

ON HYPERSINGULAR INTEGRALS AND CERTAIN SPACES OF LOCALLY DIFFERENTIABLE FUNCTIONS

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1. **Introduction.** In this paper, we shall study relations between *pointwise* convergence of hypersingular integrals and *local* differential properties of functions. Our results will partly generalize a theorem of Calderón and Zygmund and an unpublished theorem of E. M. Stein.

We will use standard notation for points and functions in n -dimensional Euclidean space E^n , $n \geq 2$. If $f(x) \in L^p(E^n)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, set

$$\tilde{f}_\varepsilon(x) = \int_{|z| > \varepsilon} [f(x-z) - f(x)] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

for $\varepsilon > 0$ and $0 < \alpha < 2$, where Ω is a bounded real-valued function homogeneous of degree zero which satisfies

$$(1.1) \quad \int_{\Sigma} z'_j \Omega(z') dz' = 0 \quad (j = 1, \dots, n)$$

for $1 \leq \alpha < 2$. Here Σ denotes the unit sphere of points $z' = z/|z|$, $z \neq 0$.

If $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \tilde{f}_\varepsilon(x)$ exists in some sense, we call it a hypersingular integral of f . If, for example, f satisfies the global differentiability condition $f \in L_\alpha^p = J^\alpha L^p$ (see [2]), the convergence of \tilde{f}_ε in various senses was studied in [8], [14] and [15]. Thus far, however, the convergence of \tilde{f}_ε for f satisfying a local differentiability condition has been studied for $n \geq 2$ only in case $\alpha = 1$. (See [5].)

Following [4], we say an $f \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, belongs to $t_\alpha^p(x_0)$ if there is a polynomial $P_{x_0}(z)$ of degree less than or equal to α such that

$$\left(\varepsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} |f(x_0+z) - P_{x_0}(z)|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = o(\varepsilon^\alpha)$$

as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. We say $f \in T_\alpha^p(x_0)$ if there is a polynomial of degree strictly less than α such that

$$\left(\varepsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} |f(x_0+z) - P_{x_0}(z)|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\varepsilon^\alpha)$$

for $\varepsilon > 0$.

Given $0 < \alpha < 2$ let $\beta = [\alpha] + 1 - \alpha$, so that $\alpha + \beta = 1$ if $0 < \alpha < 1$ and $\alpha + \beta = 2$ if $1 \leq \alpha < 2$. Roughly speaking, our main result is that for $f \in T_\alpha^p(x)$ the convergence

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of $\tilde{f}_\varepsilon(x)$ is equivalent almost everywhere to the condition $J^\beta f \in T_{\alpha+\beta}^p(x)$. Calderón and Zygmund show in [4] (Theorems 4 and 5) that if $f \in T_\alpha^p(x)$ for $x \in E$ then $J^\gamma f \in T_{\alpha+\gamma}^p(x)$ for almost every $x \in E$, except in the special case that $\alpha+\gamma$ is an integer but α and γ are not. This is precisely our case, however, and an example of the complications which may arise can be found in [16, pp. 136–138].

We shall prove the following results:

THEOREM 1. *Given $0 < \alpha < 2$, let Ω be a bounded function homogeneous of degree zero which satisfies (1.1) when $1 \leq \alpha < 2$. Let $f \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, $E \subset E^n$ and $\beta = [\alpha] + 1 - \alpha$. If $f \in T_\alpha^p(x)$ for $x \in E$ and $J^\beta f \in T_{\alpha+\beta}^p(x)$ for $x \in E$ then*

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z| > \varepsilon} [f(x-z) - f(x)] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

exists and is finite for almost all $x \in E$.

Conversely,

THEOREM 2. *Let $f \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, $E \subset E^n$, $0 < \alpha < 2$. Suppose $f \in T_\alpha^p(x)$ for $x \in E$ and each*

$$\int_{|z| > \varepsilon} [f(x-z) - f(x)] \frac{\Omega_j(z)}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

converges for $x \in E$, where $\{\Omega_j\}$ is a basis for the spherical harmonics of a fixed degree $m \geq 0$, $m \neq 1$ when $1 \leq \alpha < 2$ and $m = 0$ when $p = 1$. Then with $\beta = [\alpha] + 1 - \alpha$, $J^\beta f \in T_{\alpha+\beta}^p(x)$ for almost all $x \in E$.

When $\alpha = 1$, the hypothesis $f \in T_1^p(x)$ for $x \in E$ implies that $f \in t_1^p(x)$ and $J^1 f \in t_2^p(x)$ for almost all $x \in E^{(1)}$ and Theorem 1 is a known result of Calderón and Zygmund [5]. Also, Theorem 2 for $\alpha = 1$ is vacuous and a replacement result is the following.

THEOREM 3. *Let $f \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, $E \subset E^n$. If*

$$\left(\varepsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} |f(x+z) + f(x-z) - 2f(x)|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\varepsilon)$$

for $x \in E$ and each

$$\int_{|z| > \varepsilon} [f(x-z) - f(x)] \frac{\Omega_j(z)}{|z|^{n+1}} dz$$

converges for $x \in E$, where the Ω_j are as in Theorem 2, then $f \in t_1^p(x)$ for almost all $x \in E$.

Theorem 3 for $\Omega \equiv 1$ was proved independently by E. M. Stein. It turns out that for all $0 < \alpha < 2$ one can replace the condition $f \in T_\alpha^p(x)$ of Theorem 2 by an apparently weaker condition. See the remark at the end of §4.

(¹) See Theorem 5 of [4]. Although Theorems 4 and 5 are stated for $p > 1$, it is not hard to see they remain true for $p = 1$ when, with the notation of [4], $q = 1$ and $u > 0$.

Although we stated our theorems for $n \geq 2$ they have analogues for $n=1$ which are related to the results of [13]. In their present form, our results do not include those of Sagher [7] for hypersingular integrals with complex homogeneity.

We shall prove Theorem 1 in §2, Theorem 2 in §3 and Theorem 3 in §4. §4 also contains an apparent improvement of Theorem 2.

2. Proof of Theorem 1. We will use the method in [11] to prove Theorem 1. We need a long list of lemmas, and in order to shorten their presentation we will assume $1 < \alpha < 2$ whenever convenient. We also note that it suffices to prove Theorem 1 for $p=1$ since we may assume E is bounded and f has compact support and since the condition $f \in T_\alpha^p(x)$ for $p > 1$ implies $f \in T_\alpha^1(x)$.

