

# Multilinear Commutators of $\theta$ -Type Calderón-Zygmund Operators on Non-Homogeneous Metric Measure Spaces

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**Abstract.** In this paper, the boundedness in Lebesgue spaces of commutators and multilinear commutators generated by  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operators with  $RBMO(\mu)$  functions on non-homogeneous metric measure spaces is obtained.

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## 1 Introduction

It is well known that non-homogeneous metric measure spaces, which includes both the homogeneous spaces and non-doubling measure spaces, are introduced by Hytönen [8]. From then on, the properties for operators and function spaces in this background are obtained by many researchers. Hytönen et al. [11] and Bui and Duong [1] introduced independently the atomic Hardy space  $H^1(\mu)$  and proved that the dual space of  $H^1(\mu)$  is  $RBMO(\mu)$ . Bui and Duong [1] also proved that Calderón-Zygmund operator and commutators are bounded in  $L^p(\mu)$  for  $1 < p < \infty$ . Hytönen and Martikainen [9] established  $Tb$  theorem on non-homogeneous metric measure spaces. Boundedness of multilinear commutators of Calderón-Zygmund operators on Orlicz space is established by Fu et al. [4]. Recently, Morrey spaces and  $H^p$  spaces in this settings are also obtained by Cao and Zhou [2] and Fu et al. [3] respectively. We [6, 19] obtained the boundedness for commutators of multilinear Calderón-Zygmund operators and multilinear fractional integral operators. For more results, one can refer to [5, 7, 10–15, 22] and the references therein.

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In 1985, Yabuta [21] first introduced  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator. Later, the properties of this operator are further studied by many researchers. We [20] obtained the boundedness of  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operators and commutators on non-doubling measure spaces. Ri and Zhang [16] researched the boundedness of  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operators on non-homogeneous metric measure spaces. Zheng et al. [23, 24] obtained some properties for bilinear  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operators and maximal bilinear  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operators.

In this paper, the boundedness for commutators and multilinear commutators generated by  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operators with  $RBMO(\mu)$  functions on non-homogeneous metric measure spaces is obtained. This result includes corresponding results on both the homogeneous spaces and  $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mu)$  with non-doubling measure spaces.

Throughout this paper,  $C$  always denotes a positive constant independent of the main parameters involved, but it may be different from line to line. And  $p'$  is the conjugate index of  $p$ , i.e.,  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$ . Now, let us recall some definitions and notations.

**Definition 1.1** (see [8]). A metric space  $(X, d)$  is geometrically doubling if there exists some  $N_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that, for every ball  $B(x, r) \subset X$ , there exists a finite ball covering  $\{B(x_i, r/2)\}_i$  of  $B(x, r)$  such that the cardinality of this covering is at most  $N_0$ .

**Definition 1.2** (see [8]). A metric measure space  $(X, d, \mu)$  is upper doubling if  $\mu$  is a Borel measure on  $X$  and there exists a function  $\lambda : X \times (0, +\infty) \rightarrow (0, +\infty)$  and a constant  $C_\lambda > 0$  such that for every  $x \in X, r \mapsto \lambda(x, r)$  is non-decreasing, and for any  $x \in X, r > 0$ ,

$$\mu(B(x, r)) \leq \lambda(x, r) \leq C_\lambda \lambda(x, r/2). \tag{1.1}$$

**Remark 1.1.** (i) A homogeneous space is an upper doubling space, if we take  $\lambda(x, r) = \mu(B(x, r))$ . Also, a non-doubling measure space, satisfying the following polynomial growth condition:

$$\mu(B(x, r)) \leq Cr^n \tag{1.2}$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $r > 0$ , is also an upper doubling measure space if we take  $\lambda(x, r) = Cr^n$ .

(ii) It was shown in [11] that there exists another function  $\tilde{\lambda}$  such that for any  $x, y \in X, d(x, y) \leq r$ ,

$$\tilde{\lambda}(x, r) \leq \tilde{C}\tilde{\lambda}(y, r). \tag{1.3}$$

Thus, one assumes that  $\lambda$  always satisfies (1.3) in this paper.

(iii) Tan and Li [17] pointed that the upper doubling condition is equivalent to the weak growth condition.

Let  $1 \leq \alpha, \beta \leq +\infty$ , if  $\mu(\alpha B) \leq \beta\mu(B)$ , then a ball  $B \subset X$  is called to be  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -doubling. By Lemma 2.3 of [1], we know that there exist plenty of  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -doubling balls with small radii and with large radii. Unless  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  are specified, otherwise in this paper one means  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -doubling ball is  $(6, \beta_0)$ -doubling with  $\beta_0 > \max\{C_\lambda^{3\log_2 6}, 6^n\}$ , where  $n = \log_2 N_0$  is the geometric dimension of the space.

**Definition 1.3** (see [1]). For any two balls  $B \subset Q$ , let  $N_{B,Q}$  be the smallest integer satisfying  $6^{N_{B,Q}}l_B \geq l_Q$ , denote

$$K_{B,Q} = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{N_{B,Q}} \frac{\mu(6^k B)}{\lambda(x_B, 6^k l_B)}, \tag{1.4}$$

where  $x_B$  and  $l_B$  denote the center and semidiameter of the ball  $B$  respectively.

