

## The Fejér-Riesz inequality for Siegel domains

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**Introduction.** The classical Fejér-Riesz inequality ([2]) was extended from the unit disc of the complex plane  $C$  to balls and polydiscs of  $C^n$  ([4], [9], and [10]). For unbounded domains, Hille and Tamarkin derived an analogous inequality. Let  $f \in H^p(\mathbf{R}_+^2)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , where  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$  denotes the upper half-plane  $\{z \in C \mid \text{Im } z > 0\}$ . Then the following holds for every  $x \in \mathbf{R}$  ([5, Theorem 4.1]):

$$(1) \quad \int_{\mathbf{R}_+} |f(x + iy)|^p dy \leq 2^{-1} \sup_{y>0} \int_{\mathbf{R}} |f(x + iy)|^p dx ,$$

where  $\mathbf{R}_+$  denotes the positive numbers. Kawata [6] and Krylov [8] showed that the main results of the Hille-Tamarkin's  $H^p$  theory are valid for all  $p > 0$ . The inequality (1) is also seen to hold in this case. Our purpose is to deal with this inequality in a setting of higher dimensions and a wider class of functions. We shall obtain an inequality of the same sort for functions  $u$  such that  $u \geq 0$  and  $\log u$  are plurisubharmonic on certain Siegel domains in  $C^n \times C^m$ . The principal result is Theorem 1 in Section 2. Section 3 is concerned with Hardy space results.

**1. Preliminaries.** Let  $u$  be a real-valued function on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ . If  $u \geq 0$  and  $\log u$  is subharmonic we shall call  $u$  a log. subharmonic function. Such functions are called functions of class  $PL$  and then basic properties are found in [11]. We shall denote by  $LH^p(\mathbf{R}_+^2)$ ,  $0 < p < \infty$ , the class of log. subharmonic functions  $u$  satisfying the condition

$$(2) \quad M(u, p; \mathbf{R}_+^2) = \sup_{y>0} \int_{\mathbf{R}} u(x + iy)^p dx < \infty .$$

Let  $\Omega$  be an open cone in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  which is the interior of the convex hull of  $n$  linearly independent half-lines starting from the origin. We shall call  $\Omega$  an  $n$ -polygonal cone. The tube domain with base  $\Omega$  is defined by  $T_\Omega = \{X + iY \in C^n \mid X \in \mathbf{R}^n, Y \in \Omega\}$ . Let  $u$  be a real-valued function defined on  $T_\Omega$  and  $u \geq 0$ . If  $\log u$  is plurisubharmonic we shall call  $u$  a log.

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plurisubharmonic function. We define the class  $LH^p(T_\Omega), 0 < p < \infty$ , as the family of log. plurisubharmonic functions  $u$  satisfying the condition

$$M(u, p; T_\Omega) = \sup_{Y \in \Omega} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(X + iY)^p dX < \infty,$$

where  $dX = dx_1 \cdots dx_n$ , the volume element in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . The Hardy space  $H^p(T_\Omega)$  consists of holomorphic functions  $f$  on  $T_\Omega$  such that  $M(|f|, p; T_\Omega) < \infty$  ([14]). The Siegel domain of type II we shall throughout consider is the domain in  $\mathbf{C}^n \times \mathbf{C}^m$  defined by an  $n$ -polygonal cone  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{R}^n$  and an  $\Omega$ -hermitian form  $\Phi: \mathbf{C}^m \times \mathbf{C}^m \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^n$ , i.e.,  $D = D(\Omega, \Phi) = \{(Z, W) \in \mathbf{C}^n \times \mathbf{C}^m \mid \text{Im } Z - \Phi(W, W) \in \Omega\}$ . If  $n = 1, \Omega = \mathbf{R}_+$ , and  $\Phi(W, W) = \sum_{j=1}^m |w_j|^2$  for  $W = (w_1, \dots, w_m)$ , the associated domain,  $D_0$ , is biholomorphic with the unit ball of  $\mathbf{C}^{m+1}$ . Let  $u$  be a log. plurisubharmonic function on  $D$ . Then  $u(X + i(Y + \Phi(W, W)), W)$  is an upper semi-continuous function of  $(X + iY, W) \in T_\Omega \times \mathbf{C}^m$ . We define the class  $LH^p(D), 0 < p < \infty$ , as the totality of log. plurisubharmonic functions  $u$  on  $D$  satisfying

