

# Two weight theorems and a characterization for admissible local transforms

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- The Cauchy integral  $C^1$  in the complex plane arises when  $K(x, y) = \frac{1}{x - y}$ ,  $x, y \in \mathbb{C}$ . The fractional size and smoothness condition (1) holds with  $n = 2$  and  $\alpha = 1$  in this case.

## Definition

We say that  $T^\alpha$  is a *standard  $\alpha$ -fractional integral operator with kernel  $K^\alpha$*  if  $T^\alpha$  is a bounded linear operator from some  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  to some  $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$  for some fixed  $1 < p \leq q < \infty$ , that is

$$\|T^\alpha f\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)}, \quad f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n),$$

if  $K^\alpha(x, y)$  is defined on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$  and satisfies (1), and if  $T^\alpha$  and  $K^\alpha$  are related by

$$T^\alpha f(x) = \int K^\alpha(x, y) f(y) dy, \quad \text{a.e. } x \notin \text{supp } f,$$

whenever  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$  has compact support in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We say  $K^\alpha(x, y)$  is a *standard  $\alpha$ -fractional kernel* if it satisfies (1).

# The basic problem

Given two locally finite positive Borel measures  $\sigma$  and  $\omega$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and a standard  $\alpha$ -fractional integral operator  $T$ , characterize the boundedness of  $T_\sigma$  from  $L^2(\sigma)$  to  $L^2(\omega)$ :

$$\left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |Tf\sigma|^2 d\omega \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq \mathfrak{N}_T \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |f|^2 d\sigma \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \quad f \in L^2(\sigma),$$

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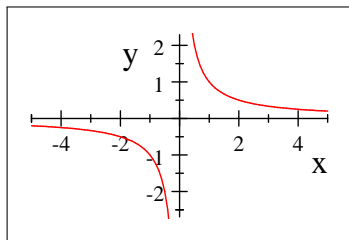


# The Hilbert transform

as singular integral

The Hilbert transform  $Hf$  arose in 1905 in connection with Hilbert's twenty-first problem, and for  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{R})$  is defined almost everywhere by the *principal value* singular integral

$$\begin{aligned} Hf(x) &= \text{p.v.} \int \frac{1}{y-x} f(y) dy \\ &\equiv \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{|y-x| > \varepsilon} \frac{1}{y-x} f(y) dy, \quad \text{a.e. } x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{aligned}$$



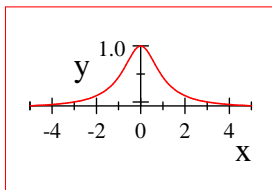
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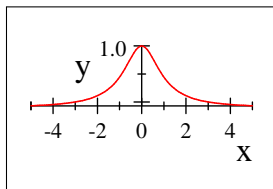


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- then the Hilbert transform  $H$  satisfies the two weight  $L^2$  inequality

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# The Nazarov Treil Volberg conjecture

A question raised in Volberg's 2003 CBMS book, known as the *NTV conjecture*, is whether or not

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} |H(f\sigma)|^2 \omega \leq \mathfrak{N} \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f|^2 \sigma, \quad f \in L^2(\sigma), \quad (2)$$

is equivalent to the  $\mathcal{A}_2$  condition and the two interval testing conditions.

# The indicator/interval NTV conjecture

## Theorem (Lacey, Sawyer, Shen and Uriarte-Tuero (2012))

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*where  $\mathfrak{A}, \mathfrak{A}^*$  are the best constants in the indicator/interval testing conditions,*

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*for all intervals  $I$  and closed subsets  $E$  of  $I$ . Note that  $E$  does not appear on the right side of these inequalities, and that if  $H$  were a positive operator we could take  $E = I$ .*



# The NTV conjecture

In January 2013 M. Lacey found the final stopping time and recursion argument needed to finish the proof of the NTV conjecture.

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- Indeed, this property underlies the necessity of energy,

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where

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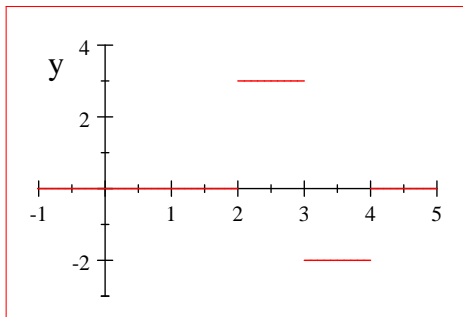
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- The kernels of singular integrals in higher dimension no longer have such a positivity property, and this represents the major obstacle to extending the ideas of Nazarov-Treil-Volberg, Lacey-Sawyer-Shen-Urriarte-Tuero and Lacey to dimension greater than one.

