

ON FOURIER TRANSFORMS OF FUNCTIONS IN $H^p(\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1})$ FOR $p \leq 1$

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0. INTRODUCTION

For $p > 0$, let $H^p(D)$ denote the space of holomorphic functions f in the unit disk D satisfying the condition

$$\sup_{0 \leq r < 1} \left(\int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \right)^{1/p} = \|f\| [H^p] < \infty .$$

In a recent paper [8], C. N. Kellogg proved the following extension of the Hausdorff-Young inequality. Suppose $1 \leq p \leq 2$, and let $1/p + 1/p' = 1$. Then there exists a constant A_p such that for each $f \in H^p(D)$ (with $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{f}(n) z^n$)

$$(0.1) \quad \left[|\hat{f}(0)|^2 + \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{n=2^k}^{2^{k+1}-1} |\hat{f}(n)|^{p'} \right)^{2/p'} \right]^{1/2} \leq A_p \|f\| [H^p] .$$

The present article originated with an attempt to extend this result to the space $H^p(\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1})$ of systems of conjugate harmonic functions in the sense of E. M. Stein and G. Weiss.

Recall that a system $F = (F_0, F_1, \dots, F_n)$ of $n+1$ harmonic functions in the half-space $\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} = \{(x, y): x \in \mathbb{R}^n, y > 0\}$ belongs to $H^p(\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1})$ for $p \geq (n-1)/n$ (for $p > 0$ if $n = 1$) provided F is the gradient of a harmonic function and

$$\|F\| [H^p] = \sup_{y > 0} \left(\int |F(x, y)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} < \infty ,$$

where $|F|^2 = \sum_{j=0}^n |F_j|^2$. The Fourier transform \hat{f} of a function f in $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ is defined by the formula

$$\hat{f}(x) = \int e^{-ix \cdot y} f(y) dy ,$$

so that the inverse Fourier transform f^\vee is defined by

$$f^\vee(x) = (2\pi)^{-n} \int e^{ix \cdot y} f(y) dy .$$

The Poisson kernel P for \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} is defined by the equations

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$$P(x, y) = c_n y(y^2 + |x|^2)^{-(n+1)/2}, \quad c_n = \pi^{-(n+1)/2} \Gamma((n+1)/2),$$

so that $P(\cdot, y)^{\wedge}(x) = e^{-y|x|}$ (see [12, Chapters 1 and 6]). If $p \leq 1$ and $F \in H^p$, then $F(\cdot, y) \in L^1$ for each $y > 0$; hence the transform $\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)$ is well-defined by the formula $\hat{F}(\cdot, 0) = F(\cdot, y)^{\wedge} e^{y|\cdot|}$ (see [11]).

Let χ_k denote the characteristic function of the set $\{x: 2^k \leq |x| < 2^{k+1}\}$. The space with mixed norm $L^{(p,q)}(R^n)$ is defined to consist of all measurable functions f on R^n such that

$$\|f\|_{(p,q)} = \left\| \left\{ \|\chi_k f\|_p \right\}_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \right\|_q < \infty,$$

where the outer norm $\|\cdot\|_q$ is that of $\ell^q(Z)$ with respect to the counting measure on the set of integers Z . For $p = 1$, Kellogg's result has the following generalization.

PROPOSITION 1. *If $F \in H^1(R_+^{n+1})$, then*

$$(0.2) \quad \|\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)\|_{(\infty, 2)} \leq A \|F\| [H^1].$$

A well-known theorem of G. H. Hardy and J. E. Littlewood asserts that if $p \leq 1$ and a holomorphic function f in the unit disk belongs to the class H^p , then

$$(0.3) \quad \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)^{p-2} |\hat{f}(n)|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq A_p \|f\| [H^p]$$

(see [4], for example). T. M. Flett's generalization of another inequality of Hardy and Littlewood (see [4, Theorem 3]) yields a short proof of the following strengthened version of (0.3) for $H^p(R_+^{n+1})$.

