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## Abstract

We investigate existence of non-negative global solutions to the semilinear equation  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta_\alpha u + a(x) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k u^k + (p_0 + p_1 u)\phi(x)$ ,  $u(x, 0) = f(x)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , where  $\alpha \in (0, 2]$ ,  $\phi, a > 0$ ,  $\phi \in C^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $a$  and  $\phi$  grow no faster than polynomially,  $p > 1$ ,  $p_0 > 0$  and  $f \geq 0$ .

## 1 Introduction and main results

In this paper we investigate existence of non-negative global solutions to semilinear equations of the type

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta_\alpha u + a(x) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k u^k + (p_0 + p_1 u)\phi(x), \quad u(x, 0) = f \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad (1)$$

where  $\Delta_\alpha$  is the fractional power  $-(-\Delta)^{\alpha/2}$  of the Laplacian,  $\alpha \in (0, 2]$ ,  $a$ ,  $\phi$  and  $f$  are certain nice functions, and  $p_k$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ , are non-negative constants such that  $\sum_k p_k = 1$ , with  $p_0 > 0$ .

The asymptotic properties of equations of the form (1) are related to the large deviations behavior of super-Brownian motion (in the case  $\alpha = 2$ ) and of other

measure-valued processes, see [3] and the references therein. Moreover, the cumulant generating function of the occupation measures of a large family of superprocesses are governed by equations of the form (1), see e.g. [2] and [4]. Pinsky [5] and Zhang [6] studied both existence and non-existence of positive global solutions to the above equation when the sum in the reaction part consists of a single term  $a(x)u^p$ , where  $p$  is greater than 1,  $p_1 = 0$  and  $p_0$  is a non-negative function of  $x$ .

In the present note we investigate existence of global solutions in a different setup, with the assumption that  $p_0$  does not depend on  $x$ . We deal firstly the case in which the sum in (1) consists of a single term of the form  $(a(x)u^p$ , with  $p > 1$ . Our result is the contents of the following theorem.

**Theorem 1** *Consider the semilinear initial value problem*

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial t} = \Delta_\alpha u + a(x)u^p + (p_0 + p_1 u)\phi(x) \quad u(x, 0) = f \quad (2)$$

where  $0 < a, \phi \in C^r(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $a$  and  $\phi$  grow no faster than polynomially,  $p > 1$ ,  $p_0, p_1 > 0$  and  $f \geq 0$ . Assume that

1.  $0 < a(x) \leq c_1(1 + |x|)^m$  for  $c_1 > 0$ ,
2.  $0 < \phi(x) \leq c_2(1 + |x|)^{-q}$  for  $c_2 > 0$ ,  $q \in (\alpha, d]$ ,
3.  $p > 1 + (\alpha + m)^+ / (q - \alpha)$ .

Then for all sufficiently small  $p_0, p_1 > 0$  and all sufficiently small  $f \geq 0$ , the mild solution to Eq. (2) exists globally in time. More specifically, for sufficiently small  $p_0, p_1 > 0$  and each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that, if

$$0 \leq f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{-(\alpha+m)^+ / (p-1) - \epsilon},$$

then the mild solution to (2) exists for all time.

Our second theorem addresses existence of positive solutions to Equation (1).

**Theorem 2** *Consider the equation*

$$\partial u / \partial t = \Delta_\alpha u + a(x) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k u^k + (p_0 + p_1 u)\phi(x) \quad u(x, 0) = f \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad (3)$$

where  $0 < a, \phi \in C^r(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $a$  and  $\phi$  grow no faster than polynomially,  $1 > p_0, p_1 > 0$ ,  $\sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k = 1 - p_0 - p_1$  and  $f \geq 0$ . Assume that

1.  $0 < a(x) \leq c_1(1 + |x|)^m$  for  $c_1 > 0$ ,
2.  $0 < \phi(x) \leq c_2(1 + |x|)^{-q}$  for  $c_2 > 0, q \in (\alpha, d]$ ,
3.  $q - \alpha > (\alpha + m)^+$ .

Then for sufficiently small  $p_0, p_1 > 0$  and sufficiently small  $f \geq 0$ , the solution to the equation (3) is global. More specifically, for sufficiently small  $p_0, p_1 > 0$ , and each  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a constant  $c > 0$  such that if  $0 \leq f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{-(\alpha+m)^+ - \epsilon}$ , then the solution to (3) is global in time.

## 2 Proofs

Our method of proof is an adaptation of a technique used in [3]. We use the following lemma (which is proved in the final section of the present paper).

