

Atomic and Molecular Decomposition of Homogeneous Spaces of Distributions Associated to Non-negative Self-Adjoint Operators

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Abstract

We deal with homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces in the setting of a doubling metric measure space in the presence of a non-negative self-adjoint operator whose heat kernel has Gaussian localization and the Markov property. The class of almost diagonal operators on the associated sequence spaces is developed and it is shown that this class is an algebra. The boundedness of almost diagonal operators is utilized for establishing smooth molecular and atomic decompositions for the above homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces. Spectral multipliers for these spaces are established as well.

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1 Introduction

Homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces are developed in [18] in the general setting of a metric measure space with the doubling property and in the presence of a non-negative self-adjoint operator whose heat kernel has Gaussian localization and the Markov property. Their inhomogeneous version was previously developed in [9,24]. These spaces can be viewed as a natural generalization of the classical Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces on \mathbb{R}^d , developed mainly by Peetre, Triebel, Frazier, and Jawerth, see [14–16,26,34,35]. Our goal here is to develop various aspects of the theory of homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces in the general setting indicated above (see below), including, almost diagonal operators on respective sequence spaces, atomic and molecular decompositions as well as spectral multipliers, in analogy to the theory of Frazier and Jawerth [14,15].

We shall operate in the setting put forward in [9,24], which we describe next:

I. We assume that (M, ρ, μ) is a metric measure space satisfying the conditions: (M, ρ) is a locally compact metric space with distance $\rho(\cdot, \cdot)$ and μ is a positive Radon measure such that the following *volume doubling condition* is valid

$$0 < |B(x, 2r)| \le c_0 |B(x, r)| < \infty \text{ for all } x \in M \text{ and } r > 0,$$
(1.1)

where |B(x, r)| is the volume of the open ball B(x, r) centered at x of radius r and $c_0 > 1$ is a constant.

From the above it follows that there exist $c'_0 > 0$ and d > 0 such that,

$$|B(x,\lambda r)| \le c_0'\lambda^d |B(x,r)| \quad \text{for } x \in M, r > 0, \text{ and } \lambda > 1.$$

$$(1.2)$$

The minimal d satisfying (1.2) is a constant playing the role of a *dimension*.

We also assume that $\mu(M) = \infty$.

II. The main assumption is that the geometry of the space (M, ρ, μ) is related to an essentially self-adjoint non-negative operator *L* on $L^2(M, d\mu)$, mapping real-valued to real-valued functions, such that the associated semigroup $P_t = e^{-tL}$ consists of integral operators with (heat) kernel $p_t(x, y)$ obeying the conditions:

(a) Gaussian upper bound There exist constants C^* , $c^* > 0$ such that

$$|p_t(x, y)| \le \frac{C^* \exp\{-\frac{c^* \rho^2(x, y)}{t}\}}{\left[|B(x, \sqrt{t})||B(y, \sqrt{t})|\right]^{1/2}} \quad \text{for } x, y \in M, \ t > 0.$$
(1.3)

(b) *Hölder continuity* There exists a constant $\alpha > 0$ such that

$$\left| p_t(x, y) - p_t(x, y') \right| \le C^{\star} \left(\frac{\rho(y, y')}{\sqrt{t}} \right)^{\alpha} \frac{\exp\{-\frac{c^{\star} \rho^2(x, y)}{t}\}}{\left[|B(x, \sqrt{t})| |B(y, \sqrt{t})| \right]^{1/2}}$$
(1.4)

for $x, y, y' \in M$ and t > 0, whenever $\rho(y, y') \le \sqrt{t}$.

(c) Markov property:

$$\int_{M} p_t(x, y) d\mu(y) = 1 \quad \text{for } x \in M \text{ and } t > 0.$$

$$(1.5)$$

Above C^{\star} , $c^{\star} > 0$ are structural constants.

The following additional conditions on the geometry of M are also stipulated: (d) *Noncollapsing condition* There exists a constant $c_1 > 0$ such that

$$\inf_{x \in M} |B(x, 1)| \ge c_1.$$
(1.6)

(e) *Reverse doubling condition* There exists a constant $c_2 > 1$ such that

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$$|B(x, 2r)| \ge c_2 |B(x, r)|$$
 for $x \in M$ and $r > 0$. (1.7)

Condition (e) readily implies

$$|B(x,\lambda r)| \ge c_3 \lambda^{d^+} |B(x,r)| \quad \text{for } x \in M, r > 0, \text{ and } \lambda > 1, \tag{1.8}$$

where $d^* := \log_2 c_2 \le d$ and $c_3 = c_2^{-1}$.

Note that the reverse doubling condition (1.7) is not restrictive because as shown in [9, Proposition 2.2] if *M* is connected, then (1.7) follows by the doubling condition (1.1).

The above setting appears naturally in the general framework of strictly local regular Dirichlet spaces with a complete intrinsic metric. In particular, this setting covers the cases of Lie groups or homogeneous spaces with polynomial volume growth, complete Riemannian manifolds with Ricci curvature bounded from below and satisfying the volume doubling condition. It also contains the classical setting on \mathbb{R}^n . For details, see [9].

Analysis on metric measure spaces of homogeneous type (satisfying the doubling property) goes back to the celebrated work of Coifman and Weiss [7,8]. Spaces of functions or distributions associated with operators are studied during the last fifteen years. The literature on the subject is extensive but as a small sample we refer to [11,12,23] for Hardy spaces and [3] for Besov spaces. The reverse doubling property is quite common (see e.g. [22,37]), while more general Gaussian bounds can be used instead of (1.3) [20,25]. Two-sided Gaussian estimates are occasionally used [1,21]; in fact it is established that they imply the Hölder continuity (1.4). For more articles in the area we refer to [4,9,13,24,25,36] and the references therein.

This article is a followup of [18], where the homogeneous Besov and Triebel-Lizorlin spaces in the general setting described above are introduced and studied. Our goal is to generalize a substantial part of the theory of Frazier and Jawerth [14,15] in the general setting of this article.

The main point in the present article is to show that in the general setting described above it is possible to develop atomic and molecular decomposition of homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces and Mihlin type multipliers in almost complete generality as in the classical case on \mathbb{R}^n . As an application, we cover new settings such as the ones on Lie groups and Riemannian manifolds.

The organization of the paper is as follows. In Sects. 2, 3, 4, and 5 we place all needed preliminaries from [9,18,24], including, smooth functional calculus, distributions, frames, and frame decomposition of the homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\bar{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, $\dot{\bar{F}}_{pq}^{s}$. In Sect. 6, we develop almost diagonal operators on the associated sequence spaces, improving on results of [10], in analogy to the classical case on \mathbb{R}^{n} , developed by Frazier and Jawerth [14,15]. In particular, we show that the almost diagonal operators form an algebra and are bounded on the respective \dot{b} - and \dot{f} -sequence spaces. In analogy to the classical case on \mathbb{R}^{n} (see [14,15]) we introduce in Sect. 7 smooth molecules for the spaces \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\bar{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, $\dot{\bar{F}}_{pq}^{s}$ and establish results for molecular decomposition of these spaces similar to the ones from [14,15]. We use these results and the compactly supported frames, essentially developed in [10], to establish atomic decomposition to obtain Mihlin type spectral multipliers for the spaces \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\bar{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, $\dot{\bar{B}}_{p$

Notation: Throughout we shall denote $|E| := \mu(E)$ and $\mathbb{1}_E$ will stand for the characteristic function of $E \subset M$, $\|\cdot\|_p = \|\cdot\|_{L^p} := \|\cdot\|_{L^p(M,d\mu)}$. The Schwartz class on \mathbb{R} will be denoted by $S(\mathbb{R})$. Positive constants will be denoted by c, C, c_1, c', \ldots and will be allowed to vary at every occurrence. The notation $a \sim b$ will stand for $c_1 \le a/b \le c_2$. We shall also use the standard notation $a \wedge b := \min\{a, b\}$ and $a \vee b := \max\{a, b\}$.

2 Background

In this section we collect all basic ingredients for our theory, developed in [9,18,24].

2.1 Functional Calculus

Let $E_{\lambda}, \lambda \ge 0$, be the spectral resolution associated with the non-negative self-adjoint operator *L* from our setting (Sect. 1). As *L* maps real-valued to real-valued functions, for any real-valued, measurable and bounded function *f* on \mathbb{R}_+ the operator f(L), defined by $f(L) := \int_0^\infty f(\lambda) dE_{\lambda}$, is bounded on $L^2(M)$, self-adjoint, and maps realvalued functions to real-valued functions. Furthermore, if f(L) is an integral operator, then its kernel f(L)(x, y) is real-valued and f(L)(y, x) = f(L)(x, y), in particular, $p_t(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}$ and $p_t(y, x) = p_t(x, y)$.

The finite speed propagation property plays an important role in this study:

$$\left\langle \cos(t\sqrt{L})f_1, f_2 \right\rangle = 0, \quad 0 < \tilde{c}t < r, \quad \tilde{c} := \frac{1}{2\sqrt{c^{\star}}},$$

$$(2.1)$$

for all open sets $U_j \subset M$, $f_j \in L^2(M)$, supp $f_j \subset U_j$, j = 1, 2, where $r := \rho(U_1, U_2)$.

This property is a consequence of the Gaussian localization of the heat kernel and implies the following localization result for the kernels of operators of the form $f(\delta\sqrt{L})$ whenever \hat{f} is band limited, see [24]. Here $\hat{f}(\xi) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t)e^{-it\xi}dt$.

Proposition 2.1 Let f be even, supp $\hat{f} \in [-A, A]$ for some A > 0, and $\hat{f} \in W_1^m$ for some m > d, i.e. $\|\hat{f}^{(m)}\|_1 < \infty$. Then for any $\delta > 0$ and $x, y \in M$

$$f(\delta\sqrt{L})(x, y) = 0 \quad if \quad \rho(x, y) > \tilde{c}\delta A. \tag{2.2}$$

We shall need the following result from the smooth functional calculus induced by the heat kernel, developed in [9,24].

Theorem 2.2 Suppose $f \in C^N(\mathbb{R})$, $N \ge d + 1$, f is real-valued and even, and

$$|f^{(\nu)}(\lambda)| \le A_N (1+|\lambda|)^{-r}$$
 for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 \le \nu \le N$, where $r > N+d$.

Then $f(\delta\sqrt{L})$, $\delta > 0$, is an integral operator with kernel $f(\delta\sqrt{L})(x, y)$ satisfying

$$\left| f(\delta\sqrt{L})(x,y) \right| \le \frac{cA_N \left(1 + \delta^{-1}\rho(x,y) \right)^{-N}}{\left(|B(x,\delta)| |B(y,\delta)| \right)^{1/2}} \le \frac{c'A_N \left(1 + \delta^{-1}\rho(x,y) \right)^{-N+d/2}}{|B(x,\delta)|}$$
(2.3)

and

$$\left|f(\delta\sqrt{L})(x,y) - f(\delta\sqrt{L})(x,y')\right| \le \frac{cA_N\left(\frac{\rho(y,y')}{\delta}\right)^{\alpha} \left(1 + \delta^{-1}\rho(x,y)\right)^{-N}}{\left(|B(x,\delta)||B(y,\delta)|\right)^{1/2}}$$
(2.4)

whenever $\rho(y, y') \leq \delta$. Here $\alpha > 0$ is from (1.4) and c, c' > 0 are constants depending only on r, N, and the structural constants c_0, C^*, c^*, α .

Moreover, $\int_M f(\delta \sqrt{L})(x, y) d\mu(y) = f(0).$

In the construction of frames we utilize operators of the form $\varphi(\delta\sqrt{L})$ generated by cutoff functions φ specified in the following

Definition 2.3 A real-valued function $\varphi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ is said to be an admissible cutoff function if $\varphi \neq 0$, supp $\varphi \subset [0, 2]$, and $\varphi^{(m)}(0) = 0$ for $m \ge 1$.

Furthermore, φ is said to be admissible of type (*a*), (*b*) or (*c*) if φ is admissible and in addition obeys the respective condition:

- (a) $\varphi(t) = 1, t \in [0, 1],$
- (b) supp $\varphi \subset [1/2, 2]$ or
- (c) $\operatorname{supp} \varphi \subset [1/2, 2]$ and $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |\varphi(2^{-j}t)|^2 = 1$ for $t \in (0, \infty)$.

The kernels of operators of the form $\varphi(\delta\sqrt{L})$ with sub-exponential space localization will be the main building blocks in constructing frames.

Theorem 2.4 [24] For any $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ there exists a cutoff function φ of any type, (a) or (b) or (c), such that for any $\delta > 0$ and $m \ge 0$

$$|[L^{m}\varphi(\delta\sqrt{L})](x,y)| \leq \frac{c_{2}\delta^{-2m}\exp\left\{-\kappa\left(\frac{\rho(x,y)}{\delta}\right)^{1-\varepsilon}\right\}}{\left(|B(x,\delta)||B(y,\delta)|\right)^{1/2}}, \quad x, y \in M,$$
(2.5)

where $c, \kappa > 0$ depend only on ε , *m* and the constants c_0, C^*, c^* from (1.1)–(1.4).

Remark 2.5 Note that $[L^m \varphi(\delta \sqrt{L})](x, y)$ in (2.5) is the kernel of the operator $L^m \varphi(\delta \sqrt{L})$, however, it can be considered as L^m acting on the kernel $\varphi(\delta \sqrt{L})(\cdot, y)$ or L^m acting on $\varphi(\delta \sqrt{L})(x, \cdot)$ as well. In fact the result is the same: For any $x, y \in M$

$$[L^m \varphi(\delta \sqrt{L})](x, y) = L^m [\varphi(\delta \sqrt{L})(\cdot, y)](x) = L^m [\varphi(\delta \sqrt{L})(x, \cdot)](y).$$
(2.6)

Furthermore, if f, g are real-valued functions on \mathbb{R} , obeying the hypotheses of Theorem 2.2 and $F(\sqrt{L}) := f(\sqrt{L})g(\sqrt{L})$, then

$$F(\sqrt{L})(x, y) = f(\sqrt{L})[g(\sqrt{L})(\cdot, y)](x) = f(\sqrt{L})[g(\sqrt{L})(x, \cdot)](y), \quad \forall x, y \in M.$$
(2.7)

The above claims follow from the more general result in [18, Proposition 2.7].

2.2 Some Properties Related to the Geometry of the Underlying Space

To compare the volumes of balls with different centers $x, y \in M$ and the same radius r we shall use the inequality

$$|B(x,r)| \le c_0 \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,y)}{r}\right)^d |B(y,r)|, \quad x, y \in M, \ r > 0.$$
(2.8)

As $B(x, r) \subset B(y, \rho(y, x) + r)$ the above inequality is immediate from (1.2).

The following simple inequalities are established in [18,24]:

Lemma 2.6 *If* $\sigma > d$ and $\delta > 0$, then for any $x \in M$

$$\int_{M} \left(1 + \delta^{-1} \rho(x, u) \right)^{-\sigma} d\mu(u) \le c |B(x, \delta)|.$$
(2.9)

Lemma 2.7 Let $\sigma_1, \sigma_2 > d$ and $\delta_1, \delta_2 > 0$, and

$$I := \int_{M} \frac{d\mu(u)}{(1+\delta_{1}^{-1}\rho(x,u))^{\sigma_{1}}(1+\delta_{2}^{-1}\rho(y,u))^{\sigma_{2}}}$$
(2.10)

Then for any $x, y \in M$

$$I \le \frac{c|B(x,\delta_1)|}{\left(1+\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x,y)\right)^{\sigma_2}} + \frac{c|B(y,\delta_2)|}{\left(1+\delta_1^{-1}\rho(x,y)\right)^{\sigma_1}}$$
(2.11)

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and consequently

$$I \le \frac{c|B(x,\delta_1)|}{(1+\delta_{\max}^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{(\sigma_1-d)\wedge\sigma_2}} \quad and \quad I \le \frac{c|B(y,\delta_2)|}{(1+\delta_{\max}^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma_1\wedge(\sigma_2-d)}}.$$
 (2.12)

Here $\delta_{\max} := \delta_1 \lor \delta_2$ and the constant c > 0 depends only on σ_1 , σ_2 , d, and c_0 . Recall also that $a \land b := \min\{a, b\}$.

Maximal δ -Nets

The construction of frames in our setting relies on a sequence of δ -nets. Such δ -nets on manifolds have been used earlier in [29] and in the current framework in [9,18,24]. Note that in [25] the frames where built in an alternative way by using the Christ's "dyadic cubes" [5].

By definition $\mathcal{X} \subset M$ is a δ -net on M ($\delta > 0$) if $\rho(\xi, \eta) \ge \delta$, $\forall \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{X}$, and $\mathcal{X} \subset M$ is a *maximal* δ -net on M if \mathcal{X} is a δ -net on M that cannot be enlarged.

Some basic properties of maximal δ -nets will be needed (see [9, Proposition 2.5]): A maximal δ -net on M always exists and if \mathcal{X} is a maximal δ -net on M, then

$$M = \bigcup_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} B(\xi, \delta)$$
 and $B(\xi, \delta/2) \cap B(\eta, \delta/2) = \emptyset$ if $\xi \neq \eta, \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{X}$. (2.13)

Furthermore, \mathcal{X} is countable and there exists a disjoint partition $\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ of M consisting of measurable sets such that

$$B(\xi, \delta/2) \subset A_{\xi} \subset B(\xi, \delta), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}.$$
(2.14)

The next lemma is a discrete counterpart of Lemma 2.7; its proof is deferred to the appendix.

