

# SHARP ENDPOINT $L^p$ -ESTIMATES FOR BILINEAR SPHERICAL MAXIMAL FUNCTIONS

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## ABSTRACT

The study of maximal averaging operators plays a fundamental role in analysis. For instance, Lebesgue differentiation theorem is a consequence of the  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$ -boundedness of the classical Hardy-Littlewood maximal function. Another important averaging operator is the spherical maximal function defined as

$$A_*f(x) = \sup_{t>0} \left| \int_{\mathbb{S}^{d-1}} f(x - ty) d\sigma(y) \right|,$$

where  $\sigma$  is the surface measure on the unit sphere  $\mathbb{S}^{d-1}$ . Stein (1976) showed that  $A_*$  is bounded in  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for  $p > \frac{d}{d-1}$ ,  $d \geq 3$  and the case of dimension two was resolved by Bourgain (1986).

In this talk, we will consider a bilinear version of the spherical maximal function defined by

$$\mathfrak{M}(f, g)(x) := \sup_{t>0} \left| \int_{\mathbb{S}^{2d-1}} f(x - ty_1)g(x - ty_2) d\sigma(y_1, y_2) \right|,$$

and discuss its boundedness from  $L^{p_1}(\mathbb{R}^d) \times L^{p_2}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  to  $L^p(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for suitable indices  $p_1, p_2$  and  $p$ .

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