

# COMPARISON BETWEEN MAXIMAL AND SQUARE FUNCTIONS OF 1-FORMS AND ITS APPLICATIONS\*\*

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## Abstract.

A norm relation between nontangential square function and nontangential maximal function of 1-forms is obtained. As applications, the author gets  $L^p$ -boundedness of Littlewood-Paley-Stein  $g$ -function operator on 1-forms, and gives an analytic proof of  $L^p$ -boundedness of Riesz transform, where  $1 < p < \infty$ .

## § 1. Introduction

Let  $M$  be a noncompact complete Riemannian manifold of dimension  $n$ ,  $\text{Ric}(M) \geq 0$ ,  $\Delta$  and  $\Delta_1$  the Laplace operators ( $d\delta + \delta d$ ) on functions and 1-forms respectively,  $\{P_t\}_{t>0}$  and  $\{\mathbf{P}_t\}_{t>0}$  the corresponding Poisson semi-groups. For  $C_\alpha^\omega$  function  $f$  and 1-form  $\omega$  on  $M$ , define its square function and maximal function as follows

$$\begin{cases} A_{P,\alpha}(\omega)(x) = \left( \int_0^\infty \int_{B_x(at)} |\nabla \mathbf{P}_t(\omega)(y)|^2 V_x^{-1}(at) t dy dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \\ N_{P,\alpha}(\omega)(x) = \sup_{d(x,y) < at} |\mathbf{P}_t(\omega)(y)|, \end{cases} \quad (0 < \alpha < \infty). \quad (1)$$

$A_{P,\alpha}(f)$  and  $N_{P,\alpha}(f)$  are similar, where  $\nabla = (\nabla, \partial/\partial t)$ ,  $\nabla$  is gradient operator of  $M$ .

In [7], we developed the technique of [4] and proved (for product manifolds)

**Theorem A.**  $\|A_{P,\alpha}(f)\|_p \leq C_{n,p,\alpha,\beta} \|N_{P,\beta}(f)\|_p$  for  $0 < \alpha, \beta, p < +\infty$ .

In this paper, we prove

**Theorem 1.**  $\|A_{P,\alpha}(\omega)\|_p \leq C_{n,p,\alpha,\beta} \|N_{P,\beta}(\omega)\|_p$  for  $0 < \alpha, \beta, p < +\infty$ .

Applying this theorem, we give an analytic proof of  $L^p$ -boundedness of Riesz transform  $\nabla (+\Delta)^{-1/2}$  ( $1 < p < +\infty$ ), which was originally obtained in [1, 2, 5] and proposed in [11].

In this paper,  $C_{n,p,\dots}$  denotes a positive number depending only on  $n, p, \dots$ , it may be different when it appears in different places.

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## § 2. A Note on Carleson Measures

For a ball  $B \subset M$ ,  $\hat{B} = B \times [0, 2r_B]$  where  $r_B$  is radius of  $B$ . For a nonnegative Borel measure  $d\mu$  on  $M \times R_+^1$ ,

$$\|d\mu\|_{C.M.} \triangleq \sup\{\mu(\hat{B})/|B| : \text{for all ball } B\}.$$

**Lemma 1.** For  $0 < \gamma, \beta < +\infty$ , there hold

1°.  $\forall C^\infty$  1-form  $\eta$  on  $M \times R_+^1$ , there holds (where  $\Delta_* = -\Delta + (\frac{\partial}{\partial t})^2$ ,  $\Delta = -\Delta_1 + (\frac{\partial}{\partial t})^2$ )

$$\Delta_* |\eta|^2 \geq 2 |\nabla \eta|^2 + 2 \langle \eta, \Delta_* \eta \rangle.$$

2°.  $\exists \delta_0 = \delta_0(\beta, n) \in (0, 1)$  and  $K_n > 0$ , s. t.

a).  $\forall$  ball  $B$ ,  $P_t(x_B) \geq \delta_0$  on  $\hat{B}$ ,  $P_t(x_B) \leq \delta_0/2$  out of  $(K_n B)^\wedge$ .

b).  $\forall$  closed set  $E$ ,  $\exists$  closed set  $F \subset E$ , s. t.

$$|F^\sigma| \leq C_{n, \gamma, \beta} |E^\sigma|,$$

$$P_t(x_B) \geq 1 - \delta_0/2 \text{ on } \bigcup_{y \in F} \Gamma_\gamma(y),$$

$$P_t(x_B) \leq 1 - \delta_0 \text{ out of } \bigcup_{y \in E} \Gamma_\beta(y),$$

where  $\Gamma_\alpha(y) \triangleq \{(x \in M \times R_+^1 : d(x, y) < \alpha t)\}$ .

