

OPERATING FUNCTIONS ON SOME SUBSPACES OF L_p

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1. Let $L^2(0, 2\pi)$ be the set of all square integrable functions defined on $(0, 2\pi)$ and continued by periodicity. We set

$$A_{\beta, \delta}(f) = \left[\int_0^1 \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ \int_0^{2\pi} |f(x+t) - f(x-t)|^2 dx \right\}^{1/2} \right]^{1/\beta}$$

for $f \in L^2(0, 2\pi)$, where $1 \leq \beta \leq 2$ and $3\beta/2 - 1 > \delta > \beta/2 - 1$.

We define a space $A_{\beta, \delta}$ by

$$A_{\beta, \delta} = \{f : A_{\beta, \delta}(f) < \infty\}.$$

If $f \in A_{\beta, \delta}$ and $f_a(x) = f(x-a)$, then $A_{\beta, \delta}(f_a) = A_{\beta, \delta}(f)$, if c is a constant, then $A_{\beta, \delta}(cf) = |c| A_{\beta, \delta}(f)$ and if $f, g \in A_{\beta, \delta}$, then $A_{\beta, \delta}(f+g) \leq A_{\beta, \delta}(f) + A_{\beta, \delta}(g)$ by Minkowski's inequality.

We shall characterize the complex valued function φ of a complex variable which operates in $A_{\beta, \delta}$ i.e. $\varphi(f) \in A_{\beta, \delta}$ for all $f \in A_{\beta, \delta}$, where $\varphi(f)(x) = \varphi(f(x))$.

2. Let the Fourier series of $f \in L^2(0, 2\pi)$ be

$$f(x) \sim \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{in x}.$$

For β and δ which satisfy the above conditions, we set

$$B_{\beta, \delta}(f) = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\beta/2+\delta} \left(\sum_{|k|>n} |c_k|^2 \right)^{\beta/2} \right\}^{1/\beta}$$

$$C_{\beta, \delta}(f) = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-3\beta/2+\delta} \left(\sum_{|k|\leq n} |c_k|^2 k^2 \right)^{\beta/2} \right\}^{1/\beta}.$$

We can prove a following theorem by the same method as Prof. G. Sunouchi in [2].

THEOREM 1. *For $1 \leq \beta \leq 2$ and $\beta/2 - 1 < \delta < 3\beta/2 - 1$, the finiteness of $A_{\beta,\delta}(f)$, $B_{\beta,\delta}(f)$ and $C_{\beta,\delta}(f)$ are equivalent each other.*

In the proof of Theorem 1, we use the fact that the convergency of $B_{\beta,\delta}(f)$ and $C_{\beta,\delta}(f)$ are equivalent to the convergency of $B'_{\beta,\delta}(f)$ and $C'_{\beta,\delta}(f)$ respectively where

$$B'_{\beta,\delta}(f) = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{n(1-\beta/2+\delta)} \left(\sum_{|k|>2^n} |c_k|^2 \right)^{\beta/2} \right\}^{1/\beta}$$

$$C'_{\beta,\delta}(f) = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2^{n(1-3\beta/2+\delta)} \left(\sum_{|k|\leq 2^n} |c_k|^2 k^2 \right)^{\beta/2} \right\}^{1/\beta}.$$

For the sake of simplicity, we omit the proof.

3. THEOREM 2. *Let β and δ be numbers satisfying the above conditions.*

- (i) *For $1-\beta+\delta > 0$, φ operates in $A_{\beta,\delta}$ if and only if φ satisfies locally the Lipschitz condition.*
- (ii) *For $1-\beta+\delta = 0$, if φ operates in $A_{\beta,\delta}$, then φ satisfies locally the Lipschitz condition. Moreover if $\beta=1$, the condition is necessary and sufficient.*
- (iii) *For $1-\beta+\delta < 0$, φ operates in $A_{\beta,\delta}$ if and only if φ satisfies the Lipschitz condition.*

Dr. S. Igari [1] proved the cases of $\beta=1$ and $\delta=0$ in (ii) and $\beta=2$. Our method of proof is inspired by Igari's paper.