PROPOSITION 2. *For $(n-1)/n < p < 1$,*

$$(0.4) \quad \left(\int_0^{\infty} \left(\sup_{t \leq |x| \leq 2t} |\hat{F}(x, 0)| \right)^p t^{-n(1-p)-1} dt \right)^{1/p} \leq A_p \|F\| [H^p].$$

Furthermore, for $s < \infty$,

$$(0.5) \quad \int_0^{\infty} \left(\int_{t \leq |x| \leq 2t} |\hat{F}(x, 0)|^s dx \right)^{1/s} t^{-1} dt \leq A_s \|F\| [H^1].$$

Clearly (0.4) and (0.5) imply the inequality

$$\left(\int |\hat{F}(x, 0)|^p |x|^{-n(2-p)} dx \right)^{1/p} \leq A_p \|F\| [H^p] \quad ((n-1)/n < p \leq 1).$$

In view of (0.1), it may not be unexpected that the well-known inequality of R. E. A. C. Paley (see [17, Vol. 2, p. 123, Theorem 5.10])

$$\left(\int [\hat{f}^*(x)]^p |x|^{-n(2-p)} dx \right)^{1/p} \leq A_p \|f\|_p \quad (1 < p \leq 2)$$

(where f^* denotes the radial (nonincreasing) equimeasurable rearrangement of f) has the following similar extension to a mixed-norm inequality.

PROPOSITION 3. *If $1 < p \leq 2$ and $s < p'$, then*

$$(0.6) \quad \|\hat{f}^*(|\cdot|^{-n(1/p + 1/s - 1)})\|_{(s,p)} \leq A_{p,s} \|f\|_p.$$

In case $p = 1$, the substitute result for H^1 is contained in Proposition 2.

Recall the definition of the space BMO (modulo additive constants) of functions of bounded mean oscillation. We say that $f \in \text{BMO}$ if

$$\sup_Q |Q|^{-1} \int_Q |f(x) - \text{av}_Q f| \, dx = \|f\| [\text{BMO}] < \infty,$$

where Q ranges through the set of cubes (with sides parallel to the axes), $|Q|$ denotes the volume of Q , and $\text{av}_Q f$ is the average of f over Q . Because of the identification of the dual space of H^1 with the space BMO established by C. Fefferman [3], Propositions 1 and 2 have the following corollary.

PROPOSITION 4. (a) *There exists a constant A such that for $f \in L^{(1,2)}$, the Fourier transform \hat{f} of f (in the sense of distributions) satisfies the condition*

$$(0.7) \quad \|\hat{f}\| [\text{BMO}] \leq A \|f\|_{(1,2)}.$$

(b) *Suppose f is locally integrable, $r > 1$, and $|\cdot|^{n/r'} f \in L^{(r,\infty)}$; then f is of bounded mean oscillation and*

$$(0.8) \quad \|\hat{f}\| [\text{BMO}] \leq A \| |\cdot|^{n/r'} f \|_{(r,\infty)}.$$

Because the definition of functions of bounded mean oscillation does not involve H^p -spaces, it seems of some interest to give a direct proof of Proposition 4 that does not use Fefferman's result.

1. PROOF OF PROPOSITIONS 1 TO 4

Proposition 1 is a simple consequence of the following result.

LEMMA 1. *Suppose $\phi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $0 \leq \phi \leq 1$, and $\phi(x) = 1$ if $1 \leq |x| \leq 2$, $\phi(x) = 0$ if $|x| \leq 1/2$ or $|x| \geq 4$; let $\phi_k(x) = \phi(2^{-k}x)$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$. Then*

$$(1.1) \quad \left\| \left(\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \{(\hat{F}(\cdot, 0) \phi_k)^2\} \right)^{1/2} \right\|_p \leq A_p \|F\| [H^p].$$

Proof. Let $m: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \ell^2$ be defined by $m(x) = \{\phi_k(x)\}_{k=-\infty}^{\infty}$; then $D^\alpha \phi_k(x) = 0$ unless $1/2 \leq 2^{-k}|x| \leq 4$, that is, $2^{k-1} \leq |x| \leq 2^{k+2}$; and if $2^j \leq |x| \leq 2^{j+1}$, then

$$|x|^\alpha \|m^{(\alpha)}(x)\|_2 \leq 2^{(j+1)|\alpha|} \left(\sum_{|k-j| \leq 2} 2^{-2k|\alpha|} \phi^{(\alpha)}(2^{-k}x)^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq A_\alpha \|\phi^{(\alpha)}\|_\infty.$$

Hence, by a theorem of Stein [11] that clearly extends to multipliers with values in a Hilbert space, m is a multiplier from $\mathcal{S}H^p(\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1}, \mathbb{C})$ to $\mathcal{S}H^p(\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1}, \ell^2)$ of norm at most

$$A_p \sup \{ \|\phi^{(\alpha)}\|_\infty : |\alpha| = [\max(n/p, n/2)] + 1 \}.$$

Since

$$(\{\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)\phi_k\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty)^\vee = \{(\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)\phi_k)^\vee\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty,$$

this concludes the proof of (1.1).