Let  $\theta$  be a nonnegative nondecreasing function on  $(0, +\infty)$  such that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\theta(t)}{t} dt < \infty. \tag{1.5}$$

**Definition 1.4.** A kernel  $K(\cdot, \cdot) \in L^1_{loc}(X^2 \setminus \{(x, y) | x = y\})$  is called the  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund kernel if it satisfies:

$$|K(x, y)| \leq \frac{C}{\lambda(x, d(x, y))} \tag{1.6}$$

for all  $(x, y) \in X^2$  with  $x \neq y$ ,

$$|K(x, y) - K(x', y)| + |K(y, x) - K(y, x')| \leq \theta\left(\frac{d(x, x')}{d(x, y)}\right) \frac{C}{\lambda(x, d(x, y))} \tag{1.7}$$

provided that  $Cd(x, x') \leq d(x, y)$ .

For  $f \in L^\infty$  with compact support and  $x \notin \text{supp} f$ ,  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator with the above kernel  $K$  is defined by

$$Tf(x) = \int_X K(x, y) f(y) d\mu(y). \tag{1.8}$$

**Definition 1.5** (see [18]). Let  $\rho > 1$ .  $b \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$  is  $RBMO(\mu)$  function if there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that for any ball  $Q$ , a number  $b_Q$  such that

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\rho Q)} \int_Q |b(x) - b_Q| d\mu(x) \leq C, \tag{1.9}$$

and for any two doubling balls  $Q \subset R$ ,

$$|b_Q - b_R| \leq CK_{Q,R}. \tag{1.10}$$

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

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, the boundedness of commutators generated by  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator with  $RBMO(\mu)$  function is proved. The boundedness of multilinear commutators is proved in Section 3.

## 2 Commutators

In this section, it is shown that if  $b \in RBMO(\mu)$  and  $T$  is a  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator bounded on  $L^2(\mu)$ , then the commutators  $[b, T]$  defined by

$$[b, T](f) = bT(f) - T(bf)$$

are bounded on  $L^p(\mu)$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ).

Because the singularity of commutators generated by  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator with  $RBMO(\mu)$  function is stronger than that of  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator, we need to strengthen the condition assumed on  $\theta$  in Section 1 as follows:

Let  $\theta$  be a nonnegative nondecreasing function on  $(0, +\infty)$  such that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\theta(t)}{t} |\log t| dt < \infty. \tag{2.1}$$

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $b \in RBMO(\mu)$  and  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator  $T$  defined by (1.8) with  $\theta$  as in (2.1) is bounded on  $L^2(\mu)$ , then the commutators  $[b, T]$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mu)$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ).*

In order to prove Theorem 2.1, we need to introduce the sharp maximal function

$$M^\sharp f(x) = \sup_{Q \ni x} \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |f(y) - m_{\tilde{Q}}(f)| d\mu(y) + \sup_{(Q,R) \in \Delta} \frac{|m_Q(f) - m_R(f)|}{K_{Q,R}},$$

where  $\Delta := \{(Q, R) : x \in Q \subset R \text{ and } Q, R \text{ are doubling balls}\}$  and  $\tilde{Q}$  is the smallest  $(\alpha, \beta)$ -doubling ball of the form  $6^k Q$  with  $k \in \mathbf{N} \cup \{0\}$ , and

$$m_{\tilde{Q}}(f) = \frac{1}{\mu(\tilde{Q})} \int_{\tilde{Q}} f(x) d\mu(x).$$

The non-centered doubling maximal operator is defined by

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

It is easy to see that for any  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ ,

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

for  $\mu$ -a.e.  $x \in X$  by the Lebesgue differential theorem.

For  $\eta > 1$  and  $r > 1$ , denote

$$M_{r,(\eta)} f(x) = \sup_{Q \ni x} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(\eta Q)} \int_Q |f(y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{1/r}.$$

$M_{r,(\eta)}$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mu)$  for  $p > r$  (see [1]).

**Lemma 2.1** (see [1,4]). *Let  $f \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ , with  $\int_X f d\mu = 0$  if  $\|\mu\| < \infty$ . If  $\inf(1, Nf) \in L^p(\mu)$ , then for any  $1 < p < \infty$ ,*

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

**Lemma 2.2** (see [1]). *Let  $\rho > 1$  and  $b \in L^1_{loc}(\mu)$ . The following statements are equivalent:*

- (i)  $b \in RBMO(\mu)$ ;
- (ii) *there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that for any ball  $B$ ,*

$$\frac{1}{\mu(\rho B)} \int_B |b(x) - m_{\bar{B}}(b)| d\mu(x) \leq C, \tag{2.2}$$

*and for any two doubling balls  $B \subset Q$ ,*

$$|m_B(b) - m_Q(b)| \leq CK_{B,Q}. \tag{2.3}$$

*Moreover, the minimal constant  $C$  in (2.2) and (2.3) is equivalent to  $\|b\|_*$ .*

**Lemma 2.3** (see [1,4]). *Let  $\rho > 1$  and  $1 < p < \infty$ . If  $b \in RBMO(\mu)$ , then for any ball  $Q$ , we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\mu(\rho Q)} \int_Q |b(x) - b_Q|^p d\mu(x) &\leq C \|b\|_*^p, \\ \frac{1}{\mu(\rho Q)} \int_Q |b_Q - m_{\bar{Q}}(b)|^p d\mu(x) &\leq C \|b\|_*^p. \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 2.4** (see [4]). *For any  $k \in \mathbb{N}^+$ ,*

$$|m_{\widetilde{6^k \frac{Q}{5}}}(b) - m_{\bar{Q}}(b)| \leq Ck \|b\|_*.$$

**Lemma 2.5.** *If  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator  $T$  defined by (1.8) with  $\theta$  as in (1.5) is bounded on  $L^2(\mu)$ , then  $T^*$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mu)$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ), where  $T^*$  is defined as*

$$T^*f(x) = \sup_{\epsilon > 0} |T_\epsilon f(x)| = \sup_{\epsilon > 0} \left| \int_{d(x,y) > \epsilon} K(x,y) f(y) d\mu(y) \right|.$$

**Remark 2.1.** Apply the same method as in [1], we can obtain that  $T^*$  satisfies the Cotlar’s inequality. Thus Lemma 2.5 holds. Here the details are omitted.