3°.  $\forall c < d$ ,  $\exists \varphi \in C_c^\infty(R^1)$ , s. t.  $\varphi(t) = 0$  for  $t \leq c$ ,  $\varphi(t) = 1$  for  $t \geq d$ ,  $|\varphi'(t)| + |\varphi''(t)| \leq C \cdot \varphi^{3/4}(t)$ .

1° can be obtained from Weitzenböck formula<sup>[12]</sup> because  $\text{Ric}(M \times R_+^1) \geq 0$ ; 2° and 3° are from [7, Lemma 2].

Now, for  $\lambda > 0$ , set  $E_\lambda = \{x : N_{P_t, \beta}(\omega)(x) \leq \lambda\}$ . By Lemma 1, there exists  $\varphi_1 \in C_0^\infty(R^1)$  (which depends only on  $\gamma, \beta$  and  $n$ ) and  $F_\lambda \subset E_\lambda$  such that

$$\begin{cases} 0 & \text{out of } \bigcup_{y \in E_\lambda} \Gamma_\beta(y), \\ \varphi_1(v_\lambda) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{on } \bigcup_{y \in F_\lambda} \Gamma_\gamma(y), \\ 0 < \varphi_1 \leq 1, & |\varphi'_1(t)| + |\varphi''_1(t)| \leq C \cdot \varphi_1^{3/4}(t), \end{cases} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where  $v_\lambda \triangleq P_t(x_{E_\lambda})$ . We have

**Lemma 2.**  $\|d\mu_{\omega, \lambda}\|_{C.M.} \leq C_{n, \gamma, \beta} \cdot \lambda^2$  where

$$d\mu_{\omega, \lambda} \triangleq \Delta_* (|P_t(\omega)(y)|^2) \varphi_1(v_\lambda(y, t)) t dy dt.$$

*Proof.* For a fixed ball  $B$ , set  $u = P_t(x_B)$ . By Lemma 1, there exists  $\varphi_2 \in C_0^\infty(R^1)$  such that

$$\begin{cases} C_{\delta_0} (u^2 \geq \varphi_2(u)) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{on } \hat{B}, \\ 0 & \text{out of } (K_n B)^\wedge, \end{cases} \\ 0 < \varphi_2 \leq 1, & |\varphi'_2(t)| + |\varphi''_2(t)| \leq C \cdot \varphi_2^{3/4}(t). \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

Set

$$A(B) = \iint_{M \times R_+^1} \varphi_2(u) d\mu_{\omega, \lambda} (\geq \mu_{\omega, \lambda}(B)) \quad (4)$$

and take  $h \in C_0^\infty(R^1)$  such that  $h(t) = 1$  for  $t \leq 1$  and  $h(t) = 0$  for  $t \geq 2$ . Then (if necessary, we can replace  $A(B)$  by

$$A_s(B) = \iint_{M \times R_+^1} A_s(|P_{t+s}(\omega)(y)|^2) \varphi_1(v_\lambda(y, t+s)) \varphi_2(u(y, t+s)) \cdot t dt dy,$$

then, a limit procedure will give our desired results)

$$\begin{aligned} A(B) &= \lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty} \iint_{M \times R_+^1} h\left(\frac{t}{R}\right) \varphi_2(u) d\mu_{\omega, \lambda} \\ &= \lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty} \iint_{M \times R_+^1} \left\{ \nabla(|P_t(\omega)|^2) \cdot \nabla(\varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u)) \right. \\ &\quad + \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^2 (|P_t(\omega)|^2 \varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u)) - |P_t(\omega)|^2 \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t^2} \right)^2 (\varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u)) \\ &\quad \left. - 2 \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (|P_t(\omega)|^2) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u)) \right\} h\left(\frac{t}{R}\right) t dt dy. \end{aligned}$$

