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# $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integral and its commutator on some non-homogeneous variable exponent spaces

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**Abstract:** Let  $(X, d, \mu)$  be a non-homogeneous space satisfying certain growth conditions. In this paper, the authors obtain the boundedness of  $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integral  $T_{\alpha}$  on variable exponent Lebesgue spaces  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  and variable exponent Morrey spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$ . Furthermore, by establishing the sharp maximal function for commutator  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$  generated by  $b \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$  and  $T_{\alpha}$ , the authors prove that the  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$  is bounded from spaces  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  into spaces  $L^{q(\cdot)}(X)$  with  $\frac{1}{q(x)} = \frac{1}{p(x)} - \alpha$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , and bounded from spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$  into spaces  $M_{t(\cdot)}^{s(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{\alpha}}$ , where  $\frac{t(\cdot)}{s(\cdot)} = \frac{q(\cdot)}{p(\cdot)}, \frac{1}{s(\cdot)} = \frac{1}{p(\cdot)} - \alpha$  and  $\bar{\alpha} > 0$  is a constant.

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### 1. Introduction

In 1931, Orlicz first obtained the definition of Lebesgue space with variable exponent  $L^{p(\cdot)}(\Omega)$  (see [15]), i.e., for any measurable functions f and sets  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , if there exists a positive constant  $\eta$  such that,

$$\int_{\Omega} \left( \frac{|f(x)|}{\eta} \right)^{p(x)} \mathrm{d}x < \infty,$$

where p is a function on  $\Omega$  satisfying  $1 < p(x) < \infty$ . Respectively, the norm of Luxemburg-Nakano is defined by

$$||f||_{L^{p(\cdot)}(\Omega)} = \inf\Big\{\eta > 0 : \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{|f(x)|}{\eta}\right)^{p(x)} \mathrm{d}x \le 1\Big\}.$$

Since then, many papers focus on the variable exponent spaces and their applications. For example, Kováčik and Rákosník [9] systematically researched variable exponent Lebesgue spaces  $L^{p(\cdot)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and Sobolev spaces  $W^{k,p(\cdot)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . In [16], Radulescu and Repovs studied the Lebesgue and Morrey spaces

with variable exponent on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , and also obtained some applications in partial differential equations. In [17], Ragusa and Tachikawa established the  $C_{loc}^{1,\gamma}(\Omega)$ -regularity result for  $W^{1,1}$ -local minimizers  $\mu$  of the double phase functional with x-dependent exponents. In 2021, with the nonstandard growth conditions, Mingione and Rădulescu provide an overview of recent results concerning elliptic variational problems (see [12]). The more development and research on the variable exponents, we refer readers to see [3,4,8,11,13,21–23] and reference therein.

On the other hand, fractional integrals, which regard as an important class of operators in harmonic analysis, have played a key role in the fields of harmonic analysis, applied probability and physics communities. For example, Sawano and Tanaka in [18] proved that fractional integral is bounded on Morrey space over non-doubling measures. Based on this work, the boundedness of fractional integral on Morrey space over non-homogeneous metric measure space is obtained by Cao and Zhou in [1]. Shen *et.al* used the generalization of a parameterized inexact Uzawa method to solve such a kind of saddle point problem for fractional diffusion equations (see [19]). However, in this paper, we will mainly consider the boundedness of  $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integrals, which are slightly modified in [5], on Lebesgue and Morrey spaces with variable exponents over non-homogeneous spaces. What's more, the results of this paper extend the contents of fractional integral on variable exponent spaces over  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and non-homogeneous spaces.

Let  $X := (X, d, \mu)$  be a *quasimetric measure space*, if  $\mu$  is a complete measure, and there exists a non-negative real-valued function d on  $X \times X$  satisfying the following conditions:

- (1) d(x, x) = 0 for all x in X; (2) d(x, y) > 0 for all  $x \neq y, x, y \in X$ ;
- (3) for all  $x, y, z \in X$ , there exists a constant  $a_1 > 0$ , such that  $d(x, y) \le a_1(d(x, z) + d(y, z))$ ;
- (4) there exists a constant  $a_0 > 0$ , such that  $d(x, y) \le a_0 d(y, x)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

Moreover, we always assume that balls  $B(x, r) := \{y \in X : d(x, y) < r\}$  are measurable,  $0 \le \mu(B(x, r)) < \infty$ ,  $\mu(X) < \infty$  and  $\mu(\{x\}) = 0$  for all  $x \in X$  and r > 0 in this paper.

A measure  $\mu$  on X is said to satisfy the following growth condition, if there exists a constant C > 0 such that, for all  $x \in X$  and r > 0,

$$\mu(B(x,r)) \le Cr. \tag{1.1}$$

Then the space  $(X, d, \mu)$  with measure  $\mu$  satisfying (1.1) is called a *non-homogeneous space*. In this setting, Kokilashvili and Meskhi obtained the boundedness of Maximal function and Riesez potential on variable Morrey spaces(see [7]). In [10], Lu proved that parameter Marcinkiewicz integral and its commutator are bounded on Morrey spaces with variable exponent and so on.

In this paper, we set that p is a  $\mu$ -measurable function on X, and respectively define

$$p_{-}(E) := \inf_{E} p(x), \qquad p_{+}(E) := \inf_{E} p(x),$$

where  $E \subset X$  is a  $\mu$ -measurable. Moreover, we also denote  $p_- = p_-(X)$  and  $p_+ = p_+(X)$ .

We now recall the following definitions introduced in [7].