*Proof of Theorem 2.1.* For all  $1 < p < \infty$ , we first establish the inequality

$$M^\sharp([b, T]f)(x) \leq C \|b\|_* (M_{p,(6)}(Tf)(x) + M_{p,(5)}f(x) + T^*f(x)). \tag{2.4}$$

By Definition 1.5, let  $\{b_Q\}_Q$  be a set of numbers satisfying for any ball  $Q$ ,

$$\int_Q |b(x) - b_Q| d\mu(x) \leq 2\mu(6Q) \|b\|_*$$

and for any two balls  $Q \subset R$ ,

$$|b_Q - b_R| \leq 2K_{Q,R} \|b\|_*.$$

Apply the similar method as the proof of Theorem 7.6 in [1] or Theorem 3.10 in [4], we only need to prove that

$$\frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |[b, T]f(y) - h_Q| d\mu(y) \leq C \|b\|_* (M_{p,(6)}(Tf)(x) + M_{p,(5)}f(x)) \tag{2.5}$$

holds for any  $x$  and  $Q$  with  $x \in Q$ , and

$$|h_Q - h_R| \leq CK_{Q,R}^2 \|b\|_* (M_{p,(5)}f(x) + T^*f(x)) \tag{2.6}$$

for any two balls  $Q \subset R$  with  $x \in Q$ , where

$$h_Q := m_Q(T[(b - b_Q)f\chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q}]).$$

Let us first prove (2.5). Write  $[b, T]f$  as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} [b, T]f(y) &= (b(y) - b_Q)Tf(y) - T((b - b_Q)f)(y) \\ &= (b(y) - b_Q)Tf(y) - T((b - b_Q)f_1)(y) - T((b - b_Q)f_2)(y), \end{aligned}$$

where  $f_1 = f\chi_{\frac{6}{5}Q}$  and  $f_2 = f\chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q}$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |[b, T]f(y) - h_Q| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |(b(y) - b_Q)Tf(y)| d\mu(y) + \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |T((b - b_Q)f_1)(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |T((b - b_Q)f_2)(y) - h_Q| d\mu(y) \\ &=: I + II + III. \end{aligned}$$

For  $I$ , by Hölder's inequality and Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |(b(y) - b_Q)Tf(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |b(y) - b_Q|^{p'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p'} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |Tf(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(6)}(Tf)(x). \end{aligned}$$

For  $II$ , take  $s = \sqrt{p}$ , by Hölder's inequality and Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[ \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_{\frac{6}{5}Q} |(b(y) - b_Q)f_1(y)|^s d\mu(y) \right]^{1/s} \\ &\leq \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_{\frac{6}{5}Q} |b(y) - b_Q|^{ss'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/ss'} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_{\frac{6}{5}Q} |f(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)}f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} II &\leq \frac{\mu(Q)^{1-1/s}}{\mu(6Q)} \|T((b-b_Q)f_1)\|_{L^s(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \frac{\mu(Q)^{1-1/s}}{\mu(6Q)^{1-1/s}} \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x) \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

For III, we first estimate  $|T((b-b_Q)f_2)(y) - b_Q|$ . For  $x, y \in Q$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} &|T((b-b_Q)f_2)(y) - T((b-b_Q)f_2)(x)| \\ &\leq C \int_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \theta\left(\frac{d(y,x)}{d(z,x)}\right) \frac{|b(z) - b_Q| |f(z)| d\mu(z)}{\lambda(z, d(z,x))} \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{6^k \frac{6}{5}Q \setminus 6^{k-1} \frac{6}{5}Q} \theta\left(\frac{d(y,x)}{d(z,x)}\right) \frac{1}{\lambda(z, 6^{k-1} \frac{6}{5}I_Q)} \\ &\quad \times (|b(z) - b_{6^k \frac{6}{5}Q}| + |b_Q - b_{6^k \frac{6}{5}Q}|) |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\ &\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \theta(6^{-k}) \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6^k \frac{6}{5}Q)} \int_{6^k \frac{6}{5}Q} |b(z) - b_{6^k \frac{6}{5}Q}| |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\ &\quad + C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k\theta(6^{-k}) \|b\|_* \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6^k \frac{6}{5}Q)} \int_{6^k \frac{6}{5}Q} |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \theta(6^{-k}) + C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x) \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k\theta(6^{-k}) \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x) + C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x) \int_0^1 \frac{\theta(t)}{t} |\log t| dt \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used the following inequality:

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\theta(t)}{t} |\log t| dt \geq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{6^{-k}}^{6^{1-k}} \frac{\theta(6^{-k})}{6^{1-k}} |\log 6^{-k}| dt \geq C \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k\theta(6^{-k}).$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} III &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |T((b-b_Q)f_2)(y) - h_Q| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |T((b-b_Q)f_2)(y) - m_Q(T(b-b_Q)f_2)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

So (2.5) is proved.

