

A MARCINKIEWICZ CRITERION FOR L^p -MULTIPLIERS

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Suppose m is a bounded measurable function on the n -dimensional Euclidean space \mathbf{R}^n . Define a linear operator T_m by $(T_m f)^\wedge = m f^\wedge$, where $f \in L^2 \cap L^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$, $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, and f^\wedge denotes the Fourier transform of f :

$$f^\wedge(\xi) := \int f(x) e^{-ix\xi} dx \quad \left(x\xi := \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \xi_j \right).$$

(We omit the domain of integration if it is the whole \mathbf{R}^n .) If T_m is bounded from $L^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ to $L^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$, then m is called an L^p -(Fourier) multiplier, denoted $m \in M_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$. The norm of m coincides with the operator norm of T_m .

THEOREM 1. *Let m and m' be locally absolutely continuous on $(0, \infty)$ and*

$$B := \|m\|_\infty + \sup_{j \in \mathbf{Z}} \int_{2^j}^{2^{j+1}} r |m''(r)| dr < \infty.$$

Then $m(|\xi|) \in M_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ for all p with $1 \leq 2n/(n+3) < p < 2n/(n-3) \leq \infty$; in particular, $\|m\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R}^n)} \leq cB$ with c independent of m .

1. To prove Theorem 1 we need a result stated in Theorem 2 about the following Littlewood-Paley function:

$$(1.1) \quad g_\lambda(f)(x) = \left(\int_0^\infty |S_t^{\lambda+1}(f; x) - S_t^\lambda(f; x)|^2 u(t) \frac{dt}{t} \right)^{1/2},$$

where

$$S_t^\lambda(f; x) = \int \left(1 - \frac{|\xi|^2}{t^2} \right)_+^\lambda f^\wedge(\xi) e^{i\xi x} d\xi \quad (r_+ = \max(0, r))$$

denotes the Bochner-Riesz means of f of order λ , u is a nonnegative measurable function on $(0, \infty)$ satisfying

$$(1.2) \quad t \leq R(t) = \int_0^t u(s) ds \leq ct, \quad t > 0,$$

and f belongs to S , the space of all infinitely differentiable rapidly decreasing functions on \mathbf{R}^n .