# Singular integrals, generated by spherical measures

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**Abstract.** In this paper we study the  $L^p$ -mapping properties of the Calderón-Zygmund type singular integral operator  $T_{\nu}f(x) = \int_0^{\infty} dr/r \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} f(x-r\theta) d\nu(\theta)$ , depending on a finite Borel measure  $\nu$ . In particular it is shown that the conditions  $\nu(\Sigma_{n-1}) = 0$ ,  $\sup_{|\xi|=1} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log (1/|\theta \cdot \xi|) d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty$  imply the  $L^p$ -boundedness of  $T_{\nu}$ , 1 provided <math>n > 2, and  $\nu$  is zonal.

## 1. Introduction.

Let  $\Sigma_{n-1}$  denote the unit sphere in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and let  $\Omega \in L^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$ ,  $\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Omega(\theta) d\theta = 0$ . Consider the Calderón-Zygmund singular integral operator

(1.1) 
$$(T_{\Omega}f)(x) = \lim_{\substack{\varepsilon \to 0 \\ \rho \to \infty}} (T_{\Omega}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f)(x) = \lim_{\substack{\varepsilon \to 0 \\ \rho \to \infty}} \int_{\varepsilon < |y| < \rho} f(x-y) \frac{\Omega(y/|y|)}{|y|^n} dy,$$

arising in a variety of problems (we refer the reader to the books [18], [19], [8], [4], [17] and the survey article [6] for more background information).

It is well-known [1], that if  $\Omega \in L^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$  is odd, then the limit in (1.1) exists in the  $L^p$ -norm and a.e., for all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $1 . This is a consequence of the corresponding one-dimensional result and the method of rotations. The main difficulty is connected with the case of <math>\Omega$  even. The following result of W. Connett [2], F. Ricci and G. Weiss [11], is well-known (see also [21], [6], [15]).

**Theorem 1.1.** Let  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $1 . If <math>\Omega$  belongs to the Hardy space  $H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$ , and  $\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Omega(\theta) d\theta = 0$ , then

(1.2) 
$$\| \sup_{0 < \varepsilon < \rho < \infty} |T_{\Omega}^{\varepsilon, \rho} f| \|_{p} \le c_{p} \|f\|_{p},$$

and the limit (1.1) exists in the  $L^p$ -norm and a.e.

We also mention the following  $L^2$ -result (cf. [18], p. 40).

## Theorem 1.2. If

(1.3) 
$$\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Omega(\theta) d\theta = 0 \quad and \quad \sup_{|\xi|=1} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} |\Omega(\theta)| \log \frac{1}{|\theta \cdot \xi|} d\theta < \infty,$$

then  $T_{\Omega}$  is bounded from  $L^{2}(\mathbb{R}^{n})$  into itself

L. Grafakos and A. Stefanov [7] considered the class of functions  $\Omega(\theta)$  satisfying the following conditions:

$$(1.4) \qquad \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Omega(\theta) d\theta = 0, \qquad \sup_{|\xi|=1} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} |\Omega(\theta)| \Big(\log \frac{1}{|\theta \cdot \xi|}\Big)^{1+\alpha} d\theta < \infty, \qquad \alpha > 0.$$

They showed that this class is different from  $H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$  and proved the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.3** ([7]). If  $\Omega$  satisfies (1.4), then  $T_{\Omega}$  extends to a bounded operator from  $L^p$  into itself for  $2 - \alpha/(1 + \alpha) . If, moreover, <math>\alpha > 1$ , then (1.2) holds for  $2 - (2 + 2\alpha)/(1 + 2\alpha) .$ 

The method of the proof of Theorem 1.3 is based on ideas, which were developed by J. Duoandikoetxea and J. L. Rubio de Francia [3]. The following questions were posed in [7, pp. 456, 457]:

Question 1. Are the ranges of indices in Theorem 1.3 sharp?

Question 2. Does the conditions (1.3) imply the  $L^p$ - boundedness of  $T_{\Omega}$  for some  $p \neq 2$ ?

In this paper we extend the aforementioned ranges of indices and show that (1.3) implies the  $L^p$ -boundedness of  $T_{\Omega}$  for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$  in the case n > 2 provided that  $\Omega$  is zonal (i.e. invariant under all rotations about the  $x_n$ -axis). We also consider a generalization of  $T_{\Omega}$  with  $\Omega$  replaced by a finite Borel measure on  $\Sigma_{n-1}$ . More precisely, let  $M(\Sigma_{n-1})$  be a space of all such measures. Given  $\nu \in M(\Sigma_{n-1})$ , consider the singular integral operator

(1.5) 
$$(T_{\nu}f)(x) = \lim_{\substack{\varepsilon \to 0 \\ \rho \to \infty}} (T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f)(x) = \lim_{\substack{\varepsilon \to 0 \\ \rho \to \infty}} \int_{\varepsilon}^{\rho} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} f(x - r\theta) d\nu(\theta).$$

If  $\nu$  is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure  $d\theta$  on  $\Sigma_{n-1}$ , i.e.  $d\nu(\theta) = \Omega(\theta)d\theta$ ,  $\Omega \in L^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$ , then (1.5) coincides with (1.1).

Let us state our main results. The following theorems are related to Question 1.

## Theorem A. Let

$$(1.6) \qquad \nu(\Sigma_{n-1}) = 0, \qquad \sup_{|\xi|=1} \int\limits_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \left( \log \frac{1}{|\theta \cdot \xi|} \right)^{1+\alpha} d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty \quad for \ some \quad \alpha > 0.$$

Then the operator  $T_{\nu}$ , initially defined by (1.5) on functions  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , extends to a linear bounded operator from  $L^p$  into itself provided

$$\left|\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p}\right| < \frac{\alpha}{2(1+\alpha)}.$$

**Theorem B.** Suppose that  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and  $\nu \in M(\Sigma_{n-1})$  satisfies (1.6) for some  $\alpha > 1$ . Then

(1.8) 
$$\|\sup_{0<\varepsilon<\rho<\infty} |T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f| \|_{p} \le c_{p} \|f\|_{p},$$

provided

$$\left|\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p}\right| < \frac{\alpha - 1}{2\alpha},$$

and the limit in (1.5) exists in the  $L^p$ -norm, and in the a.e. sense.

As in [7] and in many other papers, related to singular integral operators, we imploy the ideas developed by J. Duoandikoetxea and J. L. Rubio de Francia in [3]. The possibility of extending the bounds for p is based on the use of the method of rotations, instead of a "bootstrap" argument (cf. [17], p. 463), which was used in [7], p. 460.

Our next result concerns Question 2. Let  $M_z(\Sigma_{n-1})$  be the subspace of  $M(\Sigma_{n-1})$ , consisting of zonal measures.

**Theorem C.** Suppose that  $\nu \in M_z(\Sigma_{n-1}), \ \nu(\Sigma_{n-1}) = 0, \ n > 2$ .

(a) If

(1.10) 
$$\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n| \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2}} d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty,$$

then  $T_{\nu}$  extends to a bounded operator from  $L^{p}$  into itself for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$ .

(b) Let 
$$f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n), 1 . If$$

(1.11) 
$$\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} |\theta_n|^{-\beta} (1 - \theta_n^2)^{-\beta/2} d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty \quad \text{for some } \beta \in (0, 1/2),$$

then (1.8) holds, and the limit in (1.5) exists in the  $L^p$ -norm and in the a.e. sense.

The proof of part (a) of this theorem employs recent results of D. K. Watson [20].

Corollary 1.4 (cf. Theorem 1.2). Let n > 2, and let  $\nu \in M_z(\Sigma_{n-1})$  satisfy (1.6) with  $\alpha = 0$ . Then  $T_{\nu}$  extends to a bounded operator from  $L^p$  into itself for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$ .

Corollary 1.5. Let n > 2. There is an even function  $\Omega \notin H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$  which satisfies (1.3) and does not satisfy (1.4) for any  $\alpha > 0$ , but, nevertheless, the relevant operator  $T_{\Omega}$  extends to bounded operators from  $L^p$  into itself for all  $p \in (1, \infty)$ .

The above corollary shows that the ranges of indices in (1.7) are also not sharp.

Corollary 1.6. Let n > 2. There is an even function  $\Omega \notin H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$ , which satisfies (1.4) for all  $\alpha > 0$ .

This result was proved in [7] for n = 2. But the proof, given there, was fairly complicated. We show that (for n > 2) examples of functions indicated in Corollary 1.6, can be easily obtained from Theorem C and geometric properties of the Hardy spaces  $H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$  and  $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

We do not know if the results of Theorem C and Corollaries 1.4, 1.5 are true in the case n=2. Another open problem is whether Corollary 1.4 holds for non-zonal  $\nu$  if  $p \neq 2$ .

