

# Intrinsic Square Functions on Vanishing Generalized Orlicz-Morrey Spaces

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**Abstract** We study the boundedness of intrinsic square functions and their commutators on vanishing generalized Orlicz-Morrey spaces. In all the cases the conditions for the boundedness are given in terms of Zygmund-type integral inequalities without assuming any monotonicity property.

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### 1 Introduction

As is well known, Morrey spaces are widely used to investigate the local behavior of solutions to second order elliptic and parabolic partial differential equations and systems. Recall that the classical Morrey spaces  $\mathcal{M}^{p,\lambda}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  are defined by

$$\mathcal{M}^{p,\lambda}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \left\{ f \in L^p_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n) : \|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{p,\lambda}} := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} r^{-\frac{\lambda}{p}} \|f\|_{L^p(B(x,r))} < \infty \right\},$$

where  $0 \leq \lambda \leq n, 1 \leq p < \infty$ .

The spaces  $\mathcal{M}^{p,\varphi}$ , equipped with the norms

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{p,\varphi}} := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \frac{1}{\varphi(x, r)} \|f\|_{L^p(B(x,r))}, \tag{1}$$

where  $\varphi$  is a positive measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty)$ , are known as *generalized Morrey spaces*.

Orlicz spaces  $L^\Phi$  (see Definition 2.2), generalizations of Lebesgue spaces  $L^p$ , introduced in [41, 42] are useful tools in harmonic analysis and its applications. For example, the Hardy-Littlewood maximal operator is bounded on  $L^p$  for  $1 < p < \infty$ , but not on  $L^1$ , but using Orlicz spaces, we can investigate the boundedness of the maximal operator near  $p = 1$ , see [4, 30, 31] and [5] for more precise statements.

A natural step in the theory of functions spaces was to study Orlicz-Morrey spaces

$$\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n),$$

where the "Morrey-type measuring" of regularity of functions is realized with respect to the Orlicz norm over balls instead of the Lebesgue one. Such spaces were introduced by Nakai in [37]. The boundedness of operators of harmonic analysis, in Orlicz-Morrey spaces, is studied in [8, 11, 18, 21, 23, 26, 38, 39, 46, 48].

We point out that our definition of Orlicz-Morrey spaces (see [8]) is different from the one used by Nakai [37] and Sawano et al. [48]. In words of [22], our generalized Orlicz-Morrey space is the third kind and the ones in [37] and [48] are the first kind and the second kind, respectively. According to the examples in [12], one can say that the generalized Orlicz-Morrey space of the first kind and the second kind are different. Notice that the definition of the space of the third kind relies only on the fact that  $L^\Phi$  is a normed linear space, which is independent of the condition that it is generated by modulars. On the other hand, the spaces of the first and the second kind are defined via the family of modulars.

Morrey and Orlicz-Morrey spaces are not separable due to the  $L^\infty$ -norm with respect to  $r$  and  $x$ . The closure of nice functions in the Morrey norm gives a subspace known under the name of vanishing Morrey space, see [45]. Such space, corresponding to the classical Morrey space,  $\mathcal{M}^{p,\lambda}$ , is in connection with Partial Differential Equations in [49, 50], they were also used in [44]. The vanishing generalized Morrey spaces were studied in [43] and references therein.

The intrinsic square functions were first introduced by Wilson in [55, 56]. They are defined as follows. For  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , let  $C_\alpha$  be the family of functions  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that the support of  $\phi$  is contained in  $\{x : |x| \leq 1\}$ ,  $\int \phi dx = 0$ , and for  $x, x' \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$|\phi(x) - \phi(x')| \leq |x - x'|^\alpha.$$

For  $(y, t) \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1}$  and  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , set

$$A_\alpha f(t, y) \equiv \sup_{\phi \in C_\alpha} |f * \phi_t(y)|,$$

where  $\phi_t(y) = t^{-n} \phi(\frac{y}{t})$ . Then, we define the varying-aperture intrinsic square (intrinsic Lusin) function of  $f$  by the formula

$$G_{\alpha,\beta}(f)(x) = \left( \int \int_{\Gamma_\beta(x)} (A_\alpha f(t, y))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

where  $\Gamma_\beta(x) = \{(y, t) \in \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} : |x - y| < \beta t\}$ . If  $\beta = 1$  we use the following notation  $G_{\alpha,1}(f) = G_\alpha(f)$ .

This function is independent of any particular kernel, such as the Poisson kernel, and dominates pointwise both the classical square function (the Lusin area integral) and its real-variable generalizations. Although the function  $G_{\alpha,\beta}(f)$  is dependent of kernels with uniform compact support, there is a pointwise relation between  $G_{\alpha,\beta}(f)$  with different  $\beta$ :

$$G_{\alpha,\beta}(f)(x) \leq \beta^{\frac{3n}{2} + \alpha} G_\alpha(f)(x).$$

We can see details in [55].

The intrinsic Littlewood-Paley  $g$ -function and the intrinsic  $g_\lambda^*$  function are defined respectively by

$$g_\alpha f(x) = \left( \int_0^\infty (A_\alpha f(t, y))^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$g_{\lambda,\alpha}^* f(x) = \left( \int \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1}} \left( \frac{t}{t + |x - y|} \right)^{n\lambda} (A_\alpha f(t, y))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Let  $b$  be a locally integrable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Setting

$$A_{\alpha,b} f(t, y) \equiv \sup_{\phi \in C_\alpha} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} [b(x) - b(z)] \phi_t(y - z) f(z) dz \right|,$$

the commutators are defined by

$$[b, G_\alpha] f(x) = \left( \int \int_{\Gamma(x)} (A_{\alpha,b} f(t, y))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$[b, g_\alpha] f(x) = \left( \int_0^\infty (A_{\alpha,b} f(t, y))^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

and

$$[b, g_{\lambda,\alpha}^*] f(x) = \left( \int \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1}} \left( \frac{t}{t + |x - y|} \right)^{\lambda n} (A_{\alpha,b} f(t, y))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Wilson [55] proved that  $G_\alpha$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $1 < p < \infty$  and  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . After then, Huang and Liu [27] studied the boundedness of intrinsic square functions on weighted Hardy spaces. Moreover, they characterized the weighted Hardy spaces by intrinsic square functions. In [52] and [53], Wang and Liu obtained some weak type estimates on weighted Hardy spaces. In [51] and [40] Wang and Nakamura considered intrinsic functions and the commutators generated with *Bounded Mean Oscillation* functions (BMO) (see [29]) on weighted Morrey spaces. In [20], Guliyev and Shukurov proved the boundedness of intrinsic square functions and their commutators on generalized Morrey spaces. In [19], Guliyev

and Omarova considered vector-valued intrinsic square functions and their commutators generated with BMO functions on vector-valued generalized weighted Morrey spaces. In [35] and [36], Liang, Lu et al. studied the boundedness of these operators on Musielak-Orlicz Morrey and Campanato spaces.