Now,  $|\nabla|P_t(\omega)|^2| = |\nabla \langle P_t(\omega), P_t(\omega) \rangle| \leq 2|\nabla P_t(\omega)| |P_t(\omega)|$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} A(B) &\leq C_{n, \gamma, \beta} \iint_{M \times R_+^1} \{ |\nabla P_t(\omega)| |P_t(\omega)| |\nabla(\varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u))| \\ &\quad + |P_t(\omega)|^2 (|\nabla v_\lambda|^2 u^2 + |\nabla u|^2 + (|\nabla v_\lambda| |\nabla u| u)) \} t dy dt \\ &\quad + \lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty} \iint_{M \times R_+^1} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \right)^2 (|P_t(\omega)|^2 \varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u)) \cdot h\left(\frac{t}{R}\right) \cdot t dy dt. \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

By Lemma 1 and the proof of [7, Lemma 11], we have

$$|\nabla P_t(\omega)|^2 \leq \frac{1}{2} A_s(|P_t(\omega)|^2),$$

$$\iint_{M \times R_+^1} |\nabla v_\lambda|^2 u^2 t dy dt \leq C_n \cdot |B| \cdot \lambda^2,$$

$$\iint_{M \times R_+^1} |\nabla u|^2 t dy dt \leq C_n \cdot |B| \cdot \lambda^2;$$

on the other hand, noting that  $(h(t/R)t)''_{tt} = O(1/R)$ ,  $(h(t/R)t)'_t = O(1)$ , we have the last term of (5) (without  $\lim_{R \rightarrow +\infty}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} &= - \iint_{M \times R_+^1} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (|P_t(\omega)|^2 \varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u)) \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( h\left(\frac{t}{R}\right) t \right) dt dy \\ &= C(1) \int_M |P_0(\omega)|^2 \varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u) dy \\ &\quad + \iint_{M \times R_+^1} |P_t(\omega)|^2 \varphi_1(v_\lambda) \varphi_2(u) \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial t^2} \right)^2 \left( h\left(\frac{t}{R}\right) t \right) dt dy \\ &= O(1) \cdot \lambda^2 \cdot |B| + O(1) \cdot \int_M \sup_{t \geq R} |u(y, t)|^2 dy, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\int_M \sup_{t>R} |u(y, t)|^2 dy \xrightarrow{R \rightarrow \infty} 0$ . Thus

$$A(B) \leq C_{n, \gamma, \beta} ((A(B) \cdot \lambda^2 |B|)^{1/2} + \lambda^2 |B|),$$

so,  $A(B) \leq C_{n, \gamma, \beta} \lambda^2 |B|$ , and  $\mu_{\omega, \lambda}(B) \leq C_{n, \gamma, \beta} \lambda^2 |B|$  (by (4)), i.e.,  $\|d\mu_{\omega, \lambda}\|_{C.M.} \leq C_{n, \gamma, \beta} \lambda^2$ .

### § 3. A Note on BMO(M) Functions

For an  $f \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(M)$

$$\|f\|_{BMO} \triangleq \sup \left\{ |B|^{-1} \int_B |f(y) - (f)_B| dy : \text{for all ball } B \right\},$$

where  $(f)_B \triangleq |B|^{-1} \int_B f(y) dy$ . We have

**Lemma 3.** If  $\|f\|_{BMO}=1$ ,  $\lambda > 1$  and  $\delta > s > 0$ , then

1°,  $\forall$  ball  $B$

$$|\{x \in B: |f(x) - (f)_B| > \lambda\}| \leq C_n \cdot e^{-\lambda/C_n} \cdot |B|.$$

$$2°, |\{x \in M: |f(x)| > \lambda \delta\}| \leq C_{n, \epsilon} e^{-\lambda/C_n} |\{x \in M: |f(x)| > \delta\}|.$$

*Proof* 1° is a easy corollary of [9, Proposition 1]. To prove 2°, set  $E = \{x \in M: |f(x)| > \delta\}$ , and suppose  $|E| < +\infty$ . Fix  $x_0 \in E$  and  $R > 0$ . Take a numerable dense subset of  $E - E_0$ ,  $\{x_i\}_i$ , where  $E_0$  is the set of nondensity points of  $E$  (i.e.,  $x \in E - E_0 \Leftrightarrow x \in E$  and  $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} V_s^{-1}(r) |B_s(r) \cap E| \neq 1$ ). Without loss of generality, we assume  $E_0 = \emptyset$ . Let

$$B_{i,j} = B_{x_j}(2^i), i=0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