The following observation related to Theorems 1.1 and 1.2 is also of interest. Namely, the second condition in (1.3) may fail, but nevertheless,  $T_{\Omega}$  is bounded on  $L^p$  for all 1 . More precisely, the following statement holds.

**Proposition 1.7.** There is an even function  $\Omega \in H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$  such that  $\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Omega(\theta) d\theta = 0$  and

(1.12) 
$$\sup_{|\xi|=1} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} |\Omega(\theta)| \log \frac{1}{|\xi \cdot \theta|} d\theta = \infty.$$

The paper is organized as follows. In section 2 we prove Theorem A. Sections 3 and 4 are devoted to the proof of Theorem B. The proof of Theorem C and Corollaries 1.4-1.6 is given in section 5. In section 6 we prove Proposition 1.7 and in section 7 give examples of non-zonal singular measures, satisfying (1.6) for all  $\alpha > 0$ .

Notation. Let  $\Sigma_{n-1}=\{x\in\mathbb{R}^n:|x|=1\}$ ,  $\sigma_{n-1}=|\Sigma_{n-1}|=2\pi^{n/2}/\Gamma(n/2);\ M(X)$  denotes the space of all finite Borel measures on a measure space  $X;|\mu|$  designates the total variation of  $\mu\in M(X)$ . The notation  $L^p(X)$  is standard;  $C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$  denotes the space of continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  functions, tending to zero at infinity;  $C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is the space of infinitely differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  functions, having a compact support. We define the Fourier transform of  $\mu\in M(\mathbb{R}^n)$  by  $\hat{\mu}(\xi)=\int_{\mathbb{R}^n}e^{-2\pi ix\cdot\xi}d\mu(x)$ . The group of rotations leaving the  $x_n$ -axis fixed will be denoted by  $SO(n-1);\ e_n=(0,\dots,0,1)$ . A measure  $\nu\in M(\Sigma_{n-1})$  is called zonal if  $\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}}f(\gamma\vartheta)d\nu(\vartheta)=\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}}f(\vartheta)d\nu(\vartheta)$  for each  $\gamma\in SO(n-1)$  and each  $f\in L^1(\Sigma_{n-1},d\nu)$ . The set of all zonal measures on  $\Sigma_{n-1}$  is denoted by  $M_z(\Sigma_{n-1})$ . The letter c designates a constant, not necessarily the same at each occurrence.

# 2. Proof of Theorem A.

We begin by proving some auxiliary statements. Following [3], let  $\{\psi_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{Z}}$  be a smooth partition of the unity on  $(0,\infty)$  so that

a) 
$$\psi_j \in C^1(\mathbf{R}_+), \quad 0 \le \psi_j \le 1, \quad \sum_{i \in \mathbb{Z}} \psi_j^2(t) = 1,$$

b) supp
$$(\psi_0) \subseteq \{t \in \mathbb{R} : 1/2 \le t \le 2\}, \quad \psi_j(t) = \psi_0(2^j t),$$

c) 
$$\psi_0(t) \equiv 1 \quad \forall t \in [1, 3/2], \quad |\psi'_i(t)| \le c/t.$$

Suppose also that  $\sigma_k (\in M(\mathbb{R}^n)), k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , is a sequence of measures such that

(2.1) 
$$\|\sigma_k\| \le 1$$
, supp  $\sigma_k \subseteq \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : 2^k \le |x| \le 2^{k+1}\}$ ,

and

(2.2) 
$$|\hat{\sigma}_k(\xi)| \le \begin{cases} c |2^k \xi| & \text{if } |2^k \xi| \le 2, \\ c \log^{-1-\alpha} |2^k \xi| & \text{if } |2^k \xi| > 2, \quad \alpha > 0. \end{cases}$$

For  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , we define

(2.3) 
$$Tf(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (\sigma_k * f)(x),$$

$$(2.4) (S_j f)^{\wedge}(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi)\psi_j(|\xi|), (T_j f)(x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} S_{j+k}(\sigma_k * S_{j+k} f)(x), j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and

$$\|\sup_{k\in\mathbb{Z}}(|\sigma_k|*|f|)\|_s \le c\|f\|_s \quad \forall s\in(1,\infty).$$

Then

(2.6) 
$$||T_j f||_q \le c ||f||_q \quad for \ all \ q \in (1, \infty).$$

If, moreover,  $\sigma_k$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , satisfy (2.2), then for all  $\lambda \in [0,1]$ ,

(2.7) 
$$||T_j f||_p \le c (1+|j|)^{-(1+\alpha)\lambda} ||f||_p,$$

provided that  $\lambda/2 < 1/p < 1 - \lambda/2$  if  $0 \le \lambda < 1$ , and p = 2 if  $\lambda = 1$ . The constant c in (2.6) and (2.7) is independent of j.

The estimate (2.7) for the smaller range of p's was proved in [7], p. 460 (it was a consequence of a "bootstrap argument" and the assumption that (2.5) holds for s = 2).

But the point is that in the studying of the operator (1.5), we can always assume that the maximal estimate, corresponding to (2.5) holds for a full range of s (see (2.13)).

PROOF OF LEMMA 2.1. The estimate (2.6) was established in [3], p. 545, and we recall its proof for convenience of the reader. We have

$$||T_{j}f||_{q} \overset{(1)}{\leq} c ||(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |S_{j+k}(\sigma_{k} * S_{j+k}f)|^{2})^{1/2}||_{q} \overset{(2)}{\leq} c ||(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |\sigma_{k} * S_{j+k}f|^{2})^{1/2}||_{q} \leq c ||(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |S_{j+k}f|^{2})^{1/2}||_{q} \overset{(4)}{\leq} c ||f||_{q}.$$

Here (1) and (4) follow from the Littlewood-Paley theory [17], p. 267; (2) is a special case of the more general estimate (4) from [13]; (3) holds according to the lemma on p. 544 from [3]. Furthermore, by Plancherel's theorem,

$$||T_j f||_2 \le \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} ||\hat{\sigma}_k \psi_{j+k}^2 \hat{f}||_2 \le \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \left( \int_{\text{supp } \psi_{j+k}} |\hat{\sigma}_k(\xi)|^2 |\hat{f}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \right)^{1/2}.$$

Owing to (2.2), this gives (2.7) for  $\lambda = 1$ , p = 2 (cf. formula (11) from [7]). For  $\lambda = 0$ , (2.7) coincides with (2.6). The result for  $0 < \lambda < 1$  follows by interpolation.  $\Lambda$ 

**Lemma 2.2.** Suppose that  $\sigma_k \in M(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , satisfy (2.1), (2.2), and (2.5). Then (2.3) extends to a linear bounded operator on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  provided  $\left|1/2 - 1/p\right| < \alpha (2(1+\alpha))^{-1}$ .

PROOF. As in [3, p. 545], for  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  we have:

(2.8) 
$$Tf = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \sigma_k * f = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} T_j f,$$

and (2.7) yields  $||Tf||_p \le c ||f||_p \sum_j (1+|j|)^{-(1+\alpha)\lambda}$ ,  $\lambda/2 < 1/p < 1-\lambda/2$ . Assuming  $\lambda > (1+\alpha)^{-1}$ , we obtain the required result.

Now we pass to the operator  $T_{\nu}$  from (1.5). One can write  $T_{\nu}f = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \omega_k * f$ , where  $\omega_k \in M(\mathbb{R}^n)$  are defined by

(2.9) 
$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(y) d\omega_k(y) = c_{\nu} \int_{2^k}^{2^{k+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} g(r\theta) d\nu(\theta), \quad c_{\nu} = (|\nu|(\Sigma_{n-1}) \log 2)^{-1},$$

 $g \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , and  $\nu$  satisfies (1.6). Denote by  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  the  $\sigma$ -algebra of all Borel measurable sets in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . As usual [14, p. 116],

(2.10) 
$$|\omega_k|(E) = \sup_{\{A_i\}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\omega_k(A_i)|, \quad E \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n),$$

where the supremum is taken over all partitions of E by  $A_i \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $E \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $1_E(x) = 1$  for  $x \in E$  and  $1_E(x) = 0$  otherwise. Then

(2.11) 
$$|\omega_k|(E) \le c_{\nu} \int_{2^k}^{2^{k+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} 1_E(r\theta) d|\nu|(\theta) \le 1.$$

Furthermore, for  $f \in L^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $1 < s < \infty$ , the following relations hold:

$$(2.12) (|\omega_k| * |f|)(x) \stackrel{a.e}{\leq} c_{\nu} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} d|\nu|(\theta) \int_{2^k}^{2^{k+1}} |f(x - r\theta)| \frac{dr}{r},$$

(2.13) 
$$\|\sup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} (|\omega_k| * |f|) \|_s \le c \|f\|_s.$$