We recall that $f \in L_\alpha^p, 1 \leq p < \infty, \alpha > 0$, if $f = J^\alpha \phi = G_\alpha * \phi$ for $\phi \in L^p$ where G_α is a positive integrable function with the following properties (see e.g. [4]):

(a) $G_\alpha(x) = (1 + |x|^2)^{-\alpha/2}$,

(b) G_α is infinitely differentiable except at $x=0$ and for $x \neq 0, 0 < \alpha < n$ and $|\nu| \geq 0$

$$|(\partial^\nu / \partial x^\nu) G_\alpha(x)| \leq c_{\alpha,\nu} e^{-|x|} [1 + |x|^{-n-|\nu|+\alpha}].$$

LEMMA 1. Let $f \in L_\alpha^p$ for some $0 < \alpha < 2$ and let Ω satisfy the hypothesis of Theorem 1. Then for $1 \leq p < \infty$

$$\tilde{f}(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z| > \epsilon} [f(x-z) - f(x)] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

exists and is finite for almost all x , and for $1 < p < \infty$, the transformation $f \rightarrow \tilde{f}$ sends L_α^p boundedly into L^p .

For a proof, see [15].

LEMMA 2. Given $\lambda > 0$,

(a) $|x|^\lambda = (1 + |x|^2)^{\lambda/2} d\hat{\mu}(x)$,

(b) $(1 + |x|^2)^{\lambda/2} = |x|^\lambda d\hat{\sigma}(x) + d\hat{\tau}(x)$,

where $d\hat{\mu}$ is the sum of 1, a finite linear combination of terms $\hat{G}_{2k}, k=1, 2, \dots$, and the Fourier transform of a function with derivatives up to a preassigned order belonging to all $L^p, 1 \leq p \leq \infty, d\hat{\sigma}$ is the sum of 1 and a finite linear combination of terms $\hat{G}_{2k}, k=1, 2, \dots$, and $d\hat{\tau}$ is the Fourier transform of a function with derivatives up to a preassigned order belonging to all $L^p, 1 \leq p \leq \infty$.

Parts (a) and (b) of Lemma 2 are stated in [8]. The proof of the rest of the lemma is not difficult and we omit it.

LEMMA 3. Let $f \in L^1, 1 < \alpha < 2, \alpha + \beta = 2, F = J^\beta f$. Then for almost all x ,

(2.1) $f(x) = cF_\tau(x) + c_\beta \int [F_\sigma(x+z) - F(x)] \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}}$

where $F_\sigma = F * d\sigma, F_\tau = F * d\tau, d\sigma$ and $d\tau$ being defined by Lemma 2 with $\lambda = \beta$.

The integral in (2.1) exists almost everywhere in the principal value sense by Lemma 1 since $F_\sigma \in L^1_\beta$. Moreover, by Lemma (1.6) of [14],

$$c_\beta \int_{|z| > \epsilon} [F_\sigma(x+z) - F_\sigma(x)] \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}} - \int_{E^n} F_\sigma(x+z) [|z|^\beta e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

tends to zero with ϵ for almost all x . Hence the right side of (2.1) is the limit almost everywhere of

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{E^n} F_\sigma(x+z) [e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz + \int_{E^n} F_\sigma(x+z) [|z|^\beta e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz \\ = c \int \hat{F}(z) [|z|^\beta d\hat{\sigma}(z) + d\hat{\tau}(z)] e^{i(x \cdot z)} e^{-\epsilon|z|} dz \\ = c \int \hat{f}(z) e^{i(x \cdot z)} e^{-\epsilon|z|} dz \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2(b) and the fact that $\hat{F}(z) = (1 + |z|^2)^{-\beta/2} \hat{f}(z)$. The last integral is essentially the Poisson integral of f and converges to a constant times f almost everywhere.

LEMMA 4. *If $f \in L^1$ and $\alpha > 0$ is not an integer then $J^\alpha f \in T^1_\alpha(x)$ for almost all x .*

The proof of Lemma 4 is almost identical to that of Theorem 4 of [4]. Although the case $p=1$ is not considered there, the proof easily yields Lemma 4. (See also the proof of Lemma 4 of §3 below.)

LEMMA 5. *Let $1 < \alpha < 2$ and $v(x)$ and its first order derivatives be continuous and have compact support. For any $j=1, \dots, n$,*

$$u(x) = \int_{E^n} v(x-z) \frac{z'_j}{|z|^{n-(\alpha-1)}} dz$$

belongs to $T^1_\alpha(x)$ uniformly in x .

Proof. If $u_i = (\partial/\partial x_i)u$ then

$$u_i(x) = \int_{E^n} v_i(x-z) \frac{z'_j}{|z|^{n-(\alpha-1)}} dz$$

is continuous and

$$\begin{aligned} |u_i(x+y) - u_i(x)| \leq c \int \left| \frac{1}{|z+y|^{n-(\alpha-1)}} - \frac{1}{|z|^{n-(\alpha-1)}} \right| dz \\ + c \int \frac{1}{|z|^{n-(\alpha-1)}} |(z+y)'_j - z'_j| dz. \end{aligned}$$

Each integral is easily seen to be $O(|y|^{\alpha-1})$ and the lemma follows from Taylor's formula.

The remaining lemmas are taken from [4].

LEMMA 6. *Let P be a closed subset of E^n and U be the neighborhood of P of all points whose distance from P is less than 1. Then there is a covering of $U - P$ by nonoverlapping closed cubes K_m with $c^{-1} \leq d_m/e_m \leq c$, $0 < c < \infty$, where e_m is the edge length of K_m and d_m is the distance from K_m to P .*

See Lemma (3.1) of [4].

LEMMA 7. *Let P be a compact set and $\delta(x)$ be the distance from x to P , with $\delta(x) = 0$ for large x . Given $\lambda > 0$*

$$(2.2) \quad \int_{E^n} \frac{\delta^\lambda(x+z)}{|z|^{n+\lambda}} dz$$

is finite for almost all $x \in P$.

LEMMA 8. *Let $F \in t_{\frac{1}{2}}(x)$ for $x \in E$, E a bounded measurable set. Given $\varepsilon > 0$ there is a closed set $P \subset E$, $|E - P| < \varepsilon$, and a decomposition $F = G + H$ where G has two continuous derivatives and compact support, $H(x) = 0$ for $x \in P$ and*

$$\int_{|z| < \varepsilon} |H(x+z)| dz \leq M\varepsilon^{n+2}$$

uniformly for $x \in P$. Moreover, given $0 < \lambda \leq 2$,

$$(2.3) \quad \int \frac{|H(z)|}{|x-z|^{n+\lambda} \delta(z)^{2-\lambda}} dz$$

is finite for almost all $x \in P$, $\delta(z)$ being the distance from z to P .

Integration in (2.3) is of course extended over the complement of P . Lemma 8 for $\lambda = 2$ is proved in [4, p. 189-190], and the proof for $0 < \lambda \leq 2$ is similar.