**Lemma 3** *There exists a  $C_* > 0$  and for all  $\delta > 0$ , a  $C_\delta > 0$  such that,*

$$C_*(1 + |x|)^{\alpha-q} \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{(1 + |y|)^{-q}}{|x - y|^{d-\alpha}} dy \leq C_\delta(1 + |x|)^{\alpha-q+\delta}, \quad q \in (\alpha, d]. \quad (4)$$

We define

$$v(x, t) \equiv v(x) = \mu \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{(1 + |y|)^{-q}}{|x - y|^{d-\alpha}} dy, \quad \mu > 0. \quad (5)$$

### 2.1 Proof of Theorem 1

Our assumptions imply that

$$a(x) \leq c_1(1 + |x|)^m, \quad \phi(x) \leq c_2(1 + |x|)^{-q}$$

for some positive constants  $c_1, c_2 > 0$ . Noticing [1] that the Green's function  $G$  of the generator  $-\Delta_\alpha$  satisfies,  $G(x, y) = \gamma_{\alpha,d}/|x - y|^{d-\alpha}$  for an appropriate constant  $\gamma_{\alpha,d} > 0$ , it follows from the right-hand inequality in (4), and  $p > 1 + (\alpha + m)^+ / (q - \alpha)$ , that there exists a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\Delta_\alpha v - v_t + a(x)v^p + (p_0 + p_1 v)\phi(x) \leq \left( \frac{-\mu}{\gamma_{\alpha,d}} + c_1 C_\delta^p \mu^p + (p_0 + p_1 C_\delta \mu) c_2 \right) (1 + |x|)^{-q}. \quad (6)$$

It is easy to show that

$$\Delta_\alpha v \leq -\mu/\gamma_{\alpha,d}(1+|x|)^{-q} \quad \text{and} \quad p_0\phi(x) \leq p_0c_2(1+|x|)^{-q}.$$

Moreover,

$$a(x)v^p \leq c_1C_\delta^p\mu^p(1+|x|)^{p(\alpha-q+\delta)+m} \leq c_1C_\delta^p\mu^p(1+|x|)^{-q}$$

because

$$\begin{aligned} p(\alpha - q + \delta) + m &= p(\alpha - q) + p\delta + m \\ &\leq (1 + (\alpha + m)^+ / (q - \alpha))(\alpha - q) + p\delta + m \\ &\leq (1 + (\alpha + m)^+ / (q - \alpha) + \delta')(\alpha - q) + p\delta + m \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

for some  $\delta' \geq 0$ . This is possible because  $p$  is strictly greater than  $1 + (\alpha + m)^+ / (q - \alpha)$ .

We consider two cases.

Case 1:  $(\alpha + m)^+ = 0$  and  $\alpha + m < 0$ . In this case we choose  $\delta' = 0$  and the right hand side in the last inequality becomes  $(\alpha - q) + p\delta + m$ . Now we can choose  $\delta$  so small as to make  $\alpha + p\delta + m$  negative and, so,  $(\alpha - q) + p\delta + m \leq -q$ .

Case 2:  $(\alpha + m)^+ \geq 0$  and  $\alpha + m \geq 0$ . The RHS in (7) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha - q - (\alpha + m)^+ + \delta'(\alpha - q) + p\delta + m \\ &= \alpha - q - (\alpha + m) + \delta'(\alpha - q) + p\delta + m \\ &= -q + \delta'(\alpha - q) + p\delta. \end{aligned}$$

Now we can choose  $\delta$  so small that  $\delta'(\alpha - q) + p\delta$  is negative. Then the whole thing is less than or equal to  $-q$ . Thus, Case 2 is also done. In addition,

$$p_1v\phi(x) \leq p_1c_2C_\partial\mu(1+|x|)^{\alpha-q+\partial-q} \leq p_1c_2C_\partial\mu(1+|x|)^{-q},$$

this being so because  $\alpha - q + \partial$  is negative. In this way (6) is justified.

Now, by first choosing  $\mu$  sufficiently small so that  $C_\delta^p\mu^p \leq 1/2 \cdot \mu/\gamma_{\alpha,d}$ , and then choosing  $p_0, p_1 > 0$  sufficiently small, the RHS of (6) can be made negative. Using the maximum principle together with the first inequality in (4), it follows that for all sufficiently small  $c, p_0, p_1 > 0$ , the solution  $u(x, t)$  to (1) with  $f(x) \leq c(1+|x|)^{\alpha-q}$  satisfies  $u(x, t) \leq v(x)$ , and is thus a global solution.

