

**ON LIMITING CASE OF THE STEIN-WEISS TYPE  
INEQUALITY FOR THE  $B$ -RIESZ POTENTIALS <sup>\*)</sup>**

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**Abstract**

In this paper we study the Riesz potentials ( $B$ -Riesz potentials) generated by the Laplace-Bessel differential operator  $\Delta_B = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_k^2} + \frac{\gamma}{x_n} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}$ ,  $\gamma > 0$ , in the weighted Lebesgue spaces  $L_{p,|x|^{\beta,\gamma}}$ . We establish an inequality of Stein-Weiss type for the  $B$ -Riesz potentials in the limiting case, and obtain the boundedness of the  $B$ -Riesz potential operator from the space  $L_{p,|x|^{\beta,\gamma}}$  to  $BMO_{|x|^{-\lambda,\gamma}}$ .

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**Introduction**

The classical Riesz potential is an important technical tool in harmonic analysis, theory of functions and partial differential equations. The potential and related topics associated with the Laplace-Bessel differential operator

$$\Delta_B = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_k^2} + \frac{\gamma}{x_n} \frac{\partial}{\partial x_n}, \quad \gamma > 0$$

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have been the research areas of many mathematicians such as K. Stempak [11], I. Kipriyanov [8], A.D. Gadjiev and I.A. Aliev [1], A.D. Gadjiev and V.S. Guliyev [2], E.V. Guliyev [3], V.S. Guliyev [4]-[6] and others.

In this paper we study Riesz potentials ( $B$ -Riesz potentials) generated by the Laplace-Bessel differential operator  $\Delta_B$  in weighted Lebesgue spaces. We establish the inequality of Stein-Weiss type (see [10]) for  $B$ -Riesz potentials in the limiting case. We obtain the boundedness of the  $B$ -Riesz potential operator from the spaces  $L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}$  to  $BMO_{|x|^{-\lambda},\gamma}$  in the limiting case.

### 1. Definitions, notation and preliminaries

Let  $\mathbb{R}_+^n = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n ; x = (x_1, \dots, x_n), x_n > 0\}$  and  $B(x, r) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}_+^n : |x - y| < r, r > 0\}$ ,  $B_r \equiv B(0, r)$ , and let  ${}^c B(x, r) = \mathbb{R}_+^n \setminus B(x, r)$ .

For a measurable set  $A \subset \mathbb{R}_+^n$ , let  $|A|_\gamma = \int_A x_n^\gamma dx$ , then  $|B_r|_\gamma = \omega(n, \gamma)r^{n+\gamma}$ , where

$$\omega(n, \gamma) = \int_{B_1} x_n^\gamma dx = \frac{\pi^{(n-1)/2} \Gamma((\gamma+1)/2)}{2\Gamma((n+\gamma-2)/2)}.$$

Denote by  $T^y$  the generalized shift operator ( $B$ -shift operator) acting according to the law

$$T^y f(x) = C_\gamma \int_0^\pi f(x' - y', (x_n, y_n)_\beta) \sin^{\gamma-1} \beta d\beta,$$

where

$$(x_n, y_n)_\beta = \sqrt{x_n^2 + y_n^2 - 2x_n y_n \cos \beta} \quad \text{and} \quad C_\gamma = \frac{\Gamma((\gamma+1)/2)}{\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(\gamma/2)} = \frac{2}{\pi} \omega(2, \gamma).$$

We remark that the generalized shift operator  $T^y$  is closely connected with the Laplace-Bessel differential operator  $\Delta_B$  (for example,  $n = 1$  – see [9], and  $n > 1$  – [8] for details).

Let  $L_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  be the space of measurable functions on  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$  with finite norm

$$\|f\|_{L_{p,\gamma}} = \|f\|_{L_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)} = \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} |f(x)|^p x_n^\gamma dx \right)^{1/p}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty.$$

For  $p = \infty$  the space  $L_{\infty,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  is defined by means of the usual modification

$$\|f\|_{L_{\infty,\gamma}} = \|f\|_{L_\infty} = \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n} |f(x)|.$$

LEMMA 1. ([2]) *Let  $0 < \alpha < n + \gamma$ . Then*

$$|T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} - |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma}| \leq 2^{n+\gamma+1-\alpha} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma-1} |x| \quad (1)$$

for  $2|x| \leq |y|$ .

DEFINITION 1. Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . We denote by  $WL_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  the weak  $L_{p,\gamma}$  space defined as the set of locally integrable functions  $f$  with the finite norms

$$\|f\|_{WL_{p,\gamma}} = \sup_{r>0} r f_{*,\gamma}^{1/p}(r),$$

where  $f_{*,\gamma}(r) = |\{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n : |f(x)| > r\}|_\gamma$ .