In this paper, we will consider  $G_\alpha, g_\alpha, g_{\lambda,\alpha}^*$  and their commutators on vanishing generalized Orlicz-Morrey spaces. More precisely, we find sufficient conditions on general Young function  $\Phi$  and functions  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2$  which ensure the boundedness of the operators under consideration from one vanishing generalized Orlicz-Morrey spaces  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to another  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Our results, in the setting of Orlicz-Morrey spaces, are new, even in the case of non-vanishing spaces.

By  $A \lesssim B$  we mean that  $A \leq CB$  with some positive constant  $C$  independent of appropriate quantities. If  $A \lesssim B$  and  $B \lesssim A$ , we write  $A \approx B$  and say that  $A$  and  $B$  are equivalent. Everywhere in the sequel  $B(x, r)$  stands for the ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  of radius  $r$  centered at  $x$  and  $|B(x, r)|$  for the Lebesgue measure of the ball  $B(x, r)$  and  $|B(x, r)| = v_n r^n$ , where  $v_n$  is the volume of the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

## 2 Preliminaries

We recall the definition of Young functions.

**Definition 2.1** A function  $\Phi : [0, +\infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  is called a Young function if  $\Phi$  is convex, left-continuous,  $\lim_{r \rightarrow +0} \Phi(r) = \Phi(0) = 0$  and  $\lim_{r \rightarrow +\infty} \Phi(r) = \infty$ .

From the convexity and  $\Phi(0) = 0$  it follows that any Young function is increasing. If there exists  $s \in (0, +\infty)$  such that  $\Phi(s) = +\infty$ , then  $\Phi(r) = +\infty$  for  $r \geq s$ .

Let  $\mathcal{Y}$  be the set of all Young functions  $\Phi$  such that

$$0 < \Phi(r) < +\infty \quad \text{for} \quad 0 < r < +\infty$$

If  $\Phi \in \mathcal{Y}$ , then  $\Phi$  is absolutely continuous on every closed interval in  $[0, +\infty)$  and bijective from  $[0, +\infty)$  to itself.

**Definition 2.2** (Orlicz Space). For a Young function  $\Phi$ , the set

$$L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n) = \left\{ f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n) : \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(k|f(x)|)dx < +\infty \text{ for some } k > 0 \right\}$$

is called a Orlicz space. If  $\Phi(r) = r^p, 1 \leq p < \infty$ , then  $L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n) = L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . If  $\Phi(r) = 0, (0 \leq r \leq 1)$  and  $\Phi(r) = \infty, (r > 1)$ , then  $L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n) = L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . The space  $L^\Phi_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  endowed with the natural topology is defined as the set of all functions  $f$  such that  $f\chi_B \in L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , for all balls  $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , where  $\chi_B$  is the characteristic function of  $B$ . We refer e.g. to [32, 33, 47] for the theory of Orlicz Spaces.

$L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a Banach space with respect to the norm

$$\|f\|_{L^\Phi} = \inf \left\{ \lambda > 0 : \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi\left(\frac{|f(x)|}{\lambda}\right)dx \leq 1 \right\}.$$

We note that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi\left(\frac{|f(x)|}{\|f\|_{L^\Phi}}\right)dx \leq 1.$$

For a Young function  $\Phi$  and  $0 \leq s \leq +\infty$ , let

$$\Phi^{-1}(s) = \inf\{r \geq 0 : \Phi(r) > s\} \quad (\inf \emptyset = +\infty).$$

If  $\Phi \in \mathcal{Y}$ , then  $\Phi^{-1}$  is the usual inverse function of  $\Phi$ . We note that

$$\Phi(\Phi^{-1}(r)) \leq r \leq \Phi^{-1}(\Phi(r)) \quad \text{for } 0 \leq r < +\infty. \tag{2}$$

A Young function  $\Phi$  is said to satisfy the  $\Delta_2$ -condition, denoted by  $\Phi \in \Delta_2$ , if

$$\Phi(2r) \leq k\Phi(r) \text{ for } r > 0$$

for some  $k > 1$ . If  $\Phi \in \Delta_2$ , then  $\Phi \in \mathcal{Y}$ . A Young function  $\Phi$  is said to satisfy the  $\nabla_2$ -condition, denoted also by  $\Phi \in \nabla_2$ , if

$$\Phi(r) \leq \frac{1}{2k}\Phi(kr), \quad r \geq 0,$$

for some  $k > 1$ . The function  $\Phi(r) = r$  satisfies the  $\Delta_2$ -condition but does not satisfy the  $\nabla_2$ -condition. If  $1 < p < \infty$ , then  $\Phi(r) = r^p$  satisfies both the conditions. The function  $\Phi(r) = e^r - r - 1$  satisfies the  $\nabla_2$ -condition but does not satisfy the  $\Delta_2$ -condition.

A Young function  $\Phi$  is said to satisfy the  $\Delta'$ -condition, denoted also by  $\Phi \in \Delta'$ , if

$$\Phi(rt) \leq c\Phi(r)\Phi(t), \quad r, t \geq 0,$$

for some positive constant  $c$ . Note that, each element of  $\Delta'$ -class is also an element of  $\Delta_2$ -class.

**Definition 2.3** A Young function  $\Phi$  is said to be of upper type  $p$  (resp. lower type  $p$ ) for some  $p \in [0, \infty)$ , if there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that, for all  $t \in [1, \infty)$  (resp.  $t \in [0, 1]$ ) and  $s \in [0, \infty)$ ,

$$\Phi(st) \leq Ct^p\Phi(s).$$

*Remark 2.1* We know that if  $\Phi$  is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ , then  $\Phi \in \Delta_2 \cap \nabla_2$ . Conversely, if  $\Phi \in \Delta_2 \cap \nabla_2$ , then  $\Phi$  is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$  (see for example [32]).