$$M(u, p; D) = \sup_{Y \in \Omega} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n \times \mathbf{C}^m} u(X + i(Y + \Phi(W, W)), W)^p dX dW < \infty,$$

where  $dW$  means the volume element in  $\mathbf{R}^{2m} = \mathbf{C}^m$ . The Hardy space  $H^p(D)$  is the class of holomorphic functions  $f$  on  $D$  such that  $M(|f|, p; D) < \infty$  ([7]). If  $f_j \in H^p(D), j = 1, \dots, l$ , then  $\sum_{j=1}^l |f_j| \in LH^p(D)$ . If  $u \in LH^p(D)$  and  $v$  is any plurisubharmonic function bounded above, then  $ue^v \in LH^p(D)$ . Thus  $LH^p(D)$  contains discontinuous functions.

We shall frequently use the following basic result. This is found in [14, (4.9) in Chapter II] and is valid without the assumption of continuity of  $u$ .

**LEMMA A.** *Let  $u(x + iy)$  be a subharmonic function on the half-plane  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$  and  $u \geq 0$ . If  $u$  satisfies the condition (2) with  $p \geq 1$ , then  $u(x + iy) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x^2 + y^2 \rightarrow \infty$ , provided  $y \geq \rho$  for a constant  $\rho > 0$ .*

**2. The Fejér-Riesz inequality for the domain  $D$ .** We begin by proving some lemmas. Arguments concerning  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$  were suggested by the methods of [1] and [2]. However, they must be substantially reformulated to work for the unbounded domain.

**LEMMA 1.** *Let  $f(x + iy)$  be a holomorphic function on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ . Then the following inequality holds for  $0 < r < R, 0 < T$ :*

$$(3) \quad 2 \int_r^R |f(iy)|^2 dy \leq \int_{-r}^r |f(x + ir)|^2 dx + \int_{-T}^T |f(x + iR)|^2 dx + \int_r^R |f(-T + iy)|^2 dy + \int_r^R |f(T + iy)|^2 dy.$$

PROOF. Let  $E$  and  $E'$  be the rectangles in  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$  with vertices  $-T + ir, ir, iR, -T + iR$ , and  $ir, T + ir, T + iR, iR$ , respectively. Then the Cauchy integral theorem applied to the holomorphic function  $f(z)^2$  with respect to  $E$  and  $E'$  implies

$$\begin{aligned} i \int_r^R f(iy)^2 dy &= - \int_{-T}^0 f(x + ir)^2 dx + i \int_r^R f(-T + iy)^2 dy + \int_{-T}^0 f(x + iR)^2 dx \\ &= \int_0^T f(x + ir)^2 dx + i \int_r^R f(T + iy)^2 dy - \int_0^T f(x + iR)^2 dx . \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \left| \int_r^R f(iy)^2 dy \right| &\leq \int_{-T}^T |f(x + ir)|^2 dx + \int_{-T}^T |f(x + iR)|^2 dx \\ &\quad + \int_r^R |f(-T + iy)|^2 dy + \int_r^R |f(T + iy)|^2 dy . \end{aligned}$$

If  $f(z)$  is real-valued on the imaginary axis in  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ , this becomes the inequality (3). In the general case, let  $g(z) = 2^{-1}(f(z) + \overline{f(-\bar{z})})$ ,  $h(z) = (2i)^{-1}(f(z) - \overline{f(-\bar{z})})$ ,  $z \in \mathbf{R}_+^2$ . Then  $g(z)$  and  $h(z)$  are holomorphic on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$  and real-valued on the imaginary axis, so satisfy the inequality (3). Note that  $|f(iy)|^2 = g(iy)^2 + h(iy)^2$ ,  $y \in \mathbf{R}$ , and  $|g(z)|^2 + |h(z)|^2 = 2^{-1}(|f(z)|^2 + |f(-\bar{z})|^2)$ ,  $z \in \mathbf{R}_+^2$ . It is easily verified that the inequality (3) is valid for  $f(z)$ . The proof is completed.