Now we turn to prove (2.6). Consider two balls  $Q \subset R$  with  $x \in Q$ . Denote  $N = N_{Q,R} + 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} & |m_Q(T((b - b_Q)f\chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q})) - m_R(T((b - b_R)f\chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}R}))| \\ & \leq |m_Q(T((b - b_Q)f\chi_{6Q \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q}))| + |m_Q(T((b_Q - b_R)f\chi_{X \setminus 6Q}))| \\ & \quad + |m_Q(T((b - b_R)f\chi_{6^N Q \setminus 6Q}))| \\ & \quad + |m_Q(T((b - b_R)f\chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q})) - m_R(T((b - b_R)f\chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q}))| \\ & \quad + |m_R(T((b - b_R)f\chi_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{6}{5}R}))| \\ & =: J_1 + J_2 + J_3 + J_4 + J_5. \end{aligned}$$

For  $y \in Q$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & |T((b - b_Q)f\chi_{6Q \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q})(y)| \\ & \leq C \int_{6Q} \frac{|b(z) - b_Q||f(z)|}{\lambda(z, d(z, y))} d\mu(z) \\ & \leq C \left( \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6Q)} \int_{6Q} |b(z) - b_Q|^{p'} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p'} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6Q)} \int_{6Q} |f(z)|^p d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Then  $J_1 \leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x)$ .

For  $x, y \in Q$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |T(f\chi_{X \setminus 6Q})(y)| & \leq T^* f(x) + C \sup_{Q \ni x} \int_{6Q} \frac{|f(z)|}{\lambda(z, d(z, y))} d\mu(z) \\ & \leq T^* f(x) + C M_{p,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$J_2 = |(b_Q - b_R)T(f\chi_{X \setminus 6Q})(y)| \leq CK_{Q,R} \|b\|_* (T^* f(x) + M_{p,(5)} f(x)).$$

Let us estimate  $J_3$ . Let  $x_Q$  be the center of  $Q$ . For  $y \in Q$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & |T((b - b_R)f\chi_{6^N Q \setminus 6Q})(y)| \\ & \leq C \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \int_{6^{k+1}Q \setminus 6^kQ} \frac{|b(z) - b_R||f(z)|}{\lambda(z, 6^k l_Q)} d\mu(z) \\ & \leq C \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{\lambda(x_Q, 5 \times 6^k l_Q)} \left( \int_{6^{k+1}Q} |b(z) - b_R|^{p'} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p'} \left( \int_{6^{k+1}Q} |f(z)|^p d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq CK_{Q,R} \|b\|_* \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{\mu(5 \times 6^{k+1}Q)}{\lambda(x_Q, 5 \times 6^{k+1} l_Q)} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6^{k+1}Q)} \int_{6^{k+1}Q} |f(z)|^p d\mu(z) \right)^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq CK_{Q,R} \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x) \sum_{k=1}^{N-1} \frac{\mu(6^{k+2}Q)}{\lambda(x_Q, 6^{k+2}I_Q)} \\ &\leq CK_{Q,R}^2 \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the mean over  $Q$ , then

$$J_3 \leq CK_{Q,R}^2 \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x).$$

Let us estimate  $J_4$ . Estimating as in III, for any  $y, z \in R$ , we have

$$|T((b-b_R)f\chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q})(y) - T((b-b_R)f\chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q})(z)| \leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x).$$

Taking the mean over  $Q$  for  $y$  and over  $R$  for  $z$ , then

$$J_4 \leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x).$$

For  $J_5$ , similar to estimate  $J_1$ , we obtain  $J_5 \leq C \|b\|_* M_{p,(5)} f(x)$ . Thus (2.6) is proved and (2.4) is obtained.

Next we prove Theorem 2.1. By Lemma 3.11 in [4], we can assume that  $b \in L^\infty(\mu)$ . Let us consider the following two cases.

**Case 1.**  $\|\mu\| = \infty$ . By Lemma 2.1, Lemma 2.5, the boundedness of  $M_{p,(r)}$  on  $L^r(\mu)$  for  $r > p$  and (2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|[b, T]f\|_{L^p(\mu)} &\leq \|N([b, T]f)\|_{L^p(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \|M^\sharp([b, T]f)\|_{L^p(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* (\|M_{p,(6)}(Tf)\|_{L^p(\mu)} + \|M_{p,(5)}f\|_{L^p(\mu)} + \|T^*f\|_{L^p(\mu)}) \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

**Case 2.**  $\|\mu\| < \infty$ . By Lemma 2.3 and Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem, we obtain for all  $1 < r < \infty$ ,

$$\left( \frac{1}{\mu(X)} \int_X |b(x) - b_X|^r d\mu(x) \right)^{1/r} \leq C \|b\|_*,$$

where

$$b_X := \frac{1}{\mu(X)} \int_X b(y) d\mu(y).$$

As

$$N([b, T]f) \leq N([b, T]f - m_X([b, T]f)) + |m_X([b, T]f)|.$$

It is easy to see that

$$\int_X \{[b, T]f(x) - m_X([b, T]f)\} d\mu(x) = 0,$$

thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|N([b, T]f - m_X([b, T]f))\|_{L^p(\mu)} &\leq C \|M^\sharp([b, T]f - m_X([b, T]f))\|_{L^p(\mu)} \\ &= C \|M^\sharp([b, T]f)\|_{L^p(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \|b\|_* \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $|m_X([b, T]f)|$ , write  $|[b, T]f| \leq |(b - b_X)Tf| + |T(b - b_X)f|$ . By Hölder's inequality and the boundedness of  $T$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |m_X((b - b_X)Tf)| &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(X)} \int_X |(b(y) - b_X)(Tf)(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(X)} \left( \int_X |b(y) - b_X|^{p'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p'} \left( \int_X |(Tf)(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(X)} \left( \int_X |b(y) - b_X|^{p'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p'} \left( \int_X |f(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq (\mu(X))^{-1/p} \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(X)} \int_X |b(y) - b_X|^{p'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p'} \\ &\leq C (\mu(X))^{-1/p} \|b\|_* \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