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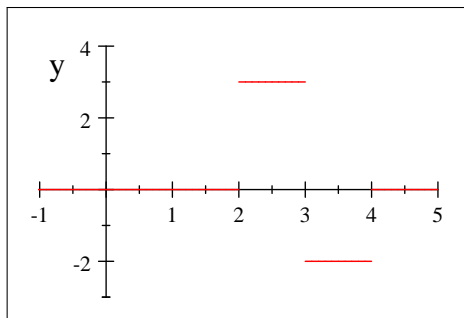
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- If  $\text{supp } \mu \subset \mathbb{R} \setminus 2I$ , then  $\langle H\mu, h_I^\omega \rangle_\omega \approx \frac{P(I, \mu)}{|I|} \hat{\chi}(I)$ .

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- This no longer holds in higher dimensions. However, the stopping time and recursion argument of Lacey circumvents the need for minimal bounded fluctuation, and is a very robust argument needing only the energy conditions, with no special properties of the Hilbert transform.

# The main theorem

## Theorem (Sawyer, Shen and Uriarte-Tuero)

Suppose that  $T^\alpha$  is a standard  $\alpha$ -fractional Calderón-Zygmund operator on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and that  $\omega$  and  $\sigma$  are positive Borel measures on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  without common point masses. Set  $T_\sigma^\alpha f = T^\alpha(f\sigma)$  for any smooth truncation of  $T_\sigma^\alpha$ . Suppose  $0 \leq \alpha < n$ . Then the operator  $T_\sigma^\alpha$  is bounded from  $L^2(\sigma)$  to  $L^2(\omega)$ , i.e.

$$\|T_\sigma^\alpha f\|_{L^2(\omega)} \leq \mathfrak{N}^\alpha \|f\|_{L^2(\sigma)}, \quad (3)$$

uniformly in smooth truncations of  $T^\alpha$ , and moreover

$$\mathfrak{N}_\alpha \leq C_\alpha \left( \sqrt{\mathcal{A}_2^\alpha + \mathcal{A}_2^{\alpha,*}} + \mathfrak{T}_\alpha + \mathfrak{T}_\alpha^* + \mathcal{E}_\alpha + \mathcal{E}_\alpha^* \right),$$

provided that the following three conditions hold:

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$$(\mathfrak{T}_\alpha^*)^2 \equiv \sup_{Q \in \mathcal{Q}^n} \frac{1}{|Q|_\omega} \int_Q |(T^\alpha)^*(\mathbf{1}_Q \omega)|^2 \sigma < \infty,$$



# Energy conditions

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where the goodness parameters  $r$  and  $\varepsilon$  implicit in the definition of  $\tilde{P}$  are fixed sufficiently large and small respectively depending on dimension, and the two inequalities hold uniformly over all dyadic grids. The differing Poisson kernels are defined below.

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$$\mathcal{E}_\alpha + \mathcal{E}_\alpha^* \leq C \left( \sqrt{\mathcal{A}_2^\alpha + \mathcal{A}_2^{\alpha,*}} + \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha} + \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha}^* \right).$$

# NTV theorem for local transforms

We have the following generalization of the NTV conjecture to fractional admissible local vector transforms in dimension  $n = 2$  with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ .

## Corollary

*Suppose  $n = 2$  and  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ . An  $\alpha$ -fractional admissible local vector transform  $\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha = (T_1^\alpha, \dots, T_{2^M}^\alpha)$  is bounded from  $L^2(\sigma)$  to  $L^2(\omega)$  if and only if the fractional  $\mathcal{A}_2^\alpha$  condition holds, i.e.  $\mathcal{A}_2^\alpha < \infty$ , and the dual cube testing conditions for the fractional admissible local transform vector  $\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha$  hold, i.e.  $\mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha} + \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha}^* < \infty$ .*



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$$\sup_{\theta \in S^1} |\Lambda_K(\theta) - \Lambda_{K,rough}(\theta)| < \epsilon(|K|),$$

where  $\epsilon(|K|)$  is a sufficiently small number depending on the length  $|K|$  of the interval  $K$ .

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- Then with  $M > m$  sufficiently large, we say that the collection of rotated functions

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and the corresponding vector of odd convolution  $\alpha$ -fractional singular integrals,

$$\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha \equiv \{T_\ell^\alpha\}_{\ell=1}^{2^M}; \quad T_\ell^\alpha(x) = \frac{\Omega_\ell(x)}{|x|^{2-\alpha}},$$

is admissible provided  $m < M$  are taken large enough and  $\epsilon(|K|) > 0$  is taken small enough.