Our next goal is to increase the exponent  $\alpha - q$  appearing in the bound for  $f$ , up to the exponent  $-(\alpha + m)^+/(p - 1) - \epsilon$  figuring in the statement of the theorem.

We argue as follows. By assumption  $p > 1 + (\alpha + m)^+/(q - \alpha)$ . This implies

$$p - 1 > (\alpha + m)^+/(q - \alpha),$$

which in turn yields

$$\alpha - q < -(\alpha + m)^+/(p - 1).$$

We can now choose  $q \equiv q_0$  so that the last inequality becomes an equality. Let  $q_1 \in (q_0, q)$ . Then  $q_1$  satisfies the above inequality, and from the above results it follows that, if

$$\phi(x) \leq c_2(1 + |x|)^{-q_1}$$

for some  $c_1 > 0$ , then for sufficiently small  $c, p_0, p_1 > 0$ , the solution to (1) with  $f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{\alpha - q_1}$  is global. But then, by the maximum principle, the same holds true if we decrease  $\phi$  so that it satisfies the bound in the statement of the theorem, namely  $\phi(x) \leq c_2(1 + |x|)^{-q}$ .

Subsuming, we have proved that (1) possesses a global solution provided that  $c, p_0, p_1 > 0$  are sufficiently small, and  $f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{\alpha - q_1}$  for all  $q_1 \in (q_0, q)$ . Since  $q_1$  can be chosen arbitrarily close to  $q_0$ , it follows that a global solution exists if

$$f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{-(\alpha + m)^+/(p - 1) - \epsilon}$$

for some  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $c > 0$  sufficiently small. This completes the proof of global existence.

Notice that, when  $a(x) \equiv 1$ , the first condition for global solution disappears and the exponent in the bound of  $f$  we obtain  $\alpha$  instead of  $(\alpha + m)^+$ . Also, it can easily be seen that when  $p_1 = 0$  we can apply just the same proof.

## 2.2 Proof of Theorem 2

Our approach here is an adaptation of the technique used in the proof of Theorem 1. We use again Inequality (4). Let  $v$  be given by (5). There exists  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_\alpha v - v_t + a(x) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k v^k + (p_0 + p_1 v) \phi(x) \\ \leq \left( \frac{-\mu}{\gamma_{\alpha,d}} + c_1 \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k C_\delta^k \mu^k + (p_0 + p_1 v) c_2 \right) (1 + |x|)^{-q}. \end{aligned} \quad (8)$$

Indeed, as before,  $\Delta_\alpha v \leq -\mu/\gamma_{\alpha,d}(1 + |x|)^{-q}$  and  $p_0 \phi(x) \leq p_0 c_2 (1 + |x|)^{-q}$ . Moreover,

$$a(x) \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k v^k \leq c_1 \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} p_k C_\delta^k \mu^k (1 + |x|)^{m+k(\alpha-q+\delta)}$$

for all  $\delta > 0$ . Since the inequality

$$m + k(\alpha - q + \delta) \leq m + 2(\alpha - q + \delta)$$

is valid for all  $k$ , it suffices to show that  $m + 2(\alpha - q + \delta) \leq -q$ . Again two cases arise: If  $\alpha + m < 0$ , then we choose  $\delta > 0$  so small that  $m + \alpha + \delta < 0$ , and thus,  $m + 2(\alpha - q + \delta) \leq -q$ . In case of  $\alpha + m \geq 0$ , since  $q - \alpha > (\alpha + m)^+ = \alpha + m$ , we can choose  $\delta > 0$  so small that  $m + \alpha + (\alpha - q) + \delta$  is negative. Hence,  $m + 2(\alpha - q + \delta) \leq -q$ . In addition, because of  $\alpha - q + \delta < 0$ ,

$$p_1 v \phi(x) \leq p_1 c_2 C_\delta \mu (1 + |x|)^{\alpha - q + \delta - q} \leq p_1 c_2 C_\delta \mu (1 + |x|)^{-q}.$$

Thus (8) is satisfied. Now, by first choosing  $\mu$  so small so  $C_\delta^p \mu^p \leq 1/2 \cdot \mu/\gamma_{\alpha,d}$  and then choosing  $p_0, p_1 > 0$  sufficiently small, the RHS of (8) can be made negative. Hence, using the maximum principle together with the first inequality in (4), it follows that for sufficiently small  $c, p_0, p_1 > 0$  the solution  $u(x, t)$  to (3) with  $f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{\alpha - q}$  satisfies  $u(x, t) \leq v(x)$ , and is thus a global solution.