$B^i$  is the maximal ball of  $\{B_{i,j}\}_j$  which satisfies

$$|E \cap B^i| \geq |B^i|/2 \text{ and } |E \cap B^i/2| \geq |B^i/2|/2,$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{B^i\}_i,$$

$$\mathcal{F}_R = \{B^i \in \mathcal{F}: \text{center of } B^i \in B_{x_0}(R)\}.$$

By density of  $x_i$ ,  $B^i$  is well-defined; and, by the denseness of  $\{x_i\}_i$  in  $E$  and the fact  $|E| < +\infty$ , we see that

$$i_R \triangleq \max \{i: \mathcal{F}_R \cap \{B_{i,j}\}_j \text{ is nonempty}\} < +\infty.$$

$\mathcal{F}_R$  is an open covering of  $E \cap B_{x_0}(R)$ .

Now, select a subfamily of  $\mathcal{F}_R$ ,  $\mathcal{F}^R \triangleq \bigcup_{i \leq i_R} \{B_i^*\}_1$ , as follows. When  $i = i_R$ ,  $\{B_i^*\}_1$  is chosen to be a maximal subfamily of  $\mathcal{F}_R \cap \{B_{i,j}\}_j$  (which is a finite family) such that any ball in which does not contain centers of other balls. If we have chosen  $\{B_i^*\}_1$  ( $i^* \leq i \leq i_R$ ), then choose  $\{B_i^{*-1}\}_1$  to be a maximal subfamily of  $\mathcal{F}_R \cap \{B_{i-1,j}\}_j$  (which is also a finite family) such that any ball in which does not contain centers of others and its own center is not in  $\bigcup_{i^* < i < i_R} (\bigcup B_i^*)$ . By induction, we have got  $\mathcal{F}^R$  which satisfies

$$a^\circ. \sum_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} |B| \leq C_n \cdot |E|,$$

$$b^\circ. \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} 2B \supset E \cap B_{\alpha_0}(R),$$

$$c^\circ. |E^o \cap 2B| \geq |2B|/2, (\forall B \in \mathcal{F}^R).$$

*Proof of a°* By definition of  $\mathcal{F}^R$ ,  $\{B/2\}_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R}$  is disjoint mutually, and by definition of  $\mathcal{F}$  (note that  $\mathcal{F}^R \subset \mathcal{F}$ ),  $|B/2| \leq 2|E \cap B/2|$  for any  $B \in \mathcal{F}^R$ , so

$$\sum_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} |B| \leq 2^n \cdot \sum_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} |B/2| \leq 2^{n+1} \cdot \sum_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} |E \cap B/2| \leq 2^{n+1} |E|.$$

*Proof of b°* By maximality of  $\{B_i^*\}_1$

$$\bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R \cap \{B_i^*\}_j} B \subset \bigcup_{i < s \leq i_n} (\bigcup_i 2B_i^*).$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} E \cap B_{\alpha_0}(R) &\subset \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} B = \bigcup_{-\infty < i \leq i_n} (\bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R \cap \{B_i^*\}_j} B) \\ &\subset \bigcup_{i < i_n} \bigcup_{i < s \leq i_n} \bigcup_i 2B_i^* = \bigcup_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} 2B. \end{aligned}$$

*Proof of c°*  $\forall B \in \mathcal{F}^R$ , by definition of  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $|2B \subset E| \leq \frac{1}{2} |2B|$ , so,  $|2B \cap E^o| \geq \frac{1}{2} |2B|$ . Now by  $c^\circ$ , we get  $(\forall B \in \mathcal{F}^R)$

$$\begin{aligned} |(f)_{2B}| &\leq 2(|f|)_{2B} \cdot |E^o \cap 2B| / |2B| \\ &\leq 2 \left\{ |2B|^{-1} \int_{2B \cap E^o} |f(x)| dx - |2B|^{-1} \int_{2B \cap E^o} |f(x) - (f)_{2B}| dx \right\} \\ &\leq 2(\delta + \|f\|_{BMO}) \leq 2\delta + 4. \end{aligned}$$

Thus from  $a^\circ$ ,  $b^\circ$  and  $1^\circ$ , we have (without loss of generality, we may assume  $\lambda > 2 - \frac{4}{\delta}$ )

$$\begin{aligned} |\{x \in B_{\alpha_0}(R) : |f(x)| > \lambda\delta\}| &\leq \sum_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} |\{x \in 2B : |f(x)| > \lambda\delta\}| \\ &\leq \sum_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} |\{x \in 2B : |f(x) - (f)_{2B}| > \lambda\delta - 2\delta - 4\}| \\ &\leq C_n \cdot \sum_{B \in \mathcal{F}^R} e^{-\lambda/C_n} |2B| \leq C_n \cdot e^{-\lambda/C_n} \cdot |E|. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, letting  $R \rightarrow +\infty$ , we get  $2^\circ$ .

