

AN EXTENSION ON TRILINEAR HILBERT TRANSFORM

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A b s t r a c t. The Trilinear Hilbert transform $H : L^p \times L^q \times A \rightarrow L^r$ is extended to $\mathcal{D}_{L^p} \times \mathcal{D}_{L^q} \times \mathcal{D}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{L^r}$ as a continuous mapping.

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1. Introduction

In several papers Lacey and Thiele ([3]-[5]) had studied the continuity of the bilinear Hilbert transform

$$H_\alpha(f, g)(x) = p.v. \int f(x-y)g(x+\alpha y) \frac{dy}{y}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbf{R} \setminus \{0, -1\},$$

where $f \in L^2(\mathbf{R})$ and $g \in L^\infty(\mathbf{R})$, respectively $f \in L^{p_1}(\mathbf{R})$ and $g \in L^{p_2}(\mathbf{R})$,

$$2/3 < p = \frac{p_1 p_2}{p_1 + p_2}, \quad 1 < p_1, p_2 < \infty, \quad q = p/(p-1), \quad q_1 = p_1/(p_1-1). \quad (1)$$

Their main result is the affirmative answer on the Calderon conjecture, first for $p_1 = 2, p_2 = \infty$ ([3]), then for p_1 and p_2 with the assumptions given above ([5]). Their main result is

$$\|H_\alpha(f, a)\|_{L^p} \leq C \|f\|_{L^{p_1}} \|a\|_{L^{p_2}}, \quad f \in L^{p_1}, \quad a \in L^{p_2}, \quad (2)$$

where $C > 0$ depends on α, p_1, p_2 (for $p_1 = 2, p_2 = \infty, p$ equals 2).

In [1] the bilinear Hilbert transform $H_\alpha : L^2 \times L^\infty \rightarrow L^2$ respectively, $H_\alpha : L^{p_1} \times L^{p_2} \rightarrow L^p$, was extended to $\mathcal{D}'_{L^2} \times \mathcal{D}_{L^\infty} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_{L^2}$, respectively, $\mathcal{D}'_{L^q} \times \mathcal{D}_{L^{p_2}} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}'_{q_1}$, (with suitable parameters) as a hypocontinuous, respectively, continuous mapping and in [2] the Bilinear Hilbert transform of ultradistributions was defined.

In this paper we extend the trilinear Hilbert transform on $L^p \times L^q \times A$ to L^r whenever $1 < p, q \leq \infty, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p}$, and $\frac{2}{3} < r < \infty$ to $\mathcal{D}_{L^p} \times \mathcal{D}_{L^q} \times \mathcal{D}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{L^r}$ as a continuous mapping.

2. Preliminaries

Denote by A the Wiener algebra: the space of functions whose Fourier transform is in L^1 . Denote by \mathcal{D}_A a space of smooth functions φ on \mathbf{R} such that for every $\alpha \in \mathbf{N}_0$ hold

$$\mathcal{F}(\varphi^{(\alpha)}) = \xi^\alpha \hat{\varphi} \in L^1.$$

Define $\|\varphi\|_k = \sup \|\xi^\alpha \hat{\varphi}\|_{L^1}, k \in \mathbf{N}_0$. In [7] it is proved that the mapping

$$T : L^{p_1} \times \cdots \times L^{p_{n-s-1}} \times A \times \cdots \times A \rightarrow L^{p'_{n-s}}$$

is continuous, where $\frac{1}{p_1} + \cdots + \frac{1}{p_{n-1}}, 1 < p_i \leq \infty$, for $i = 1, 2, \dots, n-s-1$ and

$$\frac{1}{p_{i_1}} + \cdots + \frac{1}{p_{i_r}} < \frac{(n-s) - 2(k-s) + r}{2}$$

for all $1 \leq i_1 < \cdots < i_r \leq n-s, 1 \leq r \leq n-s$.