LEMMA 1. *If $f \in A_{\beta,\delta}$ and $f(x) \sim \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} c_n e^{in_x}$, then we have*

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^\beta |n|^\delta < \infty.$$

PROOF. Since $2/\beta > 1$, by Hölder's inequality we have

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^\beta |n|^\delta = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{|n|=2^{k-1}}^{2^k-1} |c_n|^\beta |n|^\delta$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{k\delta} \sum_{|n|=2^{k-1}}^{2^k-1} |c_n|^\beta \\
&\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{k\delta} \left(\sum_{|n|=2^{k-1}}^{2^k-1} |c_n|^2 \right)^{\beta/2} \left(\sum_{|n|=2^{k-1}}^{2^k-1} 1 \right)^{1-\beta/2} \\
&\leq 2^\delta \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{k(1-\beta/2+\delta)} \left(\sum_{|n|=2^k}^{\infty} |c_n|^2 \right)^{\beta/2} \\
&\leq C \{B'_{\beta,\delta}(f)\}^\beta.
\end{aligned}$$

where C is a constant. By Theorem 1 the proof is complete.

PROOF OF SUFFICIENCY OF THEOREM 2. In (i) and (ii), we may show that $f \in A_{\beta,\delta}$ is bounded. If $\beta = 1$ in (i) and (ii), $\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n| < \infty$ by Lemma 1 and hence f is bounded. If $\beta \neq 1$ in (i), we have

$$\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n| \leq \left(\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |c_n|^\beta |n|^\delta \right)^{1/\beta} \left(\sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |n|^{-\delta/(\beta-1)} \right)^{1-1/\beta}$$

by Hölder's inequality. The right side is convergent by Lemma 1 and then f is bounded.

In (iii) the sufficiency of the condition is clear.

$M_{\beta,\delta}$, M_β , etc. will denote constants depending on only the indices, not always the same in each occurrence.

LEMMA 2. Let $\eta(x)$ be a continuous function which is equal to 1 on $[-a, a]$, equal to zero outside of $(-a-\varepsilon, a+\varepsilon)$ and linear otherwise where $0 < a < \pi/4$, $0 < \varepsilon < 1/2$. Then

$$A_{\beta,\delta}(\eta) \leq \begin{cases} M_{\beta,\delta}/\varepsilon^{(1-\beta+\delta)/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ M_{\beta,\delta} \{\log(1/\varepsilon)\}^{1/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0. \end{cases}$$

PROOF. If $0 \leq t \leq \varepsilon/2$, then we have

$$|\eta(x+t) - \eta(x-t)| \leq 2t/\varepsilon$$

for $-a-\varepsilon-t \leq x \leq -a+t$ and $a-t \leq x \leq a+\varepsilon+t$. If $\varepsilon/2 \leq t \leq 1$, then we have

$$|\eta(x+t) - \eta(x-t)| \leq 1$$

for $-a-\varepsilon-t \leq x \leq -a-t$ and $a-t \leq x \leq a+\varepsilon+t$. And we have $|\eta(x+t) - \eta(x-t)| = 0$ otherwise. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\beta,\delta}^\beta(\eta) &\leq \int_0^{\varepsilon/2} \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ \left(\frac{2t}{\varepsilon} \right)^2 2(2t+\varepsilon) \right\}^{\beta/2} + \int_{\varepsilon/2}^1 \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \{2(2t+\varepsilon)\}^{\beta/2} \\ &\leq M_\beta \left\{ \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{\beta/2}} \int_0^{\varepsilon/2} \frac{dt}{t^{2-3\beta/2+\delta}} + \int_{\varepsilon/2}^1 \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta+\delta}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

But we have $-1 < 2-(3\beta/2) + \delta < 1$ from the conditions of β and δ . If $1-\beta+\delta > 0$, we have easily

$$A_{\beta,\delta}^\beta(\eta) \leq M_{\beta,\delta}/\varepsilon^{1-\beta+\delta}.$$

