## RESTRICTIONS OF BANACH FUNCTION SPACES

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Let X be a compact Hausdorfs space. Let C(X) be the space of continuous complex-valued functions on X and A be a function algebra on X, that is a uniformly closed separating subalgebra of C(X) containing the constants. If F is a closed subset of X we say that A interpolates on F if  $A \mid F = C(F)$ . By a positive measure  $\mu$  we shall always mean a positive regular bounded Borel measure on X. Let F be a measurable subset of X. We say a subspace S of  $L^p(\mu)$ interpolates on F if  $S \mid F = L^p(F) = L^p(\mu_F)$ , where  $\mu_F$  is the restriction of  $\mu$  to F. Let  $H^p(\mu)$  be the closure of A in  $L^p(\mu)$ where  $1 \le p < \infty$ , and let  $H^{\infty}(\mu) = H^2(\mu) \cap L^{\infty}(\mu)$ . One question we are concerned with here is whether interpolation of the algebra is sufficient to imply interpolation of its associated  $H^p$ -spaces. We therefore begin by obtaining necessary and sufficient conditions for a closed subspace of  $L^p(\mu)$ to have closed restriction in  $L^p(F)$ . These condition are analogous to some obtained by Glicksberg for function algebras. Using these results we obtain theorems about interpolation of certain invariant subspaces, and then apply them to  $H^p$ -spaces. In particular we show that when A approximates in modulus and  $\mu$  is any measure which is not a point-mass,  $H^{p}(\mu)$  interpolates only on sets of measure zero. (One sees that A interpolates only on sets of measure zero, so our original question has a trivial answer for these alge-For uniformly closed weak-star Dirichlet algebras bras.) again the answer to our original question is affirmative. Finally we provide an example of an algebra which interpolates such that  $H^{\infty}(\mu)$  interpolates and the  $H^{p}(\mu)$  do not interpolate for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . I am indebted to a paper of Glicksberg for those techniques which inspired the present effort. Below we show that these techniques apply to the  $L^p$ situation and to other "similar" situations.

Glicksberg [3] has given necessary and sufficient conditions for interpolation of a closed subspace of C(X). We show here that analogous theorems hold for subspaces of  $L^p(X)$ . Let  $A \subset B$  be Banach spaces.  $A^{\perp}$  will denote all bounded linear functions functionals on B which annihilate A.

THEOREM 1.1. Let A,  $A_1$ , B all be Banach spaces with  $A \subset A_1$  and  $R: A_1 \to B$  a nonzero bounded linear transformation. Then R(A) is closed in B if and only if  $\exists c \ni : ||h - R(A)^{\perp}|| \le c ||h^* - A^{\perp}|| \forall h \in B^*$ , where  $h^* = R^*h$ . It follows that  $c \ge 1/||R||$ .

*Proof.* The map  $R_1 = R \mid A: A \rightarrow R(A)$  induces a map

$$T = \psi \circ R_1^* \circ \phi \colon B^*/R(A)^{\perp} \longrightarrow A_1^*/A^{\perp}$$

where  $\psi\colon A^*\to A_1^*/A^\perp$  and  $\phi\colon B^*/R(A)^\perp\to R(A)^*$  are the natural isometric isomorphisms. Further for  $g\in B^*$ ,  $g-R(A)^\perp$  is taken to  $g^*-A^\perp$  by T, so T is 1-1. Now the range of  $R_1$  is closed if and only if the range of  $R_1^*$  is closed if and only if the range of T is closed [1]. The latter fact is equivalent to:  $\exists c\ni\colon ||h-R(A)^\perp||\le c\,||h^*-A^\perp||$  for all  $g\in B^*$  by the open mapping theorem. Further,  $||h^*-A^\perp||\le ||R||\,||h-R(A)^\perp||$  so applying the above inequality gives  $e\ge 1/||R||$ .

The statement of the above theorem is slightly more general than those of other similar theorems appearing the literature. The proof is virtually the same as that in [3] albeit in a more general setting. See also [2]. The next corollary follows as in [3].