Lemma 2.8 Let $\sigma > d$ and $0 < \delta \le \delta_1 \le \delta_2$. Suppose $\mathcal{X} \subset M$ is a δ -net on M. Then

$$\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{1}{\left(1 + \delta_1^{-1} \rho(x,\xi)\right)^{\sigma} \left(1 + \delta_2^{-1} \rho(y,\xi)\right)^{\sigma}} \le \frac{c(\delta_1/\delta)^d}{\left(1 + \delta_2^{-1} \rho(x,y)\right)^{\sigma}}, \quad \forall x, y \in M,$$
(2.15)

where the constant c > 0 depends only on σ , d, and the constant c_0 from (1.1).

2.3 Maximal Inequality

We shall use the version M_t (t > 0) of the maximal operator defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_{t}f(x) := \sup_{B \ni x} \left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_{B} |f|^{t} \, d\mu \right)^{1/t}, \quad x \in M,$$
(2.16)

where the sup is over all balls $B \subset M$ such that $x \in B$.

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With μ being a Radon measure on M obeying the doubling condition (1.2) the general theory of maximal operators applies and the Fefferman-Stein vector-valued maximal inequality holds [32]: If $0 , <math>0 < q \le \infty$, and $0 < t < \min\{p, q\}$ then for any sequence of functions $\{f_{\nu}\}$ on M

$$\left\| \left(\sum_{\nu} |\mathcal{M}_t f_{\nu}(\cdot)|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p} \le c \left\| \left(\sum_{\nu} |f_{\nu}(\cdot)|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p}.$$
 (2.17)

2.4 Spectral Spaces

As before E_{λ} , $\lambda \ge 0$, will be the spectral resolution associated with the self-adjoint positive operator L on $L^2 := L^2(M, d\mu)$. We let F_{λ} , $\lambda \ge 0$, denote the spectral resolution associated with \sqrt{L} , i.e. $F_{\lambda} = E_{\lambda^2}$. Then for any measurable and bounded function f on \mathbb{R}_+ the operator $f(\sqrt{L})$ is defined by $f(\sqrt{L}) = \int_0^\infty f(\lambda) dF_{\lambda}$ on L^2 . For the spectral projectors we have $E_{\lambda} = \mathbb{1}_{[0,\lambda]}(L) := \int_0^\infty \mathbb{1}_{[0,\lambda]}(u) dE_u$ and

$$F_{\lambda} = \mathbb{1}_{[0,\lambda]}(\sqrt{L}) := \int_0^\infty \mathbb{1}_{[0,\lambda]}(u) dF_u = \int_0^\infty \mathbb{1}_{[0,\lambda]}(\sqrt{u}) dE_u.$$
(2.18)

For any compact $K \subset [0, \infty)$ the spectral space Σ_K^p is defined by

$$\Sigma_K^p := \{ f \in L^p : \theta(\sqrt{L}) f = f \text{ for all } \theta \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+), \ \theta \equiv 1 \text{ on } K \}.$$

In general, given a space Y of measurable functions on M we set

$$\Sigma_{\lambda} = \Sigma_{\lambda}(Y) := \{ f \in Y : \theta(\sqrt{L}) f = f \text{ for all } \theta \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+), \ \theta \equiv 1 \text{ on } [0, \lambda] \}.$$

For the use of band limited functions on similar settings, such as Lie groups, we refer the reader to [27,28].

3 Distributions

Homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces associated with the operator L are spaces of distributions modulo generalized polynomials, and are introduced in [18]. Here we collect some basic facts from [18,24].

3.1 Basic Facts

In the setting of this article the class of *test functions* S is defined (see [24]) as the set of all complex-valued functions $\phi \in \bigcap_{m \ge 1} D(L^m)$ such that

$$\mathcal{P}_m(\phi) := \sup_{x \in M} \left(1 + \rho(x, x_0) \right)^m \max_{0 \le \nu \le m} |L^{\nu} \phi(x)| < \infty, \quad \forall m \ge 0.$$
(3.1)

Here $x_0 \in M$ is selected arbitrarily and fixed once and for all. Note that S is a complete locally convex space with topology generated by the above sequence of norms, i.e. S is a Fréchet space, see [30].

Observe also that if $\phi \in S$, then $\overline{\phi} \in S$, which follows from the fact that $\overline{L\phi} = L\overline{\phi}$, for L maps real-valued to real-valued functions.

The space S' of *distributions* on M is defined as the set of all continuous linear functionals on S and the action of $f \in S'$ on $\overline{\phi} \in S$ will be denoted by $\langle f, \phi \rangle := f(\overline{\phi})$, which is consistent with the inner product on $L^2(M)$.

Let us clarify the action of operators of the form $\varphi(\sqrt{L})$ on S'. Observe that if the function $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R})$, the Schwarz class on \mathbb{R} , is real-valued and even, then from Theorem 2.2 it follows that $\varphi(\sqrt{L})(x, \cdot) \in S$ and $\varphi(\sqrt{L})(\cdot, y) \in S$. Moreover, it is easy to see that $\varphi(\sqrt{L})$ maps continuously S into S.

Definition 3.1 We define $\varphi(\sqrt{L})f$ for any $f \in S'$ by

$$\langle \varphi(\sqrt{L})f, \phi \rangle := \langle f, \varphi(\sqrt{L})\phi \rangle \text{ for } \phi \in \mathcal{S}.$$
 (3.2)

From above it follows that, $\varphi(\sqrt{L})$ maps continuously S' into S'. Furthermore, if $\varphi, \psi \in S(\mathbb{R})$ are real-valued and even, then

$$\varphi(\sqrt{L})\psi(\sqrt{L})f = \psi(\sqrt{L})\varphi(\sqrt{L})f, \quad \forall f \in \mathcal{S}'.$$
(3.3)

3.2 Distributions Modulo Generalized Polynomials

We recall first the definition of generalized polynomials associated with the operator L.

Generalized Polynomials In the setting of this article, we define the set \mathcal{P}_m of "generalized polynomials" of degree $m \ (m \ge 1)$ by

$$\mathcal{P}_m := \{ g \in \mathcal{S}' : L^m g = 0 \}$$

$$(3.4)$$

and set $\mathcal{P} := \bigcup_{m \ge 1} \mathcal{P}_m$. Clearly, $g \in \mathcal{P}_m$ if and only if $\langle g, L^m \phi \rangle = 0$ for all $\phi \in S$.

We define an equivalence $f \sim g$ on S' by

$$f \sim g \iff f - g \in \mathcal{P}.$$

We denote by S'/\mathcal{P} the set of all equivalent classes in S'. To avoid unnecessary complicated notation we shall make no difference between any two elements f_1 , f_2 belonging to one and the same equivalence class in S'/\mathcal{P} .

Note that the null space of *L* contains no nontrivial test functions:

Proposition 3.2 Let $\mathcal{N}(L^k) := \{f \in D(L^k) : L^k f = 0\}, \forall k \ge 0.$ Then

$$\mathcal{N}(L) \cap L^2(M) = \{0\} \text{ and hence } \mathcal{N}(L^k) \cap L^2(M) = \{0\}, \forall k \in \mathbb{N}.$$
 (3.5)

The Classes S_{∞} and S'_{∞} . Denote by S_{∞} the set of all functions $\phi \in S$ such that for every $k \ge 1$ there exists $\omega_k \in S$ such that $\phi = L^k \omega_k$, that is, $L^{-k} \phi \in S$ for all $k \ge 1$. Note that from Proposition 3.2 it follows that ω_k above is unique and hence $L^{-k} \phi$ is well defined.

The topology in \mathcal{S}_{∞} is defined by the sequence of norms

$$\mathcal{P}_{m}^{\star}(\phi) := \sup_{x \in M} \left(1 + \rho(x, x_{0}) \right)^{m} \max_{-m \le \nu \le m} |L^{\nu}\phi(x)|, \quad m \ge 0.$$
(3.6)

We denote by S'_{∞} the set of all continuous linear functional on S_{∞} . As before the action of $f \in S'_{\infty}$ on $\overline{\phi} \in S_{\infty}$ will be denoted by $\langle f, \phi \rangle$. Apparently, for any $f \in S'_{\infty}$ there exist constants $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and c > 0 such that

$$|\langle f, \phi \rangle| \le c \,\mathcal{P}_m^{\star}(\phi), \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}_{\infty}.$$
(3.7)

Several remarks are in order:

- (1) Let $\theta \in S(\mathbb{R})$ be real-valued and $\theta^{(\nu)}(0) = 0$ for $\nu = 0, 1, \dots$ Then for any $k \ge 1$ we have $\lambda^{-2k}\theta(\lambda) \in S(\mathbb{R})$, which implies that $L^{-k}\theta(\sqrt{L})\phi \in S$ for each $\phi \in S$ and hence $\theta(\sqrt{L})\phi \in S_{\infty}, \forall \phi \in S$.
- (2) Clearly, if $\phi \in S_{\infty}$, then $L^k \phi \in S_{\infty}$ and $L^{-k} \phi \in S_{\infty}$, $\forall k \ge 0$.
- (3) It is important to note that S_{∞} is a Fréchet space, since it is complete.
- (4) If $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ is even and real-valued, then

$$L^{-k}\varphi(\sqrt{L})\phi = \varphi(\sqrt{L})L^{-k}\phi, \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}_{\infty}, \ \forall k \ge 1,$$
(3.8)

and hence

$$\varphi(\sqrt{L})\phi \in \mathcal{S}_{\infty}, \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}_{\infty}.$$
(3.9)

Moreover, $\varphi(\sqrt{L})$ maps S_{∞} into S_{∞} continuously.

(5) The action of operators of the form $\varphi(\sqrt{L})$ on S'_{∞} , where $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R})$ is real-valued and even, needs some further clarification:

Definition 3.3 We define $\varphi(\sqrt{L})f$ for any $f \in S'_{\infty}$ by

$$\langle \varphi(\sqrt{L})f, \phi \rangle := \langle f, \varphi(\sqrt{L})\phi \rangle \text{ for } \phi \in \mathcal{S}_{\infty}.$$
 (3.10)

From (4) above it follows that, $\varphi(\sqrt{L})$ maps continuously S'_{∞} into S'_{∞} . In addition, if $\varphi, \psi \in S(\mathbb{R})$ are real-valued and even, then

$$\varphi(\sqrt{L})\psi(\sqrt{L})f = \psi(\sqrt{L})\varphi(\sqrt{L})f, \quad \forall f \in S'_{\infty}.$$
(3.11)

Proposition 3.4 Suppose $\varphi \in S(\mathbb{R})$ is real-valued and even and $\varphi^{(\nu)}(0) = 0$ for $\nu = 0, 1, \dots$ Then for any $f \in S'_{\infty}$

$$\varphi(\sqrt{L})f(x) = \langle f, \varphi(\sqrt{L})(x, \cdot) \rangle, \quad x \in M.$$
(3.12)

Moreover, $\varphi(\sqrt{L})f$ *is a continuous and slowly growing function.*

Proposition 3.5 We have the following identification:

$$S'/\mathfrak{P} = S'_{\infty}.$$
 (3.13)

From Proposition 3.5 it follows that for a sequence $\{f_j\} \subset S'/\mathcal{P}$ and $f \in S'/\mathcal{P}$ we have

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$$f_j \to f \text{ in } \mathcal{S}'/\mathcal{P} \text{ if and only if } \langle f_j, \phi \rangle \to \langle f, \phi \rangle, \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}_{\infty}.$$
 (3.14)

The main decomposition result takes the form:

Theorem 3.6 Let $\Psi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+)$, supp $\Psi \subset [b^{-1}, b]$ with b > 1, Ψ real-valued, and

$$\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \Psi(b^{-j}\lambda) = 1 \quad for \quad \lambda \in (0, \infty).$$
(3.15)

Then for any $f \in \mathcal{S}'/\mathcal{P}$

$$f = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \Psi(b^{-j}\sqrt{L}) f \quad in \quad S'/\mathcal{P},$$
(3.16)

that is, for any $f \in S'_{\infty}$

$$\lim_{n,m\to\infty}\sum_{j=-n}^{m} \left\langle \Psi(b^{-j}\sqrt{L})f,\phi\right\rangle = \langle f,\phi\rangle, \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}_{\infty}.$$
(3.17)

Remark 3.7 In the case when $M = \mathbb{R}^d$ and $L = -\Delta$ (the Laplacian) the distributions modulo generalized polynomials S'/\mathcal{P} introduced in Sect. 3.2 are just the classical tempered distributions modulo polynomials on \mathbb{R}^d . Therefore, our general setting covers the classical case on \mathbb{R}^d .

4 Frames

In the setting of this article frames are constructed in [9,18,24]. For frames on compact homogeneous manifolds see [17].

We next recall the construction of frames.

Construction of Frame # 1 We first apply Theorem 2.4 for the construction of a real-valued cutoff function Φ with the following properties: $\Phi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+)$, $\Phi(u) = 1$ for $u \in [0, 1]$, $0 \le \Phi \le 1$, and supp $\Phi \subset [0, b]$, where b > 1 is a constant, see [24]. Set

$$\Psi(u) := \Phi(u) - \Phi(bu). \tag{4.1}$$

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Observe that $\Psi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ and $\sup \Psi \subset [b^{-1}, b]$. By Theorem 2.4 $\Psi(\delta \sqrt{L})$ is an integral operator with kernel $\Psi(\delta \sqrt{L})(x, y)$ of sub-exponential localization, that is,

$$|\Psi(\delta\sqrt{L})(x, y)| \le \frac{c_\diamond \exp\left\{-\kappa \left(\frac{\rho(x, y)}{\delta}\right)^\beta\right\}}{\left(|B(x, \delta)||B(y, \delta)|)^{1/2}}, \quad \forall x, y \in M.$$
(4.2)

Here $0 < \beta < 1$ is an arbitrary constant (as close to 1 as we wish) and $\kappa > 0$ and $c_{\diamond} > 1$ are constants depending only on β , b, and the constants c_0, C^*, c^* from (1.1)–(1.4). Furthermore, for any $m \ge 1$

$$|[L^m \Psi(\delta \sqrt{L})](x, y)| \le \frac{c_m \delta^{-2m} \exp\left\{-\kappa \left(\frac{\rho(x, y)}{\delta}\right)^{\beta}\right\}}{\left(|B(x, \delta)||B(y, \delta)|\right)^{1/2}}, \quad \forall x, y \in M.$$
(4.3)

Set

$$\Psi_j(u) := \Psi(b^{-j}u), \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$
(4.4)

Clearly, $\Psi_j \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+), 0 \leq \Psi_j \leq 1$, supp $\Psi_j \subset [b^{j-1}, b^{j+1}], j \in \mathbb{Z}$, and

$$\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}}\Psi_j(u)=1\quad\text{for }u\in(0,\infty).$$

Therefore, by Theorem 3.6 for any $f \in S'/\mathcal{P}$

$$f = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \Psi_j(\sqrt{L}) f \quad \text{(convergence in } \mathcal{S}'/\mathcal{P}\text{)}. \tag{4.5}$$

The sampling Theorem 4.2 from [9] will play an important role in this construction. In particular, this theorem yields the following

Proposition 4.1 For any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists a constant γ ($0 < \gamma < 1$) such that for any maximal δ -net \mathcal{X} on M with $\delta := \gamma \lambda^{-1}$, $\lambda > 0$, and a companion disjoint partition $\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ of M as in Sect. 2.2 consisting of measurable sets such that $B(\xi, \delta/2) \subset A_{\xi} \subset B(\xi, \delta), \xi \in \mathcal{X}$, we have

$$(1-\varepsilon)\|f\|_{2}^{2} \leq \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} |A_{\xi}| |f(\xi)|^{2} \leq (1+\varepsilon)\|f\|_{2}^{2}, \quad \forall f \in \Sigma_{\lambda}^{2}.$$
(4.6)

At this point, we introduce a constant $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ that will be specified later on. We use the above proposition to produce for each $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ a maximal δ_j -net \mathcal{X}_j on M with $\delta_j := \gamma b^{-j-2}$ and a disjoint partition $\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j}$ of M such that

$$(1-\varepsilon)\|f\|_{2}^{2} \leq \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |A_{\xi}| |f(\xi)|^{2} \leq (1+\varepsilon)\|f\|_{2}^{2}, \quad \forall f \in \Sigma_{b^{j+2}}^{2}.$$
(4.7)

Set $\mathcal{X} := \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{X}_j$, where equal points from different sets \mathcal{X}_j will be regarded as distinct elements of \mathcal{X} , and hence \mathcal{X} can be used as an index set.

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Frame # 1 { ψ_{ξ} } $_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is defined by

$$\psi_{\xi}(x) := |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} \Psi_j(\sqrt{L})(x,\xi), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}_j, \ j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$
(4.8)

Construction of Frame #2

A dual frame $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}\$ is constructed similarly as in [24] with properties similar to the properties of $\{\psi_{\xi}\}$.

The first step in this construction is to introduce a cutoff function

$$\Gamma(u) = \Phi(b^{-2}u) - \Phi(bu), \tag{4.9}$$

where Φ is from the construction of Frame #1. Clearly, supp $\Gamma \subset [b^{-1}, b^3]$ and $\Gamma = 1$ on $[1, b^2]$, implying $\Gamma(u)\Psi_1(u) = \Psi_1(u)$.