**Definition 1.1.** Let  $N \ge 1$  be a constant. Suppose that p is a function on X such that  $0 < p_- < p_+ < \infty$ . We say that  $p \in \mathcal{P}(N)$  if there exists a constant C > 0 such that,

$$[\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{p_{-}(B(x,r))-p_{+}(B(x,r))} \le C, \tag{1.2}$$

for all  $x \in X$  and r > 0.

**Definition 1.2.** Let  $0 < p_- \le p_+ < \infty$ . We say that a function p on X satisfies the Log-Hölder continuity condition  $p \in LH(X)$  if

$$|p(x) - p(y)| \le \frac{A}{-\log(d(x,y))}, \quad d(x,y) \le \frac{1}{2},$$
 (1.3)

where constant A > 0 does not depend on  $x, y \in X$ .

For any ball B, we respectively denote its center and radius by  $c_B$  and  $r_B$  (or r(B)). Let  $\eta > 1$  and  $\beta > \eta$ , a ball B is said to be an  $(\eta, \beta)$ -doubling ball if  $\mu(\eta B) \leq \beta \mu(B)$ , where  $\eta B$  denotes the ball with the same center as B and  $r(\eta B) = \eta r(B)$ . Especially, for any given ball B, we denote by  $\widetilde{B}$  the smallest doubling ball which contains B and has the same center as B. Given two balls  $B \subset S$  in X, set

$$K_{B,S} := 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{B,S}} \frac{\mu(2^k B)}{r(2^k B)},$$
 (1.4)

where  $N_{B,S}$  is denoted by the smallest integer k such that  $r(2^k B) \ge r(S)$ .

The following notion of regular bounded mean oscillation (RBMO) space is from [20].

**Definition 1.3.** Let  $\tau > 1$ . A function  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$  is said to be in the space RBMO( $\mu$ ) if there exists a constant C > 0 such that for any ball B centered at some point of  $\text{supp}(\mu)$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\tau B)} \int_{B} |f(y) - m_{\overline{B}}(f)| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \le C \tag{1.5}$$

and

$$|m_B(f) - m_S(f)| \le CK_{B,S} \tag{1.6}$$

for any two doubling balls  $B \subset S$ , where  $m_B(f)$  represents the mean value of function f over ball B, that is,

$$m_B(f) = \frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_B f(x) \mathrm{d}\mu(x).$$

Moreover, the minimal constant C satisfying (1.5) and (1.6) is defined to be the norm of f in the space RBMO( $\mu$ ) and denoted by  $||f||_{RBMO(\mu)}$ .

Now we state the definition of  $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integral kernel as follows.

**Definition 1.4.** Let  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ , and  $\theta$  be a non-negative and non-decreasing function on  $(0,\infty)$  satisfying

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\theta(t)}{t} |\log t| \mathrm{d}t < \infty. \tag{1.7}$$

A function  $K_{\alpha} \in L^1_{loc}(X \times X \setminus \{(x, x) : x \in X\})$  is called an  $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integral kernel if there exists a positive constant  $C_{K_{\alpha}}$  depending on  $K_{\alpha}$ , such that

(1) for all  $x, y \in X$  with  $x \neq y$ ,

$$|K_{\alpha}(x,y)| \le C_{K_{\alpha}} \frac{1}{[d(x,y)]^{1-\alpha}},$$
 (1.8)

(2) there exists a constant  $c_{K_{\alpha}} \in (0, \infty)$  such that, for all  $x, \tilde{x}, y \in X$  with  $d(x, y) \ge c_{K_{\alpha}} d(x, \tilde{x})$ ,

$$|K_{\alpha}(x,y) - K_{\alpha}(\tilde{x},y)| + |K_{\alpha}(y,x) - K_{\alpha}(y,\tilde{x})| \le C_{K_{\alpha}} \theta \left(\frac{d(x,\tilde{x})}{d(x,y)}\right) \frac{1}{[d(x,y)]^{1-\alpha}}.$$
(1.9)

**Remark 1.1.** If we take the function  $\theta(t) \equiv t^{\delta}$  with  $\delta \in (0, 1]$ , then the  $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integral kernel  $K_{\alpha}$  is just the fractional kernel of order 1 (see [7]).

Let  $L_b^{\infty}(\mu)$  be the space of all  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$  functions with bounded support. A linear  $T_{\alpha}$  is called an  $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integral with  $K_{\alpha}$  satisfying (1.8) and (1.9) if, for all  $f \in L_b^{\infty}(\mu)$  and  $x \notin \text{supp}(f)$ ,

$$T_{\alpha}(f)(x) = \int_{X} K_{\alpha}(x, y) f(y) d\mu(y). \tag{1.10}$$

Given a function  $b \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ , the commutator  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$  which is generated by  $T_{\alpha}$  and b is defined by

$$[b, T_{\alpha}](f)(x) = b(x)T_{\alpha}f(x) - T_{\alpha}(bf)(x), \quad \text{for any } x \in X.$$

The following definition of variable exponent Morrey space  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$  is from [7].

