

Compact Commutators of Riesz Transforms Associated to Schrödinger Operator

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Abstract: In this paper, we consider the compactness of some commutators of Riesz transforms associated to Schrödinger operator $L = -\Delta + V$ on R^n , $n \geq 3$, where V is non-zero, nonnegative and belongs to the reverse Hölder class B_q for $q > \frac{n}{2}$. We prove that if $T_1 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1}V$, $T_2 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}V^{1/2}$ and $T_3 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}\nabla$, then the commutators $[b, T_j]$, ($j = 1, 2, 3$) are compact on $L^p(R^n)$ when p ranges in an interval and $b \in VMO(R^n)$.

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INTRODUCTION

Throughout the paper, we assume that $L = -\Delta + V$ be a Schrödinger operator on R^n , $n \geq 3$ and V is a non-zero, nonnegative potential, and belongs to the reverse Hölder class B_q for $q > n/2$. Let T_j , $j = 1, 2, 3$ be the Riesz transforms associated to Schrödinger operators, namely, $T_1 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1}V$, $T_2 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}V^{1/2}$ and $T_3 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}\nabla$. The L^p boundedness of T_j , ($j = 1, 2, 3$) was widely studied in [3]. Recently, in [1], the authors got the L^p boundedness of the commutator of T_j , ($j = 1, 2, 3$) with the symbol $b \in BMO(R^n)$. In this paper, we will discuss the L^p compactness of the commutators $[b, T_j] = bT_j - T_jb$, ($j =$

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1, 2, 3), where $b \in VMO(R^n) = \overline{C_0^\infty(R^n)}$, the closure of $C_0^\infty(R^n)$ functions in BMO norm.

A nonnegative locally L^q integrable function V on R^n is said to belong to B_q , ($1 < q < \infty$), if there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that the reverse Hölder inequality

$$\left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B V^q(x) dx \right)^{1/q} \leq C \left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B V(x) dx \right) \quad (1)$$

holds for every ball B in R^n .

By Hölder's inequality, we can get that $B_{q_1} \subseteq B_{q_2}$, for $q_1 \geq q_2 > 1$. One remarkable feature about the B_q class is that if $V \in B_q$ for some $q > 1$ then there exists an $\varepsilon > 0$ which depends only on the dimension n and the constant C in (1), such that $V \in B_{q+\varepsilon}$. It's also well known that if $V \in B_q$, $q > 1$ then $V(x)dx$ is a doubling measure, namely for any $r > 0$, $x \in R^n$ and some constant $C_0 > 0$, one has

$$\int_{B(x,2r)} V(y) dy \leq C_0 \int_{B(x,r)} V(y) dy. \quad (2)$$

In [3], Z. Shen proved that if $V \in B_n$ then T_3 is a Calderón-Zygmund operator. According to the classical result of A.Uchiyama ([4]), for $b \in VMO(R^n)$, $[b, T_3]$ is a compact operator on L^p , ($1 < p < \infty$) in the case. So we restrict ourselves to the case that $V \in B_q$, ($n/2 < q < n$) when we consider the commutator $[b, T_3]$.

In the rest of this section, we will state some definitions and lemmas which will be used in the proofs of the main results.

Definition 0.1. For $x \in R^n$, the function $m(x, V)$ is defined by

$$\frac{1}{m(x, V)} = \sup_{r>0} \left\{ r : \frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{B(x,r)} V(y) dy \leq 1 \right\}. \quad (3)$$

Clearly, for every $x \in R^n$, if $r = \frac{1}{m(x, V)}$, then $\frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{B(x,r)} V(y) dy = 1$.

The function $m(x, V)$, as deeply studied in [3], plays an important role in estimating the kernel of T_i , ($i = 1, 2, 3$). We list some properties of $m(x, V)$ here, and their proofs can be found in [3].

Lemma 0.2. Assume $V \in B_q$ for $q > n/2$, there exist $C > 0, c > 0, k_0 > 0$ such that, for any $x, y \in R^n, 0 < r < R < \infty$,

- (1) (a) $0 < m(x, V) < \infty$;
- (2) (b) $m(x, V) \sim m(y, V)$, if $|x - y| \leq \frac{c}{m(x, V)}$;
- (3) (c) $\frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{B(x,r)} V(y)dy \leq C(\frac{R}{r})^{n/q-2} \frac{1}{R^{n-2}} \int_{B(x,R)} V(y)dy$.

By (a) and (c) of Lemma 0.2 in [1], the authors got:

Lemma 0.3. ([1], Lemma 1) Suppose $V \in B_q$ for some $q > n/2$ and let $K > \log_2 C_0 + 1$, where C_0 is the constant in (2). Then for any $x \in R^n$ and $R > 0$, we have

$$\frac{1}{\{1 + m(x, V)R\}^K} \int_{B(x,R)} V(y)dy \leq CR^{n-2}. \quad (4)$$

We also list some results concerning the L^p boundedness of T_j , ($j = 1, 2, 3$) and refer the reader to [3] for further details. We will adopt the notation $1/p' = 1 - 1/p$ for $p \geq 1$ throughout the paper.

Theorem 0.4. Suppose $V \in B_q$ and $q \geq n/2$, we have:

- (1) (i) ([3], Theorem 3.1, Page 526) $\|(-\Delta + V)^{-1}Vf\|_p \leq C_p\|f\|_p$ for $q' \leq p \leq \infty$.
- (2) (ii) ([3], Theorem 5.10, Page 542) $\|(-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}V^{1/2}f\|_p \leq C_p\|f\|_p$ for $(2q)' \leq p \leq \infty$.
- (3) (iii) ([3], Theorem 0.5, Page 514) $\|(-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}\nabla f\|_p \leq C_p\|f\|_p$ for $p_0' \leq p < \infty$,

where $1/p_0 = 1/q - 1/n$ $n/2 \leq q < n$.

In [1], using Theorem 0.4 and a pointwise estimation of the kernel of T_i , ($i = 1, 2, 3$), the authors got the L^p boundedness of commutator $[b, T_i]$, ($i = 1, 2, 3$), where $b \in BMO(R^n)$.

Theorem 0.5. ([1], Theorem 1) (i) Suppose $V \in B_q, q \geq n/2$. If $b \in BMO(R^n)$, then for $q' \leq p \leq \infty$,

$$\|[b, T_1]f\|_p \leq C_p\|b\|_{BMO}\|f\|_p.$$

(ii) Suppose $V \in B_q, q \geq n/2$. If $b \in BMO(R^n)$, then for $(2q)' \leq p < \infty$,

$$\|[b, T_2]f\|_p \leq C_p\|b\|_{BMO}\|f\|_p.$$

(iii) Suppose $V \in B_q, n/2 \leq q < n$. If $b \in BMO(R^n)$, then for $(p_0)' \leq p < \infty$ and $1/p_1 = 1/q - 1/n$,

$$\|[b, T_3]f\|_p \leq C_p\|b\|_{BMO}\|f\|_p.$$

Our proof of the compactness follows the well known Frechet-Kolmogorov theorem.

Theorem 0.6. (Frechet-Kolmogorov) *A subset G of $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$ is strongly precompact if and only if it satisfies:*

$$(c1) \quad \sup_{f \in G} \|f\|_p < \infty;$$

(c2) *For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist a closed region K_ε and $\delta_\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\|f\|_{L^p(K_\varepsilon)} < \varepsilon$ for any $f \in G$;*

$$(c3) \quad \text{For any } f \in G, \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 0} \|f(\cdot + z) - f(\cdot)\|_p = 0, \text{ uniformly.}$$

Therefore, in order to prove the compactness of the commutators $[b, T_i]$, ($i = 1, 2, 3$), we only need to test the following three conditions for the commutator $[b, T_i]$, ($i = 1, 2, 3$):

$$(c1)' \quad \sup_{\|f\|_p \leq 1} \|[b, T_i]f\|_p \leq C;$$

(c2)' *For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a ball B such that $(\int_{B^c} |[b, T_i]f(x)|^p dx)^{1/p} < \varepsilon$, $\|f\|_p \leq 1$;*

(c3)' *For any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that when $|z| < \delta$, we have*

$$\|[b, T_i]f(\cdot + z) - [b, T_i]f(\cdot)\|_p < \varepsilon, \quad \|f\|_p \leq 1.$$

Remark 0.7. Because $VMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is the closure of $C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ in BMO norm, by density, we easily see that if $[b, T_i]$ is a compact operator on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ for $b \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then for $b \in VMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $[b, T_i]$ is also a compact operator on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$. So in what follows, we always assume $b \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Remark 0.8. By Theorem 0.5, we know that the operators $[b, T_i]$, ($i = 1, 2, 3$) are bounded on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ for some $p > 1$, so that each $[b, T_i]$ satisfies condition (c1)' obviously.