The construction of Frame # 2 hinges on the following

Lemma 4.2 [9] There exists a constant $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ such that the following claim holds true. Given $\lambda > 0$, let \mathcal{X} be a maximal δ -net on M, where $\delta := \gamma \lambda^{-1} b^{-3}$ with γ the constant from Proposition 4.1, and suppose $\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a companion disjoint partition of M consisting of measurable sets such that $B(\xi, \delta/2) \subset A_{\xi} \subset B(\xi, \delta)$, $\xi \in \mathcal{X}$ (Sect. 2.2). Set $\omega_{\xi} := (1 + \varepsilon)^{-1} |A_{\xi}| \sim |B(\xi, \delta)|$. Then there exists a linear operator $T_{\lambda} : L^{2}(M) \rightarrow L^{2}(M)$ of the form $T_{\lambda} = \mathrm{Id} + S_{\lambda}$ such that

(a)

$$||f||_2 \le ||T_{\lambda}f||_2 \le \frac{1}{1-2\varepsilon} ||f||_2, \quad \forall f \in L^2.$$

(b) S_{λ} is an integral operator with kernel $S_{\lambda}(x, y)$ verifying

$$|S_{\lambda}(x, y)| \le \frac{c \exp\left\{-\frac{\kappa}{2} (\lambda \rho(x, y))^{\rho}\right\}}{(|B(x, \lambda^{-1})||B(y, \lambda^{-1})|)^{1/2}}, \quad \forall x, y \in M.$$
(4.10)

(c) $S_{\lambda}(L^2) \subset \Sigma^2_{[\lambda b^{-1}, \lambda b^3]}$. (d) For any $f \in L^2(M)$ such that $\Gamma(\lambda^{-1}\sqrt{L})f = f$ we have

$$f(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \omega_{\xi} f(\xi) T_{\lambda}[\Gamma_{\lambda}(\cdot, \xi)](x), \quad \forall x \in M,$$
(4.11)

where $\Gamma_{\lambda}(\cdot, \cdot)$ is the kernel of the operator $\Gamma_{\lambda} := \Gamma(\lambda^{-1}\sqrt{L})$ with Γ from (4.9).

We use the above lemma to select the constant ε (0 < ε < 1) that was used in the construction of Frame #1.

Let \mathcal{X}_j and $\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j}$ be as in the definition of Frame #1. Denote briefly $\Gamma_{\lambda_j} = \Gamma(b^{-j+1}\sqrt{L})$ for $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ with $\lambda_j := b^{j-1}$, and let $T_{\lambda_j} = \mathrm{Id} + S_{\lambda_j}$ be the operator from

Lemma 4.2, applied with $\lambda = \lambda_j$. The dual frame $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is defined by

$$\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}(x) := c_{\varepsilon} |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} T_{\lambda_j} \big[\Gamma_{\lambda_j}(\cdot, \xi) \big](x), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}_j, \ j \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad c_{\varepsilon} := (1+\varepsilon)^{-1}.$$
(4.12)

In the next theorem we record the main properties of $\{\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ and $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$.

Theorem 4.3 [18, Theorem 4.3]

(a) Representation: For any $f \in S'/\mathcal{P}$,

$$f = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle \psi_{\xi} = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \langle f, \psi_{\xi} \rangle \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \quad in \quad \mathcal{S}'/\mathcal{P}.$$
(4.13)

(b) Space localization: For any $0 < \hat{\kappa} < \kappa/2$, $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, and any $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j$, $j \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$|L^{m}\psi_{\xi}(x)|, |L^{m}\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}(x)| \le c_{m}b^{2jm}|B(\xi, b^{-j})|^{-1/2}\exp\left\{-\hat{\kappa}(b^{j}\rho(x, \xi))^{\beta}\right\}.$$
(4.14)

- (c) Spectral localization: $\psi_{\xi} \in \Sigma_{[b^{j-1}, b^{j+1}]}^{p}$ and $\tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \in \Sigma_{[b^{j-2}, b^{j+2}]}^{p}$ for $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}$, $j \in \mathbb{Z}, 0 .$
- (d) Norms: For any $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j$, $j \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$\|\psi_{\xi}\|_{p} \sim \|\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\|_{p} \sim |B(\xi, b^{-j})|^{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}} \quad for \ 0
(4.15)$$

(e) Frame: The system $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}$ as well as $\{\psi_{\xi}\}$ is a frame for L^2 , namely, there exists a constant c > 0 such that

$$c^{-1} \|f\|_2^2 \le \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} |\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle|^2 \le c \|f\|_2^2, \quad \forall f \in L^2.$$
(4.16)

5 Homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin Spaces

Homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces in the setting of this article are developed in [18]. Next, we recall the definition of these spaces and some basic results on them.

Definition of Homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin Spaces To deal with possible anisotropic geometries we introduced in [18] two types of homogeneous Besov (B) and Triebel–Lizorkin (F) spaces:

- (i) Classical homogeneous B-spaces $\dot{B}_{pq}^{s} = \dot{B}_{pq}^{s}(L)$ and F-spaces $\dot{F}_{pq}^{s} = \dot{F}_{pq}^{s}(L)$, and
- (ii) Nonclassical homogeneous B-spaces $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s} = \dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}(L)$ and F-spaces $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s} = \dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}(L)$.

Let the function $\varphi \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ satisfy

$$\sup \varphi \subset [1/2, 2], \ |\varphi(\lambda)| \ge c > 0 \ \text{for } \lambda \in [2^{-3/4}, 2^{3/4}].$$
(5.1)

Then $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |\varphi(2^{-j}\lambda)| \ge c > 0$ for $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+$. Set $\varphi_j(\lambda) := \varphi(2^{-j}\lambda)$ for $j \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Definition 5.1 Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 < p, q \leq \infty$.

(i) The Besov space $\dot{B}_{pq}^s = \dot{B}_{pq}^s(L)$ is defined as the set of all $f \in \mathcal{S}'/\mathcal{P}$ such that

$$\|f\|_{\dot{B}^{s}_{pq}} \coloneqq \left(\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}} \left(2^{js} \|\varphi_{j}(\sqrt{L})f(\cdot)\|_{L^{p}}\right)^{q}\right)^{1/q} < \infty.$$

$$(5.2)$$

(ii) The Besov space $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^s = \dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^s(L)$ is defined as the set of all $f \in \mathcal{S}'/\mathcal{P}$ such that

$$\|f\|_{\dot{B}^{s}_{pq}} := \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(\||B(\cdot, 2^{-j})|^{-s/d} \varphi_{j}(\sqrt{L})f(\cdot)\|_{L^{p}} \right)^{q} \right)^{1/q} < \infty.$$
(5.3)

Definition 5.2 Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 , and <math>0 < q \le \infty$.

(a) The Triebel–Lizorkin space $\dot{F}_{pq}^s = \dot{F}_{pq}^s(L)$ is defined as the set of all $f \in S'/\mathcal{P}$ such that

$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}} := \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(2^{js} |\varphi_j(\sqrt{L})f(\cdot)| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p} < \infty.$$
(5.4)

(b) The Triebel–Lizorkin space $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^s = \dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^s(L)$ is defined as the set of all $f \in S'/\mathcal{P}$ such that

$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}_{pq}^{s}} := \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(|B(\cdot, 2^{-j})|^{-s/d} |\varphi_j(\sqrt{L}) f(\cdot)| \right)^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^p} < \infty.$$
(5.5)

Above in both definitions the ℓ^q -norm is replaced by the sup-norm if $q = \infty$.

Several remarks regarding the homogeneous Besov and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces are in order.

- The above definitions of the spaces B^s_{pq}, B^s_{pq}, F^s_{pq}, and F^s_{pq} are independent of the particular selection of the function φ ∈ C[∞](ℝ₊) obeying (5.1).
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- (2) In the definitions of the \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} , \tilde{B}_{pq} , \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , and \tilde{F}_{pq} spaces above the role of the constant 2 can be played by an arbitrary $\beta > 1$, then e.g. 2^{js} in (5.2) and (5.4) will be replaced by β^{js} . and then the resulting norms are equivalent to the ones from Definitions 5.1 and 5.2.

(3) The space S_{∞} is continuously embedded in each of the spaces \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , and $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$ and each of the last is continuously embedded in $S'/\mathcal{P} = S'_{\infty}$.

(4) Each of the spaces \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , and $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$ is continuously embedded in \mathcal{S}'/\mathcal{P} , that is, there exist constants $m \ge 0$ and c > 0, depending on s, p, q, such that

$$|\langle f, \phi \rangle| \le c \|f\|_{\dot{B}^{s}_{pq}} \mathcal{P}^{\star}_{m}(\phi), \quad \forall f \in \dot{B}^{s}_{pq}, \quad \forall \phi \in \mathcal{S}_{\infty},$$
(5.6)

and similar inequalities hold for \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} , \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , and \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} . (5) By a standard argument the above assertion readily implies that the spaces \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} ,

(5) By a standard argument the above assertion readily implies that the spaces B_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , and $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$ are complete and hence they are quasi-Banach spaces (Banach spaces if $p, q \ge 1$).

Frame Decomposition of Homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin Spaces

One of the main results in [18] asserts that the homogeneous Besov and Triebel– Lizorkin spaces in the setting of this article can be characterized in terms of respective sequence norms of the frame coefficients of distributions, using the frames $\{\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$, $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ from Sect. 4. As is Sect. 4 $\mathcal{X} := \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{X}_j$ will denote the sets of the centers of the frame elements and $\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j}$ will be the associated partitions of M.

In the following we first recall the definition of the homogeneous sequence spaces \dot{b}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\bar{b}}_{pq}^{s}$, and \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\bar{f}}_{pq}^{s}$, associated with the \dot{B} - and \dot{F} -spaces, and then give the frame characterization of the \dot{B} - and \dot{F} -spaces.

Definition 5.3 Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 < p, q \leq \infty$.

(a) \dot{b}_{pq}^s is defined as the space of all complex-valued sequences $a := \{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ such that

$$\|a\|_{\dot{b}^{s}_{pq}} := \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} b^{jsq} \left[\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \left(|B(\xi, b^{-j})|^{1/p - 1/2} |a_{\xi}|\right)^{p}\right]^{q/p}\right)^{1/q} < \infty.$$
(5.7)

(b) \tilde{b}_{pq}^{*} is defined as the space of all complex-valued sequences $a := \{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ such that

$$\|a\|_{\dot{b}^{s}_{pq}} := \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \left(|B(\xi, b^{-j})|^{-s/d+1/p-1/2} |a_{\xi}|\right)^{p}\right]^{q/p}\right)^{1/q} < \infty.$$
(5.8)

Definition 5.4 Suppose $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 , and <math>0 < q \le \infty$.

(a) \dot{f}_{pq}^s is defined as the space of all complex-valued sequences $a := \{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ such that

$$\|a\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} := \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} b^{jsq} \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \left[|a_{\xi}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} < \infty.$$
(5.9)

(b) \tilde{f}_{pq} is defined as the space of all complex-valued sequences $a := \{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ such that

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$$\|a\|_{\dot{f}_{pq}^{s}} := \left\| \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left[|A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} |a_{\xi}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} < \infty.$$
(5.10)

Here $\tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}} := |A_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \mathbb{1}_{A_{\xi}}$ with $\mathbb{1}_{A_{\xi}}$ being the characteristic function of A_{ξ} . Above as usual the ℓ^p or ℓ^q norm is replaced by the sup-norm if $p = \infty$ or $q = \infty$. The "analysis" and "synthesis" operators are defined by

$$S_{\tilde{\psi}}: f \to \{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \text{ and } T_{\psi}: \{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \to \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} a_{\xi} \psi_{\xi}.$$
(5.11)

Here the roles of $\{\psi_{\xi}\}$ and $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}$ can be interchanged.

Theorem 5.5 [18, Theorem 5.6] Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 < p, q \le \infty$. (a) The operators $S_{\tilde{\psi}} : \dot{B}_{pq}^s \to \dot{b}_{pq}^s$ and $T_{\psi} : \dot{b}_{pq}^s \to \dot{B}_{pq}^s$ are bounded and $T_{\psi} \circ S_{\tilde{\psi}} = Id$ on \dot{B}_{pq}^s . Consequently, for $f \in S'/\mathbb{P}$ we have $f \in \dot{B}_{pq}^s$ if and only if $\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \in \dot{b}_{pq}^s$. Moreover, if $f \in \dot{B}_{pq}^s$, then $\|f\|_{\dot{B}_{pq}^s} \sim \|\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}\|_{\dot{b}_{pq}^s}$ and

$$\|f\|_{\dot{B}^{s}_{pq}} \sim \left(\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}} b^{jsq} \left[\sum_{\xi\in\mathcal{X}_{j}} \|\langle f,\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\rangle\psi_{\xi}\|_{p}^{p}\right]^{q/p}\right)^{1/q}.$$
(5.12)

(b) The operators $S_{\tilde{\psi}} : \dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s} \to \dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$ and $T_{\psi} : \dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s} \to \dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$ are bounded and $T_{\psi} \circ S_{\tilde{\psi}} = Id$ on $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$. Hence, $f \in \tilde{\tilde{B}}_{pq} \iff \{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \in \dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$. Furthermore, if $f \in \dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, then $\|f\|_{\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}}^{s} \sim \|\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}\|_{\dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}}^{s}$ and

$$\|f\|_{\dot{B}^{s}_{pq}} \sim \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \left(|B(\xi, b^{-j})|^{-s/d} \|\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle \psi_{\xi}\|_{p}\right)^{p}\right]^{q/p}\right)^{1/q}.$$
 (5.13)

Above in (a) and (b) the roles of $\{\psi_{\xi}\}$ and $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}$ can be interchanged.

Theorem 5.6 [18, Theorem 5.7] Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 and <math>0 < q \le \infty$. (a) The operators $S_{\tilde{\psi}} : \dot{F}_{pq}^s \to \dot{f}_{pq}^s$ and $T_{\psi} : \dot{f}_{pq}^s \to \dot{F}_{pq}^s$ are bounded and $T_{\tilde{\psi}} \circ S_{\psi} = Id$ on \dot{F}_{pq}^s . Consequently, $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^s$ if and only if $\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \in \dot{f}_{pq}^s$, and if $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^s$, then $\|f\|_{\dot{F}_{pq}^s} \sim \|\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}\|_{\dot{f}_{pq}^s}$. Furthermore,

$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}} \sim \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} b^{jsq} \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \left[|\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle| |\psi_{\xi}(\cdot)| \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}}.$$
(5.14)

(b) The operators $S_{\tilde{\psi}} : \dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s} \to \dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$ and $T_{\psi} : \dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s} \to \dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$ are bounded and $T_{\tilde{\psi}} \circ S_{\psi} = Id$ on $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$. Hence, $f \in \dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$ if and only if $\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \in \dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$, and if $f \in \dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$, then $\|f\|_{\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}} \sim \|\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle\}\|_{\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}}$. Furthermore,

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$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}_{pq}^{s}} \sim \left\| \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left[|B(\xi, b^{-j})|^{-s/d} |\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle | |\psi_{\xi}(\cdot)| \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}}.$$
 (5.15)

As before the roles of ψ_{ξ} and $\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}$ can be interchanged.

6 Almost Diagonal Operators

As in the classical case on \mathbb{R}^n (see [15]), we shall introduce almost diagonal operators acting on the sequence homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces. In fact, our definition for almost diagonal operators is a refinement of the one given in [10] in the inhomogeneous case.

As in the definition of the sequence Besov and Triebel-Lizorkin spaces in Sect. 5

$$\mathcal{X} := \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{X}_j \tag{6.1}$$

will be the set of centers of the frame elements ψ_{ξ} and $\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}, \xi \in \mathcal{X}$, and

$$\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi\in\mathcal{X}_{i}}, \quad \bigcup_{\xi\in\mathcal{X}_{i}}A_{\xi}=M, \quad j\in\mathbb{Z},$$
(6.2)

will denote the companion disjoint partitions of M.

Remark 6.1 As indicated above the sets \mathcal{X}_j , $j \in \mathbb{Z}$, $\mathcal{X} := \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{X}_j$ are from the definition of the frames $\{\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$, $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ in Sect. 4. Note that once the constant $\gamma > 0$ is fixed (see Sect. 4), each set \mathcal{X}_j is an arbitrary maximal δ_j -net on M with $\delta_j = \gamma b^{-j-2}$. Therefore, there is no uniqueness in the selection of these sets. In what follows we shall assume that once selected these sets are fixed, once and for all.

A similar observation is valid about the sets $A_{\xi}, \xi \in \mathcal{X}_j$, from (6.2). They form an arbitrary disjoint partition of M consisting of measurable sets such that

$$B(\xi, \delta_i/2) \subset A_{\xi} \subset B(\xi, \delta_i), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}_i.$$
(6.3)

Again there is no uniqueness. We shall consider them fixed, once and for all.

It will be convenient to us to use the notation

$$\ell(\xi) := b^{-j}$$
 and $B_{\xi} := B(\xi, \delta_j)$ for $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j, \ j \in \mathbb{Z}$. (6.4)

Here b > 1 is the constant from the construction of the frames in Sect. 4. Observe that by (1.2) and (6.3) it follows that $|A_{\xi}| \sim |B_{\xi}| \sim |B(\xi, \ell(\xi))|$.