PROOF. The first relation follows by (2.9), (2.10):

$$|\omega_k|(E) \le c_{\nu} \sup_{\{A_i\}} \sum_i \int_{2^k}^{2^{k+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} 1_{A_i}(r\theta) d|\nu|(\theta) \le$$

$$\leq c_{\nu} \int_{2^{k}}^{2^{k+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Big( \sup_{\{A_{i}\}} \sum_{i} 1_{A_{i}}(r\theta) \Big) d|\nu|(\theta) = c_{\nu} \int_{2^{k}}^{2^{k+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} 1_{E}(r\theta) d|\nu|(\theta) \leq 1.$$

Furthermore, if  $f \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $f^x(y) = |f(x-y)|$ , then by Theorem 1.17 from [14, p. 15] there is a sequence  $\{S_m^x(y)\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  of simple functions, such that  $0 \leq S_1^x \leq S_2^x \leq \ldots \leq S_m^x \leq \ldots \leq |f^x|$  and  $S_m^x(y) \to |f^x(y)|$  for each x and y. Hence

$$(|\omega_{k}| * |f|)(x) = (|\omega_{k}|, \lim_{m \to \infty} S_{m}^{x}) = \lim_{m \to \infty} (|\omega_{k}|, S_{m}^{x}) \stackrel{(2.11)}{\leq}$$

$$\leq \lim_{m \to \infty} c_{\nu} \int_{2^{k}}^{2^{k+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} S_{m}^{x}(r\theta) d|\nu|(\theta) = c_{\nu} \int_{2^{k}}^{2^{k+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} |f(x - r\theta)| d|\nu|(\theta).$$

In the general case  $f \in L^s(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , (2.12) then follows by the limiting argument from its validity for any convolution  $(|f| * g_t)(x)$ ,  $g_t(x) = t^{-n}g(x/t)$ ,  $g \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $g \geq 0$ .

To prove (2.13), we denote by

$$(M_{\theta}f)(x) = \sup_{R>0} \frac{1}{R} \int_{0}^{R} |f(x - r\theta)| dr$$

the one-dimensional Hardy-Littlewood maximal operator in direction  $\theta \in \Sigma_{n-1}$ . By the method of rotations

$$||M_{\theta}f||_{s} \le c ||f||_{s}, \quad s > 1,$$

c being independent of  $\theta$ . Then

$$(|\omega_k|*|f|)(x) \overset{(2.12)}{\leq} 2c_{\nu} \int\limits_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Big[ 2^{-k-1} \int\limits_{2^k}^{2^{k+1}} |f(x-r\theta)| dr \Big] d|\nu|(\theta) \leq 2c_{\nu} \int\limits_{\Sigma_{n-1}} (M_{\theta}f)(x) d|\nu|(\theta),$$

and the result follows by (2.14).

**Lemma 2.4.** Let  $\nu \in M(\Sigma_{n-1})$  satisfy (1.6). Then there is a constant  $c = c(\alpha, \nu) > 0$  such that for all  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

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$$|\hat{\omega}_k(\xi)| \leq \begin{cases} c |2^k \xi| & if \ |2^k \xi| \leq 2, \\ c \log^{-1-\alpha} |2^k \xi| & if \ |2^k \xi| > 2. \end{cases}$$

This statement resembles the estimate (10) from [7]; see also [3, p. 550]. For convenience of the reader we prove (2.15) by completing some details, which were omitted in [7].

PROOF. Since  $\hat{\omega}_k(\xi) = \hat{\omega}_0(2^k \xi)$ , it suffices to consider k = 0. The inequality

$$|\hat{\omega}_0(\xi)| = \left| c_{\nu} \int_{1}^{2} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} e^{-2\pi i r \theta \cdot \xi} d\nu(\theta) \right| \le c |\xi|, \quad |\xi| \le 2,$$

is clear because  $\nu(\Sigma_{n-1}) = 0$ . The inequality  $|\hat{\omega}_0(\xi)| \leq c (\log |\xi|)^{-1-\alpha}$ ,  $|\xi| > 2$ , follows by (1.6) from the estimate

$$(2.16) A \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \Big| \int_{1}^{2} e^{-2\pi i r \theta \cdot \xi} \frac{dr}{r} \Big| \le c \Big(\frac{b}{a}\Big)^{\gamma}, \quad a = \log |\xi|, \quad b = \log \frac{3/2}{|\theta \cdot \xi'|},$$

 $c=c(\gamma)={\rm const.}$  The latter holds for all  $\gamma\geq 0$  (in our case  $\gamma=1+\alpha$ ),  $\theta\cdot\xi\neq 0$ ,  $\xi'=\xi/|\xi|$ . Let us prove (2.16). Integration by parts yields

$$A = \Big| \int_{1}^{2} \frac{d(e^{-2\pi i r \theta \cdot \xi})}{2\pi i r \theta \cdot \xi} \Big| \le \frac{1}{\pi |\theta \cdot \xi|} \le \frac{3/2}{|\theta \cdot \xi|} = e^{b-a}.$$

Note also that  $b > \log(3/2) > 1/4$ , i.e. 1 < 4b. If  $a - b \ge 1$ , then  $a/(a - b) \le 1 + b \le 5b$ , and therefore

$$A \le \frac{(a-b)^{\gamma} e^{-(a-b)}}{(a-b)^{\gamma}} \le \frac{c_{\gamma}}{(a-b)^{\gamma}} \le c_{\gamma} \left(\frac{5b}{a}\right)^{\gamma}.$$

If a-b<1, then  $a/b\leq (b+1)/b=1+1/b<5$  and we get  $A\leq \int_1^2 dr/r<1<(5b/a)^{\gamma}$ . A It remains to note that Theorem A is a consequence of Lemmas 2.2 - 2.4 (put  $\sigma_k=\omega_k$ , where  $\omega_k$  are defined by (2.9)).

# 3. Auxiliary statements.

Suppose that T is the operator (2.3),  $\Phi(x)$  is a Schwartz function and  $\Phi_j(x) = 2^{-jn}\Phi(2^{-j}x)$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $||Tf||_p \leq c ||f||_p$ , then

(3.1) 
$$\|\sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |\Phi_j * \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \sigma_k * f| \|_p \le c \|f\|_p.$$

The proof of this statement is given in [3], p. 548, and employs the estimate

(3.2) 
$$\left| \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-1} (\sigma_k * \Phi_j)(y) \right| = \left| \left( \Phi_j * \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-1} \sigma_k \right)(y) \right| \le c \, \psi_j(y),$$

 $\psi_j(y) = 2^{-jn}/(1+|2^{-j}y|)^{n+1}$ . Since this estimate will be used below and the proof of it was skipped in [3], we complete the details. For  $x \in supp \ \sigma_k, \ y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , define  $h_{x,y}(t) = \Phi_j(y-tx), \ t \in [0,1]$ . By (2.2),  $\hat{\sigma}_k(0) = \sigma_k(\mathbb{R}^n) = 0$ . Hence the left hand side of (3.2) does not exceed

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |h'_{x,y}(\eta)| d|\sigma_k|(x) \le \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-1} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \sum_{l=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial \Phi_j}{\partial \xi_l} (y - \eta x) \right| |x_l| d|\sigma_k|(x),$$

where  $\eta = \eta(x, y) \in [0, 1]$ ,  $\xi_l = y_l - \eta_l x$ . The above expression is estimated by

$$c \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-1} 2^{-j(n+1)} \int_{2^{k} < |x| < 2^{k+1}} (1 + |(y - \eta x)2^{-j}|)^{-n-1} |x| d|\sigma_{k}|(x) \le$$

$$\leq c \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-1} 2^{-j(n+1)} \int_{2^{k} < |x| < 2^{k+1}} \left( \frac{1 + |\eta x2^{-j}|}{1 + |y2^{-j}|} \right)^{n+1} |x| d|\sigma_{k}|(x) \le c 2^{n+1} \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-1} 2^{-j+k+1} \psi_{j}(y),$$

which gives (3.2).

We recall Cotlar's lemma, which will be used below.

**Lemma 3.2** ([17], p. 280). Suppose that  $\{Q_{\ell}\}$  is a finite collection of bounded operators on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Assume that we are given a sequence of positive constants  $\{\gamma(\ell)\}_{\ell\in\mathbb{Z}}$  with

$$(3.3) A = \sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma(\ell) < \infty,$$

and

$$||Q_i^* Q_k|| \le |\gamma(i-k)|^2, \quad ||Q_i Q_k^*|| \le |\gamma(i-k)|^2;$$

here  $\|\cdot\|$  denotes the operator norm on  $L^2$ . Then the operator  $Q=\sum_{\ell}Q_{\ell}$  satisfies  $\|Q\|\leq A$ .

For  $\Phi_k(x)$  as in Lemma 3.1 and for  $\omega_k$  defined by (2.9), we get

(3.5) 
$$Q_{j}f = \sup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |f_{j,k}|, \quad f_{j,k} = \omega_{j+k} * f - \Phi_{k} * \omega_{j+k} * f.$$

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $j \ge 0$ . There is a constant c > 0, independent of j, with the following properties.