**Definition 1.5.** Let  $N \ge 1$  be a constant and  $1 < q_- \le q(x) \le p(x) \le p_+ < \infty$ . Then, the variable exponent Morrey space  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$  is defined by

$$M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N := \Big\{ f \in L^{q(\cdot)}_{\mathrm{loc}}(\mu) : \ \|f\|_{M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N} < \infty \Big\},\,$$

where

$$||f||_{M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N} := \sup_{x \in X, r > 0} [\mu(B(x, Nr))]^{\frac{1}{p(x)} - \frac{1}{q(x)}} ||f||_{L^{q(\cdot)}(B(x, r))}. \tag{1.12}$$

**Remark 1.2.** If we take p(x) = q(x) in (1.12), then, the variable exponent Morrey space  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$  is just variable exponent Lebesgue space  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  (see [7]), namely, for any  $\mu$ -measurable subset  $E \subset X$  and  $1 \le p_-(E) \le p_+(E) < \infty$ , then variable exponent Lebesgue space  $L^{p(\cdot)}(E)$  is defined by

$$||f||_{L^{p(\cdot)}(E)} = \inf\{\lambda > 0 : S_p(f/\lambda) \le 1\},$$
 (1.13)

where

$$S_p(f) := \int_E |f(x)|^{p(x)} \mathrm{d}\mu(x) < \infty.$$

The organization of this paper is stated as follows. In section 2, via some known results, we prove that  $\theta$ -type fractional integral  $T_{\alpha}$  is bounded from variable exponent Lebesgue spaces  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  into spaces  $L^{q(\cdot)}(X)$  for  $\alpha \in (0,1)$  and  $\frac{1}{q(\cdot)} = \frac{1}{p(\cdot)} - \alpha$ , and bounded from variable exponent Morrey spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$  into spaces  $M_{t(\cdot)}^{s(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}$ , where  $\frac{t(\cdot)}{s(\cdot)} = \frac{q(\cdot)}{p(\cdot)}$ ,  $\frac{1}{s(\cdot)} = \frac{1}{p(\cdot)} - \alpha$ ,  $\bar{a} := a_1(a_1(a_0+1)+1)$  and N is a constant with  $N \ge 1$ . By establishing the sharp maximal function for commutator  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$  generated by  $T_{\alpha}$  and  $b \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ , the boundedness of the  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$  on spaces  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  and on spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$  is also obtained in sections 3 and 4.

Finally, we make some conventions on notation. Throughout the whole paper, C represents a positive constant being independent of the main parameters. For any subset E of X, we use  $\chi_E$  to denote its characteristic function.

### **2.** Estimate for $T_{\alpha}$ on variable exponent spaces

In this section, by applying some known results, the boundedness of  $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integral  $T_{\alpha}$  on variable Lebsgue spaces  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  and on variable exponent Morrey spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$  is obtained. Now we state the main theorems as follows.

**Theorem 2.1.** Let  $N \ge 1$  be a constant,  $K_{\alpha}$  satisfy (1.8) and (1.9),  $1 < p_{-} \le p(x) \le q(x) \le q_{+} < \infty$ ,  $\frac{1}{q(x)} = \frac{1}{p(x)} - \alpha$  and  $0 < p_{+} < \frac{1}{\alpha}$ . Suppose that  $p \in \mathcal{P}(N)$ ,  $q \in \mathcal{P}(1)$  and  $\mu$  satisfies (1.1). Then  $T_{\alpha}$  defined as in (1.10) is bounded from variable Lebesgue spaces  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  into spaces  $L^{q(\cdot)}(X)$ .

**Theorem 2.2.** Let  $N \ge 1$  be a constant,  $K_{\alpha}$  satisfy (1.8) and (1.9),  $1 < t_{-} \le t(x) \le s(x) \le s_{+} < \infty$ ,  $\frac{s(x)}{t(x)} = \frac{p(x)}{q(x)}$  and  $\frac{1}{s(x)} = \frac{1}{p(x)} - \alpha$  with  $0 < p_{+} < \frac{1}{\alpha}$ . Suppose that  $\mu$  satisfies (1.1),  $p \in \mathcal{P}(N)$  and  $q \in \mathcal{P}(1)$ . Then  $T_{\alpha}$  defined as in (1.10) is bounded from variable Morrey spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_{N}$  into spaces  $M_{t(\cdot)}^{s(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{\alpha}}$ . **Remark 2.1.** By Remark 1.7, once Theorem 2.2 is proved, it is easy to see that Theorem 2.1 holds.

Thus, we only prove Theorem 2.2 in this section.

**Proof of Theorem** 2.2. For any  $x \in X$ , by (1.9), we can deduce that

$$|T_{\alpha}f(x)| \le \int_{X} |K_{\alpha}(x, y)||f(y)| d\mu(y)$$
  
$$\le C \int_{X} \frac{|f(y)|}{[d(x, y)]^{1-\alpha}} d\mu(y) \le CI_{\alpha}(|f|)(x),$$

where  $I_{\alpha}$  represents the homogeneous fractional integral operator (see [7]), namely, for any  $x \in X$ , set

$$I_{\alpha}f(x) := \int_{Y} \frac{f(y)}{[d(x,y)]^{1-\alpha}} d\mu(y), \quad \text{for } 0 < \alpha < 1.$$

Further, by applying the  $(M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N, M_{t(\cdot)}^{s(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}})$ -boundedness of  $I_{\alpha}$  in [7], we have

$$||T_{\alpha}f||_{M_{t(\cdot)}^{s(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}} \leq C||I_{\alpha}(|f|)||_{M_{t(\cdot)}^{s(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}} \leq C||f||_{M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_{N}}.$$

### **3. Estimate for** $[b, T_{\alpha}]$ **on** $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$

In this section, by establishing the sharp maximal function for commutator  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$ , which is generated by  $T_{\alpha}$  and  $b \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ , we prove that the  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$  is bounded from space  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  into space  $L^{q(\cdot)}(X)$ . The main theorem of this section is as follows.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $N \ge 1$  be a constant,  $b \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ ,  $K_{\alpha}$  satisfy (1.8) and (1.9),  $1 < p_{-} \le p(x) < p_{+} < \frac{1}{\alpha}$  and  $\frac{1}{q(x)} = \frac{1}{p(x)} - \alpha$  with  $0 < \alpha < 1$ . Suppose that  $\mu$  satisfies condition (1.1). Then  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$  defined as in (1.11) is bounded from  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  into  $L^{q(\cdot)}(X)$ .