Let  $v$  be a non-negative and measurable function on  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$ , and  $L_{p,v,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  be the weighted  $L_{p,\gamma}$ -space of all measurable functions  $f$  on  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$  for which

$$\|f\|_{L_{p,v,\gamma}} \equiv \|f\|_{L_{p,v,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)} = \|vf\|_{L_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)} < \infty.$$

We denote by  $WL_{p,v,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) the weighted weak Lebesgue space which is the class of all measurable functions  $f : \mathbb{R}_+^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , for which

$$\|f\|_{WL_{p,v,\gamma}} \equiv \|f\|_{WL_{p,v,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)} = \|vf\|_{WL_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)} < \infty.$$

The  $B - BMO$  space (see [5])  $BMO_\gamma(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ , and weighted  $B - BMO$  space,  $BMO_{w,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ , are defined as the set of locally integrable functions  $f$  with finite norms

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

and

$$\|f\|_{*,w,\gamma} = \sup_{r>0, x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n} w(B_r)^{-1} \int_{B_r} |T^y f(x) - f_{B_r}(x)| y_n^\gamma dy < \infty,$$

respectively, where

$$f_{B_r}(x) = |B_r|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{B_r} T^y f(x) y_n^\gamma dy \quad \text{and} \quad w(B_r) = \int_{B_r} w(x) x_n^\gamma dx.$$

Consider the  $B$ -Riesz potential

$$I_{\alpha,\gamma} f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} f(y) y_n^\gamma dy, \quad 0 < \alpha < n + \gamma$$

and the modified  $B$ -Riesz potential

$$\tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma} f(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} \left( T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} - |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} \chi_{\mathfrak{e}_{B_1}}(y) \right) f(y) y_n^\gamma dy.$$

For the  $B$ -Riesz potential the following Stein-Weiss type theorem was proved by A.D. Gadjeiev and V.S. Guliyev in [2].

THEOREM A. Let  $0 < \alpha < n + \gamma$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq q < \infty$ ,  $\beta < \frac{n+\gamma}{p'}$  ( $\beta \leq 0$ , if  $p = 1$ ),  $\lambda < \frac{n+\gamma}{q}$  ( $\lambda \leq 0$ , if  $q = \infty$ ),  $\alpha \geq \beta + \lambda \geq 0$  ( $\beta + \lambda > 0$ , if  $p = q$ ).

1) If  $1 < p < \frac{n+\gamma}{\alpha-\beta-\lambda}$ , then the condition  $\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{q} = \frac{\alpha-\beta-\lambda}{n+\gamma}$  is necessary and sufficient for the boundedness of  $I_{\alpha,\gamma}$  from  $L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  to  $L_{q,|x|^{-\lambda},\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ .

2) If  $p = 1$ , then the condition  $1 - \frac{1}{q} = \frac{\alpha-\beta-\lambda}{n+\gamma}$  is necessary and sufficient for the boundedness of  $I_{\alpha,\gamma}$  from  $L_{1,|x|^\beta,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  to  $WL_{q,|x|^{-\lambda},\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ .

DEFINITION 2. The weight function  $w$  belongs to the class  $A_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  for  $1 < p < \infty$ , if

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n, r > 0} \left( |B(x,r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{B(x,r)} w(y) y_n^\gamma dy \right) \times \left( |B(x,r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{B(x,r)} w^{-\frac{1}{p-1}}(y) y_n^\gamma dy \right)^{p-1} < \infty,$$

and  $w$  belongs to  $A_{1,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ , if there exists a positive constant  $C$  such that for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$  and  $r > 0$

$$|B(x,r)|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{B(x,r)} w(y) y_n^\gamma dy \leq C \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{y \in B(x,r)} w(y).$$

The properties of the class  $A_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  are analogous to those of the Muckenhoupt classes. In particular, if  $w \in A_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ , then  $w \in A_{p-\varepsilon,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  for a certain sufficiently small  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $w \in A_{p_1,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  for any  $p_1 > p$ .

Note that,  $|x|^\alpha \in A_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , if and only if  $-\frac{n+\gamma}{p} < \alpha < \frac{n+\gamma}{p'}$  and  $|x|^\alpha \in A_{1,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ , if and only if  $-n - \gamma < \alpha \leq 0$ .