- In higher dimensions, there are two natural 'Poisson integrals'  $\mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathcal{P}^\alpha$  that arise, the usual Poisson integral  $\mathcal{P}$  that emerges in connection with energy considerations, and a much smaller 'reproducing' Poisson integral  $\mathcal{P}^\alpha$  that emerges in connection with size considerations - in dimension  $n = 1$  these two Poisson integrals coincide. For  $0 \leq \alpha < n$ , any cube  $Q$  and any positive Borel measure  $\mu$ , let

$$\mathcal{P}^\alpha(Q, \mu) \equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{|Q|^{\frac{1}{n}}}{\left(|Q|^{\frac{1}{n}} + |x - x_Q|\right)^{n+1-\alpha}} d\mu(x),$$

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- The extension of the *energy conditions* to higher dimensions will use the smaller projection  $\tilde{\mathbb{P}}_I^\mu \mathbf{x}$  in place of  $\mathbb{P}_I^\mu \mathbf{x}$ , and as a result, it is convenient to define the *soft energy* of  $\mu$  on a cube  $J$  by

$$\mathbb{E}_{\text{soft}}(I, \mu)^2 \equiv \frac{1}{|I|_\omega} \left\| \tilde{\mathbb{P}}_I^\mu \frac{\mathbf{x}}{|I|^{\frac{1}{n}}} \right\|_{L^2(\mu)}^2.$$

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Note that this definition of the energy condition depends on the choice of goodness parameters  $r$  and  $\varepsilon$ .

# Controlling functional energy

F-adapted collections of intervals

## Definition

Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a collection of dyadic cubes satisfying a Carleson condition

$$\sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}: F \subset S} |F|_{\sigma} \leq C_{\mathcal{F}} |S|_{\sigma}, \quad S \in \mathcal{F},$$

where  $C_{\mathcal{F}}$  is referred to as the Carleson norm of  $\mathcal{F}$ . A collection of functions  $\{g_F\}_{F \in \mathcal{F}}$  in  $L^2(w)$  is said to be  $\mathcal{F}$ -adapted if there are collections of cubes  $\mathcal{J}(F) \subset \{J \in \mathcal{D}^{\sigma} : J \Subset F\}$ , with  $\mathcal{J}^*(F)$  consisting of the *maximal* dyadic cubes in  $\mathcal{J}(F)$ , such that the following three conditions hold:

## Definition

- 1 for each  $F \in \mathcal{F}$ , the Haar coefficients  $\widehat{g}_F(J) = \langle g_F, h_J^\omega \rangle_\omega$  of  $g_F$  are nonnegative and supported in  $\mathcal{J}(F)$ , i.e.

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- 2 the collection of sets of cubes  $\{\mathcal{J}(F)\}_{F \in \mathcal{F}}$  is pairwise disjoint,
- 3 and there is a positive constant  $C$  such that if  $\mathcal{J}^*(F)$  consists of the maximal cubes in  $\mathcal{J}(F)$ , then for every cube  $I$  in  $\mathcal{D}^\sigma$ , the set of pairs of cubes  $(F, J^*)$  that 'straddle'  $I$ ,

$$\mathcal{B}_I \equiv \{(F, J^*) : J^* \in \mathcal{J}^*(F) \text{ and } J^* \subset I \subset F\},$$

satisfies the overlap condition  $\sum_{(F, J^*) \in \mathcal{B}_I} \mathbf{1}_{J^*} \leq C, \quad I \in \mathcal{D}^\sigma.$

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# Equivalence of functional energy and energy

Now we show that the functional energy constants are equivalent to the energy constants modulo  $\mathcal{A}_2^\alpha$ . First we use the two weight Poisson characterization to obtain

## Lemma

$$\mathfrak{F}_\alpha \lesssim \mathcal{E}_\alpha + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}_2^\alpha} \text{ and } \mathfrak{F}_\alpha^* \lesssim \mathcal{E}_\alpha^* + \sqrt{\mathcal{A}_2^{\alpha,*}} .$$

Then we use an easy duality argument to show that

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and so (8) implies (6) by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality.

# Reduction to Poisson tent testing

By the two-weight inequality for the Poisson operator, inequality (8) requires checking these two inequalities

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}_+^2} \mathbb{P}(\mathbf{1}_I \sigma)(x, t)^2 d\mu(x, t) \equiv \|\mathbb{P}(\mathbf{1}_I \sigma)\|_{L^2(\widehat{I}, \mu)}^2 \lesssim (A_2 + \mathfrak{T}^2) \sigma(I), \quad (9)$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} [\mathbb{P}^*(t \mathbf{1}_{\widehat{I}} \mu)]^2 \sigma(dx) \lesssim A_2 \int_{\widehat{I}} t^2 \mu(dx, dt), \quad (10)$$

for all *dyadic* intervals  $I \in \mathcal{D}$ , where  $\widehat{I} = I \times [0, |I|]$  is the box over  $I$  in the upper half-plane, and

$$\mathbb{P}^*(t \mathbf{1}_{\widehat{I}} \mu) = \int_{\widehat{I}} \frac{t^2}{t^2 + |x - y|^2} \mu(dy, dt).$$

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- The proof is by duality and uses that the collection  $\mathcal{F}$  satisfies a Carleson condition, hence has geometric decay in generations:

$$\sum_{F \in \mathcal{F}_I: d(F)=k} |F|_\sigma \lesssim 2^{-\delta k} |I|_\sigma, \quad k \geq 0,$$

which permits summing up energy condition estimates over generations.