If $1-\beta+\delta = 0$, we have

$$A_{\beta,\delta}^\beta(\eta) \leq M_{\beta,\delta} \log(1/\varepsilon).$$

LEMMA 3. Let $f(x)$ be a function which is equal to 1 on $[-a, a]$, equal to zero outside of $(-a-\varepsilon, a+\varepsilon)$ and allowed to take arbitrary value otherwise, where $0 < \varepsilon < a/2 < \pi/8$. Then

$$A_{\beta,\delta}(f) \cong \begin{cases} M_{\beta,\delta,a}/\varepsilon^{(1-\beta+\delta)/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ \{\log(a/\varepsilon)\}^{1/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0. \end{cases}$$

PROOF. If $\varepsilon/2 \leq t \leq a$, we have $f(x+t)=1$ and $f(x-t)=0$ for $-a-t \leq x \leq -a-\varepsilon+t$. Therefore

$$A_{\beta,\delta}^\beta(f) \cong \int_{\varepsilon/2}^a \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ \int_{-a-t}^{-a-\varepsilon+t} dx \right\}^{\beta/2} \cong \int_{\varepsilon/2}^a \frac{(2t-\varepsilon)^{\beta/2}}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} dt.$$

But $(2t-\varepsilon)^{\beta/2} \geq t^{\beta/2}$ when $\varepsilon \leq t \leq a$. Therefore we have

$$A_{\beta,\delta}^\beta(f) \cong \int_{\varepsilon/2}^a \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta+\delta}} \cong \begin{cases} M_{\beta,\delta,a}/\varepsilon^{1-\beta+\delta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ \log(a/\varepsilon) & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0. \end{cases}$$

LEMMA 4. Let $\eta(x)$ be the same function as it in Lemma 2. Then for $f \in A_{\beta,\delta}$ we have

$$A_{\beta, \delta}(\eta f) \leq A_{\beta, \delta}(f) + M_{\beta, \delta}(f)/\varepsilon^{(1-\beta/2+\delta)/\beta} \quad *)$$

PROOF. By Minkowski's inequality we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\beta, \delta}(\eta f) &= \left[\int_0^1 \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\eta(x+t)\{f(x+t) - f(x-t)\} \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. + f(x-t)\{\eta(x+t) - \eta(x-t)\}|^2 dx \right)^{\beta/2} \right]^{1/\beta} \\ &\leq \left[\int_0^1 \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x+t) - f(x-t)|^2 dx \right\}^{\beta/2} \right]^{1/\beta} \\ &\quad + \left[\int_0^1 \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x-t)|^2 |\eta(x+t) - \eta(x-t)|^2 dx \right\}^{\beta/2} \right]^{1/\beta} \\ &= A_{\beta, \delta}(f) + I^{1/\beta} \quad \text{say.} \end{aligned}$$

By the same method in Lemma 2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &\leq \int_0^{\varepsilon/2} \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x-t)|^2 \left(\frac{2t}{\varepsilon} \right)^2 dx \right\}^{\beta/2} + \int_{\varepsilon/2}^1 \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(x-t)|^2 dx \right\}^{\beta/2} \\ &= M_{\beta} \|f\|_2^{\beta} \left\{ \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{\beta}} \int_0^{\varepsilon/2} \frac{dt}{t^{2-3\beta/2+\delta}} + \int_{\varepsilon/2}^1 \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We note $1-(\beta/2)+\delta > 0$ and $1-(3\beta/2)+\delta < 0$, then

$$I \leq M_{\beta, \delta}(f)/\varepsilon^{1-\beta/2+\delta}.$$

Therefore we have

$$A_{\beta, \delta}(\eta f) \leq A_{\beta, \delta}(f) + M_{\beta, \delta}(f)/\varepsilon^{(1-\beta/2+\delta)/\beta}.$$

PROOF OF NECESSITY OF THEOREM 2. Let $\xi(x)$ be a continuous function which is equal to 1 on $[-1, 1]$, equal to zero outside of $(-3/2, 3/2)$ and linear otherwise. For $k = 1, 2, \dots$, we set

$$\xi_k(x) = \xi\{(x-2^{-k})2^{k+4}\}$$

*) $M_{\beta, \delta}(f)$ denotes a constant depending on β , δ and f .