1. L^p BOUNDEDNESS OF MAXIMAL OPERATOR OF T_i , ($i = 1, 2, 3$)

In this section, we discuss the L^p boundedness of maximal operators of T_i , ($i=1,2,3$). We define the maximal operators of T_i as follows:

Definition 1.1. Suppose $V \in B_q$ for $q > n/2$. Let $T_1 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1}V$, $T_2 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}V^{1/2}$ and $T_3 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}\nabla$ be the Riesz transforms associated

to Schrödinger operators. Then the maximal operator $T_{i,Max}$ of T_i , ($i = 1, 2, 3$) is defined by:

$$T_{i,Max} = \sup_{r>0} \left| \int_{|x-y|>r} K_i(x, y)f(y)dy \right|, \quad (i = 1, 2, 3).$$

Lemma 1.2. *Suppose $V \in B_q, q > n/2$. Then the maximal operator of T_1 is bounded on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ for $p > q'$.*

The proof of Lemma 1.2 needs the following lemma.

Lemma 1.3. *([1], Lemma 2) Suppose $V \in B_q$ for some $q > n/2$. Then there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for any integer $l > 0, 0 < h < |x - y|/16$,*

$$|K_1(x, y)| \leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x - y|^{n-2}} V(y), \quad (5)$$

$$|K_1(x + h, y) - K_1(x, y)| \leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|\}^l} \frac{|h|^\delta}{|x - y|^{n-2+\delta}} V(y). \quad (6)$$

Proof of Lemma 1.2 We set $T_{1,r}f(x) = \int_{|x-y|>r} K_1(x, y)f(y)dy, B = B(x, r/16)$ and divide f into $f = f_1 + f_2$, where $f_1 = f\chi_{16B}$, so we get

$$\begin{aligned} |T_{1,r}f(x)| &= \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_{1,r}f(x)|dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_1f(y)|dy + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_1f_1(y)|dy + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_1f_2(y) - T_{1,r}f(x)|dy \\ &\leq M(T_1f)(x) + \frac{1}{|B|^{1/q'}} \|T_1f_1\|_{q'} + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_1f_2(y) - T_{1,r}f(x)|dy \\ &\leq M(T_1f)(x) + \left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_{16B} |f(y)|^{q'}dy\right)^{1/q'} + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_1f_2(y) - T_{1,r}f(x)|dy \\ &\leq M(T_1f)(x) + C(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'} + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_1f_2(y) - T_{1,r}f(x)|dy. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_1f_2(y) - T_{1,r}f(x)|dy \\ &= \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| \int_{(16B)^c} K_1(y, \xi)f_2(\xi)d\xi - \int_{|x-\xi|>r} K_1(x, \xi)f(\xi)d\xi \right|dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left[\int_{|x-\xi|>r} |K_1(y, \xi) - K_1(x, \xi)||f(\xi)|d\xi \right]dy. \end{aligned}$$

Now, if we set $I_y^1 = \int_{|x-\xi|>r} |K_1(y, \xi) - K_1(x, \xi)| |f(\xi)| d\xi$ and $h = |y - x|$, then by $|y - x| < r/16 < \frac{1}{16}|x - \xi|$ for $y \in B$ and (6) of Lemma 1.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_y^1 &= \int_{|x-\xi|>r} |K_1(y, \xi) - K_1(x, \xi)| |f(\xi)| d\xi \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^k r < |x-\xi| \leq 2^{k+1} r} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - \xi|\}^l} \frac{|y - x|^\delta}{|x - \xi|^{n-2+\delta}} V(\xi) |f(\xi)| d\xi \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k r\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-2+\delta}} \left(\int_{|x-\xi| \leq 2^{k+1} r} V^q(\xi) d\xi \right)^{1/q} \left(\int_{|x-\xi| \leq 2^{k+1} r} |f(\xi)|^{q'} d\xi \right)^{1/q'} \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_l (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k r\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-2+\delta}} (2^{k+1} r)^{n/q-n} \left(\int_{B(x, 2^k r)} V(\xi) d\xi \right) (2^{k+1} r)^{n/q'} \\ &\leq C (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-2+\delta}} (2^k r)^{n-2} \\ &\leq C (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}. \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used Lemma 0.3 for $R = 2^k r$. Finally, we have

$$\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B I_y^1 dy \leq C (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'} \quad \text{and} \quad T_{1,Max} f(x) \leq M(T_1 f)(x) + C (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}.$$

By use of (i) of Theorem 0.4, we have

$$\|T_{1,Max}(f)\|_p \leq \|M(T_1 f)\|_p + C \|(M(|f|^{q'}))^{1/q'}\|_p \leq C \|f\|_p, \text{ for } p > q' > 1.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 1.2.

Similarly, for $T_{2,Max}(f)$, we have the following lemma.

Lemma 1.4. *Suppose $V \in B_q, q > n/2$. The maximal operator of T_2 is bounded on $L^p(R^n)$, for $p > (2q)'$.*

The proof of Lemma 1.4 needs the following lemma.

Lemma 1.5. *([1], Lemma 3) Suppose $V \in B_q$ for some $q > n/2$. Then there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for any integer $k > 0, 0 < h < |x - y|/16$,*

$$|K_2(x, y)| \leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x - y|^{n-1}} V^{1/2}(y), \quad (7)$$

$$|K_2(x+h, y) - K_2(x, y)| \leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|\}^l} \frac{|h|^\delta}{|x - y|^{n-1+\delta}} V^{1/2}(y). \quad (8)$$

Proof. We set $T_{2,r}f(x) = \int_{|x-y|>r} K_2(x,y)f(y)dy$ and $B = B(x, \frac{r}{16})$, and divide f into $f_1 + f_2$, where $f_1 = f\chi_{16B}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} |T_{2,r}f(x)| &= \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_{2,r}f(x)|dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_2f(y)|dy + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_2f_1(y)|dy + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_2f_2(y) - T_{2,r}f(x)|dy \\ &= I_1 + I_2 + I_3. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly, we have $I_1 = \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_2f(y)|dy \leq M(T_2f)(x)$. By use of the L^p boundedness of T_2 , we have

$$I_2 \leq \frac{1}{|B|^{1/(2q)'}} \|T_2f_1\|_{(2q)'} \leq C \frac{1}{|B|^{1/(2q)'}} \|f_1\|_{(2q)'} \leq C \left(M(|f|^{(2q)'}) (x) \right)^{1/(2q)'}$$

At last we estimate I_3 ,

$$\begin{aligned} I_3 &= \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| \int K_2(y, \xi) f_2(\xi) d\xi - \int_{|x-\xi|>r} K_2(x, \xi) f(\xi) d\xi \right| dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \int_{|x-\xi|>r} |K_2(y, \xi) - K_2(x, \xi)| |f(\xi)| d\xi dy. \end{aligned}$$