For the  $B$ -maximal function (see [4, 5])

$$M_\gamma f(x) = \sup_{r > 0} |B_r|_\gamma^{-1} \int_{B_r} T^y |f(x)| y_n^\gamma dy$$

the following analogue of Muckenhoupt theorem (see [7]) was proved by E.V. Guliyev in [3].

THEOREM B. 1. If  $f \in L_{1,w,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ ,  $w \in A_{1,\gamma}$ , then  $M_\gamma f \in WL_{1,w,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  and

$$\|M_\gamma f\|_{WL_{1,w,\gamma}} \leq C_{1,w,\gamma} \|f\|_{L_{1,w,\gamma}}, \quad (2)$$

where  $C_{1,w,\gamma}$  depends only on  $w$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $n$ .

2. If  $f \in L_{p,w,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ ,  $w \in A_{p,\gamma}$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ , then  $M_\gamma f \in L_{p,w,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  and

$$\|M_\gamma f\|_{L_{p,w,\gamma}} \leq C_{p,w,\gamma} \|f\|_{L_{p,w,\gamma}}, \quad (3)$$

where  $C_{p,w,\gamma}$  depends only on  $w$ ,  $p$ ,  $\gamma$  and  $n$ .

## 2. Main result

Our main result is the following Stein-Weiss type theorem for the  $B$ -Riesz potential in the limiting case  $p = (n + \gamma)/(\alpha - \beta - \lambda)$ . We prove that the modified  $B$ -Riesz potential operator  $\tilde{I}_\alpha$  is bounded from the space  $L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  to the weighted  $B$ -BMO space  $BMO_{|x|^{-\lambda},\gamma}$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $0 < \alpha < n + \gamma$ ,  $1 < p = (n + \gamma)/(\alpha - \beta - \lambda)$ ,  $\beta < (n + \gamma)/p'$ ,  $\alpha \geq \beta + \lambda \geq 0$ . Then the operator  $\tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma}$  is bounded from  $L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  to  $BMO_{|x|^{-\lambda},\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ .*

Moreover, for  $f \in L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  the integral  $I_{\alpha,\gamma}f$  exists almost everywhere, then  $I_{\alpha,\gamma} \in BMO_{|x|^{-\lambda},\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  and the following inequality is valid

$$\|I_{\alpha,\gamma}f\|_{BMO_{|x|^{-\lambda},\gamma}} \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}},$$

where  $C > 0$  is independent of  $f$ .

**P r o o f.** Let  $f \in L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ ,  $1 < p = (n + \gamma)/(\alpha - \beta - \lambda)$ . For given  $t > 0$  we denote

$$f_1(x) = f(x)\chi_{B_{2t}}(x), \quad f_2(x) = f(x) - f_1(x), \quad (4)$$

where  $\chi_{B_{2t}}$  is the characteristic function of the set  $B_{2t}$ . Then

$$\tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma}f(x) = \tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma}f_1(x) + \tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma}f_2(x) = F_1(x) + F_2(x),$$

where

$$F_1(x) = \int_{B_{2t}} \left( T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} - |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} \chi_{\mathfrak{c}_{B_1}}(y) \right) f(y) y_n^\gamma dy,$$

$$F_2(x) = \int_{\mathfrak{c}_{B_{2t}}} \left( T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} - |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} \chi_{\mathfrak{c}_{B_1}}(y) \right) f(y) y_n^\gamma dy.$$

Note that the function  $f_1$  has compact support and thus

$$a_1 = - \int_{B_{2t} \setminus B_{\min\{1,2t\}}} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} f(y) y_n^\gamma dy$$

is finite.

Note also that

$$\begin{aligned} F_1(x) - a_1 &= \int_{B_{2t}} T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} f(y) y_n^\gamma dy - \int_{B_{2t} \setminus B_{\min\{1,2t\}}} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} f(y) y_n^\gamma dy \\ &+ \int_{B_{2t} \setminus B_{\min\{1,2t\}}} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} f(y) y_n^\gamma dy = \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} T^y |x|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} f_1(y) y_n^\gamma dy = I_{\alpha,\gamma} f_1(x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$|F_1(x) - a_1| \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} |T^y f_1(x)| y_n^\gamma dy = \int_{B(x,2t)} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} |T^y f(x)| y_n^\gamma dy.$$

Further, for  $x \in B_t$ ,  $y \in B(x, 2t)$  we have

$$|y| \leq |x| + |x - y| < 3t.$$

Consequently, we have

$$|F_1(x) - a_1| \leq \int_{B_{3t}} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} |T^y f(x)| y_n^\gamma dy, \quad (5)$$

if  $x \in B_t$ .

