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## Multilinear fractional integral operators on non-homogeneous metric measure spaces

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#### **Abstract**

In this paper, the boundedness in Lebesgue spaces for multilinear fractional integral operators and commutators generated by multilinear fractional integrals with an  $\mathsf{RBMO}(\mu)$  function on non-homogeneous metric measure spaces is obtained.

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#### 1 Introduction and preliminaries

A measure  $\mu$  is called a doubling measure, if there exists a positive constant C such that  $\mu(B(x,2l)) \leq C\mu(B(x,l))$ , for all  $x \in \operatorname{supp} \mu$  and all l > 0, which is the main condition in homogeneous spaces. Also  $\mu$  is a non-doubling measure, if there exists an integer  $k \in (0,n]$  and a positive constant  $C_0$ , such that

$$\mu(B(x,l)) \le C_0 l^k. \tag{1.1}$$

This innovation caused the tremendous development of harmonic analysis (see [1–8]). It is worthy to mention that this theory solves the Painlevé's problem and Vitushkin's conjectures (see [7, 9]). Hytönen [10] introduced the non-homogeneous metric measure spaces  $(X, d, \mu)$ , which contains the homogeneous spaces and non-doubling measure spaces. Many researchers obtained the boundedness of operators on the non-homogeneous metric measure spaces; see, *e.g.*, [10–25].

For multilinear integral operators, the bilinear theory for Calderón-Zygmund operators was studied by Coifman-Meyers [26], then, the boundedness on Lebesgue spaces or Hardy spaces for multilinear singular integrals was proved by Gorafakos-Torres [27, 28]. In non-doubling measure spaces, Xu [29, 30] and Lian-Wu [31] obtained the boundedness of multilinear singular integrals or multilinear fractional integrals and commutators respectively. In non-homogeneous metric measure spaces, Hu *et al.* [32] established the weighted norm inequalities for multilinear Calderón-Zygmund operators. The authors of [23] proved the boundedness on Lebesgue spaces for commutators of multilinear singular integrals.

In this paper, we introduce multilinear fractional integrals and its commutators on non-homogeneous metric spaces, then we study the boundedness in Lebesgue spaces for these



operators, provided that fractional integral is bounded from  $L^r(\mu)$  to  $L^s(\mu)$ , for some  $r \in (1,1/\beta)$  and  $1/s = 1/r - \beta$  with  $0 < \beta < 1$ . Our results include both the results for the homogeneous spaces and the non-doubling measure spaces.

Throughout this paper,  $L_c^{\infty}(\mu)$  denotes  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$  with compact support. C always denotes a positive constant independent of the main parameters involved, but it may be different in different currents. And p' is the conjugate index of p, namely, 1/p + 1/p' = 1. Next let us give some definitions and notations.

**Definition 1.1** ([10]) A metric space (X, d) is geometrically doubling, if there is a positive integer  $N_0$  such that, for all ball  $B(x, r) \subset X$ , one can find a finite ball covering  $\{B(x_j, r/2)\}_{j=1}^{N_0}$ .

**Definition 1.2** ([10]) For a metric measure space  $(X, d, \mu)$ , if  $\mu$  is a Borel measure on X, and there is a function  $\lambda : X \times (0, +\infty) \to (0, +\infty)$  and a positive constant  $C_{\lambda}$ , such that for all  $x \in X$ , the function  $l \mapsto \lambda(x, l)$  is non-decreasing, and for all  $x \in X$ , l > 0, the following holds:

$$\mu(B(x,l)) \le \lambda(x,l) \le C_{\lambda}\lambda(x,l/2),\tag{1.2}$$

then  $(X, d, \mu)$  is called upper doubling.

#### Remark 1.3

- (i) If  $\lambda(x, l)$  equals to  $\mu(B(x, l))$ , then the homogeneous spaces is upper doubling spaces. Also, if  $\lambda(x, l)$  equals  $Cl^k$ , then a metric space  $(X, d, \mu)$  satisfying (1.1) is upper doubling.
- (ii) By [18], we know that there exists another function  $\tilde{\lambda} \leq \lambda$ ,  $\forall x, y \in X$  with  $d(x, y) \leq l$ , and the following holds:

$$\tilde{\lambda}(x,l) < \tilde{C}\tilde{\lambda}(y,l).$$
 (1.3)

Thus one always assumes that  $\lambda$  satisfies (1.3) throughout this paper. Because the singularity of the commutators is stronger than that of the fractional integral, we need to assume  $\lambda(x,al) \geq a^m \lambda(x,l)$ , for all  $x \in X$  and a,l > 0, in the proof of boundedness of commutators.

(iii) The upper doubling condition is equivalent to the weak growth condition introduced by Tan-Li in [33].

A measure  $\mu$  is  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -doubling, if  $\mu(\alpha B) \leq \beta \mu(B)$ , for  $\alpha, \beta \in (1, +\infty)$  and all ball  $B \subset X$ . Bui-Duong [11] pointed out that there exist many doubling balls. One always means that  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -doubling ball is a  $(6, \beta_0)$ -doubling ball throughout the paper, for some fixed number  $\beta_0 > \max\{C_{\lambda}^{3\log_2 6}, 6^n\}$ , where  $n = \log_2 N_0$  is viewed as a geometric dimension of the space, except  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are designated.

**Definition 1.4** ([15]) For  $0 \le \gamma < 1$ , B and R be two arbitrary balls with  $B \subset R$  and  $N_{B,R}$  be the smallest integer satisfying  $6^{N_{B,R}}l_B \ge l_R$ . One defines

$$K_{B,R}^{(\gamma)} = 1 + \sum_{j=1}^{N_{B,R}} \left[ \frac{\mu(6^{j}B)}{\lambda(x_{B}, 6^{j}l_{B})} \right]^{(1-\gamma)}.$$
 (1.4)

For  $\gamma = 0$ , one simply writes  $K_{B,R}^{(0)} = K_{B,R}$ .

**Definition 1.5** Let  $\alpha \in (0, m)$ . We call *K* is an *m*-linear fractional integral kernel, if

$$K(\cdot,\ldots,\cdot)\in L^1_{\mathrm{loc}}((X)^{m+1}\setminus\{(x,y_1\cdots,y_i,\ldots,y_m):x=y_i,1\leq i\leq m\}),$$

and the following two items hold:

(i)

$$|K(x, y_1, ..., y_i, ..., y_m)| \le \frac{C}{[\sum_{i=1}^m \lambda(x, d(x, y_i))]^{m-\alpha}},$$
 (1.5)

 $\forall (x, y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_m) \in (X)^{m+1}$ , with  $x \neq y_i$  for some i;

(ii) there is a constant  $0 < \delta \le 1$ ,

$$\left| K(x, y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_m) - K(x', y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_m) \right| \\
\leq \frac{Cd(x, x')^{\delta}}{\left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} d(x, y_i) \right]^{\delta} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \lambda(x, d(x, y_i)) \right]^{m-\alpha}}, \tag{1.6}$$

if  $Cd(x, x') \le \max_{1 \le i \le m} d(x, y_i)$ , and for every i,

$$\left| K(x, y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_m) - K(x, y_1, \dots, y_i', \dots, y_m) \right| \\
\leq \frac{Cd(y_i, y_i')^{\delta}}{\left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} d(x, y_i) \right]^{\delta} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \lambda(x, d(x, y_i)) \right]^{m-\alpha}}, \tag{1.7}$$

if  $Cd(y_i, y_i') \le \max_{1 \le i \le m} d(x, y_i)$ .