(i) If 
$$f \in L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$$
,  $1 < q < \infty$ , then

(ii) If  $\Phi$  is a radial function, such that  $|\hat{\Phi}(\xi)| \leq 1$ ,  $\hat{\Phi}(\xi) = 1$  for  $|\xi| \leq 2$  and  $\hat{\Phi}(\xi) = 0$  for  $|\xi| > 3$ , and  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then

provided that  $\nu$  satisfies (1.6) with  $\alpha > 1$ .

PROOF. (i) We have  $Q_j f \leq \sup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |\omega_{j+k} * f| + c M[\sup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |\omega_{j+k} * f|]$ , where M is the Hardy-Littlewood maximal operator. Hence (3.6) follows by Lemma 2.3.

(ii) Since 
$$(\sup_{k} |f_{j,k}|)^2 \le \sup_{k} |f_{j,k}|^2 \le \sum_{k} |f_{j,k}|^2$$
, then

$$||Q_j f||_2^2 \le ||(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} |f_{j,k}|^2)^{1/2}||_2^2 = \lim_{N \to \infty} \sum_{|k| \le N} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f_{j,k}(x)|^2 dx.$$

It suffices to show that for an arbitrary  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

(3.8) 
$$\sum_{|k| \le N} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f_{j,k}(x)|^2 dx \le c (1+j)^{-2\alpha} ||f||_2^2,$$

where c is independent of j and N. To prove (3.8) we make use of Lemma 3.2. Let  $\{r_{\ell}(t)\}_{\ell=1}^{\infty}$  be an orthonormal system of the Rademacher functions in  $L^{2}[0,1]$  so that  $r_{\ell}(t) = sgn\sin 2^{\ell}t\pi$ ,

$$\sum_{|k| \le N} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f_{j,k}(x)|^2 dx = \int_0^1 dt \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left| \sum_{|k| \le N} r_{k+N+1}(t) f_{j,k}(x) \right|^2 dx,$$

(cf. [22], p. 176, 180). Fix  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $t \in [0,1]$ , and set  $Q_{k,N}^j f = r_{k+N+1}(t) f_{j,k}$ . We claim that,

(3.9) 
$$||(Q_{i,N}^j)^* Q_{k,N}^j||_{2\to 2} \le [\gamma_j(k-i)]^2, \quad \gamma_j(k-i) = c \frac{(1+j)^{-(1+\alpha)/2}}{(1+j+|k-i|)^{(1+\alpha)/2}},$$

where c is independent of  $r_{k+N+1}$  and N (the same estimate holds for  $Q_{i,N}^j(Q_{k,N}^j)^*$ ).

Suppose for a moment, that (3.9) is true. Then

$$\sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma_j(\ell) = c (1+j)^{-(1+\alpha)/2} \sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{Z}} (1+j+|\ell|)^{-(1+\alpha)/2} \le$$

$$\leq 2c (1+j)^{-(1+\alpha)/2} \int_{0}^{\infty} (1+j+t)^{-(1+\alpha)/2} dt = c (1+j)^{-\alpha}, \quad \alpha > 1,$$

and Lemma 3.2 yields

$$\|\sum_{|k| \le N} Q_{k,N}^j f\|_2 = \|\sum_{|k| \le N} r_{k+N+1}(t) f_{j,k}\|_2 \le c (1+j)^{-\alpha} \|f\|_2,$$

c being independent of  $r_{k+N+1}(t)$  and N. This implies (3.8).

Let us prove (3.9). By Plancherel's Theorem and the definition of  $\Phi_{\ell}$  ( $\hat{\Phi}_{\ell}(\xi) = 1$  for  $2^{\ell}|\xi| \leq 2$ ),

$$\begin{split} \|(Q_{i,N}^{j})^{*}Q_{k,N}^{j}f\|_{2}^{2} & \leq \int\limits_{\mathbf{R}^{n}}|1-\hat{\Phi}_{k}(\xi)|^{2}|1-\hat{\Phi}_{i}(\xi)|^{2}|\hat{\omega}_{j+k}(\xi)\overline{\hat{\omega}_{j+i}}(\xi)|^{2}|\hat{f}(\xi)|^{2}d\xi \leq \\ & \leq \int\limits_{|\xi|>2^{1-\min(i,k)}}|\hat{\omega}_{j+k}(\xi)\overline{\hat{\omega}_{j+i}}(\xi)|^{2}|\hat{f}(\xi)|^{2}d\xi. \end{split}$$

By Lemma 2.4 the last integral does not exceed

$$\int_{|\xi| > 2^{1-\min(i,k)}} |\hat{f}(\xi)|^2 [\log(2^{j+k}|\xi|) \log(2^{j+i}|\xi|)]^{-2-2\alpha} d\xi \le c^2 \ a_{i,k}^j \ \|\hat{f}\|_2^2,$$

where  $a_{i,k}^j = [(j+k+1-\min(i,k))(j+i+1-\min(i,k))]^{-2-2\alpha} = [(j+1)(j+1+|k-i|)]^{-2-2\alpha}$ , and (3.9) follows.

Corollary 3.4. Under the conditions of Lemma 3.3 (ii),

(3.10) 
$$||Q_j f||_p \le c (1+j)^{-\alpha \lambda} ||f||_p, \quad j \ge 0, \quad f \in L^p,$$

where  $\lambda/2 < 1/p < 1 - \lambda/2$  if  $0 \le \lambda < 1$ , p = 2 if  $\lambda = 1$ , and c is independent of j.

PROOF: Since  $Q_j$  is not a linear operator we cannot interpolate between (3.6) and (3.7) directly. Therefore we proceed as in [19], p. 280–281 (see also [8, p. 60]). Redenote  $f_{j,k} = Q_{j,k}f$  so that  $Q_jf = \sup_k |Q_{j,k}f|$  (cf. (3.5)). Let  $\mathcal{K}$  be the set of all measurable integer-valued functions k(x) on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Given  $k(x) \in \mathcal{K}$ , define a linear operator

$$\begin{split} Q_{j,k(x)}f(x) &= c_{\nu} \left[ \int\limits_{2^{j+k(x)}}^{2^{j+k(x)+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int\limits_{\Sigma_{n-1}} f(x-r\theta) d\nu(\theta) - \\ &- \int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} f(x-y) dy \int\limits_{2^{j+k(x)}}^{2^{j+k(x)+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int\limits_{\Sigma_{n-1}} 2^{-nk(x)} \Phi(2^{-k(x)}(y-r\theta)) d\nu(\theta) \right], \end{split}$$

so that

(3.11) 
$$\sup_{k \in \mathcal{K}} |Q_{j,k(x)}f(x)| = Q_j f(x).$$

By (3.6), for  $f \in L^q$  we have

(3.12) 
$$\|\sup_{k \in \mathcal{K}} |Q_{j,k(x)}f| \|_{q} = \|Q_{j}f\|_{q} \le c \|f\|_{q} \quad \forall q \in (1, \infty).$$

Moreover,

(3.13) 
$$\sup_{k \in \mathcal{K}} \|Q_{j,k(x)}f\|_q = \|Q_j f\|_q.$$

Indeed, by (3.11) there is a sequence  $\{k_{\ell}(x)\}\subset\mathcal{K}$  such that  $\lim_{\ell\to\infty}|Q_{j,k_{\ell}(x)}f(x)|=Q_{j}f(x)$ , and therefore  $\lim_{\ell\to\infty}\|Q_{j,k_{\ell}(x)}f\|_{q}=\|Q_{j}f\|_{q}$  (use the Lebesgue theorem on dominated convergence together with (3.12)). The last equality implies (3.13) because  $\|Q_{j,k_{\ell}(x)}f\|_{q}\leq\|Q_{j}f\|_{q}$   $\forall k\in\mathcal{K}$ .

Since (3.6) and (3.7) are valid for  $Q_{j,k(x)}$ , then

$$||Q_{j,k(x)}f||_p \le c (1+j)^{-\alpha\lambda} ||f||_p,$$

where c is independent of j and k(x),  $\lambda$  and p are as required. The relations (3.14) and (3.13) imply (3.10).