To prove the above theorem, we need to recall and establish the following corollary and lemmas, see [6, 7], respectively.

**Corollary 3.1.** If  $f \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ , then there exists a constant C > 0 such that, for any balls B,  $\rho \in (1, \infty)$  and  $r \in [1, \infty)$ ,

$$\left(\frac{1}{\mu(\rho B)} \int_{B} |f(y) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(f)|^{r} \mathrm{d}\mu(x)\right)^{\frac{1}{r}} \le C||f||_{\mathrm{RBMO}(\mu)}. \tag{3.1}$$

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $\mu(X) < \infty$ ,  $N \ge 1$  be a constant,  $1 < p_- \le p(x) \le p_+ < \infty$  and  $s \in (1, p_-)$ . If there exists a positive constant C such that for all  $x \in X$  and x > 0, the following inequality

$$[\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{p_-(B(x,r))-p(x)} \leq C$$

holds, then  $M_{s,N}$  is bounded on  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$ , where maximal operator  $M_{s,N}$  is defined by, for any  $f \in L^1_{loc}(X)$ ,

$$M_{s,N}f(x) = \sup_{B \ni x} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(B(x,Nr))} \int_{B} |f(y)|^{s} d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}.$$
 (3.2)

Moreover, if s = 1 in (3.2), we simply denote  $M_N := M_{1,N}$ .

**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $\mu(B) < \infty$ ,  $N \ge 1$  be a constant,  $\tau \in (0,1)$ ,  $s \in (1,\frac{1}{\tau})$ ,  $s < p_- \le p(\cdot) < \frac{1}{\tau}$  and  $\frac{1}{q(x)} = \frac{1}{p(x)} - \tau$ . Then there exists a constant C > 0 such that, for all  $f \in L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$ ,

$$||M_{s,N}^{(\tau)}f||_{L^{q(\cdot)}(X)} \le C||f||_{L^{p(\cdot)}}(X),$$

where

$$M_{s,N}^{(\tau)} f(x) = \sup_{B \ni x} [\mu(B(x, Nr))]^{\tau - \frac{1}{s}} \left( \int_{B} |f(y)|^{s} d\mu(y) \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}, \tag{3.3}$$

and the supremum is taken over all balls  $B \ni x$ .

**Remark 3.1.** With a way similar to that used in the proof of Theorem 1.3 in [2], it is easy to show that Lemma 3.4 hold on  $(X, d, \mu)$ .

Also, by applying Theorem 1.13 in [5], we have the following result on  $(X, d, \mu)$ .

**Lemma 3.3.** Let  $K_{\alpha}$  satisfying (1.8) and (1.9),  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p} - \alpha$ . Suppose that  $T_{\alpha}$  defined as in (1.10) is bounded on  $L^{2}(\mu)$ . Then  $T_{\alpha}$  is bounded from  $L^{p}(\mu)$  into  $L^{q}(\mu)$ .

From [6], the sharp maximal function  $\widetilde{M}^{\sharp,\alpha}$  is defined by, for all  $x \in X$ ,  $\alpha \in [0,1)$  and  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ ,

$$\widetilde{M}^{\sharp,\alpha}f(x) = \sup_{B\ni x} \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |f(y) - m_{\widetilde{B}}f| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) + \sup_{(B,S)\in\Delta_{x}} \frac{|m_{B}f - m_{S}f|}{\widetilde{K}_{BS}^{(\alpha)}}, \tag{3.4}$$

where  $\Delta_x = \{x \in B \subset S \text{ and } B, S \text{ are doubling balls} \}$  and coefficient  $\widetilde{K}_{B,S}^{(\alpha)}$  is defined by

$$\widetilde{K}_{B,S}^{(\alpha)} := 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{B,S}} \left[ \frac{\mu(2^k B)}{r(2^k B)} \right]^{1-\alpha}.$$

For  $0 < r < \infty$  and  $x \in X$ , set  $M_r^{\sharp,\alpha} f(x) = [M^{\sharp,\alpha}(|f|^r)(x)]^{\frac{1}{r}}$ . A simple computation shows that if 0 < r < 1, we have

$$M_r^{\sharp,\alpha} f(x) \le C_r M^{\sharp,\alpha} f(x), \quad x \in X.$$
 (3.5)

**Lemma 3.4.** Let  $\tau \in (0, 1)$ ,  $g \in L^1_{loc}(X)$  and  $\mu$ -measurable function f satisfy the following condition

$$\mu(\{x \in X : |f(x)| > t\}) < \infty, \quad \text{ for all } t > 0,$$

then

$$\int_{X} |f(x)g(x)| \mathrm{d}\mu(x) \le \int_{X} M_{\tau}^{\sharp,\alpha}(f)(x) M_{N}(g)(x) \mathrm{d}\mu(x). \tag{3.6}$$

**Lemma 3.5.** Let  $K_{\alpha}$  satisfy the conditions (1.8) and (1.9),  $s \in (1, \infty)$  and  $p_0 \in (1, \infty)$ . If  $T_{\alpha}$  is bounded on  $L^2(\mu)$ , then there exists a positive constant C such that, for all  $f \in L^{\infty}(\mu) \cap L^{p_0}(\mu)$ ,

$$M^{\sharp,\alpha}([b,T_{\alpha}]f)(x) \le C||b||_{\text{RBMO}(\mu)} \Big\{ M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}f(x) + M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}(T_{\alpha}f)(x) + T_{\alpha}(|f|)(x) \Big\}. \tag{3.7}$$