We shall write  $P(x, y) = \pi^{-1}y(x^2 + y^2)^{-1}$ , the Poisson kernel for  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ , and  $u_\rho(x + iy) = u(x + i(\rho + y))$  for a constant  $\rho$ .

LEMMA 2. Let  $u \in LH^1(\mathbf{R}_+^2)$  and let  $u_{\rho,\epsilon}(x + iy) = (u_\rho(x + iy) + \epsilon)^{1/2}$  for  $\rho, \epsilon > 0$ . Let

$$(4) \quad h_{\rho,\epsilon}(x + iy) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \log u_{\rho,\epsilon}(t) P(x - t, y) dt, \quad x + iy \in \mathbf{R}_+^2 .$$

Then  $h_{\rho,\epsilon}$  is a harmonic majorant of  $\log u_{\rho,\epsilon}$  on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ .

PROOF. The sum of two log. subharmonic functions is log. subharmonic, so the function  $\log u_{\rho,\epsilon}$  is upper semi-continuous on the closure  $\overline{\mathbf{R}_+^2}$  of  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ , and subharmonic on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ . Lemma A implies that  $\log u_{\rho,\epsilon}(x + iy) \rightarrow 2^{-1} \log \epsilon$  as  $x^2 + y^2 \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $y \geq 0$ . Thus  $\log u_{\rho,\epsilon}(t)$  is bounded on  $\mathbf{R}$  and  $h_{\rho,\epsilon}$  is defined and harmonic on the whole of  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ . We can choose a sequence of bounded continuous functions  $u_k(t)$  on  $\mathbf{R}$  such that  $u_1(t) \geq u_2(t) \geq \dots$  and  $u_k(t) \rightarrow \log u_{\rho,\epsilon}(t)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . Let

$$h_k(x + iy) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_k(t) P(x - t, y) dt, \quad x + iy \in \mathbf{R}_+^2, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots .$$

Then  $h_k$  are continuous on  $\overline{\mathbf{R}_+^2}$ , harmonic and satisfy  $2^{-1} \log \varepsilon \leq h_k$  on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ . Since  $\log u_{\rho,\varepsilon}(t) \leq u_k(t) = h_k(t)$ ,  $t \in \mathbf{R}$ , the maximum principle for subharmonic functions implies that  $\log u_{\rho,\varepsilon} \leq h_k$  on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ . Letting  $k \rightarrow \infty$  we get the relation  $\log u_{\rho,\varepsilon} \leq h_{\rho,\varepsilon}$ . The proof is completed.

LEMMA 3. *Let  $u \in LH^1(\mathbf{R}_+^2)$  and  $\rho > 0$ . Then the following inequality holds for every  $x \in \mathbf{R}$ :*

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}_+} u_{\rho}(x + iy)dy \leq 2^{-1} \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho}(x)dx .$$

PROOF. We may assume that  $x = 0$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  and define the function  $h_{\rho,\varepsilon}$  by (4). Let  $F(z) = \exp(h_{\rho,\varepsilon}(z) + ig_{\rho,\varepsilon}(z))$ ,  $z \in \mathbf{R}_+^2$ , where  $g_{\rho,\varepsilon}$  is so chosen that  $h_{\rho,\varepsilon} + ig_{\rho,\varepsilon}$  is holomorphic. From Lemma 2 we see that  $u_{\rho}(z) + \varepsilon \leq \exp(2h_{\rho,\varepsilon}(z)) = |F(z)|^2$ . Let  $0 < r < R$ ,  $0 < T$ . The inequality (3) applied to  $F(z)$  implies that

$$\begin{aligned} 2I(r, R) &:= 2 \int_r^R u_{\rho}(iy)dy < 2 \int_r^R |F(iy)|^2 dy \\ &\leq \int_{-T}^T |F(x + ir)|^2 dx + \int_{-T}^T |F(x + iR)|^2 dx \\ &\quad + \int_r^R |F(-T + iy)|^2 dy + \int_r^R |F(T + iy)|^2 dy . \end{aligned}$$