By Theorem B and inequality (5), for  $(\alpha - \beta - \lambda)p = n + \gamma$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} &t^{-n-\gamma-\lambda} \int_{B_t} |T^z F_1(x) - a_1| z_n^\gamma dz \\ &\leq C t^{-n-\gamma-\lambda} \int_{B_t} T^z \left( \int_{B_{3t}} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} T^y |f(x)| y_n^\gamma dy \right) z_n^\gamma dz \\ &\leq C t^{\alpha-n-\gamma-\lambda} \cdot t^{(n+\gamma)/p'} \left( \int_{B_t} T^z (M_\gamma(f(x)))^p z_n^\gamma dz \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C t^\beta \left( \int_{B_t} T^z (M_\gamma(f(x)))^p z_n^\gamma dz \right)^{1/p} \leq C \left( \int_{B_t} |z|^{\beta p} T^z (M_\gamma(f(x)))^p z_n^\gamma dz \right)^{1/p} \\ &= C \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} T^z (\chi_{B_t} |x|^{\beta p}) (M_\gamma(f(x)))^p z_n^\gamma dz \right)^{1/p} \\ &= C \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}_+^n} |z|^{\beta p} (M_\gamma(f(x)))^p z_n^\gamma dz \right)^{1/p} \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p,|x|^\beta, \gamma}}. \quad (6) \end{aligned}$$

Denote

$$a_2 = \int_{B_{\max\{1,2t\}} \setminus B_{2t}} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} f(y) y_n^\gamma dy,$$

and estimate  $|F_2(x) - a_2|$  for  $x \in B_t$ :

$$|F_2(x) - a_2| \leq \int_{\mathfrak{c}_{B_{2t}}} |f(y)| |T^y x|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} - |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} |y_n^\gamma dy.$$

Applying Lemma 1 and Hölder's inequality we get

$$\begin{aligned} |F_2(x) - a_2| &\leq 2^{n+\gamma-\alpha+1} |x| \int_{\mathfrak{c}_{B_{2t}}} |f(y)| |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma-1} y_n^\gamma dy \\ &\leq 2^{n+\gamma-\alpha+1} |x| \left( \int_{\mathfrak{c}_{B_t}} |y|^{\beta p} |f(y)|^p y_n^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p} \\ &\quad \times \left( \int_{\mathfrak{c}_{B_t}} |y|^{(-\beta+\alpha-n-\gamma-1)p'} y_n^\gamma dy \right)^{1/p'} \\ &\leq C |x| t^{\alpha-\beta-1-n-\gamma/p} \|f\|_{L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}} \leq C |x| t^{\lambda-1} \|f\|_{L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}} \leq C |x|^\lambda \|f\|_{L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that if  $|x| \leq t$  and  $|z| \leq 2t$ , then  $T^z|x| \leq |x| + |z| \leq 3t$ . Thus for  $(\alpha - \beta - \lambda)p = Q$  we obtain

$$|T^z F_2(x) - a_2| \leq T^z |F_2(x) - a_2| \leq C |x|^\lambda \|f\|_{L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}}. \quad (7)$$

Denote

$$a_f = a_1 + a_2 = \int_{B_{\max\{1,2t\}}} |y|^{\alpha-n-\gamma} f(y) y_n^\gamma dy.$$

Finally, from (6) and (7) we have

$$\sup_{x,t} t^{-n-\gamma-\lambda} \int_{B_t} \left| T^y \tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma} f(x) - a_f \right| y_n^\gamma dy \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}}.$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma} f \right\|_{BMO_{|x|^{-\lambda},\gamma}} &\leq 2C \sup_{x,t} t^{-n-\gamma-\lambda} \int_{B_t} \left| T^y \tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma} f(x) - a_f \right| y_n^\gamma dy \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p,|x|^\beta,\gamma}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus Theorem 1 is proved.  $\blacksquare$

**COROLLARY 1.** ([4, 5]) *Let  $0 < \alpha < n + \gamma$ ,  $1 < p = (n + \gamma)/\alpha$ . Then the operator  $\tilde{I}_{\alpha,\gamma}$  is bounded from  $L_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  to  $BMO_\gamma(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$ .*

*Moreover, for  $f \in L_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  the integral  $I_{\alpha,\gamma} f$  exists almost everywhere, then  $I_{\alpha,\gamma} \in BMO_\gamma(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$  and the following inequality is valid*

$$\|I_{\alpha,\gamma} f\|_{BMO_\gamma} \leq C \|f\|_{L_{p,\gamma}},$$

where  $C > 0$  is independent of  $f$ .

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