Write $I_y^2 = \int_{|x-\xi|>r} |K_2(y, \xi) - K_2(x, \xi)| |f(\xi)| d\xi$. Because $y \in B$ implies $h = |y - x| < 1/16r < |x - \xi|$, by (8) of Lemma 1.5 and Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_y^2 &\leq C \int_{|x-\xi|>r} \frac{1}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - \xi|\}^l} \frac{|y - x|^\delta}{|x - \xi|^{n-1+\delta}} V^{1/2}(\xi) |f(\xi)| d\xi \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^\infty \int_{2^k r < |x-\xi| \leq 2^{k+1} r} \frac{1}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - \xi|\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{|x - \xi|^{n-1+\delta}} V^{1/2}(\xi) |f(\xi)| d\xi \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{1}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^{k r}\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-1+\delta}} \left(\int_{|x-\xi| < 2^{k+1} r} V^{2q}(\xi) d\xi \right)^{1/2q} \times \\ &\quad \left(\int_{|x-\xi| < 2^{k+1} r} |f(\xi)|^{(2q)'} d\xi \right)^{1/(2q)'}. \end{aligned}$$

Because of $V \in B_q$, by Lemma 0.3 and the double property of $V(x)dx$, we can get

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_y^2 &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(2^{k+1}r)^{n/2q-n/2}}{\{1+m(x,V)2^k r\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-1+\delta}} \left(\int_{|x-\xi|<2^{k+1}r} V(\xi)d\xi \right)^{1/2} \times \\
 &\quad \left(\int_{|x-\xi|<2^{k+1}r} |f(\xi)|^{(2q)'} d\xi \right)^{1/(2q)'} \\
 &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-1+\delta}} (2^{k+1}r)^{n/2q-n/2} (2^k r)^{n/2-1} (2^{k+1}r)^{n/(2q)'} (M(|f|^{(2q)'}) (x))^{1/(2q)'} \\
 &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-1+\delta}} (2^k r)^{n-1} (M(|f|^{(2q)'}) (x))^{1/(2q)'} \\
 &\leq C (M(|f|^{(2q)'}) (x))^{1/(2q)'}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently $I_3 \leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B I_y^2 dy \leq C (M(|f|^{(2q)'}) (x))^{1/(2q)'}$. Finally we have

$$T_{2,Max}(f)(x) \leq M(T_2 f)(x) + C (M(|f|^{(2q)'}) (x))^{1/(2q)'}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 1.4. □

It remains to handle the L^p boundedness of maximal operator $T_{3,Max}$. For this propose, we need the following lemma.

Lemma 1.6. (*[1], Lemma 4*) *Suppose $V \in B_q$ for some $n/2 < q < n$. Then there exists $\delta > 0$ such that for any integer $k > 0$ and $0 < h < |x - y|/16$,*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &|K_3(x, y)| \\
 &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1+m(x,V)|x-y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x-y|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{B(y,|x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi + \frac{1}{|x-y|} \right), \tag{9}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &|K_3(x+h, y) - K_3(x, y)| \\
 &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1+m(x,V)|x-y|\}^l} \frac{|h|^\delta}{|x-y|^{n-1+\delta}} \left(\int_{B(y,|x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi + \frac{1}{|x-y|} \right). \tag{10}
 \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1.7. *Suppose $V \in B_q, n/2 < q < n$. The maximal operator $T_{3,Max}$ is bounded on L^p , for $p'_1 \leq p < \infty$, where $1/p_1 = 1/q - 1/n$.*

Proof. For any x , let $T_{3,r}f(x) = \int_{|x-y|>r} K_3(x,y)f(y)dy$ and $B = B(x, \frac{r}{16})$, we divide f into $f_1 + f_2$, where $f_1 = f\chi_{16B}$, similarly, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |T_{3,r}f(x)| &= \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_{3,r}f(x)|dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_3f(y)|dy + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_3f_1(y)|dy + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_3f_2(y) - T_{3,r}f(x)|dy \\ &\leq M(T_3f)(x) + (M(|f|^{p'_0})(x))^{1/p'_0} + \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_3f_2(y) - T_{3,r}f(x)|dy. \end{aligned}$$

For the third term in the last inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B |T_3f_2(y) - T_{3,r}f(x)|dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left| \int_{(16B)^c} K_3(y, \xi)f_2(\xi)d\xi - \int_{|x-\xi|>r} K_3(x, \xi)f(\xi)d\xi \right| dy \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \int_{|x-\xi|>r} |K_3(y, \xi) - K_3(x, \xi)||f(\xi)|d\xi dy. \end{aligned}$$

Let $I_{3,x} = \int_{|x-\xi|>r} |K_3(y, \xi) - K_3(x, \xi)||f(\xi)|d\xi$. Because $y \in B, h = |y - x| < 1/16r < |x - \xi|$, by use of (10) of Lemma 1.6 we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_{3,x} &= \int_{|x-\xi|>r} |K_3(y, \xi) - K_3(x, \xi)||f(\xi)|d\xi \\ &\leq C \int_{|x-\xi|>r} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - \xi|^l\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{|x - \xi|^{n-1+\delta}} \left[\int_{B(\xi, |\xi-x|)} \frac{V(u)}{|\xi - u|^{n-1}} du \right] |f(\xi)|d\xi \\ &\quad + \int_{|x-\xi|>r} \frac{r^\delta}{|x - \xi|^{n+\delta}} |f(\xi)|d\xi \\ &= I_{3,x}^1 + I_{3,x}^2. \end{aligned}$$

For $I_{3,x}^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_{3,x}^2 &= \int_{|x-\xi|>r} \frac{r^\delta}{|x - \xi|^{n+\delta}} |f(\xi)|d\xi \\ &\leq Cr^\delta \sum_{k=0}^\infty \int_{2^k r < |x-\xi| \leq 2^{k+1} r} \frac{1}{(2^k r)^{n+\delta}} |f(\xi)|d\xi \\ &\leq Cr^\delta \sum_{k=0}^\infty \frac{1}{(2^k r)^\delta} (M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1} \\ &\leq C(M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1}. \end{aligned}$$

Because $|u - \xi| < |x - \xi|$ yields $|x - u| \leq |x - \xi| + |\xi - u| \leq 2|x - \xi|$, by (10) of Lemma 1.6 and the fractional integral for $\frac{1}{p_1} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{n}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{3,x}^1 &\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^k r < |x-\xi| \leq 2^{k+1} r} \frac{C_l |f(\xi)|}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - \xi|\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{|x - \xi|^{n-1+\delta}} \times \\
&\quad \left[\int_{B(\xi, 2^{k+1} r)} \frac{V(u)}{|\xi - u|^{n-1}} du \right] d\xi \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k r\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-1+\delta}} \left\| \int \frac{V(u) \chi_{B(x, 2^{k+1} r)}(u)}{|\xi - u|^{n-1}} du \right\|_{L^{p_1}(d\xi)} \times \\
&\quad \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{k+1} r)} |f(\xi)|^{p_1'} d\xi \right)^{1/p_1'} \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(M(|f|^{p_1'})(x))^{1/p_1'}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k r\}^l} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-1+\delta}} \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{k+1} r)} V^q(\xi) d\xi \right)^{1/q} (2^{k+1} r)^{n/p_1'} \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-1+\delta}} (2^{k+1} r)^{n/q-n} (2^{k+1} r)^{n/p_1'} \frac{1}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k r\}^l} \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{k+1} r)} V(\xi) d\xi \right) \\
&\leq C (M(|f|^{p_1'})(x))^{1/p_1'} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{r^\delta}{(2^k r)^{n-1+\delta}} (2^k r)^{n/q-n+(n/p_1')+n-2} \\
&\leq C (M(|f|^{p_1'})(x))^{1/p_1'}.
\end{aligned}$$

Here we have used the fact that $n/q - n + (n/p_1') + n - 2 = n - 1$ and $1/p_1 = 1/q - 1/n$. Finally, in a similar manner to proving Lemma 1.4, we can get $T_{3,Max} f(x) \leq M(T_3 f)(x) + C(M(|f|^{p_1'})(x))^{1/p_1'}$. This completes the proof of Lemma 1.7. \square

2. THE COMPACTNESS OF $[b, T_i]$, $(i = 1, 2, 3)$

First of all, we discuss the compactness of $[b, T_1]$ on L^p .