## 4. Proof of Theorem B.

**Step 1.** Let us prove (1.8) for  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Suppose that  $2^{j-1} \leq \varepsilon < 2^j$ ,  $2^{\ell-1} \leq \rho < 2^{\ell}$  for some  $j, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Then

(4.1) 
$$T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f = T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\infty}f - T_{\nu}^{\rho,\infty}f,$$
 
$$T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\infty}f(x) = \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} (\omega_k * f)(x) + \int_{\varepsilon}^{2^j} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Sigma} f(x - r\theta) d\nu(\theta),$$

and

(4.2) 
$$\sup_{0<\varepsilon<\rho<\infty} |T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f(x)| \le 2 \sup_{j\in\mathbb{Z}} \left| \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} (\omega_k * f)(x) \right| + 2 \sup_{j\in\mathbb{Z}} (|\omega_j| * |f|)(x).$$

By Lemma 2.3 (with s = p),

$$(4.3) \qquad \|\sup_{j \in \mathbf{Z}} (|\omega_j| * |f|) \|_p \le c \|f\|_p \quad \forall p \in (1, \infty).$$

Let us estimate the first term in the right-hand side of (4.2). We take  $\Phi_j(x) = 2^{-jn}\Phi(2^{-j}x)$  with  $\Phi$  as in Lemma 3.3 (ii). Then

$$(4.4) \qquad \sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left| \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \omega_k * f \right| \leq \sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left| (\delta - \Phi_j) * \left( \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \omega_k * f \right) \right| + \sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left| \Phi_j * \left( \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \omega_k * f \right) \right|,$$

 $\delta$  being the Dirac delta function. By (3.5) and (3.10),

$$\left\| \sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left| (\delta - \Phi_j) * \left( \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \omega_k * f \right) \right| \right\|_p \le \left\| \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} Q_j f \right\|_p \le c \|f\|_p,$$

provided (1.9). Furthermore, by Theorem A and Lemma 3.1 (choose  $\sigma_k = \omega_k$ ),

(4.6) 
$$\left\| \sup_{j \in \mathbf{Z}} \left| \Phi_j * \left( \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \omega_k * f \right) \right| \right\|_p \le c \|f\|_p.$$

These estimates imply (1.8).

**Step 2.** Suppose that  $f \in L^p$ ,  $\tilde{T}_{\nu}: L^p \to L^p$  is an extension of the operator  $T_{\nu}$ , the existence of which was stated in Theorem A. Let us prove that  $\Delta = ||T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f - \tilde{T}_{\nu}f||_p \to 0$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ ,  $\rho \to \infty$  for p satisfying (1.9). This result is a consequence of the uniform estimate

(4.7) 
$$\sup_{0 < \varepsilon < \rho < \infty} \| T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon, \rho} f \|_{p} \le A \| f \|_{p}, \quad A = \text{const.}$$

Indeed, if  $\{f_m\} \subset C_c^{\infty}$ ,  $\lim_{m \to \infty} ||f - f_m||_p = 0$ , then

$$\Delta \leq \|T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}(f-f_m)\|_p + \|T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f_m - \tilde{T}_{\nu}f_m\|_p + \|\tilde{T}_{\nu}(f_m - f)\|_p \leq$$
$$\leq A\|f - f_m\|_p + \|T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f_m - \tilde{T}_{\nu}f_m\|_p + c\|f_m - f\|_p.$$

The first and the last terms become small due to m, the second term tends to 0 as  $\varepsilon \to 0$  and  $\rho \to \infty$  by the Lebesgue theorem of dominated convergence which is applicable owing to Step 1.

In order to prove (4.7) we note that the uniform inequality  $||T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}\omega||_{p} \leq A||\omega||_{p}$  holds for  $\omega \in C_{c}^{\infty}$  due to Step 1. Hence it can be extended to all  $f \in L^{p}$ , and we get  $||T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f||_{p} \leq A||f||_{p}$ . This gives (4.7).

**Step 3.** Let us prove (1.8) for  $f \in L^p$ . It suffices to check (4.1)-(4.6) for such an f. By the reasons, which are similar to [1], p. 292, the integral  $T_{|\nu|}^{\varepsilon,\infty}|f|(x)$  is well-defined for a.e.

 $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , which implies the a.e. convergence of the series  $A_j f(x) = \sum_{k=j}^{\infty} \omega_k * f(x)$  for each  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ . This gives (4.1)–(4.4). The validity of (4.5) follows from Corollary 3.4. Let us check (4.6). Note that the relation  $\Delta \to 0$  in Step 2 implies  $\tilde{T}_{\nu} f = \lim_{\substack{m \to \infty \\ \ell \to -\infty}} \sum_{k=\ell}^{m} \omega_k * f$ . Suppose for

a moment that the series  $A_j f$  and  $B_j f = \sum_{k=-\infty}^{j-1} \omega_k * f$  converge in the  $L^p$ -norm. Then  $A_j f \stackrel{a.e.}{=} \tilde{T}_{\nu} f - B_j f$ , and the left-hand side of (4.6) does not exceed

(4.8) 
$$\|\sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |\Phi_j * \tilde{T}_{\nu} f| \|_p + \|\sup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |\Phi_j * B_j f| \|_p,$$

(the series  $A_j f(x)$  being also convergent in the a. e. sense). By [17, p. 27] and Step 2, we can estimate the first term in (4.8):

(4.9) 
$$\|\sup_{j\in \mathbb{Z}} |\Phi_j * \tilde{T}_{\nu} f| \|_p \le c \|M(\tilde{T}_{\nu} f)\|_p \le c \|\tilde{T}_{\nu} f\|_p \le c \|f\|_p,$$

where M is the Hardy-Littlewood maximal operator.

Let us estimate the second term in (4.8). By the reasons, which are similar to [19], p. 162-163, the series  $B_j\Phi_j(x)$  converges for each x. Furthermore, by (3.2) (with  $\sigma_k = \omega_k$ ),  $|B_j\Phi_j(x)| \leq c \ \psi_j(x)$ ,  $\psi_j(x) = 2^{-jn}/(1+|2^{-j}x|)^{n+1}$ . Hence  $\Phi_j * B_j f \stackrel{a.e.}{=} B_j \Phi_j * f$  (both functions belong to  $L^p$  and coincide in the weak sense), and we obtain

(4.10) 
$$\|\sup_{j\in\mathbb{Z}} |\Phi_j * B_j f| \|_p \le c \|\sup_{j\in\mathbb{Z}} (|\psi_j| * |f|) \|_p \le c \|Mf\|_p \le c \|f\|_p.$$
  
By (4.8)–(4.10) we get (4.6).

It remains to check the  $L^p$ -convergence of the series  $A_j f$  and  $B_j f$ . The operators  $A_j$  and  $B_j$  extend as  $L^p$ -bounded operators with the norms, independent of j. To see this, one should use Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3 by putting  $\sigma_k = \begin{cases} \omega_k & \text{if } k \geq j \\ 0 & \text{if } k < j \end{cases}$  for  $A_j$ , and  $\sigma_k = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \geq j \\ \omega_k & \text{if } k < j \end{cases}$  for  $B_j$ . By Step 1, for  $f \in C_c^{\infty}$  we have

$$\|\sup_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} |\sum_{k=j}^{m} \omega_{k} * f| \|_{p} \leq \|\sup_{\ell, m} |\sum_{k=\ell}^{m} \omega_{k} * f| \|_{p} \leq \|\sup_{0 < \varepsilon < \rho < \infty} |T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon, \rho} f| \|_{p} \leq c \|f\|_{p}.$$

Hence, by the reasons, which are similar to those in Step 2, we obtain an  $L^p$ -convergence of  $A_j f$  and  $B_j f$  for  $f \in L^p$ .

Thus, the maximal estimate (1.8) is proved. The a.e. convergence of  $T_{\nu}^{\varepsilon,\rho}f$  then follows in a standard way (use, e.g., Theorem 3.12 from [19, Chapter II]).

## 5. Singular integrals, generated by zonal spherical measures.

# 5.1 Auxiliary results.

**Lemma 5.1.** Suppose that n > 2,  $\Lambda$  is an SO(n-1)-invariant subset of  $\Sigma_{n-1}$ ,  $\nu \in M_z(\Sigma_{n-1})$  (see Notation). If  $f \in L^1(\Sigma_{n-1}, d\nu)$ , then

(5.1) 
$$\int_{\Lambda} f(\vartheta) d\nu(\vartheta) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{n-2}} \int_{\Lambda} d\nu(\vartheta) \int_{\Sigma_{n-2}} f(\sqrt{1 - \vartheta_n^2} \sigma + \vartheta_n e_n) d\sigma,$$

where  $\sigma_{n-2} = |\Sigma_{n-1}|$  and  $d\sigma$  is the usual Lebesgue measure on  $\Sigma_{n-2}$ .