For any m compactly supported bounded functions  $f_1, ..., f_m$ , and any point  $x \notin \bigcap_{i=1}^m \operatorname{supp} f_i$ , the multilinear fractional integral operators  $I_{\alpha,m}$  is defined by

$$I_{\alpha,m}(f_1,...,f_m)(x) = \int_{X^m} K(x,y_1,...,y_m) f_1(y_1) \cdots f_m(y_m) d\mu(y_1) \cdots d\mu(y_m).$$
(1.8)

**Remark 1.6** As  $\max_{1 \le i \le m} d(x, y_i) \le \sum_{i=1}^m d(x, y_i) \le m \max_{1 \le i \le m} d(x, y_i)$ , (ii) in Definition 1.5 is equivalent to the following:

(ii') There is a constant  $0 < \delta \le 1$ ,

$$\left| K(x, y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_m) - K(x', y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_m) \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{Cd(x, x')^{\delta}}{[\max_{1 < i < m} d(x, y_i)]^{\delta} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \lambda(x, d(x, y_i)) \right]^{m-\alpha}},$$

if  $Cd(x, x') < \max_{1 \le i \le m} d(x, y_i)$ , and for every i,

$$\left| K(x, y_1, \dots, y_i, \dots, y_m) - K(x, y_1, \dots, y_i', \dots, y_m) \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{Cd(y_i, y_i')^{\delta}}{[\max_{1 \leq i \leq m} d(x, y_i)]^{\delta} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{m} \lambda(x, d(x, y_i)) \right]^{m-\alpha}},$$

if 
$$Cd(y_i, y_i') \le \max_{1 \le i \le m} d(x, y_i)$$
.

**Definition 1.7** ([11]) Given  $\rho > 1$ ,  $b \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$  is an RBMO( $\mu$ ) function, if there is a positive constant C, for all B, we have

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\rho B)} \int_{B} \left| b(x) - m_{\widetilde{B}} b \right| d\mu(x) \le C,\tag{1.9}$$

and for all two doubling balls B, R with  $B \subset R$ ,

$$|m_B(b) - m_R(b)| \le CK_{B,R},$$
 (1.10)

where  $\widetilde{B}$  is the smallest  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -doubling ball with the form  $6^k B$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$ , and

$$m_{\widetilde{B}}(b) = \frac{1}{\mu(\widetilde{B})} \int_{\widetilde{B}} b(x) d\mu(x).$$

The RBMO( $\mu$ ) norm of b, denoted by  $||b||_*$ , is the minimal constant C in (1.9) and (1.10).

For  $1 \le j \le m$ , let  $C_j^m$  be the family of subsets  $\sigma = \{\sigma(1), \sigma(2), ..., \sigma(j)\}$  of  $\{1, 2, ..., m\}$  with j different elements. For each  $\sigma \in C_j^m$ ,  $\sigma' = \{1, 2, ..., m\} \setminus \sigma$ . For  $b_j \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ , j = 1, ..., m, set  $\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, ..., b_m)$ ,  $\vec{b}_{\sigma} = (b_{\sigma(1)}, ..., b_{\sigma(j)})$ ,  $b_{\sigma}(x) = b_{\sigma(1)}(x) \cdot ... b_{\sigma(j)}(x)$ . Denote  $\vec{f} = (f_1, ..., f_m)$ ,  $\vec{f}_{\sigma} = (f_{\sigma(1)}, ..., f_{\sigma(j)})$ , and  $\vec{b}_{\sigma'} \vec{f}_{\sigma'} = (b_{\sigma'(j+1)} f_{\sigma'(j+1)}, ..., b_{\sigma'(m)} f_{\sigma'(m)})$ .

**Definition 1.8** For  $b_j \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ , j = 1, ..., m, and multilinear fractional integral operators  $I_{\alpha,m}$ , we define the commutators  $[\vec{b}, I_{\alpha,m}]$  by

$$[\vec{b}, I_{\alpha,m}](\vec{f})(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{m} \sum_{\sigma \in C_j^m} (-1)^{m-j} b_{\sigma}(x) I_{\alpha,m}(\vec{f}_{\sigma}, \vec{b}_{\sigma'} \vec{f}_{\sigma'})(x).$$

For m = 2,

$$[b_1, b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](f_1, f_2)(x) = b_1(x)b_2(x)I_{\alpha,2}(f_1, f_2)(x) - b_1(x)I_{\alpha,2}(f_1, b_2f_2)(x) - b_2(x)I_{\alpha,2}(b_1f_1, f_2)(x) + I_{\alpha,2}(b_1f_1, b_2f_2)(x).$$

$$(1.11)$$

 $[b_1, I_{\alpha,2}]$  and  $[b_2, I_{\alpha,2}]$  are defined thus:

$$[b_1, I_{\alpha,2}](f_1, f_2)(x) = b_1(x)I_{\alpha,2}(f_1, f_2)(x) - I_{\alpha,2}(b_1f_1, f_2)(x),$$
  

$$[b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](f_1, f_2)(x) = b_2(x)I_{\alpha,2}(f_1, f_2)(x) - I_{\alpha,2}(f_1, b_2f_2)(x).$$

In this paper, one only considers the case of m = 2 for simplicity.

**Theorem 1.9** Let  $0 < \alpha < 2$ ,  $1 < p_1$ ,  $p_2 < +\infty$ ,  $0 < \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} - \alpha < 1$ ,  $g_1 \in L^{p_1}(\mu)$  and  $g_2 \in L^{p_2}(\mu)$ . If  $I_{\beta}$  is bounded from  $L^r(\mu)$  into  $L^s(\mu)$ , for some  $r \in (1, 1/\beta)$  and  $1/s = 1/r - \beta$ , with  $0 < \beta < 1$ , then there is a positive constant C,

$$||I_{\alpha,2}(g_1,g_2)||_{L^q(\mu)} \le C||g_1||_{L^{p_1}(\mu)}||g_2||_{L^{p_2}(\mu)},$$

where  $I_{\beta}$  is defined by

$$I_{\beta}f(x) := \int_X \frac{f(y)}{[\lambda(y,d(x,y))]^{1-\beta}} d\mu(y).$$

**Theorem 1.10** Set  $\|\mu\| = \infty$ ,  $0 < \alpha < 2$ ,  $1 < p_1$ ,  $p_2 < +\infty$ ,  $0 < \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} - \alpha < 1$ ,  $g_1 \in L^{p_1}(\mu)$ ,  $g_2 \in L^{p_2}(\mu)$ ,  $b_1, b_2 \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$  and if  $I_\beta$  is bounded from  $L^r(\mu)$  into  $L^s(\mu)$  for some  $r \in (1, 1/\beta)$ ,  $1/s = 1/r - \beta$  with  $0 < \beta < 1$ , then there is a positive constant C,

$$||[b_1, b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)||_{L^q(\mu)} \le C||g_1||_{L^{p_1}(\mu)}||g_2||_{L^{p_2}(\mu)}.$$

**Remark 1.11** For the case that  $\|\mu\| < \infty$ , by Lemma 2.1 in Section 2 below, Theorem 1.10 also holds, if we assume that

$$\int_{X} I_{\alpha,2}(g_1, g_2)(x) d\mu(x) = 0, \qquad \int_{X} [b_1, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)(x) d\mu(x) = 0,$$

$$\int_{X} [b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)(x) d\mu(x) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{X} [b_1, b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)(x) d\mu(x) = 0.$$

This paper is organized as follows. Theorem 1.9 and Theorem 1.10 are proved in Section 2. In Section 3, some applications are stated.