Proof of Proposition 1. By the Hausdorff-Young inequality, Minkowski's inequality for integrals, and (1.1), it follows that for $1 \leq p \leq 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)\|_{(p', 2)} &= \|\{\|\chi_k \hat{F}(\cdot, 0)\|_{p'}\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty\|_2 \leq \|\{\|\phi_k \hat{F}(\cdot, 0)\|_{p'}\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty\|_2 \\ &\leq A \|\{\|(\phi_k \hat{F}(\cdot, 0))^\vee\|_p\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty\|_2 \\ &\leq A \left\| \left(\sum_k \{(\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)\phi_k)^\vee\}^2 \right)^{1/2} \right\|_p \leq A_p \|F\| [H^p], \end{aligned}$$

where as in the Introduction the ℓ^p -norm of a sequence is with respect to counting measure. For $p = 1$, this is inequality (0.2).

The argument above indicates that Kellogg's result (0.1) for $1 < p \leq 2$ is a corollary of the well-known result of Paley and Littlewood, namely that

$$\left\| \left(\sum_k [(\psi_k \hat{f})^\vee]^2 \right)^{1/2} \right\|_p \leq A_p \|f\|_p \quad (1 < p < \infty),$$

where ψ_k denotes the characteristic function of the set $\{x: 2^k \leq \max_i |x_i| < 2^{k+1}\}$ (see [9, Theorem 4]). Note also that for $1 < p \leq 2$ the nonperiodic n -dimensional analogue $\|f\|_{(p', 2)} \leq A_p \|f\|_p$ of (0.1) is equivalent to a result of C. S. Herz [6, Lemma 3.1]. (Take $\hat{\kappa}(\xi, h) = \chi_0(|\xi|/|h|)$.)

Proof of Proposition 2. If $p = 1$, let $2 \leq s < \infty$; otherwise let $s = \infty$. Let r be equal to the conjugate index s' of s , and let $\chi_{[t, 2t]}$ denote the characteristic function of the set $\{x: t \leq |x| \leq 2t\}$. Then

$$\|\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)\chi_{[t, 2t]}\|_s \leq e^2 \|\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)e^{-|\cdot|/t}\|_s \leq A e^2 \|F(\cdot, t^{-1})\|_r,$$

hence

$$\left(\int_0^\infty \|\hat{F}(\cdot, t)\chi_{[t, 2t]}\|_s^p t^{-n(1-p)-1} dt \right)^{1/p} \leq A \left(\int_0^\infty \|F(\cdot, y)\|_r^p y^{n(1-p)-1} dy \right)^{1/p}$$

Now, by [4, Theorem 3], the last expression is bounded by $A_{r,p} \|F\| [H^p]$.

Proof of Proposition 3. Let τ be some measure-preserving transformation of \mathbb{R}^n . It suffices to show that

$$(1.2) \quad \|\hat{f} \circ \tau | \cdot |^{-(1/p + 1/s - 1)n}\|_{(s,p)} \leq A_{p,s} \|f\|_p \quad (1 < p \leq 2),$$

where $A_{p,s}$ does not depend on τ . Observe that (1.2) is equivalent to the inequality

$$(1.3) \quad \|\{2^{kn} \|\hat{f} \circ \tau \circ \sigma_k\|_s\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty\|_p(\nu) \leq A_{p,s} \|f\|_p,$$

where

$$\|\{\alpha_k\}\|_p(\nu) = \left(\sum_k |\alpha_k|^p \nu(k) \right)^{1/p}, \quad \nu(k) = 2^{-kn},$$

and σ_k is the mapping from $B = \{x: 1 \leq |x| < 2\}$ to $2^k B$ defined by the equation $\sigma_k(x) = 2^k x$.

By Plancherel's theorem, (1.3) holds for $p = s = 2$. Also,

$$\begin{aligned} \nu(\{k: 2^{kn} \|\hat{f} \circ \tau \circ \sigma_k\|_\infty > \alpha\}) &\leq \nu(\{k: A 2^{kn} \|f\|_1 > \alpha\}) \\ &\leq \nu(\{k: 2^{kn} > \alpha/(A \|f\|_1)\}) \leq \sum \{2^{-kn}: 2^{kn} > \alpha/(A \|f\|_1)\} \leq A \|f\|_1/\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Thus the linear operator taking f to $\{2^{kn} \hat{f} \circ \tau \circ \sigma_k\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty$ is bounded between L^2 and $L^{(2,2)}$ and between L^1 and the mixed (quasi-) norm space $L^{(\infty, 1^\infty)}$ (where 1^∞ indicates that the outer quasi-norm is the L^{1^∞} - or weak L^1 -quasi-norm). By interpolation (see [1], [7]), it follows that

