



Boundedness of operators generated by fractional semigroups associated with Schrödinger operators on Campanato type spaces via $T1$ theorem

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Abstract

Let $\mathcal{L} = -\Delta + V$ be a Schrödinger operator, where the nonnegative potential V belongs to the reverse Hölder class B_q . By the aid of the subordinative formula, we estimate the regularities of the fractional heat semigroup, $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha}\}_{t>0}$, associated with \mathcal{L} . As an application, we obtain the $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^\gamma$ -boundedness of the maximal function, and the Littlewood–Paley g -functions associated with \mathcal{L} via $T1$ theorem, respectively.

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1 Introduction

In the research of harmonic analysis and partial differential equations, the maximal operators and Littlewood–Paley g -functions play an important role and were investigated by many mathematicians extensively. For any integrable function f on \mathbb{R}^n , the Hardy–Littlewood maximal operator is defined as

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$$M(f)(x) := \sup_Q \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_Q |f(y)| dy,$$

where the supremum is taken over all cubes $Q \subset \mathbb{R}^n$. For $f \in \text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, Bennett–DeVore–Sharpley proved in [1] that $M(f)$ is either infinite or belongs to $\text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$. The boundedness result in [1] can be extended to other maximal operators. For example, let $-\Delta$ be the Laplace operator: $\Delta = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i^2}$. Denote by M_Δ and g the maximal operator and Littlewood–Paley g -function generated by the heat semigroup $\{e^{-t(-\Delta)}\}_{t>0}$, respectively, i.e.,

$$\begin{cases} M_\Delta(f)(x) := \sup_{t>0} |e^{-t(-\Delta)}(f)(x)|; \\ g(f)(x) := \left(\int_0^\infty |e^{-t(-\Delta)}(f)(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t^{n+1}} \right)^{1/2}. \end{cases} \tag{1}$$

Due to the mean value on “large” cubes may be infinite, the $\text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ -boundedness of M_Δ or g holds if $M_\Delta(f) < \infty$ or $g(f) < \infty$ for $f \in \text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

However, if the Laplacian $-\Delta$ is replaced by other second-order differential operators, the situation becomes different. Consider the Schrödinger $\mathcal{L} = -\Delta + V$ in \mathbb{R}^n , $n \geq 3$, where V is a nonnegative potential belonging to the reverse Hölder class B_q for some $q > n/2$. Here a nonnegative potential V is said to belong to B_q if there exists $C > 0$ such that for every ball B ,

$$\left(\frac{1}{|B|} \int_B V^q(x) dx \right)^{1/q} \leq \frac{C}{|B|} \int_B V(x) dx.$$

In [1], the authors pointed out that for $f \in \text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ a supremum of averages of f over “large” cubes may be infinite, see [1, page 610]. In 2005, Dziubański et al. [9] proved the square functions associated with Schrödinger operators are bounded on the BMO type space $\text{BMO}_{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ related with \mathcal{L} which is distinguished from the case of $\text{BMO}(\mathbb{R}^n)$. See also [13, 18] for similar results in the setting of Heisenberg groups and stratified Lie groups.

Let $H = -\Delta + |x|^2$ be the harmonic oscillator. In [2], Betancor et al. introduced a $T1$ criterion for Calderón–Zygmund operators related to H on the BMO type space $\text{BMO}_H(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Later, Ma et al. [15] generalized the $T1$ criterion to the case of Campanato type spaces $\text{BMO}_{\mathcal{L}}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^n)$ related with \mathcal{L} . As applications, the authors in [15] proved that the maximal operators associated with the heat semigroup $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}}\}_{t>0}$ and with the generalized Poisson operators $\{P_t^\sigma\}_{t>0}$ ($0 < \sigma < 1$), the Littlewood–Paley g -functions given in terms of the heat and the Poisson semigroups are bounded on $\text{BMO}_{\mathcal{L}}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Notice that for $\sigma \in (0, 1)$, the generalized Poisson operator $\{P_t^\sigma\}_{t>0}$ is expressed as

$$P_t^\sigma(f)(x) := \frac{t^{2\sigma}}{4^\sigma \Gamma(\sigma)} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{t^2}{4r}} e^{-r\mathcal{L}}(f) \frac{dr}{r^{1+\sigma}}. \tag{2}$$

Specially, for $\sigma = 1/2$, $\{P_t^{1/2}\}_{t>0}$ is corresponding to the Poisson semigroup $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{1/2}}\}_{t>0}$ associated with \mathcal{L} . The main purpose of this paper is to derive

the pointwise estimate and regularity properties of the fractional heat semigroup $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha}\}_{t>0}$, $\alpha > 0$, to prove the boundedness of the maximal function and the Littlewood–Paley g -functions generated by $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha}\}_{t>0}$ on $BMO_\mathcal{L}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $0 < \gamma < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0, 1\}$, via T1 theorem, respectively.

When $\mathcal{L} = -\Delta$, the kernels of the fractional heat semigroup $\{e^{-t(-\Delta)^\alpha}\}_{t>0}$ can be defined via the Fourier transform, i.e.,

$$K_{\alpha,t}(x) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{ix \cdot \xi - t|\xi|^{2\alpha}} d\xi. \tag{3}$$

For $\mathcal{L} = -\Delta + V$ with $V > 0$, the kernels of fractional heat semigroups $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha}\}_{t>0}$, $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, can not be defined via (3). However, for $\alpha > 0$, the subordinative formula (cf. [10]) indicates that

$$K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x, y) = \int_0^\infty \eta_t^\alpha(s) K_s^\mathcal{L}(x, y) ds, \tag{4}$$

where $\eta_t^\alpha(\cdot)$ is a continuous function on $(0, \infty)$ satisfying (19) below. In [12], the identity (4) was applied to estimate $K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(\cdot, \cdot)$ via the heat kernel $K_t^\mathcal{L}(\cdot, \cdot)$, see Proposition 2. Specially, for $\alpha = 1/2$, the estimates of $K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(\cdot, \cdot)$ goes back to those of the Poisson kernel $P_t^\mathcal{L}(\cdot, \cdot)$, see [5, Lemma 3.9].

We point out that, compared with the case of $\{P_t^\sigma\}_{t>0}$, some new regularity estimates should be introduced to prove the $BMO_\mathcal{L}^\gamma$ -boundedness of the maximal function and Littlewood–Paley g -functions generated by $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha}\}_{t>0}$. Let $E = L^\infty((0, \infty), dt)$. It follows from (2) and the Minkowski integral inequality that

$$\|P_t^\sigma(f)\|_E \leq C_\sigma \int_0^\infty t^{2\sigma} e^{-\frac{t^2}{4r}} \|e^{-r\mathcal{L}}(f)\|_E \frac{dr}{r^{1+\sigma}}.$$

The fact that

$$\int_0^\infty t^{2\sigma} e^{-\frac{t^2}{4r}} \frac{dr}{r^{1+\sigma}} < \infty$$

ensures that the $BMO_\mathcal{L}^\gamma$ -boundedness of the maximal function $\sup_{t>0} |P_t^\sigma f(x)|$ can be deduced from that of the heat maximal function $\sup_{t>0} |e^{-t\mathcal{L}} f(x)|$, see [15, Proposition 4.7]. However, we can see from the identity (4) that this method is not applicable to the case $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha}\}_{t>0}$.

In this paper, we get the following results:

- In Sect. 3.1, let $\nabla_x = (\partial/\partial x_1, \partial/\partial x_2, \dots, \partial/\partial x_n)$. By the perturbation theory for semigroups of operators, we deduce the pointwise estimates and the Hölder type estimates of the kernels:

$$\begin{cases} \left| \nabla_x (K_t(x-y) - K_t^\mathcal{L}(x,y)) \right|, \\ \left| t^m \partial_t^m (K_t(x-y) - K_t^\mathcal{L}(x,y)) \right|, \end{cases}$$

see Lemmas 8, 10 and Proposition 1, respectively.

- In Sect. 3.2, we use (3) to obtain the corresponding estimates for

$$\begin{cases} \left| K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right|, \\ \left| t^{1/2\alpha} \nabla_x (K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) - K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x,y)) \right|, \\ \left| t^m \partial_t^m (K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) - K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x,y)) \right|, \end{cases}$$

see Propositions 5–10, respectively.

- In Sect. 4, as applications of the regularity estimates obtained in Sect. 3, we use the T1 criterion established in [15] to prove the boundedness on Campanato type spaces $BMO_\mathcal{L}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $0 < \gamma < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0, 1\}$, of the following maximal operator and g -functions:

$$\begin{cases} M_\mathcal{L}^\alpha f(x) := \sup_{t>0} |e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} f(x)|; \\ g_\alpha^\mathcal{L}(f)(x) := \left(\int_0^\infty |D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(f)(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/2}; \\ \tilde{g}_\alpha^\mathcal{L}(f)(x) := \left(\int_0^\infty |\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(f)(x)|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/2}, \end{cases}$$

see Theorems 3–5, respectively, where $D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}$ and $\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}$ are the operators with the integral kernels

$$\begin{cases} D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) := t^m \partial_t^m K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x,y), \\ \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x,y) := t^{1/2\alpha} \nabla_x K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x,y), \end{cases} \tag{5}$$

respectively.