#### 2 Proof of main results

*Proof of Theorem* 1.9 Let  $\alpha = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2$ ,  $0 < \alpha_i < 1/p_i < 1$ , i = 1, 2. It is easy to check that

$$\prod_{i=1}^{2} \left[ \lambda \left( x, d(x, y_i) \right) \right]^{1-\alpha_i} \leq \left[ \sum_{i=1}^{2} \lambda \left( x, d(x, y_i) \right) \right]^{2-\alpha}.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \left| I_{\alpha,2}(g_1, g_2)(x) \right| &\leq C \int_{X^2} \frac{|g_1(y_1)g_2(y_2)|}{\left[ \sum_{i=1}^2 \lambda(x, d(x, y_i)) \right]^{2-\alpha}} \, d\mu(y_1) \, d\mu(y_2) \\ &\leq \prod_{i=1}^2 \int_X \frac{|g_i(y_i)|}{[\lambda(x, d(x, y_i))]^{1-\alpha_i}} \, d\mu(y_i) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^2 I_{\alpha_i} \big( |g_i| \big)(x). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $1/q_i = 1/p_i - \alpha_i$  and  $1/q_1 + 1/q_2 = 1/q$ ,  $1 < q_i < \infty$ . It follows from the Hölder's inequality and the  $L^{p_i}(\mu) - L^{q_i}(\mu)$  boundedness of  $I_{\alpha_i}$ , i = 1, 2, that

$$\begin{split} & \left\| I_{\alpha,2}(g_1, g_2) \right\|_{L^q(\mu)} \\ & \leq \left\| \prod_{i=1}^2 I_{\alpha_i} (|g_i|) \right\|_{L^q(\mu)} \\ & \leq \left\| I_{\alpha_1} (|g_1|) \right\|_{L^{q_1}(\mu)} \left\| I_{\alpha_2} (|g_2|)(x) \right\|_{L^{q_2}(\mu)} \\ & \leq \left\| g_1 \right\|_{L^{p_1}(\mu)} \left\| g_2 \right\|_{L^{p_2}(\mu)}. \end{split}$$

Thus the proof of Theorem 1.9 is completed.

In order to prove Theorem 1.10, we need some lemmas.

For  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$  and  $0 < \beta < 1$ , one defines the sharp maximal operator

$$M^{\sharp,(\beta)}f(x) = \sup_{B\ni x} \frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} |f(y) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(f)| d\mu(y) + \sup_{(B,R)\in\Delta_{x}} \frac{|m_{B}(f) - m_{R}(f)|}{K_{B,R}^{(\beta)}},$$

here  $\Delta_x := \{(B, R) : x \in B \subset R \text{ and } B, R \text{ are doubling balls}\}.$ 

One defines the non-centered doubling maximal operator

$$Nf(x) = \sup_{B \ni x, B \text{ doubling }} \frac{1}{\mu(B)} \int_{B} |f(y)| d\mu(y).$$

It is easy to see

$$|f(x)| \leq Nf(x),$$

for every  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$  and  $\mu$ -a.e.  $x \in X$ .

For  $\rho > 1$ ,  $\alpha \in (0,1)$  and  $t \in (1,\infty)$ , one defines the non-centered maximal operator  $M_{t,(\rho)}^{(\alpha)}f$  as follows:

$$M_{t,(\rho)}^{(\alpha)}f(x) = \sup_{B \ni x} \left\{ \frac{1}{[\mu(\rho B)]^{1-\alpha t}} \int_{B} |f(y)|^{t} d\mu(y) \right\}^{1/t}.$$

For simplicity, write  $M_{1,(\rho)}^{(0)}f(x)$  as  $M_{(\rho)}f$ . If  $\rho \geq 5$  and for every p > 1, then  $\|M_{(\rho)}f\|_{L^p(\mu)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}$  and for  $p \in (t, 1/\alpha)$  and  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha$ ,  $\|M_{t,(\rho)}^{(\alpha)}\|_{L^q(\mu)} \leq C\|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}$  (see [15]).

**Lemma 2.1** ([15]) For  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ ,  $\int_X f(x) d\mu(x) = 0$  if  $\|\mu\| < \infty$ . Assume  $0 < \beta < 1$  and  $\inf(1, Nf) \in L^p(\mu)$ , 1 , then

$$||N(f)||_{L^p(\mu)} \leq C ||M^{\sharp,(\beta)}(f)||_{L^p(\mu)}.$$

**Lemma 2.2** ([11, 15]) For  $1 < \rho < \infty$  and  $1 \le p < \infty$ , if  $b \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ , then for all balls  $B \in X$ ,

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{\mu(\rho B)} \int_{B} \left| b_{B} - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b) \right|^{p} d\mu(X) \right\}^{1/p} \le C \|b\|_{*}. \tag{2.1}$$

**Lemma 2.3** ([3]) *For*  $b \in RBMO(\mu)$ ,

$$\left|m_{\widetilde{6^i}\frac{6}{F}B}(b)-m_{\widetilde{B}}(b)\right|\leq Ci\|b\|_*.$$

**Lemma 2.4** For  $0 < \alpha < 2$ ,  $1 < p_1, p_2, q < \infty$ , 1 < r < q and  $b_1, b_2 \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ . If  $I_{\beta}$  is bounded from  $L^r(\mu)$  to  $L^s(\mu)$ , for some  $r \in (1, 1/\beta)$  and  $1/s = 1/r - \beta$ , with  $0 < \beta < 1$ , then, for every  $x \in X$ ,  $g_1 \in L^{p_1}(\mu)$ , and  $g_2 \in L^{p_2}(\mu)$ ,

$$M^{\sharp,(\alpha/2)}[b_{1},b_{2},I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1},g_{2})(x)$$

$$\leq C\{\|b_{1}\|_{*}\|b_{2}\|_{*}M_{r,(6)}(I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1},g_{2}))(x) + \|b_{1}\|_{*}M_{r,(6)}([b_{2},I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1},g_{2}))(x)$$

$$+ \|b_{2}\|_{*}M_{r,(6)}([b_{1},I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1},g_{2}))(x) + \|b_{1}\|_{*}\|b_{2}\|_{*}M_{p_{1},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)}g_{1}(x)M_{p_{2},(5)}g_{2}(x)\}, \qquad (2.2)$$

$$M^{\sharp,(\alpha/2)}[b_{1},I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1},g_{2})(x)$$

$$\leq C\{\|b_{1}\|_{*}M_{r,(6)}(I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1},g_{2}))(x) + \|b_{1}\|_{*}M_{p_{1},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)}g_{1}(x)M_{p_{2},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)}g_{2}(x)\},$$

$$M^{\sharp,(\alpha/2)}[b_{2},I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1},g_{2})(x)$$

$$\leq C\{\|b_{2}\|_{*}M_{r,(6)}(I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1},g_{2}))(x) + \|b_{2}\|_{*}M_{p_{1},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)}g_{1}(x)M_{p_{2},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)}g_{2}(x)\}.$$

$$(2.3)$$

*Proof* Choose  $b_1, b_2 \in L^{\infty}(\mu)$  according to Lemma 3.11 in [14]. As  $L_c^{\infty}(\mu)$  is dense in  $L^p(\mu)$  for  $1 , by standard density arguments, we only need to consider the case that <math>g_1, g_2 \in L_c^{\infty}(\mu)$ .