COROLLARY 1.2. Let X be locally compact and A a uniformly closed subspace of  $C_0(X)$ . Let F be a locally compact subset of X and suppose  $A \mid F \subset C_0(F)$ . Then

- (i)  $A \mid F$  is uniformly closed in  $C_0(F)$  if and only if  $\exists c \ni : ||\mu (A \mid F)^{\perp}|| \le c ||\mu A^{\perp}|| \ \forall \ regular \ bounded \ Borel \ measure \ \mu \ on \ F.$
- (ii)  $A \mid F = C_0(F)$  if and only if  $\exists c \ni : ||\mu_F|| \le c ||\mu_{F'}|| \forall \mu \in A^{\perp}$ . We now apply 1.1 to get the analogous conclusion for subspaces of  $L^p$ -spaces.

DEFINITION. Let  $\mu$  be a fixed positive measure on X and F a measurable subset of X. Set  $L^p(F) = L^p(\mu_F)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  where  $\mu_F$  is the restriction of  $\mu$  to F. For  $f \in L^q(F)$  let  $\widetilde{f}$  be the function which is f on F and 0 on F'. Note that if R is the restriction map  $L^p(X) \to L^p(F)$ , then  $\widetilde{f} = f^*$ . For a subspace S of  $L^p(X)$ ,  $(S \mid F)^\perp = \{g \in L^q(F) \mid g^\perp S \mid F\}$ . Clearly  $\{\widetilde{f} \mid f \in (S \mid F)^\perp\} \subset S^\perp$ .

THEOREM 1.3. Let S be a closed subspace of  $L^p(X)$ ,  $1 \le p < \infty$ , and F a measurable subset of X. Then:

- (i)  $S \mid F$  is closed in  $L^{p}(F)$  if and only if
- (1)  $\exists c \ni \colon ||g (S \mid F)^{\perp}|| \leqq c \mid |\widetilde{g} S^{\perp}|| \; \forall \; g \in L^q(F) \; ;$ 
  - (ii)  $S \mid F = L^p(F)$  if and only if

(2) 
$$\exists c \ni : ||g|F||_q \leq c ||g|F'||_q \ \forall \ g \in S^{\perp}.$$

If F has positive measure it follows that  $c \ge 1$ . If  $p = \infty$  then the

"only if" parts of (i) and (ii) hold for  $g \in L^1(E)$  and  $L^1(X) \cap S^{\perp}$  respectively.

*Proof.* (i) follows by applying 1.1 to the restriction map R. As  $||R|| \le 1$ , we have  $c \ge 1$ . If  $S | F = L^p(F)$ , then (1) becomes  $||g|| \le c ||g - S^{\perp}|| \quad \forall g \in L^q(F)$ . In particular if  $g \in S^{\perp}$ ,

$$||g|F|| \le c ||\widetilde{g|F} - g|| = c ||g|F'||$$
.

This shows the "only if" part of (ii). For the "if" part of (ii) we shall use a concavity property of the q-norm; namely, if  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$ ,  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ , then  $||f||_q \geq \alpha ||f|F||_q + \beta ||f|F'||_q$ . Now taking  $g \in (S \mid F)^\perp$ , and applying (2) to g shows that  $(S \mid F)^\perp = 0$ , so  $S \mid F$  is dense in  $L^p(F)$ . Thus we need only show that  $S \mid F$  is closed. Here (1) reduces to  $||g||_q \leq c' ||\widetilde{g} - S^\perp||_q \ \forall \ g \in L^q(F)$ . But if  $g \in L^q(F)$  and  $h \in S^\perp$ , then  $||\widetilde{g} - h||_q \geq \alpha ||(g - h)|F||_q + \beta ||h|F'||_p$  if  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta \geq 0$  and  $\alpha + \beta \leq 1$ . Now choose n so that  $c/n + c^2/n \leq 1$  and let  $\alpha = c/n$ ,  $\beta = c^2/n$ . Then

$$||\widetilde{g} - h||_{g} \ge c/n ||g| F||_{g} - c/n ||h| F||_{g} + c^{2}/n ||h| F'||_{g} \ge c/n ||g| F||_{g}$$

after applying (2). Thus setting c' = n/c gives  $S \mid F$  is closed and thus  $S \mid F = L^p(F)$ . The latter part of the conclusion is clear from the above arguments.