Definition 6.2 Let *A* be a linear operator acting on one of the spaces $\dot{\vec{b}}_{pq}^s$, $\dot{\vec{f}}_{pq}^s$, $\dot{\vec{b}}_{pq}^s$, $\dot{\vec{b}}_{pq}^s$, with associated matrix $(a_{\xi\eta})_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}}$. Let also $\mathcal{J} := d/\min\{1, p\}$ for $\dot{\vec{b}}_{pq}^s$, $\dot{\vec{b}}_{pq}^s$ and

 $\mathcal{J} := d/\min\{1, p, q\}$ for \dot{f}_{pq}^s , \dot{f}_{pq}^s . We say that the operator A is *almost diagonal* on the respective b- or f-space if there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\sup_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}}\frac{|a_{\xi\eta}|}{\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta)}<\infty$$

where

$$\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta) := \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{\delta} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\max\{\ell(\xi),\ell(\eta)\}}\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\delta} \times \min\left\{\left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{\delta}, \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\delta}\right\}$$
(6.5)

in the case of the spaces \dot{b}_{pq}^{s} or \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} , and

$$\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta) := \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{s/d+1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\max\{\ell(\xi),\ell(\eta)\}}\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\delta} \times \min\left\{\left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{\delta}, \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\delta}\right\}$$
(6.6)

in the case of $\dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$ or $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$.

6.1 Boundedness of Almost Diagonal Operators

We next show that the almost diagonal operators are bounded on \dot{b}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$, \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} , or $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$, respectively. More precisely, with the notation

$$\|A\|_{\delta} := \sup_{\xi,\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{|a_{\xi\eta}|}{\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta)}$$
(6.7)

the following result holds:

Theorem 6.3 Suppose $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 < q \le \infty$, and $0 (<math>0 in the case of <math>\dot{b}$ -spaces) and let $||A||_{\delta} < \infty$ (in the sense of Definition 6.2) for some $\delta > 0$. Then there exists a constant c > 0 such that for any sequence $h := \{h_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \in \dot{b}_{pq}^{s}$

$$\|Ah\|_{\dot{b}^{s}_{pq}} \le c \|A\|_{\delta} \|h\|_{\dot{b}^{s}_{pq}},\tag{6.8}$$

and the same holds true with \dot{b}_{pq}^{s} replaced by $\dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$, \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} , or $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$.

The proof of this theorem will be carried out similarly as the proof of Theorem 3.3 in [15] or Theorem 4.4 in [10]. We place it in the appendix.

6.2 The Algebra of Almost Diagonal Operators

Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 (<math>0 in the case of <math>\dot{b}$ -spaces), and $0 < q \le \infty$ be fixed. We denote by \mathbf{ad}_{pq}^{s} the class of almost diagonal operators on \dot{b}_{pq}^{s} , \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} , \tilde{b}_{pq}^{s} , or \tilde{f}_{na}^{s} , equipped with the norm

$$\|A\|_{\mathbf{ad}_{pq}^{s}} := \inf_{\varepsilon > 0} \|A\|_{\varepsilon}, \tag{6.9}$$

where $||A||_{\varepsilon} := \sup_{\xi,\eta} |a_{\xi\eta}| / \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon)$, see (6.5)–(6.7).

This is a nondecreasing function of ε and, therefore, $||A||_{\mathbf{ad}_{pq}^{s}}$ is indeed a norm. Our next goal is to prove that the class \mathbf{ad}_{pa}^{s} is an algebra under composition.

Theorem 6.4 Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 , and <math>0 < q \le \infty$ (0 in the case of \dot{b} -spaces). Then for the respective \dot{b} - and \dot{f} -spaces the following claims hold:

- (i) If A, B ∈ ad^s_{pq}, then A ∘ B ∈ ad^s_{pq}.
 (ii) For any ε > 0 there exists δ > 0 such that if A ∈ ad^s_{pq} and ||I − A||_ε < δ, then A is invertible and $A^{-1} \in \mathbf{ad}_{pa}^{s}$.

We shall carry out the proof of this theorem in the spirit of the proof of Theorem 9.1 in [15]. We need some additional notation. For any $\beta, \gamma > 0$ and $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{X}$ we set:

(i) in the case of \dot{b}_{pq}^{s} and \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} ,

$$\omega_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma) := \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^s \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\max\{\ell(\xi),\ell(\eta)\}}\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \times \min\left\{\left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{\gamma}, \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\gamma}\right\},\tag{6.10}$$

(ii) in the case of $\dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$ and $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$,

$$\omega_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma) := \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{s/d+1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\max\{\ell(\xi),\ell(\eta)\}}\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \times \min\left\{\left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{\gamma}, \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\gamma}\right\}.$$
(6.11)

Furthermore, given β , γ_1 , $\gamma_2 > 0$ and ξ , $\eta \in \mathcal{X}$, we set

$$W_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma_1,\gamma_2) := \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}} \omega_{\xi\zeta}(\beta,\gamma_1) \omega_{\zeta\eta}(\beta,\gamma_2).$$
(6.12)

The following lemma will be instrumental in the proof of Theorem 6.4.

Lemma 6.5 Let β , γ_1 , $\gamma_2 > 0$ be such that $\gamma_1 \neq \gamma_2$ and $\beta < \gamma_1 + \gamma_2$. Then for any $\xi, \eta \in \mathcal{X}$

$$W_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma_1,\gamma_2) \le c\omega_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma_1\wedge\gamma_2),\tag{6.13}$$

where the constant c > 0 depends on β , γ_1 , γ_2 , \mathcal{J} , and the constant c_0 from (1.1).

Proof We shall only carry out the proof for the spaces \dot{b}_{pq}^s and \dot{f}_{pq}^s . The proof for the spaces $\dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^s$ and $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^s$ is similar. Assume $\ell(\xi) \leq \ell(\eta)$. Clearly, by (6.10)–(6.12)

$$\begin{split} W_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma_{1},\gamma_{2}) &= \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}} \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)} \right)^{s} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|} \right)^{1/2} \\ &\times \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\zeta)}{\max\{\ell(\xi),\ell(\zeta)\}} \right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\zeta,\eta)}{\max\{\ell(\zeta),\ell(\eta)\}} \right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \\ &\times \min\left\{ \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\zeta)} \right)^{\gamma_{1}}, \left(\frac{\ell(\zeta)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{\mathcal{J}+\gamma_{1}} \right\} \min\left\{ \left(\frac{\ell(\zeta)}{\ell(\eta)} \right)^{\gamma_{2}}, \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\zeta)} \right)^{\mathcal{J}+\gamma_{2}} \right\}. \end{split}$$

Let $\ell(\xi) = b^{-j}$, $\ell(\eta) = b^{-\nu}$, $\nu \leq j$. Then

$$W_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma_1,\gamma_2) = \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^s \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2 + \Sigma_3\right),$$

where

$$\Sigma_{1} = \sum_{m=j+1}^{\infty} \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \zeta)}{\max\{\ell(\xi), \ell(\zeta)\}} \right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\zeta, \eta)}{\max\{\ell(\zeta), \ell(\eta)\}} \right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \times \min\left\{ \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\zeta)} \right)^{\gamma_{1}}, \left(\frac{\ell(\zeta)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{\mathcal{J}+\gamma_{1}} \right\} \min\left\{ \left(\frac{\ell(\zeta)}{\ell(\eta)} \right)^{\gamma_{2}}, \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\zeta)} \right)^{\mathcal{J}+\gamma_{2}} \right\}$$

and $\Sigma_2 = \sum_{m=\nu}^{j} \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}_m} \cdots$, $\Sigma_3 = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\nu-1} \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}_m} \cdots$ for the same quantity. Applying (2.15) we get

$$\begin{split} \Sigma_1 &= \sum_{m=j+1}^{\infty} \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}_m} \frac{b^{(\mathcal{J}+\gamma_1)(j-m)} b^{\gamma_2(\nu-m)}}{\left(1+b^j \rho(\xi,\zeta)\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\beta} \left(1+b^{\nu} \rho(\zeta,\eta)\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\beta}} \\ &\leq c \left(1+b^{\nu} \rho(\xi,\eta)\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \sum_{m=j+1}^{\infty} b^{(\mathcal{J}+\gamma_1)(j-m)} b^{\gamma_2(\nu-m)} b^{d(m-j)} \\ &\leq c \left(1+b^{\nu} \rho(\xi,\eta)\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} b^{\gamma_2(\nu-j)}, \end{split}$$

where for the last inequality we used that $\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 > 0$ and $\mathcal{J} \ge d$.

We use again (2.15) to obtain

$$\Sigma_{2} = \sum_{m=\nu}^{j} \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} \frac{b^{\gamma_{1}(m-j)} b^{\gamma_{2}(\nu-m)}}{(1+b^{m}\rho(\xi,\zeta))^{\mathcal{J}+\beta} (1+b^{\nu}\rho(\zeta,\eta))^{\mathcal{J}+\beta}} \\ \leq c \left(1+b^{\nu}\rho(\xi,\eta)\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \sum_{m=\nu}^{j} b^{\gamma_{1}(m-j)} b^{\gamma_{2}(\nu-m)}.$$

If $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2$, then

$$\sum_{m=\nu}^{j} b^{\gamma_1(m-j)} b^{\gamma_2(\nu-m)} \le \sum_{m=\nu}^{\infty} b^{(\gamma_1-\gamma_2)m} b^{-\gamma_1 j} b^{\gamma_2 \nu} \le c b^{\gamma_1(\nu-j)}.$$

If $\gamma_1 > \gamma_2$, then

$$\sum_{m=\nu}^{j} b^{\gamma_1(m-j)} b^{\gamma_2(\nu-m)} \le \sum_{m=-\infty}^{j} b^{(\gamma_1-\gamma_2)m} b^{-\gamma_1 j} b^{\gamma_2 \nu} \le c b^{\gamma_2(\nu-j)}.$$

In both cases we get

$$\Sigma_2 \le c \left(1 + b^{\nu} \rho(\xi, \eta) \right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} b^{(\gamma_1 \wedge \gamma_2)(\nu-j)}.$$

To estimate Σ_3 we use again (2.15) and obtain

$$\Sigma_{3} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\nu-1} \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} \frac{b^{\gamma_{1}(m-j)}b^{(\mathcal{J}+\gamma_{2})(m-\nu)}}{(1+b^{m}\rho(\xi,\zeta))^{\mathcal{J}+\beta}(1+b^{m}\rho(\zeta,\eta))^{\mathcal{J}+\beta}} \\ \leq c \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\nu-1} (1+b^{m}\rho(\xi,\eta))^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} b^{\gamma_{1}(m-j)}b^{(\mathcal{J}+\gamma_{2})(m-\nu)}.$$

However, if m < v, then

$$\left(1+b^{m}\rho(\xi,\eta)\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \leq b^{(\mathcal{J}+\beta)(\nu-m)} \left(1+b^{\nu}\rho(\xi,\eta)\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta}$$

and due to $\gamma_1 + \gamma_2 > \beta$

$$\sum_{m=-\infty}^{\nu-1} b^{\gamma_1(m-j)} b^{(\mathcal{J}+\gamma_2)(m-\nu)} b^{(\mathcal{J}+\beta)(\nu-m)} = \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\nu-1} b^{(\gamma_1+\gamma_2-\beta)m} b^{-\gamma_1 j} b^{-\gamma_2 \nu} b^{\beta \nu} \le c b^{\gamma_1(\nu-j)}.$$

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Hence

$$\Sigma_3 \leq c \left(1 + b^{\nu} \rho(\xi, \eta) \right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} b^{\gamma_1(\nu-j)}.$$

Putting the above estimates together we get for $\ell(\xi) \leq \ell(\eta)$

$$W_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma_1,\gamma_2) \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^s \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{\gamma_1 \wedge \gamma_2}$$

Just in the same way one shows that if $\ell(\xi) > \ell(\eta)$, then

$$W_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma_1,\gamma_2) \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^s \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\beta} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\gamma_1\wedge\gamma_2}.$$

The proof is complete.

Proof of Theorem 6.4 (i) Assume $A, B \in \mathbf{ad}_{pq}^{s}$ and let $\{a_{\xi\eta}\}_{\xi,\eta}, \{b_{\xi\eta}\}_{\xi,\eta}$ be their respective matrices. Then there exist $\varepsilon_a, \varepsilon_b > 0$ such that

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c\omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_a), \quad |b_{\xi\eta}| \le c\omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_b).$$

Evidently, $\omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon)$ is a nonincreasing function of ε and hence we may assume that $\varepsilon_a > \varepsilon_b$. Note that by the definitions it follows that

$$\omega_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\beta) = \omega_{\xi\eta}(\beta), \text{ and } \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon) \le \omega_{\xi\eta}(\beta,\gamma), \text{ if } 0 < \beta, \gamma \le \varepsilon.$$
 (6.14)

Denote by $\{c_{\xi\eta}\}_{\xi,\eta}$ the matrix of the composition $A \circ B$. Applying Lemma 6.5 we get

$$\begin{aligned} |c_{\xi\eta}| &= \left|\sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}} a_{\xi\zeta} b_{\zeta\eta}\right| \le c \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}} \omega_{\xi\zeta}(\varepsilon_a) \omega_{\zeta\eta}(\varepsilon_b) \le c \sum_{\zeta \in \mathcal{X}} \omega_{\xi\zeta}(\varepsilon_b, \varepsilon_a) \omega_{\zeta\eta}(\varepsilon_b, \varepsilon_b) \\ &= c W_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_b, \varepsilon_a, \varepsilon_b) \le c^* \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_b, \varepsilon_b) = c^* \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_b) \end{aligned}$$

and the proof of (i) is complete.

(ii) Let D := I - A with matrix $\{d_{\xi\eta}\}_{\xi,\eta}$ and fix $\varepsilon > 0$. Assume $||I - A||_{\varepsilon} < \delta$ for some $\delta > 0$, implying $|d_{\xi\eta}| \le \delta \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon)$. Denote by $\{d_{\xi\eta}^{(n)}\}_{\xi,\eta}$ the matrix of D^n , $n \ge 1$. Fix $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon$. We claim that there exists a constant $c^* > 1$, independent of δ , such that for any $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$|d_{\xi\eta}^{(n)}| \le (\delta c^*)^n \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_1), \quad \forall \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{X}.$$
(6.15)

Indeed, from (6.14) $\omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon) \le \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon)$ and just as in the proof of (i) we infer

$$|d_{\xi\eta}^{(2)}| \le c^* \delta^2 \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_1) \le (c^* \delta)^2 \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_1).$$

Suppose that (6.15) holds for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then from $|d_{\xi\eta}| \le \delta \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon)$ and (6.15) it follows just as above that $|d_{\xi\eta}^{(n+1)}| \le (\delta c^*)^{n+1} \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_1)$. Therefore, (6.15) holds for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Now, choose $\delta < 1/c^*$. Then the Neumann series $\sum_{n\geq 0} D^n$ converges to the operator $(I-D)^{-1} = A^{-1}$ and for its matrix $\{a_{\xi_n}^{-1}\}_{\xi,\eta}$ it holds that

$$|a_{\xi\eta}^{-1}| \le (1 - \delta c^*)^{-1} \omega_{\xi\eta}(\varepsilon_1).$$

Therefore, A^{-1} exists and is almost diagonal.

6.3 Compactly Supported Frames

Frames for inhomogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces in the setting of this article with compactly supported elements are developed in [10]. We next show how this construction can be modified for homogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces.

Let Ψ be the compactly supported C^{∞} functions from the construction of Frame # 1, see (4.1). The first step is to construct a band limited function Θ , which approximates Ψ in the specific sense given next.

Proposition 6.6 For any $\varepsilon > 0$ and $N \ge K \ge 1$ there exists a function $\Theta \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ and R > 0 such that Θ is even and real-valued, supp $\hat{\Theta} \subset [-R, R]$, and

$$|\Psi^{(\nu)}(u) - \Theta^{(\nu)}(u)| \le \frac{\varepsilon |u|^N}{(1+|u|)^{2N}}, \quad u \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \nu = 0, 1, \dots, K.$$
(6.16)

Furthermore,

$$\operatorname{supp} \ \mathcal{F}(u^{-m}\Theta(u)) \subset [-R, R] \ for \ 0 \le m \le N$$
(6.17)

with \mathcal{F} being the Fourier transform.

The constants *N*, *K* and ε (sufficiently small) will be selected later on. With these constants fixed, we use the functions Θ from Proposition 6.6 to define the new frame. Let the sets \mathcal{X}_j , $\mathcal{X} := \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{X}_j$, and $\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j}$ be as in the definition of Frame # 1. We define a new system $\{\theta_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ by

$$\theta_{\xi}(x) := |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} \Theta(b^{-j}\sqrt{L})(x,\xi), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}_j, \ j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$
(6.18)

Observe that by the fact that supp $\hat{\Theta} \subset [-R, R]$ and the final speed propagation property (Proposition 2.1) it follows that each θ_{ξ} is compactly supported, more precisely

$$\operatorname{supp} \theta_{\xi} \subset B(\xi, \tilde{c}Rb^{-j}), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}_j, \ j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

$$(6.19)$$

The construction of a dual frame $\{\tilde{\theta}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is more involved, see below and for more details see [10].

The basic result we need here is that the systems $\{\theta_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$, $\{\tilde{\theta}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ form a pair of frames for Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces for the following range Ω of indices determined by constants $s_0 \ge 0$, p_0 , p_1 , $q_0 > 0$:

$$\Omega := \{ (s, p, q) : |s| \le s_0, \ p_0 \le p \le p_1, \ q_0 \le q < \infty \}.$$
(6.20)

We introduce the following notation: $\mathcal{J}_0 := d/\min\{1, p_0\}$ in the case of \dot{B} -spaces and $\mathcal{J}_0 := d/\min\{1, p_0, q_0\}$ in the case of \dot{F} -spaces.