$$\eta_k(x) = \xi\{(x-2^{-k})2^{k+3}\}$$

$$I_k = \{x; \xi_k(x) = 1\} = [-2^{-k-4} + 2^{-k}, 2^{-k-4} + 2^{-k}].$$

For $f \in A_{\beta, \delta}$ and $z \in \mathbf{C}$ (the field of complex numbers) we set

$$\Phi_z(f)(x) = \varphi\{f(x) + z\} - \varphi(z).$$

Then $\Phi_z(f) \in A_{\beta, \delta}$ since φ operates in $A_{\beta, \delta}$.

Firstly we shall show the necessity of (i) and (ii). Our proof is divided into four parts.

(I) For every $z \in \mathbf{C}$, there exist two positive constants α_z and M_z , and an interval I_z such that $A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_z(f)\} \leq M_z$ if $A_{\beta, \delta}(f) \leq \alpha_z$ and the support of f is in I_z .

PROOF. Suppose that the statement is false. Then there exists a sequence of functions f_k such that

$$A_{\beta, \delta}(f_k) \leq 1/k^2, \text{ supp } f_k \subset I_k$$

and

$$A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_z(f_k)\} \geq k 2^{k(1-\beta/2+\delta)/\beta}.$$

Since the supports of f_k are disjoint each other, there exists $f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k$ and we have

$$A_{\beta, \delta}(f) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{\beta, \delta}(f_k) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} < \infty.$$

But

$$\xi_k \Phi_z(f) = \Phi_z(f_k),$$

and hence by Lemma 4

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_z(f_k)\} &= A_{\beta, \delta}\{\xi_k \Phi_z(f)\} \\ &\leq A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_z(f)\} + M_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_z(f)\} 2^{k(1-\beta/2+\delta)/\beta}. \end{aligned}$$

When k is large enough, the inequality contradicts the condition of $A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_z(f_k)\}$.

(II) φ is bounded on every compact set.

PROOF. We can choose $a > 0$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ of a function $\eta(x)$ in Lemma 1 such that $\text{supp } \eta \subset I_z$. If $A_{\beta, \delta}(z' \eta) \leq \alpha_z$, i.e. $|z'| \leq \alpha_z / A_{\beta, \delta}(\eta)$, then by (I) we have $M_z \geq A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_z(z' \eta)\}$. By $\text{supp } \eta \subset I_z$, we have $\Phi_z(z' \eta)(x) = \varphi\{z' \eta(x) + z\} - \varphi(z)$, and hence

$$\Phi_z(z' \eta)(x) = \begin{cases} \varphi(z' + z) - \varphi(z) & \text{if } \eta(x) = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \eta(x) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Therefore we can write

$$\Phi_z(z' \eta)(x) = f(x)\{\varphi(z' + z) - \varphi(z)\}$$

where $f(x) = 1$ if $\eta(x) = 1$ and $f(x) = 0$ if $\eta(x) = 0$. By Lemma 3

$$A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_z(z' \eta)\} \geq |\varphi(z' + z) - \varphi(z)| \begin{cases} M_{\beta, \delta, a} / \varepsilon^{(1-\beta+\delta)/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ \{\log(a/\varepsilon)\}^{1/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0. \end{cases}$$

Consequently $\varphi(z+z')$ is bounded for $|z'| \leq \alpha_z / A_{\beta, \delta}(\eta)$, and hence it is bounded on every compact set.

(III) For every $z \in \mathcal{C}$, there exist two positive constants α'_z and M'_z and an interval I'_z such that $A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_{z+z'}(f)\} \leq M'_z$ if $A_{\beta, \delta}(f) \leq \alpha'_z$, $\text{supp } f \subset I'_z$ and $|z'| \leq \alpha'_z$.