Take  $s = \sqrt{p}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} |m_X(T((b - b_X)f))| &\leq \frac{1}{\mu(X)} \int_X |T((b - b_X)f)(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq \frac{(\mu(X))^{1-1/s}}{\mu(X)} \|T((b - b_X)f)\|_{L^s(\mu)} \\ &\leq \frac{(\mu(X))^{1-1/s}}{\mu(X)} \|(b - b_X)f\|_{L^s(\mu)} \\ &\leq \frac{(\mu(X))^{1-1/s}}{\mu(X)} \left( \int_X |b(y) - b_X|^{ss'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/ss'} \left( \int_X |f(y)|^p d\mu(y) \right)^{1/p} \\ &\leq (\mu(X))^{-1/p} \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(X)} \int_X |b(y) - b_X|^{ss'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/ss'} \\ &\leq C (\mu(X))^{-1/p} \|b\|_* \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\|m_X([b, T]f)\|_{L^p(\mu)} \leq C \|b\|_* \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}.$$

The proof of Theorem 2.1 is completed. □

### 3 Multilinear commutators

To prove  $L^p(\mu)$ -boundedness of multilinear commutators, we strengthen the assumption on  $\theta$  as follows.

Let  $\theta$  be a nonnegative nondecreasing function on  $(0, +\infty)$  such that

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\theta(t)}{t} |\log t|^m dt < \infty, \quad m \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (3.1)$$

In fact, one assumes  $\theta$  satisfies

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\theta(t)}{t} |\log t| dt < \infty$$

for commutators in Section 2, so it is reasonable for multilinear commutators to assume  $\theta$  satisfies (3.1).

Let  $T$  be the  $\theta$ -type Calderón-Zygmund operator,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $b_i \in RBMO(\mu)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ . The multilinear commutators  $T_{\vec{b}}$  is formally defined by

$$T_{\vec{b}}f(x) = [b_m, [b_{m-1}, \dots, [b_1, T]]]f(x), \quad (3.2)$$

where  $\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m)$  and

$$[b_1, T]f(x) = b_1(x)Tf(x) - T(b_1f)(x).$$

If  $m = 1$  and  $\vec{b} = b$ , we denote  $T_{\vec{b}}f$  simply by  $T_bf$ .

For  $1 \leq i \leq m$ , we denote by  $C_i^m$  the family of all finite subsets  $\sigma = \{\sigma(1), \sigma(2), \dots, \sigma(i)\}$  of  $\{1, 2, \dots, m\}$  with  $i$  different elements. For any  $\sigma \in C_i^m$ ,  $\sigma' = \{1, 2, \dots, m\} \setminus \sigma$ . Let  $\vec{b} = (b_1, b_2, \dots, b_m)$  be a finite set of locally integrable functions. For all  $1 \leq i \leq m$  and  $\sigma = \{\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(i)\} \in C_i^m$ , set  $\vec{b}_\sigma = (b_{\sigma(1)}, \dots, b_{\sigma(i)})$ ,  $b_\sigma = b_{\sigma(1)} \cdots b_{\sigma(i)}$ ,  $\|\vec{b}_\sigma\|_* = \|b_{\sigma(1)}\|_* \cdots \|b_{\sigma(i)}\|_*$  and  $\|\vec{b}\|_* = \|b_1\|_* \cdots \|b_m\|_*$ , see [20].

For any ball  $Q \in X$  and  $y, z \in X$ , denote

$$\begin{aligned} [b(y) - b(z)]_\sigma &= [b_{\sigma(1)}(y) - b_{\sigma(1)}(z)] \cdots [b_{\sigma(i)}(y) - b_{\sigma(i)}(z)], \\ [m_{\vec{Q}}(b) - b(y)]_\sigma &= [m_{\vec{Q}}(b_{\sigma(1)}) - b_{\sigma(1)}(y)] \cdots [m_{\vec{Q}}(b_{\sigma(i)}) - b_{\sigma(i)}(y)]. \end{aligned}$$

For any  $\sigma \in C_i^m$ , set

$$T_{\vec{b}_\sigma}f(x) = [b_{\sigma(i)}, [b_{\sigma(i-1)}, \dots, [b_{\sigma(1)}, T]]]f(x).$$

When  $\sigma = \{1, \dots, m\}$ , denote  $T_{\vec{b}_\sigma}$  simply by  $T_{\vec{b}}$ , see [20].