Notations We will use c and C to denote the positive constants, which are independent of main parameters and may be different at each occurrence. By $B_1 \sim B_2$, we mean that there exists a constant $C > 1$ such that $C^{-1} \leq B_1/B_2 \leq C$.

2 Preliminaries

2.1 Schrödinger operators and function spaces

In this paper, let $\delta_0 = 2 - n/q$. At first, we list some properties of the potential V which will be used in the sequel.

Lemma 1 [16, Lemma 1.2]

(i) For $0 < r < R < \infty$,

$$\frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{B(x,r)} V(y)dy \leq C \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^\delta \frac{1}{R^{n-2}} \int_{B(x,R)} V(y)dy.$$

(ii) $r^{2-n} \int_{B(x,r)} V(y)dy = 1$ if $r = \rho(x)$. $r \sim \rho(x)$ if and only if $r^{2-n} \int_{B(x,r)} V(y)dy \sim 1$.

Lemma 2 [16, Lemma 1.4]

(i) There exist $C > 0$ and $k_0 \geq 1$ such that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$,

$$C^{-1} \rho(x)(1 + |x - y|/\rho(x))^{-k_0} \leq \rho(y) \leq C \rho(x)(1 + |x - y|/\rho(x))^{k_0/(1+k_0)}.$$

In particular, $\rho(y) \sim \rho(x)$ if $|x - y| < C\rho(x)$.

(ii) There exists $l_0 > 1$ such that

$$\int_{B(x,R)} \frac{V(y)}{|x - y|^{n-2}} dy \leq \frac{C}{R^{n-2}} \int_{B(x,R)} V(y)dy \leq C \left(1 + \frac{R}{\rho(x)}\right)^{l_0}.$$

Lemma 3 [7, Corollary 2.8] For every nonnegative Schwarz function ω , there exist $\delta > 0$ and $C > 0$ such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} t^{-n/2} \omega(|x - y|/\sqrt{t}) V(y)dy \leq \begin{cases} Ct^{-1}(\sqrt{t}/\rho(x))^\delta, & t < \rho(x)^2; \\ Ct^{-1}(\sqrt{t}/\rho(x))^{l_0}, & t \geq \rho(x)^2, \end{cases}$$

where l_0 is the constant given in Lemma 2.

It is well known that the classical Hardy space $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ can be defined via the maximal function $\sup_{t>0} |e^{-t(-\Delta)}f(x)|$ (cf. [17]). In this sense, we can say that the Hardy space $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is the Hardy space associated with $-\Delta$. Since 1990s, the theory of Hardy spaces associated with operators on \mathbb{R}^n has been investigated extensively. In [6], Dziubański and Zienkiewicz introduced the Hardy space $H^1_{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ related to Schrödinger operators \mathcal{L} and obtained the atomic characterization and the Riesz transform characterization of $H^1_{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ via local Hardy spaces. By the aid of Campanato type spaces, the spaces $\dot{H}^p_{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ($0 < p \leq 1$) were introduced by Dziubański and Zienkiewicz [7]. In recent years, the results of [6, 7] have been extended to other second-ordered differential operators, and various function spaces associated to operators have been established. For further information, we refer the reader to [3, 18–20] and the references therein.

For a Schrödinger operator \mathcal{L} , let $\{e^{-t\mathcal{L}}\}_{t>0}$ be the heat semigroup generated by \mathcal{L} and denote by $K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(\cdot, \cdot)$ the integral kernel of $e^{-t\mathcal{L}}$. Because the potential $V \geq 0$, the Feynman-Kac formula implies that

$$0 \leq K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) \leq K_t(x - y) := (4\pi t)^{-n/2} e^{-|x-y|^2/(4t)}.$$

The Hardy type spaces $H_{\mathcal{L}}^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $0 < p \leq 1$, are defined as follows (cf. [7]):

Definition 1 For $0 < p \leq 1$, the Hardy type space $H_{\mathcal{L}}^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is defined as the completion of the space of compactly supported $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ -functions such that the maximal function

$$M_{\mathcal{L}}(f)(x) := \sup_{t>0} |e^{-t\mathcal{L}}(f)(x)|$$

belongs to $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$. The quasi-norm in $H_{\mathcal{L}}^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is defined as $\|f\|_{H_{\mathcal{L}}^p} := \|M_{\mathcal{L}}(f)\|_{L^p}$.

Let f be a locally integrable function on \mathbb{R}^n and $B = B(x, r)$ be a ball. Denote by f_B the mean of f on B , i.e., $f_B = |B|^{-1} \int_B f(y)dy$. Let

$$f(B, V) := \begin{cases} f_B, & r < \rho(x); \\ 0, & r \geq \rho(x), \end{cases}$$

where the auxiliary function $\rho(\cdot)$ is defined as

$$\rho(x) := \sup \left\{ r > 0 : \frac{1}{r^{n-2}} \int_{B(x,y)} V(y)dy \leq 1 \right\}.$$

Definition 2 Let $0 < \gamma \leq 1$. The Campanato type space $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is defined as the set of all locally integrable functions f satisfying

$$\|f\|_{BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^{\gamma}} := \sup_{B \subset \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ \frac{1}{|B|^{1+\gamma/n}} \int_B |f(x) - f(B, V)|dx \right\} < \infty.$$

The dual space of $H_{\mathcal{L}}^{n/(n+\gamma)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $0 \leq \gamma < 1$, is the Campanato type space $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ (cf. [14, Theorem 4.5]).

2.2 The T1 criterion on Campanato type spaces

We denote by $L_c^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ the set of functions $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, whose support $\text{supp}(f)$ is a compact subset of \mathbb{R}^n .

Definition 3 Let $0 \leq \beta < n$, $1 < p \leq q < \infty$ with $1/q = 1/p - \beta/n$. Let T be a bounded linear operator from $L^p(\mathbb{R}^n)$ into $L^q(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that

$$Tf(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K(x, y)f(y)dy, \quad f \in L_c^p(\mathbb{R}^n) \text{ and a.e. } x \notin \text{supp}(f).$$

We shall say that T is a β -Schrödinger–Calderón–Zygmund operator with regularity exponent $\delta > 0$ if there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that

- (i) $|K(x, y)| \leq \frac{C}{|x - y|^{n-\beta}} \left(1 + \frac{|x - y|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{-N}$ for all $N > 0$ and $x \neq y$;
- (ii) $|K(x, y) - K(x, z)| + |K(y, x) - K(z, x)| \leq C \frac{|y - z|^\delta}{|x - y|^{n-\beta+\delta}}$ when $|x - y| > 2|y - z|$

The following $T1$ type criteria on Campanato type spaces were established by Ma et al. [15].

Theorem 1 [15, Theorem1.1] *Let T be a β -Schrödinger–Calderón–Zygmund operator, $\beta \geq 0, 0 < \beta + \gamma < \min\{1, \delta\}$, with smoothness exponent δ . Then T is a bounded operator from $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^n)$ into $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^{\gamma+\beta}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ if and only if there exists a constant C such that*

$$\left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right)^\gamma \frac{1}{|B|^{1+\beta/n}} \int_B |T1(y) - (T1)_B| dy \leq C$$

for every ball $B(x, r), x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $0 < r \leq \rho(x)/2$.

When $\gamma = 0$, the authors in [15] also proved

Theorem 2 [15, Theorem1.2] *Let T be a β -Schrödinger–Calderón–Zygmund operator, $0 \leq \beta < \min\{1, \delta\}$, with smoothness exponent δ . Then T is a bounded operator from $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ into $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^\beta(\mathbb{R}^n)$ if and only if there exists a constant C such that*

$$\log \left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right) \frac{1}{|B|^{1+\beta/n}} \int_B |T1(y) - (T1)_B| dy \leq C$$

for every ball $B(x, r), x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $0 < r \leq \rho(x)/2$.

Lemma 4 [15, Remark 4.1] *Theorems 1 and 2 can be also stated in a vector-valued setting. If Tf takes values in a Banach space \mathbb{B} and the absolute values in the conditions are replaced by the norm in \mathbb{B} , then both results hold.*

3 Regularity estimates

3.1 Regularities of heat kernels

By the fundamental solutions of Schrödinger operators, Dziubański and Zienkiewicz proved that the heat kernel $K_t^\mathcal{L}(\cdot, \cdot)$ satisfies the following estimates, see also [11].

Lemma 5

(i) ([6, Theorem 2.11]) For any $N > 0$, there exist constants $C_N, c > 0$ such that

$$|K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y)| \leq C_N t^{-n/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

(ii) ([8, Theorem 4.11]) Assume that $0 < \delta \leq \min\{1, \delta_0\}$. For any $N > 0$, there exist constants $C_N, c > 0$ such that for all $|h| < \sqrt{t}$,

$$\left| K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x + h, y) - K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) \right| \leq C_N \left(\frac{|h|}{\sqrt{t}} \right)^\delta t^{-n/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

Lemma 6 [7, Proposition 2.16] There exist constants $C, c > 0$ such that for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $t > 0$,

$$\left| K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) - K_t(x - y) \right| \leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} t^{-n/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t}.$$

In [5], under the assumption that $V \in B_q, q > n$, Duong et al. obtained the following regularity estimate for the kernel $K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(\cdot, \cdot)$.