In order to increase the exponent  $\alpha - q$  appearing in the bound for  $f$  to the exponent  $-(\alpha + m)^+ - \epsilon$  appearing in the statement of the theorem, we argue as follows.

By assumption  $q - \alpha > (\alpha + m)^+$  and so  $\alpha - q < (\alpha + m)^+$ . Let  $q_0$  be such that the above inequality becomes an equality if we replace  $q$  by  $q_0$ . Let  $q_1 \in (q_0, q)$ .

Then  $q_1$  satisfies the above inequality. So, by the above results, it follows that if  $\phi(x) \leq c_2(1 + |x|)^{-q_1}$  for some  $c_1 > 0$ , then for sufficiently small  $p_0, p_1 > 0$  and sufficiently small  $c > 0$ , the solution to (3) with  $f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{\alpha - q_1}$  is global. But then, by the maximum principle, the same conclusion holds true if we decrease  $\phi$  so that it satisfies the original bound, that is,  $\phi(x) \leq c_2(1 + |x|)^{-q}$ . In this way we have proved that (3) possesses a global solution provided that  $p_0, p_1 > 0$  and  $c > 0$  are sufficiently small, and  $f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{\alpha - q_1}$  for all  $q_1 \in (q_0, q)$ . Since  $q_1$  can be chosen arbitrarily close to  $q_0$ , it follows that the solution to (3) is global if  $f(x) \leq c(1 + |x|)^{-(\alpha + m)^+ - \epsilon}$  for some  $\epsilon > 0$  and  $c > 0$  small.

When  $a(x) \equiv 1$ , the first condition for existence of global solution disappears, and in the bound of  $f$ , we get  $\alpha$  instead of  $(\alpha + m)^+$ . Finally, it is easy to see that the same argument also works when  $p_1 = 0$ .

### 3 Remaining proofs

In this section we prove the following statement:

There exists a  $c_1 > 0$  and, for all  $\delta > 0$ , a  $C_\delta > 0$  such that

$$c_1(1 + |x|)^{\alpha - q} \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} (1 + |y|)^{-q} / |x - y|^{d - \alpha} dy \leq C_\delta(1 + |x|)^{\alpha - q + \delta}, \quad q \in (\alpha, d].$$

In order to prove the second inequality we need the following lemma.

**Lemma 4** *The integral*

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{(1 + |x|)^{q - \alpha - \delta}}{|x - y|^{d - \alpha} (1 + |y|)^q} dy \tag{9}$$

*is a bounded function of  $x$  for any  $\delta \in (0, q - \alpha)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  be fixed. We split (9) into three integrals over the Borel sets

$$\begin{aligned} D_1 &= \{y \in \mathbb{R}^d : |x - y| < |x|/2\} \\ D_2 &= \{y \in \mathbb{R}^d : |x - y| > |x|/2, |x - y| < |y|/2\} \\ D_3 &= \{y \in \mathbb{R}^d : |x - y| > |x|/2, |x - y| > |y|/2\} \end{aligned}$$

and proceed in two steps as follows.



**Step 1:** For the integral over  $D_1$  we have,

$$\int_{D_1} \frac{(1 + |x|)^{q-\alpha-\delta}}{|x-y|^{d-\alpha}(1+|y|)^q} dy \leq \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-\alpha-\delta} \int_{D_1} |x-y|^{d-\alpha} dy. \quad (10)$$

This is so because  $|x-y| < |x|/2$  and  $|x|-|y| < |x|/2$  imply  $|y| > |x|/2$ , and therefore

$$(1 + |x|)^q/(1 + |y|)^q \leq (1 + |x|)^q/(1 + \frac{|x|}{2})^q \leq \text{Const.}$$

At this stage we pass to polar co-ordinates

$$(y_1 - x_1, y_2 - x_2, \dots, y_d - x_d) \longrightarrow (r \cos \theta_1, r \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2, \dots, r \sin \theta_1 \sin \theta_2 \dots \sin \theta_d),$$

the Jacobian of the transformation being equal to  $r^{d-1} \sin^{d-2} \theta_1 \dots \sin \theta_{d-2}$ . After the change of variables the RHS of (10) becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-\alpha-\delta} \int_0^{|x|/2} \int_{\theta_1} \dots \int_{\theta_{d-1}} r \sin^{d-2} \theta_1 \dots \sin \theta_{d-2} d\theta_{d-2} \dots d\theta_1 dr \\ \leq \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-\alpha-\delta} \cdot \int_0^{|x|/2} r dr \\ \leq \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-\alpha-\delta} \cdot |x|^2 \\ \leq \text{Const.}, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that the integral over  $D_1$  is bounded in  $x$ .

