ).  $\square$

### 3 Cauchy Singular Integral Operator and Maximal Functions on Curves

In this section, we present a necessary and sufficient condition for the Cauchy singular integral and Hardy-Littlewood maximal function defined on Carleson curves to be bounded in weighted generalized grand Lebesgue spaces.

Let

$$\Gamma = \{t \in \mathbf{C} : t = t(s), 0 \leq s \leq l < \infty\}$$

be a simple rectifiable curve of finite length with an arc-length measure  $\nu$ . We set

$$D(t, r) := \Gamma \cap B(t, r), \quad r > 0,$$

where

$$B(t, r) = \{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z - t| < r\}.$$

We recall that a rectifiable curve  $\Gamma$  is called a *Carleson curve* (a *regular curve*) if there exists a constant  $c_0 > 0$  such that

$$\nu D(t, r) \leq c_0 r$$

for arbitrary  $t \in \Gamma$  and  $r > 0$ .

The weighted grand Lebesgue space  $L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $\theta > 0$ , is a Banach function space equipped with the norm

$$\|f\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)} = \sup_{0 < \varepsilon < p-1} \left( \frac{\varepsilon^\theta}{\nu \Gamma} \int_{\Gamma} |f(t)|^{p-\varepsilon} w(t) d\nu \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\varepsilon}},$$

where  $w$  is an almost everywhere positive integrable function on  $\Gamma$  (i.e.,  $w$  is a weight).

Our goal is to characterize weight functions  $w$  governing the one-weighted norm inequality for the following two operators: the Cauchy singular integral

$$(S_{\Gamma} f)(t) = \frac{1}{\pi i} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{f(\tau)}{\tau - t} d\tau$$

and the Hardy-Littlewood maximal function

$$(M_{\Gamma} f)(t) = \sup_{r>0} \frac{1}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} |f(\tau)| d\nu$$

defined on Carleson curves.

A well-known theorem due to David [11] asserts that  $S_{\Gamma}$  is bounded in  $L^p(\Gamma)$  if and only if  $\Gamma$  is a Carleson curve.

The main result of this section is contained in the following assertion.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $\Gamma$  be a Carleson curve, and let  $w \in A_p(\Gamma)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , i.e.,*

$$\sup \frac{1}{r} \int_{D(z,r)} w(\tau) d\nu \left( \frac{1}{r} \int_{D(z,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \right)^{p-1} < \infty, \quad (3.1)$$

where the supremum is taken over all  $z \in \Gamma$  and  $r$  such that  $0 < r < \text{diam } \Gamma$ . Let  $\theta > 0$ . Then

$$(i) \quad S_{\Gamma} \text{ is bounded in } L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma), \quad (3.2)$$

$$(ii) \quad M_{\Gamma} \text{ is bounded in } L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma). \quad (3.3.)$$

If for a rectifiable curve  $\Gamma$  and a weight  $w$  the operator  $S_{\Gamma}$  (respectively,  $M_{\Gamma}$ ) is bounded in  $L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)$ ,  $p > 1$ ,  $\theta > 0$ , then the condition (3.1) is fulfilled.

We refer to [12, 13] for the equivalence of the boundedness of  $S_{\Gamma}$  in  $L_w^p(\Gamma)$  and the condition (3.1) in the case of the classical Lebesgue spaces.

In the case of the real line, the condition (3.1) coincides with the well-known Muckenhoupt  $A_p(I)$  condition.

From Theorem 3.1 we deduce the following assertion.

**Corollary 3.1.** *Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . An operator  $S_\Gamma$  (respectively,  $M_\Gamma$ ) is bounded in  $L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)$  if and only if  $\Gamma$  is a Carleson curve.*

**Proof of Theorem 3.1.** *Sufficiency* can be derived in the same way as in the case of the Hilbert transform. We focus only on the *necessity* for the Cauchy singular integral.

Our goal is to prove that the boundedness of  $S_\Gamma$  in  $L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)$  implies

$$\sup_{\substack{t \in \Gamma \\ 0 < r < \frac{d}{3}}} \frac{1}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} w(\tau) d\nu \left( \frac{1}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'} d\nu \right)^{p-1} < \infty,$$

where

$$d = \min_{t \in \Gamma} \max_{\tau \in \Gamma} |t - \tau|.$$

We fix  $t \in \Gamma$ . Let  $x \in \Gamma$  be such that  $|x - t| = 3r$ . For a nonnegative function  $f \in L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)$  we introduce a function  $g \in L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)$  by the formula

$$g(t) = f(\tau) \frac{d\tau}{|d\tau|} e^{i \arg(t-x)} \cdot \chi_{D(t,r)}$$

(cf., for example, [12, p. 128]).

It is easy to see that for almost all  $z \in D(x,r)$

$$(S_\Gamma g)(z) = \frac{1}{\pi i} \int_{D(t,r)} \frac{g(\tau)}{\tau - z} d\tau = \frac{1}{\pi i} \int_{D(t,r)} \frac{f(\tau)}{|\tau - z|} e^{i\alpha(\tau,z)} d\nu,$$

where  $\alpha(\tau,z) := \arg(t-x) - \arg(\tau-z)$ . Since

$$|\tau - z| \leq |t - x| + 2r = 5r$$

and

$$|\sin \alpha(\tau,z)| \leq \frac{r}{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)r} = \frac{2}{3}, \quad \cos \alpha(\tau,z) \geq \left(1 - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3}$$

for  $\tau \in D(t,r)$  and  $z \in D(x,r)$ , for such  $\tau$  and  $z$  we have

$$|S_\Gamma g(z)| \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{D(t,r)} \frac{f(\tau)}{|\tau - z|} \cos \alpha(\tau,z) d\nu \geq \frac{\sqrt{5}}{3\pi} \int_{D(t,r)} \frac{f(\tau)}{|\tau - z|} d\nu \geq \frac{c}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} f(\tau) d\nu \quad (3.4)$$

for almost all  $z \in \Gamma(x,r)$ .