**Lemma 2.1** [34] *Let  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 \leq p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ . Let  $\tilde{C}$  be a positive constant. Then, there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that, for any ball  $B$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $\mu \in (0, \infty)$ , the inequality*

$$\int_B \Phi \left( \frac{|f(x)|}{\mu} \right) dx \leq \tilde{C}$$

*implies that  $\|f\|_{L^{\Phi}(B)} \leq C\mu$ .*

For a Young function  $\Phi$ , the complementary function  $\tilde{\Phi}(r)$  is defined by

$$\tilde{\Phi}(r) = \begin{cases} \sup\{rs - \Phi(s) : s \in [0, \infty)\} & , r \in [0, \infty) \\ +\infty & , r = +\infty. \end{cases}$$

The complementary function  $\tilde{\Phi}$  is also a Young function and  $\tilde{\tilde{\Phi}} = \Phi$ . If  $\Phi(r) = r$ , then  $\tilde{\Phi}(r) = 0$  for  $0 \leq r \leq 1$  and  $\tilde{\Phi}(r) = +\infty$  for  $r > 1$ . If  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$  and  $\Phi(r) = r^p/p$ , then  $\tilde{\Phi}(r) = r^{p'}/p'$ . If  $\Phi(r) = e^r - r - 1$ , then  $\tilde{\Phi}(r) = (1+r) \log(1+r) - r$ . Note that  $\Phi \in \nabla_2$  if and only if  $\tilde{\Phi} \in \Delta_2$ . It is known that

$$r \leq \Phi^{-1}(r)\tilde{\Phi}^{-1}(r) \leq 2r \quad \text{for } r \geq 0. \tag{3}$$

Note that Young functions satisfy the properties

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Phi(\alpha t) \leq \alpha \Phi(t), \text{ if } 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1 \\ \Phi(\alpha t) \geq \alpha \Phi(t), \text{ if } \alpha > 1 \end{array} \right. \text{ and } \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \Phi^{-1}(\alpha t) \geq \alpha \Phi^{-1}(t), \text{ if } 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1 \\ \Phi^{-1}(\alpha t) \leq \alpha \Phi^{-1}(t), \text{ if } \alpha > 1. \end{array} \right.$$

The following analogue of the Hölder inequality is known, see [54].

**Theorem 2.1** [54] *For a Young function  $\Phi$  and its complementary function  $\tilde{\Phi}$ , the following inequality is valid*

$$\|fg\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq 2\|f\|_{L^\Phi} \|g\|_{L^{\tilde{\Phi}}}.$$

The following lemma is valid. See for example [1] for the proof.

**Lemma 2.2** *Let  $\Phi$  be a Young function and  $B$  a set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  with finite Lebesgue measure. Then*

$$\|\chi_B\|_{L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(|B|^{-1})}.$$

In the next sections where we prove our main estimates, we use the following lemma, which follows from Theorem 2.1, Lemma 2.2 and (3).

**Lemma 2.3** *For a Young function  $\Phi$  and  $B = B(x, r)$ , the following inequality is valid*

$$\|f\|_{L^1(B)} \leq 2|B|\Phi^{-1}(|B|^{-1}) \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B)}.$$

The following theorem is an analogue of Lebesgue differentiation theorem in Orlicz spaces.

**Theorem 2.2** [24] *Suppose that  $\Phi$  is a Young function and let  $f \in L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)$  be nonnegative. Then*

$$\liminf_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\|f\chi_{B(x,r)}\|_{L^\Phi}}{\|\chi_{B(x,r)}\|_{L^\Phi}} \geq f(x), \quad \text{for almost every } x \in \mathbb{R}^n. \tag{4}$$

If we moreover assume that  $\Phi \in \Delta'$ , then

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\|f\chi_{B(x,r)}\|_{L^\Phi}}{\|\chi_{B(x,r)}\|_{L^\Phi}} = f(x), \quad \text{for almost every } x \in \mathbb{R}^n. \tag{5}$$

**Definition 2.4** (generalized Orlicz-Morrey Space) Let  $\varphi(x, r)$  be a positive measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty)$  and  $\Phi$  any Young function. We denote by  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  the generalized Orlicz-Morrey space. It is the space of all functions  $f \in L^{\Phi}_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  with finite quasinorm

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \varphi(x, r)^{-1} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,r))}.$$

According to this definition, we recover the generalized Morrey space  $\mathcal{M}^{p, \varphi}$  under the choice  $\Phi(r) = r^p, 1 \leq p < \infty$ .

The following lemma was proved in [10] (see also [9]).

**Lemma 2.4** *Let  $\Phi$  be a Young function and  $\varphi$  be a positive measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty)$ .*

(i) *If*

$$\sup_{t < r < \infty} \varphi(x, r)^{-1} = \infty \quad \text{for some } t > 0 \text{ and for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

*then  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \Theta$ , where  $\Theta$  is the set of all functions equivalent to 0 on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .*

(ii) *If*

$$\sup_{0 < r < t} \frac{1}{\varphi(x, r) \Phi^{-1}(|B(x, r)|^{-1})} = \infty \quad \text{for some } t > 0 \text{ and for almost all } x \in \mathbb{R}^n,$$

*then  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \Theta$ .*

*Remark 2.2* For the case Lemma 2.4 (ii), we impose the condition  $\Phi \in \Delta'$  in [9, 10] since we use (5) in the proof. But this condition is superfluous. It is enough to use (4) to prove this fact, the details being omitted.

*Remark 2.3* Let  $\Phi$  be a Young function. We denote by  $\Omega_\Phi$  the sets of all positive measurable functions  $\varphi$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty)$  such that for all  $t > 0$ ,

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \|\varphi(x, r)^{-1}\|_{L^\infty(t, \infty)} < \infty,$$

and

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \left\| \frac{1}{\varphi(x, r) \Phi^{-1}(|B(x, r)|^{-1})} \right\|_{L^\infty(0, t)} < \infty,$$

respectively. In what follows, keeping in mind Lemma 2.4, we always assume that  $\varphi \in \Omega_\Phi$ .

Extending the definition of vanishing generalized Morrey spaces to the case of Orlicz-Morrey spaces, we introduce the following definition.

**Definition 2.5** (vanishing generalized Orlicz-Morrey Space) *The vanishing generalized Orlicz-Morrey space  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is defined as the spaces of functions  $f \in \mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  such that*

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x, r))}}{\varphi(x, r)} = 0. \tag{6}$$

*Remark 2.4* Let  $\Phi$  be a Young function. We denote by  $\Omega_\Phi^V$  the sets of all positive measurable functions  $\varphi$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty)$  such that,

$$\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \inf_{r > \delta} \varphi(x, r) > 0, \quad \text{for all } \delta > 0 \tag{7}$$

and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \varphi(x, r)} = 0. \tag{8}$$

Taking into account Lemma 2.4 for the non-triviality of the space  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  we always assume that  $\varphi \in \Omega_\Phi^V$ . For details, see [10].

The space  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is a closed subspace of the Banach space  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , by standard means.