PROOF. Conversely suppose that there exist two sequences of functions f_k and complex numbers z_k such that

$$A_{\beta, \delta}(f_k) \leq 1/k^2, \text{ supp } f_k \subset I_k, |z_k| \leq 1/k^2 A_{\beta, \delta}(\eta_k)$$

and

$$A_{\beta, \delta}\{\Phi_{z+z'}(f_k)\} \geq k 2^{k(1-\beta/2+\delta)/\beta}.$$

We set $f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} z_k \eta_k$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} A_{\beta, \delta}(f) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{\beta, \delta}(f_k) + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |z_k| A_{\beta, \delta}(\eta_k) \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we have $f \in A_{\beta, \delta}$. Now

$$\begin{aligned}
\xi_k \Phi_z(f) &= \xi_k \Phi_z(f_k + z_k) \\
&= \xi_k \{\varphi(f_k + z_k + z) - \varphi(z)\} \\
&= \xi_k \Phi_{z+z_k}(f_k) + \xi_k \{\varphi(z_k + z) - \varphi(z)\} \\
&= \Phi_{z+z_k}(f_k) + \xi_k \{\varphi(z_k + z) - \varphi(z)\}
\end{aligned}$$

and hence by Lemma 4

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{\beta, \delta} \{\Phi_{z+z_k}(f_k)\} &\leq A_{\beta, \delta} \{\xi_k \Phi_z(f)\} + |\varphi(z_k + z) - \varphi(z)| A_{\beta, \delta}(\xi_k) \\
&\leq A_{\beta, \delta} \{\Phi_z(f)\} + M_{\beta, \delta} \{\Phi_z(f)\} 2^{k(1-\beta/2+\delta)/\beta} \\
&\quad + M_{\beta, \delta} |\varphi(z_k + z) - \varphi(z)| \begin{cases} 2^{k(1-\beta+\delta)/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ (\log 2^k)^{1/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

By (II) $|\varphi(z + z_k) - \varphi(z)|$ is bounded. This implies the contradiction.

(IV) For every $z \in \mathcal{C}$, φ satisfies the Lipschitz condition in a neighbourhood of z .

PROOF. We can choose $a > 0$ of $\eta(x)$ in Lemma 2 such that $\text{supp } \eta \subset I'_z$ for all $\varepsilon \in (0, a/2)$. Let the function $\eta(x)$ denote by $\eta_\varepsilon(x)$. We note that the number a depends on only z . If $|z'| \leq \alpha'_z$ and

$$|z' - z''| \leq \alpha'_z / M_{\beta, \delta} \begin{cases} (2/a)^{(1-\beta+\delta)/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ \{\log(2/a)\}^{1/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0, \end{cases}$$

then we can choose ε such that

$$0 < \varepsilon < a/2 \quad \text{and} \quad \alpha'_z = |z' - z''| M_{\beta, \delta} \begin{cases} 1/\varepsilon^{(1-\beta+\delta)/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ \{\log(2/\varepsilon)\}^{1/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0. \end{cases}$$

Let $\eta_\varepsilon(x)$ for this ε denote by $\eta(x)$. By Lemma 2 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
A_{\beta, \delta} \{(z' - z'') \eta\} &= |z' - z''| A_{\beta, \delta}(\eta) \\
&\leq |z' - z''| M_{\beta, \delta} \begin{cases} 1/\varepsilon^{(1-\beta+\delta)/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ \{\log(1/\varepsilon)\}^{1/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0 \end{cases} \\
&= \alpha'_z
\end{aligned}$$

and hence by (III)

$$M'_z \cong A_{\beta, \delta}[\Phi_{z+z'}\{(z''-z')\eta\}] = A_{\beta, \delta}[\varphi\{(z''-z')\eta+z+z'\} - \varphi(z+z')].$$