Similar to Theorem 9.1 in [6], in order to obtain (2.2), we only need to prove that, for every  $x \in B$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \left| [b_{1}, b_{2}, I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1}, g_{2})(z) - H_{B} \right| d\mu(z) 
\leq C \left\{ \|b_{1}\|_{*} \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \left( I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1}, g_{2}) \right)(x) + \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \left( [b_{2}, I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1}, g_{2}) \right)(x) 
+ \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \left( [b_{1}, I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1}, g_{2}) \right)(x) + C \|b_{1}\|_{*} \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{p,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{1}(x) M_{p,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{2}(x) \right\}, \quad (2.5)$$

and, for every ball  $B \subset R$ , with  $x \in B$ , R is a doubling ball,

$$|H_{B} - H_{R}| \leq CK_{B,R}^{2} K_{B,R}^{(\alpha/2)} \Big[ \|b_{1}\|_{*} \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \Big( I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1}, g_{2}) \Big)(x)$$

$$+ \|b_{1}\|_{*} \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{p_{1},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{1}(x) M_{p_{2},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{2}(x)$$

$$+ \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \Big( [b_{2}, I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1}, g_{2}) \Big)(x)$$

$$+ \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \Big( [b_{1}, I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1}, g_{2}) \Big)(x) \Big].$$

$$(2.6)$$

For every ball B, let

$$H_{B} := m_{B} \left( I_{\alpha,2} \left( \left( b_{1} - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_{1}) \right) g_{1} \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}B}, \left( b_{2} - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_{2}) \right) g_{2} \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}B} \right) \right),$$

$$H_{R} := m_{R} \left( I_{\alpha,2} \left( \left( b_{1} - m_{R}(b_{1}) \right) g_{1} \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}R}, \left( b_{2} - m_{R}(b_{2}) \right) g_{2} \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}R} \right) \right).$$

It is easy to see that

$$[b_1, b_2, I_{\alpha,2}] = I_{\alpha,2}((b_1 - b_1(z))g_1, (b_2 - b_2(z))g_2)$$

and

$$\begin{split} I_{\alpha,2} \Big( \big( b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_1) \big) g_1, \big( b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_2) \big) g_2 \Big) \\ &= I_{\alpha,2} \Big( \big( b_1 - b_1(z) + b_1(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_1) \big) g_1, \big( b_2 - b_2(z) + b_2(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_2) \big) g_2 \Big) \\ &= \big( b_1(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_1) \big) \big( b_2(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_2) \big) I_{\alpha,2}(g_1, g_2) \\ &- \big( b_1(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_1) \big) I_{\alpha,2} \big( g_1, \big( b_2 - b_2(z) \big) g_2 \big) \\ &- \big( b_2(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_2) \big) I_{\alpha,2} \big( \big( b_1 - b_1(z) \big) g_1, g_2 \big) \\ &+ I_{\alpha,2} \big( \big( b_1 - b_1(z) \big) g_1, \big( b_2 - b_2(z) \big) g_2 \big). \end{split}$$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} |[b_{1}, b_{2}, I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1}, g_{2})(z) - H_{B}| d\mu(z)$$

$$\leq C \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} |(b_{1}(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_{1}))(b_{2}(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_{2}))I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1}, g_{2})(z)| d\mu(z)\right)$$

$$+ C \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} |(b_{1}(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_{1}))I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1}, (b_{2} - b_{2}(z))g_{2})(z)| d\mu(z)\right)$$

$$+ C \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} |(b_{2}(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_{2}))I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1} - b_{1}(z))g_{1}, g_{2})(z)| d\mu(z)\right)$$

$$+ C \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} |I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1} - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_{1}))g_{1}, (b_{2} - m_{\widetilde{B}}(b_{2}))g_{2})(z) - H_{B}| d\mu(z)\right)$$

$$=: F_{1} + F_{2} + F_{3} + F_{4}. \tag{2.7}$$

For  $F_1$ , choose  $r_1, r_2 > 1$ , such that  $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2} = 1$ . It follows from Hölder's inequality that

$$F_{1} \leq C \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \left|b_{1}(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1}\right|^{r_{1}} d\mu(z)\right)^{1/r_{1}}$$

$$\times \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \left|b_{2}(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2}\right|^{r_{2}} d\mu(z)\right)^{1/r_{2}}$$

$$\times \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \left|I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1},g_{2})\right|^{r} d\mu(z)\right)^{1/r}$$

$$\leq C \|b_{1}\|_{*} \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \left(I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1},g_{2})\right)(x).$$

For  $F_2$ , choose s > 1 such that  $\frac{1}{s} + \frac{1}{r} = 1$ , it follows that

$$F_{2} \leq C \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} |b_{1}(z) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1}|^{s} d\mu(z)\right)^{1/s}$$

$$\times \left(\frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} |[b_{2}, I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1}, g_{2})|^{r} d\mu(z)\right)^{1/r}$$

$$\leq C \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} ([b_{2}, I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1}, g_{2}))(x).$$

For  $F_3$ , in the same way, one obtains

$$F_3 \leq C \|b_2\|_* M_{r,(6)}([b_1,I_{\alpha,2}](g_1,g_2))(x).$$

For  $F_4$ , let  $g_k^1 = g_k \chi_{\frac{6}{5}B}$  and  $g_k^2 = g_k - g_k^1$  for k = 1, 2. Therefore,

$$\begin{split} F_4 &\leq C \bigg( \frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \left| I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) g_1^1(z), (b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) g_2^1 \big)(z) \right| d\mu(z) \bigg) \\ &+ C \bigg( \frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \left| I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) g_1^1(z), (b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) g_2^2 \big)(z) \right| d\mu(z) \bigg) \\ &+ C \bigg( \frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \left| I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) g_1^2(z), (b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) g_2^1 \big)(z) \right| d\mu(z) \bigg) \end{split}$$

$$+ C \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \left| I_{\alpha,2} \left( (b_{1} - m_{\tilde{B}} b_{1}) g_{1}^{2}(z), (b_{2} - m_{\tilde{B}} b_{2}) g_{2}^{2} \right) (z) - H_{B} \right| d\mu(z) \right)$$
  
=:  $F_{41} + F_{42} + F_{43} + F_{44}$ .