We will also use the notation

$$\mathfrak{A}_{\Phi,\varphi}(f; x, r) := \frac{\|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,r))}}{\varphi(x, r)}$$

for brevity, so that

$$V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n) : \limsup_{r \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathfrak{A}_{\Phi,\varphi}(f; x, r) = 0 \right\}.$$

### 3 Intrinsic Square Functions in the Spaces $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$

The known boundedness statement for  $G_\alpha$  on Orlicz spaces runs as follows.

**Theorem 3.1** [35] *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ . Then,  $G_\alpha$  is bounded from  $L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to itself.*

The following theorems was proved by Liang, Y., Nakai, E., Yang, D., Zhang, J. in [35].

**Theorem 3.2** [35] *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ . Assume that there exists a positive constant  $\tilde{C}$  such that, for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $0 < r \leq s < \infty$ ,*

$$\int_r^\infty \varphi(x, t) \frac{dt}{t} \leq \tilde{C} \varphi(x, r), \quad \varphi(x, s) \leq \tilde{C} \varphi(x, r) \text{ and } \varphi(x, r)r \leq \tilde{C} \varphi(x, s)s. \tag{9}$$

Then, the operators  $G_\alpha$  and  $g_\alpha$  are bounded on  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

**Theorem 3.3** [35] *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$  and suppose that the function  $\varphi(x, r)$  satisfies the conditions (9). Then, for  $\lambda > 3 + \frac{2\alpha}{n}$ , the operator  $g_{\lambda,\alpha}^*$  is bounded on  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

Given a weight  $w$ , will use the following statements on the boundedness of the weighted Hardy operators

$$H_w^*g(r) := \int_r^\infty g(s)w(s)ds, \quad r \in (0, \infty)$$

and

$$H_w^*g(r) := \int_r^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) g(t)w(t)dt, \quad r \in (0, \infty).$$

The following theorem was proved in [17].

**Theorem 3.4** *Let  $v_1, v_2$  and  $w$  be weights on  $(0, \infty)$  and  $v_1(t)$  be bounded outside a neighborhood of the origin. The inequality*

$$\sup_{r>0} v_2(r)H_w^*g(r) \leq C \sup_{r>0} v_1(r)g(r) \tag{10}$$

holds for some  $C > 0$  and all non-negative and non-decreasing  $g$  on  $(0, \infty)$  if and only if

$$B := \sup_{r>0} v_2(r) \int_r^\infty \frac{w(t)dt}{\sup_{t<s<\infty} v_1(s)} < \infty.$$

Moreover, the value  $C = B$  is the best constant for (10).

The following theorem was proved in [16].

**Theorem 3.5** *Let  $v_1, v_2$  and  $w$  be weights on  $(0, \infty)$  and  $v_1(t)$  be bounded outside a neighborhood of the origin. The inequality*

$$\sup_{r>0} v_2(r) H_w^* g(r) \leq C \sup_{r>0} v_1(r) g(r) \tag{11}$$

holds for some  $C > 0$  and all non-negative and non-decreasing  $g$  on  $(0, \infty)$  if and only if

$$B := \sup_{r>0} v_2(r) \int_r^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \frac{w(t)dt}{\sup_{t<s<\infty} v_1(s)} < \infty.$$

Moreover, the value  $C = B$  is the best constant for (11).

The following lemma was generalization of the Guliyev lemma [13–15] for Orlicz spaces.

**Lemma 3.1** *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ ,  $f \in L_{loc}^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $B = B(x_0, r)$ ,  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r > 0$ . Then, for the operator  $G_\alpha$ , the following inequality is valid*

$$\|G_\alpha f\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \lesssim \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}. \tag{12}$$

*Proof* With the notation  $2B = B(x_0, 2r)$ , we represent  $f$  as

$$f = f_1 + f_2, \quad f_1(y) = f(y)\chi_{2B}(y), \quad f_2(y) = f(y)\chi_{(2B)^c}(y),$$

and then

$$\|G_\alpha f\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \leq \|G_\alpha f_1\|_{L^\Phi(B)} + \|G_\alpha f_2\|_{L^\Phi(B)}.$$

Since  $f_1 \in L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)$ , by Theorem 3.1, it follows that

$$\|G_\alpha f_1\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \leq \|G_\alpha f_1\|_{L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C \|f_1\|_{L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)} = C \|f\|_{L^\Phi(2B)}.$$

Then let us estimate  $\|G_\alpha f_2\|_{L^\Phi(B)}$ .

$$|f_2 * \phi_t(y)| = \left| t^{-n} \int_{|y-z|\leq t} \phi\left(\frac{y-z}{t}\right) f_2(z) dz \right| \leq t^{-n} \int_{|y-z|\leq t} |f_2(z)| dz.$$

Since  $x \in B(x_0, r)$ ,  $(y, t) \in \Gamma(x)$ , we have  $|x - z| \leq |z - y| + |x - y| \leq 2t$ , and

$$r \leq |x_0 - z| - |x_0 - x| \leq |x - z| \leq |x - y| + |y - z| \leq 2t.$$

So, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_\alpha f_2(x) &\leq \left( \int \int_{\Gamma(x)} \left| t^{-n} \int_{|y-z|\leq t} |f_2(z)| dz \right|^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\leq \left( \int_{t>r/2} \int_{|x-y|<t} \left( \int_{|x-z|\leq 2t} |f_2(z)| dz \right)^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{3n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &\lesssim \left( \int_{t>r/2} \left( \int_{|x-z|\leq 2t} |f_2(z)| dz \right)^2 \frac{dt}{t^{2n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By Minkowski’s inequality and the relations  $|x - z| \geq |x_0 - z| - |x_0 - x| \geq \frac{1}{2}|x_0 - z|$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_\alpha f_2(x) &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \int_{t>\frac{|x-z|}{2}} \frac{dt}{t^{2n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} |f_2(z)| dz \\
 &\lesssim \int_{|x_0-z|>2r} \frac{|f(z)|}{|x-z|^n} dz \lesssim \int_{|x_0-z|>2r} \frac{|f(z)|}{|x_0-z|^n} dz \\
 &= \int_{|x_0-z|>2r} |f(z)| \int_{|x_0-z|}^{+\infty} \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} dz \\
 &= \int_{2r}^\infty \int_{2r<|x_0-z|<t} |f(z)| dz \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} \\
 &\lesssim \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

The last inequality follows from Lemma 2.3. Moreover,

$$\|G_\alpha f_2\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \lesssim \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

Thus

$$\|G_\alpha f\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \lesssim \|f\|_{L^\Phi(2B)} + \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

On the other hand, by (3) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) &\approx \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) r^n \int_{2r}^\infty \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} \\
 &\lesssim \int_{2r}^\infty \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}
 \end{aligned}$$

and then

$$\|f\|_{L^\Phi(2B)} \lesssim \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}. \tag{14}$$