Using inequalities

$$|F(z)|^2 \leq \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho,\varepsilon}(t)P(x - t, y)dt \right)^2 \leq \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho,\varepsilon}(t)^2 P(x - t, y)dt ,$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2I(r, R) &< \int_{-T}^T dx \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho,\varepsilon}(t)^2 P(x - t, r)dt + \int_{-T}^T \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho,\varepsilon}(t)P(x - t, R)dt \right)^2 dx \\ &\quad + \int_r^R dy \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho,\varepsilon}(t)^2 P(-T - t, y)dt + \int_r^R dy \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho,\varepsilon}(t)^2 P(T - t, y)dt . \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$  we see that

$$\begin{aligned} 2I(r, R) &\leq \int_{-T}^T dx \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho}(t)P(x - t, r)dt + \int_{-T}^T \left( \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho}(t)^{1/2}P(x - t, R)dt \right)^2 dx \\ &\quad + \int_r^R dy \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho}(t)P(-T - t, y)dt + \int_r^R dy \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho}(t)P(T - t, y)dt \\ &=: I_1(r, T) + I_2(R, T) + I_3(r, R, T) + I_4(r, R, T) . \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,  $I_1(r, T) \leq \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho}(t)dt$ . We treat  $I_j$ ,  $j = 3, 4$ . Let

$$v(\mp T, y) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} u_{\rho}(t)P(\mp T - t, y)dt .$$

Since  $u_\rho(t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $|t| \rightarrow \infty$  by Lemma A, we can take  $K > 0$  such that  $u_\rho(t) < R^{-2}$  for  $|t| > K$ . Using the inequality  $y(a^2 + y^2)^{-1} < a^{-1}$  for  $a, y > 0$  and taking an arbitrary  $T > K$ , we can see that

$$v(\mp T, y) < R^{-2} + \int_{|t| \leq K} u_\rho(t) P(\mp T - t, y) dt < R^{-2} + (T - K)^{-1} \int_R u_\rho(t) dt .$$

It follows that

$$I_j(r, R, T) < R^{-1} + (T - K)^{-1} R \int_R u_\rho(t) dt , \quad T > K , \quad j = 3, 4 .$$

To estimate the integral  $I_2(R, T)$ , let

$$G(x, y) = \int_R u_\rho(t)^{1/2} P(x - t, y) dt , \quad x + iy \in \mathbf{R}_+^2 .$$

Since  $u_\rho(t)^{1/2} \in L^2(\mathbf{R})$ , we have  $G(x, y) \leq Cv(x)$ ,  $y > 0$ , where  $C$  is a constant and  $v(x)$  is the Hardy-Littlewood maximal function of  $u_\rho(x)^{1/2}$ . Note that  $v(x) \in L^2(\mathbf{R})$  and  $G(x, R)^2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $R \rightarrow \infty$ . Now in the inequality

$$2I(r, R) \leq \int_R u_\rho(x) dx + \int_R G(x, R)^2 dx + 2R^{-1} + 2(T - K)^{-1} R \int_R u_\rho(x) dx , \quad T > K ,$$

letting first  $T \rightarrow \infty$  and then  $R \rightarrow \infty, r \rightarrow 0$ , we have

$$2 \int_{\mathbf{R}_+} u_\rho(iy) dy \leq \int_R u_\rho(x) dx ,$$

which completes the proof.