For  $1 < p_i < \infty$ , i = 1, 2, choose  $s_1 = \sqrt{p_1}$ ,  $s_2 = \sqrt{p_2}$ ,  $\frac{1}{\nu} = \frac{1}{s_1} + \frac{1}{s_2} - \alpha$ ,  $\frac{1}{s_1} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{\nu_1}$  and  $\frac{1}{s_2} = \frac{1}{p_2} + \frac{1}{\nu_2}$ . It follows from Hölder's inequality and Theorem 1.9 that

$$\begin{split} F_{41} &\leq C \frac{\mu(B)^{1-1/\nu}}{\mu(6B)} \left\| I_{\alpha,2} \Big( (b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) g_1^1, (b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) g_2^1 \Big) \right\|_{L^{\nu}(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \frac{1}{\mu(6B)^{1/\nu}} \left\| (b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) g_1^1 \right\|_{L^{s_1}(\mu)} \left\| (b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) g_2^1 \right\|_{L^{s_2}(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \frac{1}{\mu(6B)^{1/\nu}} \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}B} |b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1|^{\nu_1} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/\nu_1} \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}B} |g_1(z)|^{p_1} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p_1} \\ &\qquad \times \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}B} |b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2|^{\nu_2} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/\nu_2} \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}B} |g_2(z)|^{p_2} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p_2} \\ &\leq C \prod_{i=1}^2 \left( \frac{\int_{\frac{6}{5}B} |b_i - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_i|^{\nu_i} d\mu(z)}{\mu(6B)} \right)^{1/\nu_i} \left( \frac{\int_{\frac{6}{5}B} |g_i(z)|^{p_i} d\mu(z)}{\mu(6B)^{1-\alpha p_i/2}} \right)^{1/p_i} \\ &\leq C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* \mathcal{M}_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) \mathcal{M}_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x). \end{split}$$

For  $F_{42}$ , it follows from (i) of Definition 1.5, Lemmas 2.2-2.3, the condition of  $\lambda(x, al) \ge a^m \lambda(x, l)$ , and Hölder's inequality that

$$\begin{split} F_{42} &\leq C \frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \int_{X} \int_{X} \frac{|b_{1}(y_{1}) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1}||g_{1}^{1}(y_{1})|}{[\lambda(z,d(z,y_{1})) + \lambda(z,d(z,y_{2}))]^{2-\alpha}} \\ &\times \left|b_{2}(y_{2}) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2}\right| \left|g_{2}^{2}(y_{2})\right| d\mu(y_{1}) d\mu(y_{2}) d\mu(z) \\ &\leq C \frac{1}{\mu(6B)} \int_{B} \int_{\frac{6}{5}B} \left|b_{1}(y_{1}) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1}\right| \left|g_{1}(y_{1})\right| d\mu(y_{1}) \\ &\times \int_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}B} \frac{|b_{2}(y_{2}) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2}||g_{2}(y_{2})||d\mu(y_{2})}{[\lambda(z,d(z,y_{2}))]^{2-\alpha}} d\mu(z) \\ &\leq C \left(\frac{\int_{\frac{6}{5}B} |b_{1}(y_{1}) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1}|^{p'_{1}} d\mu(y_{1})}{\mu(6B)}\right)^{1/p'_{1}} \left(\frac{\int_{\frac{6}{5}B} |g_{1}(y_{1})|^{p_{1}} d\mu(y_{1})}{\mu(6B)^{1-\alpha p_{1}/2}}\right)^{1/p_{1}} \\ &\times \mu(6B)^{-\alpha/2} \mu(B) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \int_{6^{i} \frac{6}{5}B \setminus 6^{i-1} \frac{6}{5}B} \frac{|b_{2}(y_{2}) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2}||g_{2}(y_{2})|}{[\lambda(x,6^{i-1} \frac{6}{5}l_{B})]^{2-\alpha}} d\mu(y_{2}) \\ &\leq C \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{p_{1},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{1}(x) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 6^{-km(1-\alpha/2)} \left[\frac{\mu(B)}{\mu(\frac{6}{5}B)}\right]^{1-\alpha/2} \left[\frac{\mu(\frac{6}{5}B)}{\lambda(x,\frac{6}{5}l_{B})}\right]^{1-\alpha/2} \\ &\times \frac{1}{[\lambda(x,5 \times 6^{i} \frac{6}{5}l_{B})]^{1-\alpha/2}} \int_{6^{i} \frac{6}{5}B} |b_{2}(y_{2}) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2}||g_{2}(y_{2})||d\mu(y_{2}) \\ &\leq C \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{p_{1},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{1}(x) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 6^{-im(1-\alpha/2)} \frac{1}{[\mu(5 \times 6^{i} \frac{6}{5}B)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \\ &\times \int_{6^{i} \frac{6}{5}B} |b_{2}(y_{2}) - m_{\widetilde{G}} \frac{1}{5}B} (b_{2}) + m_{\widetilde{G}} \frac{1}{5}B} (b_{2}) - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2}||g_{2}(y_{2})||d\mu(y_{2}) \end{split}$$

$$\leq C \|b_1\|_* M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} 6^{-im(1-\alpha/2)}$$

$$\times \left[ \left( \frac{\int_{6^i \frac{6}{5}B} |b_2(y_2) - m_{\widetilde{6^i \frac{6}{5}B}}(b_2)|^{p_2'} d\mu(y_2)}{\mu(5 \times 6^i \frac{6}{5}B)} \right)^{1/p_2'} \left( \frac{\int_{6^i \frac{6}{5}B} |g_2(y_2)|^{p_2} d\mu(y_2)}{\mu(5 \times 6^i \frac{6}{5}B)^{1-\alpha p_2/2}} \right)^{1/p_2} \right.$$

$$+ Ck \|b_2\|_* \left( \frac{\int_{6^k \frac{6}{5}B} |g_2(y_2)|^{p_2} d\mu(y_2)}{\mu(5 \times 6^i \frac{6}{5}B)^{1-\alpha p_2/2}} \right)^{1/p_2} \left( \frac{\int_{6^i \frac{6}{5}B} d\mu(y_2)}{\mu(5 \times 6^i \frac{6}{5}B)} \right)^{1/p_2'} \right]$$

$$\leq C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x).$$

In the same way, one obtains

$$F_{43} \leq C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x).$$

For  $F_{44}$ , let  $z, z_0 \in B$ , it follows from (ii) of Definition 1.5, Lemmas 2.2-2.3, the condition of  $\lambda$ , and Hölder's inequality that