$$(1.4) \quad \|\{2^{kn} \|\hat{f} \circ \tau \circ \sigma_k\|_{p'}\}\|_{pp'}(\nu) \leq A_p \|f\|_p,$$

where $\|\cdot\|_{pp'}$ denotes the Lorentz- or $L^{pp'}$ -norm (see [1, Section 13.9]) with respect to the measure ν on Z . If now $1 < p \leq 2$ and $2 \leq s < p'$, let $p_1 = 1$ and $p_2 = s'$, so that $p < p_2 \leq 2$; then (1.4) and the inequality

$$\|\hat{f} \circ \tau \circ \sigma_k\|_s \leq A \|\hat{f} \circ \tau \circ \sigma_k\|_\infty$$

imply that

$$\|\{2^{kn} \|\hat{f} \circ \tau \circ \sigma_k\|_s\}\|_{p_j^\infty}(\nu) \leq A \|f\|_{p_j} \quad (j = 1, 2).$$

The inequality (1.3)—and with it (0.6)—now follows from the interpolation theorem of J. Marcinkiewicz.

Proof of Proposition 4(a). Suppose Q is a cube with center x_0 and side a , where $2^k \leq a < 2^{k+1}$. Let

$$f_1(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & \text{if } |x| \leq 2^{-k}, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and let $f_2 = f - f_1$. Then

$$(1.5) \quad |Q|^{-1} \int_Q |\hat{f}(x) - a \nu_Q \hat{f}| dx \leq 2 |Q|^{-1} \left(\int_Q |\hat{f}_1(x) - \hat{f}_1(x_0)| dx + \int_Q |\hat{f}_2(x)| dx \right);$$

also,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_Q |\hat{f}_1(x) - \hat{f}_1(x_0)| dx &= \int_Q \int_{|y| \leq 2^{-k}} |e^{-iy \cdot x} - e^{-iy \cdot x_0}| |f(y)| dy dx \\ &\leq A \int_Q \int_{|y| \leq 2^{-k}} |x - x_0| |y| |f(y)| dy dx \leq A a^{n+1} \int_{|y| \leq 2^{-k}} |y| |f(y)| dy \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq A a^{n+1} \left(\sum_{m=-\infty}^{-k} 2^{2m} \right)^{1/2} \left[\sum_{m=-\infty}^{-k} \left(\int \chi_{m-1}(y) |f(y)| dy \right)^2 \right]^{1/2} \\ &\leq A a^{n+1} 2^{-k} \|f\|_{(1,2)} \leq A a^n \|f\|_{(1,2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_Q |\hat{f}_2(x)|^2 dx &= \sum_{\ell, m=-k}^{\infty} \int_Q \int_Q e^{-ix \cdot y_1} \chi_{\ell}(y_1) f(y_1) dy_1 \int_Q e^{ix \cdot y_2} \chi_m(y_2) \overline{f(y_2)} dy_2 dx \\ &= \sum_{\ell, m=-k}^{\infty} \int \int \chi_{\ell}(y_1) \chi_m(y_2) f(y_1) \overline{f(y_2)} \int_Q e^{ix \cdot (y_2 - y_1)} dx dy_1 dy_2 \\ &\leq A \left[2^{nk} \sum_{\substack{|\ell-m| \leq 1 \\ \ell, m \geq -k}} \|\chi_{\ell} f\|_1 \|\chi_m f\|_1 + 2^{(n-1)k} \sum_{\ell, m=-k}^{\infty} 2^{-\max(m, \ell)} \|\chi_{\ell} f\|_1 \|\chi_m f\|_1 \right] \\ &\leq A \left[2^{nk} + 2^{(n-1)k} \left(\sum_{\ell, m=-k}^{\infty} 2^{-2\max(m, \ell)} \right)^{1/2} \right] \sum_{\ell=-k}^{\infty} \|\chi_{\ell} f\|_1^2 \leq A 2^{nk} \|f\|_{(1,2)}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Substitution of these estimates in (1.5) gives the inequality

$$|Q|^{-1} \int_Q |\hat{f}(x) - a v_Q \hat{f}| dx \leq A \|f\|_{(1,2)};$$

this completes the proof of (0.7).