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ,  $b_i \in RBMO(\mu)$ . Let  $T_{\vec{b}}$  be defined by (3.2) with  $\theta$  as in (3.1). Assume that  $T$  is bounded on  $L^2(\mu)$ , then multilinear commutators  $T_{\vec{b}}$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mu)$  ( $1 < p < \infty$ ).*

*Proof.* The proof of the case  $\|\mu\| < \infty$  is similar to  $\|\mu\| = \infty$ . Without loss of generality, we only prove the case  $\|\mu\| = \infty$ . The theorem is proved by induction on  $m$ . If  $m = 1$ , the result of Theorem 2.1 asserts that  $T_b$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mu)$  for any  $p \in (1, \infty)$ .

Now we assume that  $m \geq 2$  is an integer and that for any  $1 \leq i \leq m-1$  and any subset  $\sigma = \{\sigma(1), \dots, \sigma(i)\}$  of  $\{1, \dots, m\}$ ,  $T_{\vec{b}_\sigma}$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mu)$  for any  $p \in (1, \infty)$ . Let us first claim that for any  $1 < r < \infty$ ,  $T_{\vec{b}}$  satisfies the following sharp maximal function estimate

$$\begin{aligned} & M^\sharp(T_{\vec{b}}f)(x) \\ & \leq C\|\vec{b}\|_*\{M_{r,(6)}(Tf)(x) + M_{r,(5)}f(x)\} \\ & \quad + C\sum_{i=1}^{m-1}\sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m}\|\vec{b}_\sigma\|_*M_{r,(6)}(T_{\vec{b}_{\sigma'}}f)(x). \end{aligned} \tag{3.3}$$

With the similar method as proving Theorem 1.9 in [4], it suffices to show that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)}\int_Q|T_{\vec{b}}f(y) - h_Q|d\mu(y) \\ & \leq C\|\vec{b}\|_*\{M_{r,(6)}(Tf)(x) + M_{r,(5)}f(x)\} \\ & \quad + C\sum_{i=1}^{m-1}\sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m}\|\vec{b}_\sigma\|_*M_{r,(6)}(T_{\vec{b}_{\sigma'}}f)(x) \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

holds for any  $x$  and  $Q$  with  $x \in Q$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} & |h_Q - h_R| \\ & \leq CK_{Q,R}^{m+1}\|\vec{b}\|_*\{M_{r,(6)}(Tf)(x) + M_{r,(5)}f(x)\} \\ & \quad + CK_{Q,R}^{m+1}\sum_{i=1}^{m-1}\sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m}\|\vec{b}_\sigma\|_*M_{r,(6)}(T_{\vec{b}_{\sigma'}}f)(x) \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

holds for any two balls  $x \in Q \subset R$ , where  $Q$  is an arbitrary ball,  $R$  is a doubling ball,

$$h_Q = m_Q\left(T\left[\left(m_{\vec{Q}}(b_1) - b_1\right)\cdots\left(m_{\vec{Q}}(b_m) - b_m\right)f\chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q}\right]\right),$$

and

$$h_R = m_R\left(T\left[\left(m_R(b_1) - b_1\right)\cdots\left(m_R(b_m) - b_m\right)f\chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}R}\right]\right).$$

We first estimate (3.4). It is easy to see that for  $y, z \in X$ ,

$$\prod_{i=1}^m\left[m_{\vec{Q}}(b_i) - b_i(z)\right] = \sum_{i=0}^m\sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m}[b(y) - b(z)]_{\sigma'}[m_{\vec{Q}}(b) - b(y)]_{\sigma},$$

where if  $i = 0$ , then  $\sigma = \emptyset$  and  $\sigma' = \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . Then

$$T_{\vec{b}}f(y) = T\left(\prod_{i=1}^m\left[m_{\vec{Q}}(b_i) - b_i\right]f\right)(y) - \sum_{i=1}^m\sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m}\left[m_{\vec{Q}}(b) - b(y)\right]_{\sigma}T_{\vec{b}_{\sigma'}}f(y),$$

where if  $i = m$ , we denote  $T_{\vec{b}_\sigma} f(y)$  by  $Tf(y)$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |T_{\vec{b}_\sigma} f(y) - h_Q| d\mu(y) \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q \left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{\frac{6}{5}Q} \right) (y) \right| d\mu(y) \\ & \quad + \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q \left| [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b) - b(y)]_\sigma \right| |T_{\vec{b}_\sigma} f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ & \quad + \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q \left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \right) (y) - h_Q \right| d\mu(y) \\ & =: L_1 + L_2 + L_3. \end{aligned}$$

Take  $s = \sqrt{r}$  and write

$$b_i(y) - m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) = b_i(y) - m_{\frac{6}{5}Q}(b_i) + m_{\frac{6}{5}Q}(b_i) - m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i)$$

for  $i = 1, \dots, m$ . By the boundedness of  $T$  on  $L^s(\mu)$  for  $1 < s < \infty$ , Hölder's inequality and Lemma 2.3,

$$\begin{aligned} L_1 & \leq \frac{\mu(Q)^{1-1/s}}{\mu(6Q)} \left\| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{\frac{6}{5}Q} \right) \right\|_{L^s(\mu)} \\ & \leq \frac{C\mu(Q)^{1-1/s}}{\mu(6Q)} \left\| \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{\frac{6}{5}Q} \right\|_{L^s(\mu)} \\ & \leq \frac{C}{\mu(6Q)^{1/s}} \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}Q} \prod_{i=1}^m |b_i(y) - m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i)|^{ss'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/ss'} \times \left( \int_{\frac{6}{5}Q} |f(y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{1/r} \\ & \leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