#### § 4. Proof of Theorem 1

Take  $\psi \in C_c^\infty(R^1)$  such that

$$\psi(t) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \leq 1 \\ 0, & t \geq 2 \end{cases} \text{ and } 0 \leq \psi \leq 1.$$

Then, for  $\alpha > 0$ , let

$$\Psi_t^\alpha(x, y) = \psi\left(\frac{d(x, y)}{\alpha t}\right) / \int_M \psi\left(\frac{d(x, y)}{\alpha t}\right) dy. \quad (6)$$

We have

**Lemma 4.** For  $f \in H^1(M)$ ,  $0 < \alpha < +\infty$ ,  $\|N_\Psi(f)\|_1 \leq C_{n, \psi, \alpha} \|f\|_{H^1}$ , where

$$N_\Psi(f)(x) \triangleq \sup_{d(x,y) \leq t} \left| \int_M \Psi_t^\alpha(x, y) f(y) dy \right|.$$

*Proof* By [6, Theorem 1], it is enough to prove

$$\|N_\Psi(a)\|_1 \leq C_{n,\psi,\alpha}$$

for any  $H^1$ -atom  $a$ . Suppose  $a$  is an  $H^1$ -atom, i.e.,  $\text{supp } a \subset B = B_{x_0}(r_0)$ ,  $\|a\|_2 \leq |B|^{-1/2}$ ,  $\int_M a(x) dx = 0$ . For  $z \in 2B$  and  $d(y, z) \leq t$ , if  $x \in B$ , then (note that  $|\nabla d(x, y)| = 1$ )  $\exists \xi_x \in \overline{xx_0}$ , such that

$$\begin{aligned} |\Psi_t^\alpha(x, y) - \Psi_t^\alpha(x_0, y)| &\leq \left| \psi' \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{\alpha t} \right) \right| \frac{d(x_0, x)}{\alpha t} \left/ \int_M \psi' \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{\alpha t} \right) dy \right. \\ &\quad + \left| \psi' \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{\alpha t} \right) \right| \int_M \left| \psi' \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{\alpha t} \right) \right| \frac{dy}{\alpha t} \frac{d(x_0, x)}{\alpha t} \left/ \left( \int_M \psi' \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{\alpha t} \right) dy \right)^2 \right. \\ &\leq C_{n,\psi} \cdot \frac{r_0}{\alpha t} (V_y(\alpha t) + V_{\xi_x}(\alpha t))^{-1} \chi_{d(\xi_x, y) \leq 2\alpha t} \triangleq C_{n,\psi} \cdot r_0 \cdot \Phi_t^\alpha(\xi_x, y), \end{aligned}$$

because

$$\begin{aligned} \int_M \psi' \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{\alpha t} \right) dy &\geq \int_{B_{\xi_x}(\alpha t)} dy = V_{\xi_x}(\alpha t) \geq C_n \cdot V_y(\alpha t), \\ \int_M \left| \psi' \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{\alpha t} \right) \right| dy &\leq \int_{B_{\xi_x}(\alpha t)} \|\psi'\|_\infty dy \leq C_{n,\psi} \cdot V_y(\alpha t). \end{aligned}$$

Now, when  $d(x_0, z)/3 \leq d(\xi_x, y) \leq 3d(x_0, z)$

$$\Phi_t^\alpha(\xi_x, y) \leq \frac{2}{d(\xi_x, y)} V_y^{-1} \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{2} \right) \leq C_n \cdot d^{-1}(x_0, z) V_{x_0}^{-1}(d(x_0, z));$$

when  $d(\xi_x, y) \geq 3d(z, x_0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_t^\alpha(\xi_x, y) &\leq \frac{2}{d(\xi_x, y)} V_{\xi_x}^{-1} \left( \frac{d(\xi_x, y)}{2} \right) \leq C_n \cdot d^{-1}(x_0, z) V_{\xi_x}^{-1} \left( \frac{d(z, x_0)}{2} \right) \\ &\leq C_n \cdot d^{-1}(x_0, z) V_{x_0}^{-1} \left( \frac{d(z, x_0)}{2} \right); \end{aligned}$$