LEMMA 9. *Let $h \in T_\alpha^1(x)$, $1 < \alpha < 2$, uniformly for x in a closed set P , i.e.,*

$$\varepsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} \left| h(x+z) - h(x) - \sum z_j h_j(x) \right| dz \leq M\varepsilon^\alpha$$

for $x \in P$. Then for x and $x+z$ in P ,

$$\left| h(x+z) - h(x) - \sum z_j h_j(x) \right| \leq M'|z|^\alpha$$

and

$$|h_j(x+z) - h_j(x)| \leq M'|z|^{\alpha-1} \quad (j = 1, \dots, n).$$

We can now prove Theorem 1 for $1 < \alpha < 2$. Let f and $F = J^\beta f$, $\beta = 2 - \alpha$, satisfy the hypothesis of Theorem 1 for $p = 1$. Let F_σ and F_τ be defined as in Lemma 3. Since $F \in L^1$ and F_τ is a convolution of F with a function with bounded derivatives

up to a preassigned order (Lemma 2), we may assume F_τ has bounded continuous second order derivatives everywhere. In particular,

$$(2.4) \quad \left| F_\tau(x-z) - F_\tau(x) + \sum z_j \left(\frac{\partial F_\tau}{\partial x_j} \right) (x) \right| \leq M|z|^2,$$

for all x and z , $M < \infty$. Since $1 < \alpha < 2$,

$$\int \left[F_\tau(x-z) - F_\tau(x) + \sum z_j \left(\frac{\partial F_\tau}{\partial x_j} \right) (x) \right] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

converges absolutely everywhere. Since Ω is orthogonal to polynomials of degree 1,

$$\int_{|z|>\epsilon} [F_\tau(x-z) - F_\tau(x)] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

converges everywhere as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

Hence, applying (2.1), it remains to prove the conclusion of Theorem 1 with f replaced by

$$(2.5) \quad \text{p.v.} \int [F_\sigma(x+z) - F_\sigma(x)] \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}}$$

By (2.4) $F_\tau \in T_\alpha^1(x)$ everywhere and by (2.1) again, the same is true for $x \in E$ of (2.5). By Lemma 2, F_σ is the sum of F and a finite linear combination of terms $J^{2k}F$, $k \geq 1$. It follows that $F_\sigma \in t_{\frac{1}{2}}^1(x)$ for almost all $x \in E$. Here we use first the fact, noted in §1, that $T_\alpha^1(x)$ and $t_{\frac{1}{2}}^1(x)$ are equivalent almost everywhere and next the fact that $J^{2k}F = J^{2k+\beta}f \in t_{\frac{1}{2k+\beta}}^1(x)$ for almost all x (Lemma 4). Since $k \geq 1$,

$$t_{\frac{1}{2k+\beta}}^1(x) \subset t_{\frac{1}{2}}^1(x).$$

Collecting these facts, we see it is enough to prove Theorem 1 for $f \in T_\alpha^1(x)$, $x \in E$, of the form

$$f(x) = \text{p.v.} \int_{E^n} [F(x+z) - F(x)] \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}},$$

where $F \in L_\beta^1$ and $F \in t_{\frac{1}{2}}^1(x)$ for $x \in E$. For such F , form the decomposition $F = G + H$ of F relative to a closed set $P \subset E$ (Lemma 8). We may assume $f \in T_\alpha^1(x)$ uniformly for $x \in P$. Consider

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|z|>\epsilon} [G(x+z) - G(x)] \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}} &= \frac{1}{\alpha-2} \int_\epsilon^\infty \frac{d}{dt} (t^{\alpha-2}) dt \int_{\Sigma} [G(x+tz') - G(x)] dz' \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha-2} \left(t^{\alpha-2} \int_{\Sigma} [G(x+tz') - G(x)] dz' \Big|_\epsilon^\infty \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_{j=1}^n \int_\epsilon^\infty \frac{dt}{t^{2-\alpha}} \int_{\Sigma} z_j G_j(x+tz') dz' \right), \end{aligned}$$

where $G_j = (\partial/\partial x_j)G$. At $t = \infty$ the integrated term is zero since $\alpha - 2 < 0$. At $t = \epsilon$ it is $O(\epsilon^{\alpha-1}) = o(1)$. Hence

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} g(x) &= \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z| > \epsilon} [G(x+z) - G(x)] \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha-2} \sum_{j=1}^n \int_{E^n} G_j(x-z) \frac{z'_j}{|z|^{n-(\alpha-1)}} \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 5, $g \in T_\alpha^1(x)$ uniformly in x for all x . Hence $h = f - g \in T_\alpha^1(x)$ uniformly for $x \in P$. Moreover,

$$h(x) = f(x) - g(x) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{|z| > \epsilon} [H(x+z) - H(x)] \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}}$$

almost everywhere. Since $H=0$ in P and (2.3) with $\lambda=2$ is finite for almost all $x \in P$,

$$(2.7) \quad h(x) = \int_{E^n} \frac{H(x+z)}{|z|^{n+\beta}} dz$$

for almost all $x \in P$, the integral converging absolutely.

To prove Theorem 1, it suffices to show that both

$$\tilde{g}_\epsilon(x) = \int_{|z| > \epsilon} [g(x-z) - g(x)] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

and

$$\tilde{h}_\epsilon(x) = \int_{|z| > \epsilon} [h(x-z) - h(x)] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

converge for almost all $x \in P$. Consider first \tilde{g}_ϵ . Since $G \in L_\beta^2 = J^\alpha L_\beta^2$, it follows from (2.6) and Lemma 1 with $\Omega \equiv 1$ that $g \in L_\alpha^2$. By Lemma 1 again, $\tilde{g}_\epsilon(x)$ converges for almost all x .

Turning to \tilde{h}_ϵ , we have $h \in T_\alpha^1(x)$, uniformly for $x \in P$, i.e., for $x \in P$

$$\int_{|z| < \epsilon} |h(x+z) - h(x) - \sum z_j h_j(x)| dz \leq M\epsilon^{n+\alpha}$$

for certain $h_j(x)$. We claim that

$$(2.8) \quad h_j(x) = \int_{E^n} H(x-z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} \left(\frac{1}{|z|^{n+\beta}} \right) dz$$

for almost all $x \in P$. Observe that the integral in (2.8) converges absolutely for almost all $x \in P$ since $\alpha > 1$ (see (2.3) with $\lambda=2$). By Lemma 9, $h_j(x)$ is the derivative of h with respect to x_j restricted to P , i.e., if $\epsilon_j = (0, \dots, 0, \epsilon, 0, \dots, 0)$ with ϵ as the j th entry, then

$$(h(x + \epsilon_j) - h(x))/\epsilon \rightarrow h_j(x)$$

as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ provided $x, x + \epsilon_j \in P$. On the other hand since we may assume (2.7) holds for all $x \in P$, we have for x and $x + \epsilon_j$ in P