Theorem 2.1. *Suppose $V \in B_q$, $q > n/2$. If $T_1 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1}V$, and $b \in VMO(R^n)$, then $[b, T_1]$ is a compact operator on L^p for $q' < p < \infty$.*

Proof. According to Remark 0.8, we only need to prove that $[b, T_1]$ satisfies the conditions (c2)' and (c3)'.

Step I: The Proof of (c2)'. According to Remark 0.7, we may assume that $b \in C_0^\infty(R^n)$ with $\text{supp } b \subset B(0, R)$, the ball of radius R with center at origin.

For $v > 0$, set $B^c = \{x \in R^n : |x| > vR\}$. Then have

$$\left(\int_{|x|>vR} |[b, T_1]f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \leq \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \left(\int_{|y|<R} |K_1(x, y)||b(y)||f(y)|dy \right)^p dx \right)^{1/p}.$$

Lemma 2.2. For any $x \in B^c$, we have uniformly

$$I_x = \int_{|y|<R} |K_1(x, y)||b(y)||f(y)|dy \leq C|x|^{n/q-n} \|f\|_p R^{n/q'-n/p}.$$

Proof of Lemma 2.2. Because $|x| > vR$ and $|y| < R$ imply $|x - y| > (1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|$ for $v > 2$, by use of (5) of Lemma 1.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_x &\leq C_l \int_{|y|<R} \frac{1}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x - y|^{n-2}} V(y)|f(y)|dy \\ &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - 1/v)|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-2}|x|^{n-2}} \left(\int_{|y|<R} V^q(y)dy \right)^{1/q} \times \\ &\quad \left(\int_{|y|<R} |f(y)|^{q'} |b(y)|^{q'} dy \right)^{1/q'} \\ &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - 1/v)|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-2}|x|^{n-2}} \left(\int_{|y|<R} V^q(y)dy \right)^{1/q} \times \\ &\quad \left(\int_{|y|<R} |f(y)|^p dy \right)^p R^{n(\frac{1}{q'} - \frac{1}{p})}. \end{aligned}$$

In the last inequality, we have used $p > q'$, $\|b\|_\infty \leq C$ and Hölder's inequality. Notice that for $|x| > vR$ and $|y| < R$, we have $|y| < \frac{1}{v}|x|$. So if $|y| < R$, then $|x - y| < (1 + \frac{1}{v})|x| < 2|x|$. As a result we get

$$I_x \leq \frac{C_K}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - 1/v)|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-2}|x|^{n-2}} \left(\int_{B(x, 2|x|)} V^q(y)dy \right)^{1/q} \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{q'} - \frac{1}{p})}.$$

For every $y \in B(x, 2|x|)$, $2|x| = \frac{2}{1-\frac{1}{v}}(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x| = (2 + \frac{2}{v-1})(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x| \leq 3(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|$ and $(\frac{1}{1-1/v})^{n-2} = (1 + \frac{1}{v-1})^{n-2} \leq C$ when $v \geq 3$. By $V \in B_q$, Lemma 0.3 and

the doubling property of $V(x)dx$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_x &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - 1/v)|x|\}^l} \frac{\|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{q'} - \frac{1}{p})}}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-2} |x|^{n-2}} |x|^{n/q-2} \left(\int_{B(x, 2|x|)} V(y) dy \right) \\
 &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - 1/v)|x|\}^l} \frac{\|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{q'} - \frac{1}{p})}}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-2}} |x|^{2+n/q-2n} \left(\int_{B(x, 2|x|)} V(y) dy \right) \\
 &\leq C \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{q'} - \frac{1}{p})} |x|^{2+n/q-2n} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - 1/v)|x|\}^l} \left(\int_{B(x, 3(1-1/v)|x|)} V(y) dy \right) \\
 &\leq C \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{q'} - \frac{1}{p})} |x|^{2+n/q-2n} |x|^{n-2} \\
 &\leq C |x|^{n/q-n} \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{q'} - \frac{1}{p})}.
 \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2.2.

Now, by use of Lemma 2.2, we can complete the proof of condition (c2)'. In fact, for $p > q'$, we have $np - np/q - n + 1 = np/q' - n + 1$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\int_{|x|>vR} |[b, T_1]f(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} &\leq C \|f\|_p R^{n/q' - n/p} \left(\int_{|x|>vR} |x|^{np/q - np} dx \right)^{1/p} \\
 &\leq C \|f\|_p R^{n/q' - n/p} (vR)^{n/p - n/q'} \\
 &\leq \frac{C}{v^{n/q' - n/p}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Since $p > q'$, for every $\varepsilon > 0$, we can choose v large enough such that $\frac{1}{v^{n/q' - n/p}} < \varepsilon$.

Step II: The proof of (c3)'. We will prove: for every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $\delta_\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\|[b, T_1]f(\cdot + z) - [b, T_1]f(\cdot)\|_p < \varepsilon$ if $|z| < \delta_\varepsilon$.

For every x , we divide $[b, T_1]f(x + z) - [b, T_1]f(x)$ into four parts as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
 & [b, T_1]f(x + z) - [b, T_1]f(x) \\
 &= \int K_1(x + z, y)[b(x + z) - b(y)]f(y)dy - \int K_1(x, y)[b(x) - b(y)]f(y)dy \\
 &= \int_{|x-y|>a|z|} K_1(x, y)[b(x) - b(x + z)]f(y)dy \\
 &+ \int_{|x-y|>a|z|} [K_1(x, y) - K_1(x + z, y)][b(x + z) - b(y)]f(y)dy \\
 &+ \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} K_1(x, y)[b(x) - b(y)]f(y)dy \\
 &- \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} K_1(x + z, y)[b(x + z) - b(y)]f(y)dy \\
 &= I_{1,x} + I_{2,x} + I_{3,x} + I_{4,x}.
 \end{aligned}$$

This derives $\|[b, T_1]f(\cdot + z) - [b, T_1]f(\cdot)\|_p \leq \sum_{i=1}^4 \|I_{i,x}\|_p$.

Clearly, by Definition 1.1 and $b \in C_0^\infty$, we have $|I_{1,x}| \leq |z|T_{1,Max}f(x)$. So for $p > q'$, by Lemma 1.2, we have $\|I_{1,x}\|_p \leq |z|\|T_{1,Max}f\|_p \leq C|z|\|f\|_p$.

For $I_{2,x}$, we write $a > 16$. By (6) of Lemma 1.3, Lemma 0.3 and $\|b\|_\infty \leq C$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|I_{2,x}| &\leq \int_{|x-y|>a|z|} |k_1(x+z, y) - K_1(x, y)| |b(x+z) - b(y)| |f(y)| dy \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{2^k a|z| < |x-y| \leq 2^{k+1} a|z|} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x-y|\}^l} \frac{|z|^\delta}{|x-y|^{n-2+\delta}} V(y) |f(y)| dy \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{|z|^\delta}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k a|z|\}^l} \frac{1}{(2^k a|z|)^{n-2+\delta}} \int_{|x-y| \leq 2^{k+1} a|z|} V(y) |f(y)| dy \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{|z|^\delta (2^k a|z|)^{-(n-2+\delta)}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k a|z|\}^l} \left(\int_{|x-y| \leq 2^{k+1} a|z|} V^q(y) dy \right)^{1/q} \left(\int_{|x-y| \leq 2^{k+1} a|z|} |f(y)|^{q'} dy \right)^{1/q'} \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{|z|^\delta (2^{k+1} a|z|)^{n/q-n+n/q'}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k a|z|\}^l} \frac{(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}}{(2^k a|z|)^{n-2+\delta}} \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{k+1} a|z|)} V(y) dy \right) \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^k a|z|)^{n-2+\delta}} \frac{(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^k a|z|\}^l} \int_{B(x, 2^k a|z|)} V(y) dy \\
&\leq C \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |z|^\delta \frac{(2^k a|z|)^{n-2}}{(2^k a|z|)^{n-2+\delta}} (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'} \\
&\leq C \frac{1}{a^\delta} (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}.
\end{aligned}$$

So we have $\|I_{2,x}\|_p \leq C \frac{1}{a^\delta} \|(M(|f|^{q'}))^{1/q'}\|_p \leq C \frac{1}{a^\delta} \|f\|_p$, for $p > q'$.