**Proof.** By applying the definition of sharp maximal function  $M^{\sharp,\alpha}$  defined as in (3.4), for any ball B, it suffices to show that, for all x and B with  $B \ni x$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |[b, T_{\alpha}]f(y) - h_{B}| d\mu(y) \le C||b||_{RBMO(\mu)} \Big\{ M_{s, \frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)} f(x) + M_{s, \frac{3}{2}}(T_{\alpha}f)(x) \Big\}.$$
(3.8)

and, for all balls B, S with  $B \subset S$  and  $B \ni x$ ,

$$|h_B - h_R| \le C||b||_{\text{RBMO}(\mu)} \Big\{ M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)} f(x) + T_{\alpha}(|f|)(x) \Big\} K_{B,S} \widetilde{K}_{B,S}^{(\alpha)}, \tag{3.9}$$

where

$$h_B = m_B(T_\alpha([b-b_B]f\chi_{X\setminus(\frac{3}{2}B)})) \qquad h_S = m_S(T_\alpha([b-b_S]f\chi_{X\setminus(\frac{3}{2}S)}))$$

To prove (3.8), decompose f as  $f := f_1 + f_2 := f\chi_{\frac{3}{2}B} + f\chi_{X\setminus(\frac{3}{2}B)}$ , then write,

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |[b,T_{\alpha}]f(y) - h_{B}| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \\ &= \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |(b(y) - b_{B})T_{\alpha}(f)(y) + T_{\alpha}([b - b_{B}]f)(y) - h_{B}| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |(b(y) - b_{B})T_{\alpha}(f)(y)| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) + \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |T_{\alpha}([b - b_{B}]f_{1})(y)| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |T_{\alpha}([b - b_{B}]f_{2})(y) - h_{B}| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \\ &= D_{1} + D_{2} + D_{3}. \end{split}$$

From Hölder inequality, Corollary 3.2 and (3.2), it follows that

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |(b(y) - b_{B})T_{\alpha}(f)(y)| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |b(y) - b_{B}|^{s'} \mathrm{d}\mu(y)\right)^{\frac{1}{s'}} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |T_{\alpha}(f)(y)|^{s} \mathrm{d}\mu(y)\right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \\ &\leq C||b||_{\mathsf{RBMO}(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{s}}(T_{\alpha}f)(x). \end{split}$$

To estimate  $D_2$ , take  $t = \sqrt{s}$  and  $\frac{1}{r} = \frac{1}{t} - \alpha$ . By applying Hölder inequality, Corollary 3.2 and Lemma 3.6, we obtain that

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{1})(y)| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \bigg( \int_{B} |T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{1})(y)|^{r} \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \bigg)^{\frac{1}{r}} [\mu(B)]^{1-\frac{1}{r}} \leq C \frac{[\mu(B)]^{1-\frac{1}{r}}}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} ||(b-b_{B})f_{1}||_{L^{1}(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \frac{[\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)]^{\frac{1}{r'}+\frac{1}{n}-\alpha}}{[\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)]^{\frac{1}{r'}}} \bigg( \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2})} \int_{B} |b(y)-b_{B}|^{tt'} \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \bigg)^{\frac{1}{n'}} \bigg\{ \frac{1}{[\mu(\frac{3}{2})]^{1-\alpha s}} \int_{B} |f(y)|^{s} \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \bigg\}^{\frac{1}{s}} \\ &\leq C ||b||_{\mathrm{RBMO}(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x). \end{split}$$

Since

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{2})(y) - h_{B}|\mathrm{d}\mu(y) \\ &= \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} \left| T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{2})(y) - \frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_{B} T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{2})(z) \mathrm{d}\mu(z) \right| \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_{B} \int_{B} |T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{2})(y) - T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{2})(z) \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \mathrm{d}\mu(z), \end{split}$$

thus, we only estimate the difference  $|T_{\alpha}([b-b_B]f_2)(y) - T_{\alpha}([b-b_B]f_2)(z)|$ . For all  $y, z \in B$ , by applying (1.7), (1.9), Corollary 3.2 and Hölder inequality, we have

$$\begin{split} &|T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{2})(y)-T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{2})(z)|\\ &\leq \int_{X((\frac{3}{2}B))}|K_{\alpha}(y,w)-K_{\alpha}(z,w)||b(w)-b_{B}||f(w)|\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\\ &\leq C\int_{X((\frac{3}{2}B))}\theta\bigg(\frac{d(y,z)}{d(y,w)}\bigg)\frac{|b(w)-b_{B}|}{[d(y,w)]^{1-\alpha}}|f(w)|\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\\ &\leq C\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)\backslash 2^{k-1}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}\theta\bigg(\frac{d(y,z)}{d(y,w)}\bigg)\frac{|b(w)-b_{B}|}{[d(y,w)]^{1-\alpha}}|f(w)|\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\\ &\leq C\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{[r(2^{k-1}\times\frac{3}{2}B)]^{1-\alpha}}\theta\bigg(2^{1-k}\times\frac{2}{3}\bigg)\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|b(w)-b_{B}||f(w)|\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\\ &\leq C\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{[r(2^{k-1}\times\frac{3}{2}B)]^{1-\alpha}}\theta\bigg(2^{1-k}\times\frac{2}{3}\bigg)\bigg(\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|b(w)-b_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}||f(w)|\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\\ &+|b_{B}-b_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|f(w)|\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\bigg)\\ &\leq C\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{[r(2^{k-1}\times\frac{3}{2}B)]^{1-\alpha}}\theta\bigg(2^{1-k}\times\frac{2}{3}\bigg)\bigg\{\bigg(\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|f(w)|^{s}\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\bigg)^{\frac{1}{s}}\\ &\times\bigg(\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|b(w)-b_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|^{s'}\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\bigg)^{\frac{1}{s'}}\\ &+|b_{B}-b_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|[\mu(2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B))]^{1-\frac{1}{s}}\bigg(\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|f(w)|^{s}\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\bigg)^{\frac{1}{s'}}\bigg)\\ &\leq C\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\frac{1}{[r(2^{k-1}\times\frac{3}{2}B)]^{1-\alpha}}\theta\bigg(2^{1-k}\times\frac{2}{3}\bigg)\bigg\{\bigg(\frac{1}{[\mu(2^{k}\times(\frac{9}{4}B))]^{1-\alpha s}}\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|f(w)|^{s}\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\bigg)^{\frac{1}{s'}}\\ &\times\bigg(\frac{1}{[\mu(2^{k}\times(\frac{9}{4}B))]^{1-\alpha s}}\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|f(w)-b_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|f(w)|^{s}\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\bigg)^{\frac{1}{s'}}\bigg[\mu(2^{k}\times(\frac{9}{4}B))]^{1-\alpha}\\ &+k||b||_{\mathrm{RBMO}(\mu)}[\mu(2^{k}\times(\frac{9}{4}B))]^{1-\alpha s}}\int_{2^{k}\times(\frac{3}{2}B)}|f(w)|^{s}\mathrm{d}\mu(w)\bigg)^{\frac{1}{s'}}\bigg\}$$