Thus, for instance Trilinear Hilbert Transform

$$T(f, g, h) = \int f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t)\frac{dt}{t}$$

maps $L^p \times L^q \times A$ to L^r whenever $1 < p, q \leq \infty, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{p}$, and $\frac{2}{3} < r < \infty$. That is the case when $n = 4, k = 2$ and $s = 1$.

3. Mappings $T_{f,g}, T_{f,h}$ and $T_{g,h}$

Theorem 3.1 *Let $f \in \mathcal{D}_{L^p}, g \in \mathcal{D}_{L^q}$ and $h \in \mathcal{D}_A$. Then for $1 < p, q < \infty$ mappings $T_{f,g}, T_{f,h}$ and $T_{g,h}$ from \mathcal{D}_A to \mathcal{D}_{L^r} , from \mathcal{D}_{L^q} to \mathcal{D}_{L^r} and from \mathcal{D}_{L^p} to \mathcal{D}_{L^r} respectively are linear and continuous.*

P r o o f. Let $f \in \mathcal{D}_{L^p}$, $g \in \mathcal{D}_{L^q}$ and $h \in \mathcal{D}_A$.

$$\begin{aligned}
T(f, g, h)(x) &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{|t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&= \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&= \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} h(x+2t) dt \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t)g(x)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&= \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} \\
&\quad \cdot h(x+2t) dt + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2})g(x)h(x+y) \frac{dy}{y} \\
&= \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} h(x+2t) dt \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2})g(x) \frac{h(x+y) - h(x)}{y} dy \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2})g(x)h(x) \frac{dy}{y} \\
&= \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} h(x+2t) dt \\
&\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2})g(x) \frac{h(x+y) - h(x)}{y} dy
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} f(x+z)g(x)h(x) \frac{dz}{z} \\
= & \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} h(x+2t) dt \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2})g(x) \frac{h(x+y) - h(x)}{y} dy \\
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} \frac{f(x+z) - f(x)}{z} \cdot g(x)h(x) dz \\
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} f(x)g(x)h(x) \frac{dz}{z} \\
= & \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} h(x+2t) dt \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2})g(x) \frac{h(x+y) - h(x)}{y} dy \\
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} \frac{f(x+z) - f(x)}{z} g(x)h(x) dz \\
= & \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t)G(x,t)h(x+2t) dt \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2})g(x)H(x,y) dy \\
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} F(x,z)g(x)h(x) dz
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$G(x,t) = \begin{cases} \frac{g(x+t)-g(x)}{t}, & t \neq 0 \\ \frac{d}{dx}g(x), & t = 0, x \in \mathbf{R}, \end{cases}$$

$$H(x,y) = \begin{cases} \frac{h(x+y)-h(x)}{y}, & y \neq 0 \\ \frac{d}{dx}h(x), & y = 0, x \in \mathbf{R} \end{cases} .$$

$$F(x, z) = \begin{cases} \frac{f(x+z)-f(x)}{z}, & z \neq 0 \\ \frac{d}{dx}f(x), & z = 0, x \in \mathbf{R}. \end{cases}$$

It is obvious that $F(x, z)$, $G(x, t)$ and $H(x, y)$, along with all of their partial derivatives are continuous functions of x, y, z, t , respectively.

Let κ_N be characteristic function of $(-\infty, -N] \cup [N, \infty)$. Then, according to Muscalu's proof in [7] we have

$$\|\kappa_N(t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{1}{t}\|_r \leq C \|\kappa_N \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-\cdot)\|_p \|g\|_q \|h\|_A,$$

$$\|\kappa_N(t) f(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{1}{t}\|_r \leq C \|\kappa_N f(x-\cdot)\|_p \|\frac{\partial}{\partial x} g\|_q \|h\|_A,$$

$$\|\kappa_N(t) f(x-t)g(x+t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) \frac{1}{t}\|_r \leq C \|\kappa_N f(x-\cdot)\|_p \|g\|_q \|\frac{\partial}{\partial x} h\|_A.$$