Thus

$$\|G_\alpha f\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \lesssim \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

□

**Theorem 3.6** *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ ,  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_\Phi$  and suppose that the functions  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy the condition*

$$\int_r^\infty \left( \operatorname{ess\,inf}_{t < s < \infty} \varphi_1(x, s) \right) \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t} \leq C \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) \varphi_2(x, r), \tag{15}$$

where  $C$  does not depend on  $x$  and  $r$ . Then  $G_\alpha$  is bounded from  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Proof* By Lemma 3.1 and Theorem 3.4 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|G_\alpha f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)} &\lesssim \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \frac{1}{\varphi_2(x, r) \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_r^\infty \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x, t))} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\lesssim \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \varphi_1(x, r)^{-1} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x, r))} \\ &= \|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \end{aligned}$$

□

In [55], the author proved that the functions  $G_\alpha f$  and  $g_\alpha f$  are pointwise comparable. Thus, as a consequence of Theorem 3.6, we have the following result.

**Corollary 3.1** *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ ,  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_\Phi$  and suppose that the functions  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy the condition (15), then  $g_\alpha$  is bounded from  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

**Theorem 3.7** *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ ,  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_\Phi^V$ , suppose that the functions  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy the conditions*

$$c_\delta := \int_\delta^\infty \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \varphi_1(x, t) \frac{\Phi^{-1}(t^{-n})}{t} dt < \infty \tag{16}$$

for every  $\delta > 0$ , and

$$\frac{1}{\varphi_2(x, r) \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_r^\infty \varphi_1(x, t) \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t} \leq C_0, \tag{17}$$

where  $C_0$  does not depend on  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r > 0$ . Then  $G_\alpha$  is bounded from  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Proof* Since the norm inequality is already provided by Theorem 3.6, so we only have to prove that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathfrak{A}_{\Phi, \varphi_1}(f; x, r) = 0 \implies \lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \mathfrak{A}_{\Phi, \varphi_2}(G_\alpha f; x, r) = 0, \tag{18}$$

To check (18), i.e. to show that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|G_\alpha f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x, r))}}{\varphi_2(x, r)} < \varepsilon \text{ for small } r,$$

we use the estimate (12) where we split the right-hand side:

$$\frac{\|G_\alpha f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x, r))}}{\varphi_2(x, r)} \leq C[I_{\delta_0}(x, r) + J_{\delta_0}(x, r)], \tag{19}$$

with  $\delta_0 > 0$  and  $r < \delta_0$ , where

$$I_{\delta_0}(x, r) := \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})\varphi_2(x, r)} \int_r^{\delta_0} \frac{\Phi^{-1}(t^{-n})}{t} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,t))} dt$$

and

$$J_{\delta_0}(x, r) := \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})\varphi_2(x, r)} \int_{\delta_0}^{\infty} \frac{\Phi^{-1}(t^{-n})}{t} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,t))} dt.$$

We use the fact that  $f \in V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and choose any fixed  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,t))}}{\varphi_1(x, t)} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2CC_0}, \quad t \leq \delta_0,$$

where  $C$  and  $C_0$  are constants from (19) and (17). This yields a uniform estimate of the first term with respect to  $r \in (0, \delta_0)$  :

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} CI_{\delta_0}(x, r) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, \quad 0 < r < \delta_0.$$

For the second term, we have  $J_{\delta_0}(x, r) \leq c_{\delta_0} \frac{\|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}}}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})\varphi_2(x, r)}$ , where  $c_{\delta_0}$  is the constant from (16) with  $\delta = \delta_0$ . Then, by (8) we choose a small  $r$  such that  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})\varphi_2(x, r)} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2c_{\delta_0}\|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}}}$ . The proof of the estimate of the second term is complete.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.2** *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ ,  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_\Phi^V$ . Moreover, suppose that the functions  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy the conditions (16) and (17), then  $g_\alpha$  is bounded from  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

The following lemma is an easy consequence of the inequality

$$G_{\alpha, \beta}(f)(x) \leq \beta^{\frac{3n}{2} + \alpha} G_\alpha(f)(x)$$

which was proved in [55] and of the monotonicity of the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{L^\Phi}$ .

**Lemma 3.2** *For  $j \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , denote*

$$G_{\alpha, 2^j}(f)(x) = \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{|x-y| \leq 2^j t} (A_\alpha f(y, t))^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

*Let  $\Phi$  be a Young function and  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , then we have*

$$\|G_{\alpha, 2^j}(f)\|_{L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim 2^{j(\frac{3n}{2} + \alpha)} \|G_\alpha(f)\|_{L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)}.$$

**Theorem 3.8** *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ ,  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_\Phi$  and the functions  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy the condition (15). Then for  $\lambda > 3 + \frac{2\alpha}{n}$ ,  $g_{\lambda, \alpha}^*$  is bounded from  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

*Proof*

$$\begin{aligned}
 [g_{\lambda,\alpha}^*(f)(x)]^2 &= \int_0^\infty \int_{|x-y|<t} \left(\frac{t}{t+|x-y|}\right)^{n\lambda} (A_\alpha f(y,t))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \\
 &\quad + \int_0^\infty \int_{|x-y|\geq t} \left(\frac{t}{t+|x-y|}\right)^{n\lambda} (A_\alpha f(y,t))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \\
 &:= I + II.
 \end{aligned}$$

First, let us estimate I.

$$I \leq \int_0^{+\infty} \int_{|x-y|<t} (A_\alpha f(y,t))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \leq (G_\alpha f(x))^2$$

Now, let us estimate II.

$$\begin{aligned}
 II &\leq \sum_{j=1}^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_{2^{j-1}t \leq |x-y| \leq 2^j t} \left(\frac{t}{t+|x-y|}\right)^{n\lambda} (A_\alpha f(y,t))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{j=1}^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_{2^{j-1}t \leq |x-y| \leq 2^j t} 2^{-jn\lambda} (A_\alpha f(y,t))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{j=1}^\infty 2^{-jn\lambda} \int_0^\infty \int_{|x-y| \leq 2^j t} (A_\alpha f(y,t))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \\
 &:= \sum_{j=1}^\infty 2^{-jn\lambda} (G_{\alpha,2^j}(f)(x))^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\|g_{\lambda,\alpha}^*(f)\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\psi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \|G_\alpha f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\psi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)} + \sum_{j=1}^\infty 2^{-\frac{jn\lambda}{2}} \|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f)\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\psi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \tag{20}$$

By Theorem 3.6, we have

$$\|G_\alpha f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\psi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim \|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\psi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \tag{21}$$