$$\leq C||b||_{\operatorname{RBMO}(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (k+1)\theta \left(2^{1-k} \times \frac{2}{3}\right)$$

$$\leq C||b||_{\operatorname{RBMO}(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k\theta(2^{-k}) \int_{2^{-k}}^{2^{-k+1}} \frac{1}{t} dt$$

$$\leq C||b||_{\operatorname{RBMO}(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \theta(2^{-k}) \int_{2^{-k}}^{2^{-k+1}} |\log t| \frac{1}{t} dt$$

$$\leq C||b||_{\operatorname{RBMO}(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{2^{-k}}^{2^{-k+1}} |\log t| \frac{\theta(t)}{t} dt$$

$$\leq C||b||_{\operatorname{RBMO}(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x),$$

where we have used the following fact that

$$|b_B - b_{2^k \times (\frac{3}{2}B)}| \le Ck||b||_{\text{RBMO}(\mu)}.$$
 (3.10)

Thus,

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\frac{3}{2}B)} \int_{B} |T_{\alpha}([b-b_{B}]f_{2})(y) - h_{B}|d\mu(y) \le C||b||_{RBMO(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x),$$

which, together with  $D_1$  and  $D_2$ , implies (3.8).

Now let us estimate (3.9). Consider two balls  $B \subset S$  with  $x \in B$  and let  $N := N_{B,S} + 1$ . Write

$$\begin{aligned} &|h_{B}-h_{S}| \\ &= \left| m_{B}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{X\backslash\frac{3}{2}B})) + m_{B}(T_{\alpha}([b_{S}-b_{B}]f\chi_{X\backslash\frac{3}{2}B})) - m_{S}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{X\backslash\frac{3}{2}S})) \right| \\ &= \left| m_{B}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{X\backslash2^{N}B})) + m_{B}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{2^{N}B\backslash\frac{3}{2}B})) + m_{B}(T_{\alpha}([b_{S}-b_{B}]f\chi_{X\backslash\frac{3}{2}B})) \right| \\ &- m_{S}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{X\backslash2^{N}B})) - m_{S}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{2^{N}B\backslash\frac{3}{2}S})) \right| \\ &\leq \left| m_{B}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{X\backslash2^{N}B})) - m_{S}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{X\backslash2^{N}B})) \right| \\ &+ |m_{B}(T_{\alpha}([b_{S}-b_{B}]f\chi_{X\backslash\frac{3}{2}B}))| + |m_{B}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{2^{N}B\backslash\frac{3}{2}B}))| + |m_{S}(T_{\alpha}([b-b_{S}]f\chi_{2^{N}B\backslash\frac{3}{2}S}))| \\ &= E_{1} + E_{2} + E_{3} + E_{4}. \end{aligned}$$

With arguments similar to that used in the estimate of  $D_3$  and Theorem 1 in [22], it is not difficult to obtain that

$$E_1 \le C||b||_{RBMO(\mu)}M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x)$$

and

$$E_2 \le CK_{B,S} ||b||_{RBMO(\mu)} [T_\alpha(|f|)(x) + M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x)].$$

For any  $y \in B$ , by applying Hölder inequality, Corollary 3.2 and (3.2), we obtain that

$$|T_{\alpha}([b-b_S]f\chi_{2^NB\setminus\frac{3}{2}B})(y)|$$

$$\leq \int_{2^{N}B\setminus\frac{3}{2}B} |K_{\alpha}(x,y)| |b(w) - b_{S}| |f(w)| d\mu(w)$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \int_{(2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B)\setminus(2^{k}\times\frac{3}{2}B)} \frac{|b(w) - b_{S}| |f(w)|}{[d(y,w)]^{1-\alpha}} d\mu(w)$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{[r(2^{k}\times\frac{3}{2}B)]^{1-\alpha}} \left( |b_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B} - b_{S}| \int_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B} |f(w)| d\mu(w) + \int_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B} |b(w) - b_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B}| |f(w)| d\mu(w) \right)$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{[r(2^{k}\times\frac{3}{2}B)]^{1-\alpha}} \left\{ |b_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B} - b_{S}| \left( \int_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B} |f(w)|^{s} d\mu(w) \right)^{\frac{1}{s}} \right.$$

$$\times \left[ \mu(2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B) \right]^{1-\frac{1}{s}} + \left( \int_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B} |f(w)|^{s} d\mu(w) \right)^{\frac{1}{s}}$$

$$\times \left( \int_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B} |b(w) - b_{2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B} |s'| d\mu(w) \right)^{\frac{1}{s'}} \right\}$$

$$\leq C ||b||_{RBMO(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x) \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{[\mu(2^{k+1}\times\frac{3}{2}B)]^{1-\alpha}}{[r(2^{k}\times\frac{3}{2}B)]^{1-\alpha}} \right\}$$

$$\leq C \widetilde{K}_{B,S} ||b||_{RBMO(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x).$$