But we have

$$\varphi\{(z''-z')\eta(x)+z+z'\} - \varphi(z+z') = \begin{cases} \varphi(z''+z) - \varphi(z+z') & \text{if } \eta(x) = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \eta(x) = 0 \end{cases}$$

and therefore we write

$$\varphi\{(z''-z')\eta(x)+z+z'\} - \varphi(z+z') = f(x)\{\varphi(z''+z) - \varphi(z+z')\}$$

where $f(x) = 1$ if $\eta(x) = 1$ and $f(x) = 0$ if $\eta(x) = 0$. Therefore by Lemma 3

$$\begin{aligned} M'_z &\cong |\varphi(z''+z) - \varphi(z+z')| A_{\beta, \delta}(f) \\ &\cong |\varphi(z''+z) - \varphi(z+z')| \begin{cases} M_{\beta, \delta, a} \varepsilon^{(1-\beta+\delta)/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta > 0 \\ \{\log(a/\varepsilon)\}^{1/\beta} & \text{if } 1-\beta+\delta = 0 \end{cases} \\ &\cong \frac{|\varphi(z''+z) - \varphi(z+z')|}{|z'-z''|} M_{\beta, \delta, a} \alpha'_z. \end{aligned}$$

Constants in the above inequality are independent of z' and z'' , and hence φ satisfies the Lipschitz condition in a neighbourhood of z .

Thus proof of necessity of (i) and (ii) is complete.

Nextly we shall show the necessity of (iii). The proof is divided in three steps.

(I) *For every interval $I \subset [-\pi, \pi]$ and every positive number a , there exists a finite sum E of intervals in I such that $a = A_{\beta, \delta}(\chi_E)$ where χ_E is the characteristic function of E .*

PROOF. We shall first show that

$$\sup_E A_{\beta, \delta}(\chi_E) = \infty$$

where E runs all the finite sums of intervals in I .

Suppose that for all finite sums E of intervals in I

$$A_{\beta,\delta}(\mathcal{X}_E) \leq K_{\beta,\delta} < \infty,$$

where $K_{\beta,\delta}$ is a constant independent of E . If f is a step function such that $0 \leq f \leq 1$, then $f = \sum \alpha_i \chi_{E_i}$ where $\alpha_i \geq 0$ and $\sum \alpha_i \leq 1$. Therefore we have

$$A_{\beta,\delta}(f) \leq \sum \alpha_i A_{\beta,\delta}(\chi_{E_i}) \leq K_{\beta,\delta}$$

and hence for any bounded measurable function f such that $\text{supp } f \subset I$, we have

$$A_{\beta,\delta}(f) \leq K_{\beta,\delta} \|f\|_\infty.$$

Now we may set $I = (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$. Let $f(x) = e^{iNx}$ for $x \in I$ and $f(x) = 0$ otherwise. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} K_{\beta,\delta}^\beta &\geq A_{\beta,\delta}^\beta(f) \\ &\geq \int_0^\varepsilon \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ \int_{-\varepsilon+t}^{\varepsilon-t} |e^{iNx} e^{iNt} - e^{iNx} e^{-iNt}|^2 dx \right\}^{\beta/2} \\ &\geq \int_0^\varepsilon \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \{(4 \sin^2 Nt) 2(\varepsilon-t)\}^{\beta/2}. \end{aligned}$$

If $0 < t < 1/N$ for $N > 2/\varepsilon$, then $Nt < 1$ and hence $\sin Nt > cNt$ (c is a constant). Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} K_{\beta,\delta}^\beta &\geq A_{\beta,\delta}^\beta(f) \\ &\geq M_\beta \int_0^{1/N} \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left\{ (\sin^2 Nt) \left(\varepsilon - \frac{1}{N} \right) \right\}^{\beta/2} \\ &\geq M_\beta \int_0^{1/N} \frac{dt}{t^{2-\beta/2+\delta}} \left(\varepsilon - \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right)^{\beta/2} dt \\ &= M_{\beta,\delta} \varepsilon^{\beta/2} N^{1-\beta/2+\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

This contradicts $1 - (\beta/2) + \delta > 0$, when N is sufficiently large. Therefore we have

$$\sup_E A_{\beta,\delta}(\mathcal{X}_E) = \infty,$$

and hence there exists a finite sum E of intervals in I such that $a < A_{\beta, \delta}(\mathcal{X}_E) < \infty$. Now we set

$$I(h) = A_{\beta, \delta}(\mathcal{X}_{E \cap (-\pi, h)})$$

and then $I(h)$ is continuous, $I(-\pi) = 0$ and $I(\pi) > a$. Consequently there exists h' such that $I(h') = a$. $E \cap (-\pi, h')$ satisfies the condition of (I).