Lemma 7 [5, Lemma 3.8] Suppose that $V \in B_q$ for some $q > n$. For any $N > 0$, there exist constants $C > 0$ and $c > 0$ such that for all $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $t > 0$,

$$|\nabla_x K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y)| \leq C t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}. \tag{6}$$

By the perturbation theory for semigroups of operators,

$$\begin{aligned} K_t(x - y) - K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) &= \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K_{t-s}(w - x) V(w) K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) dw ds \\ &= \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K_{t-s}(w - x) V(w) K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) dw ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} K_s(w - x) V(w) K_{t-s}^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) dw ds. \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

Similar to [7, Proposition 2.16], we can prove the following lemma.

Lemma 8 Suppose that $V \in B_q$ for some $q > n$. There exist constants $C, c > 0$ such that

$$\left| \nabla_x K_t(x-y) - \nabla_x K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| \leq C t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \min \left\{ \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0}, \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0} \right\}.$$

Proof If $t \geq \rho(y)^2$, it is easy to see that

$$\left| \nabla_x K_t(x-y) - \nabla_x K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| \leq C t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0}.$$

If $t < \rho(y)^2$, by (7), we get

$$\left| \nabla_x K_t(x-y) - \nabla_x K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| = \left| \int_0^t \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \nabla_x K_{t-s}(x-w) V(w) K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(w,y) dw ds \right| \leq I_1 + I_2, \tag{8}$$

where

$$\begin{cases} I_1 := \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\nabla_x K_{t-s}(x-w)| V(w) K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(w,y) dw ds; \\ I_2 := \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\nabla_x K_s(x-w)| V(w) K_{t-s}^{\mathcal{L}}(w,y) dw ds. \end{cases}$$

For I_1 , it follows from Lemmas 7 and 3 that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &= \int_0^{t/2} \int_{|w-y| < |x-y|/2} |\nabla_x K_{t-s}(x-w)| V(w) K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(w,y) dw ds \\ &\quad + \int_0^{t/2} \int_{|w-y| \geq |x-y|/2} |\nabla_x K_{t-s}(x-w)| V(w) K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(w,y) dw ds \\ &\leq C t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \int_0^{t/2} \int_{|w-y| < |x-y|/2} V(w) s^{-n/2} e^{-c|w-y|^2/s} dw ds \\ &\quad + C t^{-(n+1)/2} \int_0^{t/2} \int_{|w-y| \geq |x-y|/2} V(w) s^{-n/2} e^{-c(|w-y|^2+|x-y|^2)/s} dw ds \\ &\leq C t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \int_0^{t/2} \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0} ds \\ &= C t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0}. \end{aligned}$$

Similar to I_1 , for the term I_2 , we can obtain

$$I_2 \leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0}.$$

It follows from (i) of Lemma 2 that

$$\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(x)} \leq C \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\sqrt{t}} \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{l_0} \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \leq C_\varepsilon e^{\varepsilon|x-y|^2/t} \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)},$$

where $\varepsilon > 0$ is an arbitrary small constant. Hence

$$I_2 \leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0}.$$

□

Lemma 9 [7, Proposition 2.17] *Let $0 < \delta < \min\{1, \delta_0\}$. For every $C' > 0$ there exists a constant C such that for every $z, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $|y-z| \leq |x-y|/4$, $|y-z| \leq C'\rho(x)$ we have*

$$\left| (K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y) - K_t(x-y)) - (K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, z) - K_t(x-z)) \right| \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(y)} \right)^\delta t^{-n/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t}.$$

Lemma 10 *Suppose that $V \in B_q$ for some $q > n$. Let $\delta_1 = 1 - n/q$ and $0 < \delta' < \delta_1$. For every $C' > 0$ there exists a constant C such that for every $u, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $|u| \leq |x-y|/4$, $|u| \leq C'\rho(x)$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x-y)) - (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x+u, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x+u-y)) \right| \\ & \leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta'}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof We prove this lemma by the same argument as Lemma 8. It is enough to verify that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x-y)) - (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x+u, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x+u-y)) \right| \\ & \leq C_\varepsilon t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{\varepsilon|x-y|^2/t} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_1}, \end{aligned} \tag{9}$$

where $\varepsilon > 0$ is an arbitrary small constant. In fact, under the condition $|u| < |x-y|/4$, it is easy to see that $|x-y| \sim |x+u-y|$. We can deduce from Lemma 7 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x - y)) - (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x + u, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x + u - y)) \right| \\ & \leq \left| \nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y) \right| + \left| \nabla_x K_t(x - y) \right| + \left| \nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x + u, y) \right| + \left| \nabla_x K_t(x + u - y) \right| \quad (10) \\ & \leq C t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t}. \end{aligned}$$

Then, for $\delta' \in (0, \delta_1)$, it follows from (9) and (10) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x - y)) - (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x + u, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x + u - y)) \right| \\ & \leq C \left\{ t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{\epsilon|x-y|^2/t} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_1} \right\}^{\delta'/\delta_1} \left\{ t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \right\}^{1-\delta'/\delta_1}, \end{aligned}$$

which gives the desired estimate.

Now we prove (9). Since the case for $|u| \geq \rho(y)$ is trivial, we may assume $|u| < \rho(y)$. If $t \leq 2|u|^2$, the required estimate follows from Lemma 8. Hence we consider the case $t > 2|u|^2$ only. Recall that for the classical heat kernel $K_t(\cdot)$, it holds

$$\left| \nabla_x^2 K_t(x) \right| \leq C t^{-n/2-1} e^{-c|x|^2/t}.$$

A direct computation gives

$$\left| \nabla_x K_t(x + u) - \nabla_x K_t(x) \right| \leq C |u| t^{-n/2-1}, \quad (11)$$

and for $|u| \leq |x|/2$,

$$\left| \nabla_x K_t(x + u) - \nabla_x K_t(x) \right| \leq C |u| t^{-n/2-1} e^{-c|x|^2/t}. \quad (12)$$

Similar to (8), we split

$$\left| (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x - y)) - (\nabla_x K_t^\mathcal{L}(x + u, y) - \nabla_x K_t(x + u - y)) \right| \leq J_1 + J_2,$$

where

$$\begin{cases} J_1 := \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left| \nabla_x K_{t-s}(w - (x + u)) - \nabla_x K_{t-s}(w - x) \right| V(w) K_s^\mathcal{L}(w, y) dw ds; \\ J_2 := \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left| \nabla_x K_s(w - (x + u)) - \nabla_x K_s(w - x) \right| V(w) K_{t-s}^\mathcal{L}(w, y) dw ds. \end{cases}$$

For J_1 , if $t < 2\rho(y)^2$, using Lemma 3 and (11), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_1 &\leq C|u|t^{-n/2-1} \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} V(w)s^{-n/2} e^{-c|y-w|^2/s} dw ds \\
 &\leq C|u|t^{-n/2-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0} \\
 &\leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $t \geq 2\rho(y)^2$, applying Lemmas 3 and 5, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_1 &\leq C|u|t^{-n/2-1} \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} V(w)s^{-n/2} e^{-c|y-w|^2/s} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N} dw ds \\
 &\leq C|u|t^{-n/2-1} \left\{ \int_0^{\rho(y)^2} \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0} ds + \int_{\rho(y)^2}^{t/2} \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{l_0-N} ds \right\} \\
 &\leq C|u|t^{-n/2-1} \\
 &\leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_1},
 \end{aligned}$$

where N is chosen large enough satisfying $N > l_0$.

To estimate J_2 , we use Lemma 5 and write $J_2 \leq C(J_{2,1} + J_{2,2} + J_{2,3})$, where

$$\begin{cases}
 J_{2,1} := t^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N} \int_0^{|u|^2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\nabla_x K_s(w - (x + u)) - \nabla_x K_s(w - x)| V(w) dw ds; \\
 J_{2,2} := t^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N} \int_{|u|^2}^{t/2} \int_{|w-x| < 2|u|} |\nabla_x K_s(w - (x + u)) - \nabla_x K_s(w - x)| V(w) dw ds; \\
 J_{2,3} := t^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N} \int_{|u|^2}^{t/2} \int_{|w-x| \geq 2|u|} |\nabla_x K_s(w - (x + u)) - \nabla_x K_s(w - x)| V(w) dw ds.
 \end{cases}$$

Notice that $\rho(x + u) \sim \rho(x)$ as $|u| \leq \rho(x)$. It holds

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{2,1} &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N} \int_0^{|u|^2} \frac{1}{s^{3/2}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} ds \\
 &\leq Ct^{-n/2} |u|^{-1} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-1} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{|u|} \right)^{-1} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N+1} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \\
 &\leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N+1} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_1} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0},
 \end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality we have used the fact that $\delta_0 = 2 - n/q$. By Lemmas 1 and 2, we apply (11) to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{2,2} &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} \int_{|u|^2}^{t/2} \int_{|w-x| < 2|u|} |u|s^{-n/2-1} V(w)dw ds \\
 &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} \int_{|u|^2}^{t/2} |u|^{n-1} s^{-n/2-1} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0} ds \\
 &\leq Ct^{-n/2} |u|^{-1} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^{\delta_0} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0} \\
 &\leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N+1} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^{\delta_1} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0}.
 \end{aligned}$$