$$\begin{split} &|I_{\alpha,2}\big((b_1-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_1)g_2^2,(b_2-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_2)g_2^2\big)(z) \\ &-I_{\alpha,2}\big((b_1-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_1)g_2^2,(b_2-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_2)g_2^2\big)(z_0)\Big| \\ &\leq C\int_{X\backslash\frac{6}{5}B}\int_{X\backslash\frac{6}{5}B}\Big|K(z,y_1,y_2)-K(z_0,y_1,y_2)\Big| \\ &\times\prod_{j=1}^2\Big|\big(b_j(y_j)-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_j\big)g_j(y_j)\Big|\,d\mu(y_j) \\ &\leq C\int_{X\backslash\frac{6}{5}B}\int_{X\backslash\frac{6}{5}B}\frac{d(z,z_0)^\delta\prod_{j=1}^2|(b_j(y_j)-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_j)g_j(y_j)|\,d\mu(y_j)}{(d(z,y_1)+d(z,y_2))^\delta[\sum_{j=1}^2\lambda(x,d(x,y_j))]^{2-\alpha}} \\ &\leq C\prod_{j=1}^2\int_{X\backslash\frac{6}{5}B}\frac{d(z,z_0)^{\delta_i}|b_j(y_j)-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_j||g_j(y_j)|\,d\mu(y_j)}{d(z,y_j)^{\delta_j}[\lambda(z,d(z,y_j))]^{1-\alpha/2}} \\ &\leq C\prod_{j=1}^2\sum_{k=1}^\infty\int_{6^k\frac{6}{5}B\backslash6^{k-1}\frac{6}{5}B}e^{-k\delta_j}\Big[\frac{\mu(5\times6^k\frac{6}{5}B)}{\lambda(z,5\times6^k\frac{6}{5}B)}\Big]^{1-\alpha/2} \\ &\times\frac{|b_j(y_j)-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_j||g_j(y_j)|\,d\mu(y_j)}{[\mu(5\times6^k\frac{6}{5}B)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \\ &\leq C\prod_{j=1}^2\sum_{k=1}^\infty e^{-k\delta_j}\Big(\frac{\int_{6^k\frac{6}{5}B}|b_j(y_j)-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_j|^{p_j'}\,d\mu(y_j)}{[\mu(5\times6^k\frac{6}{5}B)]}\Big)^{1/p_j'} \\ &\times\Big(\frac{\int_{6^k\frac{6}{5}B}|g_j(y_j)|^{p_j'}\,d\mu(y_j)}{\mu(5\times6^k\frac{6}{5}B)}\Big)^{1/p_j}}{\mu(5\times6^k\frac{6}{5}B)} \\ &\leq C\prod_{j=1}^2\sum_{k=1}^\infty e^{-k\delta_j}M_{p_j,(6)}g_j(x)\Big(\frac{1}{[\mu(5\times6^k\frac{6}{5}B)]^{1-\alpha p_j/2}} \\ &\times\int_{6^k\frac{6}{5}B}|b_j(y_j)-m_{\widetilde{G},6^k\frac{6}{5}B}+m_{\widetilde{G},6^k\frac{6}{5}B}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_j|^{p_j'}\,d\mu(y_j)\Big)^{1/p_j'} \\ &\int_{6^k\frac{6}{5}B}|b_j(y_j)-m_{\widetilde{G},6^k\frac{6}{5}B}+m_{\widetilde{G},6^k\frac{6}{5}B}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_j|^{p_j'}\,d\mu(y_j)\Big)^{1/p_j'} \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq C \prod_{j=1}^{2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 6^{-k\delta_{j}} k \|b_{j}\|_{*} M_{p_{j},(6)} g_{j}(x)$$
  
$$\leq C \|b_{1}\|_{*} \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{p_{1},(6)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{1}(x) M_{p_{2},(6)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{2}(x),$$

where  $\delta = \delta_1 + \delta_2$ ,  $\delta_1$ ,  $\delta_2 > 0$ .

It follows from taking the mean over  $z_0 \in B$  that

$$F_{44} \le C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* M_{p_1,(6)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(6)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x). \tag{2.8}$$

Thus (2.5) is obtained from (2.7) to (2.8).

Now we turn to the proof of (2.6). Set  $N = N_{B,R} + 1$ . For two balls  $B \subset R$  with  $x \in B$ , here R is a doubling ball and B is an every ball,

$$\begin{aligned} &||m_{B}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1})g_{1}^{2},(b_{2}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2})g_{2}^{2})]| - |m_{R}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{R}b_{1})g_{1}^{2},(b_{2}-m_{R}b_{2})g_{2}^{2})]|| \\ &\leq |m_{B}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B},(b_{2}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B})] \\ &- m_{R}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B},(b_{2}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B})]| \\ &+ |m_{R}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{R}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B},(b_{2}-m_{R}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B})]| \\ &- m_{R}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B},(b_{2}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B})]| \\ &+ |m_{B}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{A\setminus 6}N_{B\setminus \frac{6}{5}B},(b_{2}-m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\setminus \frac{6}{5}B})]| \\ &+ |m_{R}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{R}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{X\setminus \frac{6}{5}B},(b_{2}-m_{R}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B})]| \\ &+ |m_{R}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{R}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{X\setminus \frac{6}{5}B},(b_{2}-m_{R}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B})]| \\ &+ |m_{R}[I_{\alpha,2}((b_{1}-m_{R}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{X\setminus \frac{6}{5}B},(b_{2}-m_{R}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\setminus 6}N_{B})]| \\ &=: G_{1} + G_{2} + G_{3} + G_{4} + G_{5} + G_{6}. \end{aligned}$$
 (2.9)

Similar to the estimate of  $F_{44}$ ,

$$G_1 \leq C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* M_{p_1,(6)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(6)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x).$$

For  $G_2$ , it is easy to see that

$$\begin{split} I_{\alpha,2} & \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B}, (b_2 - m_R b_2) g_2 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B} \big) (z) \\ & - I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) g_1 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B}, (b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) g_2 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B} \big) (z) \\ & = (m_R b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B}, g_2 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B} \big) (z) \\ & + (m_R b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) I_{\alpha,2} \big( g_1 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B}, (b_2 - m_R b_2) g_2 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B} \big) (z) \\ & + (m_R b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) (m_R b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) I_{\alpha,2} \big( g_1 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B}, g_2 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B} \big) (z). \end{split}$$

Thus

$$G_{2} \leq \left| (m_{R}b_{2} - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{2}) \frac{1}{\mu(R)} \int_{R} I_{\alpha,2} ((b_{1} - m_{R}b_{1})g_{1}\chi_{X\backslash 6^{N}B}, g_{2}\chi_{X\backslash 6^{N}B})(z) d\mu(z) \right|$$

$$+ \left| (m_{R}b_{1} - m_{\widetilde{B}}b_{1}) \frac{1}{\mu(R)} \int_{R} I_{\alpha,2} (g_{1}\chi_{X\backslash 6^{N}B}, (b_{2} - m_{R}b_{2})g_{2}\chi_{X\backslash 6^{N}B})(z) d\mu(z) \right|$$

$$+ \left| (m_R b_1 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_1) (m_R b_2 - m_{\widetilde{B}} b_2) \frac{1}{\mu(R)} \int_R I_{\alpha,2}(g_1 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B}, g_2 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N B})(z) d\mu(z) \right|$$
  
=:  $G_{21} + G_{22} + G_{23}$ .