In the following, we will estimate  $\|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f)\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\psi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)}$ . We divide  $\|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f)\|_{L^\Phi(B)}$  into two parts.

$$\|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f)\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \leq \|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f_1)\|_{L^\Phi(B)} + \|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f_2)\|_{L^\Phi(B)}, \tag{22}$$

where  $f_1(y) = f(y)\chi_{2B}(y)$ ,  $f_2(y) = f(y) - f_1(y)$ . For the first part, by Lemma 3.2 and (14),

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f_1)\|_{L^\Phi(B)} &\lesssim 2^{j(\frac{3n}{2}+\alpha)} \|G_\alpha(f_1)\|_{L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)} \lesssim 2^{j(\frac{3n}{2}+\alpha)} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(2B)} \\
 &\lesssim 2^{j(\frac{3n}{2}+\alpha)} \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}. \tag{23}
 \end{aligned}$$

For the second part.

$$\begin{aligned} G_{\alpha,2^j}(f_2)(x) &= \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{|x-y|\leq 2^j t} (A_\alpha f(y,t))^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{|x-y|\leq 2^j t} \left( \sup_{\phi \in C_\alpha} |f * \phi_t(y)| \right)^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{|x-y|\leq 2^j t} \left( \int_{|z-y|\leq t} |f_2(z)| dz \right)^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{3n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|x - z| \leq |z - y| + |x - y| \leq 2^{j+1}t$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} G_{\alpha,2^j}(f_2)(x) &\leq \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{|x-y|\leq 2^j t} \left( \int_{|x-z|\leq 2^{j+1}t} |f_2(z)| dz \right)^2 \frac{dydt}{t^{3n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \left( \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{|x-z|\leq 2^{j+1}t} |f_2(z)| dz \right)^2 \frac{2^j n dt}{t^{2n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq 2^{\frac{jn}{2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left( \int_{t \geq \frac{|x-z|}{2^{j+1}}} |f_2(z)|^2 \frac{1}{t^{2n+1}} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} dz \\ &\leq 2^{\frac{3jn}{2}} \int_{|x_0-z|>2r} \frac{|f(z)|}{|x-z|^n} dz. \end{aligned}$$

For  $|x - z| \geq |x_0 - z| - |x_0 - x| \geq |x_0 - z| - \frac{1}{2}|x_0 - z| = \frac{1}{2}|x_0 - z|$ , so by Fubini’s theorem and Lemma 2.3, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} G_{\alpha,2^j}(f_2)(x) &\leq 2^{\frac{3jn}{2}} \int_{|x_0-z|>2r} \frac{|f(z)|}{|x_0-z|^n} dz \\ &= 2^{\frac{3jn}{2}} \int_{|x_0-z|>2r} |f(z)| \int_{|x_0-z|}^\infty \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} dt dz \\ &\leq 2^{\frac{3jn}{2}} \int_{2r}^\infty \int_{|x_0-z|<t} |f(z)| \frac{1}{t^{n+1}} dz dt \\ &\leq 2^{\frac{3jn}{2}} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f_2)\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \lesssim 2^{\frac{3jn}{2}} \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}. \tag{24}$$

Combining (22), (23) and (24), we have

$$\|G_{\alpha,2^j}(f)\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \lesssim 2^{j(\frac{3n}{2}+\alpha)} \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

Thus by Theorem 3.4 we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|G_{\alpha,2^j} f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)} &\lesssim 2^{j(\frac{3n}{2}+\alpha)} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \frac{1}{\varphi_2(x,r)\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_r^\infty \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,t))} \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\lesssim 2^{j(\frac{3n}{2}+\alpha)} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \varphi_1(x,r)^{-1} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,r))} \\ &= 2^{j(\frac{3n}{2}+\alpha)} \|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)}. \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

Since  $\lambda > 3 + \frac{2\alpha}{n}$ , by (20), (21) and (25), we have the desired theorem. □

The proof of the following theorem is similar to the Theorem 3.7. So we omit the details here.

**Theorem 3.9** *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ ,  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_{\Phi}^V$  and the functions  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy the conditions (16) and (17). Then for  $\lambda > 3 + \frac{2\alpha}{n}$ ,  $g_{\lambda,\alpha}^*$  is bounded from  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

*Remark 3.1* Note that from Theorems 3.6, 3.8 and Corollary 3.1 in particular we get Theorems 3.2 and 3.3 which proved in [35].

### 4 Commutators of the Intrinsic Square Functions in the Spaces $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$

It is well known that the commutator is an important integral operator and plays a key role in harmonic analysis. In 1965, Calderón [2, 3] studied a kind of commutators appearing in Cauchy integral problems of Lip-line. Let  $K$  be a Calderón–Zygmund singular integral operator and  $b$  be a  $BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$  function. A well known result of Coifman et al. [6] states that the commutator operator  $[b, K]f = K(bf) - bKf$  is bounded on  $L_p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for  $1 < p < \infty$ . The commutator of Calderón–Zygmund operators plays an important role in studying the regularity of solutions of elliptic partial differential equations of second order. The boundedness result was generalized to other contexts and important applications to some non-linear Partial Differential Equations were given by Coifman et al. [7].

A function  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  is said to be a  $BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$  function if, for

$$f_{B(x,r)} = \frac{1}{|B(x,r)|} \int_{B(x,r)} f(y)dy,$$

the quantity

$$\|f\|_* = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \frac{1}{|B(x,r)|} \int_{B(x,r)} |f(y) - f_{B(x,r)}| dy < \infty,$$

is finite.

Before proving the main theorems, we need the following lemmas.

**Lemma 4.1** [29] (1) *The John–Nirenberg inequality: there are constants  $C_1, C_2 > 0$ , such that for all  $b$  is a  $BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$  function and  $\beta > 0$*

$$|\{x \in B : |b(x) - b_B| > \beta\}| \leq C_1 |B| e^{-C_2 \beta / \|b\|_*}, \quad \forall B \subset \mathbb{R}^n.$$

(2) *The John–Nirenberg inequality implies that*

$$\|b\|_* \approx \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \left( \frac{1}{|B(x, r)|} \int_{B(x, r)} |b(y) - b_{B(x, r)}|^p dy \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \tag{26}$$

for  $1 < p < \infty$ .

(3) *Let  $b$  is a  $BMO(\mathbb{R}^n)$  function. Then, there is a constant  $C > 0$  such that*

$$|b_{B(x, r)} - b_{B(x, t)}| \leq C \|b\|_* \ln \frac{t}{r} \quad \text{for } 0 < 2r < t, \tag{27}$$

where  $C$  is independent of  $b, x, r$  and  $t$ .