For $J_{2,3}$, if $t \leq 2\rho(x)^2$, it can be deduced from Lemma 3 and (12) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{2,3} &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} \int_{|u|^2}^{t/2} \int_{|w-x| \geq 2|u|} |u|s^{-n/2-1} e^{-c|w-x|^2/s} V(w)dw ds \\
 &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} |u| \int_{|u|^2}^{t/2} \frac{1}{s^2} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0} ds \\
 &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} |u|^{-1} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^{\delta_0} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0} \\
 &\leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N+1} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^{\delta_1} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $t > 2\rho(x)^2$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 J_{2,3} &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} \int_{|u|^2}^{\rho(x)^2} \int_{|w-x|\geq 2|u|} |\nabla_x K_s(w - (x + u)) - \nabla_x K_s(w - x)| V(w) dw ds \\
 &\quad + Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} \int_{\rho(x)^2}^{t/2} \int_{|w-x|\geq 2|u|} |u| s^{-n/2-1} e^{-c|w-x|^2/s} V(w) dw ds \\
 &\leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^{\delta_1} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N+1} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0} \\
 &\quad + Ct^{-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} \int_{\rho(x)^2}^{t/2} \frac{|u|}{s} \frac{1}{s} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(x)}\right)^{l_0} ds \\
 &\leq Ct^{-(n+1)/2} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^{\delta_1} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N+1} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0} \\
 &\quad + Ct^{-(n+1)/2} \frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N-1+l_0} \left(\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)}\right)^{l_0},
 \end{aligned} \tag{13}$$

where in (13) we have used the estimate obtained for $t \leq 2\rho(x)^2$ and Lemma 3 for $s \geq \rho(x)^2$.

By Lemma 2,

$$\frac{\rho(y)}{\rho(x)} \leq C \left(1 + \frac{|x - y|}{\sqrt{t}} \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{m_0} \leq C_\epsilon e^{\epsilon|x-y|^2/t} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{m_0},$$

where $\epsilon > 0$ is an arbitrary small constant. Choosing N large enough in the estimates of $J_{2,1}$, $J_{2,2}$ and $J_{2,3}$, we obtain (9) and hence Lemma 10 is proved. □

We can obtain the following estimates, which generalize [4, Lemmas 3.7 and 3.8]. We also refer to [13, (57)] for the case $m = 1$ in the setting of Heisenberg groups.

Proposition 1

(i) *There exist constants $C, c > 0$ such that*

$$\left| t^m \partial_t^m K_t^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) - t^m \partial_t^m K_t(x - y) \right| \leq Ct^{-n/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t} \min \left\{ \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(x)}\right)^{\delta_0}, \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{\delta_0} \right\}.$$

(ii) Let $0 < \delta < \min\{1, \delta_0\}$. For every $C' > 0$ there exist constants C and c such that for every $z, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, |y - z| \leq |x - y|/4, |y - z| \leq C' \rho(x)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| (t^m \partial_t^m K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y) - t^m \partial_t^m K_t(x - y)) - (t^m \partial_t^m K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, z) - t^m \partial_t^m K_t(x - z)) \right| \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y - z|}{\rho(y)} \right)^\delta t^{-n/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/t}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof For $t > 0$ and $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, define $Q_{t,m}^\mathcal{L}(x, y) := t^m \partial_t^m K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y)$ and $Q_{t,m}(x - y) := t^m \partial_t^m K_t(x - y)$. The proof of (i) is similar to [18, Lemmas 4.10 and 4.11], so we omit the details.

For (ii), by (7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} & (K_t(x + u - y) - K_t^\mathcal{L}(x + u, y)) - (K_t(x - y) - K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y)) \\ & = \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (K_{t-s}(w - (x + u)) - K_{t-s}(w - x)) V(w) K_s^\mathcal{L}(w, y) dw ds \\ & \quad + \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (K_s(w - (x + u)) - K_s(w - x)) V(w) K_{t-s}^\mathcal{L}(w, y) dw ds. \end{aligned}$$

Similar to [18, Proposition 4.8], we can use a direct calculus to deduce:

(1) If m is even with $m \geq 2$, there exists a sequence of coefficients $\{C_{m,j}\}_{m \geq 2, 2 \leq j \leq m/2}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & t^m \frac{d^m}{dt^m} \{ (K_t(x + u - y) - K_t^\mathcal{L}(x + u, y)) - (K_t(x - y) - K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y)) \} \\ & = \frac{m+1}{2} (E_1 + E_2) + \sum_{j=2}^{m/2} (C_{m-1,j-1} + C_{m-1,j}) (E_{3,1}^j + E_{3,2}^j) + E_4 + E_5. \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

(2) If m is odd with $m \geq 3$, there exists a sequence of coefficients $\{C_{m,j}\}_{m \geq 3, 2 \leq j \leq [m/2]}$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & t^m \frac{d^m}{dt^m} \{ (K_t(x + u - y) - K_t^\mathcal{L}(x + u, y)) - (K_t(x - y) - K_t^\mathcal{L}(x, y)) \} \\ & = \frac{m+1}{2} (E_1 + E_2) + E_4 - E_5 + \sum_{j=2}^{[m/2]} (C_{m-1,j-1} + C_{m-1,j}) (E_{3,1}^j + E_{3,2}^j) \\ & \quad + 2C_{m,[m/2]} \frac{d^{[m/2]}}{dt^{[m/2]}} (K_{t/2}(w - (x + u)) - K_{t/2}(w - x)) V(w) \frac{d^{[m/2]}}{dt^{[m/2]}} K_{t/2}^\mathcal{L}(w, y). \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

Here in the above (14) and (15),

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} E_1 &:= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} t \left\{ t^{m-1} \frac{d^{m-1}}{dt^{m-1}} (K_{t/2}(w-x-u) - K_{t/2}(w-x)) \right\} V(w) K_{t/2}^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) dw; \\ E_2 &:= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} t (K_{t/2}(w-x-u) - K_{t/2}(w-x)) V(w) \left(t^{m-1} \frac{d^{m-1}}{dt^{m-1}} K_{t/2}^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) \right) dw; \\ E_{3,1}^j &:= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} t \left\{ t^{m-j} \frac{d^{m-j}}{dt^{m-j}} (K_{t/2}(w-x-u) - K_{t/2}(w-x)) \right\} V(w) \left(t^{j-1} \frac{d^{j-1}}{dt^{j-1}} K_{t/2}^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) \right) dw; \\ E_{3,2}^j &:= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} t \left\{ t^{j-1} \frac{d^{j-1}}{dt^{j-1}} (K_{t/2}(w-x-u) - K_{t/2}(w-x)) \right\} V(w) \left(t^{m-j} \frac{d^{m-j}}{dt^{m-j}} K_{t/2}^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) \right) dw; \\ E_4 &:= \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(t^m \frac{d^m}{dt^m} (K_{t-s}(w-x-u) - K_{t-s}(w-x)) \right) V(w) K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) dw ds; \\ E_5 &:= \int_0^{t/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} (K_s(w-x-u) - K_s(w, x)) V(w) \left(t^m \frac{d^m}{dt^m} K_{t-s}^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) \right) dw ds. \end{aligned} \right.$$

Below, for the sake of simplicity, we only estimate E_1, E_4, E_5 . The estimations for $E_2, E_{3,1}^j, E_{3,2}^j$ are similar, and so we omit the details. By the mean value theorem, we know that there exist constants C, c such that

$$|Q_{t,m}(x+u) - Q_{t,m}(x)| \leq \begin{cases} C|u|t^{-(n+1)/2}, & \forall x, u \in \mathbb{R}^n, t \in (0, \infty); \\ C|u|t^{-(n+1)/2}e^{-c|x|^2/t}, & |u| \leq |x|/2, t > 0. \end{cases} \tag{16}$$

We divide E_1 as $E_1 \leq E_{1,1} + E_{1,2}$, where

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} E_{1,1} &:= t \int_{|w-x| < 2u} |Q_{t/2,m-1}(w-(x+u)) - Q_{t/2,m-1}(w-x)| V(w) K_{t/2}^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) dw; \\ E_{1,2} &:= t \int_{|w-x| \geq 2u} |Q_{t/2,m-1}(w-(x+u)) - Q_{t/2,m-1}(w-x)| V(w) K_{t/2}^{\mathcal{L}}(w, y) dw. \end{aligned} \right.$$

If $t < 2\rho(y)^2$, for $E_{1,1}$, By (16), Lemma 3 (i) and Lemma 5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} E_{1,1} &\leq Ct^{1-n/2} \int_{|w-x| < 2|u|} |u|t^{-(n+1)/2} V(w) e^{-c|w-y|^2/t} dw \\ &\leq Ct^{1-n/2} |u| \frac{1}{t^{3/2}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0} \\ &= Ct^{-n/2} \frac{|u|}{\sqrt{t}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta_0} \leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

Similar to $E_{1,1}$, by (16) again, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{1,2} &\leq Ct^{1-n/2} \int_{|w-x|\geq 2|u|} |u|t^{-(n+1)/2} e^{-c|w-y|^2/t} V(w)dw \\
 &\leq Ct^{1-n/2} \frac{|u|}{t^{3/2}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{\delta_0} \\
 &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^\delta.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $t > 2\rho(y)^2$, for $E_{1,1}$, by (16), Lemma 3 (ii) and Lemma 5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 E_{1,1} &\leq Ct^{1-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} \int_{|w-x|<2|u|} |u|t^{-(n+1)/2} V(w)e^{-c|w-y|^2/t} dw \\
 &\leq Ct^{1-n/2} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N} |u| \frac{1}{t^{3/2}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{l_0} \\
 &\leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^\delta \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N+l_0}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Similar to $E_{1,1}$, we can also choose N large enough such that

$$E_{1,2} \leq Ct^{-n/2} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^\delta \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\rho(y)}\right)^{-N+l_0}.$$