**Step 2:** In order to bound from above the integral over  $D_2$ , we first assume that  $|x| < 1$ . In this case  $(1 + |x|)^{q-\alpha-\delta} \leq \text{Const.}$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{D_2} \frac{(1 + |x|)^{q-\alpha-\delta}}{|x-y|^{d-\alpha}(1+|y|)^q} dy &\leq \text{Const.} \int_{D_2} \frac{dy}{|x-y|^{d-\alpha}(1+|y|)^q} \\ &\leq \text{Const.} \int_{D_2} \frac{dy}{|x-y|^{d-\alpha}} \\ &\leq \text{Const.} \int_{\{y: |x|/2 < |x-y| < |x|\}} \frac{dy}{|x-y|^{d-\alpha}} \end{aligned}$$

because  $|x-y| < |y|/2$  and  $|y|-|x| < |y|/2$ , and therefore  $|x| > |y|/2$ , which implies  $|x-y| < |y|/2 < |x|$  and thus  $|x|/2 < |x-y| < |x|$ . Passing to polar coordinates

renders

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{D_2} \frac{(1+|x|)^{q-\alpha-\delta}}{|x-y|^{d-\alpha}(1+|y|)^q} dy &\leq \text{Const.} \int_{|x|/2}^{|x|} \int_{\theta_1} \dots \int_{\theta_d} r \sin^{d-2} \theta_1 \dots \sin \theta_{d-2} d\theta_{d-2} \dots d\theta_1 dr \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_{|x|/2}^{|x|} r dr \\
&\leq \text{Const.}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the integral over  $D_2$  is bounded in  $x$  if  $|x| \leq 1$ .

Assume now that  $|x| \geq 1$ . Then we have

$$\int_{D_2} \frac{(1+|x|)^{q-\alpha-\delta}}{|x-y|^{d-\alpha}(1+|y|)^q} dy \leq \text{Const.} \int_{D_2} \frac{(1+|x|)^{-\alpha-\delta}}{|x-y|^{d-\alpha}} dy. \quad (11)$$

This is so because  $|x-y| < |y|/2$  together with the triangle inequality imply  $|y| > 2/3|x|$ , hence  $(1+|x|)^q/(1+|y|)^q \leq \text{Const.}$  Notice also that  $|x-y| < |x|/2$  implies

$$|x-y| + 1/2 < 1/2 + |x|/2 = (1+|x|)/2,$$

which in turn gives  $1/(1+|x|) < \text{Const.}(1/|x-y|)$ . We can now bound from above the RHS of (11) by

$$\text{Const.} \int_{D_2} 1/|x-y|^{d-\alpha+\alpha+\delta} dy = \text{Const.} \int_{D_2} 1/|x-y|^{d+\delta} dy.$$

Using polar coordinates as before, we see that the LHS of (11) is bounded from above by

$$\text{Const.} \int_{\{y: |x|/2 < |x-y| < |x|\}} r dr = \frac{1}{\delta|x|^\delta}.$$

This shows that the integral over  $D_2$  is bounded in  $x$  also in the case  $|x| \geq 1$ . We conclude that the integral over  $D_2$  is bounded in  $x$ .

In order to bound the last integral we split  $D_3$  into two parts  $D_{31}$  and  $D_{32}$ , where

$$D_{31} = \{y : |x-y| > |x|/2, |x-y| > |y|/2, |x-y| \leq 1\},$$

$$D_{32} = \{y : |x-y| > |x|/2, |x-y| > |y|/2, |x-y| > 1\}.$$

We have  $|x| \leq 2$  on  $D_{31}$  as  $|x - y| > |x|/2$  and  $|x - y| \leq 1$  imply  $|x|/2 \leq 1$ . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{D_{31}} \frac{(1 + |x|)^{q-\alpha-\delta}}{|x - y|^{d-\alpha}(1 + |y|)^q} dy &\leq \text{Const.} \int_{D_{31}} \frac{dy}{|x - y|^{d-\alpha}(1 + |y|)^q} \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_{D_{31}} |x - y|^{\alpha-d} dy \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_{\{y: |x|/2 \leq |x-y| \leq 1\}} |x - y|^{\alpha-d} dy \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_{|x|/2}^1 r dr \\
&\leq \text{Const.},
\end{aligned}$$

where we passed to polar coordinates after the third inequality, and used that  $0 \leq |x| \leq 2$  to obtain the last inequality.