For $I_{3,x}$, by use of (5) of Lemma 1.3 and $b \in C_0^\infty$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|I_{3,x}| &\leq \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} |K_1(x, y)| |x-y| |f(y)| dy \\
&\leq \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x-y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x-y|^{n-3}} V(y) |f(y)| dy \\
&\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \int_{2^{j-1} a|z| < |x-y| \leq 2^j a|z|} \frac{C_K}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x-y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x-y|^{n-3}} V(y) |f(y)| dy \\
&\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{(2^{j-1} a|z|)^{n-3}} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^{j-1} a|z|\}^l} \int_{2^{j-1} a|z| < |x-y| \leq 2^j a|z|} V(y) |f(y)| dy.
\end{aligned}$$

Notice that $V \in B_q$. So using Hölder's inequality and Lemma 0.3 we can get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |I_{3,x}| &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{C_l(2^{j-1}a|z|)^{3-n}}{\{1+m(x,V)2^{j-1}a|z|\}^l} \left(\int_{|x-y|<2^j a|z|} V^q(y)dy \right)^{1/q} \times \\
 &\quad \left(\int_{|x-y|<2^j a|z|} |f(y)|^{q'} dy \right)^{1/q'} \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{(2^{j-1}a|z|)^{n-3}} \frac{C_l(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}}{\{1+m(x,V)2^{j-1}a|z|\}^l} (2^j a|z|)^{n/q-n+n/q'} \left(\int_{B(x,2^j a|z|)} V(y)dy \right) \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{(2^{j-1}a|z|)^{n-3}} (2^j a|z|)^{n-2} (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'} \\
 &\leq Ca|z|(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'} \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 2^{j(n-2)} \\
 &\leq Ca|z|(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have $\|I_{3,x}\|_p \leq Ca|z|\|(M(|f|^{q'}))^{1/q'}\|_p \leq Ca|z|\|f\|_p$ for $p > q'$.

Similarly we can estimate $I_{4,x}$. Because $|x - y| < a|z|$, we have $|x + z - y| < (a + 1)|z|$. Notice that $V \in B_q$. So, by use of (5) of Lemma 1.3 and Hölder's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |I_{4,x}| &\leq \int_{|x+z-y|<(a+1)|z|} |K_1(x+z,y)||b(x+z)-b(y)||f(y)|dy \\
 &\leq \int_{|x+z-y|<(a+1)|z|} \frac{C_l}{\{1+m(x+z,V)|x+z-y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x+z-y|^{n-3}} V(y)|f(y)|dy \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \int_{2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|\leq|x+z-y|<2^j(a+1)|z|} \frac{C_l|x+z-y|^{3-n}}{\{1+m(x+z,V)|x+z-y|\}^l} V(y)|f(y)|dy \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{C_l(2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|)^{3-n}}{\{1+m(x+z,V)2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|\}^l} \int_{2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|\leq|x+z-y|<2^j(a+1)|z|} V(y)|f(y)|dy \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}}{(2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|)^{n-3}} \frac{C_l(2^j(a+1)|z|)^{n/q'}}{\{1+m(x+z,V)2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|\}^l} \left(\int_{B(x+z,2^j(a+1)|z|)} V^q(y)dy \right)^{1/q}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then, by Hölder’s inequality and Lemma 0.3 we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |I_{4,x}| &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}}{(2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|)^{n-3}} \frac{C_l(2^j(a+1)|z|)^{n/q-n+n/q'}}{\{1+m(x+z, V)2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|\}^l} \times \\
 &\quad \left(\int_{B(x+z, 2^j(a+1)|z|)} V(y)dy \right) \\
 &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{(2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|)^{n-3}} (2^j(a+1)|z|)^{n-2} (M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'} \\
 &\leq C(a+1)|z|(M(|f|^{q'})(x))^{1/q'}.
 \end{aligned}$$

We have $\|I_{4,x}\|_p \leq C(a+1)|z|\|(M(|f|^{q'}))^{1/q'}\|_p \leq C(a+1)|z|\|f\|_p$ for $p > q'$.

Finally, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\|[b, T_1]f(\cdot + z) - [b, T_1]f(\cdot)\|_p \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=1}^4 \|I_{i,x}\|_p \\
 &\leq C|z|\|f\|_p + C\frac{1}{a^\delta}\|f\|_p + Ca|z|\|f\|_p + C(a+1)|z|\|f\|_p.
 \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ we can choose a large enough such that $\max\{\frac{1}{a^2}, \frac{1}{(a+1)^2}, \frac{1}{a^\delta}\} < \varepsilon$, and set $|z|$ be small enough, say $|z| < \min\{\frac{1}{a^2}, \frac{1}{(a+1)^2}\}$. From this we can see that the δ_ε in (c3)' is $\max\{\frac{1}{a^2}, \frac{1}{(a+1)^2}, \frac{1}{a^\delta}\}$. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1. □

By duality, we have the following corollary.

Corollary 2.3. *Suppose $V \in B_q$, $q > n/2$. Let $T_1^* = V(-\Delta + V)^{-1}$ be the dual operator of T_1 . If $b \in VMO(R^n)$, then have $[b, T_1^*]$ is a compact operator on $L^p(R^n)$, $1 < p < q$.*

In order to prove the compactness of the commutator $[b, T_2]$, we only need to prove the following lemma.

Lemma 2.4. *Suppose $b \in C_0^\infty(R^n)$ with $\text{supp } b = B(0, R)$. Then for any $x, |x| > vR$ and $p > (2q)'$ we have*

$$A_x = \int_{|y|<R} |K_2(x, y)||b(y)||f(y)|dy \leq C|x|^{n/2q-n}\|f\|_p R^{n/(2q)'-n/p}.$$

Proof. By (7) of Lemma 1.5, the implication: $|x| > vR, |y| < R \implies |x - y| > (1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|$ for $v > 2$ and Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_x &= \int_{|y| < R} |K_2(x, y)| |b(y)| |f(y)| dy \\ &\leq \int_{|y| < R} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x - y|^{n-1}} V^{1/2}(y) |f(y)| |b(y)| dy \\ &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-1} |x|^{n-1}} \int_{|y| < R} V^{1/2}(y) |f(y)| |b(y)| dy \\ &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-1} |x|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{|y| < R} V^q(y) dy \right)^{1/2q} \times \\ &\quad \left(\int_{|y| < R} (|f(y)| |b(y)|)^{(2q)'} dy \right)^{1/(2q)'}. \end{aligned}$$

Because $p > (2q)'$, using $b \in L^\infty$ and Hölder's inequality again, we have

$$A_x \leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-1} |x|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{|y| < R} V^q(y) dy \right)^{1/2q} \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{(2q)'} - \frac{1}{p})}.$$

For every x , we have $2|x| = \frac{2}{1-\frac{1}{v}}(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x| = (2 + \frac{2}{v-1})(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x| \leq 3(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|$ and $(\frac{1}{1-\frac{1}{v}})^{n/2} = (1 + \frac{1}{v-1})^{n/2} \leq C$ when $v \geq 3$. So, by $V \in B_q$, Lemma 0.3 and the double property of $V(x)dx$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_x &\leq \frac{C_l |x|^{n/2q-n/2}}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-1} |x|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{B(x, 3|x|)} V(y) dy \right)^{1/2} \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{(2q)'} - \frac{1}{p})} \\ &\leq C \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{(2q)'} - \frac{1}{p})} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-1} |x|^{n-1}} (1 - \frac{1}{v})^{\frac{n}{2}-1} |x|^{\frac{n}{2}-1} |x|^{n/2q-n/2} \\ &\leq C \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n/2}} \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{(2q)'} - \frac{1}{p})} |x|^{n/2q-n} \\ &\leq C \|f\|_p R^{n(\frac{1}{(2q)'} - \frac{1}{p})} |x|^{n/2q-n}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2.4. □

Theorem 2.5. *Suppose $V \in B_q, q > n/2$ and let $T_2 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2} V^{1/2}$. If $b \in VMO(R^n)$, then commutator $[b, T_2]$ is a compact operator on L^p for $(2q)' < p < \infty$.*

Proof. The proof is similar to that of Theorem 2.1, we omit the details. □

Corollary 2.6. *Suppose $V \in B_q$, $q > n/2$ and let $T_2^* = V^{1/2}(-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}$ the dual operator of T_2 . If $b \in VMO(R^n)$, then the commutator $[b, T_2^*]$ is a compact operator on L^p for $1 < p < 2q$.*

Theorem 2.7. *Suppose $V \in B_q$, $q > n/2$ and let $T_3 = (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}\nabla$. If $b \in VMO(R^n)$, the commutator $[b, T_3]$ is a compact operator on L^p for $(p_1)' < p < \infty$ and $1/p_1 = 1/q - 1/n$.*

Proof. By Remark 0.7, we only need to prove that $[b, T_3]$ satisfies the conditions $(c2)'$ and $(c3)'$. We divide the proof into two steps.