For  $G_{21}$ ,

$$\begin{split} I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N R}, g_2 \chi_{X \setminus 6^N R} \big) (z) \\ &= I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1, g_2 \big) (z) - T \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{6^N B} \chi_{\frac{6}{5} R}, g_2 \chi_{\frac{6}{5} R} \big) (z) \\ &- I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{\frac{6}{5} R}, g_2 \chi_{6^N B} \chi_{\frac{6}{5} R} \big) (z) \\ &+ I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{6^N B} \chi_{\frac{6}{5} R}, g_2 \chi_{6^N B} \chi_{\frac{6}{5} R} \big) (z) \\ &- I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5} R}, g_2 \chi_{6^N B} \big) (z) \\ &- I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{6^N B}, g_2 \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5} R} \big) (z) \\ &+ I_{\alpha,2} \big( (b_1 - m_R b_1) g_1 \chi_{6^N B \setminus \frac{6}{5} R}, g_2 \chi_{6^N B \setminus \frac{6}{5} R} \big) (z) \\ &=: E_1(z) + E_2(z) + E_3(z) + E_4(z) + E_5(z) + E_6(z) + E_7(z). \end{split}$$

For  $E_1(z)$ , it is easy to see that

$$\frac{1}{\mu(R)} \int_{R} \left| I_{\alpha,2} \left( b_1 - b_1(z) g_1, g_2 \right)(z) \right| d\mu(z) \le C M_{r,(6)} \left( [b_1, I_{\alpha,2}] g_1, g_2 \right)(x).$$

It follows from Hölder's inequality that

$$\frac{1}{\mu(R)} \int_{R} \left| \left( b_{1}(z) - m_{R}(b_{1}) \right) I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1}, g_{2})(z) \right| d\mu(z) \leq C \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \left( I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1}, g_{2}) \right)(x).$$

Therefore

$$\left| m_{R}(E_{1}) \right| \leq \left| m_{R} \left( I_{\alpha,2} \left( b_{1} - b_{1}(z) g_{1}, g_{2} \right) \right) \right| + \left| m_{R} \left( \left( b_{1}(z) - m_{R}(b_{1}) \right) I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1}, g_{2}) \right) \right| \\
\leq C \left\{ M_{r,(6)} \left( \left[ b_{1}, I_{\alpha,2} \right] g_{1}, g_{2} \right) (x) + \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \left( I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1}, g_{2}) \right) (x) \right\}.$$

For  $E_2(z)$ , denote  $s_1 = \sqrt{p_1}$ ,  $s_2 = p_2$ ,  $\frac{1}{\nu} = \frac{1}{s_1} + \frac{1}{s_2} - \alpha$  and  $\frac{1}{s_1} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{\nu_1}$ . Noting that R is a doubling ball, by Theorem 1.9, one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \left| m_{R}(E_{2}) \right| &\leq C \frac{\mu(R)^{1-1/\nu}}{\mu(6R)} \left\| I_{\alpha,2} \left( (b_{1} - m_{R}b_{1}) g_{1} \chi_{6} N_{B} \chi_{6/5R}, g_{2} \chi_{6/5R} \right) \right\|_{L^{\nu}(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \mu(6R)^{-1/\nu} \left\| (b_{1} - m_{R}b_{1}) g_{1} \chi_{6} N_{B} \chi_{6/5R} \right\|_{L^{5_{1}}(\mu)} \| g_{2} \chi_{6/5R} \|_{L^{5_{2}}(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \frac{1}{\mu(6R)^{1/\nu}} \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}R} |b_{1} - m_{R}b_{1}|^{\nu_{1}} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/\nu_{1}} \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}R} |g_{1}(z)|^{p_{1}} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p_{1}} \\ &\qquad \times \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}R} |g_{2}(z)|^{p_{2}} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p_{2}} \\ &\leq C \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6R)} \int_{\frac{6}{5}R} |b_{1} - m_{R}b_{1}|^{\nu_{1}} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/\nu_{1}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\times \prod_{j=1}^{2} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6R)^{1-\alpha p_{j}/2}} \int_{\frac{6}{5}R} |g_{j}(z)|^{p_{j}} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p_{j}}$$

$$\leq C \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{p_{1},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{1}(x) M_{p_{2},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{2}(x).$$

Also one deduces

$$|m_R(E_3)| + |m_R(E_4)| \le C||b_1||_* M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x).$$

For  $E_5$ , as  $z \in R$ , noting that R is a doubling ball, it follows from (i) of Definition 1.5, Lemmas 2.2-2.3, and the conditions of  $\lambda$  that

$$\begin{split} |E_5(z)| &\leq C \int_{6^N B} \int_{X \setminus \frac{c}{5} R} \frac{|b_1(y_1) - m_R b_1| |g_1(y_1)| |g_2(y_2)| \, d\mu(y_1) \, d\mu(y_2)}{[\sum_{i=1}^2 \lambda(x, d(x, y_i))]^{2-\alpha}} \\ &\leq C \int_{6^N B} |g_2(y_2)| \, d\mu(y_2) \sum_{j=1}^\infty \int_{6^j \frac{c}{5} R \setminus 6^{j-1} \frac{c}{5} R} \frac{|b_1(y_1) - m_R b_1| |g_1(y_1)|}{(\lambda(z, 5 \times 6^j \frac{c}{5} I_R))^{2-\alpha}} \, d\mu(y_1) \\ &\leq C \int_{6^N B} |g_2(y_2)| \, d\mu(y_2) \sum_{j=1}^\infty 6^{-jm(1-\alpha/2)} \\ &\qquad \times \int_{6^j \frac{c}{5} R} \frac{1}{[\lambda(z, 5 \times \frac{c}{5} I_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \frac{|b_1(y_1) - m_R b_1| |g_1(y_1)| \, d\mu(y_1)}{[\lambda(z, 5 \times 6^j \frac{c}{5} I_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \\ &\leq C \frac{1}{[\lambda(z, 6I_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \int_{6^N B} |g_2(y_2)| \, d\mu(y_2) \sum_{j=1}^\infty 6^{-jm(1-\alpha/2)} \\ &\qquad \times \frac{1}{[\lambda(z, 5 \times 6^j \frac{c}{5} I_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \times \left[ \int_{6^j \frac{c}{5} R} |b_1(y_1) - m_{6^j \frac{c}{5} R} (b_1)| |g_1(y_1)| \, d\mu(y_1) \right] \\ &\leq C \frac{1}{[\lambda(z, 6I_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \int_{6^N B} |g_2(y_2)| \, d\mu(y_2) \sum_{j=1}^\infty 6^{-jm(1-\alpha/2)} \\ &\qquad \times \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\lambda(z, 6^{j+1} \frac{c}{5} I_R)} \right)_{6^j \frac{c}{5} R} |b_1(y_1) - m_{6^j \frac{c}{5} R} (b_1)|^{p_1'} \, d\mu(y_1) \right)^{1/p_1'} \\ &\qquad \times \left( \frac{1}{[\lambda(z, 6^{j+1} \frac{c}{5} I_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \int_{6^j \frac{c}{5} R} |g_1(y_1)|^{p_1} \, d\mu(y_1) \right)^{1/p_1'} \\ &\qquad + j \|b_1\|_* \frac{1}{[\lambda(z, 5 \times 6^j \frac{c}{5} I_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \int_{6^j \frac{c}{5} R} |g_1(y_1)|^{p_1} \, d\mu(y_1) \right] \\ &\leq C \|b_1\|_* \mathcal{M}_{p_1, (5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) \sum_{j=1}^{N_{B,R}} \frac{1}{[\lambda(z, 6I_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \\ &\qquad \times \left[ \int_{6^{j+1} B \setminus 6^j B} |g_2(y_2)| \, d\mu(y_2) + \int_{6B} |g_2(y_2)| \, d\mu(y_2) \right] \\ &\leq C \|b_1\|_* \mathcal{M}_{p_1, (5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) \sum_{j=1}^{N_{B,R}} \frac{f_{6^{j+1} B} |g_2(y_2)| \, d\mu(y_2)}{[\mu(5 \times 6^{j+1} B)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\times \left[ \frac{\mu(5 \times 6^{j+1}B)}{\lambda(z, 5 \times 6^{j+1}l_B)} \right]^{1-\alpha/2} \left[ \frac{\lambda(z, 5 \times 6^{j}l_B)}{\lambda(z, 6l_R)} \right]^{1-\alpha/2}$$

$$+ C \|b_1\|_* M_{p_1, (5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) \frac{1}{[\lambda(z, 6l_R)]^{1-\alpha/2}} \int_{6B} |g_2(y_2)| d\mu(y_2)$$

$$\leq C K_{B,R}^{(\alpha/2)} \|b_1\|_* M_{p_1, (5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2, (5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x).$$