LEMMA 4. Let  $T_\Omega$  be a tube with base  $\Omega$  which is an  $n$ -polygonal cone in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $u \in LH^1(T_\Omega)$  and let  $u_\rho(X + iY) = u(X + i(\rho + Y))$  where  $\rho = (\rho_1, \dots, \rho_n) \in \Omega$ . Then for any  $X \in \mathbf{R}^n$

$$(5) \quad \int_\Omega u_\rho(X + iY) dY \leq 2^{-n} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u_\rho(X) dX .$$

PROOF. To begin with, we suppose  $\Omega$  is the first octant in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , i.e.,  $\Omega = \{Y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbf{R}^n \mid y_1, \dots, y_n > 0\}$ . Clearly we may consider  $T_\Omega$  as  $\mathbf{R}_+^2 \times \dots \times \mathbf{R}_+^2$ , the Cartesian product of  $n$  half-planes. Let  $\Omega' = \{Y' = (y_2, \dots, y_n) \mid y_2, \dots, y_n > 0\}$ . Then we can write  $T_\Omega = \mathbf{R}_+^2 \times T_{\Omega'}$  and  $X + iY = (x_1 + iy_1, X' + iY')$  for  $X + iY \in T_\Omega$ . We shall show that if  $z_1 \in \mathbf{R}_+^2$  is fixed then  $u(z_1, Z')$  belongs to  $LH^1(T_{\Omega'})$  as a function of  $Z' \in T_{\Omega'}$ . It is clear that  $u(z_1, Z')$  is log. plurisubharmonic on  $T_{\Omega'}$ . Take  $r > 0$  such that  $\Delta = \{w \in \mathbf{C} \mid |w - z_1| \leq r\} \subset \mathbf{R}_+^2$  and let  $\delta = \text{Im } z_1 - r$ . Since  $u(w, Z')$  is subharmonic as a function of  $w = x_1 + iy_1$  for an arbitrary  $Z' = X' + iY' \in T_{\Omega'}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} u(z_1, Z') &\leq (\pi r^2)^{-1} \int_A u(x_1 + iy_1, Z') dx_1 dy_1 \\ &\leq (\pi r^2)^{-1} \int_{\delta}^{2r+\delta} dy_1 \int_{\mathbf{R}} u(x_1 + iy_1, Z') dx_1. \end{aligned}$$

Integrating with respect to  $dX' = dx_2 \cdots dx_n$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n-1}} u(z_1, Z') dX' &\leq (\pi r^2)^{-1} \int_{\delta}^{2r+\delta} dy_1 \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(x_1 + iy_1, Z') dX \\ &\leq (\pi r^2)^{-1} 2r M(u, 1; T_{\Omega}). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, it is seen that if  $Z' \in T_{\Omega'}$  is fixed then  $u(z_1, Z')$  belongs to  $LH^1(\mathbf{R}_+^2)$  as a function of  $z_1 \in \mathbf{R}_+^2$  ([14, p. 116]). The inequality (5) is proved in Lemma 3 for  $n = 1$ . Now we assume that it is valid for  $n - 1$ . Writing  $\rho' = (\rho_2, \dots, \rho_n) \in \Omega'$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} u_{\rho}(X + iY) dY &= \int_{\mathbf{R}_+} dy_1 \int_{\Omega'} u(x_1 + i(\rho_1 + y_1), X' + i(\rho' + Y')) dY' \\ &\leq 2^{-(n-1)} \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n-1}} dX' \int_{\mathbf{R}_+} u(x_1 + i(\rho_1 + y_1), X' + i\rho') dy_1 \\ &\leq 2^{-n} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u_{\rho}(X) dX. \end{aligned}$$

If  $\Omega$  is an  $n$ -polygonal cone we can proceed as in [14, p. 118]. Take  $n$  linearly independent vectors generating  $\Omega$  and let  $A$  be the matrix with these vectors as its columns. Then the linear map  $\tilde{X} \rightarrow A\tilde{X}$ ,  $\tilde{X} \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , transforms the first octant  $A$  onto  $\Omega$  and can be extended to  $\mathbf{C}^n$  by  $A(\tilde{Z}) = A\tilde{X} + iA\tilde{Y}$ ,  $\tilde{Z} = \tilde{X} + i\tilde{Y} \in \mathbf{C}^n$ . The function  $u \circ A$  belongs to  $LH^1(T_A)$ , so we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} u(X + i(\rho + Y)) dY &= |\det A| \int_A (u \circ A)(\tilde{X} + i(\tilde{\rho} + \tilde{Y})) d\tilde{Y} \\ &\leq 2^{-n} |\det A| \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} (u \circ A)(\tilde{X} + i\tilde{\rho}) d\tilde{X} \\ &= 2^{-n} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(X + i\rho) dX, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof.