Taking the mean over ball B, we get  $E_3 \le C\widetilde{K}_{B,S} ||b||_{RBMO(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x)$ . Similarly, we have

$$\mathrm{E}_4 \leq C\widetilde{K}_{B,S} \|b\|_{\mathrm{RBMO}(\mu)} M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}(f)(x).$$

Which, combining the estimates  $E_1$ ,  $E_2$  and  $E_3$ , implies (3.9).

**Proof of Theorem** 3.1. By applying Lemmas 3.3 and 3.4, Lemmas 3.6-3.8 and Hölder inequality, we can deduce that

$$\begin{split} &\|[b,T_{\alpha}]f\|_{L^{q(\cdot)}(X)} \\ &= \sup_{\|g\|_{L^{q'(\cdot)}(X)}} \left| \int_{X} ([b,T_{\alpha}]f)(x)g(x) \mathrm{d}\mu(x) \right| \\ &\leq C \sup_{\|g\|_{L^{q'(\cdot)}(X)}} \left| \int_{X} M_{\tau}^{\sharp,\alpha}([b,T_{\alpha}]f)(x) M_{N}(g)(x) \mathrm{d}\mu(x) \right| \\ &\leq C \sup_{\|g\|_{L^{q'(\cdot)}(X)}} \left| \int_{X} M^{\sharp,\alpha}([b,T_{\alpha}]f)(x) M_{N}(g)(x) \mathrm{d}\mu(x) \right| \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\mathrm{RBMO}(\mu)} \sup_{\|g\|_{L^{q'(\cdot)}(X)}} \left| \int_{X} \left\{ M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}^{(\alpha)}f(x) M_{N}(g)(x) + M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}(T_{\alpha}f)(x) M_{N}(g)(x) + T_{\alpha}(|f|)(x) M_{N}(g)(x) \right\} \mathrm{d}\mu(x) \right| \\ &\leq C \|b\|_{\mathrm{RBMO}(\mu)} \|f\|_{L^{p(\cdot)}(X)}. \end{split}$$

## **4.** Estimate for $[b, T_{\alpha}]$ on spaces $M_{a(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$

The main theorem of this section is stated as follows.

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $b \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ ,  $K_{\alpha}$  satisfy (1.8) and (1.9),  $\mu(X) < \infty$ ,  $N := a_1(1 + 2a_0)$ ,  $1 < p_{-} \le p(x) \le q(x) \le q_{+} < \infty$ ,  $1 < t_{-} \le t(x) \le s(x) \le s_{+} < \infty$ ,  $\frac{t(x)}{s(x)} = \frac{q(x)}{p(x)}$ ,  $\frac{1}{s(x)} = \frac{1}{p(x)} - \alpha$  and  $0 < p(\cdot) < \frac{1}{\alpha}$  and  $p \in \mathcal{P}(N)$ . Suppose that  $\mu$  satisfies (1.1). Then  $[b, T_{\alpha}]$  defined as in (1.11) is bounded from spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_{N}$  into spaces  $M_{t(\cdot)}^{s(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{\alpha}}$ .

To prove the above theorem, we need to establish the following lemmas.

**Lemma 4.1.** Let  $\mu(X) < \infty$ ,  $1 < p_- \le p(x) \le q(x) \le q_+ < \infty$ . Suppose that  $N = a_1(1 + 2a_0)$  and  $p \in \mathcal{P}(N)$ ,  $q \in \mathcal{P}(1)$ . Then  $M_{s,N}$  defined as in (3.2) is bounded from spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}$ .

**Remark 4.1.** With a slight modified argument similar to that use in the proof of Theorem 3.4 in [7], it is not difficult to prove that Lemma 4.2 also holds.

**Lemma 4.2.** Let N be a constant satisfying the condition  $N \ge 1$  and  $\tau \in (0,1)$ . Suppose that  $1 \le s < q_- \le q(x) \le p(x) \le p_+ < \infty$ ,  $s < \frac{1}{\tau}$  and  $1 < p(x) < \frac{1}{\tau}$ . Suppose that  $\mu$  satisfies condition (1.1). Then

$$|M_{s,N}^{(\tau)}f(x)| \le C||f||_{M_{\sigma(s)}^{\tau(r)}(X)_N}^{\tau(r)}[M_{s,N}f(x)]^{1-\tau(r)}.$$
(4.1)

**Proof.** For any  $x \in X$ , we set  $\ell_x^{\frac{1}{p(x)}} = \frac{\|f\|_{M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N}}{M_{s,N}f(x)}$ . Then

$$|M_{s,N}^{(\tau)}f(x)| \leq \sup_{x \in B, \mu(B(x,Nr)) \leq \ell_x} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\tau - \frac{1}{s}} \bigg( \int_B |f(y)|^s \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \bigg)^{\frac{1}{s}}$$

$$+ \sup_{x \in B, \mu(B(x,Nr)) > \ell_x} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\tau - \frac{1}{s}} \bigg( \int_B |f(y)|^s \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \bigg)^{\frac{1}{s}} =: H_1 + H_2.$$