PROOF. Let  $\vartheta = (\sin \theta)\sigma + (\cos \theta)e_n$ ,  $\sigma \in \Sigma_{n-2}$ ,  $\cos \theta = \vartheta_n$ . Then

$$\int_{\Lambda} f(\vartheta) d\nu(\vartheta) = \int_{SO(n-1)} d\gamma \int_{\Lambda} f(\gamma \vartheta) d\nu(\vartheta) = \int_{\Lambda} d\nu(\vartheta) \int_{SO(n-1)} f((\sin \theta) \gamma \sigma + (\cos \theta) e_n) d\gamma = 
= \frac{1}{\sigma_{n-2}} \int_{\Lambda} d\nu(\vartheta) \int_{\Sigma_{n-2}} f((\sin \theta) \sigma + (\cos \theta) e_n) d\sigma,$$

which gives (5.1).  $\Lambda$ 

**Lemma 5.2.** Let  $\nu$  and  $\Lambda$  be the same as in Lemma 5.1. Then for  $\beta \in (0, 1/2)$  and n > 2,

(5.2) 
$$\sup_{|\xi|=1} \int_{\Lambda} |\theta \cdot \xi|^{-\beta} d|\nu|(\theta) \le c \int_{\Lambda} |\theta_n|^{-\beta} (1-\theta_n^2)^{-\beta/2} d|\nu|(\theta), \quad c = c(n,\beta).$$

PROOF. Let  $\xi = (\tilde{\xi}, \xi_n), \ \tilde{\xi} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ . By (5.1),

(5.3) 
$$\int_{\Lambda} |\theta \cdot \xi|^{-\beta} d|\nu|(\theta) = \frac{1}{\sigma_{n-2}} \int_{\Lambda} d|\nu|(\theta) \int_{\Sigma_{n-2}} |\sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2} \sigma \cdot \tilde{\xi} + \theta_n \xi_n|^{-\beta} d\sigma =$$

$$=\frac{\sigma_{n-3}}{\sigma_{n-2}}\int\limits_{\Lambda}A(\xi,\theta)d|\nu|(\theta),\quad A(\xi,\theta)=\int\limits_{-1}^{1}|t\sqrt{(1-\theta_{n}^{2})(1-\xi_{n}^{2})}+\theta_{n}\xi_{n}|^{-\beta}(1-t^{2})^{n/2-2}dt.$$

If  $|\theta_n| \ge \sqrt{1 - \xi_n^2}$ , then  $|\xi_n| \ge \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2}$ ,  $b \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \sqrt{(1 - \theta_n^2)(1 - \xi_n^2)} / |\theta_n \xi_n| \le 1$ , and we have

$$A(\xi,\theta) \leq \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{(1-t^2)^{n/2-2}dt}{(|\theta_n \xi_n| - |t|\sqrt{(1-\theta_n^2)(1-\xi_n^2)})^{\beta}} \leq |\theta_n \xi_n|^{-\beta} \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{(1-t^2)^{n/2-2}dt}{(1-b|t|)^{\beta}} \leq$$

$$\leq 2 |\theta_n|^{-\beta} (1 - \theta_n^2)^{-\beta/2} \int_0^1 \frac{(1 - t^2)^{n/2 - 2} dt}{(1 - t)^{\beta}} = c |\theta_n|^{-\beta} (1 - \theta_n^2)^{-\beta/2}, \quad c = \text{const.}$$

If  $|\theta_n| < \sqrt{1 - \xi_n^2}$ , i.e.  $|\xi_n| < \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2}$ , then  $a \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} -\theta_n \xi_n / \sqrt{(1 - \xi_n^2)(1 - \theta_n^2)} \in (-1, 1)$ , and we get

$$A(\xi,\theta) \leq \left[ (1-\theta_n^2)(1-\xi_n^2) \right]^{-\beta/2} \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{(1-t^2)^{n/2-2} dt}{|t-a|^{\beta}} \leq$$

$$\leq |\theta_n|^{-\beta} (1-\theta_n^2)^{-\beta/2} [I(a) + I(-a)], \quad I(a) = \int_{-1}^{a} \frac{(1-t^2)^{n/2-2} dt}{(a-t)^{\beta}}.$$

By the formulas 2.2.6.1 from [10], and 9.102.2 from [5] we obtain

$$I(a) = \frac{2^{n/2 - 2}B(n/2 - 1, 1 - \beta)}{(a+1)^{1+\beta - n/2}}F\left(\frac{n}{2} - 1, 2 - \frac{n}{2}; \frac{n}{2} - \beta; \frac{a+1}{2}\right) \le c(n, \beta) < \infty,$$

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 $0 < \beta < 1/2$ . The same estimate holds for I(-a).

**Lemma 5.3.** Let  $\nu \in M_z(\Sigma_{n-1}), n > 2$ . Then

$$\sup_{|\xi|=1} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{|\theta \cdot \xi|} d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty,$$

if and only if

(5.6) 
$$\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n| \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2}} d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty.$$

PROOF. Denote

$$R(\xi_n, \theta_n) = \int_{-1}^{1} (1 - t^2)^{n/2 - 2} \log \frac{1}{|t\sqrt{(1 - \theta_n^2)(1 - \xi_n^2)} + \theta_n \xi_n|} dt.$$

As in (5.3) we have

(5.7) 
$$\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{|\theta \cdot \xi|} d|\nu|(\theta) = \frac{\sigma_{n-3}}{\sigma_{n-2}} \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} R(\xi_n, \theta_n) d|\nu|(\theta) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{\sigma_{n-3}}{\sigma_{n-2}} K(\xi_n).$$

Using the same notation as in the proof of Lemma 5.2 we have

for 
$$|\theta_n| \geq \sqrt{1 - \xi_n^2}$$
:

$$R(\xi_n, \theta_n) \le \int_{-1}^{1} (1 - t^2)^{n/2 - 2} \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n \xi_n| (1 - |t|b)} dt \le$$

$$\le c_1 \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n \xi_n|} + 2 \int_{0}^{1} (1 - t^2)^{n/2 - 2} \log \frac{1}{1 - t} dt \le c_1 \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n| \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2}} + c_2;$$

for  $|\theta_n| < \sqrt{1 - \xi_n^2}$ :

$$R(\xi_n, \theta_n) \le \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 - \theta_n^2)(1 - \xi_n^2)}} \left[ c_1 + \int_{-1}^{1} (1 - t^2)^{n/2 - 2} \log \frac{1}{|t - a|} dt \right] <$$

$$< \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n| \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2}} \left[ c_1 + c_2 \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{(1 - t^2)^{n/2 - 2}}{|t - a|^{1/4}} dt \right] \le c \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n| \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2}},$$

c being independent of a (see the estimate of the integral in (5.4)). Hence (5.6) implies (5.5). Conversely, if (5.5) holds, then (see (5.7))  $K(0) < \infty$  and  $K(\pm 1) < \infty$ . Since

$$K(0) = \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\theta_n^2}} d|\nu|(\theta) \int_{-1}^{1} (1-t^2)^{n/2-2} dt + \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} d|\nu|(\theta) \int_{-1}^{1} (1-t^2)^{n/2-2} \log \frac{1}{|t|} dt,$$

and

$$K(\pm 1) = \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n|} d|\nu|(\theta) \int_{-1}^{1} (1 - t^2)^{n/2 - 2} dt,$$

then

$$\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\theta_n^2}} d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty, \qquad \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n|} d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty,$$

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and (5.6) follows.

The next result will be used in the proof of Theorem C.

**Theorem 5.4** (cf. [20], p. 3). Let  $\{\sigma_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{Z}}$  be a sequence of finite Borel measures on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , which for integers  $m\geq 0$  admit a splitting  $\sigma_j=U_j^m+L_j^m$  into Borel measures  $U_j^m$  and  $L_j^m$  so that

$$(5.8) U_j^m \quad and \quad L_j^m \quad are supported in \{x: |x| < c \ 2^j\};$$

(5.9) 
$$||L_j^m|| \le c, \quad |\hat{L}_j^m(\xi)| \le \frac{c \ 2^{am}}{(2^j |\xi|)^{\alpha}}, \quad \alpha > 0;$$

(5.10) 
$$\sup_{j} \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} ||U_{j}^{m}|| \le c.$$

Here c and a are nonnegative constants, independent of m and j. If the operator

(5.11) 
$$Tf = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \sigma_j * f, \quad f \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n),$$

extends to a bounded operator on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , then T extends to a bounded operator on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , 1 .