Corollary 1.4. If S is a closed subspace of  $L^p(X)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $S^{\perp} | F \subset (S | F)^{\perp}$  then S | F is closed in  $L^p(F)$ .

*Proof.*  $(\widetilde{S \mid F})^{\perp} \subset S^{\perp}$  so in fact  $S^{\perp} \mid F = (S \mid F)^{\perp}$ . Taking  $g \in L^q(F)$ , and  $h \in S^{\perp}$  we have

$$\|g - S^{\perp}\|_{q} \ge \|g - S^{\perp}|F\|_{q} = \|\widetilde{g} - (S|F)^{\perp}\|_{q}$$

and (1) applies.

2. Restrictions of invariant subspaces. Let X be a topological space and  $\mu$  a positive measure on X. Throughout this section A will be a subalgebra of  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$ , and S will be a closed subspace of  $L^{p}(X)$  for some  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . We assume that S is invariant under multiplication by elements of A. A separates in modulus (SM) if  $\forall \ \varepsilon > 0$ , E, F disjoint closed sets in X,  $\exists \ f \in A$  such that  $|f| < \varepsilon$  a.e., on E and  $|1 - |f|| < \varepsilon$  a.e., on F. Call f a separating function. A boundedly separates in modulus (BSM) if  $\exists \ M\ni : \forall \ \varepsilon > 0$ , E, F disjoint closed sets,  $\exists$  a separating function  $f \in A$  with  $||f||_{\infty} < M$ . We say that A boundedly separates in modulus by invertible func-

tions (BSMI) if A is BSM and the bounded separating functions can be chosen to be invertible. If A is a function algebra on X and the a.e., condition can be left out of the above then we say that A is BSM or BSMI on X. For example, if A approximates in modulus then A is BSM on X and if A is logmodular then A is BSMI on X. If A is weak-star-Dirichlet [7] then A may not even be BSM, but  $H^{\infty}$  must be BSMI because  $\log V = L_R^{\infty}$  where V is the set of invertible elements in  $H^{\infty}$ . This includes the case where  $\mu$  is a unique representing measure on X, or more generally, is "minimal" in the sense of [7, pg. 238]. Thus BSM, etc., "localize" the separation properties to the support of the measure in question.

THEOREM 2.1. Let F be a mesurable set in X. If A is BSM then  $S \mid F = L^p(F)$  if and only if  $g \in S^\perp \Rightarrow g \mid F = 0$ . In particular, this holds if A approximates in modulus.

*Proof.* 1.4 implies the "if" part. Conversely, suppose  $S|F=L^p(F)$ . Then  $\exists c$  such that  $g \in S^\perp \Rightarrow ||g|F||_q \le c ||g|F'||_q$ . Choose  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Find  $K_n$  compact  $\subset F \subset V_n$  open such that  $\mu(V_n \sim K_n) < 1/n$ . We can assume that the  $K_n$  are monotone. Suppose M is the bounding constant for the separating functions in A. Find  $k \in A$  such that  $||k||_\infty \le M$  and  $||k|-1| < \varepsilon$  on  $K_n$  and  $|k| < \varepsilon$  on  $V'_n$  a.e. Then for fixed  $g \in S^\perp$ ,

$$\begin{split} (1-\varepsilon)\,||\,g\,|\,K_n\,||_q & \leq ||\,kg\,|\,K_n\,||_q \leq ||\,kg\,|\,F\,||_q \leq c\,||\,kg\,|\,F'\,|_q \\ & \leq c\,||\,kg\,|\,F'\,\cap\,V_n\,||_q + c\,||\,kg\,|\,V'_n\,||_q \\ & \leq cM\,||\,g\,|F'\,\cap\,V_n\,||_q + c\,\varepsilon\,||\,g\,||_q \;. \end{split}$$

Letting  $\varepsilon \to 0$ , we have  $||g| K_n ||_q \le cM ||g| F' \cap V_n ||_q$ . Letting  $n \to \infty$ , we have g | F = 0.