Proof of Proposition 4(b). Note that (1.5) is valid for Q, a, f_1, f_2 defined as before. Next, observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \int |\hat{f}_1(x) - \hat{f}_1(x_0)| dx &\leq A a^{n+1} \int_{|y| \leq 2^{-k}} |y| |f(y)| dy \leq A a^{n+1} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{-k} 2^m \|\chi_{m-1} f\|_1 \\ &\leq A a^{n+1} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{-k} 2^m \sup_m 2^{nm} \left(2^{-nm} \int \chi_{m-1}(y) |f(y)|^r dy \right)^{1/r} \\ &\leq A a^n \| |\cdot|^{n/r'} f \|_{(r, \infty)}. \end{aligned}$$

Also,

$$|Q|^{-1} \int_Q |\hat{f}_2(x)| dx \leq \left(|Q|^{-1} \int |\hat{f}_2(x)|^{r'} dx \right)^{1/r'}.$$

By the Hausdorff-Young inequality, the right-hand member is at most equal to

$$\begin{aligned} A |Q|^{-1/r'} \left(\int_{|y| \geq 2^{-k}} |f(y)|^r dy \right)^{1/r} &= A |Q|^{-1/r'} \left(\sum_{m=-k}^{\infty} \int \chi_m(y) |f(y)|^r dy \right)^{1/r} \\ &\leq A |Q|^{-1/r'} \left(\sum_{m=-k}^{\infty} 2^{-nm(r-1)} \right)^{1/r} \| |\cdot|^{n/r'} f \|_{(r, \infty)} \\ &= A |Q|^{-1/r'} 2^{nk/r'} \| |\cdot|^{n/r'} f \|_{(r, \infty)} = A \| |\cdot|^{n/r'} f \|_{(r, \infty)}. \end{aligned}$$

Substitution of the preceding estimates in (1.5) completes the proof of inequality (0.8).

2. ADDITIONAL REMARKS

1. Kellogg proved that as a consequence of his extension of the Hausdorff-Young inequality, functions in $L^{(s, \infty)}$ are (H^p, H^q) -multipliers, for $1 \leq p \leq 2 \leq q < \infty$ and $1/s = 1/p - 1/q$. As he indicated in his proof of (0.1), the latter result in turn implies the first (if $q = 2$). Observe that these results also are direct consequences of a result of Hardy and Littlewood (see [5, Theorem 14]). The latter has the following extension to \mathbb{R}^n . Note that the case $p > 1$ has already been dealt with in [15, Theorem 2] and [14, Appendix (1)].

LEMMA 2. *Supposing k belongs to $L^1 + L^\infty$, define the function K on \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} by $K(x, y) = P(\cdot, y) * k(x)$, and for $F \in H^p(\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1})$, define the linear operator T by*

$$TF(x, y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} F(x - z, y) k(z) dz .$$

Finally, suppose $1 \leq p \leq 2 \leq q < \infty$, and for q_0 defined by $1/q = 1/p + 1/q_0 - 1$, suppose $\|(\partial/\partial y)K(\cdot, y)\|_{q_0} \leq B/y$. Then T is a bounded linear mapping from H^p to H^q , and

$$(2.1) \quad \|TF\| [H^q] \leq A_{p,q} B \|F\| [H^p] .$$

Proof. The proof is similar to that of Hardy and Littlewood. For every harmonic function G in \mathbb{R}_+^{n+1} , set

$$g_k(G)(x) = \left(\int_0^\infty \left| \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right)^k G(x, y) \right|^2 y^{2k-1} dy \right)^{1/2} ;$$

then (see [12, p. 86]), if $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} G(x, y) = 0$,

$$(2.2) \quad \|G\| [H^q] \leq A_{q,k} \|g_k(G)\|_q .$$

Also, for $0 < u < y$,

$$TF(x, y) = \int F(x - z, y) k(z) dz = \int F(x - z, y - u) K(z, u) dz ;$$

hence

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y}\right)^2 T F(x, y) = \int \frac{\partial}{\partial y} F(x - z, y/2) \frac{\partial}{\partial y} K(z, y/2) dz .$$

As a result of [12, p. 89] and the main theorem of [10], we obtain the inequality

$$(2.3) \quad \|g_1(F)\|_p \leq A_p \|F\| [H^p].$$

It follows from Minkowski's inequality for integrals and Young's inequality for convolutions that

$$\begin{aligned} \|g_2(TF)\|_q &\leq \left(\int \left\| \int F_y(x - z, y/2) K_y(z, y/2) dz \right\|_q^2 y^3 dy \right)^{1/2} \\ &\leq A \left(\int \|F_y(\cdot, y)\|_p^2 y dy \right)^{1/2} \leq A \|g_1(F)\|_p . \end{aligned}$$

Hence (2.1) now follows from (2.2) and (2.3).