From Hölder's inequality, then

$$\begin{aligned} L_2 & \leq \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q \left| [b(y) - m_{\tilde{Q}}(b)]_\sigma \right|^{r'} d\mu(y) \right)^{1/r'} \\ & \quad \times \left( \frac{1}{\mu(6Q)} \int_Q |T_{\vec{b}_\sigma} f(y)|^r d\mu(y) \right)^{1/r} \\ & \leq C \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} \|\vec{b}_\sigma\|_* M_{r,(6)}(T_{\vec{b}_\sigma} f)(x). \end{aligned}$$

To estimate  $L_3$ , take  $y, y_1 \in Q$ , then by the condition (1.7), Hölder's inequality and Lemma 2.4,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \right) (y) - T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \right) (y_1) \right| \\
 & \leq C \int_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \theta \left( \frac{d(y, y_1)}{d(z, y)} \right) \frac{1}{\lambda(z, d(z, y))} \prod_{i=1}^m |b_i(z) - m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i)| |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\
 & \leq C \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{6^j \frac{6}{5}Q \setminus 6^{j-1} \frac{6}{5}Q} \theta \left( \frac{d(y, y_1)}{d(z, y)} \right) \frac{1}{\lambda(z, 6^{j-1} \frac{6}{5}l_Q)} \\
 & \quad \times \prod_{i=1}^m \left( \left| b_i(z) - m_{\widetilde{6^j \frac{6}{5}Q}}(b_i) \right| + \left| m_{\widetilde{6^j \frac{6}{5}Q}}(b_i) - m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i) \right| \right) |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\
 & \leq C \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} \theta(6^{-j}) j^{m-i} \|\vec{b}_{\sigma'}\|_* \\
 & \quad \times \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6^j \frac{6}{5}l_Q)} \int_{6^j \frac{6}{5}Q} \left| \left[ b(z) - m_{\widetilde{6^j \frac{6}{5}Q}} \right]_{\sigma} \right| |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\
 & \leq C \sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \theta(6^{-j}) j^{m-i} \|\vec{b}_{\sigma'}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x) \\
 & \leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x) \int_0^1 \frac{\theta(t)}{t} |\log t|^m dt \\
 & \leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \right) (y) - h_Q \right| \\
 & = \left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \right) (y) - m_Q \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \right) \right] \right| \\
 & \leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$L_3 \leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x).$$

(3.4) is proved by the estimate for  $L_1, L_2$  and  $L_3$ .

Now we estimate (3.5). For any two balls  $Q \subset R$  with  $x \in Q$  and  $R$  being a doubling ball, let  $N := N_{Q,R} + 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| m_Q \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \right) \right] - m_R \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_R(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus \frac{6}{5}R} \right) \right] \right| \\
 \leq & \left| m_Q \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q} \right) \right] - m_R \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q} \right) \right] \right| \\
 & + \left| m_R \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_R(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q} \right) \right] - m_R \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q} \right) \right] \right| \\
 & + \left| m_Q \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{6}{5}Q} \right) \right] \right| + \left| m_R \left[ T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_R(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{6}{5}R} \right) \right] \right| \\
 =: & I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4.
 \end{aligned}$$

By the similar estimate for  $L_3$ , we have

$$I_1 \leq CK_{Q,R}^m \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x).$$

For  $I_2$ , write

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_R(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q} \right) (y) - T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q} \right) (y) \right| \\
 = & \left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_R(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{X \setminus 2^N Q} \right) (y) \right. \\
 & \left. - \sum_{i=0}^m \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} [m_{\tilde{Q}}(b) - m_R(b)]_{\sigma'} T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q} \right) (y) \right| \\
 \leq & C \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} K_{Q,R}^{m-i} \|\vec{b}_{\sigma'}\|_* \left| T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \chi_{X \setminus 6^N Q} \right) (y) \right| \\
 \leq & C \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} K_{Q,R}^{m-i} \|\vec{b}_{\sigma'}\|_* \left\{ T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \right) (y) + T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \chi_{6^N Q} \right) (y) \right\} \\
 \leq & C \sum_{i=0}^{m-1} \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} K_{Q,R}^{m-i} \|\vec{b}_{\sigma'}\|_* \left\{ \sum_{j=0}^i \sum_{\eta \in C_j^i} |[m_R(b) - b(y)]_{\eta'}| T_{\vec{b}_{\eta}} f(y) \right. \\
 & \left. + \left| T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \chi_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{6}{5}R} \right) (y) \right| + \left| T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \chi_{\frac{6}{5}R} \right) (y) \right| \right\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

From the fact that  $R$  is a doubling cube and Hölder’s inequality, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{\mu(R)} \int_R |[b(y) - m_R(b)]_{\eta'}| T_{\vec{b}_{\eta}} f(y) d\mu(y) \\
 \leq & C \|\vec{b}_{\eta'}\|_* M_{r,(6)} (T_{\vec{b}_{\eta}} f)(x).
 \end{aligned}$$

By Hölder’s inequality and Lemma 2.3,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \chi_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{6}{5} R} \right) (y) \right| \\ & \leq \int_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{6}{5} R} |K(y, z)| |[m_R(b) - b(z)]_{\sigma}| |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\ & \leq C \int_{6^N Q} \frac{1}{\lambda(z, d(y, z))} |[b(z) - m_R(b)]_{\sigma}| |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\ & \leq C \left( \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6^N Q)} \int_{6^N Q} |[b(z) - m_R(b)]_{\sigma}|^{r'} d\mu(z) \right)^{1/r'} \\ & \quad \times \left( \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6^N Q)} \int_{6^N Q} |f(z)|^r d\mu(z) \right)^{1/r} \\ & \leq C \|\vec{b}_{\sigma}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the mean over  $y \in R$ ,

$$m_R \left[ \left| T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \chi_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{6}{5} R} \right) \right| \right] \leq C \|\vec{b}_{\sigma}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x).$$