Theorem 6.7 Suppose $(s, p, q) \in \Omega$ and let $\{\theta_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ be the system constructed in (6.18), where

$$K \ge s_0 + \mathcal{J}_0 + d/2 + 1 \quad and \quad N \ge K + s_0 + \mathcal{J}_0 + 3d/2 + 1$$
 (6.21)

Then for sufficiently small ε in the construction of $\{\theta_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ the following claims are valid:

(a) The operator

$$Tf := \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle \theta_{\xi},$$

is invertible on \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} and T, T^{-1} are bounded on \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} . (b) The system $\{\tilde{\theta}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ defined by

$$\tilde{\theta}_{\xi} := \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \overline{\langle T^{-1}\psi_{\eta}, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle} \tilde{\psi}_{\eta}, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X},$$

is a dual frame to $\{\theta_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ in the following sense: For any $f \in \dot{B}_{pq}^{s}$

$$f = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \langle f, \tilde{\theta}_{\xi} \rangle \theta_{\xi} \quad and \quad \|f\|_{\dot{B}^{s}_{pq}} \sim \|(\langle f, \tilde{\theta}_{\xi} \rangle)\|_{\dot{b}^{s}_{pq}}, \tag{6.22}$$

where $\langle f, \tilde{\theta}_{\xi} \rangle$ is defined by

$$\langle f, \tilde{\theta}_{\xi} \rangle := \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \langle T^{-1} \psi_{\eta}, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle$$
(6.23)

and the convergence in (6.22) is in S'/P and unconditional in \dot{B}^s_{na} .

Furthermore, (a) and (b) hold true when \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} is replaced by $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , or $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$, and \dot{b}_{pq}^{s} by $\dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$, \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} , or $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$, respectively.

The proof of this theorem is a straightforward adaptation of the proof of Theorem 4.2 in [10]; we omit it.

7 Smooth Molecular and Atomic Decompositions

Families of smooth atoms and molecules on Homogeneous Besov and Tribel–Lizorkin spaces in the classical case on \mathbb{R}^n are introduced and studied in [14,15]. They not only provide convenient building blocks for various spaces of distributions, but also can be used in establishing boundedness of operators [2,6,19,31,33,38].

7.1 Smooth Molecules for B and F-Spaces

In this section we generalize the boundedness of the operators T_{ψ} , $S_{\tilde{\psi}}$ from (5.11) (see Theorems 5.5 and 5.6) by replacing $\{\psi_{\xi}\}$ and $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}$ by families of smooth molecules. We present the results for the \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} spaces, but they also hold for the \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} spaces. We recall from Definition 6.2 that $\mathcal{J} := d/\min\{1, p\}$ for \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$ and $\mathcal{J} := d/\min\{1, p, q\}$ for \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$. Also, we set

$$K := \lfloor (\mathcal{J} - s)/2 \rfloor + 1 \quad \text{if } s \le \mathcal{J} \quad \text{and} \quad N := \lfloor s/2 \rfloor + 1 \quad \text{if } s \ge 0 \tag{7.1}$$

(*K*, *N* will be needed only for the indicated values of *s*). As before $\mathcal{X} = \bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{X}_j$ will be the set centers of the frame elements $\{\psi_{\xi}\}$ and $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}$ and $\{A_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j}$ will be the companion disjoint partitions of *M*, see Remark 6.1. Recall that $\ell(\xi) := b^{-j}$ and $B_{\xi} := B(\xi, \delta_j), \delta_j = \gamma b^{-j-2}, \xi \in \mathcal{X}_j, j \in \mathbb{Z}$.

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Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 , <math>0 < q \le \infty$, and let \mathcal{J}, K, N be as above. We say that $\{m_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules for \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , if there exists $\mathcal{M} > \mathcal{J}$ such that for any $\xi \in \mathcal{X}$:

(i)

$$|m_{\xi}(x)| \le \frac{|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}}}.$$
(7.2)

(ii) If $s \ge 0$ it is assumed that $m_{\xi} \in D(L^N)$ and for $0 < \nu \le N$

$$|L^{\nu}m_{\xi}(x)| \le \frac{\ell(\xi)^{-2\nu}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}}}.$$
(7.3)

(iii) In addition, if $s \leq \mathcal{J}$, it is also assumed that there exists a family of functions $\{b_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}, b_{\xi} \in D(L^{K})$, such that

$$m_{\xi} = L^K b_{\xi},\tag{7.4}$$

and for $0 \le \nu < K$

$$|L^{\nu}b_{\xi}(x)| \leq \frac{\ell(\xi)^{2(K-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}}}.$$
(7.5)

Note that (7.3) is void if s < 0, and (7.4)–(7.5) are void if $s > \mathcal{J}$.

Definition of Smooth Analysis Molecules

Let *s*, *p*, *q* and \mathcal{J} , *K*, *N* be as above. We say that $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth analysis molecules for \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , if there exists $\mathcal{M} > \mathcal{J}$ such that for any $\xi \in \mathcal{X}$:

(i)

$$|\tilde{m}_{\xi}(x)| \le \frac{|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}+d}}.$$
(7.6)

(ii) If $s \leq \mathcal{J}$ it is assumed that $\tilde{m} \in D(L^K)$ and for $0 \leq \nu \leq K$

$$|L^{\nu}\tilde{m}_{\xi}(x)| \leq \frac{\ell(\xi)^{-2\nu}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}+d}}.$$
(7.7)

(iii) In addition, if $s \ge 0$, it is also assumed that there exists a family of functions $\{\tilde{b}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}, \tilde{b}_{\xi} \in D(L^N)$, such that:

$$\tilde{m}_{\xi} = L^N \tilde{b}_{\xi}, \tag{7.8}$$

and for $0 \le \nu \le N$

$$|L^{\nu}\tilde{b}_{\xi}(x)| \leq \frac{\ell(\xi)^{2(N-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}+d}}.$$
(7.9)

As before condition (7.7) is void whenever $s > \mathcal{J}$, and (7.8)–(7.9) are void if s < 0.

Remark 7.1 If $\{m_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis (or analysis) molecules, then we shall say that m_{η} ($\eta \in \mathcal{X}$) is a molecule centered at η .

The first step here is to establish the following:

Lemma 7.2 There exist constants c_* , $\hat{c} > 0$ such that each of the frames $\{c_*\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ and $\{\hat{c}\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis and analysis molecules for \dot{F}_{pa}^s .

Proof We first show that there exists a constant $c_* > 0$ such that $\{c_*\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules. Let

$$m_{\xi}(x) := c_* \psi_{\xi}(x) = c_* |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} \Psi(b^{-j} \sqrt{L})(x, \xi), \quad (\text{see } (4.8))$$

where $c_* > 0$ is a constant that will be selected later on. From (4.14) it readily follows that m_{ξ} obeys (7.2)–(7.3) if the constant c_* is sufficiently small.

Let now $s \leq \mathcal{J}$ and $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_i$. Write (see (4.8) and Remark 2.5)

$$b_{\xi}(x) := c_* L^{-K} \psi_{\xi}(x) = c_* |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} [L^{-K} \Psi(b^{-j} \sqrt{L})](x, \xi).$$

Then

$$L^{K}b_{\xi}(x) = c_{*}\psi_{\xi}(x) = m_{\xi}(x).$$

Assuming that $0 \le \nu \le K$, $K = \lfloor (\mathcal{J} - s)/2 \rfloor + 1$, we set $g(u) := u^{2(\nu-K)}\Psi(u)$. Clearly $L^{\nu-K}\Psi(b^{-j}\sqrt{L}) = b^{-2j(K-\nu)}g(b^{-j}\sqrt{L})$, $g \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ and $\operatorname{supp} g \subset [b^{-1}, b]$. Then by Theorem 2.2, applied to g, it follows that for any $\mathcal{M} > 0$

$$|L^{\nu}b_{\xi}(x)| \leq \frac{cc_{*}|A_{\xi}|^{1/2}b^{-2j(K-\nu)}}{|B(\xi, b^{-j})|(1+b^{j}\rho(\xi, x))^{\mathcal{M}}} \leq \frac{cc_{*}\ell(\xi)^{2(K-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x, \xi))^{\mathcal{M}}},$$

where the constant c > 0 depends on \mathcal{M} . We fix $\mathcal{M} > \mathcal{J}$. By choosing the constant c_* sufficiently small we conclude that $\{m_{\xi}\}$ with $m_{\xi} := c_*\psi_{\xi}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules.

Just as above one shows that there exists a constant $c_* > 0$ such that $\{c_*\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth analysis molecules. We omit the details.

We next show that there exists a constant $\hat{c} > 0$ such that $\{\hat{c}\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth analysis molecules. Denote (see (4.12))

$$\tilde{m}_{\xi}(x) := \hat{c}\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}(x) = \hat{c}c_{\epsilon}|A_{\xi}|^{1/2}T_{\lambda_{j}}\left(\Gamma_{\lambda_{j}}(\cdot,\xi)\right)(x), \quad \lambda_{j} := b^{j-1}, \ \xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}.$$

where $\hat{c} > 0$ is a constant that will be selected later on. From (4.14) it readily follows that \tilde{m}_{ξ} obeys (7.6)–(7.7) if the constant \hat{c} is sufficiently small.

Let $s \ge 0$ and $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_i$. Set

$$\tilde{b}_{\xi}(x) := \hat{c}c_{\epsilon} |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} L^{-N} T_{\lambda_j} \left(\Gamma_{\lambda_j}(\cdot, \xi) \right)(x).$$
(7.10)

Clearly, $\tilde{m}_{\xi} = L^N \tilde{b}_{\xi}$ and it remains to show that for $0 \le \nu \le N$ the function $L^{\nu} \tilde{b}_{\xi}$ obeys (7.9). Observe that the operators L^{-N} and T_{λ_j} do not necessarily commute. We go round this obstacle just as in the proof of Theorem 4.3 in [24]. We have

$$T_{\lambda_j} := \mathrm{Id} + S_{\lambda_j} \quad \text{and} \quad S_{\lambda_j} := \sum_{k \ge 1} R_{\lambda_j} = R_{\lambda_j} (\mathrm{Id} + S_{\lambda_j}),$$
(7.11)

where the operator R_{λ_j} is from the proof of Lemma 4.2 in [24]. In fact, we have $R_{\lambda_j} = \Gamma_{\lambda_j}^2 - V_{\lambda_j}$, where V_{λ_j} is the operator with kernel

$$V_{\lambda_j}(x, y) := \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_j} \omega_\eta \Gamma_{\lambda_j}(x, \eta) \Gamma_{\lambda_j}(\eta, y).$$
(7.12)

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Here $\omega_{\eta} := (1 + \varepsilon)^{-1} |A_{\eta}|$, just as in Lemma 4.2. From (7.10)–(7.11) we derive the following representation of $L^{\nu} \tilde{b}_{\varepsilon}$:

$$L^{\nu}\tilde{b}_{\xi}(x) = \hat{c}c_{\varepsilon}|A_{\xi}|^{1/2} \bigg(L^{\nu-N}\Gamma_{\lambda_{j}}(x,\xi) + L^{\nu-N}R_{\lambda_{j}}[\Gamma_{\lambda_{j}}(\cdot,\xi)](x) + L^{\nu-N}R_{\lambda_{j}}S_{\lambda_{j}}[\Gamma_{\lambda_{j}}(\cdot,\xi)](x) \bigg).$$

Let $h(u) := u^{2(\nu-N)}\Gamma(u)$. We have $L^{\nu-N}\Gamma_{\lambda_j} = \lambda_j^{-2(N-\nu)}h(\lambda_j^{-1}\sqrt{L})$, and clearly $h \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ and supp $h \subset [b^{-1}, b^3]$. We now apply Theorem 2.2 to $h(\lambda_j^{-1}\sqrt{L})$ to conclude that for any $\sigma > 0$ there exists a constant c_{σ} such that the kernel of the operator $L^{\nu-N}\Gamma_{\lambda_j}$ obeys

$$|[L^{\nu-N}\Gamma_{\lambda_j}](x,y)| \leq \frac{c_{\sigma}\lambda_j^{-2(N-\nu)}}{|B(y,\lambda_j)|(1+\lambda_j\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}}.$$

We choose $\sigma := \mathcal{M} + 4d$, where $\mathcal{M} > \mathcal{J}$ is fixed. Then

$$|[L^{\nu-N}\Gamma_{\lambda_j}](x,y)| \le \frac{cb^{-2j(N-\nu)}}{|B(y,b^{-j})|(1+b^j\rho(x,y))^{\mathcal{M}+4d}}.$$
(7.13)

Also, by Theorem 2.2

$$|\Gamma_{\lambda_j}(x, y)| \le \frac{c}{|B(y, b^{-j})|(1 + b^j \rho(x, y))^{\mathcal{M} + 4d}}.$$
(7.14)

Estimates (7.13)-(7.14) along with (7.12) and Lemma 2.8 yield

$$|[L^{\nu-N}V_{\lambda_j}](x,y)| \le \frac{cb^{-2j(N-\nu)}}{|B(y,b^{-j})|(1+b^j\rho(x,y))^{\mathcal{M}+4d}}$$

On the other hand, (7.13)–(7.14) and Lemma 2.7 imply

$$|[L^{\nu-N}\Gamma^2_{\lambda_j}](x,y)| \le \frac{cb^{-2j(N-\nu)}}{|B(y,b^{-j})|(1+b^j\rho(x,y))^{\mathcal{M}+3d}}$$

Therefore, the kernel of the operator R_{λ_i} satisfies

$$|[L^{\nu-N}R_{\lambda_j}](x,y)| \le \frac{cb^{-2j(N-\nu)}}{|B(y,b^{-j})|(1+b^j\rho(x,y))^{\mathcal{M}+3d}}.$$
(7.15)

We apply inequality (2.11) twice using (7.15), (4.10), and (7.14) to obtain

$$|L^{\nu-N} R_{\lambda_j} S_{\lambda_j} [\Gamma_{\lambda_j}(\cdot,\xi)](x)| \le \frac{c b^{-2j(N-\nu)}}{|B(\xi,b^{-j})|(1+b^j\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}+d}}$$

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By the same token we get a similar estimate for $|L^{\nu-N}R_{\lambda_j}[\Gamma_{\lambda_j}(\cdot,\xi)](x)|$. These estimates and (7.13) imply

$$|L^{\nu}\tilde{b}_{\xi}(x)| \leq \frac{c\hat{c}|A_{\xi}|^{1/2}b^{-2j(N-\nu)}}{|B(\xi, b^{-j})|(1+b^{j}\rho(\xi, x))^{\mathcal{M}+d}} \leq \frac{c\hat{c}\ell(\xi)^{2(N-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x, \xi))^{\mathcal{M}+d}}$$

Therefore, inequality (7.9) holds if the constant \hat{c} is sufficiently small. Consequently, $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}$ with $\tilde{m}_{\xi} := \hat{c}\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}$ is a family of analysis molecules.

Exactly as above one shows that there exists a constant $\hat{c} > 0$ such that $\{\hat{c}\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of synthesis molecules. We omit the details.

Lemma 7.3 Suppose $\{m_{\xi}\}$ and $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}$ are families of smooth synthesis and analysis molecules for \dot{F}_{pa}^{s} , respectively, and let A be the operator with matrix

$$(a_{\xi\eta})_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}} = (\langle m_\eta, \tilde{m}_\xi \rangle)_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}}.$$

Then there exist constants $c, \delta > 0$ such that

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c\omega_{\delta}(\xi,\eta), \quad \forall \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{X}, \tag{7.16}$$

where $\omega_{\delta}(\xi, \eta)$ is from (6.5). Therefore, A is almost diagonal on \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} and by Theorem 6.3 the operator A is bounded on \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} .

Proof Under the hypothesis of the lemma, two cases present themselves here.

Case 1: $\ell(\xi) \ge \ell(\eta)$. We consider two subcases depending on whether $s \le \mathcal{J}$ or $s > \mathcal{J}$.

Let $s \leq \mathcal{J}$. By the definition of synthesis molecules (Sect. 7.1) there exists a function $b_{\eta} \in D(L^{K})$, $K := \lfloor (\mathcal{J} - s)/2 \rfloor + 1$, such that $m_{\eta} = L^{K} b_{\eta}$ and

$$|b_{\eta}(x)| \le \ell(\eta)^{2K} |B_{\eta}|^{-1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}.$$
(7.17)

On the other hand, from (7.7)

$$|L^{K}\tilde{m}_{\xi}(x)| \le \ell(\xi)^{-2K} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\xi)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}-d}.$$
(7.18)

Clearly, $a_{\xi\eta} = \langle L^K b_{\eta}, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle = \langle b_{\eta}, L^K \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle$ and using (7.17)–(7.18) and (2.12) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{\xi\eta}| &\leq |B_{\eta}|^{-1/2} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{2K} \int_{M} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,x)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}-d} d\mu(x) \\ &\leq c |B_{\eta}|^{-1/2} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{2K} |B(\xi,\ell(\xi))| \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,x)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}. \end{aligned}$$

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Here for the last inequality we used that $|B(\xi, \ell(\xi))| \sim |B_{\xi}|$. Hence

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{2K} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}.$$
(7.19)

In the light of (6.5) the above implies (7.16) for any $0 < \delta \le \min\{2K - \mathcal{J} + s, \mathcal{M} - \mathcal{J}\}$.