COROLLARY. *Suppose*

$$g \in L^{(s, \infty)}(\mathbb{R}^n), \quad F \in H^p, \quad 1 \leq p \leq 2 \leq q < \infty, \quad 1/s = 1/p - 1/q;$$

then

$$(2.4) \quad \|(\hat{F}g)^\vee\| [H^q] \leq A_{p,q} \|g\|_{(s, \infty)} \|F\| [H^p] .$$

Proof. By Lemma 2, it suffices to observe that for $k = g^\vee$ and $1/q = 1/p + 1/q_0 - 1$, the Hausdorff-Young inequality implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{\partial}{\partial y} K(\cdot, y) \right\|_{q_0}^s &\leq A^s \int |x|^s e^{-sy|x|} |g(x)|^s dx \\ &\leq A^s \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^{s(k+1)} e^{-s2^k y} \int \chi_k(x) |g(x)|^s dx \\ &\leq A^s \|g\|_{(s, \infty)}^s \left(\sum_{k < -(\log y)/(\log 2)} + \sum_{k \geq -(\log y)/(\log 2)} \right) \exp s(k \log 2 - 2^k y) \\ &\leq A^s \|g\|_{(s, \infty)}^s y^{-s} \left(\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \exp(-sm \log 2) + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \exp(-s(2^m - m \log 2)) \right) \\ &\leq A_s \|g\|_{(s, \infty)}^s y^{-s} . \end{aligned}$$

2. P. L. Duren, B. W. Romberg, and A. L. Shields [2] have characterized the dual of $H^p(D)$ for $p < 1$ as the space of Lipschitz functions $\Lambda^{1/p-1}$ on the unit circle. There is an extension of this result to $H^p(\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1})$ to the effect that the dual of $H^p(\mathbb{R}_+^{n+1})$ is topologically isomorphic to $\Lambda^{n(1/p-1)}$ (see [16]). Since the dual of ℓ^p for $p < 1$ is ℓ^∞ , Proposition 2 implies that for $\alpha < n$ and for (locally) integrable f ,

$$(2.5) \quad \|f\| [\Lambda^\alpha] \leq A_\alpha \| |\cdot|^{n\alpha} f \|_{(1, \infty)} \quad (\alpha > 0),$$

where Λ^α is defined to consist of all residue classes of measurable functions g , modulo polynomials of degree at most $[\alpha]$, such that

$$\|g\| [\Lambda^\alpha] = \sup \{ |h|^{-\alpha} \|\Delta^k(h)g\|_\infty : h \in \mathbb{R}^n \} < \infty,$$

where k denotes the least integer greater than α .

A standard argument yields the following direct proof of (2.5). For each h in \mathbb{R}^n ($h \neq 0$), choose m so that $2^m \leq |h| < 2^{m+1}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} |\Delta^k(h)\hat{f}(x)| &= \left| \int (e^{-ih \cdot y} - 1)^k e^{-ix \cdot y} f(y) dy \right| \\ &\leq |h|^k \int_{|y| \leq 2^{-m}} |y|^k |f(y)| dy + 2^k \int_{|y| \geq 2^{-m}} |f(y)| dy \\ &\leq |h|^k \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{-m-1} 2^{\ell k} \|\chi_\ell f\|_1 + 2^k \sum_{\ell=-m}^{\infty} \|\chi_\ell f\|_1 \\ &\leq \left(|h|^k \sum_{\ell=-\infty}^{-m-1} 2^{\ell(k-\alpha)} + 2^k \sum_{\ell=-m}^{\infty} 2^{-\ell\alpha} \right) \sup_{\ell} (2^{\ell\alpha} \|\chi_\ell f\|_1) \\ &\leq A |h|^\alpha \| |\cdot|^{n\alpha} f \|_{(1, \infty)}. \end{aligned}$$

3. By duality, Proposition 3 has the following corollary.

PROPOSITION 3'. Suppose $2 \leq p < \infty$ and f is locally integrable; then for $r > p'$,

$$\|\hat{f}\|_p \leq A_{pr} \| |\cdot|^{n(1/p'-1/r)} f^* \|_{(r,p)},$$

where f^* again denotes the (nonincreasing) radial rearrangement of f .