For E_4 and E_5 , similar to [13, Lemma 10], by Lemma 5 and (16), we can obtain

$$|E_4 + E_5| \leq C_\epsilon t^{-n/2} e^{\epsilon|x-y|^2/t} \left(\frac{|u|}{\rho(y)}\right)^\delta, \tag{17}$$

where $\epsilon > 0$ is an arbitrary small constant. Hence Proposition 1 is proved. □

3.2 Fractional heat kernels associated with \mathcal{L}

In the following, we will derive some regularity estimates for the fractional heat kernels related with \mathcal{L} . For $\alpha \in (0, 1)$, the fractional power of \mathcal{L} , denoted by \mathcal{L}^α , is defined as

$$\mathcal{L}^\alpha := \frac{1}{\Gamma(-\alpha)} \int_0^\infty \left(e^{-t\sqrt{\mathcal{L}}}f(x) - f(x)\right) \frac{dt}{t^{1+2\alpha}} \quad \forall f \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n). \tag{18}$$

We use the subordinator formula to express the integral kernel $K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(\cdot, \cdot)$ of $e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha}$ as (cf. [10])

$$K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) = \int_0^\infty \eta_t^\alpha(s) K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) ds,$$

where $\eta_t^\alpha(\cdot)$ satisfies

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \eta_t^\alpha(s) = 1/t^{1/\alpha} \eta_1^\alpha(s/t^{1/\alpha}); \\ \eta_t^\alpha(s) \leq t/s^{1+\alpha} \quad \forall s, t > 0; \\ \int_0^\infty s^{-r} \eta_1^\alpha(s) ds < \infty, \quad r > 0; \\ \eta_t^\alpha(s) \simeq t/s^{1+\alpha} \quad \forall s \geq t^{1/\alpha} > 0. \end{array} \right. \tag{19}$$

By the subordinator formula (4) and Lemma 5, Li et al. [12] proved the following estimates for $K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(\cdot, \cdot)$.

Proposition 2 [12, Propositions 3.1 and 3.2] *Let $0 < \alpha < 1$.*

(i) *For any $N > 0$, there exists a constant $C_N > 0$ such that*

$$\left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| \leq \frac{C_N t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

(ii) *Let $0 < \delta \leq \min\{1, \delta_0\}$. For any $N > 0$, there exists a constant $C_N > 0$ such that for all $|h| \leq \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x+h,y) - K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| \\ & \leq C_N \left(\frac{|h|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^\delta \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}. \end{aligned}$$

For the kernels $\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(\cdot, \cdot)$ and $D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(\cdot, \cdot)$, $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, $t > 0$, defined by (5), the following regularity estimates were obtained by Li et al. [12].

Proposition 3 [12, Proposition 3.3] *Let $0 < \alpha < 1$.*

(i) *For every N , there is a constant $C_N > 0$ such that*

$$\left| D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) \right| \leq \frac{C_N t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

(ii) *Let $0 < \delta < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0, 1\}$. For every $N > 0$, there exists a constant $C_N > 0$ such that, for all $|h| < \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x+h,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) \right| \\ & \leq C_N \left(\frac{h}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^\delta \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}. \end{aligned}$$

(iii) *There exists a constant $C_N > 0$ such that*

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) dy \right| \leq \frac{C_N (\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/\rho(x))^\delta}{(1 + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/\rho(x))^N}.$$

Proposition 4 [12, Propositions 3.6, 3.9 and 3.10] *Suppose that and $V \in B_q$ for some $q > n$.*

(i) *Let $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. For every N , there is a constant $C_N > 0$ such that*

$$\left| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| \leq \frac{C_N t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

(ii) *Let $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and $\delta_1 = 1 - n/q$. For every $N > 0$, there exists a constant $C_N > 0$ such that for all $|h| < \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$,*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x+h,y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| \\ & \leq C_N \left(\frac{h}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^{\delta_1} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}. \end{aligned}$$

(iii) *Let $\alpha \in (0, 1/2 - n/2q)$. There exists a constant $C_N > 0$ such that*

$$\left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) dy \right| \leq C_N \min \left\{ \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{1+2\alpha}, \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{-N} \right\}.$$

To establish the BMO_L^γ -boundedness of operators via T1 type theorem, we need the following propositions.

Proposition 5 *There exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right| \leq \begin{cases} C \left(\frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(|x-y| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n+2\alpha}}, & \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq |x-y|; \\ C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(|x-y| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n+2\alpha}}, & \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \geq |x-y|. \end{cases}$$

Proof By the subordinative formula (4) and Lemma 6, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right| &\leq \int_0^\infty \eta_t^\alpha(s) \left| K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_s(x-y) \right| ds \\ &\leq C \int_0^\infty \eta_t^\alpha(s) \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} s^{-n/2} e^{-|x-y|^2/s} ds. \end{aligned}$$

On the one hand, letting $s = t^{1/\alpha}u$, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right| \\ &\leq C \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{s^{1+\alpha}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} s^{-n/2} e^{-|x-y|^2/s} ds \\ &\leq C \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{(t^{1/\alpha}u)^{1+\alpha}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}u}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} (t^{1/\alpha}u)^{-n/2} e^{-c|x-y|^2/(t^{1/\alpha}u)} t^{1/\alpha} du \\ &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} t^{-n/(2\alpha)} \int_0^\infty u^{-1-\alpha-n/2+\delta_0/2} e^{-|x-y|^2/(t^{1/\alpha}u)} du. \end{aligned}$$

Applying the change of variables: $|x-y|^2/(t^{1/\alpha}u) = r^2$, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} &\left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right| \\ &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} t^{-n/(2\alpha)} \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{|x-y|^2}{t^{1/\alpha}r^2} \right)^{-1-\alpha+\delta_0/2-n/2} e^{-r^2} \frac{|x-y|^2}{t^{1/\alpha}r^3} dr \\ &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} |x-y|^{-2\alpha+\delta_0-n} t^{1-\delta_0/(2\alpha)} \int_0^\infty e^{-r^2} r^{2\alpha-\delta_0+n+1} dr \\ &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t^{1-\delta_0/(2\alpha)}}{|x-y|^{2\alpha+n-\delta_0}}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, taking $\tau = s/t^{1/\alpha}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right| &\leq C \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\sqrt{s}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} s^{-n/2} t^{-1/\alpha} \eta_1^\alpha(s/t^{1/\alpha}) ds \\
 &\leq C \int_0^\infty \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}\tau}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} (t^{1/\alpha}\tau)^{-n/2} \eta_1^\alpha(\tau) d\tau \\
 &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} t^{-n/2\alpha} \int_0^\infty \eta_1^\alpha(\tau) \tau^{\delta_0/2-n/2} d\tau \\
 &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} t^{-n/2\alpha}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq |x-y|$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right| &\leq C \left(\frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{|x-y|^{2\alpha+n}} \\
 &\leq C \left(\frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(|x-y| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{2\alpha+n}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} > |x-y|$, we can see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right| &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{t^{n/(2\alpha)+1}} \\
 &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(|x-y| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{2\alpha+n}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

□

Let $\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}(\cdot) = t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t(-\Delta)^\alpha}(\cdot)$. Similar to the proof of Proposition 5, by (4) and Lemma 8, we have

Proposition 6 *There exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\left| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right| \leq \begin{cases} C \left(\frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(|x-y| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n+2\alpha}}, & \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq |x-y|; \\ C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(|x-y| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n+2\alpha}}, & \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \geq |x-y|. \end{cases}$$

Let $D_{\alpha,t}^m(\cdot) = t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t(-\Delta)^\alpha}(\cdot)$. We have

Proposition 7 *There exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$|D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-y)| \leq \begin{cases} C \left(\frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(|x-y| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n+2\alpha}}, & \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq |x-y|; \\ C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(|x-y| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n+2\alpha}}, & \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \geq |x-y|. \end{cases}$$

Proof The proposition can be proved by Proposition 1 and (4). Since the argument is similar to that of Proposition 5, the details is omitted. \square

Proposition 8 *Let $0 < \delta < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0\}$. For every $C' > 0$ there exists a constant C such that for every $z, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $|y-z| \leq |x-y|/4, |y-z| \leq C'\rho(y)$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof By the subordinative formula (4), we can use Lemma 9 to deduce

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq \int_0^\infty \eta_t^\alpha(s) \left| \left(K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_s(x-y) \right) - \left(K_s^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) - K_s(x-z) \right) \right| ds \\ & \leq C \int_0^\infty \eta_t^\alpha(s) \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta s^{-n/2} e^{-|x-y|^2/s} ds. \end{aligned}$$