# 5.2. Proof of Theorem C and Corollary 1.4.

We denote

(5.12) 
$$\Gamma_m = \{ \theta \in \Sigma_{n-1} : |\theta_n| \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2} < 2^{-m} \}, \quad \Gamma_m^c = \Sigma_{n-1} \setminus \Gamma_m,$$

and set  $\sigma_j = U_j^m + L_j^m$ , where the measures  $L_j^m$  and  $U_j^m$  are defined by

(5.13) 
$$(L_j^m, g) = c_{\nu} \int_{2j}^{2^{j+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Gamma^c} g(r\theta) d\nu(\theta), \quad c_{\nu} = \frac{1}{\|\nu\| \log 2};$$

(5.14) 
$$(U_j^m, g) = c_{\nu} \int_{2^j}^{2^{j+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Gamma_m} g(r\theta) d\nu(\theta),$$

 $g \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Suppose that  $f \in C_c^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Then the series  $T_{\nu}f(x) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} (\sigma_j * f)(x)$ , converges for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . By Lemma 5.3, and by the reasons, which are similar to [18, p. 40],  $T_{\nu}$  extends to a bounded operator on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Thus, by Theorem 5.4, it suffices to check (5.8)–(5.10). The validity of (5.8) and the first condition in (5.9) is clear. To check the second inequality in (5.9), we note that

$$(L_j^m)^{\wedge}(\xi) = c_{\nu} \int_{\Gamma_m^c} d\nu(\theta) \Big\{ \int_{2^j}^{2^{j+1}} e^{-2\pi i r \theta \cdot \xi} \frac{dr}{r} \Big\}.$$

The integral in brackets is dominated by  $\log 2$  and also by  $2^{-j}|\theta \cdot \xi|^{-1}$ . Hence, it does not exceed c  $(2^{-j}|\theta \cdot \xi|)^{-\alpha}$  for any  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ . Let  $\alpha = 1/4$ ,  $\xi' = \xi/|\xi|$ . Then by Lemma 5.2,

$$\begin{split} |(L_j^m)^{\wedge}(\xi)| &\leq \frac{c}{(2^j |\xi|)^{1/4}} \int\limits_{\Gamma_m^c} \frac{d |\nu|(\theta)}{|\theta \cdot \xi'|^{1/4}} \leq \\ &\leq \frac{c}{(2^j |\xi|)^{1/4}} \int\limits_{\Gamma_m^c} \frac{d |\nu|(\theta)}{(|\theta_n| \sqrt{1 - \theta_n^2})^{1/4}} \leq \frac{c \ 2^{m/4}}{(2^j |\xi|)^{1/4}}. \end{split}$$

It remains to check (5.10). By (5.14),

$$||U_j^m|| \le c_\nu \int_{2^j}^{2^{j+1}} \frac{dr}{r} \int_{\Gamma_m} d|\nu|(\theta) \le c \int_{\Gamma_m} d|\nu|(\theta)$$

(see the proof of (2.11)). Hence (see (5.12))

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \|U_j^m\| \le c \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int_{\Gamma_m} d|\nu|(\theta) = c \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} d|\nu|(\theta) \Big[ \sum_{m < \log_2(1/|\theta_n|\sqrt{1-\theta_n^2})} 1 \Big] \le c \int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \log \frac{1}{|\theta_n|\sqrt{1-\theta_n^2}} d|\nu|(\theta) < \infty,$$

which gives (5.10). The statement (a) is proved. The statement (b) follows from Theorem B by taking into account that (1.6) holds for all  $\alpha > 0$  owing to (1.11) and Lemma 5.2.  $\Lambda$  Corollary 1.4 is a consequence of part (a) of Theorem C and Lemma 5.3.

## 5.3. Proof of Corollary 1.5.

The required function can be constructed as follows. Denote

$$\Lambda_1 = \{\theta \in \Sigma_{n-1} : 1/4 < \theta_n < 3/4\}, \quad \Lambda_2 = \{\theta \in \Sigma_{n-1} : 1/3 \le \theta_n \le 1/2\} (\subset \Lambda_1),$$

and let  $\psi: \Sigma_{n-1} \to \mathbb{R}$  be an integrable even zonal function such that  $\psi(\theta) > 0$  on  $\Lambda_1$  and  $|\psi| \log(1 + |\psi|) \notin L^1(\Lambda_2)$ . We define

$$\Omega(\theta) = \begin{cases} \lambda \ |\theta_n|^{-1} (\log |\theta_n|^{-1})^{-2} (\log \log |\theta_n|^{-1})^{-2} & \text{if } |\theta_n| < 1/100, \\ \psi(\theta) & \text{if } 1/4 < |\theta_n| < 3/4, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\lambda(<0)$  is choosen so that  $\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Omega(\theta) d\theta = 0$ . For all  $\alpha > 0$ ,

$$\sup_{|\xi|=1} \int\limits_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Big(\log \frac{1}{|\xi \cdot \theta|} \Big)^{1+\alpha} |\Omega(\theta)| d\theta \geq \int\limits_{\{\theta: |\theta_n| < 1/100\}} \Big(\log \frac{1}{|\theta_n|} \Big)^{1+\alpha} |\Omega(\theta)| d\theta = \infty,$$

i.e. (1.4) fails. Let us prove that  $\Omega \notin H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$ . Assuming the contrary and setting  $g(x) = |x|^{1-n}\Omega(x')$ , x' = x/|x|, if  $|x| \leq 2$ , and  $g(x) \equiv 0$  if |x| > 2, we obtain  $g(x) \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$  (see Lemma 2.5 from [15]). Since g is positive on the open set

$$\tilde{\Lambda}_1 = \{ x = r\theta \in \mathbb{R}^n : 1/4 < r < 2, \ \theta \in \Lambda_1 \},$$

then g belongs to the class  $L \log L$  on any compact  $K \subset \tilde{\Lambda}_1$  ([17], p. 128). By choosing  $K = \{x = r\theta \in \mathbb{R}^n : 1/2 \le r \le 1, \ \theta \in \Lambda_2\}$  we get

$$\infty > \int_{K} g(x) \log(1 + g(x)) dx = \int_{1/2}^{1} dr \int_{\Lambda_{2}} \Omega(x') \log\left(1 + \frac{\Omega(x')}{r^{n-1}}\right) dx' \ge \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Lambda_{2}} \psi(x') \log(1 + \psi(x')) dx' = \infty$$

due to the choice of  $\psi$ . This contradiction shows that  $\Omega \notin H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$ .

It remains to note that for  $d\nu(\theta) = \Omega(\theta)d\theta$  the operator  $T_{\nu}$  extends to a bounded operator on  $L^{p}(\mathbb{R}^{n}) \quad \forall p \in (1, \infty)$  according to Corollary 1.4 and Lemma 5.3.

### 5.4. Proof of Corollary 1.6.

Let  $\Lambda_1, \Lambda_2$  and  $\psi$  be the same as in the previous subsection. Consider the function

(5.15) 
$$\Omega(\theta) = \begin{cases} \lambda & \text{if } 1/5 < |\theta_n| \le 1/4, \\ \psi(\theta) & \text{if } 1/4 < |\theta_n| < 3/4, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\lambda < 0$  is such that  $\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Omega(\theta) d\theta = 0$ . By Lemma 5.2 the function (5.15) satisfies (1.4) for all  $\alpha > 0$ . On the other hand,  $\Omega \notin H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$  (see the proof of Corollary 1.5).  $\Lambda$ 

## Proof of Proposition 1.7.

Let  $x = (x_1, \tilde{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $\tilde{x} = (x_2, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$ . We set  $\Omega(x') = \int_0^\infty r^{n-1} g(rx') dr$ , x' = x/|x|, where  $g(x) = u(x_1)v(\tilde{x})$ ,

$$u(x_1) = \begin{cases} x_1^{-1} (\log|x_1|^{-1})^{-1-\varepsilon} & \text{if } 0 < |x_1| < 1/100, \\ 0 & \text{if } |x_1| > 1/100, \end{cases} \quad 0 < \varepsilon < 1,$$

$$v(\tilde{x}) = \begin{cases} sgn \ x_2 & \text{if} \quad 1/100 < |\tilde{x}| < 2/100, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

It is clear that  $\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} \Omega(x') dx' = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} g(x) dx = 0$ . Let us check that  $\Omega \in H^1(\Sigma_{n-1})$ . By Lemma 2.4 from [15], it suffices to show that  $g \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Since  $u \in H^1(\mathbb{R})$  (see Section 6.2 of [17], p. 178), and  $v \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^{n-1})$  (see Section 1.2.4. of [17], p. 92), there are Schwartz functions  $\Phi_1(x_1)$  and  $\Phi_2(\tilde{x})$  with nonvanishing integrals such that

(6.1) 
$$\sup_{t>0} |((\Phi_1)_t * u)(x_1)| \in L^1(\mathbf{R}), \qquad \sup_{t>0} |((\Phi_2)_t * v)(\tilde{x})| \in L^1(\mathbf{R}^{n-1})$$

(cf. Theorem 1 from [17], p. 91). In view of (6.1),  $\sup_{t>0} |(\Phi_t * g)(x)| \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , where  $\Phi(x) = \Phi_1(x_1)\Phi_2(\tilde{x})$  is a Schwartz function. This gives  $g \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

Let us check (1.12). We set  $a(\xi)=\int\limits_{\Sigma_{n-1}}|\Omega(x')|\,\log(1/|\xi\cdot x'|)\,dx'.$  Since  $g(x)=|g(x)|\,sgn\,x_1\,sgn\,x_2$ , then  $|\Omega(x')|=\int_0^\infty r^{n-1}|g(rx')|dr.$  Hence

$$\sup_{|\xi|=1} a(\xi) \geq a(e_1) = \int\limits_{\mathbf{R}^n} |g(x)| \log \frac{1}{|x_1'|} dx = \int\limits_{\mathbf{R}^n} |g(x)| \log \frac{1}{|x_1|} dx - \int\limits_{\mathbf{R}^n} |g(x)| \log \frac{1}{|x|} dx \geq \infty$$

because the first integral in (6.2) is infinite and the second one does not exceed

$$\int\limits_{\mathbf{R}} |u(x_1)| dx_1 \int\limits_{\mathbf{R}^{n-1}} |v( ilde{x})| \log rac{1}{| ilde{x}|} d ilde{x} < \infty.$$

Thus we are done.  $\Lambda$ 

# 7. Examples.

Below we give examples of singular non-zonal measures, which satisfy (1.6) for all  $\alpha > 0$ . For these measures all statements of Theorem B hold in the maximal range 1 .