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $D = D(\Omega, \Phi)$  be a Siegel domain in  $\mathbf{C}^n \times \mathbf{C}^m$  with an  $n$ -polygonal cone  $\Omega$ . Let  $u \in LH^p(D)$ ,  $0 < p < \infty$ . Then for any  $X \in \mathbf{R}^n$*

$$\int_{\Omega \times \mathbf{C}^m} u(X + i(Y + \Phi(W, W)), W)^p dY dW \leq 2^{-n} M(u, p; D).$$

**PROOF.** It suffices to prove for  $p = 1$ . For  $\varepsilon = (\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_n) \in \Omega$  and

$W \in \mathbf{C}^m$  put  $v(Z; \varepsilon, W) = u(Z + i(\varepsilon + \Phi(W, W)), W)$ ,  $Z = X + iY \in T_\Omega$ . Then it is seen from the same argument as in [12] that  $v(Z; \varepsilon, W)$  belongs to  $LH^1(T_\Omega)$  as a function of  $Z$ . It follows from (5) that for any  $\rho \in \Omega$

$$\int_\Omega u(X + i(\rho + \varepsilon + Y + \Phi(W, W)), W) dY \leq 2^{-n} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(X + i(\rho + \varepsilon + \Phi(W, W)), W) dX.$$

Integration with respect to  $dW$  and arbitrariness of  $\rho + \varepsilon$  imply the desired inequality. The proof of Theorem 1 is completed.

REMARK. It should be noted that the condition we imposed on the cone  $\Omega$  is not restrictive when  $n = 1$  and  $2$ . Thus all the results hold for general Siegel domains for these cases.

Recall that  $D_0$  is biholomorphic with the unit ball of  $\mathbf{C}^{m+1}$ . We write  $|W|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^m |w_j|^2$  for  $W \in \mathbf{C}^m$ .

COROLLARY 1. (i) Let  $u \in LH^p(T_\Omega)$ . Then for any  $X \in \mathbf{R}^n$

$$\int_\Omega u(X + iY)^p dY \leq 2^{-n} M(u, p; T_\Omega).$$

(ii) Let  $u \in LH^p(D_0)$ . Then for any  $x \in \mathbf{R}$

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}_+ \times \mathbf{C}^m} u(x + i(y + |W|^2), W)^p dy dW \leq 2^{-1} M(u, p; D_0).$$

REMARK. The Poisson kernel for the unit disc  $U$  provides an example that the Fejér-Riesz inequality does not necessarily hold for harmonic functions on  $U$  ([2, p. 311]). Similarly, the Poisson kernel  $P(x, y)$  shows that (i) is not necessarily valid for harmonic function on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ .

The following result is related to [13, Theorem C] and the first half is known for  $|f|^p, f \in H^p(\mathbf{R}_+^2)$  ([6]). We write  $r \leq s$  if and only if  $s - r \in \{0\} \cup \Omega$  for  $r, s \in \Omega$ , and  $|Y|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n y_j^2$  for  $Y \in \mathbf{R}^n$ .

THEOREM 2. Let  $u \in LH^p(D), 0 < p < \infty$ , where  $D = D(\Omega, \Phi)$  with an  $n$ -polygonal cone  $\Omega$ . Let

$$\psi(Y) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n \times \mathbf{C}^m} u(X + i(Y + \Phi(W, W)), W)^p dXdW, \quad Y \in \Omega.$$

Then  $\psi(Y)$  is a decreasing function of  $Y$ . If  $Y \geq Y_0$  for some  $Y_0 \in \Omega$  and  $|Y| \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $\psi(Y) \rightarrow 0$ .