**Lemma 4.2** *Let  $b$  be a  $BMO$  function and  $\Phi$  be a Young function. Let  $\Phi$  is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 \leq p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ , then*

$$\|b\|_* \approx \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) \|b(\cdot) - b_{B(x, r)}\|_{L^\Phi(B(x, r))}.$$

*Proof* By Hölder’s inequality, we have

$$\|b\|_* \lesssim \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) \|b(\cdot) - b_{B(x, r)}\|_{L^\Phi(B(x, r))}.$$

Now we show that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, r > 0} \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) \|b(\cdot) - b_{B(x, r)}\|_{L^\Phi(B(x, r))} \lesssim \|b\|_*.$$

Without loss of generality, we may assume that  $\|b\|_* = 1$ ; otherwise, we replace  $b$  by  $b/\|b\|_*$ . Using the fact that  $\Phi$  is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  and (2) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{B(x, r)} \Phi \left( \frac{|b(y) - b_{B(x, r)}| \Phi^{-1}(|B(x, r)|^{-1})}{\|b\|_*} \right) dy \\ &= \int_{B(x, r)} \Phi \left( |b(y) - b_{B(x, r)}| \Phi^{-1}(|B(x, r)|^{-1}) \right) dy \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{|B(x, r)|} \int_{B(x, r)} [|b(y) - b_{B(x, r)}|^{p_0} + |b(y) - b_{B(x, r)}|^{p_1}] dy \lesssim 1. \end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 2.1 we get the desired result. □

*Remark 4.1* Note that statements of type of Lemma 4.2 are known in a more general case of rearrangement invariant spaces and also variable exponent Lebesgue spaces  $L^{p(\cdot)}$ , see, for instance, [25] and [28]. However, we gave a short proof of Lemma 4.2 for completeness of presentation.

The known boundedness statement for  $[b, G_\alpha]$  on Orlicz spaces runs as follows.

**Theorem 4.1** [35] *Let  $b$  a  $BMO$  function,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  to be a Young function of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ . Then,  $[b, G_\alpha]$  is bounded from  $L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to itself.*

The following theorems was proved by Liang et al. in [35].

**Theorem 4.2** [35] *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ ,  $b$  be a BMO function. Suppose, also, that the mapping  $\varphi(x, r)$  satisfy the conditions (9). Then, the operators  $[b, G_\alpha]$  and  $[b, g_\alpha]$  are bounded on  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

**Theorem 4.3** [35] *Let  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ . Suppose, also, that the mapping  $b$  be a BMO function and that the function  $\varphi(x, r)$  satisfy the conditions (9). Then, for  $\lambda > 3 + \frac{2\alpha}{n}$ , the operator  $[b, g_{\lambda, \alpha}^*]$  is bounded on  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

**Lemma 4.3** *Let  $b$  be a BMO function,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$ . Then, the inequality*

$$\|[b, G_\alpha]f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0, r))} \lesssim \frac{\|b\|_*}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0, t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t} \quad (28)$$

holds for any ball  $B(x_0, r)$  and for all  $f \in L^\Phi_{loc}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Proof* For arbitrary  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , set  $B = B(x_0, r)$  for the ball centered at  $x_0$  and of radius  $r$ . Write  $f = f_1 + f_2$  with  $f_1 = f \chi_{2B}$  and  $f_2 = f \chi_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus 2B}$ . Hence

$$\|[b, G_\alpha]f\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \leq \|[b, G_\alpha]f_1\|_{L^\Phi(B)} + \|[b, G_\alpha]f_2\|_{L^\Phi(B)}.$$

From the boundedness of  $[b, G_\alpha]$  in  $L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)$  it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \|[b, G_\alpha]f_1\|_{L^\Phi(B)} &\leq \|[b, G_\alpha]f_1\|_{L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)} \\ &\lesssim \|b\|_* \|f_1\|_{L^\Phi(\mathbb{R}^n)} = \|b\|_* \|f\|_{L^\Phi(2B)}. \end{aligned}$$

We split the second part into two parts.

$$\begin{aligned} [b, G_\alpha]f_2(x) &= \left( \int \int_{\Gamma(x)} \sup_{\phi \in C_\alpha} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} [b(x) - b(z)] \phi_t(y - z) f_2(z) dz \right|^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \left( \int \int_{\Gamma(x)} \sup_{\phi \in C_\alpha} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} [b(x) - b_B] \phi_t(y - z) f_2(z) dz \right|^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\quad + \left( \int \int_{\Gamma(x)} \sup_{\phi \in C_\alpha} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} [b_B - b(z)] \phi_t(y - z) f_2(z) dz \right|^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &:= A + B. \end{aligned}$$

First, for  $A$ , we find that

$$A = |b(x) - b_B| \left( \int \int_{\Gamma(x)} \sup_{\phi \in C_\alpha} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \phi_t(y - z) f_2(z) dz \right|^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = |b(x) - b_B| G_\alpha f_2(x).$$

By (13) and Lemma 4.2, we derive

$$\begin{aligned} \|A\|_{L^\Phi(B)} &= \| |b(\cdot) - b_B| G_\alpha f_2(\cdot) \|_{L^\Phi(B)} \\ &\leq \|b(\cdot) - b_B\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\leq \frac{\|b\|_*}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $B$ , since  $|x - y| < t$ , we get  $|x - z| < 2t$ . Thus, by Minkowski’s inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} B &\leq \left( \int \int_{\Gamma(x)} \left| \int_{|x-z|<2t} |b_B - b(z)| |f_2(z)| dz \right|^2 \frac{dy dt}{t^{3n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\lesssim \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \int_{|x-z|<2t} |b_B - b(z)| |f_2(z)| dz \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t^{2n+1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\leq \int_{|x_0-z|>2r} |b_B - b(z)| |f(z)| \frac{dz}{|x - z|^n}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|x - z| \geq \frac{1}{2}|x_0 - z|$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|B\|_{L^\Phi(B)} &\lesssim \left\| \int_{\mathfrak{C}_{(2B)}} \frac{|b(z) - b_B|}{|x_0 - z|^n} |f(z)| dz \right\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \\ &\approx \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{\mathfrak{C}_{(2B)}} \frac{|b(z) - b_B|}{|x_0 - z|^n} |f(z)| dz \\ &\approx \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{\mathfrak{C}_{(2B)}} |b(z) - b_B| |f(z)| \int_{|x_0-z|}^\infty \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} dz \\ &\approx \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \int_{2r \leq |x_0-z| \leq t} |b(z) - b_B| |f(z)| dz \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \int_{B(x_0,t)} |b(z) - b_B| |f(z)| dz \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Hölder’s inequality, by Lemma 4.2 and (27) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|B\|_{L^\Phi(B)} &\lesssim \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \int_{B(x_0,t)} |b(z) - b_{B(x_0,t)}| |f(z)| dz \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty |b_B - b_{B(x_0,t)}| \int_{B(x_0,t)} |f(z)| dz \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} \\ &\lesssim \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \|b(\cdot) - b_{B(x_0,t)}\|_{L^{\tilde{\Phi}(B)}} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty |b_B - b_{B(x_0,t)}| \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\lesssim \frac{\|b\|_*}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \left( 1 + \ln \frac{t}{r} \right) \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