If $s > \mathcal{J}$, we use that $a_{\xi\eta} = \langle m_{\eta}, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle$, the fact that $m_{\eta}, \tilde{m}_{\xi}$ satisfy (7.2), (7.6), and (2.12) to obtain

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le |B_{\eta}|^{-1/2} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \int_{M} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,x)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}-d} d\mu(x) \le c \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}.$$
(7.20)

It is easy to see that this implies (7.16) for $0 < \delta \le \min\{s - \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{M} - \mathcal{J}\}$.

Case 2: $\ell(\eta) > \ell(\xi)$. Here we consider two subcases: $s \ge 0$ or s < 0.

Let $s \ge 0$. By the definition of analysis molecules there exists $\tilde{b}_{\xi} \in D(L^N)$, $N := \lfloor s/2 \rfloor + 1$, such that $\tilde{m}_{\xi} = L^N \tilde{b}_{\xi}$ and \tilde{b}_{ξ} obeys

$$|\tilde{b}_{\xi}(x)| \le \ell(\xi)^{2N} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\xi)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}-d}.$$
(7.21)

Furthermore, by (7.3)

$$|L^{N}m_{\eta}(x)| \le \ell(\eta)^{-2N} |B_{\eta}|^{-1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}.$$
(7.22)

Clearly, $a_{\xi\eta} = \langle m_{\eta}, L^N \tilde{b}_{\xi} \rangle = \langle L^N m_{\eta}, \tilde{b}_{\xi} \rangle$. Then using (7.21)–(7.22), and (2.12) we obtain just as in Case 1

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{2N} |B_{\eta}|^{-1/2} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \int_{M} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,x)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}-d} d\mu(x) \le c_{\xi} \left(\ell(\xi)\right)^{2N} \left(|B_{\xi}|\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}$$
(7.23)

$$\leq c \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{2r} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{r/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{r/r}.$$
(7.23)

This estimate and the fact that $N = \lfloor s/2 \rfloor + 1$ readily imply (7.16) for an arbitrary $0 < \delta \le \min\{2N - s, \mathcal{M} - \mathcal{J}\}.$

If s < 0, we use that $a_{\xi\eta} = \langle m_{\eta}, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle$, the fact that $m_{\eta}, \tilde{m}_{\xi}$ obey (7.2), and (7.6) to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |a_{\xi\eta}| &\leq |B_{\eta}|^{-1/2} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \int_{M} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)} \right)^{-\mathcal{M}} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,x)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{-\mathcal{M}-d} d\mu(x) \\ &\leq c \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|} \right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)} \right)^{-\mathcal{M}}, \end{aligned}$$
(7.24)

implying (7.16) for any $0 < \delta \leq \min\{-s, \mathcal{M} - \mathcal{J}\}$.

Finally, choosing $\delta > 0$ sufficiently small we arrive at (7.16).

After this preparation we come to the main assertions in this section.

Theorem 7.4 (Smooth molecular synthesis) If $\{m_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules for \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , then for any sequence $t = \{t_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \in \dot{f}_{pq}^{s}$

$$\left\|\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} t_{\xi} m_{\xi}\right\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}} \le c \|t\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}},\tag{7.25}$$

where the constant c > 0 is independent of $\{m_{\xi}\}$ and $\{t_{\xi}\}$.

Proof By (4.13) we have $m_{\eta} = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \langle m_{\eta}, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle \psi_{\xi}$, where the convergence is in S'/\mathcal{P} . By Lemmas 7.2–7.3 it follows that the operator A with matrix

$$(a_{\xi\eta})_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}} := (\langle m_{\eta}, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle)_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}}$$

is almost diagonal on \dot{f}_{pq}^s and hence, by Theorem 6.3, *A* is bounded on \dot{f}_{pq}^s . On the other hand, by Theorem 5.6 the synthesis operator T_{ψ} : $\dot{f}_{pq}^s \rightarrow \dot{F}_{pq}^s$ from (5.11) is also bounded. Observe that

$$T_{\psi}At = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} (At)_{\xi} \psi_{\xi} = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} a_{\xi\eta} t_{\eta} \psi_{\xi}$$
$$= \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} a_{\xi\eta} \psi_{\xi} \right) t_{\eta} = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} m_{\eta} t_{\eta} =: f.$$

Now, using the boundedness of the operators T_{ψ} and A we infer

$$\|f\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}} = \|T_{\psi}At\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}} \le c\|At\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} \le c\|t\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}},$$

which completes the proof.

Theorem 7.5 (Smooth molecular analysis) If $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}$ is a family of smooth analysis molecules for \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , then for any $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^{s}$

$$\|\{\langle f, \tilde{m}_{\xi}\rangle\}\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} \le c\|f\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}},\tag{7.26}$$

 \Box

where c > 0 is a constant independent of f and $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}$. Here $\langle f, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle$ is defined by

$$\langle f, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle := \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \langle \tilde{m}_{\xi}, \psi_{\eta} \rangle \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle, \tag{7.27}$$

where the series converges absolutely.

Proof Let A and \hat{A} be the operators with matrices

$$(a_{\xi\eta})_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}} := (\langle \tilde{m}_{\xi}, \psi_{\eta} \rangle)_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}} \text{ and } (\hat{a}_{\xi\eta})_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}} := (|a_{\xi\eta}|)_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}}.$$

By Lemmas 7.2–7.3 it follows that there exist constants $c, \delta > 0$ such that

$$|\langle \tilde{m}_{\xi}, \psi_{\eta} \rangle| \le c \omega_{\xi \eta}(\delta), \quad \forall \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{X}.$$

Then Theorem 6.3 implies that both operators A and \hat{A} are bounded on \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} .

On the other hand, by Theorem 5.6, for any $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^s$ the sequence $\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle\}$ belongs to \dot{f}_{pq}^s and hence $\{|\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle|\} \in \dot{f}_{pq}^s$. From this and the boundedness of the operator \hat{A} it follows that

$$\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} |\langle \tilde{m}_{\xi}, \psi_{\eta} \rangle || \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle| < \infty, \quad \forall \xi \in \mathcal{X}.$$

Thus the absolute convergence of the series in (7.27) is established.

Let $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^s$. By the boundedness of the operator $A : \dot{f}_{pq}^s \to \dot{f}_{pq}^s$ and the analysis operator $T_{\tilde{\psi}} : \dot{F}_{pq}^s \to \dot{f}_{pq}^s$ from (5.11) (Theorem 5.6), and (7.27) it follows that

$$\|\{\langle f, \tilde{m}_{\xi}\rangle\}\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} = \|AS_{\tilde{\psi}}f\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} \le c\|S_{\tilde{\psi}}f\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} \le c\|f\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}},$$

which confirms (7.26).

7.2 Smooth Molecules for \tilde{B} and \tilde{F} -Spaces

In this section we establish results analogous to the ones from Sect. 7.1 for the \tilde{F}_{pq}^{s} spaces. Similar results hold as well for the Besov spaces \tilde{B}_{pq}^{s} , which we shall not treat here. There are a lot of similarities between these results for the \dot{F} -spaces and $\dot{\tilde{F}}$ -spaces. Therefore, we shall put the emphasis on the new features. Thus, unlike the case of \dot{F} -spaces here we also use the reverse doubling condition (1.7).

For $s \leq \mathcal{J}d/d^*$ with $\mathcal{J} := d/\min\{1, p, q\}$ and d^* the constant from (1.8), we define

$$K := \lfloor (\mathcal{J} - s)/2 \rfloor + 1$$
, if $s < 0$ and $K := \lfloor (\mathcal{J} - sd^*/d)/2 \rfloor + 1$, if $s \ge 0$. (7.28)

 \Box

As before we set $N := \lfloor s/2 \rfloor + 1$, if $s \ge 0$.

Definition of Smooth Synthesis Molecules Assume $s \in \mathbb{R}, 0 , and let <math>\mathcal{J}, K, N$ be as above. We say that $\{m_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules for \hat{F}_{pq}^{s} , if there exists $\mathcal{M} > \mathcal{J} + |s|$, such that:

(i)

$$|m_{\xi}(x)| \le \frac{|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}}}.$$
(7.29)

(ii) For $s \ge 0$ and $0 \le \nu \le N$,

$$|L^{\nu}m_{\xi}(x)| \le \frac{\ell(\xi)^{-2\nu}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}}}.$$
(7.30)

(iii) In addition, if $0 \le s \le \mathcal{J}d/d^*$ it is assumed that there exists a family of functions $\{b_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}, b_{\xi} \in D(L^K)$, such that

$$m_{\xi} = L^K b_{\xi}, \tag{7.31}$$

and for $0 \le \nu \le K$

$$|L^{\nu}b_{\xi}(x)| \le \frac{\ell(\xi)^{2(K-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}}}.$$
(7.32)

Note that (7.30) is void if s < 0 and (7.31)–(7.32) are void if $s > Jd/d^*$.

Definition of Smooth Analysis Molecules Let *s*, *p*, *q* and \mathcal{J} , *K*, *N* be as above. We say that $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth analysis molecules for \check{F}_{pq}^{s} , if there exist $\mathcal{M} > \mathcal{J} + |s|$, such that:

(i)

$$|\tilde{m}_{\xi}(x)| \le \frac{|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}+d}}.$$
(7.33)

(ii) For $s \leq \mathcal{J}d/d^*$ and $0 \leq \nu \leq K$,

$$|L^{\nu}\tilde{m}_{\xi}(x)| \leq \frac{\ell(\xi)^{-2\nu}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}+d}}.$$
(7.34)

(iii) In addition, if $s \ge 0$, it is assumed that there exists a family of distributions $\{\tilde{b}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}, \tilde{b}_{\xi} \in D(L^N)$, such that

$$\tilde{m}_{\xi} = L^N \tilde{b}_{\xi}, \tag{7.35}$$

and for $0 \le \nu \le N$,

$$|L^{\nu}\tilde{b}_{\xi}(x)| \leq \frac{\ell(\xi)^{2(N-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}+d}}.$$
(7.36)

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Note that (7.34) is void if $s > \mathcal{J}d/d^*$ and (7.35)–(7.36) are void if s < 0. As in Sect. 7.1 two lemmas will be needed.

Lemma 7.6 There exist constants c_* , $\hat{c} > 0$ such that each of the frames $\{c_*\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ and $\{\hat{c}\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis and analysis molecules for \check{F}_{pq}^{s} .

The proof of this lemma is almost identical to the proof of Lemma 7.2; only the ranges for s are different, which is not essential for the proof. We omit it.

Lemma 7.7 Suppose $\{m_{\xi}\}$ and $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}$ are families of smooth synthesis and analysis molecules for \tilde{F}_{pa}^{s} , respectively, and let A be the operator with matrix

$$(a_{\xi\eta})_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}} = (\langle m_\eta, \tilde{m}_\xi \rangle)_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}}$$

Then there exist constants $c, \delta > 0$ such that

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c\omega_{\delta}(\xi,\eta), \quad \forall \xi, \eta \in \mathcal{X}, \tag{7.37}$$

where $\omega_{\delta}(\xi, \eta)$ is from (6.6). Therefore, A is almost diagonal on $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$ and by Theorem 6.3 the operator A is bounded on $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$.

Proof This proof will follow in the footsteps of the proof of Lemma 7.3. We shall use some of the estimates derived in the proof of Lemma 7.3 as well. Under the assumptions of the lemma, we consider two cases.

Case 1: $\ell(\xi) \ge \ell(\eta)$. There are two subcases to be considered depending on whether $s \le \mathcal{J}d/d^*$ or $s > \mathcal{J}d/d^*$.

Let $s \leq \mathcal{J}d/d^*$. From the definition of synthesis molecules, there exists a function $b_\eta \in D(L^K)$ such that $m_\eta = L^K b_\eta$. Thus $|a_{\xi\eta}| = |\langle L^K b_\eta, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle| = |\langle b_\eta, L^K \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle|$. Now just as in the proof of (7.19) we obtain

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{2K} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}.$$
(7.38)

Let s > 0. By (2.8) and (1.8) it follows that

$$\begin{split} |B(\eta, \ell(\xi))| &\leq c_0 \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^d |B(\xi, \ell(\xi))|,\\ |B(\eta, \ell(\xi))| &\geq c_3 \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{d^*} |B(\eta, \ell(\eta))|, \end{split}$$

implying

$$\left(\frac{|B_{\eta}|}{|B_{\xi}|}\right)^{s/d} \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{sd^*/d} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^s.$$
(7.39)

Combining (7.38) and (7.39) we obtain

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{2K+sd^*/d} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2+s/d} \left(1+\frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}+s} \le c\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta),$$

whenever $0 < \delta \le \min\{2K + sd^*/d - \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{M} - s - \mathcal{J}\}$. Let s < 0. Using (1.2) and (2.8) we get

$$|B(\xi, \ell(\xi))| \le c \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^d \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^d |B(\eta, \ell(\eta))|$$

implying

$$\left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^s \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^s \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{s/d}.$$
(7.40)

This coupled with (7.38) leads to

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{2K+s} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2+s/d} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}-s} \le c\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta).$$

whenever $0 < \delta \leq \min\{2K + s - \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{M} + s - \mathcal{J}\}.$

Assume $s > \mathcal{J}d/d^*$ (hence s > 0). Just as in the proof of (7.20) we obtain

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}.$$

From this and (7.39) we obtain

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{sd^*/d} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2+s/d} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}+s} \le c\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta),$$

whenever $0 < \delta \leq \min\{sd^*/d - \mathcal{J}, \mathcal{M} - s - \mathcal{J}\}$.

Case 2: $\ell(\xi) < \ell(\eta)$. We consider two subcases: $s \ge 0$ or s < 0.

Let $s \ge 0$. From the definition of analysis molecules, there exists a distribution \tilde{b}_{ξ} such that $\tilde{m}_{\xi} = L^N \tilde{b}_{\xi}$, where $N = \lfloor s/2 \rfloor + 1$. Thus $a_{\xi\eta} = \langle L^N m_{\eta}, \tilde{b}_{\xi} \rangle$ and just as in (7.23) it follows that

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{2N} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}.$$
(7.41)

As in the proof of (7.40) we get

$$\left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-s} \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{s} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{s/d}$$
(7.42)

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and combining this with (7.41) it follows that

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{2N-s} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2+s/d} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}+s} \le c\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta),$$

whenever $0 < \delta \leq \min\{2N - s, \mathcal{M} - \mathcal{J} - s\}$.

Let s < 0. As in the proof of (7.24) we obtain

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}}$$

On the other hand, as in the proof of (7.39) we get

$$\left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^s \le c \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{s/d} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{sd^*/d}.$$
(7.43)

From the above two inequalities it follows that

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \left(\frac{\ell(\xi)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-sd^*/d} \left(\frac{|B_{\xi}|}{|B_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2+s/d} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\eta)}\right)^{-\mathcal{M}-s} \le c\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta),$$

whenever $0 < \delta \leq \min\{-sd^*/d, \mathcal{M} + s - \mathcal{J}\}.$

Choosing δ sufficiently small the above estimates of $|a_{\xi\eta}|$ imply (7.37).

The next two theorems contain the main results of this section for $\dot{\tilde{B}}$ and $\dot{\tilde{F}}$ -spaces. **Theorem 7.8** (Smooth molecular synthesis) If $\{m_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules for $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{na}^{s}$, then for any sequence $\{t_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \in \dot{\tilde{f}}_{na}^{s}$

$$\left\|\sum_{\xi\in\mathcal{X}} t_{\xi} m_{\xi}\right\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}} \le c \|t\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}},\tag{7.44}$$

where the constant c > 0 is independent of $\{m_{\xi}\}$ and $\{t_{\xi}\}$.

Theorem 7.9 (Smooth molecular analysis) If $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth analysis molecules for $\tilde{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$, then for any $f \in \tilde{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$

$$\|\{\langle f, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle\}\|_{\dot{f}_{pq}^{s}} \le c \|f\|_{\dot{F}_{pq}^{s}}, \qquad (7.45)$$

where c > 0 is a constant independent of f and $\{\tilde{m}_{\xi}\}$. As before $\langle f, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle$ is defined by

$$\langle f, \tilde{m}_{\xi} \rangle := \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \langle \tilde{m}_{\xi}, \psi_{\eta} \rangle \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle, \tag{7.46}$$

where the series converges absolutely.



These theorems follow from Lemmas 7.6 and 7.7 exactly as Theorems 7.4 and 7.5 follow from Lemmas 7.2 and 7.3. We omit the details.

7.3 Smooth Atomic Decomposition

Here we focus on decompositions, where the building blocks are compactly supported smooth functions - smooth atoms. We shall only consider atomic decompositions of \dot{F} -spaces but, as before, the results hold for \dot{B} -spaces as well.

Definition of Smooth Atoms We say that $\{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth atoms for \dot{F}_{pq}^{s} , if there exist integers

$$K \ge (\lfloor (\mathcal{J} - s)/2 \rfloor + 1)_+ \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{K} \ge (\lfloor s/2 \rfloor + 2)_+ \tag{7.47}$$

and a family of functions $\{b_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}, b_{\xi} \in D(L^{K})$, such that for any $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}, j \in \mathbb{Z}$,

$$a_{\xi} = L^K b_{\xi}, \tag{7.48}$$

$$|L^{n}a_{\xi}(x)| \le \ell(\xi)^{-2n} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \text{ for } 0 \le n \le \tilde{K},$$
(7.49)

$$|L^{\nu}b_{\xi}(x)| \le \ell(\xi)^{2(K-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \quad \text{for } 0 \le \nu \le K, \text{ and}$$
(7.50)

$$\operatorname{supp} L^{\nu} b_{\xi} \subset c B_{\xi} \quad \text{for } 0 \le \nu \le K, \tag{7.51}$$

where c > 0 is a constant independent of ξ .