From (3.4) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_\Gamma g(z)\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(D(x,r))} &= \sup_{0 < \delta \leq p-1} \left( \frac{\delta^\theta}{\nu D(x,r)} \int_{D(x,r)} |Sg(z)|^{p-\delta} w(z) d\nu \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\delta}} \\ &\geq \left( \frac{c}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} f(\tau) d\nu \right) \sup_{0 < \delta \leq p-1} \left( \frac{\delta^\theta}{\nu D(x,r)} \int_{D(x,r)} w(z) d\nu \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\delta}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$\|S_\Gamma g(z)\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(D(x,r))} \geq \int_{D(t,r)} f(\tau) d\nu \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)}. \quad (3.5)$$

From the boundedness inequality and (3.5) it follows that

$$\|g(z)\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(D(x,r))} \geq \frac{c}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} f(\tau) d\nu \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)}. \quad (3.6)$$

But

$$\|g(z)\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(D(x,r))} \leq \|f\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(D(t,r))}.$$

Now, (3.6) yields

$$\frac{1}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} f(\tau) d\nu \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)} \leq c \|f\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(D(t,r))}$$

for arbitrary  $f \geq 0$ .

For  $f \equiv 1$  the last inequality implies

$$\frac{1}{r} \nu D(t,r) \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)} \leq c \|\chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)}. \quad (3.7)$$

Since  $\Gamma$  is rectifiable, we have

$$\|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)} \leq c \|\chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)}.$$

Exchanging the roles of  $D(x,r)$  and  $D(t,r)$ , we obtain the inequality

$$\|\chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)} \leq c \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)} \quad (3.8)$$

for arbitrary  $t, z$ , and  $x$  such that  $|t-x|=3r$ ,  $z \in \Gamma(x,r)$ , and  $0 < r \leq \frac{d}{3}$ .

Now, we set

$$g(\tau) = w^{1-p'}(\tau) \chi_{D(t,r)}$$

in the definition of  $g$ . According to (3.4), we have

$$|S_\Gamma g(z)| \geq \frac{c}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu$$

for almost all  $z \in D(x,r)$ .

The boundedness of  $S_\Gamma$  and the last inequality imply

$$\begin{aligned} \|g(z)\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(\Gamma)} &\geq c \|S_\Gamma g\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(D(x,r))} \\ &\geq \frac{c}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \cdot \sup_{0 < \delta \leq p-1} \left( \frac{\delta^\theta}{\nu D(x,r)} \int_{D(x,r)} w(z) d\nu \right)^{\frac{1}{p-\delta}} \\ &= \frac{c}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p,\theta}(D(x,r))}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.9)$$

On the other hand,

$$\|g\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)} \leq \|w^{1-p'} \chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)}.$$

From the last inequality and (3.9) we deduce that

$$\frac{1}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(D(x,r))} \leq c \|w^{1-p'} \chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)}. \quad (3.10)$$

Now we need the inequality

$$\|f \chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)} \leq c (w D(t,r))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \|f \chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^p(\Gamma)} \cdot \|\chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)} \quad (3.11)$$

for arbitrary  $f$ . It is proved in the same way as in the case of a finite interval (cf. Lemma 2.2).

Using (3.11), from (3.10) we find

$$\frac{1}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^p} \leq c (w D(t,r))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \|\chi_{D(t,r)}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)}.$$

Taking (3.8) into account, from this inequality we find

$$\frac{1}{r} \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \|\chi_{\Gamma(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)} \leq c (w D(t,r))^{-\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \|\chi_{D(x,r)}\|_{L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)}.$$

Hence

$$\frac{1}{r} (w D(t,r))^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{D(t,r)} w^{1-p'}(\tau) d\nu \right)^{\frac{1}{p'}} \leq c.$$

Thus,  $w \in A_p(\Gamma)$ . □

Arguing in a similar way as in the proof of Theorems 2.1 and 3.1, we obtain the following assertion.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Suppose that  $\Gamma$  is a Carleson curve of finite length,  $1 < p < \infty$ , and  $\theta > 0$ . Let  $a : \Gamma \rightarrow \mathbf{C}$  and  $a \in \text{Lip } 1$  on  $\Gamma$ . Then the operator*

$$\mathcal{C}_{a,\Gamma} f(t) = \int_{\Gamma} \frac{a(t) - a(\tau)}{(t - \tau)^2} f(\tau) d\tau$$

*is bounded in  $L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)$  for  $w \in A_p(\Gamma)$ . Conversely, if there exists a constant  $m$  such that  $0 < m \leq |a'(t)|$  for arbitrary  $t \in \Gamma$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{a,\Gamma}$  is bounded in  $L_w^{p),\theta}(\Gamma)$ , then  $w \in A_p(\Gamma)$ .*

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