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{h(x + \epsilon_j) - h(x)}{\epsilon} &= \int_{E^n} H(x - z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} \left(\frac{1}{|z|^{n+\beta}} \right) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{E^n} H(x - z) \left[\frac{1}{|z + \epsilon_j|^{n+\beta}} - \frac{1}{|z|^{n+\beta}} - \epsilon \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} \frac{1}{|z|^{n+\beta}} \right] dz \\ &= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{|z| < 2\epsilon} + \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{|z| > 2\epsilon} = A_\epsilon + B_\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

By the mean-value theorem,

$$|B_\epsilon| \leq c\epsilon \int_{|z| > 2\epsilon} |H(x + z)| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta+2}}.$$

If $R(t) = \int_{|z| < t} |H(z + z)| dz$, then $R(t) \leq Mt^{n+2}$ by Lemma 8 and

$$|B_\epsilon| \leq c\epsilon \int_{2\epsilon}^\infty \frac{dR(t)}{t^{n+\beta+2}}.$$

Integrating by parts, $B_\epsilon = O(\epsilon^{\alpha-1}) = o(1)$.

Even simpler estimates show that the terms

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{|z| < 2\epsilon} H(x + z) \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}} \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{|z| < 2\epsilon} H(x + z) \frac{\partial}{\partial z_j} \left(\frac{1}{|z|^{n+\beta}} \right) dz$$

of A_ϵ tend to zero with ϵ . The remaining term of A_ϵ is majorized by

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{|z| < 3\epsilon} |H(x + \epsilon_j + z)| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\beta}} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^{3\epsilon} \frac{dR_\epsilon(t)}{t^{n+\beta}},$$

where $R_\epsilon(t) = \int_{|z| < t} |H(x + \epsilon_j + z)| dz \leq Mt^{n+2}$ uniformly in ϵ . That (2.8) holds for almost all $x \in P$ now follows by integrating by parts.

We claim next that

$$(2.9) \quad \int_{E^n} \left| h(x + z) - h(x) - \sum z_j h_j(x) \right| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} < \infty$$

for almost all $x \in P$. Since Ω is bounded and orthogonal to polynomials of degree 1, $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \tilde{h}_\epsilon(x)$ exists wherever (2.9) holds. If we assume that (2.7) and (2.8) hold for all $x \in P$, it is enough to show that (2.9) holds for each point of density x of P at which (2.2) is finite for $\lambda = \alpha$ and $\lambda = 1$ and at which (2.3) is finite for $\lambda = \alpha$ and $\lambda = 2$. Let $x = 0$ be such a point. Then (2.9) for $x = 0$ will follow if

$$(2.10) \quad \int_{|z| < \eta} \left| h(z) - h(0) - \sum z_j h_j(0) \right| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}}$$

is finite for some $\eta > 0$. In what follows we will denote by c a constant, possibly different in different occurrences, depending only on α and n .

Consider first that part of (2.10) with integration extended only over P . Applying (2.7), (2.8) and interchanging the order of integration,

$$\int_P |h(z) - h(0) - \sum z_j h_j(0)| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}}$$

$$\leq \int |H(y)| dy \int_P \left| \frac{1}{|y-z|^{n+\beta}} - \frac{1}{|y|^{n+\beta}} + \sum z_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \left(\frac{1}{|y|^{n+\beta}} \right) \right| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}}.$$

By the mean-value theorem, the inner integral extended over $|z| < |y|/2$ is majorized by a constant times

$$\int_{|z| < |y|/2} \frac{|z|^2}{|y|^{n+\beta+2}} \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} = O(|y|^{-n-2}).$$

Since (2.3) with $\lambda=2$ and $x=0$ is finite, we may consider the inner integral above extended over $|z| > |y|/2$. Since $\alpha > 1$,

$$\int |H(y)| dy \int_{|z| > |y|/2} \left| z_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \left(\frac{1}{|y|^{n+\beta}} \right) \right| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}}$$

$$\leq c \int \frac{|H(y)|}{|y|^{n+\beta+1}} dy \int_{|z| > |y|/2} \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha-1}} = c \int \frac{|H(y)|}{|y|^{n+2}} dy.$$

The part

$$\int |H(y)| dy \int_{|z| > |y|/2} \frac{1}{|y|^{n+\beta}} \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}}$$

can be treated similarly. Since $H=0$ in P and $|z-y| \geq \delta(y)$ for $z \in P$ and $y \in P'$, the remaining part

$$\int |H(y)| dy \int_{P: |z| > |y|/2} \frac{1}{|y-z|^{n+\beta}} \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \leq c \int_{P'} \frac{|H(y)|}{|y|^{n+\alpha}} dy \int_{|y-z| > \delta(y)} \frac{dz}{|y-z|^{n+\beta}}$$

$$\leq c \int \frac{H(y)}{|y|^{n+\alpha} \delta(y)^{2-\alpha}} dy < \infty.$$

Now consider the part of (2.10) with integration extended over P' . For any z , write $\omega(z) = h(z) - h(0) - \sum z_j h_j(0)$. With the notation of Lemma 6, let $p_m \in P$ be a point whose distance from each point of K_m is less than a constant (independent of m) times d_m . It is enough to show both

$$(2.11) \quad \sum_m \int_{K_m} |\omega(z) - \omega(p_m)| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}}$$

and

$$(2.12) \quad \sum_m \int_{K_m} |\omega(p_m)| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}}$$

are finite, summations being extended over all m for which K_m intersects $\{z : |z| < \eta\}$.

Let δ_m be the distance from K_m to 0. Since 0 is a point of density of P we can choose η so small that $|p_m| \leq c\delta_m$ and $\delta_m \leq |z| \leq c\delta_m$ for $z \in K_m$, with c independent

of m . Fix m and write $K=K_m, p=p_m$, etc. A term of (2.11) is then majorized by a constant independent of m times

$$\delta^{-n-\alpha} \int_K \left| h(z) - h(p) - \sum_j (z_j - p_j) h_j(p) \right| dz + d \delta^{-n-\alpha} \sum_j \int_K |h_j(p) - h_j(0)| dz.$$

If we replace integration over K by integration over $|z-p| < cd$, we only increase this. Moreover, $h \in T_\alpha^1(p)$ uniformly for $p \in P$ and $|h_j(p) - h_j(0)| \leq c\delta^{\alpha-1}$ by Lemma 9. Hence the expression above is bounded by a constant independent of m times

$$d^{n+\alpha}/\delta^{n+\alpha} + d^{n+1}/\delta^{n+1}.$$

Since $|K| \geq cd^n$ and $\delta(z) \geq d$ for $z \in K$,

$$\frac{d^{n+\alpha}}{\delta^{n+\alpha}} \leq c \int_K \frac{\delta^\alpha(z)}{\delta^{n+\alpha}} dz \leq c \int_K \frac{\delta^\alpha(z)}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz.$$

Treating d^{n+1}/δ^{n+1} in the same way and summing over m , we see (2.11) is finite.