when  $d(\xi_x, y) \leq d(z, x_0)/3$ ,  $d(x_0, z)/2 \leq d(\xi_x, z) \leq d(\xi_x, y) + d(y, z) \leq (1+\alpha)t$

$$\Phi_t^\alpha(\xi_x, y) \leq C_n \cdot \left( \frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha} \right)^{n+1} \cdot d^{-1}(x_0, z) V_{x_0}^{-1}(d(x_0, z)).$$

Thus, for  $z \in 2B$ ,  $d(y, z) \leq t$  and  $x \in B$

$$|\Psi_t^\alpha(x, y) - \Psi_t^\alpha(x_0, y)| \leq C_{n,\psi} \cdot \left( \frac{1+\alpha}{\alpha} \right)^{n+1} \cdot \frac{r_0}{d(x_0, z)} V_{x_0}^{-1}(d(x_0, z)).$$

So (note that  $\|a\|_1 \leq 1$ )

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{d(y,z) \leq t} \left| \int_M \Psi_t^\alpha(y, x) a(x) dx \right| &= \sup_{d(y,z) \leq t} \left| \int_M (\Psi_t(y, x) - \Psi_t(y, x_0)) a(x) dx \right| \\ &\leq C_{n,\psi,\alpha} \cdot \frac{r_0}{d(x_0, z)} V_{x_0}^{-1}(d(x_0, z)), \\ \|N_\Psi(a)\|_{L^1(2B)} &\leq C_{n,\psi,\alpha} \int_{d(x_0,z) \geq 2r_0} \frac{r_0 dz}{d(x_0, z) V_{x_0}(d(x_0, z))} \leq C_{n,\psi,\alpha}. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

On the other hand,  $N_\Psi(a) \leq C_{\psi,\alpha} M_0(a)$  (Hardy-Littlewood maximal function of  $a$ ), so

$$\|N_\Psi(a)\|_{L^1(2B)} \leq |2B|^{\frac{1}{2}} \|N_\Psi(a)\|_2 \leq C_{\psi,n,\alpha} \|a\|_2 \cdot |B|^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq C_{n,\psi,\alpha}.$$

Combining this with (7), we get  $\|N_\varphi(a)\|_1 \leq C_{n,\psi,\alpha}$ . Lemma 4 is proved.

Now, let  $E_\lambda$ ,  $F_\lambda$  and  $d\mu_{\omega,\lambda}$  as in section 2. Set

$$A_{P,\psi,\alpha}(\omega)(x) = \left( \iint_{M \times R_+^1} \Psi_t^\alpha(y, x) \Delta_*(|P_t(\omega)(y)|^2) t dt dy \right)^{\frac{1}{2}},$$

$$f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda}(x) = \iint_{M \times R_+^1} \Psi_t^\alpha(y, x) d\mu_{\omega,\lambda}.$$

Then, by duality of  $H^1(M)$  and  $BMO(M)$ <sup>[6]</sup>, and Carleson inequality (see [7, Lemma 8])

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda}\|_{BMO} &= \sup_{|\theta|_{H^1} < 1} \left| \int_M f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda}(x) g(x) dx \right| \\ &= \sup_{|\theta|_{H^1} < 1} \left| \iint_{M \times R_+^1} \left( \int_M \Psi_t^\alpha(y, x) g(x) dx \right) d\mu_{\omega,\lambda} \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{|\theta|_{H^1} < 1} \|N_\varphi(g)\|_1 \|d\mu_{\omega,\lambda}\|_{CM} \leq C_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda} \cdot \lambda^2. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, by Lemma 3, we get (for  $\delta \geq 1$ )

$$|\{x: f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda}(x) > \delta^2 \lambda^2\}| \leq C_{n,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\psi} \theta^{-\delta^2/C_n} |\{x: f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda}(x) > \lambda^2\}|.$$