Step I: The proof of $(c2)'$. Suppose the support set of b is $B(0, R)$. For $v > 0$ we have

$$I \leq \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \left(\int_{|y|<R} |K_3(x, y)| |b(y)| |f(y)| dy \right)^p dx \right)^{1/p}.$$

By (9) of Lemma 1.6, we have

$$|K_3(x, y)| \leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|^l\}} \frac{1}{|x - y|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{B(y, |x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y - \xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) + \frac{1}{|x - y|^n}.$$

Then we divide I into I_1 and I_2 , where

$$I_1 \leq \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \left(\int_{|y|<R} \frac{C_l |b(y)| |f(y)|}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|^l\}} \frac{1}{|x - y|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{B(y, |x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y - \xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) dy \right)^p dx \right)^{1/p},$$

$$I_2 = \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \left(\int_{|y|<R} \frac{1}{|x - y|^n} |b(y)| |f(y)| dy \right)^p dx \right)^{1/p}.$$

For I_2 , because $|x| > vR$ and $|y| < R$, one has $|y| < \frac{1}{v}|x|$ and $|x - y| \geq (1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|$ for $v > 2$. Notice that for $b \in C_0^\infty(R^n)$ we have $\|b\|_\infty \leq C$. Therefore, by Hölder's

inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_2 &= \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \left(\int_{|y|<R} \frac{1}{|x-y|^n} |b(y)||f(y)|dy \right)^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\
 &\leq \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{v})^{np}|x|^{np}} \left(\int_{|y|<R} |b(y)||f(y)|dy \right)^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\
 &\leq \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{v})^{np}|x|^{np}} \|f\|_p^p \left(\int_{|y|<R} |b(y)|^{p'} dx \right)^{p/p'} dx \right)^{1/p} \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{v})^n} \|f\|_p R^{n/p'} \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \frac{|x|^{n-1}}{|x|^{np}} d|x| \right)^{1/p} \\
 &\leq C \left(1 + \frac{1}{v-1}\right)^n \|f\|_p R^{n/p'} \frac{1}{(vR)^{n-n/p}} \\
 &\leq \frac{C}{v^{n/p'}} \|f\|_p,
 \end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality, we have used the fact that for $v > 2$, $(1 + \frac{1}{v-1})^n < 2^n$.

It remains to estimate I_1 . For every $|x| > vR$, we write

$$I_{1,x} = \int_{|y|<R} \frac{C_K}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x-y|\}^K} \frac{1}{|x-y|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{B(y,|x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) |b(y)||f(y)|dy.$$

Lemma 2.8. For $|x| > vR$, Let $I_{1,x}$ be the same as before. Then

$$|I_{1,x}| \leq CR^{n(1/p'_1-1/p)} |x|^{-n/p'_1} \|f\|_p.$$

Proof of Lemma 2.8. Because $|x| > vR$ and $|y| < R$ yield $|x - y| > (1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|$, setting $v > 2$ we use the fractional integral for $\frac{1}{p_1} = \frac{1}{q} - \frac{1}{n}$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{1,x} &\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-1}|x|^{n-1}} \times \\
&\quad \int_{|y|<R} \left(\int_{B(y, (1+\frac{1}{v})|x|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y - \xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) |b(y)||f(y)| dy \\
&\leq \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{(1 - \frac{1}{v})^{n-1}|x|^{n-1}} \times \\
&\quad \int_{|y|<R} \left(\int_{R^n} \frac{V(\xi)\chi_{B(x, 2(1+1/v)|x|)}}{|y - \xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) |b(y)||f(y)| dy \\
&\leq \frac{C_l|x|^{1-n}}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \left\| \int_{R^n} \frac{V(\xi)\chi_{B(x, 2(1+1/v)|x|)}}{|y - \xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right\|_{L^{p_1}(dy)} \times \\
&\quad \left(\int_{|y|<R} |b(y)|^{p'_1} |f(y)|^{p'_1} dy \right)^{1/p'_1} \\
&\leq C \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{B(x, 2(1+1/v)|x|)} V^q(\xi) d\xi \right)^{1/q} \|f\|_p R^{n(1-\frac{p'_1}{p})\frac{1}{p'_1}} \\
&\leq C \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{B(x, 2|x|)} V^q(\xi) d\xi \right)^{1/q} \|f\|_p R^{n(1-\frac{p'_1}{p})\frac{1}{p'_1}}.
\end{aligned}$$

In the last inequality, we have used the double property of $V(x)dx$ and $1 + \frac{1}{v} < 2$ for $v > 2$.

As before, $2|x| = \frac{2}{1-\frac{1}{v}}(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x| = (2 + \frac{2}{v-1})(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x| \leq 3(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|$ for $v \geq 3$ and $(\frac{1}{1-1/v})^{n-2} = (1 + \frac{1}{v-1})^{n-2} \leq C$ for $v \geq 3$. By use of $V \in B_q$, Lemma 0.3 and the double property of $V(x)dx$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
I_{1,x} &\leq \frac{C_l \|f\|_p R^{n(1/p'_1 - 1/p)}}{\{1 + m(x, V)(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|\}^l |x|^{n-1}} [(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|]^{n/q-n} \left(\int_{B(x, 3(1-\frac{1}{v})|x|)} V(\xi) d\xi \right) \\
&\leq C [(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|]^{n/q-n} [(1 - \frac{1}{v})|x|]^{n-2} \|f\|_p R^{n(1/p'_1 - 1/p)} \\
&\leq C (1 + \frac{1}{v-1})^{2-n/q} |x|^{n/q-2} \|f\|_p R^{n(1/p'_1 - 1/p)} \\
&\leq C |x|^{n/q-2} \|f\|_p R^{n(1/p'_1 - 1/p)}.
\end{aligned}$$

In the last inequality, we have used the fact $n/2 < q < n$ and $2 - n/q > 0$ imply $(1 + \frac{1}{v-1})^{2-n/q} \leq C$ when v large enough. This completes the proof of Lemma 2.8.

Now we return to the proof of Step I of Theorem 2.7. By Lemma 2.8, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &\leq \left(\int_{|x|>vR} |I_{1,x}|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \leq CR^{n/p'_1-n/p} \|f\|_p \left(\int_{|x|>vR} \frac{1}{|x|^{np/p'_1-n+1}} d|x| \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq CR^{n/p'_1-n/p} \|f\|_p \frac{1}{(vR)^{n/p'_1-n/p}} \leq \frac{C}{v^{n/p'_1-n/p}} \|f\|_p. \end{aligned}$$

Because $p > p'_1$, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ we can choose v large enough so that $\frac{C}{v^{n/p'_1-n/p}} < \varepsilon$ and $B = B(0, vR)$. This completes the proof of (c2)'.