For  $H_1$ , we obtain that

$$\begin{split} \mathbf{H}_{1} &= \sup_{x \in B, \mu(B(x,Nr)) \leq \ell_{x}} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\tau - \frac{1}{s}} \bigg( \int_{B} |f(y)|^{s} \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \bigg)^{\frac{1}{s}} \\ &= \sup_{x \in B, \mu(B(x,Nr)) \leq \ell_{x}} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\tau} \bigg( \frac{1}{\mu(B(x,Nr))} \int_{B} |f(y)|^{s} \mathrm{d}\mu(y) \bigg)^{\frac{1}{s}} \\ &\leq \ell_{x}^{\tau} M_{s,N} f(x) = \|f\|_{M_{a(s)}^{p(s)}(X)_{N}}^{\tau p(x)} [M_{s,N} f(x)]^{1-\tau p(x)}. \end{split}$$

If  $\mu(B(x,Nr)) > \ell_x$ , then there exists a  $i \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $2^{i-1}\ell_x < \mu(B(x,Nr)) < 2^i\ell_x$ . By applying Hölder inequality and Definition 1.6, we can deduce that

$$\begin{split} & H_{2} \leq \sup_{x \in B, \mu(B(x,Nr)) > \ell_{x}} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\tau - \frac{1}{s}} \|f\chi_{B}\|_{L^{q(x)}(X)} \|\chi_{B}\|_{L^{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{q(x)}}(X)} \\ & \leq \sup_{x \in B, \mu(B(x,Nr)) > \ell_{x}} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\tau - \frac{1}{s}} \|f\chi_{B}\|_{L^{q(x)}(X)} [\mu(B)]^{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{q(x)}} \\ & \leq \|f\|_{M^{p(\cdot)}_{q(\cdot)}(X)} \sup_{x \in B, \mu(B(x,Nr)) > \ell_{x}} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\tau - \frac{1}{s}} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\frac{1}{q(x)} - \frac{1}{p(x)}} [\mu(B)]^{\frac{1}{s} - \frac{1}{q(x)}} \end{split}$$

$$\leq C \|f\|_{M^{p(\cdot)}_{q(\cdot)}(X)} \sup_{x \in B, \mu(B(x,Nr)) > \ell_x} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\tau - \frac{1}{q_+}} [\mu(B(x,Nr))]^{\frac{1}{q(x)} - \frac{1}{p(x)}}$$

$$\leq C \|f\|_{M^{p(\cdot)}_{q(\cdot)}(X)} \sup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} (2^i)^{\tau - \frac{1}{p(x)}} (\ell_x)^{\tau - \frac{1}{p(x)}}$$

$$\leq C \|f\|_{M^{p(\cdot)}_{q(\cdot)}(X)_N} [M_{s,N}f(x)]^{1 - \tau p(x)}.$$

Which, together with estimate H<sub>1</sub>, the proof of Lemma 4.4 is completed.

By applying Lemmas 4.2 and 4.4, it is easy to get the following result.

**Lemma 4.3.** Let  $\mu(X) < \infty$ ,  $1 < p_{-} \le p(x) \le q(x) \le q_{+} < \infty$ ,  $1 < t_{-} \le t(x) \le s(x) \le s_{+} < \infty$ ,  $\frac{t(x)}{s(x)} = \frac{q(x)}{p(x)}$  and  $\frac{1}{s(x)} = \frac{1}{p(x)} - \tau$  satisfying  $0 < \tau < \frac{1}{p_{+}}$ . Suppose that  $N = a_{1}(1 + 2a_{0})$  and  $p \in \mathcal{P}(N)$ ,  $q \in \mathcal{P}(1)$ . Then  $M_{s,N}^{(\tau)}$  defined as in (3.3) is bounded from spaces  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_{N}$  into spaces  $M_{t(\cdot)}^{s(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}$ .

**Proof of Theorem** 4.1 From Theorem 2.2, Lemmas 3.8, 4.2 and 4.4, it follows that

$$\begin{split} &\|[b,T_{\alpha}](f)\|_{M^{s(\cdot)}_{l(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}} \leq C\|M^{\sharp,(\alpha)}_{\tau}[b,T_{\alpha}](f)\|_{M^{s(\cdot)}_{l(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}} \\ &\leq C\|M^{\sharp,(\alpha)}[b,T_{\alpha}](f)\|_{M^{s(\cdot)}_{l(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}} \\ &\leq C\|b\|_{\operatorname{RBMO}(\mu)} \Big\{ \|M^{(\alpha)}_{s,\frac{3}{2}}f\|_{M^{s(\cdot)}_{l(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}} + \|M_{s,\frac{3}{2}}(T_{\alpha}f)\|_{M^{s(\cdot)}_{l(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}} + \|T_{\alpha}(|f|)\|_{M^{s(\cdot)}_{l(\cdot)}(X)_{N\bar{a}}} \Big\} \\ &\leq C\|b\|_{\operatorname{RBMO}(\mu)} \|f\|_{M^{p(\cdot)}_{a(\cdot)}(X)_{N}}. \end{split}$$

### 5. Conclusions

In this paper, we mainly obtain the boundedness of  $\theta$ -type generalized fractional integral  $T_{\theta}$  and its commutator  $[b, T_{\theta}]$  generated by b and  $T_{\theta}$  on variable Lebesgue space  $L^{p(\cdot)}(X)$  and Morrey space  $M_{q(\cdot)}^{p(\cdot)}(X)_N$ .

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