Turning to (2.12) we have

$$(2.13) \quad \int_K |\omega(p)| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \leq \int_K \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \int |H(y)| \left| \frac{1}{|y-p|^{n+\beta}} - \frac{1}{|y|^{n+\beta}} - \sum p_j \frac{\partial}{\partial y_j} \left(\frac{1}{|y|^{n+\beta}} \right) \right| dy.$$

The part of (2.13) with integration in the inner integral restricted to $|y| > 2|p|$ is majorized by a constant times

$$\int_K \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \int_{|y| > 2|p|} |H(y)| \frac{|p|^2}{|y|^{n+\beta+2}} dy.$$

For $z \in K, |z|$ and $|p|$ are comparable since both are comparable to δ . Hence the last integral is less than a constant times

$$\int_K \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \int_{|y| > c|z|} |H(y)| \frac{|z|^2}{|y|^{n+\beta+2}} dy.$$

Summing over m and changing the order of integration, we obtain

$$\int \frac{|H(y)|}{|y|^{n+\beta+2}} dy \int_{|z| < |y|/c} \frac{dz}{|z|^{n-\beta}} \leq c \int \frac{|H(y)|}{|y|^{n+2}} dy.$$

Consider then the part of (2.13) with integration in the inner integral extended over $|y| < 2|p|$. The parts

$$\int_K \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \int_{|y| < 2|p|} \frac{|H(y)|}{|y|^{n+\beta}} dy$$

and

$$\int_K \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \int_{|y| < 2|p|} |H(y)| \frac{|p|}{|y|^{n+\beta+1}} dy$$

can be handled as above—that is, by replacing $|p|$ by $|z|$, summing over m and interchanging the order of integration.

Consider finally the part

$$(2.14) \quad \int_K \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \int_{|y| < 2|p|} |H(y)| \frac{dy}{|p-y|^{n+\beta}}.$$

Let $\bar{K} = \bar{K}_m$ be K expanded concentrically k times, k taken large and independent of m . The part of (2.14) with inner integration over \bar{K} is less than

$$\int_K \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \int_{|p-y| < cd} \frac{|H(y)|}{|p-y|^{n+\beta}} dy = O\left(\frac{d^n}{\delta^{n+\alpha}}\right) \int_0^{cd} \frac{dR(t)}{t^{n+\beta}}$$

where $R(t) = \int_{|z| < t} |H(p+z)| dz \leq Mt^{n+2}$ uniformly in t and $p \in P$. Integrating by parts we obtain the bound $O(d^{n+\alpha}/\delta^{n+\alpha})$ considered earlier.

The remaining part of (2.14) is

$$\int_K \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \int_{|y| \leq 2|p|, y \notin \bar{K} \cup P} |H(y)| \frac{dy}{|p-y|^{n+\beta}}.$$

Since for $z \in K$, $|z|$ and $|p|$ are comparable and, for $z \in K$ and $y \notin \bar{K}$, $|p-y|$ and $|z-y|$ are comparable, this is less than a constant times

$$\int_K dz \int_{|z-y| > c\delta(y)} \frac{|H(y)|}{|y|^{n+\alpha}} \frac{dy}{|z-y|^{n+\beta}}.$$

Adding over m and interchanging the order of integration,

$$\int \frac{H(y)}{|y|^{n+\alpha}} dy \int_{|z-y| > c\delta(y)} \frac{dz}{|z-y|^{n+\beta}} \leq c \int \frac{|H(y)|}{|y|^{n+\alpha} \delta(y)^{2-\alpha}} dy.$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 1 for $1 < \alpha < 2$. The argument for $0 < \alpha < 1$ is somewhat simpler. The analogues of Lemmas 8 and 9 can be found in [4], and those of Lemmas 3 and 5 are clear. The hypothesis (1.1) is not required in Lemma 1 for $0 < \alpha < 1$ and is therefore not needed in the argument for \tilde{g}_ϵ . For \tilde{h}_ϵ one shows that

$$\int_{E^n} |h(x+z) - h(x)| \frac{dz}{|z|^{n+\alpha}}$$

is finite almost everywhere in P and need not require (1.1).

3. Proof of Theorem 2. We will prove Theorem 2 for $1 < \alpha < 2$ and begin by recalling several lemmas.

LEMMA 1. *Let $u \in L^p$, $1 < p < \infty$, and let r be a nonnegative integer. If Ω is a spherical harmonic of degree $m \neq 0$, let*

$$v(x) = \text{p.v.} \int u(x-z) \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^n} dz,$$

and let $u(x, \epsilon)$ and $v(x, \epsilon)$, $\epsilon > 0$, denote the Poisson integrals of u and v . If

$$(\partial^r / \partial \epsilon^r) u(x, \epsilon)$$

has a nontangential limit at every $x \in E \subset E^n$ then so has $(\partial^r / \partial \epsilon^r) v(x, \epsilon)$ almost everywhere in E .

Lemma 3 is a special case of Theorem 7, of [9, p. 173].

LEMMA 2. Let $F \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, and let $F(x, \epsilon)$ be the Poisson integral of F . Suppose $(\partial^r/\partial \epsilon^r)F(x, \epsilon)$ has a nontangential limit at each $x \in E$. Then given $\epsilon > 0$ there is a closed $P \subset E$, $|E - P| < \epsilon$, and a splitting $F = G + H$ such that G has an ordinary r th differential almost everywhere and $H = 0$ for $x \in P$.

For a proof, see [10].

LEMMA 3. Let $H \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$. If for each x in a closed set P , $H(x) = 0$ and

$$\left(\epsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \epsilon} |H(x+z) \pm H(x-z)|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\epsilon^r),$$

then for almost all $x \in P$

$$\left(\epsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \epsilon} |H(x+z)|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = o(\epsilon^r).$$

For a proof see [12, p. 91].

LEMMA 4. If $f \in T_\alpha^p(x_0)$, $1 < \alpha < 2$, $1 \leq p < \infty$ then $F = J^\beta f$ ($\alpha + \beta = 2$) satisfies

$$\left(\epsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \epsilon} |F(x_0+z) - F(x_0-z) - \sum b_j z_j|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\epsilon^2)$$

for some $b_j = b_j(x_0)$.