Summing up  $\|A\|_{L^\Phi(B)}$  and  $\|B\|_{L^\Phi(B)}$ , we have

$$\|[b, G_\alpha]f\|_{L^\Phi(B)} \lesssim \frac{\|b\|_*}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

Finally, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|[b, G_\alpha]f\|_{L^\Phi(B)} &\lesssim \|b\|_* \|f\|_{L^\Phi(2B)} \\ &\quad + \frac{\|b\|_*}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_{2r}^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}, \end{aligned}$$

and the statement of Lemma 4.3 follows by (14). □

**Theorem 4.4** *Let  $b$  be a BMO function,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$  and  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_\Phi$ . Suppose, also, that the mappings  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy the condition*

$$\int_r^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \left(\operatorname{ess\,inf}_{t < s < \infty} \varphi_1(x, s)\right) \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t} \leq C \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) \varphi_2(x, r), \tag{29}$$

where  $C$  does not depend on  $x$  and  $r$ . Then, the operator  $[b, G_\alpha]$  is bounded from  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Proof* The statement of Theorem 4.4 follows in a similar way as for Lemma 4.3 and Theorem 3.5 in the same manner as in the proof of Theorem 3.6. □

In [55], the author proved that the functions  $G_\alpha f$  and  $g_\alpha f$  are pointwise comparable. Thus, as a consequence of Theorem 4.4, we have the following result.

**Corollary 4.1** *Let  $b$  be a BMO function,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$  and  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_\Phi$ . Suppose, also, that the mappings  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy the condition (29). Then,  $[b, g_\alpha]$  is bounded from  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .*

**Theorem 4.5** *Let  $b$  be a BMO function,  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ ,  $\Phi$  be a Young function which is of lower type  $p_0$  and of upper type  $p_1$  with  $1 < p_0 \leq p_1 < \infty$  and  $\varphi_1, \varphi_2 \in \Omega_\Phi^V$ . Suppose, also, that the mappings  $(\varphi_1, \varphi_2)$  and  $\Phi$  satisfy*

$$\int_r^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \varphi_1(x, t) \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t} \leq C_0 \varphi_2(x, r) \Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}), \tag{30}$$

where  $C_0$  does not depend on  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and  $r > 0$  and the conditions

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \frac{\ln \frac{1}{r}}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n}) \inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \varphi_2(x, r)} = 0 \tag{31}$$

and

$$c_\delta := \int_\delta^\infty (1 + |\ln t|) \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \varphi_1(x, t) \frac{\Phi^{-1}(t^{-n})}{t} dt < \infty \tag{32}$$

for every  $\delta > 0$ . Then, the operator  $[b, G_\alpha]$  is bounded from  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_1}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi, \varphi_2}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Proof* The proof follows more or less the same lines as for Theorem 3.7, but now the arguments are different due to the necessity to introduce the logarithmic factor into the assumptions.

The norm inequality having already been provided by Theorem 4.4, we only have to prove the implication

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,r))}}{\varphi_1(x,r)} = 0 \implies \limsup_{r \rightarrow 0} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|[b, G_\alpha]f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,r))}}{\varphi_2(x,r)} = 0. \tag{33}$$

To check that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|[b, G_\alpha]f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,r))}}{\varphi_2(x,r)} < \varepsilon \text{ for small } r,$$

we use the estimate (28):

$$\frac{\|[b, G_\alpha]f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,r))}}{\varphi_2(x,r)} \lesssim \frac{\|b\|_*}{\varphi_2(x,r)\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})} \int_r^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x_0,t))} \Phi^{-1}(t^{-n}) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

We take  $r < \delta_0$  where  $\delta_0$  will be chosen small enough and we split the integration:

$$\frac{\|[b, G_\alpha]f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,r))}}{\varphi_2(x,r)} \leq C[I_{\delta_0}(x,r) + J_{\delta_0}(x,r)], \tag{34}$$

where

$$I_{\delta_0}(x,r) := \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})\varphi_2(x,r)} \int_r^{\delta_0} \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \frac{\Phi^{-1}(t^{-n})}{t} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,t))} dt$$

and

$$J_{\delta_0}(x,r) := \frac{1}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})\varphi_2(x,r)} \int_{\delta_0}^\infty \left(1 + \ln \frac{t}{r}\right) \frac{\Phi^{-1}(t^{-n})}{t} \|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,t))} dt.$$

We choose a fixed  $\delta_0 > 0$  such that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \frac{\|f\|_{L^\Phi(B(x,t))}}{\varphi_1(x,t)} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2CC_0}, \quad t \leq \delta_0,$$

where  $C$  and  $C_0$  are constants from (34) and (30), which yields the estimate of the first term uniformly in  $r \in (0, \delta_0)$ :  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} CI_{\delta_0}(x,r) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ ,  $0 < r < \delta_0$ .

For the second term, writing  $1 + \ln \frac{t}{r} \leq 1 + |\ln t| + \ln \frac{1}{r}$ , we obtain

$$J_{\delta_0}(x,r) \leq \frac{c_{\delta_0} + \widetilde{c}_{\delta_0} \ln \frac{1}{r}}{\Phi^{-1}(r^{-n})\varphi_2(x,r)} \|f\|_{\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}},$$

where  $c_{\delta_0}$  is the constant from (32) with  $\delta = \delta_0$  and  $\widetilde{c}_{\delta_0}$  is a similar constant with the omitted logarithmic factor in the integrand. Then, by (31) we can choose a small  $r$  such that  $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} J_{\delta_0}(x,r) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ , and the proof is established.  $\square$

*Remark 4.2* By using the argument similarly as the above proofs and also in the proof of Theorem 3.8, we can also show the boundedness of  $[b, g_{\lambda,\alpha}^*]$  on  $\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $V\mathcal{M}^{\Phi,\varphi}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ .

*Remark 4.3* Let us notice that from Theorem 4.4, Corollary 4.1 and Remark 4.2 we recapture Theorems 4.2 and 4.3 proved in [35].

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