Step II: The proof of (c3)'. For every x , we divide $[b, T_3]f(x+z) - [b, T_3]f(x)$ into four parts. In fact, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &[b, T_3]f(x+z) - [b, T_3]f(x) \\ &= \int K_3(x+z, y)[b(x+z) - b(y)]f(y)dy - \int K_3(x, y)[b(x) - b(y)]f(y)dy \\ &= B_{1,x} + B_{2,x} + B_{3,x} + B_{4,x}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} B_{1,x} &= \int_{|x-y|>a|z|} K_3(x, y)[b(x) - b(x+z)]f(y)dy \\ B_{2,x} &= \int_{|x-y|>a|z|} [K_3(x, y) - K_1(x+z, y)][b(x+z) - b(y)]f(y)dy \\ B_{3,x} &= \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} K_3(x, y)[b(x) - b(y)]f(y)dy \\ B_{4,x} &= \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} K_3(x+z, y)[b(x+z) - b(y)]f(y)dy. \end{aligned}$$

Obviously $\|[b, T_3]f(\cdot+z) - [b, T_3]f(\cdot)\|_p \leq \sum_{i=1}^4 \|B_{i,x}\|_p$. In the following we estimate $B_{i,x}$, ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) separately.

For $B_{1,x}$, because $b \in C_0^\infty$, we have $|b(x+z) - b(x)| \leq C|z|$ and then

$$|B_{1,x}| = \left| \int_{|x-y|>a|z|} K_3(x, y)[b(x) - b(x+z)]f(y)dy \right| \leq C|z|T_{3,Max}(f)(x).$$

So by Lemma 1.7, for $p > p'_1$ and $1/p_1 = 1/q - 1/n$ we have $\|B_{1,x}\|_p \leq C|z|\|T_{3,Max}f\|_p \leq C|z|\|f\|_p$.

For $B_{2,x}$, by (10) of Lemma 1.6 and letting $a > 16$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |B_{2,x}| &\leq \int_{|x-y|>a|z|} |K_3(x+z,y) - K_3(x,y)| |b(x+z) - b(y)| |f(y)| dy \\ &\leq \int_{|x-y|>a|z|} \frac{C_l |b(x+z) - b(y)| |f(y)|}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x-y\}^l} \frac{|z|^\delta}{|x-y|^{n-1+\delta}} \left[\left(\int_{B(y,|x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) + \frac{1}{|x-y|} \right] dy \\ &\leq B_{2,x}^1 + B_{2,x}^2. \end{aligned}$$

For $B_{2,x}^2$, because $\|b\|_\infty \leq C$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} B_{2,x}^2 &= \int_{|x-y|\geq a|z|} \frac{|z|^\delta}{|x-y|^{n+\delta}} |f(y)| dy \\ &\leq |z|^\delta \sum_{j=0}^\infty \int_{2^j a|z| \leq |x-y| < 2^{j+1} a|z|} \frac{1}{|x-y|^{n+\delta}} |f(y)| dy \\ &\leq C \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^j a|z|)^{n+\delta}} \int_{B(x, 2^{j+1} a|z|)} |f(y)| dy \\ &\leq C \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^j a|z|)^\delta} M(f)(x) \leq \frac{C}{a^\delta} M(f)(x). \end{aligned}$$

For $B_{2,x}^1$, by Hölder's inequality and $V \in B_q$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |B_{2,x}^1| &\leq \int_{2^j a|z| \leq |x-y| < 2^{j+1} a|z|} \frac{C_l |f(y)|}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^j a|z|\}^l} \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^j a|z|)^{n-1+\delta}} \times \\ &\quad \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{j+3} a|z|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) dy \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^j a|z|\}^l} \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^j a|z|)^{n-1+\delta}} \left\| \int_{R^n} \frac{V(\xi) \chi_{B(x, 2^{j+3} a|z|)}}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right\|_{p_1} \times \\ &\quad \left(\int_{|x-y| < 2^{j+1} a|z|} |f(y)|^{p'_1} dy \right)^{1/p'_1} \\ &\leq C \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{C_l (2^{j+1} a|z|)^{n/p'_1} (M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^j a|z|\}^l} \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^j a|z|)^{n-1+\delta}} \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{j+3} a|z|)} V^q(\xi) d\xi \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{C_l (M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^j a|z|\}^l} \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^j a|z|)^{n-1+\delta}} (2^{j+3} a|z|)^{n/q-n+n/p'_1} \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{j+3} a|z|)} V(\xi) d\xi \right) \\ &\leq C \sum_{j=0}^\infty \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^j a|z|)^{n-1+\delta}} (2^j a|z|)^{n/q-n+n/p'_1} \frac{C_l (M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^j a|z|\}^l} \int_{B(x, 2^j a|z|)} V(\xi) d\xi. \end{aligned}$$

Then by Lemma 0.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |B_{2,x}^1| &\leq C \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{|z|^\delta}{(2^j a|z|)^{n-1+\delta}} (2^j a|z|)^{n/q-n+n/p'_1} (2^j a|z|)^{n-2} (M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1} \\
 &\leq C \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |z|^\delta (2^j a|z|)^{n/q-n+n/p'_1-n+1-\delta+n-2} (M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1} \\
 &\leq \frac{C}{a^\delta} (M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{j\delta}} \\
 &\leq \frac{C}{a^\delta} (M(|f|^{p'_1})(x))^{1/p'_1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

In the above, we have used the fact: for $p > p'_1$, $n/q-n+n/p'_1-n+1-\delta+n-2 = -\delta$ because $1/p_1 = 1/q - 1/n$. Then we have

$$\|B_{2,x}\|_p \leq \frac{C}{a^\delta} \|M(f)\|_p + \frac{C}{a^\delta} \|(M(|f|^{p'_1}))^{1/p'_1}\|_p \leq \frac{C}{a^\delta} \|f\|_p.$$

For $B_{3,x}$, by (9) of Lemma 1.6 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |B_{3,x}| &\leq \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} |K_3(x,y)| |b(x) - b(y)| |f(y)| dy \\
 &\leq \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x,V)|x-y|\}^l} \frac{|x-y|}{|x-y|^{n-1}} \left(\int_{B(y,|x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi + \frac{1}{|x-y|} \right) |f(y)| dy \\
 &\leq \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} \frac{C_l}{\{1 + m(x,V)|x-y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x-y|^{n-2}} \left(\int_{B(y,|x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) |f(y)| dy \\
 &\quad + \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} \frac{1}{|x-y|^{n-1}} |f(y)| dy \\
 &= B_{3,x}^1 + B_{3,x}^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

Next, we estimate $B_{3,x}^1$ and $B_{3,x}^2$ separately. For $B_{3,x}^2$, we have

$$B_{3,x}^2 \leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{(2^{j-1} a|z|)^{n-1}} \int_{B(x,2^j a|z|) \setminus B(x,2^{j-1} a|z|)} |f(y)| dy \leq C a|z| M(f)(x).$$

For $B_{3,x}^1$, because $\xi \in B(y, |x - y|)$, one has $|x - \xi| \leq |x - y| + |y - \xi| \leq 2|x - y|$, so by Hölder's inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|B_{3,x}^1| &\leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \int_{B(x, 2^j a|z|) \setminus B(x, 2^{j-1} a|z|)} \frac{C_l |x - y|^{2-n}}{\{1 + m(x, V)|x - y|\}^l} |f(y)| dy \times \\
&\quad \left(\int_{B(x, 2|x-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y - \xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) \\
&\leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{C_l (2^{j-1} a|z|)^{2-n}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^{j-1} a|z|\}^l} \int_{B(x, 2^j a|z|) \setminus B(x, 2^{j-1} a|z|)} |f(y)| \times \\
&\quad \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{j+1} a|z|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y - \xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) dy \\
&\leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{C_l (2^{j-1} a|z|)^{2-n}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^{j-1} a|z|\}^l} \left\| \int \frac{V(\xi) \chi_{B(x, 2^{j+1} a|z|)}(\xi)}{|y - \xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right\|_{L^{p_1}(dy)} \times \\
&\quad \left(\int_{B(x, 2^j a|z|) \setminus B(x, 2^{j-1} a|z|)} |f(y)|^{p_1} dy \right)^{1/p_1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Using $V \in B_q$ and Lemma 0.3, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
|B_{3,x}^1| &\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{C_l (M(|f|^{p_1})(x))^{1/p_1} (2^j a|z|)^{n/p_1}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^{j-1} a|z|\}^l (2^{j-1} a|z|)^{n-2}} \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{j+1} a|z|)} V^q(\xi) d\xi \right)^{1/q} \\
&\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{C_l (M(|f|^{p_1})(x))^{1/p_1} (2^j a|z|)^{n/p_1}}{\{1 + m(x, V)2^{j-1} a|z|\}^l (2^{j-1} a|z|)^{n-2}} (2^j a|z|)^{n/q-n} \left(\int_{B(x, 2^{j+1} a|z|)} V(\xi) d\xi \right) \\
&\leq \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{(2^{j-1} a|z|)^{n-2}} (2^j a|z|)^{n/q-n+n/p_1} (M(|f|^{p_1})(x))^{1/p_1} (2^{j-1} a|z|)^{n-2} \\
&\leq C (M(|f|^{p_1})(x))^{1/p_1} \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 (2^j a|z|) \leq C a|z| (M(|f|^{p_1})(x))^{1/p_1}.
\end{aligned}$$