Finally, if we take  $\gamma$  such that  $\gamma < \alpha$ , then

$$A_{P,\psi,\alpha}^2(\omega)(x) = f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma}(x) \text{ on } F_\lambda,$$

$$A_{P,\psi,\alpha}^2(\omega)(x) \geq f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma}(x) \text{ on } M.$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} |\{x: A_{P,\psi,\alpha}(\omega)(x) > \delta \lambda\}| &\leq |F_\lambda^c| + |\{x \in F_\lambda: A_{P,\psi,\alpha}(\omega)(x) > \lambda \delta\}| \\ &\leq C_{n,\alpha,\beta,\psi} |E_\lambda^c| + |\{x: f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda}(x) > \delta^2 \lambda^2\}| \\ &\leq C_{n,\alpha,\beta,\psi} (|E_\lambda^c| + e^{-\delta^2/C_n} |\{x: f_{\psi,\alpha,\beta,\gamma,\lambda}(x) > \lambda^2\}|) \\ &\leq C_{n,\alpha,\beta,\psi} (|E_\lambda^c| + e^{-\delta^2/C_n} |\{x: A_{P,\psi,\alpha}^2(\omega)(x) > \lambda^2\}|), \end{aligned}$$

i.e.,

**Lemma 5.** For  $0 < \alpha, \beta < \infty, \delta > 1$

$$\begin{aligned} |\{x: A_{P,\psi,\alpha}(\omega)(x) > \delta \lambda\}| &\leq C_{n,\alpha,\beta,\psi} (|\{x: N_{P,\beta}(\omega)(x) > \lambda\}| + e^{-\delta^2/C_n} |\{x: A_{P,\psi,\alpha}(\omega)(x) > \lambda\}|). \end{aligned}$$

From this lemma and the fact

$$\|g\|_p = p \int_0^\infty \lambda^{p-1} |\{x: |g(x)| > \lambda\}| d\lambda \quad (0 < p < \infty),$$

we can easily get

$$\|A_{P,\psi,\alpha}(\omega)\|_p \leq C_{n,\alpha,\beta,p} \|N_{P,\beta}(\omega)\|_p \quad (0 < p < \infty).$$

Finally, noting that  $A_{P,\alpha}(\omega) \leq A_{P,\psi,\alpha}(\omega)$ , we get Theorem 1.

## § 5. Applications

As an application of Theorem 1, we have

**Theorem 2.** Riesz transform  $\nabla (+\Delta)^{-1/2}$  is  $L^p$ -bounded for  $1 < p < +\infty$ .

*Proof* Let  $p' = p/(p-1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\nabla (+\Delta)^{-1/2}(f)\|_p &= \sup_{\|\omega\|_{p'} \leq 1} |\langle d(+\Delta)^{-1/2}(f), \omega \rangle_{L^2}| \quad (\omega \text{ is 1-form}) \\ &= \sup_{\|\omega\|_{p'} \leq 1} \left| \int_0^\infty \left\langle \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(d(+\Delta)^{-1/2}(f)), \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega) \right\rangle_{L^2} t dt \right| \\ &\quad (\text{by Polarization identity}) \\ &= \sup_{\|\omega\|_{p'} \leq 1} \left| \int_0^\infty \left\langle dP_t(f), \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega) \right\rangle_{L^2} t dt \right| \\ &\quad (\text{because } \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(d(+\Delta)^{-1/2}) = dP_t) \\ &\leq \sup_{\|\omega\|_{p'} \leq 1} \iint_{M \times \mathbb{R}_+^2} |dP_t(f)| \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega) \right| t dt dx \\ &= \sup_{\|\omega\|_{p'} \leq 1} \iint_{M \times \mathbb{R}_+^2} \left( \int_{d(x,y) \leq t} |\nabla P_t(f)(y)| \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega)(y) \right| V_y^{-1}(t) dy \right) t dt dx \\ &\leq C_n \sup_{\|\omega\|_{p'} \leq 1} \int_M A_{p,1}(\omega)(x) A_{p,1}(f)(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

(by Hölder inequality and the fact that  $V_y^{-1}(t) \leq C_n V_x^{-1}(t)$  for  $d(x, y) \leq t$ )

$$\leq C_n \|A_{p,1}(f)\|_p \cdot \sup_{\|\omega\|_{p'} \leq 1} \|A_{p,1}(\omega)\|_{p'} \leq C_n \|f\|_p,$$

by Theorem A and Theorem 1. Theorem 2 is proved.