For the integral over  $D_{32}$  we have

$$\int_{D_{32}} \frac{(1 + |x|)^{q-\alpha-\delta}}{|x - y|^{d-\alpha}(1 + |y|)^q} dy \leq \int_{D_{32}} \frac{|x - y|^{q-\alpha-\delta}}{|x - y|^{d-\alpha}(1 + |y|)^q} dy.$$

This is because  $|x - y| > |x|/2$  and  $|x - y| > 1$  on  $D_{32}$ , and so  $(1 + |x|)/2 \leq \text{Const.}|x - y|$ . Since  $|x - y| > |y|/2$  and  $|x - y| > 1$  yield both  $|x - y| > \{1 + |y|\}/2$  and  $1 + |y| < \text{Const.}|x - y|$ , the above inequality becomes

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_{D_{32}} 1/\{|x - y|^{d-q+\delta}(1 + |y|)^q\} dy \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_{D_{32}} 1/\{(1 + |y|)^{d-q+\delta}(1 + |y|)^q\} dy \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_{D_{32}} 1/(1 + |y|)^{d+\delta} dy,
\end{aligned}$$

which, after passing to polar coordinates renders

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_{R^d} 1/(1 + |y|)^{d+\delta} dy \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_0^\infty r^{d-1}/(1 + r)^{d+\delta} dr \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_0^\infty r^{d-1}/(1 + r)^{d+\delta} dr \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_0^\infty 1/(1 + r)^{1+\delta} dr \\
&\leq \text{Const.} \int_1^\infty 1/s^{1+\delta} ds = [-1/\delta s^\delta]_1^\infty \\
&= 1/\delta.
\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the integral over  $D_3$  is also bounded in  $x$ . Lemma (4) is proved.

### 3.1 Proof of Lemma 3

The RHS inequality in (4) follows directly from Lemma (4).

We now prove the remaining inequality in (4). Notice that

$$\int_{R^d} (1 + |y|)^{-q}/|x - y|^{d-\alpha} dy \geq \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-q} \int_{D_1} |x - y|^{\alpha-d} dy. \quad (12)$$

This is because  $|x - y| < |x|/2$  on  $D_1$ , which implies  $|y| < 3|x|/2$ . Hence,

$$(1 + |x|)^q/(1 + |y|)^q \geq (1 + |x|)^q/(1 + 3|x|/2)^q \geq \text{Const.},$$

yielding  $(1 + |y|)^{-q} \geq \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-q}$ . We use once again polar coordinates to show

that the LHS of (12) equals

$$\begin{aligned}
& \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-q} \int_{\{y: 0 < |x-y| < |x|/2\}} |x - y|^{\alpha-d} dy \\
&= \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-q} \int_0^{|x|/2} \int_{\theta_1} \dots \int_{\theta_{d-1}} r^{d-1}/r^{d-2} \sin^{d-2} \theta_1 \dots \sin \theta_{d-2} d\theta_{d-2} \dots d\theta_1 dr \\
&= \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-q} \int_0^{|x|/2} r \cdot f(\pi, d) dr \\
&= \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-q} \int_0^{|x|/2} r dr \\
&= (1 + |x|)^{-q} \cdot |x|^2.
\end{aligned}$$

Subsuming, we have proved that

$$\int_{R^d} (1 + |y|)^{-q}/|x - y|^{d-\alpha} dy \geq \text{Const.}(1 + |x|)^{-q} \cdot |x|^2.$$

From here, the left-hand inequality in (4) follows easily if  $|x| \geq 1$ . In the case  $|x| < 1$  one has to verify that  $\int_{R^d} (1 + |y|)^{-q}/|x - y|^{d-\alpha} dy$  is bounded away from zero. To prove this, notice that, as  $|x| < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_{R^d} (1 + |y|)^{-q}/|x - y|^{d-\alpha} dy &\geq \int_{R^d} (1 + |y|)^{-q}/(|x| + |y|)^{d-\alpha} dy \\
&\geq \int_{R^d} (1 + |y|)^{-q}/(1 + |y|)^{d-\alpha} dy \\
&= \int_{R^d} (1/(1 + |y|)^{d-\alpha+q}) dy
\end{aligned}$$

which is a non-zero constant, and hence is no smaller than  $C_*(1 + |x|)^{-q}$  for a suitable constant  $C_* > 0$ . This proves Lemma 3.

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