4. Since $\|F(\cdot, y)\|_1 \leq A \|F\| [H^p] y^{-n(1/p-1)}$ for $(n-1)/n \leq p \leq 1$, it follows that

$$|\hat{F}(x, 0)| \leq A e^{y|x|} y^{-n(1/p-1)} \|F\| [H^p].$$

For $y = |x|^{-1}$, this implies that $|\hat{F}(x, 0)| \leq A \|F\| [H^p] |x|^{n(1/p-1)}$. Thus, in the limiting case $p = (n-1)/n$ (for $n > 1$),

$$|\hat{F}(x, 0)| \leq A \|F\| [H^p] |x|^{n/(n-1)}.$$

In case $n = 1$, consider the space N^p of holomorphic functions f in the upper half-plane $\Pi_+ = \{x + iy : y > 0\}$, satisfying the condition

$$(2.6) \quad \sup_{y>0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\log(1 + |f(x + iy)|^{1/p})]^p dx = B < \infty,$$

where $\log(1 + |f|^{1/p})$ instead of $\log^+ |f|$ is used to ensure that $f(\cdot + iy) \in L^1$ for each $y > 0$. For $1 \leq p < \infty$ and $\hat{f} = \hat{f}(\cdot + iy) e^{y|\cdot|}$,

$$(2.7) \quad |\hat{f}(x)| \leq A_p B \exp A_p (B|x|)^{1/(p+1)}.$$

This is a consequence of the following lemma.

LEMMA 3. *Suppose f is holomorphic in Π_+ , $0 < p < \infty$, and*

$$(2.8) \quad \|f(\cdot + iy)\|_1 \leq y \exp (B/y)^{1/p};$$

then (2.7) is satisfied. If on the other hand g is measurable on $(-\infty, \infty)$ and satisfies the condition $|g(x)| \leq B \exp (B|x|)^{1/(p+1)}$, where $0 < p < \infty$, and if for $y > 0$,

$$g^\vee(x + iy) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{ixt - y|t|} g(t) dt,$$

then

$$(2.9) \quad |g^\vee(x + iy)| \leq A_p B y^{-1} \exp A_p (B/y)^{1/p}.$$

Proof. Condition (2.7) implies that

$$|\hat{f}(x)| = |\hat{f}(\cdot + iy)(x)| e^{y|x|} \leq y \exp [(B/y)^{1/p} - y|x|].$$

The exponent $[(B/y)^{1/p} - y|x|]$ has a minimum for

$$y = p^{-p/(p+1)} B^{1/(p+1)} |x|^{-p/(p+1)};$$

hence

$$|\hat{f}(x)| \leq A_p B^{1/(p+1)} |x|^{-p/(p+1)} \exp A_p (B|x|)^{1/(p+1)} \leq A_p B \exp A_p (B|x|)^{1/(p+1)}$$

for $B|x| \geq 1$; on the other hand, if $B|x| \leq 1$, put $y = B^{-1}$ to show that $|\hat{f}(x)| \leq A_p B$. This concludes the proof of (2.7).

To prove the second part of Lemma 3, note that

$$\begin{aligned} |g^\vee(x + iy)| &\leq A_p B \exp 2^{1/p} (B/y)^{1/p} \int_{|t| \leq 2^{(p+1)/p} B^{1/p} y^{-(p+1)/p}} e^{-y|t|} dt + B \int e^{-y|t|/2} dt \\ &\leq A_p B y^{-1} \exp A_p (B/y)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

The following more symmetric result for holomorphic functions in the unit disk can be proved similarly.

LEMMA 3'. *Suppose $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty c_n z^n$ is holomorphic in D and $\alpha > 0$. Then $\log |f(z)| = O((1 - |z|)^{-\alpha})$ as $|z| \rightarrow 1$ if and only if $c_n = O(n^{\alpha/(\alpha+1)})$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.*

To see that condition (2.6) implies (2.8), note that

$$(1/p) \log^+ |f(z)| \leq \log(1 + |f(z)|^{1/p}).$$

The mean-value inequality for subharmonic functions implies that

$$\log^+ |f(x + iy)| \leq A_p (B/y)^{1/p}$$

(see, for example, [13, p. 84, Section 5.3]); hence $|f(x + iy)| \leq \exp(A_p(B/y)^{1/p})$. Also, $\phi(t) = t/[\log(1 + t^{1/p})]^p$ is an increasing function of t for $t \geq 0$; thus for $0 < y \leq B$,

$$\|f(\cdot + iy)\|_1 \leq \phi(\exp[A_p(B/y)^{1/p}])B \leq A_p y \exp[A_p(B/y)^{1/p}].$$

Inequality (2.7) for $f \in N^p$ now follows from Lemma 3.