# Necessity of the energy condition

## Reverse energy inequality

### Lemma (Local Reverse Energy)

Suppose that  $I$  and  $J$  are squares in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  such that  $\gamma J \subset I$ , and that  $\mu$  is a positive measure on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  supported outside  $I$ . Suppose that  $\{T_\ell^\alpha\}_{\ell=1}^{2^m}$  is as above with  $0 < \alpha < 2$ . Then for  $\gamma > 1$  sufficiently large, and  $\eta = \frac{2\pi}{2^m}$  sufficiently small, and  $M > m$  sufficiently large, and  $\epsilon(|K|) = \epsilon(2\eta)$  sufficiently small, we have the estimate

$$E(J, \omega)^2 P^\alpha(J, \mu)^2 \lesssim C_{\eta, \gamma} \mathbb{E}_J^{d\omega(x)} \mathbb{E}_J^{d\omega(z)} |\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha \mu(x) - \mathbf{T}_M^\alpha \mu(z)|^2,$$

where

$$P^\alpha(J, \mu) \approx \int \frac{|J|^{\frac{1}{n}}}{|y - c_J|^{n+1-\alpha}} d\mu(y),$$
$$c_J = (c_J^1, \dots, c_J^n) \text{ is the center of } J.$$

# Necessity of weak energy

For  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  we have  $\mathcal{E}_\alpha^{\text{weak}} \lesssim \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha}$ . Indeed, using local reverse energy with  $\mu = \mathbf{1}_{I \setminus J_r^{**}} \sigma$ , we 'plug the hole' in  $I \setminus J_r^{**}$  to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{J_r^* \in \mathcal{M}(I_r)} \left( \frac{\mathbf{P}^\alpha(J_r^{**}, \mathbf{1}_{I \setminus J_r^{**}} \sigma)}{|J_r^{**}|^{\frac{1}{n}}} \right)^2 \left\| \mathbf{P}_{J_r^*}^\omega \mathbf{x} \right\|_{L^2(\omega)}^2 \\ & \lesssim \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{J_r^* \in \mathcal{M}(I_r)} \int_{J_r^*} |\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha \mathbf{1}_{I \setminus J_r^{**}} \sigma|^2 d\omega \\ & \lesssim \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{J_r^* \in \mathcal{M}(I_r)} \int_{J_r^*} |\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha \mathbf{1}_I \sigma|^2 d\omega + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{J_r^* \in \mathcal{M}(I_r)} \int_{J_r^*} |\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha \mathbf{1}_{J_r^{**}} \sigma|^2 d\omega \\ & \lesssim \int_I |\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha \mathbf{1}_I \sigma|^2 d\omega + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{J_r^* \in \mathcal{M}(I_r)} \int_{J_r^{**}} |\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha \mathbf{1}_{J_r^{**}} \sigma|^2 d\omega \\ & \lesssim \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha} |I|_\sigma + \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{J_r^* \in \mathcal{M}(I_r)} \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha} |J_r^{**}|_\sigma \lesssim \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha} |I|_\sigma, \end{aligned}$$

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For  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  we have the energy condition  $\mathcal{E}_\alpha \lesssim \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha} + \sqrt{A_2^\alpha}$ . Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{|I|_\sigma} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\mathbf{P}^\alpha(I_r, \mathbf{1}_{I\sigma})}{|I_r|^{\frac{1}{n}}} \right)^2 \sum_{J \in \mathcal{H}(I_r)} \widehat{X}^\omega(J)^2 \\ \lesssim & \frac{1}{|I|_\sigma} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\mathbf{P}^\alpha(I_r, \mathbf{1}_{I \setminus I_r \sigma})}{|I_r|^{\frac{1}{n}}} \right)^2 \sum_{J \in \mathcal{H}(I_r)} \widehat{X}^\omega(J)^2 + OK \\ \lesssim & \frac{1}{|I|_\sigma} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \sum_{J^* \in \mathcal{M}(I_r)} \left( \frac{\mathbf{P}^\alpha(J^*, \mathbf{1}_{I \setminus I_r \sigma})}{|J^*|^{\frac{1}{n}}} \right)^2 \left( \sum_{J \subset J^*} \widehat{X}^\omega(J)^2 \right) + OK \\ \lesssim & \left( \mathcal{E}_\alpha^{weak} \right)^2 + A_2^\alpha \lesssim \left( \mathfrak{T}_{\mathbf{T}_M^\alpha} \right)^2 + A_2^\alpha. \end{aligned}$$



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