So we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{dx}T(f, g, h)(x) &= \int_{|t|>N} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\quad + \int_{|t|>N} f(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\quad + \int_{|t|>N} f(x-t)g(x+t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [f(x-t)G(x, t)h(x+2t)] dt \\ &\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [f(x-y/2)g(x)H(x, y)] dy \\ &\quad - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [F(x, z)g(x)h(x)] dz \\ &= \int_{|t|>N} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t)g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\quad + \int_{|t|>N} f(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t)h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\quad + \int_{|t|>N} f(x-t)g(x+t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\quad + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} [f(x-t)G(x, t)h(x+2t)] dt \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t) G(x,t) h(x+2t) dt \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x)}{t} h(x+2t) dt \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) G(x,t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) dt \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x - \frac{y}{2}) g(x) H(x,y) dy \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x) H(x,y) dy \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2}) g(x) \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+y) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x)}{y} dy \\
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x+z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x)}{z} g(x) h(x) dz \\
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} F(x,z) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x) h(x) dz \\
& - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} F(x,z) g(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x) dz \\
& = \int_{|t| > N} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t) g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t) g(x+t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t) \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} h(x+2t) dt \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{g(x+t) - g(x)}{t} \cdot \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) dt \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x - \frac{y}{2}) g(x) \frac{h(x+y) - h(x)}{y} dy
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2}) \frac{h(x+y) - h(x)}{y} dy \\
& + g(x) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2}) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+y) \frac{dy}{y} \\
& - g(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{2N \geq |y| > 2\varepsilon} f(x - \frac{y}{2}) \frac{dy}{y} \\
& - g(x) h(x) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x+z) \frac{dz}{z} \\
& + \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x) g(x) h(x) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} \frac{dz}{z} \\
& - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x) h(x) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} \frac{f(x+z) - f(x)}{z} dz \\
& - g(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x) \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |z| > \varepsilon} \frac{f(x+z) - f(x)}{z} dz \\
= & \int_{|t| > N} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t) g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \int_{|t| > N} f(x-t) g(x+t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t) g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{t \geq N \geq |t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) g(x+t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
= & \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{|t| > \varepsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} f(x-t) g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{|t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} g(x+t) h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
& + \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{|t| > \varepsilon} f(x-t) g(x+t) \frac{\partial}{\partial x} h(x+2t) \frac{dt}{t} \\
= & T(f', g, h)(x) + T(f, g', h)(x) + T(f, g, h')(x)
\end{aligned}$$

Using a similar technique, we can show by induction that

$$[T(f, g, h)]^{(n)}(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{n}{k} \binom{k}{m} T(f^{(n-k)}, g^{(k-m)}, h^{(m)})(x)$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|[T(f, g, h)]^{(n)}(x)\|_r &\leq \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{n}{k} \binom{k}{m} \|T(f^{(n-k)}, g^{(k-m)}, h^{(m)})(x)\|_r \\ &\leq \sum_{k=0}^n \sum_{m=0}^k \binom{n}{k} \binom{k}{m} \|f^{(n-k)}\|_p \cdot \|g^{(k-m)}\|_q \cdot \|h^{(m)}\|_A \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 3.2 *Bilinear mappings*

$$(f, g) \mapsto T_h(f, g) \text{ from } \mathcal{D}_{L^p} \times \mathcal{D}_{L^q} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{L^r},$$

$$(f, h) \mapsto T_g(f, h) \text{ from } \mathcal{D}_{L^p} \times \mathcal{D}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{L^r},$$

$$(g, h) \mapsto T_f(g, h) \text{ from } \mathcal{D}_{L^q} \times \mathcal{D}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{L^r},$$

are continuous.

P r o o f. According to Theorem 1 we have that these mappings are separately continuous. Then Corollary of Theorem 34.1 from [11] implies that these mappings are continuous. \square

Corollary 3.3 *Mapping*

$$T : \mathcal{D}_{L^p} \times \mathcal{D}_{L^q} \times \mathcal{D}_A \rightarrow \mathcal{D}_{L^r},$$

is continuous.

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