Therefore

$$|m_R(E_5)| \le CK_{B,R}^{(\alpha/2)} ||b_1||_* M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x).$$

Similar to the estimate of  $m_R(E_5)$ ,

$$|m_R(E_6)| + |m_R(E_7)| \le CK_{B,R}^{(\alpha/2)} ||b_1||_* M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x).$$

By (1.10), it yields

$$G_{21} \leq C \Big[ \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* M_{r,(6)} \Big( I_{\alpha,2}(g_1, g_2) \Big)(x) + \|b_1\|_* M_{r,(6)} \Big( [b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2) \Big)(x)$$

$$+ \|b_2\|_* M_{r,(6)} \Big( [b_1, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2) \Big)(x) + \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x) \Big].$$

For  $G_{22}$  and  $G_{23}$ , they are similar to  $G_{21}$ , thus

$$G_{2} \leq C \Big[ \|b_{1}\|_{*} \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \Big( I_{\alpha,2}(g_{1},g_{2}) \Big)(x) + \|b_{1}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \Big( [b_{2},I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1},g_{2}) \Big)(x)$$

$$+ \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{r,(6)} \Big( [b_{1},I_{\alpha,2}](g_{1},g_{2}) \Big)(x) + \|b_{1}\|_{*} \|b_{2}\|_{*} M_{p_{1},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{1}(x) M_{p_{2},(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_{2}(x) \Big].$$

For  $G_3$  to  $G_6$ , in the same way as  $E_5(z)$ , it yields

$$G_3 + G_4 + G_5 + G_6 \le C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1(x) M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2(x). \tag{2.10}$$

Thus (2.6) is obtained from (2.9) to (2.10) and (2.2) is proved. Also, one obtains (2.3) and (2.4) in a similar way to (2.2). Here the details is omitted. Thus Lemma 2.4 is proved.  $\Box$ 

Proof of Theorem 1.10 Set  $0 < \alpha < 2$ ,  $1 < p_1, p_2 < \infty$ ,  $0 < \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p_1} + \frac{1}{p_2} - \alpha < 1$ , 1 < r < q,  $f_1 \in L^{p_1}(\mu)$ ,  $g_2 \in L^{p_2}(\mu)$ ,  $b_1, b_2 \in \text{RBMO}(\mu)$ . Noticing that  $|g(x)| \leq Ng(x)$ , recalling the boundedness of  $M_{r,(\rho)}^{(\alpha/2)}$  and  $M_{r,(\rho)}$ , for  $\rho \geq 5$  and r < q, and using Hölder's inequality, it follows from Lemmas 2.1-2.4 and Theorem 1.9 that

$$\begin{split} & \| [b_1, b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2) \|_{L^q(\mu)} \\ & \leq \| N ([b_1, b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)) \|_{L^q(\mu)} \\ & \leq C \| M^{\sharp, (\alpha/2)} ([b_1, b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)) \|_{L^q(\mu)} \\ & \leq C \| b_1 \|_* \| b_2 \|_* \| M_{r,(6)} (I_{\alpha,2}(g_1, g_2)) \|_{L^q(\mu)} \\ & + C \| b_1 \|_* \| M_{r,(6)} ([b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)) \|_{L^q(\mu)} \\ & + C \| b_2 \|_* \| M_{r,(6)} ([b_1, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)) \|_{L^q(\mu)} \end{split}$$

$$+ C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* \|M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1 M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2 \|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

$$\leq C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* \|g_1\|_{L^{p_1}(\mu)} \|g_2\|_{L^{p_2}(\mu)}$$

$$+ C \|b_1\|_* \|[b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)\|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

$$+ C \|b_2\|_* \|[b_1, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2)\|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

$$\leq C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* \|g_1\|_{L^{p_1}(\mu)} \|g_2\|_{L^{p_2}(\mu)}$$

$$+ C \|b_1\|_* \|M^{\sharp,(\alpha/2)} ([b_2, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2))\|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

$$+ C \|b_2\|_* \|M^{\sharp,(\alpha/2)} ([b_1, I_{\alpha,2}](g_1, g_2))\|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

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$$+ C \|b_1\|_* \|M_{r,(6)} (I_{\alpha,2}(g_1, g_2))\|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

$$+ C \|b_1\|_* \|M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1 M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2\|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

$$+ C \|b_2\|_* \|M_{r,(6)} (I_{\alpha,2}(g_1, g_2))\|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

$$+ C \|b_2\|_* \|M_{p_1,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_1 M_{p_2,(5)}^{(\alpha/2)} g_2\|_{L^q(\mu)}$$

$$\leq C \|b_1\|_* \|b_2\|_* \|g_1\|_{L^{p_1}(\mu)} \|g_2\|_{L^{p_2}(\mu)} .$$

This proves Theorem 1.10.

#### 3 Applications

In this section, we apply Theorem 1.9 and Theorem 1.10 to the study of a fractional integral operator.

**Lemma 3.1** ([15]) *Suppose* diam(X) =  $\infty$ ,  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ ,  $p \in (1,1/\alpha)$ , and  $1/q = 1/p - \alpha$ . If  $\lambda$  satisfies the  $\epsilon$ -weak reverse doubling condition, for some  $\epsilon \in (0, \min\{\alpha, 1 - \alpha, 1/q\})$ , then

$$||T_{\alpha}f||_{L^{q}(\mu)} \leq C||f||_{L^{p}(\mu)},$$

where  $T_{\alpha}$  is defined by

$$T_{\alpha}f(x) := \int_X \frac{f(y)}{[\lambda(y,d(x,y))]^{1-\alpha}} d\mu(y).$$

**Theorem 3.2** *Under the same conditions as that in Lemma* 3.1, *the results of Theorem* 1.9 *and Theorem* 1.10 *hold true, on replacing*  $I_{\beta}$  *there by*  $T_{\alpha}$ .

#### 4 Conclusion

In this paper, we prove that multilinear fractional integral operators and commutators, generated by multilinear fractional integrals, with an RBMO( $\mu$ ) function on non-homogeneous metric measure spaces, are bounded in Lebesgue spaces. The results are established for both the homogeneous spaces and the non-doubling measure spaces.

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