On the one hand, taking $s = t^{1/\alpha}u$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq \int_0^\infty \frac{Ct}{s^{1+\alpha}} \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta s^{-n/2} e^{-|x-y|^2/s} ds \\ & \leq C \int_0^\infty \frac{t}{(t^{1/\alpha}u)^{1+\alpha}} \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta (t^{1/\alpha}u)^{-n/2} e^{-|x-y|^2/(t^{1/\alpha}u)} t^{1/\alpha} du \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta t^{-n/(2\alpha)} \int_0^\infty e^{-|x-y|^2/(t^{1/\alpha}u)} u^{-1-\alpha-n/2} du. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\frac{|x-y|^2}{(t^{1/\alpha}u)} = r$. We can see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} t^{-n/(2\alpha)} \int_0^{\infty} e^{-r} \left(\frac{|x-y|^2}{t^{1/\alpha} r} \right)^{-1-\alpha-n/2} \frac{|x-y|^2}{t^{1/\alpha} r^2} dr \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} \frac{t}{|x-y|^{2\alpha+n}}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, letting $\frac{s}{t^{1/\alpha}} = \tau$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq \int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{t^{1/\alpha}} \eta_1^{\alpha}(s/t^{1/\alpha}) \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} s^{-n/2} ds \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} \int_0^{\infty} \eta_1^{\alpha}(\tau) (t^{1/\alpha} \tau)^{-n/2} d\tau \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} t^{-n/(2\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

Case 1: $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq |x-y|$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

Case 2: $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} > |x-y|$. We can see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-y) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) - K_{\alpha,t}(x-z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} \frac{t}{t^{n/(2\alpha)+1}} \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Proposition 9 *Let $0 < \delta < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0\}$. For every $C' > 0$ there exists a constant C such that for every $z, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $|y-z| \leq |x-y|/4$, $|y-z| \leq C' \rho(y)$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-y) \right) - \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof The proof is similar to that of Proposition 8, so we omit the details. □

Proposition 10 *Suppose that $V \in B_q$ for some $q > n$. Let $0 < \delta' < \delta_1 := 1 - n/q$. For every $C' > 0$ there exists a constant C such that for every $z, x, y \in \mathbb{R}^n$, $|y - z| \leq |x - y|/4, |y - z| \leq C' \rho(y)$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \left(\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}(x - y) \right) - \left(\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, z) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}(x - z) \right) \right| \\ & \leq C \left(\frac{|y - z|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta'} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x - y|)^{n+2\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof The proof is similar to that of Proposition 8, so we omit the details. □

4 BMO $_{\mathcal{L}}^{\gamma}$ -boundedness via T1 theorem

4.1 Maximal operators for fractional heat semigroups

Definition 4 Let $0 < \gamma \leq 1$. The Campanato type space $BMO_{\mathcal{L}, L^{\infty}((0, \infty), dt)}^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is defined as the set of all locally integrable functions f satisfying

$$\|f\|_{BMO_{\mathcal{L}, L^{\infty}((0, \infty), dt)}^{\gamma}} := \sup_{B \subset \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ \frac{1}{|B|^{1+\gamma/n}} \int_B \|f(x, t) - f(B, V)\|_{L^{\infty}((0, \infty), dt)} dx \right\} < \infty.$$

To prove that $M_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha}$ is bounded from $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^{\gamma}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $0 < \gamma < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0, 1\}$, into itself, we give a vector-valued interpretation of the operator and apply Lemma 4. Indeed, it is clear that $M_{\mathcal{L}}^{\alpha} f = \|e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} f\|_{L^{\infty}((0, \infty), dt)}$. Hence, it is enough to show that the operator $\Lambda(f) := \{e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} f\}_{t>0}$ is bounded from $BMO_{\mathcal{L}}^{\gamma}$ into $BMO_{\mathcal{L}, L^{\infty}((0, \infty), dt)}^{\gamma}$.

By the spectral theorem, Λ is bounded from $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ into $L^2_{L^{\infty}((0, \infty), dt)}(\mathbb{R}^n)$. The desired result can be then deduced from the following theorem.

Theorem 3 *Assume that the potential $V \in B_q$ with $q > n/2$. Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$.*

(i) *For any $N > 0$, there exists a constant C_N such that*

$$\left\| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) \right\|_{L^{\infty}((0, \infty), dt)} \leq \frac{C_N}{|x - y|^n} \left(1 + \frac{|x - y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x - y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

(ii) *For $|x - y| > 2|y - z|$ and any $0 < \delta < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0\}$, there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) \right\|_{L^\infty((0,\infty),dt)} + \left\| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(y,x) - K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(z,x) \right\|_{L^\infty((0,\infty),dt)} \\ & \leq \frac{C|y-z|^\delta}{|x-y|^{n+\delta}}. \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

(iii) *There exists a constant C such that for every ball B = B(x, r) with 0 < r ≤ ρ(x)/2,*

$$\log \left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right) \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left\| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - (e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1)_B \right\|_{L^\infty((0,\infty),dt)} dy \leq C,$$

and, if $\gamma < \min\{2\alpha, 1, \delta_0\}$ then

$$\left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right)^\gamma \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left\| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - (e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1)_B \right\|_{L^\infty((0,\infty),dt)} dy \leq C.$$

Proof For (i), from (i) of Proposition 2, we can get

$$\left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| \leq C_N \min \left\{ \frac{t^{1+N/\alpha}}{|x-y|^{n+2\alpha+2N}}, t^{-n/(2\alpha)} \right\} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} > |x-y|$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| & \leq \frac{C_N}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^n} \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N} \\ & \leq \frac{C}{|x-y|^n} \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}. \end{aligned}$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq |x-y|$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) \right| & \leq \frac{C_N t^{1+N/\alpha}}{|x-y|^{n+2\alpha+2N}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{|x-y|} \right)^{-N} \left(\frac{|x-y|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N} \\ & \leq \frac{C_N (\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{2\alpha+N}}{|x-y|^{n+2\alpha+N}} \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N} \\ & \leq \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^n} \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}. \end{aligned}$$

For (ii), from (ii) of Proposition 2, we obtain

$$\left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) \right| \leq C_N \min \left\{ \frac{t^{1+N/\alpha}|y-z|^\delta}{|x-y|^{2\alpha+n+2N+\delta}}, t^{-n/(2\alpha)} \right\} \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^\delta.$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} > |x - y|$, then

$$\left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) - K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, z) \right| \leq \frac{C}{|x - y|^n} \left(\frac{|y - z|}{|x - y|} \right)^{\delta} \leq \frac{C|y - z|^{\delta}}{|x - y|^{n+\delta}}.$$

If $|x - y| > \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$, we can also get

$$\left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) - K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, z) \right| \leq \frac{C|x - y|^{2\alpha+2N}}{|x - y|^{2\alpha+n+2N+\delta}} |y - z|^{\delta} \leq \frac{C|y - z|^{\delta}}{|x - y|^{n+\delta}}.$$

The symmetry of the kernel $K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(\cdot, \cdot)$ gives the conclusion of (ii).

For (iii), letting $B = B(x, r)$ with $0 < r \leq \rho(x)/2$, the triangle inequality gives

$$\left\| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(y) - (e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1)_B \right\|_{L^{\infty}((0,\infty),dt)} \leq \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left\| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(z) \right\|_{L^{\infty}((0,\infty),dt)} dz.$$

We estimate $\|e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(z)\|_{L^{\infty}((0,\infty),dt)}$. Because $y, z \in B$, $\rho(y) \sim \rho(z) \sim \rho(x)$. By Proposition 5, we split $|e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(z)| \leq S_1 + S_2$, where

$$\begin{cases} S_1 := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(y, w) - K_{\alpha,t}(y, w) \right| dw; \\ S_2 := \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left| K_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(z, w) - K_{\alpha,t}(z, w) \right| dw. \end{cases}$$

For S_1 , if $|y - w| \leq \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$, we obtain

$$S_1 \leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |y - w|)^{n+2\alpha}} dw \leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0}.$$

If $|y - w| > \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$, we can see that

$$\begin{aligned} S_1 &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\frac{|y - w|}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |y - w|)^{n+2\alpha}} dw \\ &\leq \frac{C}{\rho(x)^{\delta_0}} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{|y - w|^{\delta_0+n-1} t}{(|y - w| + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n+2\alpha}} d|y - w| \\ &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \int_0^{\infty} u^{\delta_0+n-1} (1 + u)^{-n-2\alpha} du \\ &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0}, \end{aligned}$$

where we have chosen $\delta_0 < 2\alpha$ since $\delta_0 = 2 - n/q$, $q > n/2$. The proof of the term S_2 is similar to that of the term S_1 , so we omit it. Then we can get

$$\left| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right| \leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0},$$

which shows that if $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq 2r$,

$$\left| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right| \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0}.$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} > 2r$, then $|y - z| \leq 2r < \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$. Hence, Proposition 2 implies that for $0 < \delta < \delta_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right| &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left| K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(y, w) - K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(z, w) \right| dw \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\frac{|y - z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^\delta \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |y - w|)^{n+2\alpha}} dw \leq C \left(\frac{|y - z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^\delta \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^\delta. \end{aligned} \tag{21}$$

Therefore, if $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} > \rho(x)$, (21) gives

$$\left| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right| \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta.$$