PROOF. It is sufficient to prove for  $p = 1$ . First we prove the assertions by induction on  $n$  assuming that  $\Omega$  is the first octant in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and  $u \in LH^1(T_\Omega)$ . We denote by  $\psi^{(n)}(Y)$  the integral of  $u(X + iY)$  with

respect to  $dX$  over  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Let  $u \in LH^1(\mathbf{R}_+^2)$ . Suppose  $u$  is continuous and let  $v = u^{1/2}$ . Then  $v$  is subharmonic and  $M(v, 2; \mathbf{R}_+^2) < \infty$ . It is proved implicitly in [13, Theorem C] that in this case  $\psi^{(1)}(y)$  is a decreasing function of  $y > 0$ . When  $u$  is only upper semi-continuous, let  $G_\rho = \{x + iy \in \mathbf{R}_+^2 \mid y > \rho\}$ ,  $\rho > 0$ , and let  $u_r(x + iy)$  be the function defined to be the mean value of  $u$  over the disc of radius  $r$ ,  $r < \rho$ , centered at the point  $x + iy$ .  $u_r$  is a continuous subharmonic function on  $G_\rho$  and  $\{u_r\}$  tends to  $u$  decreasingly as  $r \rightarrow 0$ . It is seen from Fubini's theorem that  $M(u_r, 1; G_\rho) \leq M(u, 1; \mathbf{R}_+^2)$ , hence  $\psi_r^{(1)}(y)$ , the integral of  $u_r(x + iy)$ , is a decreasing function of  $y > \rho$ . Taking limit as  $r \rightarrow 0$ , we can get the same conclusion for  $u$ . Let  $h(x + iy)$  be the Poisson integral of  $v_\rho(t)$  with a constant  $\rho > 0$ . Then from the same reasoning as in Lemma 2 we can see that  $v_\rho(x + iy)$  is majorized by  $h(x + iy)$  on  $\mathbf{R}_+^2$ . The maximal function of  $v_\rho$  belongs to  $L^2(\mathbf{R})$ , so  $\psi^{(1)}(\rho + y)$  tends to 0 as  $y \rightarrow \infty$ . Next supposing  $\psi^{n-1}(Y')$  is a decreasing function, we can easily see that  $\psi^{(n)}(s) \leq \psi^{(n)}(r)$  if  $r \leq s$  in  $\Omega$ . If  $|Y| = |(y_1, Y')| \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $Y \geq Y_0$ , we may suppose  $y_1 \rightarrow \infty$  increasingly. Let  $t_1 = y_1 - \varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ . From  $Y \geq (t_1, Y'_0)$  we have

$$\psi^{(n)}(Y) \leq \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(x_1 + it_1, X' + iY'_0) dX = \int_{\mathbf{R}^{n-1}} dX' \int_{\mathbf{R}} u(x_1 + it_1, X' + iY'_0) dx_1.$$

Here, the inner integral tends to 0 decreasingly as  $t_1 \rightarrow \infty$  for every  $X' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ , so  $\psi^{(n)}(Y) \rightarrow 0$  as  $y_1 \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $\Omega$  be an  $n$ -polygonal cone and  $A$  be the matrix employed in the proof of Lemma 4. Then we can write

$$\psi^{(n)}(Y) = |\det A| \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} (u \circ A)(\tilde{X} + i\tilde{Y}) d\tilde{X},$$

where  $Y = A\tilde{Y}$ ,  $\tilde{Y} \in \Lambda$ . Since  $r \leq s$  in  $\Omega$  if and only if  $\tilde{r} \leq \tilde{s}$  in  $\Lambda$ ,  $\psi^{(n)}(Y)$  is seen to be a decreasing function. The second assertion follows from the fact that  $|Y| \rightarrow \infty$  if and only if  $|\tilde{Y}| \rightarrow \infty$ . Now let  $u \in LH^1(D)$  and  $r \leq s$ ,  $r, s \in \Omega$ . Take  $\varepsilon \in \Omega$  so that  $r = \varepsilon + \rho$ ,  $s = \varepsilon + \sigma$  for some  $\rho, \sigma \in \Omega$ . Then  $v(Z; \varepsilon, W) \in LH^1(T_\Omega)$  for any  $W \in C^m$ , so we have

$$(6) \quad \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(X + i(\varepsilon + \sigma + \Phi(W, W)), W) dX \\ \leq \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(X + i(\varepsilon + \rho + \Phi(W, W)), W) dX.$$