Lemma 4 can be proved by the method of [4, pp. 195-197]. Take $x_0 = 0$ and write

$$F(x) - F(-x) = \int f(z)[G_\beta(z-x) - G_\beta(z+x)] dz.$$

Thus $F(x) - F(-x)$ differs by a linear term in x from

$$\int [f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j][G_\beta(z-x) - G_\beta(z+x)] dz.$$

We claim that

$$\int [f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j] G_\beta^{(j)}(z) dz$$

converges absolutely if

$$\left(\epsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \epsilon} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\epsilon^{n+\alpha}).$$

It is enough to show the part of the integral over $|z| < 1$ converges absolutely. If

$$R(t) = \int_{|z| < t} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| dz,$$

$$\int_{|z| < 1} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| |G_\beta^{(j)}(z)| dz \leq c \int_0^1 \frac{dR(t)}{t^{n-\beta+1}}.$$

That this is finite follows by integrating by parts. Hence $F(x) - F(-x)$ differs by a linear term in x from

$$\int [f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j] [G_\beta(z+x) - G_\beta(z-x) - 2 \sum x_j G_\beta^{(j)}(z)] dz$$

$$= \int_{|z| < 2|x|} + \int_{|z| > 2|x|} = A(x) + B(x).$$

Here

$$|B(x)| \leq c \int_{|z| > 2|x|} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| \frac{|x|^3}{|z|^{n-\beta+3}} dz$$

$$= c|x|^3 \int_{2|x|}^\infty \frac{dR(t)}{t^{n+\alpha+1}} = O(|x|^2).$$

The terms of $A(x)$ majorized by

$$|x| \int_{|z| < 2|x|} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| |G_\beta^{(j)}(z)| dz = O(|x|) \int_0^{2|x|} \frac{dR(t)}{t^{n-\beta+1}} = O(|x|^2).$$

Hence for $|x| < \epsilon$,

$$|F(x) - F(-x) - \sum b_j x_j| \leq c\epsilon^2 + \int_{|z| < 2\epsilon} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| |G_\beta(z+x)| dz$$

$$+ \int_{|z| < 2\epsilon} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| |G_\beta(z-x)| dz.$$

For $1 \leq p < \infty$, Young's theorem implies

$$\left(\int_{|x| < \epsilon} |F(x) - F(-x) - \sum b_j x_j|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$$

$$\leq c\epsilon^{2+n/p} + 2 \left(\int_{|z| < 2\epsilon} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j|^p dz \right)^{1/p} \int_{|z| < 3\epsilon} G_\beta(z) dz = O(\epsilon^{2+n/p}),$$

which proves the lemma.

Let $1 \leq \alpha < 2$ and let Ω be a spherical harmonic of degree $m \geq 0, m \neq 1$. In proving Theorems 2 and 3, it will be convenient to use an approximation $f(x, \epsilon)$ to

$$\tilde{f}_\epsilon(x) = \int_{|z| > \epsilon} [f(x-z) - f(x)] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

which is harmonic in (x, ϵ) for $x \in E^n, \epsilon > 0$. For this purpose we define

$$f(x, \epsilon) = c_m^{(\alpha)} \int_{E^n} f(x+z) [|z|^\alpha \Omega(z') e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

where $c_m^{(\alpha)}$ is an appropriate constant depending only on α, n and m . The harmonic function $f(x, \epsilon)$ is considered in [14] where the following facts are proved.

LEMMA 5. For $f \in L^p, 1 \leq p < \infty,$

$$(a) f(x, \varepsilon) = \int_{E^n} f(x+z)K(z, \varepsilon) dz,$$

where

$$K(z, \varepsilon) = \omega_m^{(\alpha), \nu_m^{(\alpha)}}(\varepsilon/|z|)\Omega(-z')|z|^{-n-\alpha},$$

$$\nu_m^{(\alpha)}(r) = \int_0^\infty e^{-rs} s^{\gamma+\alpha+1} J_{m+\gamma}(s) ds,$$

$J_\nu(s)$ is the Bessel function of order $\nu, \gamma=(n-2)/2$ and $\omega_m^{(\alpha)}$ is a constant depending only on α, n and m ;

$$(b) |\nu_m^{(\alpha)}(r)| \leq Ar^{-n-\alpha};$$

$$(c) |\omega_m^{(\alpha)} \nu_m^{(\alpha)}(r) - 1| \leq A[(mr)^{1/2} + (mr)^{3/2}], A = A_{\alpha, n};$$

$$(d) \int_{E^n} K(z, \varepsilon) dz = 0.$$

The crucial lemma in proving Theorem 2 is

LEMMA 6. Let $f \in L^p, 1 \leq p < \infty,$ and $f \in T_\alpha^p(x_0), 1 < \alpha < 2.$ If $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \tilde{f}_\varepsilon(x_0)$ exists and is finite then $f(x, \varepsilon)$ is bounded in every cone $\{(x, \varepsilon) : |x - x_0| < c\varepsilon\}.$

Take $x_0 = 0$ and consider

$$\begin{aligned} f(0, \varepsilon) - \tilde{f}_\varepsilon(0) &= \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} [f(z) - f(0)]K(z, \varepsilon) dz \\ &\quad + \int_{|z| > \varepsilon} [f(z) - f(0)] \left[K(z, \varepsilon) - \frac{\Omega(-z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} \right] dz \\ &= A_\varepsilon + B_\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used (d) of Lemma 5. Since $f \in T_\alpha^p(0),$ there are constants $a_j, j=1, \dots, n,$ such that

$$R(t) = \int_{|z| < t} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| dz \leq Mt^{n+\alpha}.$$

Since Ω is orthogonal to polynomials of degree 1 ($m \neq 1$), neither A_ε nor B_ε is changed if we replace $f(z) - f(0)$ in its integrand by $f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j.$ By (b) of Lemma 5,

$$|A_\varepsilon| \leq c\varepsilon^{-n-\alpha}R(\varepsilon) = O(1),$$

and by (c) of Lemma 5,

$$|B_\varepsilon| \leq c \int_\varepsilon^\infty \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{t}\right)^{1/2} \frac{dR(t)}{t^{n+\alpha}}.$$

Integrating by parts, B_ε is bounded.