When $2r < \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} < \rho(x)$, we have $|e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z)| = \text{I} + \text{II} + \text{III}$, where

$$\begin{cases} \text{I} := \int_{|w-y| > c\rho(y) > 4|y-z|} \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(y, w) - K_{\alpha,t}(y, w) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(z, w) - K_{\alpha,t}(z, w) \right) \right| dw; \\ \text{II} := \int_{4|y-z| < |w-y| < c\rho(y)} \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(y, w) - K_{\alpha,t}(y, w) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(z, w) - K_{\alpha,t}(z, w) \right) \right| dw; \\ \text{III} := \int_{|w-y| < 4|y-z|} \left| \left(K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(y, w) - K_{\alpha,t}(y, w) \right) - \left(K_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(z, w) - K_{\alpha,t}(z, w) \right) \right| dw. \end{cases}$$

Notice that the estimate (20) is valid for the classical fractional heat kernel. For I, by (20), we can get

$$\text{I} \leq C \int_{|w-y| > c\rho(y) > 4|y-z|} \frac{|y - z|^\delta}{|w - y|^{n+\delta}} dw \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta.$$

For II, we apply Proposition 8 and the fact that $\rho(w) \sim \rho(y)$ in the region of integration to deduce that

$$\text{II} \leq C |y - z|^\delta \int_{4|y-z| < |w-y| < c\rho(y)} \frac{tdw}{\rho(w)^\delta (\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |w - y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta.$$

For III, since $|y - z| \leq 2r < \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$, we have $|w - y| < C\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$. For $n - \delta_0 > 0$, by Proposition 5, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{III} &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \left(\int_{|w-y| < 4|y-z|} \frac{tdw}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |w-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \int_{|w-z| \leq 5|y-z|} \frac{tdw}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |w-z|)^{n+2\alpha}} \right) \\
 &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \int_0^{5|y-z|/\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} u^{n-1} du \leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0} \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^n \\
 &\leq \frac{Cr^n}{\rho(x)^{\delta_0} (\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n-\delta_0}} \leq \frac{Cr^n}{\rho(x)^{\delta_0} r^{n-\delta_0}} = C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta_0}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, when $2r < \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} < \rho(x)$,

$$\left| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right| \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta.$$

Combining the above estimates, we can get

$$\left\| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right\|_{L^\infty((0,\infty),dt)} \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta. \tag{22}$$

Therefore, it holds

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\log \left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right) \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left\| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - (e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1)_B \right\|_{L^\infty((0,\infty),dt)} dy \\
 &\leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^\delta \log \left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right) \leq C,
 \end{aligned}$$

which is the first conclusion of (iii).

For the second estimate of (iii), take $\delta \in (\gamma, \min\{2\alpha, 2 - n/q\})$. By (22), we have

$$\left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right)^\gamma \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left\| e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - (e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1)_B \right\|_{L^\infty((0,\infty),dt)} dy \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x)} \right)^{\delta-\gamma} \leq C.$$

□

4.2 Boundedness of the Littlewood–Paley $g_\alpha^{\mathcal{L}}$

Similar to Sect. 4.1, we introduce the following function space:

Definition 5 Let $0 < \gamma \leq 1$. The Campanato type space $BMO_{\mathcal{L}, L^2((0,\infty), dt/t)}^\gamma(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is defined as the set of all locally integrable functions f satisfying

$$\|f\|_{\text{BMO}^{\gamma}_{\mathcal{L}, L^2((0, \infty), dt)}} := \sup_{B \subset \mathbb{R}^n} \left\{ \frac{1}{|B|^{1+\gamma/n}} \int_B \|f(x, t) - f(B, V)\|_{L^2((0, \infty), dt/t)} dx \right\} < \infty.$$

The functional calculus and the spectral theorem imply that $g_{\alpha}^{\mathcal{L}}$ is an isometry on $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$. As before, to get the boundedness of $g_{\alpha}^{\mathcal{L}}$ on $\text{BMO}^{\gamma}_{\mathcal{L}}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $0 < \gamma < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0, 1\}$, it is sufficient to prove the following result.

Theorem 4 *Assume that the potential $V \in B_q$ with $q > n/2$. Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $N > 0$.*

(i) *For any $N > 0$, there exists a constant C_N such that*

$$\|D_{\alpha, t}^{\mathcal{L}, m}(x, y)\|_{L^2((0, \infty), \frac{dt}{t})} \leq \frac{C_N}{|x - y|^n} \left(1 + \frac{|x - y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x - y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

(ii) *If $|x - y| > 2|y - z|$ and $0 < \delta < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0, 1\}$, there exists a constant C such that*

$$\begin{aligned} & \|D_{\alpha, t}^{\mathcal{L}, m}(x, y) - D_{\alpha, t}^{\mathcal{L}, m}(x, z)\|_{L^2((0, \infty), \frac{dt}{t})} + \|D_{\alpha, t}^{\mathcal{L}, m}(y, x) - D_{\alpha, t}^{\mathcal{L}, m}(z, x)\|_{L^2((0, \infty), \frac{dt}{t})} \\ & \leq C \frac{|y - z|^{\delta}}{|x - y|^{n+\delta}}. \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

(iii) *There exists a constant C such that for every ball $B = B(x_0, r)$ with $0 < r \leq \rho(x)/2$,*

$$\log \left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right) \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \|t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(y) - (t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1)_B\|_{L^2((0, \infty), \frac{dt}{t})} dy \leq C,$$

and, if $\gamma < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_0, 1\}$, then

$$\left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r} \right)^{\gamma} \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \|t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1(y) - (t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^{\alpha}} 1)_B\|_{L^2((0, \infty), \frac{dt}{t})} dy \leq C.$$

Proof For (i), from Proposition 3, we have

$$|D_{\alpha, t}^{\mathcal{L}, m}(x, y)| \leq C_N \min \left\{ \frac{t^{1+N/\alpha}}{|x - y|^{n+2\alpha+2N}}, t^{-n/(2\alpha)} \right\} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq |x - y|$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) \cdot \chi_{\{t^{1/2\alpha} \leq |x-y|\}} \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 \\ & \leq C_N \int_0^{|x-y|^{2\alpha}} \frac{t^{2+2N/\alpha}}{|x-y|^{2n+4\alpha+4N}} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \frac{dt}{t} \\ & \leq C_N \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \int_0^{|x-y|^{2\alpha}} \frac{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{4\alpha+4N}}{|x-y|^{2n+4\alpha+4N}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{|x-y|} \right)^{-2N} \frac{dt}{t} \\ & \leq \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^{2n}} \int_0^{|x-y|^{2\alpha}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{|x-y|} \right)^{4\alpha+2N} \frac{dt}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/|x - y| = u$. We can see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) \cdot \chi_{\{t^{1/2\alpha} \leq |x-y|\}} \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 \\ & \leq \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^{2n}} \int_0^1 u^{4\alpha+2N-1} du \\ & \leq \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^{2n}} \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N}. \end{aligned}$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \geq |x - y|$, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) \cdot \chi_{\{t^{1/2\alpha} \geq |x-y|\}} \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 \\ & \leq C_N \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \int_{|x-y|^{2\alpha}}^\infty t^{-n/\alpha-1} dt \\ & \leq \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^{2n}} \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N}. \end{aligned}$$

For (ii), by Proposition 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 & \leq \int_0^\infty \frac{Ct}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{2n+4\alpha}} \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^{2\delta} dt \\ & \leq C|y-z|^{2\delta} \int_0^\infty \frac{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{2\alpha-2\delta}}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{2n+4\alpha}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/|x - y| = u$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 &\leq C|y - z|^{2\delta} |x - y|^{-2n-2\delta} \int_0^\infty \frac{u^{4\alpha-2\delta-1}}{(1+u)^{2n+4\alpha}} du \\ &\leq \frac{C|y - z|^{2\delta}}{|x - y|^{2n+2\delta}}. \end{aligned}$$

The symmetry of the kernel $D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(\cdot, \cdot)$ gives the conclusion of (ii).

For (iii), let us fix $y, z \in B = B(x_0, r)$, $0 < r \leq \rho(x_0)/2$. Similar to Theorem 3, we must handle

$$\left\| t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}.$$

We can write

$$\left\| t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 = M_1 + M_2 + M_3,$$

where

$$\begin{cases} M_1 := \int_0^{(2r)^{2\alpha}} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) \right) dx \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t}; \\ M_2 := \int_{(2r)^{2\alpha}}^{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) \right) dx \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t}; \\ M_3 := \int_{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}}^\infty \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) \right) dx \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t}. \end{cases}$$

Since $y, z \in B \subset B(x_0, \rho(x_0))$, it follows that $\rho(y) \sim \rho(x_0) \sim \rho(z)$. By Proposition 3 (iii),

$$M_1 \leq C \int_0^{(2r)^{2\alpha}} \frac{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/\rho(x_0))^{2\delta}}{(1 + \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/\rho(x_0))^{2N}} \frac{dt}{t} \leq C \int_0^{(2r)^{2\alpha}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{2\delta} \frac{dt}{t} = C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{2\delta}.$$

Also, by Proposition 3(ii),

$$\begin{aligned} M_3 &\leq C \int_{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}}^\infty \left(\frac{|y - z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^{2\delta} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x - y|)^{n+2\alpha}} dx \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \\ &\leq C \int_{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}}^\infty \left(\frac{|y - z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^{2\delta} \frac{dt}{t} \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{2\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