Also, we have

$$m_R \left[ \left| T \left( [m_R(b) - b]_{\sigma} f \chi_{\frac{6}{5} R} \right) \right| \right] \leq C \|\vec{b}_{\sigma}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x).$$

Thus

$$I_2 \leq CK_{Q,R}^m \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} \|\vec{b}_{\sigma'}\|_* M_{r,(6)} (T_{\vec{b}_{\sigma'}} f)(x) + \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(6)} (Tf)(x) + \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x) \right\}.$$

Next we estimate  $I_3$ . For  $y \in Q$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{6}{5} Q} \right) (y) \right| \\ & \leq C \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{\lambda(x_Q, 6^j l_Q)} \int_{6^{j+1} Q \setminus 6^j Q} \prod_{i=1}^m |b_i(z) - m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i)| |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\ & \quad + \frac{C}{\lambda(x_Q, l_Q)} \int_{6Q \setminus \frac{6}{5} Q} \prod_{i=1}^m |b_i(z) - m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i)| |f(z)| d\mu(z) \\ & \leq C \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{\lambda(x_Q, 6^j l_Q)} \left\{ \int_{6^{j+1} Q} \prod_{i=1}^m |b_i(z) - m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i)|^{r'} d\mu(z) \right\}^{1/r'} \times \left\{ \int_{6^{j+1} Q} |f(z)|^r d\mu(z) \right\}^{1/r} \\ & \quad + \frac{C}{\mu(5 \times 6Q)} \left\{ \int_{6Q} \prod_{i=1}^m |b_i(z) - m_{\bar{Q}}(b_i)|^{r'} d\mu(z) \right\}^{1/r'} \times \left\{ \int_{6Q} |f(z)|^r d\mu(z) \right\}^{1/r} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq C \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{1}{\lambda(x_Q, 6^j l_Q)} \left\{ \int_{6^{j+1}Q} \prod_{i=1}^m (|b_i(z) - m_{\widetilde{6^{j+1}Q}}(b_i)| + |m_{\widetilde{6^{j+1}Q}}(b_i) - m_{\widetilde{Q}}(b_i)|)^{r'} d\mu(z) \right\}^{1/r'} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \int_{6^{j+1}Q} |f(z)|^r d\mu(z) \right\}^{1/r} + C \|\vec{b}\|_* \left\{ \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6Q)} \int_{6Q} |f(z)|^r d\mu(z) \right\}^{1/r} \\ &\leq CK_{Q,R}^m \|\vec{b}\|_* \sum_{j=1}^{N-1} \frac{\mu(5 \times 6^{j+1}Q)}{\lambda(x_Q, 6^j l_Q)} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \frac{1}{\mu(5 \times 6^{j+1}Q)} \int_{6^{j+1}Q} |f(z)|^r d\mu(z) \right\}^{1/r} + C \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x) \\ &\leq CK_{Q,R}^{m+1} \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Taking the mean over  $y \in Q$ ,

$$I_3 \leq CK_{Q,R}^{m+1} \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x).$$

For  $I_4$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| T \left( \prod_{i=1}^m [m_R(b_i) - b_i] f \chi_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{5}{3}R} \right) (y) \right| \\ &\leq C \int_{6^N Q \setminus \frac{5}{3}R} \frac{1}{\lambda(y, l(R))} \prod_{i=1}^m |b_i(y) - m_R(b_i)| |f(y)| d\mu(y) \\ &\leq C \left\{ \frac{1}{\lambda(6^N l(Q))} \int_{6^N Q} \prod_{i=1}^m |b_i(y) - m_R(b_i)|^{r'} d\mu(y) \right\}^{1/r'} \\ &\quad \times \left\{ \frac{1}{\lambda(6^N l(Q))} \int_{6^N Q} |f(y)|^r d\mu(y) \right\}^{1/r} \\ &\leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$I_4 \leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* M_{r,(5)} f(x).$$

Then (3.5) is proved by the estimate for  $I_1, I_2, I_3$  and  $I_4$ .

Now we prove Theorem 3.1. By Lemma 3.11 in [4], one may assume that  $b_i \in L^\infty(\mu)$  for  $i \in \{1, 2, \dots, m\}$ . Choosing  $r$  such that  $1 < r < p < \infty$ , by Lemma 2.1, the boundedness of  $M_{r,(p)}$  on  $L^p(\mu)$  for  $p > r$  and (3.3), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_{\vec{b}} f\|_{L^p(\mu)} &\leq C \|N(T_{\vec{b}} f)\|_{L^p(\mu)} \leq C \|M^\sharp(T_{\vec{b}} f)\|_{L^p(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* \{ \|M_{r,(6)}(Tf)\|_{L^p(\mu)} + \|M_{r,(5)} f\|_{L^p(\mu)} \} \\ &\quad + C \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} \sum_{\sigma \in C_i^m} \|\vec{b}_\sigma\|_* \|M_{r,(6)}(T_{\vec{b}_\sigma} f)\|_{L^p(\mu)} \\ &\leq C \|\vec{b}\|_* \|f\|_{L^p(\mu)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the proof of Theorem 3.1 is finished.  $\square$

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