This shows that $f(0, \varepsilon)$ is bounded. To complete the proof, suppose (x, ε) satisfies $|x| < c\varepsilon$ and consider

$$f(x, \varepsilon) - f(0, \varepsilon) = \int [f(z) - f(0)][K(z-x, \varepsilon) - K(z, \varepsilon)] dz.$$

Since $\int K(z, \epsilon) dz = \int z_j K(z, \epsilon) dz = 0^{(2)}$, also $\int z_j K(z-x, \epsilon) dz = 0$ and we can majorize the right side above by

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{|z| < 2c\epsilon} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| (|K(z-x, \epsilon)| + |K(z, \epsilon)|) dz \\ & \quad + \int_{|z| > 2c\epsilon} |f(z) - f(0) - \sum a_j z_j| |K(z-x, \epsilon) - K(z, \epsilon)| dz \\ & = A'_\epsilon + B'_\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

As before, A'_ϵ is bounded. To show B'_ϵ is bounded, we must estimate the first order derivatives of $K(z, \epsilon)$ with respect to z . However,

$$\frac{d}{dr} \nu_m^{(\alpha)}(r) = - \int_0^\infty e^{-rs} s^{\gamma + \alpha + 2} J_{m+\gamma}(s) ds.$$

By an argument like that used for Lemma (1.3) of [14],

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{d}{dr} \nu_m^{(\alpha)}(r) = O(1) + O(r^s), \quad s > 0.$$

Hence the first order derivatives of $K(z, \epsilon)$ are bounded by a constant times $\epsilon^s |z|^{-n-\alpha-1-s}$ for $s \geq 0$.

Since $|x| < c\epsilon$,

$$|B'_\epsilon| \leq c\epsilon^s |x| \int_{2c\epsilon}^\infty \frac{dR(t)}{t^{n+\alpha+1+s}} \leq c\epsilon^{s+1} \int_{2c\epsilon}^\infty \frac{dR(t)}{t^{n+\alpha+1+s}} = O(1).$$

This proves Lemma 6.

In particular, if $f \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, and $f \in T_\alpha^p(x)$ and $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \hat{f}_\epsilon(x)$ exists and is finite for $x \in E$, then $f(x, \epsilon)$ is bounded in each nontangential cone with vertex at a point of E . By a well-known theorem of Calderón (see [1]), $f(x, \epsilon)$ has a nontangential limit at almost every point of E . If $F = J^\beta f$, we claim this implies that

$$(3.2) \quad \int_{E^n} F(x+z) [|z|^2 \Omega(z') e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

has a nontangential limit almost everywhere in E .

For if f is infinitely differentiable and has compact support, (3.2) is

$$\int \hat{F}(z) e^{i(x \cdot z)} |z|^2 \Omega(z') e^{-\epsilon|z|} dz = \int \hat{f}(z) d\mu(z) e^{i(x \cdot z)} |z|^\alpha \Omega(z') e^{-\epsilon|z|} dz$$

by Lemma 2(a) of §2 with $\lambda = \beta$. The last integral is $f_1(x, \epsilon)$ for the function $f_1 = f * d\mu$, and the same is true for any $f \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, by approximating. Hence (3.2) has a nontangential limit almost everywhere in E if both

- (a) $f_1 = f * d\mu \in T_\alpha^p(x)$ and
- (b) $\int_{|z| > \epsilon} [f_1(x-z) - f_1(x)] (\Omega(z') / |z|^{n+\alpha}) dz$ converges for almost all $x \in E$.

(2) Since $\alpha > 1$, (2) and (3) of Lemma 5 imply $z_j K(z, \epsilon)$ is integrable.

By Lemma 2 of §2, f_1 differs from f by the sum of a linear combination of terms $J^{2k}f$, $k \geq 1$, and a term $f * R$ where R has derivatives up to a preassigned order in all L^p , $1 \leq p \leq \infty$. Clearly f and $f * R$ satisfy (a) and (b) in E . Now $J^{2k}f \in L^p_2 \subset L^p_\alpha$. Hence (b) is true for each $J^{2k}f$ by Lemma 1 of §2. For (a) we use the proof of Lemma (1.5) of [14] for $p > 1$ and Lemma 4 of §2 for $p = 1$.

Now suppose $f \in T^p_\alpha(x)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, $1 < \alpha < 2$, for $x \in E$ and each

$$\int_{|z| > \epsilon} [f(x-z) - f(x)] \frac{\Omega_j(z')}{|z|^{n+\alpha}} dz$$

converges for $x \in E$ where $\{\Omega_j\}$ is a normalized basis for the spherical harmonics of a fixed degree $m \neq 1$, $m = 0$ if $p = 1$. With $F = J^\beta f$, each

$$\int_{E^n} F(x+z) [|z|^2 \Omega_j(z) e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

has a nontangential limit almost everywhere in E . For smooth F and $m \neq 0$, the last integral is a constant times

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \epsilon^2} \int_{E^n} (T_j F)(x+z) [e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

where $(T_j F)(x) = \text{p.v. } F * \Omega_j(x) / |x|^n$ (see [3, p. 906]). Since T_j is bounded on L^p for $p > 1$, the same is true for any $f \in L^p$, $p > 1$.

Applying Lemma 1, each

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \epsilon^2} \int_{E^n} (T_j^2 F)(x+z) [e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

has a nontangential limit almost everywhere in E . Since $\sum_j \Omega_j^2$ is constant (see [6, p. 243(2)]), $\sum T_j^2 F = F$. Hence

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial \epsilon^2} \int_{E^n} F(x+z) [e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

has a nontangential limit almost everywhere in E . If $m = 0$ ($\Omega \equiv 1$) the same is true for $1 \leq p < \infty$.

We now decompose F according to Lemma 2. Theorem 2 will follow if $H \in t^p_2(x)$ for almost all $x \in P$. Since $F = J^\beta f$ and G satisfy the conclusion of Lemma 4 in P , so does H . Since $H = 0$ in P ,

$$\left(\epsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \epsilon} |H(x+z) - H(x-z)|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\epsilon^2)$$

for $x \in P$, and Theorem 2 follows from Lemma 3 of this section.

4. Proof of Theorem 3. In this section we will prove Theorem 3 and use the proof to obtain an improvement of Theorem 2. We begin with Theorem 3. Its

proof is similar to that of Theorem 2, but we need a replacement for Lemma 6 of §3.

Hence let $f \in L^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, and suppose

$$\tilde{f}_\varepsilon(x) = \int_{|z| > \varepsilon} [f(x-z) - f(x)] \frac{\Omega(z')}{|z|^{n+1}} dz$$

converges at $x = x_0$, where Ω is a spherical harmonic of degree $m \neq 1$, $m = 0$ if $p = 1$. We claim that

$$f(x_0, \varepsilon) = c_m \int_{E^n} f(x_0 + z) [|z| \Omega(z') e^{-\varepsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

has a limit as $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$. Here we write $c_m = c_m^{(1)}$, $\omega_m = \omega_m^{(1)}$, $\nu_m = \nu_m^{(1)}$.