(II) *There exist two positive constants M and α , and an interval I such that if $\text{supp } f \subset I$ and $A_{\beta, \delta}(f) \leq \alpha$, then $A_{\beta, \delta}\{\varphi(f)\} \leq M$.*

PROOF. Conversely suppose that there exists a sequence of functions f_k such that

$$\text{supp } f_k \subset I_k, \quad A_{\beta, \delta}(f_k) \leq 1/k^2$$

and

$$A_{\beta, \delta}\{\varphi(f_k)\} \geq k^{2^{k(1-\beta/2+\delta)/\beta}}.$$

We set $f = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f_k$, and then

$$A_{\beta, \delta}(f) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{\beta, \delta}(f_k) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^2} < \infty.$$

Therefore $f \in A_{\beta, \delta}$.

Without loss of generality we may assume $\varphi(0) = 0$. Then we have $\xi_k \varphi(f) = \varphi(f_k)$. Therefore by Lemma 3 we have

$$A_{\beta, \delta}\{\varphi(f_k)\} = A_{\beta, \delta}\{\xi_k \varphi(f)\} \leq A_{\beta, \delta}\{\varphi(f)\} + M_{\beta, \delta}\{\varphi(f)\} 2^{k(1-\beta/2+\delta)/\beta}.$$

This contradicts $A_{\beta, \delta}(f) < \infty$ when k is large enough.

(III) *φ satisfies the Lipschitz condition.*

PROOF. For fixed $z, z' \in \mathcal{C}$, by (I) there exists a finite sum E of intervals in I such that $A_{\beta, \delta}(z\mathcal{X}_E) = \alpha/2$. Let J be an interval in E . Then there exists a finite sum F of intervals J such that $A_{\beta, \delta}(z'\mathcal{X}_F) = \alpha/2$. Therefore by (II) we have

$$2M \geq A_{\beta, \delta}\{\varphi(z\mathcal{X}_E + z'\mathcal{X}_F) - \varphi(z\mathcal{X}_E)\}.$$

Since

$$\varphi(z\mathcal{X}_E + z'\mathcal{X}_F) - \varphi(z\mathcal{X}_E) = \{\varphi(z+z') - \varphi(z)\}\mathcal{X}_F,$$

we have

$$2M \geq |\varphi(z+z') - \varphi(z)| A_{\beta,\delta}(\mathcal{X}_F) = \frac{|\varphi(z+z') - \varphi(z)|}{|z'|} \frac{\alpha}{2}.$$

This shows that φ satisfies the Lipschitz condition. Thus the proof of Theorem 2 is complete.

REMARK. For $\beta > 1$ and $1 - \beta + \delta = 0$, there exists an unbounded function f belonging to $A_{\beta,\delta}$.

We set

$$f(x) = \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{\cos nx}{n(\log n)^{(1+\varepsilon)/\beta}}$$

where $\varepsilon > 0$ and $1 + \varepsilon < \beta$. It is well-known that $f \in L^2(-\pi, \pi)$ and $f(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. We shall show that this function is in $A_{\beta,\delta}$. By Theorem 1, it is sufficient to show $C_{\beta,\delta}(f) < \infty$. Now by hypothesis we can write

$$C_{\beta,\delta}^2(f) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\beta/2} \left(\sum_{|k| \leq n} |c_k|^2 k^2 \right)^{\beta/2}.$$

Therefore we have

$$\begin{aligned} C_{\beta,\delta}^2(f) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-1-\beta/2} \left(\sum_{|k|=2}^n \frac{k^2}{k^2(\log k)^{2(1+\varepsilon)/\beta}} \right)^{\beta/2} \\ &\leq M_{\beta} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1+\beta/2}} \left(\frac{n}{(\log n)^{2(1+\varepsilon)/\beta}} \right)^{\beta/2} \\ &= M_{\beta} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(\log n)^{1+\varepsilon}} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, in this case, our necessary condition is not sufficient.

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