Clearly a family $\{a_{\xi}\}$ of smooth atoms is a family of smooth synthesis molecules.

Theorem 7.10 Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $0 < p, q < \infty$. Then for every $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^{s}$ there exist a family of smooth atoms $\{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ and a sequence $\{t_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ of complex numbers such that

$$f = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} t_{\xi} a_{\xi} \quad and \quad \|t\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} \le c \|f\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}},$$
(7.52)

where the series converges in S'/\mathbb{P} and in the norm of \dot{F}^s_{pq} .

Conversely, for every family of smooth atoms $\{a_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$

$$\left\|\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} t_{\xi} a_{\xi}\right\|_{\dot{F}^{s}_{pq}} \le c \|t\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}}.$$
(7.53)

Proof Since a family of smooth atoms is also a family of smooth synthesis molecules, (7.53) follows readily by Theorem 7.4.

To prove the first part of the theorem, we shall use the compactly supported frames $\{\theta_{\xi}\}$ from Sect. 6.3. In the construction of $\{\theta_{\xi}\}$ and $\{\tilde{\theta}_{\xi}\}$ in Sect. 6.3 we impose in addition the condition that the constant *K* in (6.21) is larger than the constants *K* and \tilde{K} from (7.47). We also choose the parameters s_0 , p_0 , p_1 , q_0 so that $(s, p, q) \in \Omega$ with Ω from (6.20). From Theorem 6.7 we have for any $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^s$

$$f = \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \langle f, \tilde{\theta}_{\xi} \rangle \theta_{\xi} \quad \text{(convergence in } \mathcal{S}' / \mathcal{P} \text{ and in } \dot{F}_{pq}^s)$$

and $||f||_{\dot{F}^s_{pq}} \sim ||\{\langle f, \tilde{\theta}_{\xi} \rangle\}||_{\dot{f}^s_{pq}}$. Therefore, it only remains to show that there exists a constant $c_* > 0$ such that $\{c_*\theta_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth atoms. By definition

$$\theta_{\xi}(x) := |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} \Theta(b^{-j}\sqrt{L})(x,\xi), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}_j, \ j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

For each $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_i, j \in \mathbb{Z}$, we set

$$a_{\xi}(x) := c_* \theta_{\xi}(x) = c_* |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} \Theta(b^{-j} \sqrt{L})(x, \xi)$$

and

$$b_{\xi}(x) := c_* |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} L^{-K} \Theta(b^{-j} \sqrt{L})(x, \xi),$$

where $c_* > 0$ is a constant to be determined. Evidently, $a_{\xi} = L^K b_{\xi}$. Consider the function

$$g(u) := u^{-2(K-\nu)}\Theta(u), \quad 0 \le \nu \le K.$$

Clearly, $g \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$, g is real-valued and even, and

$$g(b^{-j}\sqrt{L}) = b^{2j(K-\nu)}L^{\nu-K}\Theta(b^{-j}\sqrt{L}).$$

Hence

$$L^{\nu}b_{\xi}(x) = c_*|A_{\xi}|^{1/2}b^{-2j(K-\nu)}g(b^{-j}\sqrt{L})(x,\xi).$$
(7.54)

From (6.17) supp $\hat{g} = \text{supp } \mathcal{F}(u^{-2(K-\nu)}\Theta(u)) \subset [-R, R]$ and, therefore, using Proposition 2.1 it follows that

$$\operatorname{supp} L^{\nu}b_{\xi} \subset B(\xi, \tilde{c}Rb^{-j}) \subset cB_{\xi}.$$

On the other hand, from Theorem 2.2 it follows that

$$\left|g(b^{-j}\sqrt{L})(x,\xi)\right| \le c|B(\xi,b^{-j})|^{-1}$$

and on account of (7.54) we obtain

$$|L^{\nu}b_{\xi}(x)| \leq cc_{*}\ell(\xi)^{2(k-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}, \quad 0 \leq \nu \leq K.$$

Just as above we obtain as a consequence of Theorem 2.2 that

$$|L^n a_{\xi}(x)| \le cc_* \ell(\xi)^{-2n} |B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}, \quad 0 \le n \le \tilde{K}.$$

Finally, choosing the constant c_* sufficiently small it follows that $\{c_*\theta_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth atoms.

8 Spectral Multipliers

We next utilize almost diagonal operators (Sect. 6) and smooth molecules (Sect. 7) to establish the boundedness of spectral multipliers of Mihlin type on homogeneous Triebel–Lizorkin spaces.

Theorem 8.1 Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 , and <math>0 < q \le \infty$. Suppose $m \in C^{\ell}(\mathbb{R})$ for some $\ell > \mathcal{J} + d/2$ with $\mathcal{J} := d/\min\{1, p, q\}$, *m* is even and real-valued, and

$$\sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_+} |\lambda^{\nu} m^{(\nu)}(\lambda)| < \infty, \quad 0 \le \nu \le \ell.$$
(8.1)

Then the operator $m(\sqrt{L})$ is bounded on \dot{F}_{pa}^{s} , that is,

$$\|m(\sqrt{L})f\|_{\dot{F}^s_{pq}} \le c\|f\|_{\dot{F}^s_{pq}}, \quad \forall f \in \dot{F}^s_{pq}.$$

Here $m(\sqrt{L}) f$ for $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^{s}$ is defined by

$$m(\sqrt{L})f := \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\xi} \rangle m(\sqrt{L}) \psi_{\xi} \quad (convergence \ in \ \mathcal{S}'/\mathcal{P}), \tag{8.2}$$

that is,

$$\langle m(\sqrt{L})f,\phi\rangle := \sum_{\xi\in\mathcal{X}} \langle f,\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\rangle \langle m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\xi},\phi\rangle, \quad \forall \phi\in\mathcal{S}_{\infty},$$
(8.3)

where the series converges absolutely. The motivation for the above definition is the fact that for any $f \in S'/\mathcal{P}$ one has $f = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle \psi_{\eta}$ in S'/\mathcal{P} (Theorem 4.3).

Proof Let $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^s$, $s \in \mathbb{R}$, $0 , and <math>0 < q \le \infty$. We first show that the series in (8.2) converges absolutely and hence $m(\sqrt{L})f$ is well defined. Suppose the point x_0 from the definition of distributions in Sect. 3.1 belongs to A_{ξ_0} for some $\xi_0 \in \mathcal{X}_0$. We claim that any test function $\phi \in S_{\infty}$ is a constant multiple of a smooth analysis and synthesis molecule centered at ξ_0 (Sect. 7.1). Indeed, by (3.1) it follows that for any $\nu \ge 0$ and $\sigma > 0$

$$|L^{\nu}\phi(x)| \le c (1 + \rho(x, x_0))^{-\sigma} \le c (1 + \rho(x, \xi_0))^{-\sigma}$$

and the claim follows.

We next show that there exists a constant $c_b > 0$ such that $\{c_b m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules. We shall carry out the proof of this claim just as in the proof of the first part of Lemma 7.2. Write

$$\mathfrak{m}_{\xi}(x) := c_{\flat} m(\sqrt{L}) \psi_{\xi}(x) = c_{\flat} |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} [m(\sqrt{L}) \Psi(b^{-j}\sqrt{L})](x,\xi), \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j},$$

where we used (4.8) and Remark 2.5. Let $g(u) := u^{2\nu}m(b^j u)\Psi(u)$ for an arbitrary $\nu \ge 0$. Clearly,

$$L^{\nu}m(\sqrt{L})\Psi(b^{-j}\sqrt{L}) = b^{2\nu j}g(b^{-j}\sqrt{L}),$$

 $g \in C^{\ell}(\mathbb{R}_+)$, supp $g \subset [b^{-1}, b]$, and for $0 \le n \le \ell$

$$|g^{(n)}(u)| \le c \max_{0 \le r \le n} |m^{(r)}(b^{j}u)| b^{jr} \le c \max_{0 \le r \le \ell} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{+}} |\lambda^{\nu} m^{(\nu)}(\lambda)| \le c < \infty.$$

Then by Theorem 2.2, applied to g, it follows that

$$|[L^{\nu}m(\sqrt{L})\Psi(b^{-j}\sqrt{L})](x,\xi)| \le \frac{cb^{\nu j}|B(\xi,b^{-j})|^{-1}}{(1+b^{j}\rho(x,\xi))^{\ell-d/2}}.$$

Since $\ell > \mathcal{J} + d/2$ we may choose \mathcal{M} so that $\mathcal{J} < \mathcal{M} \le \ell - d/2$. Now, using that $|A_{\xi}| \sim |B(\xi, b^{-j})| \sim |B_{\xi}|$ for $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j$ we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} |L^{\nu}\mathfrak{m}_{\xi}(x)| &= |c_{\flat}L^{\nu}m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\xi}(x)| \\ &\leq \frac{cc_{\flat}\ell(\xi)^{-2\nu}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\mathcal{M}}}, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}, \ 0 \leq \nu \leq N. \end{aligned}$$

This shows that $\{\mathfrak{m}_{\xi}\}\$ obey (7.2)–(7.3) if the constant c_{\flat} is sufficiently small.

Assume $s \leq \mathcal{J}$ and let $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_i$. Define

$$b_{\xi}(x) := c_{\flat} L^{-K} m(\sqrt{L}) \psi_{\xi}(x) = c_{\flat} |A_{\xi}|^{1/2} [L^{-K} m(\sqrt{L}) \Psi(b^{-j} \sqrt{L})](x, \xi).$$

Hence

$$L^{K}b_{\xi}(x) = c_{\flat}m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\xi}(x) = \mathfrak{m}_{\xi}(x).$$

Assuming that $0 \le v \le K$, $K = \lfloor (\mathcal{J} - s)/2 \rfloor + 1$, we consider the following function $h(u) := u^{2(v-K)}m(b^j u)\Psi(u)$. Clearly

$$L^{\nu-K}m(\sqrt{L})\Psi(b^{-j}\sqrt{L}) = b^{-2j(K-\nu)}h(b^{-j}\sqrt{L}),$$

 $h \in C^{\ell}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ and supp $g \subset [b^{-1}, b]$. Furthermore, for $0 \le n \le \ell$

$$|h^{(n)}(u)| \le c \max_{0 \le r \le n} |m^{(r)}(b^{j}u)| b^{jr} \le c \max_{0 \le r \le \ell} \sup_{\lambda \in \mathbb{R}_{+}} |\lambda^{\nu} m^{(\nu)}(\lambda)| \le c < \infty.$$

As before we choose \mathcal{M} so that $\mathcal{J} < \mathcal{M} \leq \ell - d/2$. Then by Theorem 2.2, applied to h, we infer

$$|L^{\nu}b_{\xi}(x)| \leq \frac{cc_{\flat}|A_{\xi}|^{1/2}b^{-2j(K-\nu)}}{|B(\xi, b^{-j})|(1+b^{j}\rho(\xi, x))^{\ell-d/2}} \leq \frac{cc_{\flat}\ell(\xi)^{2(K-\nu)}|B_{\xi}|^{-1/2}}{(1+\ell(\xi)^{-1}\rho(x, \xi))^{\mathcal{M}}}.$$

This shows that $\mathfrak{m}_{\xi} := c_{\flat}m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\xi}$ verifies (7.5) if $c_{\flat} \leq c^{-1}$. Therefore, if the constant c_{\flat} is sufficiently small $\{\mathfrak{m}_{\xi}\}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules.

Given $\phi \in S_{\infty}$ write

$$d_{\xi_0\eta} := \langle m(\sqrt{L})\psi_\eta, \phi \rangle.$$

From above we know that there exists a constant $c_{\flat} > 0$ such that $\{c_{\flat}m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\eta}\}_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules for \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} , and ϕ is a smooth analysis molecule for \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} . Then applying Lemma 7.3 we conclude that there exist constants $c, \delta > 0$ such that

$$|d_{\xi_0\eta}| \le c\omega_{\delta}(\xi_0,\eta), \quad \forall \eta \in \mathcal{X},$$

where $\omega_{\delta}(\xi, \eta)$ is defined in (6.5).

On the other hand, by Theorem 5.6, for any $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^s$ the sequence $\{\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle\}$ belongs to \dot{f}_{pq}^s and hence $\{|\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle|\} \in \dot{f}_{pq}^s$. From this and the boundedness of the operator with matrix $\{\omega_{\delta}(\xi, \eta)\}$ on \dot{f}_{pq}^s it follows that

$$\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} |\langle m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\eta}, \phi \rangle| |\langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle| < \infty.$$

Thus the absolute convergence of the series in (8.3) is established.

By Theorem 5.6 it follows that to prove the theorem it suffices to show that for any $f \in \dot{F}_{pa}^{s}$

$$\left\|\left(\langle m(\sqrt{L})f,\psi_{\xi}\rangle\right)\right\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} \le c\|(\langle f,\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\rangle)\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}}.$$
(8.4)

Let $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^{s}$. Then by (8.3)

$$\langle m(\sqrt{L})f, \psi_{\xi} \rangle = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \langle f, \tilde{\psi}_{\eta} \rangle \langle m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\eta}, \psi_{\xi} \rangle, \quad \xi \in \mathcal{X}.$$
(8.5)

Let A be the operators with matrix

$$(a_{\xi\eta})_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}} := (\langle m(\sqrt{L})\psi_{\eta},\psi_{\xi}\rangle)_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}}.$$

From above we know that there exists a constant $c_b > 0$ such that $\{c_b m(\sqrt{L})\psi_\eta\}_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth synthesis molecules for \dot{f}_{pq}^s . Also, by Lemma 7.2 there exists a constant $c_* > 0$ such that $\{c_*\psi_\xi\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ is a family of smooth analysis molecules. Then by Lemma 7.3 and Theorem 6.3 it follows that the operator A is bounded on \dot{f}_{pq}^s .

Let $f \in \dot{F}_{pq}^s$. By the boundedness of the operator $A : \dot{f}_{pq}^s \to \dot{f}_{pq}^s$ and (8.5) we infer

$$\left\|\left(\langle m(\sqrt{L})f,\psi_{\xi}\rangle\right)\right\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} = \left\|A(\langle f,\tilde{\psi}_{\eta}\rangle)\right\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} \le c\left\|\left(\langle f,\tilde{\psi}_{\eta}\rangle\right)\right\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}},$$

which verifies (8.4).

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Remark 8.2 Several clarifying remarks about spectral multipliers are in order.

- (a) Spectral multipliers like the ones from Theorem 8.1 can be established for the spaces $\dot{\tilde{F}}_{pq}^{s}$, where the condition $\ell > \mathcal{J} + d/2$ is replaced by $\ell > \mathcal{J} + d/2 + |s|$.
- (b) Theorem 8.1 also holds for Besov spaces \dot{B}_{pq}^{s} and with the above replacement to $\dot{\tilde{B}}_{pq}^{s}$, where $\mathcal{J} := d/\min\{1, p\}$.
- (c) If we restrict the hypotheses of Theorem 8.1 to the case when (M, ρ, μ) is an Ahlfors *d*-regular space, meaning that there exists a constant $c_4 \ge 1$ such that

$$c_4^{-1}r^d \le |B(x,r)| \le c_4r^d, \quad \forall x \in M, \ \forall r > 0,$$
(8.6)

then it suffices to assume that $\ell > \mathcal{J}$ as in [15] rather than $\ell > \mathcal{J} + d/2$. (The only difference in the proof is that when applying Theorem 2.2 to *g* we may use that $|B(x, b^{-j})| \sim |B(\xi, b^{-j})|$, which makes the difference.) We omit the further details.

9 Atomic and Molecular Decompositions in the Inhomogeneous Case

Inhomogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces in the general setting, described in Sect. 1, have been developed in [24]. An advantage of the inhomogeneous spaces over the homogeneous spaces is that they are defined also in the case when the set M is compact, like the sphere, ball, and more general compact Riemannian manifolds. On the other hand, this theory is more coherent in the homogeneous case.

We next briefly indicate how the atomic and molecular decompositions developed so far should be changed in the inhomogeneous case. Generally speaking in the inhomogeneous case the frequencies corresponding to eigenvalues $0 \le \lambda \le 1$ are grouped together. Thus, in the definitions of inhomogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin spaces (Definitions 5.1–5.2) the terms $\varphi_j(\sqrt{L}) f$, $j \le 0$, are replace by one term $\varphi_0(\sqrt{L}) f$, where $\varphi_0 \in C^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}_+)$ is such that $\sup p \varphi_0 \subset [0, 2]$ and $|\varphi_0(\lambda)| > 0$ on $[0, 2^{3/4}]$. The frames are of the form $\{\psi_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$ and $\{\tilde{\psi}_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}}$, where $\mathcal{X} = \bigcup_{j \ge 0} \mathcal{X}_j$, hence, in the definition of the inhomogeneous Besov and Triebel–Lizorkin sequence spaces spaces sets \mathcal{X}_j are involved with $j \ge 0$. It should be pointed out that the convergence in the inhomogeneous case is simpler than the one in the homogeneous case. For more details, see [24].