For taking $x_0 = 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} f(0, \varepsilon) - \tilde{f}_\varepsilon(0) &= \omega_m \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} [f(z) - f(0)] \nu_m \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{|z|} \right) \frac{\Omega(-z')}{|z|^{n+1}} dz \\ &\quad + \int_{|z| > \varepsilon} [f(z) - f(0)] \left[\omega_m \nu_m \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{|z|} \right) - 1 \right] \frac{\Omega(-z')}{|z|^{n+1}} dz \\ &= A_\varepsilon + B_\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

We put

$$S(t) = \int_{|z| < t} [f(z) - f(0)] \Omega(-z') dz.$$

Then $S(t) = O(t^n)$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ and, since $\tilde{f}_\varepsilon(0)$ converges, $S(t) = o(t^{n+1})$ as $t \rightarrow 0$. However,

$$A_\varepsilon = \int_0^\varepsilon S'(t) G_\varepsilon(t) dt$$

and

$$B_\varepsilon = \int_\varepsilon^\delta S'(t) H_\varepsilon(t) dt + o(1)$$

for fixed $\delta > \varepsilon$ by Lemma 5(c) of §3. Here of course

$$G_\varepsilon(t) = \omega_m \nu_m(\varepsilon/t) t^{-n-1}, \quad H_\varepsilon(t) = [\omega_m \nu_m(\varepsilon/t) - 1] t^{-n-1}.$$

Integrating by parts and applying (b) and (c) of Lemma 5 of §3,

$$A_\varepsilon = - \int_0^\varepsilon S(t) G'_\varepsilon(t) dt + o(1), \quad B_\varepsilon = - \int_\varepsilon^\delta S(t) H'_\varepsilon(t) dt + o(1).$$

To show A_ε and B_ε tend to zero, it is therefore enough to show that for $s > 0$

$$G'_\varepsilon(t) = O(\varepsilon^{-n-1} t^{-1}), \quad H'_\varepsilon(t) = O(\varepsilon^s t^{-n-2-s}).$$

The estimate for H'_ε follows from (3.1) and Lemma 5(c) of §3. $G'_\varepsilon(t)$ is a combination of $\nu_m(\varepsilon/t) t^{-n-2}$ and $(d/dt)[\nu_m(\varepsilon/t)] t^{-n-1}$. The first of these is $O(\varepsilon^{-n-1} t^{-1})$ and the second is a constant times

$$\varepsilon t^{-n-3} \int_0^\infty e^{-(\varepsilon/t)s} s^{\gamma+3} J_{m+\gamma}(s) ds \leq c \varepsilon t^{-n-3} \int_0^\infty e^{-(\varepsilon/t)s} s^{2\gamma+3} ds,$$

since $|J_{m+\nu}(s)| \leq cs^\nu$ (see [14], Lemma (1.2)). Changing variables our claim follows —i.e., $f(0, \epsilon)$ has a limit as $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$.

Suppose in addition that

$$(4.1) \quad \left(\epsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \epsilon} |f(z) + f(-z) - 2f(0)|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\epsilon).$$

Consider

$$f(x, \epsilon) = \int f(z)K(z-x, \epsilon) dz$$

where K is defined by Lemma 5 of §3 for $\alpha=1$. If m is odd then $K(z, \epsilon)$ is odd in z and

$$(4.2) \quad f(-x, \epsilon) - f(x, \epsilon) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{E^n} [f(z) + f(-z) - 2f(0)][K(z+x, \epsilon) - K(z-x, \epsilon)] dz.$$

If m is even then $K(z, \epsilon)$ is even in z and

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} & f(x, \epsilon) + f(-x, \epsilon) - 2f(0, \epsilon) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{E^n} [f(z) + f(-z) - 2f(0)][K(z+x, \epsilon) + K(z-x, \epsilon) - 2K(z, \epsilon)] dz. \end{aligned}$$

Using (4.1) and arguing as in the last part of the proof of Lemma 6 above, both (4.2) and (4.3) are bounded in any cone $\{(x, \epsilon) : |x| < c\epsilon\}$. If, in particular, f satisfies (4.1) for $x \in E$ and $\hat{f}_\epsilon(x)$ converges for $x \in E$ then, taking subsets of E , we may assume that

- (a) $f(x, \epsilon)$ is uniformly bounded in (x, ϵ) for $x \in E, 0 < \epsilon < \eta$,
- (b) either $f(x+z, \epsilon) + f(x-z, \epsilon)$ or $f(x+z, \epsilon) + f(x-z, \epsilon) - 2f(x, \epsilon)$ is uniformly bounded for $x \in E$ and $|z| < \epsilon$.

By a simple argument, it follows $f(x, \epsilon)$ is bounded in some cone with vertex at each point of density of E , and so $f(x, \epsilon)$ has a nontangential limit almost everywhere in E . Under the hypothesis of Theorem 3, therefore, each

$$\int_{E^n} f(x+z)[|z| \Omega_f(z') e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

has a nontangential limit almost everywhere in E . If $1 < p < \infty$ and $m \neq 0$, it follows from Lemma 1 above as before that

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \epsilon} \int_{E^n} f(x+z)[e^{-\epsilon|z|}]^\wedge dz$$

has a nontangential limit almost everywhere in E . If $m=0$, the same is true for $1 \leq p < \infty$.

By Lemma 2 of §3, there is for $\epsilon > 0$ a closed $P \subset E, |E-P| < \epsilon$, and a splitting $f=g+h$ such that $g \in \mathcal{I}_1^p(x)$ for almost all x and $h=0$ in P . Since f and g satisfy (4.1) so does h and Theorem 3 follows from Lemma 3 above.

Finally, we remark that the proof just given can be modified to prove Theorem 2 under an apparently weaker hypothesis on f . In fact, the conclusion of Theorem 2 is valid if we replace the hypothesis that $f \in T_\alpha^p(x)$, $x \in E$ by the condition

$$(i) \quad \left(\varepsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} |f(x+z) + f(x-z) - 2f(x)|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\varepsilon^\alpha)$$

if $0 < \alpha < 1$ or

$$(ii) \quad \left(\varepsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} |f(x+z) - f(x-z) - 2 \sum a_j(x) z_j|^p dz \right)^{1/p} = O(\varepsilon^\alpha)$$

if $1 < \alpha < 2$, $x \in E$.

We note here that Lemma 4 of §3 remains true if the hypothesis $f \in T_\alpha^p(x_0)$ is replaced by (ii) above for $x = x_0$. If instead (i) holds for $x = x_0$ its analogue is

$$\left(\varepsilon^{-n} \int_{|z| < \varepsilon} |F(x+z) + F(x-z) - 2F(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} = O(\varepsilon), \quad F = J^{1-\alpha} f.$$

An unpublished result of Stein states that if (ii) holds for $\alpha = 1$ and each $x \in E$ then $f \in T_1^p(x)$ for almost all $x \in E$. Hence assuming (ii) for $\alpha = 1$ does not lead to a strengthening of Theorem 2.

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