Now, let

$$\begin{aligned} g_P(f)(x) &= \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(f)(x) \right|^2 t dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \\ g_P(\omega)(x) &= \left( \int_0^\infty \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega)(x) \right|^2 t dt \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

In [5], we proved (by CZO-method and estimates of kernel of  $g_P$ )

**Theorem B.**  $g_P$  is weak-type  $(1,1)$  bounded and  $BMO$  bounded, so it is  $L^p$ -bounded for  $1 < p < \infty$ .

But, for  $g_P$ , any gradient estimates of its kernel will involve more curvature properties of the manifold, so, CZO-method fails now. On the other hand, we have no "integral" of forms (such as, 1-forms), the method developed by E. M. Stein<sup>[10]</sup> also fails.

Now, as Lemma 1 ( $1^\circ$ ), we have

$$A_* \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega) \right|^2 \geq 2 \left| \nabla \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega) \right|^2 \geq 0$$

i.e.,  $\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega) \right|^2$  is subharmonic on  $M \times \mathbb{R}_+^2$ , so (see the proof of [7, Lemma 3])

$$\left| \frac{\partial}{\partial t} P_t(\omega)(x) \right|^2 \leq C_n, \alpha t^{-1} V_x^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha t}{3} \right) \int_{B_x \left( \frac{\alpha t}{3} \right) \times [\frac{t}{2}, \frac{3}{2}t]} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial s} P_s(\omega)(y) \right|^2 dy ds,$$

And

$$\begin{aligned}
g_P(\omega)(x) &\leq C_{n,\alpha} \int_0^\infty \left( V_x^{-1} \left( \frac{\alpha t}{3} \right) \int_{B_x(\frac{\alpha t}{3}) \times [\frac{t}{2}, \frac{3}{2}t]} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial s} P_s(\omega)(y) \right|^2 dy ds \right) dt \\
&\leq C_{n,\alpha} \int_0^\infty \left( \int_{B_x(\frac{\alpha t}{3}) \times [\frac{t}{2}, \frac{3}{2}t]} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial s} P_s(\omega)(y) \right|^2 V_x^{-1}(s) ds dy \right) dt \\
&\leq C_{n,\alpha} \int_0^\infty \int_{B_x(\frac{\alpha s}{2})} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial s} P_s(\omega) \right|^2 V_x^{-1}\left(\frac{\alpha s}{2}\right) s ds dy \\
&\leq C_{n,\alpha} A_{P,x,\frac{\alpha}{2}}(\omega)(x) \leq C_{n,\alpha} A_{P,\alpha}(\omega)(x).
\end{aligned}$$

By Lemma 5 ( $\alpha$  by  $\alpha/2$ ), we get

**Theorem 3.** For  $C_c^\infty$  1-form  $\omega$ , there holds

$$\begin{aligned}
|\{x: g_P(\omega)(x) > \lambda\}| &\leq C_{n,\alpha} |\{x: N_{P,\alpha}(\omega)(x) > \lambda\}| \\
&\quad + C_{n,\alpha} |\{x: A_{P,\alpha}(\omega)(x) > \lambda\}|,
\end{aligned}$$

especially,  $g_P$  is  $L^p$ -bounded for  $1 < p < \infty$  and weak-type  $(1, 1)$  bounded and  $\|g_P(\omega)\|_p \leq C_{n,p,\alpha} \|N_{P,\alpha}(\omega)\|_p$  for  $0 < p, \alpha < +\infty$ .

The  $L^p$ -boundedness of  $g_P$  for  $1 < p \leq 2$  has been obtained by D. Bakry<sup>[2]</sup> (probabilistic method).

As corollaries of Theorem 2, we have

**Corollary 1.**  $C_{c,0}^\infty(M) \triangleq \left\{ f \in C_c^\infty(M) : \int_M f(x) dx = 0 \right\}$  is dense in  $L^p(M)$  ( $1 < p < +\infty$ ) when  $M$  is noncompact.

It is obviously not true for  $p = 1$ .

**Corollary 2.** For any  $\omega \in L_{(1,0)}^p(M) \triangleq \{ \text{all } L^p\text{-integrable 1-forms} \}$ , there exist  $f_j \in C_c^\infty(M)$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , such that  $\omega = L^p\lim_{j \rightarrow +\infty} d(f_j)$ , when  $M$  is noncompact.

We do not give details of them here. We also notice that Theorem 1 holds for positively curved product manifolds.

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