The definition of almost diagonal operators in the inhomogeneous case is the same as in the homogeneous case, but $j \ge 0$. Further, the definitions of smooth synthesis and analysis molecules m_{ξ} and \tilde{m}_{ξ} for $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j$, $j \ge 1$, are the same as in the homogeneous case (Sects. 7.1, 7.2), but for $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_0$ (the zero level) Condition (iii) on m_{ξ} and \tilde{m}_{ξ} is dropped. The same modification is applied for the definition of smooth atoms. All theorems about molecular and atomic decompositions established in the homogeneous case in Sect. 7 hold in the inhomogeneous case as well with almost identical proofs. The spectral multipliers established in Theorem 8.1 are the same as in the inhomogeneous case. We refrain from providing further details here.

Appendix

Proof of Lemma 2.8

The proof of Lemma 2.8 relies on the following two lemmata:

Lemma 9.1 Let \mathcal{X} be a δ -net on M and $0 < \delta \leq \delta^*$. Then

$$#\{ \mathcal{X} \cap B(x, \delta^*) \} \le c_0 6^d \left(\delta^* / \delta \right)^d, \quad \forall x \in M.$$
(9.1)

Here c_0 *is the constant from* (1.1)*.*

Proof It is easily seen that if $\xi \in \mathcal{X} \cap B(x, \delta^*)$, then $B(\xi, \delta) \subset B(x, 2\delta^*) \subset B(\xi, 3\delta^*)$. Therefore, for every $\eta \in \mathcal{X} \cap B(x, \delta^*)$

$$\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X} \cap B(x,\delta^{\star})} |B(\xi,\delta/2)| \le |B(x,2\delta^{\star})| \le |B(\eta,3\delta^{\star})| \le c_0 6^d \left(\delta^{\star}/\delta\right)^d |B(\eta,\delta/2)|,$$

where for the last inequality we used (1.2). Summing up the above inequalities over all $\eta \in \mathcal{X} \cap B(x, \delta^*)$ leads to (9.1).

Lemma 9.2 Suppose $\sigma > d$ and let \mathcal{X} be a δ -net on M, $\delta > 0$. Then for any $x \in M$ and $\delta^* \geq \delta$

$$\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\xi)}{\delta^{\star}} \right)^{-\sigma} \le \frac{c_0 6^d 2^{\sigma}}{1 - 2^{d-\sigma}} \left(\frac{\delta^{\star}}{\delta} \right)^d.$$
(9.2)

Proof Set $\Omega_0 := \{ \xi \in \mathcal{X} : \rho(x, \xi) \le \delta^* \}$ and

$$\Omega_j := \{ \xi \in \mathcal{X} : 2^{j-1} \delta^* < \rho(x, \xi) \le 2^j \delta^* \}, \quad j \ge 1.$$

Then using Lemma 9.1 we get

$$\begin{split} \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\xi)}{\delta^{\star}} \right)^{-\sigma} &\leq \sum_{j \geq 0} \sum_{\xi \in \Omega_j} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(x,\xi)}{\delta^{\star}} \right)^{-\sigma} \\ &\leq \sum_{j \geq 0} \#\{\mathcal{X} \cap B(x,2^j\delta^{\star})\} 2^{-(j-1)\sigma} \\ &\leq c_0 6^d 2^{\sigma} (\delta^{\star}/\delta)^d \sum_{j \geq 0} 2^{-j(\sigma-d)} \\ &\leq \frac{c_0 6^d 2^{\sigma}}{1 - 2^{d-\sigma}} \left(\frac{\delta^{\star}}{\delta}\right)^d, \end{split}$$

which confirms (9.2).

Proof of Lemma 2.8 Under the hypotheses of Lemma 2.8, denote by Σ the quantity on the left in (2.15) and set

$$\mathcal{X} := \{ \xi \in \mathcal{X} : \rho(x, \xi) \ge \rho(x, y)/2 \} \text{ and } \mathcal{X}' := \{ \xi \in \mathcal{X} : \rho(y, \xi) > \rho(x, y)/2 \}.$$

Then $\Sigma \leq \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \cdots + \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}''} \cdots =: \Sigma' + \Sigma''$. To estimate Σ'' we use Lemma 9.2 and obtain

$$\Sigma'' \le \frac{c}{(1+\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}} \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{1}{(1+\delta_1^{-1}\rho(y,\xi))^{\sigma}} \le \frac{c(\delta_1/\delta)^a}{(1+\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}}$$

To estimate Σ' we consider two cases.

Case 1: $\delta_2^{-1} \rho(x, y) \ge 1$. Just as above we obtained

$$\Sigma' \le \frac{c}{(1+\delta_1^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}} \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{1}{(1+\delta_2^{-1}\rho(y,\xi))^{\sigma}} \le \frac{c(\delta_2/\delta)^d}{(1+\delta_1^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}}$$

and using that $\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x, y) \ge 1$

$$\Sigma' \leq \frac{c(\delta_2/\delta_1)^d (\delta_1/\delta)^d}{(\delta_1^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}} = \frac{c(\delta_1/\delta)^d}{(\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x,y))^d (\delta_1^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma-d}}$$
$$\leq \frac{c(\delta_1/\delta)^d}{(\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}} \leq \frac{c2^{\sigma} (\delta_1/\delta)^d}{(1+\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}}.$$

Case 2: $\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x, y) < 1$. We use Lemma 9.2 to obtain

$$\Sigma' \leq \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{1}{(1+\delta_1^{-1}\rho(x,\xi))^{\sigma}} \leq c(\delta_1/\delta)^d \leq \frac{c2^{\sigma}(\delta_1/\delta)^d}{(1+\delta_2^{-1}\rho(x,y))^{\sigma}}.$$

Putting the above estimates together we arrive at (2.15).

Proof of Theorem 6.3

We shall carry out the proof of this theorem only for the spaces \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} and $\dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$; the proof in the case of the spaces $\dot{\tilde{f}}_{pq}^{s}$ and \dot{b}_{pq}^{s} is similar and will be omitted.

We need two lemmata.

Lemma 9.3 Let $0 < t \le 1$ and $\mathcal{M} > d/t$. Then for any sequence of complex numbers $\{h_\eta\}_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_m}, m \in \mathbb{Z}$, we have for $x \in A_{\xi}, \xi \in \mathcal{X}$,

$$\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_m} |h_{\eta}| \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta)}{\max\{\ell(\xi), \ell(\eta)\}} \right)^{-\mathcal{M}}$$

$$\leq c \max\left\{ b^{(m-j)d/t}, 1 \right\} \mathcal{M}_t \left(\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_m} |h_{\eta}| \mathbb{1}_{A_{\eta}} \right)(x),$$

where the constant c > 0 depends only on t, M, and the constant c_0 from (1.1).

This is Lemma 7.1 in [10].

We shall also need the well known Hardy inequalities, given in the following

Lemma 9.4 Let $\gamma > 0$, $0 < q < \infty$, b > 1, and $a_m \ge 0$ for $m \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then

$$\left(\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}}\left(\sum_{m\geq j}b^{-(m-j)\gamma}a_m\right)^q\right)^{1/q} \le c\left(\sum_{m\in\mathbb{Z}}a_m^q\right)^{1/q}$$
(9.3)

and

$$\left(\sum_{j\in\mathbb{Z}}\left(\sum_{m\leq j}b^{-(j-m)\gamma}a_m\right)^q\right)^{1/q}\leq c\left(\sum_{m\in\mathbb{Z}}a_m^q\right)^{1/q},\tag{9.4}$$

where the constant c > 0 depends on γ , q, b.

The proof of the Hardy inequalities is standard and simple; we omit it.

Assume that the hypotheses of Theorem 6.3 are valid for \dot{f}_{pq}^{s} , that is, A is an operator with matrix $(a_{\xi\eta})_{\xi,\eta\in\mathcal{X}}$ such that for some $\delta > 0$

$$\|A\|_{\delta} := \sup_{\xi,\eta \in \mathcal{X}} \frac{|a_{\xi\eta}|}{\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta)} \le c < \infty, \tag{9.5}$$

where $\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta)$ is defined in (6.5). Also, let $h = \{h_{\xi}\}_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \in \dot{f}_{pq}^{s}$. We next prove the estimate

$$\|Ah\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} \le c \|A\|_{\delta} \|h\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}}.$$
(9.6)

We only consider the case: $q < \infty$; the case when $q = \infty$ is easier and we omit it.

We have $(Ah)_{\xi} = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} a_{\xi\eta} h_{\eta}$. (By the proof below it follows that the series converges absolutely.) Using this in the definition of $\|\cdot\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{nq}}$ in (5.9), we have

$$\begin{split} \|Ah\|_{\dot{f}^{s}_{pq}} &:= \left\| \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left[\ell(\xi)^{-s} | (Ah)_{\xi} | \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ &\leq \left\| \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left[\ell(\xi)^{-s} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} \leq c(\Sigma_{1} + \Sigma_{2}), \end{split}$$

where

$$\Sigma_{1} := \left\| \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left[\ell(\xi)^{-s} \sum_{\ell(\eta) \le \ell(\xi)} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} \text{ and}$$
$$\Sigma_{2} := \left\| \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left[\ell(\xi)^{-s} \sum_{\ell(\eta) > \ell(\xi)} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}}.$$

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To estimate Σ_1 we use (9.5). By (6.5) we have whenever $\ell(\eta) \leq \ell(\xi)$

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \|A\|_{\delta} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\delta-s} \left(\frac{|A_{\xi}|}{|A_{\eta}|}\right)^{1/2} \left(1+\frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\delta}.$$

Set $F_{\xi}(x) := \ell(\xi)^{-s} |A_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \mathbb{1}_{A_{\xi}}(x)$ and choose *t* so that $0 < t < \min\{1, p, q\}$ and $\mathcal{J} + \delta - d/t > 0$. Then we have

$$\begin{split} \|A\|_{\delta}^{-1} \Sigma_{1} &\leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}} \left[\sum_{\ell(\eta) \leq \ell(\xi)} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{\mathcal{J} + \delta - s} \left(\frac{|A_{\xi}|}{|A_{\eta}|} \right)^{1/2} \right. \\ & \left. \times \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi, \eta)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{-\mathcal{J} - \delta} |h_{\eta}| F_{\xi}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ &= c \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \left[\sum_{m \geq j} b^{(j-m)(\mathcal{J} + \delta)} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{-s} \left(\frac{|A_{\xi}|}{|A_{\eta}|} \right)^{1/2} \right. \\ & \left. \times |h_{\eta}| \left(1 + b^{j} \rho(\xi, \eta) \right)^{-\mathcal{J} - \delta} F_{\xi}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}}. \end{split}$$

We now apply Lemma 9.3, the Hardy inequality (9.3), and the maximal inequality (2.17) to obtain

$$\begin{split} \|A\|_{\delta}^{-1} \Sigma_{1} &\leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \left[\sum_{m \geq j} b^{(j-m)(\mathcal{J}+\delta-d/t)} \right. \\ & \times M_{t} \left(\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{-s} \left(\frac{|A_{\xi}|}{|A_{\eta}|} \right)^{1/2} |h_{\eta}| \mathbb{1}_{A_{\eta}} \right) (\cdot) F_{\xi}(\cdot) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ & \leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[\sum_{m \geq j} b^{(j-m)(\mathcal{J}+\delta-d/t)} M_{t} \left(\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}|F_{\eta} \right) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ & \leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[M_{t} \left(\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |h_{\xi}|F_{\xi} \right) \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ & \leq c \left\| \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |h_{\xi}|F_{\xi} \right]^{q} \right)^{1/q} \right\|_{L^{p}} \leq c \|h\|_{j^{s}_{pq}}. \end{split}$$

To estimate Σ_2 we use again Lemma 9.3, the Hardy inequality (9.4) instead of (9.4), and the maximal inequality (2.17). The estimates for Σ_1 and Σ_2 imply (9.6).

We next proceed with the proof of the estimate

$$\|Ah\|_{\dot{b}_{pq}}^{:s} \le c \|A\|_{\delta} \|h\|_{\dot{b}_{pq}}^{:s}.$$
(9.7)

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Here we assume that A is an operator with matrix $\{a_{\xi\eta}\}_{\xi\eta\in\mathcal{X}}$ obeying (9.5) for some constants $\delta, c > 0$, where $\omega_{\xi\eta}(\delta)$ is defined in (6.6). We also assume that $h = \{h_{\xi}\}_{\xi\in\mathcal{X}} \in \dot{\tilde{b}}_{pq}^{s}$. We consider the case when $p, q < \infty$; the cases when $p = \infty$ or $q = \infty$ are easier to handle and we omit the details.

We know that $|B(\xi, b^{-j})| \sim |A_{\xi}| \sim |B_{\xi}|$ for $\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j$ and by Definition 5.3 it follows that

$$\|h\|_{\dot{b}_{pq}^{s}} \sim \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\|\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} |h_{\xi}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q}\right)^{1/q}, \qquad \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}} := |A_{\xi}|^{-1/2} \mathbb{1}_{A_{\xi}}.$$
(9.8)

We have $(Ah)_{\xi} = \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} a_{\xi\eta} h_{\eta}$ and using (9.8)

$$\begin{split} \|Ah\|_{\dot{b}_{pq}} &\leq c \bigg(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} |(Ah)_{\xi}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^p}^q \bigg)^{1/q} \\ &\leq c \bigg(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_j} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^p}^q \bigg)^{1/q} \leq c(\Sigma_1 + \Sigma_2), \end{split}$$

where

$$\Sigma_{1} := \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} \sum_{\ell(\eta) \le \ell(\xi)} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q} \text{ and}$$
$$\Sigma_{2} := \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} \sum_{\ell(\eta) > \ell(\xi)} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q}.$$

We shall only estimate Σ_1 . Using that $||A||_{\delta} < \infty$, see (6.6)–(6.7), it readily follows that whenever $\ell(\eta) \le \ell(\xi)$

$$|a_{\xi\eta}| \le c \|A\|_{\delta} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{\mathcal{J}+\delta} \left(\frac{|A_{\xi}|}{|A_{\eta}|}\right)^{s/d+1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)}\right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\delta}$$

Denote briefly $F_{\xi} := |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d-1/2} \mathbb{1}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot)$ and choose t so that $d/t = \mathcal{J} + \delta/2$. Then $0 < t < \min\{1, p\}$ and $\mathcal{J} + \delta - d/t > 0$. We have

$$\begin{split} \|A\|_{\delta}^{-1} \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} \sum_{\ell(\eta) \le \ell(\xi)} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ \le c \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \sum_{\ell(\eta) \le \ell(\xi)} \left(\frac{\ell(\eta)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{\mathcal{J}+\delta} \left(\frac{|A_{\xi}|}{|A_{\eta}|} \right)^{s/d+1/2} \left(1 + \frac{\rho(\xi,\eta)}{\ell(\xi)} \right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\delta} |h_{\eta}| F_{\xi}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ = c \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \sum_{m \ge j} b^{(j-m)(\mathcal{J}+\delta)} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} \left(\frac{|A_{\xi}|}{|A_{\eta}|} \right)^{s/d+1/2} |h_{\eta}| \left(1 + b^{j}\rho(\xi,\eta) \right)^{-\mathcal{J}-\delta} F_{\xi}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}. \end{split}$$

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We now apply Lemma 9.3 and the maximal inequality (2.17) to obtain

$$\begin{split} \|A\|_{\delta}^{-1} \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} \sum_{\ell(\eta) \le \ell(\xi)} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ \le c \left\| \sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} \sum_{m \ge j} b^{(j-m)(\mathcal{J}+\delta-d/t)} M_{t} \left(\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} \left(\frac{|A_{\xi}|}{|A_{\eta}|} \right)^{s/d+1/2} |h_{\eta}| \mathbb{1}_{A_{\eta}} \right) (\cdot) F_{\xi}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ = c \left\| \sum_{m \ge j} b^{(j-m)\delta/2} M_{t} \left(\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}| F_{\eta} \right) (\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}} \\ \le c \left\| \sum_{m \ge j} b^{(j-m)\delta/2} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}| F_{\eta}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}. \end{split}$$

Consider the case when $p \ge 1$. Then applying the Hardy inequality (9.3) we get

$$\begin{split} \|A\|_{\delta}^{-1} \Sigma_{1} &= \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\|\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} \sum_{\ell(\eta) \leq \ell(\xi)} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq c \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\|\sum_{m \geq j} b^{(j-m)\delta/2} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}| F_{\eta}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq c \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[\sum_{m \geq j} b^{(j-m)\delta/2} \right\| \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}| F_{\eta}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq c \left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\|\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}| F_{\eta}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q} \leq c \|h\|_{\dot{b}^{s}_{pq}}. \end{split}$$

Now, let 0 . Then applying the*p*-triangle inequality and the Hardy inequality (9.3) we get

$$\begin{split} \|A\|_{\delta}^{-1} \Sigma_{1} &= \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\|\sum_{\xi \in \mathcal{X}_{j}} |A_{\xi}|^{-s/d} \sum_{\ell(\eta) \leq \ell(\xi)} |a_{\xi\eta}| |h_{\eta}| \tilde{\mathbb{1}}_{A_{\xi}}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq c \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\|\sum_{m \geq j} b^{(j-m)\delta/2} \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}| F_{\eta}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq c \left(\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} \left[\sum_{m \geq j} b^{(j-m)p\delta/2} \right\| \sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}| F_{\eta}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{p} \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq c \left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left\|\sum_{\eta \in \mathcal{X}_{m}} |h_{\eta}| F_{\eta}(\cdot) \right\|_{L^{p}}^{q} \right)^{1/q} \leq c \|h\|_{\dot{b}_{pq}^{s}}. \end{split}$$

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We similarly estimate Σ_2 and get the same bound. The estimates for Σ_1 and Σ_2 yield (9.7).

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