**Example 7.1** (n = 2). Consider the distribution function C(x) of the middle third Cantor set on [0,1] (see [14], p. 145). Let  $C_{2\pi}(x) = 2\pi C(x/2\pi)$ , so that  $C_{2\pi}(0) = 0$  and  $C_{2\pi}(2\pi) = 2\pi$ . By setting

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x, & x \in [0, 2\pi/6], \\ 2\pi/3 - x, & x \in [2\pi/6, 2\pi/3], \\ 0, & x \in [2\pi/3, 4\pi/3], \\ 4\pi/3 - x, & x \in [4\pi/3, 10\pi/6], \\ x - 2\pi, & x \in [10\pi/6, 2\pi], \end{cases}$$

we define an auxiliary measure  $\sigma$  on  $[0, 2\pi]$  by

$$\sigma(E) = \int_E d\psi(x), \quad \psi(x) = (g \circ C_{2\pi})(x),$$

E being a Borel subset of  $[0, 2\pi]$  (since  $\psi$  is a function of bounded variation, this definition is correct). Let  $h: [0, 2\pi] \to \Sigma_1$  be a canonical map so that  $h(\theta) = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta) \in \Sigma_1$ . We define the required measure  $\nu$  on  $\Sigma_1$  as an image of  $\sigma$  under the mapping h. It is clear that  $\nu(\Sigma_1) = \sigma([0, 2\pi]) = 0$ . Moreover, one can readily check that the total variation  $V_0$  of  $\psi$  on [0, x] coincides with C(x). Hence for any interval  $[a, b] \subset [0, 2\pi]$ , we have

$$|\sigma|([a,b]) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \stackrel{b}{V}\psi = \stackrel{b}{V}\psi - \stackrel{a}{V}\psi = C(b) - C(a),$$

and therefore [14, p. 157]

$$|\sigma|([a,b]) \le c (b-a)^{\log_3 2}.$$

Let us show that

(7.2) 
$$\sup_{|\xi|=1} \int_{\Sigma_1} |\vartheta \cdot \xi|^{-\beta} d|\nu|(\vartheta) < \infty$$

for all  $\beta < \log_3 2$  (this implies (1.6) for all  $\alpha > 0$ ). Fix  $\xi = (\cos \varphi, \sin \varphi) \in \Sigma_1$ , and  $\varepsilon \in (0, 2^{-10})$ . Suppose for a moment that

(7.3) 
$$\int_{\Sigma_{t}} |\vartheta \cdot \xi|^{-\beta} d|\nu|(\vartheta) \leq \int_{0}^{2\pi} |\cos(\varphi - \theta)|^{-\beta} d|\sigma|(\theta).$$

The right-hand side of (7.3) is equal to

(7.4) 
$$\left( \int\limits_{A_{\varepsilon}^{1}(\varphi)} + \int\limits_{A_{\varepsilon}^{2}(\varphi)} + \int\limits_{A_{\varepsilon}^{3}(\varphi)} \right) |\cos(\varphi - \theta)|^{-\beta} d|\sigma|(\theta) = I_{1} + I_{2} + I_{3},$$

where

$$A_\varepsilon^1(\varphi) = \{\theta \in [0,2\pi] : \pi/2 - \varepsilon < |\theta - \varphi| < \pi/2 + \varepsilon\},$$

$$A_{\varepsilon}^{2}(\varphi) = \{ \theta \in [0, 2\pi] : 3\pi/2 - \varepsilon < |\theta - \varphi| < 3\pi/2 + \varepsilon \},$$

$$A_{\varepsilon}^{3}(\varphi) = [0, 2\pi] \setminus (A_{\varepsilon}^{1}(\varphi) \cup A_{\varepsilon}^{2}(\varphi)).$$

The third integral in (7.4) is dominated by  $(\sin \varepsilon)^{-\beta} |\sigma|([0, 2\pi])$ . Furthermore, by Theorem 1.15 from [9], p. 15,

$$I_1 \leq c \int\limits_{A_{\varepsilon}^1(\varphi)} |\theta - \varphi - \frac{\pi}{2}|^{-\beta} d|\sigma|(\theta) = \beta (\int\limits_0^{\varepsilon} + \int\limits_{\varepsilon}^{\infty}) |\sigma|(\{\theta \in A_{\varepsilon}^1(\varphi) : |\theta - \varphi - \frac{\pi}{2}| \leq t\}) \frac{dt}{t^{\beta + 1}}.$$

Both integrals are dominated by a constant which is independent of  $\varphi$ . For the second integral this is obvious. For the first one the statement holds due to estimate

$$|\sigma|(\{\theta \in A_{\varepsilon}^{1}(\varphi) : |\theta - \varphi - \pi/2| \le t\}) \le |\sigma|(\{\theta \in [0, 2\pi] : |\theta - \varphi - \pi/2| \le t\}) \le c t^{\log_{3} 2}$$

which follows from (7.1). For  $I_2$  the argument is similar.

It remains to prove (7.3). For  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  denote  $D_{\xi}(N) = \{\vartheta \in \Sigma_1 : |\vartheta \cdot \xi|^{-\beta} \leq N\}$ , and let  $\{S_m^{\xi}(\vartheta)\}_{m=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of simple functions, such that for each  $\vartheta \in D_{\xi}(N)$ ,  $0 \leq S_1^{\xi} \leq \ldots \leq S_m^{\xi} \leq \ldots \leq |\vartheta \cdot \xi|^{-\beta}$  and  $S_m^{\xi}(\vartheta) \to |\vartheta \cdot \xi|^{-\beta}$  as  $m \to \infty$ . By the reasons, which are similar to those in the proof of (2.11), we have  $|\nu|(E) \leq |\sigma|(h^{-1}(E)) \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{B}(\Sigma_1)$ . Hence,

$$\int_{D_{\xi}(N)} |\vartheta \cdot \xi|^{-\beta} \ d|\nu|(\vartheta) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \int_{D_{\xi}(N)} S_m^{\xi}(\vartheta) \ d|\nu|(\vartheta) \le$$

$$\le \lim_{m \to \infty} \int_{h^{-1}(D_{\xi}(N))} (S_m^{\xi} \circ h)(\theta) \ d|\sigma|(\theta) = \int_{h^{-1}(D_{\xi}(N))} |\cos(\varphi - \theta)|^{-\beta} d|\sigma|(\theta),$$

where  $h^{-1}(D_{\xi}(N)) = \{\theta \in [0, 2\pi] : |\cos(\varphi - \theta)|^{-\beta} \le N\}$ . Tending N to infinity, we obtain (7.3).

The next example is motivated by Corollary 4.3 from [3], p. 553.

**Example 7.2** (n > 2). Define a measure  $\nu$  on  $\Sigma_{n-1}$  by

$$\int_{\Sigma_{n-1}} g(\vartheta) d\nu(\vartheta) = \int_{\Gamma} g(y) \Omega(y) d_{\Gamma} y, \quad \int_{\Gamma} \Omega(y) d_{\Gamma} y = 0,$$

where  $\Gamma = \{\vartheta \in \Sigma_{n-1} : \vartheta_n = 1/2\}$ ,  $\Omega \in L^q(\Gamma)$  for some q > 1,  $g \in C(\Sigma_{n-1})$ ;  $d_{\Gamma}y$  is the induced Lebesgue measure on  $\Gamma$ . By the reasons, which are similar to those in the proof

of (7.3), and by Hölder's inequality we have

$$\int\limits_{\Gamma_{n-1}} |\xi \cdot \vartheta|^{-\beta} d|\nu|(\vartheta) \leq \int\limits_{\Gamma} |\xi \cdot y|^{-\beta} |\Omega(y)| d_{\Gamma} y \leq |K^{1/p}| \|\Omega\|_{L^q(\Gamma)},$$

where 1/p+1/q=1 and  $K=\int_{\Gamma}|\xi\cdot y|^{-p\beta}d_{\Gamma}y$  is bounded uniformly in  $\xi$  for  $0<\beta<1/2$  p (cf. Lemma 5.2). By Theorem A the relevant singular integral operator  $T_{\nu}$  is bounded on  $L^p$  for all  $1< p<\infty$ .

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