Furthermore, if f is holomorphic in D and $\int_0^{2\pi} (\log^+ |f(re^{i\theta})|)^p d\theta \leq B$ for

$0 \leq r < 1$, then, by an argument similar to that above, Lemma 3' implies that $c_n = O(A_p(Bn)^{1/(p+1)})$. To see that the exponent $1/(p+1)$ cannot be replaced by any smaller exponent, consider the function $f(z) = \exp(1 - z)^{-\alpha}$ for $0 < \alpha < 1/p$ and α sufficiently close to $1/p$. It is easily verified that $\|f(re^{i\cdot})\|_1 \geq A \exp A(1 - r)^{-\alpha}$; hence, by Lemma 3', $c_n \neq O(n^\beta)$ for each $\beta < \alpha/(\alpha + 1)$.

5. The replacement of $\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)$ by $\hat{F}(\cdot, 0)^*$ in (0.4) and (0.5) would make the left-hand sides infinite, unless $F = 0$. Thus Proposition 3 does not extend to H^p , for $p \leq 1$. In the case of the unit disk, this does not seem to be equally obvious, and the following example for the case $p = 1$ may therefore be justified.

Let $\phi_n(z) = \sum_{k=0}^n z^k$. Then, by Parseval's equality,

$$\|\phi_n\| [H^2] = (2\pi)^{-1/2} (n + 1)^{1/2};$$

hence $\|\phi_n^2\| [H^1] = (n + 1)/2\pi$. Moreover, $\phi_n^2(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{2n} (n + 1 - |n - k|) z^k$, so that the nonincreasing radial rearrangement $\{c_k^*\}$ of the sequence of Taylor coefficients of ϕ_n^2 is given by the rule

$$c_{nk}^* = \begin{cases} n + 1 - k & \text{for } |k| = 0, 1, \dots, n, \\ 0 & \text{for } |k| \geq n + 1. \end{cases}$$

Also, the relation

$$\sum_{k=0}^n c_{nk}^*/(k + 1) \sim n \log n \sim \|\phi_n^2\| [H^1] \log n$$

shows that $\{\hat{f}(n)\}$ in (0.3) cannot be replaced by its radial rearrangement. By standard methods, we can use the functions ϕ_n^2 to construct a function $\sum_{n=0}^\infty c_n z^n$ in $H^1(D)$ such that $\sum_{n=0}^\infty c_n^*(n + 1) = \infty$.

6. Proposition 4 has natural analogues for periodic functions in \mathbb{R}^n and for functions defined on the set of lattice points \mathbb{Z}^n of \mathbb{R}^n . It appears sufficient to state the version of Proposition 4(b) valid for functions on \mathbb{Z} . Suppose $\{c(n)\}_{n=-\infty}^\infty$ is a sequence of complex numbers such that

$$\sup_k 2^k \left(2^{-k} \sum_{2^k \leq n < 2^{k+1}} |c(n)|^r \right)^{1/r} = M_r(c),$$

where $r > 1$. Define \hat{c} as the limit in $L^2([- \pi, \pi])$ of the sequence of partial sums $\sum_{n=-k}^k c(n) e^{-in}$ ($k = 0, 1, \dots$). Then \hat{c} is of bounded mean oscillation, and

$$(2.10) \quad \|\hat{c}\| [\text{BMO}] \leq A_r M_r(c) .$$

In the present case, it is even simpler to see that, in contrast to Proposition 3', relation (2.10) is false with $M_r(c^*)$ in place of $M_r(c)$, even if $r = \infty$. For if $c_n(k) = c(k+n)$ for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, then obviously $(c_n)^* = c^*$ but $\hat{c}_n(x) = e^{inx} \hat{c}(x)$. By the Riemann-Lebesgue lemma, the relation $\lim_{|n| \rightarrow \infty} a_{v_I} \hat{c}_n = 0$ holds for each interval I ; hence

$$\lim_{|n| \rightarrow \infty} \int_I |\hat{c}_n(x) - a_{v_I} \hat{c}_n| dx = \int_I |\hat{c}(x)| dx .$$

Thus, if $\|\hat{c}\| [\text{BMO}] \leq A M_\infty(c^*)$, then

$$\|\hat{c}\|_\infty = \sup_I |I|^{-1} \int_I |\hat{c}(x)| dx \leq M_\infty(c^*) .$$

The latter inequality, however, is contradicted, for instance, by the sequence $c = \{(|k| + 1)^{-1}\}_{k=-\infty}^\infty$.

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