Finally we get $\|B_{3,x}\|_p \leq C a|z| \|M(f)\|_p + C a|z| \|(M(|f|^{p_1}))^{1/p_1}\|_p \leq C a|z| \|f\|_p$.

At last, we estimate $B_{4,x}$. Because $|x-y| < a|z|$, we have $|x+z-y| < (a+1)|z|$. Similarly, we get

$$\begin{aligned} |B_{4,x}| &\leq \int_{|x-y|<a|z|} |K_3(x+z,y)||b(x+z)-b(y)||f(y)|dy \\ &\leq \int_{|x+z-y|<(a+1)|z|} \frac{C_l}{\{1+m(x+z,V)|x+z-y|\}^l} \frac{1}{|x+z-y|^{n-1}} \times \\ &\quad \left(\int_{B(y,|x+z-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi + \frac{1}{|x+z-y|} \right) |x+z-y| |f(y)| dy \\ &=: B_{4,x}^1 + B_{4,x}^2. \end{aligned}$$

For $B_{4,x}^2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} B_{4,x}^2 &= \int_{|x+z-y|<(a+1)|z|} \frac{1}{|x+z-y|^{n-1}} |f(y)| dy \\ &\leq C \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 \frac{1}{(2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|)^{n-1}} \int_{B(x+z,2^j(a+1)|z|) \setminus B(x+z,2^{j-1}(a+1)|z|)} |f(y)| dy \\ &\leq C(a+1)|z| M(f)(x+z). \end{aligned}$$

For $B_{4,x}^1$, because $\xi \in B(y, |x+z-y|)$, one has $|x+z-\xi| \leq |x+z-y| + |y-\xi| \leq 2|x+z-y|$. As in the proof of Theorem 1, using $V \in B_q$ and Lemma 0.3 we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |B_{4,x}^1| &= \int_{|x+z-y|<(a+1)|z|} \frac{C_l |x+z-y|^{2-n} |f(y)|}{\{1+m(x+z,V)|x+z-y|\}^l} \left(\int_{B(y,|x+z-y|)} \frac{V(\xi)}{|y-\xi|^{n-1}} d\xi \right) dy \\ &\leq C(M(|f|^{p_1'})(x+z))^{1/p_1'} \sum_{j=-\infty}^0 (2^j(a+1)|z|) \\ &\leq C(a+1)|z| (M(|f|^{p_1'})(x+z))^{1/p_1'}. \end{aligned}$$

So we get $\|B_{4,x}\|_p \leq C(a+1)|z| \|M(f)\|_p + C(a+1)|z| \|(M(|f|^{p_1'}))^{1/p_1'}\|_p \leq C(a+1)|z| \|f\|_p$. From the estimates of $B_{i,x}$, ($i = 1, 2, 3, 4$) we get that for $\|f\|_p \leq 1$,

$$\|[b, T_3]f(\cdot+z) - [b, T_3]f(\cdot)\|_p \leq C|z| + \frac{C}{a^\delta} + Ca|z| + C(a+1)|z|.$$

Now, for every $\varepsilon > 0$ we find a $\delta_\varepsilon > 0$ such that $|z| < \delta_\varepsilon$ implies $\|[b, T_3]f(\cdot+z) - [b, T_3]f(\cdot)\|_p < \varepsilon$. This completes the proof of Theorem 2.7. \square

Corollary 2.9. *Suppose $V \in B_q$, $q > n/2$ and let $T_3^* = -\nabla(-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}$ be the dual operator of T_3 . If $b \in VMO(R^n)$, then the commutator $[b, T_3^*]$ is a compact operator on $L^p(R^n)$, $1 < p < p_0$.*

3. THE REVERSE RESULT

In Section 2-3, we have discussed the compactness of the commutator of T_i , ($i = 1, 2, 3$) on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$. A natural problem is whether the reverse problem holds. Namely, if $[b, T_i]$, ($i = 1, 2, 3$) is a compact operator on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, do we have $b \in VMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$? In this section, we will study this problem.

Take $T_3^* = \nabla(-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}$ for example. If we set $V \equiv 0$, the operator reduces to the classical Riesz transform. In 1978, in [4], A.Uchiyama proved that, for a singular integral operator T , if $[b, T]$ is a compact operator on $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, then $b \in VMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$. However, for a general nonnegative $V \in B_q$, the converse fails. In [1], the authors constructed an example to indicate that merely the L^2 boundedness of $[b, T_3^*]$ cannot guarantee $b \in BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$. So by the counterexample in [1], if $[b, T_3^*]$ is a compact operator on L^2 , then $[b, T_3^*]$ is also a bounded operator on L^2 , but b may not be in $BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and hence it may not belong to $VMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

The counterexample in [1] implies that the assumption $V \in B_q$ is too weak and it cannot guarantee the function $b \in VMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$. However if we assume V satisfies some additional conditions, then we can get the reverse result.

Theorem 3.1. *Let $T_4 = (-\Delta)^{1/2}(-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}$. If $[b, T_3^*]$ and $[b, T_4]$ are compact on L^2 and $V \in L^{n/2} \cap B_q$ for $q > n/2$, then $b \in VMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$.*

Proof. Firstly we prove that $V^{1/2}(-\Delta)^{-1/2}$ is bounded on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$. By use of Hölder inequality and the fractional integration, we can get

$$\|V^{1/2}(-\Delta)^{-1/2}f\|_2 \leq \|V^{1/2}\|_n \|(-\Delta)^{-1/2}f\|_{n'} \leq \|V\|_{n/2}^{1/2} \|f\|_2.$$

Then we can get that T_4 has an inverse which is bounded on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$. In fact we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_4^{-1}f &= (-\Delta + V)^{1/2}(-\Delta)^{-1/2}f \\ &= (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}(-\Delta + V)(-\Delta)^{-1/2}f \\ &= (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}(-\Delta)^{1/2}f + (-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}V^{1/2}V^{1/2}(-\Delta)^{-1/2}f. \end{aligned}$$

So by the L^2 boundedness of $(-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}(-\Delta)^{1/2}$ and $(-\Delta + V)^{-1/2}V^{1/2}$, we get that T_4^{-1} is bounded on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Because $\nabla(-\Delta)^{-1/2}$ is bounded on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and $[b, T_4]$ is compact on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, we get that $\nabla(-\Delta)^{-1/2}[b, T_4]$ is also a compact operator on L^2 . Therefore we

have $[b, \nabla(-\Delta)^{-1/2}]T_4 = [b, T_3^*] - \nabla(-\Delta)^{-1/2}[b, T_4]$ is a compact operator on L^2 . Moreover because we have proved that T_4^{-1} is bounded on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$, we can get that $[b, \nabla(-\Delta)^{-1/2}] = [b, \nabla(-\Delta)^{-1/2}]T_4T_4^{-1}$ is a compact operator on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Finally, by use of the classical result of A.Uchiyama, we have $b \in VMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$. \square

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