It follows that  $\psi(s) \leq \psi(r)$ . Finally take  $\varepsilon \in \Omega$  such that  $Y_0 = \varepsilon + Y_0^*$  for some  $Y_0^* \in \Omega$ . Then  $Y = \varepsilon + Y^*$ ,  $Y^* \geq Y_0^*$ , and  $|Y^*| \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(X + i(\varepsilon + Y^* + \Phi(W, W)), W) dX \\ \leq \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(X + i(Y_0 + \Phi(W, W)), W) dX,$$

the left-hand side tending to 0 as  $|Y| \rightarrow \infty$ . The dominated convergence theorem shows that  $\psi(Y) \rightarrow 0$  as  $|Y| \rightarrow \infty$ . The proof is completed.

**COROLLARY 2.** *Let  $u \in LH^p(D)$ . Then  $u(Z + i\Phi(W, W), W)$  belongs to  $LH^p(T_\Omega)$  as a function of  $Z \in T_\Omega$  for almost every  $W \in C^m$ .*

**PROOF.** Let  $p = 1$ . We can take a sequence  $\{\varepsilon^{(j)}\} \subset \Omega$  such that  $\varepsilon^{(1)} \geq \varepsilon^{(2)} \geq \dots, \varepsilon^{(j)} \rightarrow 0$  and  $\psi(\varepsilon^{(j)}) \rightarrow M(u, 1; D)$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ . For  $W \in C^m$  let

$$g_j(W) = \int_{R^n} u(X + i(\varepsilon^{(j)} + \Phi(W, W)), W) dX, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$g(W) = \sup_{Y \in \Omega} \int_{R^n} u(X + i(Y + \Phi(W, W)), W) dX.$$

Then from the inequality (6) and the choice of  $\{\varepsilon^{(j)}\}$  it follows that  $g_j(W) \rightarrow g(W)$  increasingly as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  for every  $W \in C^m$ . We can see that  $g(W) < \infty$  for a.e.  $W$  from

$$\int_{C^m} g(W) dW = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \psi(\varepsilon^{(j)}) = M(u, 1; D) < \infty.$$

**3. The case of holomorphic functions.** If  $f \in H^p(R_+^2), 0 < p < \infty$ , the boundary value  $f^*(x)$  exists for a.e.  $x \in R$ . Here  $f^* \in L^p(R)$  and  $f(x + iy) \rightarrow f^*(x)$  as  $y \rightarrow 0$  in the sense of  $L^p$ -convergence. As a consequence of Corollary 1 and Theorem 2 we have the inequality (1).

**PROPOSITION 1.** *Let  $f \in H^p(R_+^2), 0 < p < \infty$ . Then for any  $x \in R$*

$$\int_{R_+} |f(x + iy)|^p dy \leq 2^{-1} \int_R |f^*(x)|^p dx.$$

Let  $D$  be a Siegel domain in  $C^n \times C^m$  and  $f \in H^p(D), 0 < p < \infty$ . Then the boundary value  $f^*$  exists almost everywhere, i.e.,  $f^*(X + i\Phi(W, W), W) = \lim_{Y \rightarrow 0} f(X + i(Y + \Phi(W, W)), W)$  for a.e.  $(X, W) \in R^n \times C^m$ , and  $f^* \in L^p(R^n \times C^m)$  ([12]).

**PROPOSITION 2.** *Let  $D = D(\Omega, \Phi)$ , where  $\Omega$  is an  $n$ -polygonal cone in  $R^n$ . Let  $f \in H^p(D), 0 < p < \infty$ . Then for any  $X \in R^n$*

$$\int_{\Omega \times C^m} |f(X + i(Y + \Phi(W, W)), W)|^p dY dW$$

$$\leq 2^{-n} \int_{R^n \times C^m} |f^*(X + i\Phi(W, W), W)|^p dX dW.$$

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