It remains to estimate the term M_2 . In this case, $|y - z| \leq 2r \leq \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq \rho(x_0)$. Then we can use the methods in Theorem 3 to obtain

$$M_2 = \int_{(2r)^{2\alpha}}^{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}} |M_{2,1} + M_{2,2} + M_{2,3}|^2 \frac{dt}{t},$$

where

$$\begin{cases} M_{2,1} := \int_{|x-y|>c\rho(y)>4|y-z|} \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-y) \right) - \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-z) \right) dx; \\ M_{2,2} := \int_{4|y-z|<|x-y|<c\rho(y)} \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-y) \right) - \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-z) \right) dx; \\ M_{2,3} := \int_{|x-y|<4|y-z|} \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-y) \right) - \left(D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) - D_{\alpha,t}^m(x-z) \right) dx. \end{cases}$$

For $M_{2,1}$, similar to prove (23), we can also get

$$\left| D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,y) - D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L},m}(x,z) \right| \leq \frac{C|y-z|^\delta}{|x-y|^{n+\delta}},$$

which is valid to $D_{\alpha,t}^m(\cdot)$. So we obtain

$$|M_{2,1}| \leq C \int_{|x-y|>c\rho(y)>4|y-z|} \frac{|y-z|^\delta}{|x-y|^{n+\delta}} dx \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^\delta.$$

For $M_{2,2}$, by Proposition 9 and the fact that $\rho(x) \sim \rho(y)$ in the region of integration.

$$|M_{2,2}| \leq C|y-z|^\delta \int_{4|y-z|<|x-y|<c\rho(y)} \frac{t}{\rho(x)^\delta(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} dx \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^\delta.$$

For $M_{2,3}$, since $|y-z| \leq 2r < \sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$, we have $|x-y| < C\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}$. For $n - \delta_0 > 0$, by Proposition 7, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |M_{2,3}| &\leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{\delta_0} \left(\int_{|x-y|<4|y-z|} \frac{tdx}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \int_{|x-z|\leq 5|y-z|} \frac{tdx}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-z|)^{n+2\alpha}} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{Cr^n}{\rho(x_0)^{\delta_0}(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{n-\delta_0}} \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{\delta_0}. \end{aligned}$$

The estimates for $M_{2,i}, i = 1, 2, 3$, imply that

$$M_2 \leq \int_{(2r)^{2\alpha}}^{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}} \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{2\delta} \frac{dt}{t} = C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{2\delta} \log \left(\frac{\rho(x_0)}{r} \right).$$

Finally, we can get

$$\left\| t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - t^m \partial_t^m e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)} \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^\delta \left(\log\left(\frac{\rho(x_0)}{r}\right) \right)^{1/2}.$$

Thus (iii) readily follows. □

4.3 Boundedness of Littlewood–Paley $\tilde{g}_\alpha^\mathcal{L}$

By the L^2 -boundedness of Riesz transforms $\nabla_x \mathcal{L}^{-1/2}$, we can see that

$$\|\tilde{g}_\alpha^\mathcal{L} f\|_{L^2}^2 \leq C \int_0^\infty \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |t^{1/2\alpha} \mathcal{L}^{1/2} e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} f(x)|^2 dx \right) \frac{dt}{t}.$$

Then by the spectral theorem, we know that $\tilde{g}_\alpha^\mathcal{L}$ is bounded from $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ into $L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$.

Theorem 5 *Assume that the potential $V \in B_q$ with $q > n$. Let $x, y, z \in \mathbb{R}^n$.*

(i) *For any $N > 0$, there exists a constant C_N such that*

$$\left\| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x, y) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)} \leq \frac{C_N}{|x - y|^n} \left(1 + \frac{|x - y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x - y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N};$$

(ii) *Let $|x - y| > 2|y - z|$ and $0 < \delta < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_1, 1\}$. There exists a constant C such that*

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x, y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(x, z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)} \\ & + \left\| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(y, x) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^\mathcal{L}(z, x) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)} \leq C \frac{|y - z|^\delta}{|x - y|^{n+\delta}}; \end{aligned}$$

(iii) *There exists a constant C such that for every ball $B = B(x_0, r)$ with $0 < r \leq \rho(x)/2$,*

$$\log\left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r}\right) \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left\| t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - (t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1)_B \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)} dy \leq C,$$

and, if $\gamma < \min\{2\alpha, \delta_1, 1\}$ then

$$\left(\frac{\rho(x)}{r}\right)^\gamma \frac{1}{|B|} \int_B \left\| t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - (t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1)_B \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)} dy \leq C.$$

Proof For (i), from Proposition 4, we have

$$|\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y)| \leq C_N \min \left\{ \frac{t^{1+N/\alpha+1/(2\alpha)}}{|x-y|^{n+2\alpha+2N+1}}, t^{-n/(2\alpha)} \right\} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-N}.$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \leq |x-y|$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) \cdot \chi_{\{t^{1/2\alpha} \leq |x-y|\}} \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 \\ & \leq C_N \int_0^{|x-y|^{2\alpha}} \frac{t^{2+2N/\alpha+1/\alpha}}{|x-y|^{2n+4\alpha+4N+2}} \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x)} + \frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \frac{dt}{t} \\ & \leq C_N \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \int_0^{|x-y|^{2\alpha}} \frac{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{4\alpha+4N+2}}{|x-y|^{2n+4\alpha+4N+2}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{|x-y|} \right)^{-2N} \frac{dt}{t} \\ & \leq \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^{2n}} \int_0^{|x-y|^{2\alpha}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{|x-y|} \right)^{4\alpha+2N+2} \frac{dt}{t}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/|x-y| = u$. We can see that

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) \cdot \chi_{\{t^{1/2\alpha} \leq |x-y|\}} \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 \\ & \leq \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^{2n}} \int_0^1 u^{4\alpha+2N+1} du \\ & \leq \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^{2n}} \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N}. \end{aligned}$$

If $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} \geq |x-y|$, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x, y) \cdot \chi_{\{t^{1/2\alpha} \geq |x-y|\}} \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 \\ & \leq C_N \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N} \int_{|x-y|^{2\alpha}}^\infty t^{-n/\alpha-1} dt \\ & \leq \frac{C_N}{|x-y|^{2n}} \left(1 + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(x)} + \frac{|x-y|}{\rho(y)} \right)^{-2N}, \end{aligned}$$

which proves (i).

For (ii), by Proposition 4, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 &\leq \int_0^\infty \frac{Ct}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{2n+4\alpha}} \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}\right)^{2\delta} dt \\ &\leq C|y-z|^{2\delta} \int_0^\infty \frac{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}})^{2\alpha-2\delta}}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{2n+4\alpha}} dt. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/|x-y| = u$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 &\leq C|y-z|^{2\delta} |x-y|^{-2n-2\delta} \int_0^\infty \frac{u^{4\alpha-2\delta-1}}{(1+u)^{2n+4\alpha}} du \\ &\leq \frac{C|y-z|^{2\delta}}{|x-y|^{2n+2\delta}}. \end{aligned}$$

The symmetry of the kernel $D_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(\cdot, \cdot)$ gives the desired conclusion of (ii).

For (iii), fix $y, z \in B = B(x_0, r)$ with $0 < r \leq \rho(x_0)/2$. Similar to Theorem 4, we need to deal with the term

$$\left\| t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}$$

first. Write

$$\left\| t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(y) - t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-t\mathcal{L}^\alpha} 1(z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 = G_1 + G_2 + G_3,$$

where

$$\begin{cases} G_1 := \int_0^{(2r)^{2\alpha}} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) \right) dx \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t}; \\ G_2 := \int_{(2r)^{2\alpha}}^{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) \right) dx \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t}; \\ G_3 := \int_{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}}^\infty \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left(\tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,y) - \tilde{D}_{\alpha,t}^{\mathcal{L}}(x,z) \right) dx \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t}. \end{cases}$$

Since $y, z \in B \subset B(x_0, \rho(x_0))$, then $\rho(y) \sim \rho(x_0) \sim \rho(z)$. It follows from Proposition 4 (iii) that

$$G_1 \leq C \int_0^{(2r)^{2\alpha}} \frac{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}/\rho(x_0))^{1+2\alpha} dt}{t} \leq C \int_0^{(2r)^{2\alpha}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}}{\rho(x_0)}\right)^{2\delta} \frac{dt}{t} = C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)}\right)^{2\delta}.$$

Also, we apply Proposition 4 (ii) to deduce that

$$\begin{aligned}
 G_3 &\leq C \int_{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^{2\delta} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \frac{t}{(\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}} + |x-y|)^{n+2\alpha}} dx \right|^2 \frac{dt}{t} \\
 &\leq C \int_{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{|y-z|}{\sqrt{t^{1/\alpha}}} \right)^{2\delta} \frac{dt}{t} \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{2\delta}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Then for G_2 , following the procedure of the treatment for M_2 in Theorem 4, we obtain

$$G_2 \leq \int_{(2r)^{2\alpha}}^{\rho(x_0)^{2\alpha}} \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{2\delta} \frac{dt}{t} = C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^{2\delta} \log \left(\frac{\rho(x_0)}{r} \right).$$

From the above estimates, we can get

$$\left\| t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-tL^\alpha} 1(y) - t^{1/(2\alpha)} \nabla_x e^{-tL^\alpha} 1(z) \right\|_{L^2\left((0,\infty), \frac{dt}{t}\right)}^2 \leq C \left(\frac{r}{\rho(x_0)} \right)^\delta \left(\log \left(\frac{\rho(x_0)}{r} \right) \right)^{1/2}.$$

Thus (iii) readily follows. \square

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