COROLLARY 2.2. Let A be BSM. Suppose that  $F_i$  are mesurable subsets of X and  $F_0 = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ . If  $S \mid F_i = L^p(F_i)$  for  $i = 1, 2, \cdots$  then  $S \mid F_0 = L^p(F_0)$ .

*Proof.* Let  $g \in S^{\perp}$ . Then  $g \mid F_i = 0$  a.e. for  $i = 1, 2, \cdots$  and thus  $g \mid F_0 = 0$  a.e.

THEOREM 2.3. Let F be a closed subset of X. If A is BSMI then  $S \mid F$  is closed in  $L^p(F)$  if and only if  $g \in S^{\perp} \Rightarrow g \mid F \in (S \mid F)^{\perp}$ .

*Proof.* "If." Apply Corollary 1.4. Here it is not necessary that F be closed.

"Only if." Find  $V_n$  open  $\supset F$  such that  $\mu(V_n \sim F) < 1/n$ . Then

 $\exists \ M>0$  and  $k_n$  invertible in A such that  $||k_n||_\infty \le M$ ,  $|1-|k_n||<\varepsilon$  a.e. on F and  $|k_n|<\varepsilon$  a.e. on  $V_n'$ . Now  $\exists \ c$  such that 1.3 (1) holds so  $g\in S^\perp \Rightarrow ||g|F-(S|F)^\perp||_q \le c\,||g|F'||_q$ . The same holds for  $k_ng$ . Thus

$$|| k_n g | F - (S | F)^{\perp} ||_q \leq c || k_n g || V_n \cap F' ||_q + c || k_n g || V'_n ||_q$$

$$\leq c M || g || V_n \sim F ||_q + c \varepsilon || g ||_q.$$

Now since  $k_{\scriptscriptstyle n}$  are invertible,  $k_{\scriptscriptstyle n}(S\,|\,F)^{\scriptscriptstyle \perp}=(S\,|\,F)^{\scriptscriptstyle \perp}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} (1-\varepsilon)\,||\,g\,|\,F-(S\,|\,F)^{\perp}\,||_q & \leq ||\,k_ng\,|\,F-(S\,|\,F)^{\perp}\,||_q \\ & \leq cM\,||\,g\,|\,V_n \sim F\,||_q + c\varepsilon\,||\,g\,||_q \;. \end{aligned}$$

Letting  $\varepsilon \to 0$  and  $n \to \infty$  gives  $g \mid F \in (S \mid F)^{\perp}$ .

COROLLARY 2.4. Let A be BSMI. Suppose  $F_i$  are closed subsets of X and  $F = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} F_i$ . If  $S \mid F_i$  is closed in  $L^p(F_i)$  for each i, then  $S \mid F$  is closed in  $L^p(F)$ .

*Proof.* Take  $g \in S^{\perp}$ . Then  $g \mid F_i \in (S \mid F_i)^{\perp}$ , and by the dominated convergence theorem, it follows that  $g \mid F \in (S \mid F)^{\perp}$ .

Using the above theorem we also encounter the following phenomenon which is different from that which usually occurs in the function algebra setting.

COROLLARY 2.5. Let F be a closed subset of X, and let A be BSMI. Then  $S \mid F$  is closed in  $L^p(F) \Rightarrow S \mid F'$  is closed in  $L^p(F')$ . In particular this happens if A is logmodular.

*Proof.* Let  $g \in S^{\perp}$ . Then  $g \mid F \in (S \mid F)^{\perp}$ . Hence

$$\widetilde{g \mid F'} = g - (\widetilde{g \mid F}) \in S^{\perp}$$

and thus  $g \mid F' \in (S \mid F')^{\perp}$ , so  $S \mid F'$  is closed.

The above is explained by the following "splitting lemma" which was pointed out to me by K.B. Laursen.

LEMMA 2.6. Let S be a closed subspace of  $L^p(\mu)$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , and let F be a measurable subset of X. Then  $S = \widetilde{S \mid F} \oplus \widetilde{S \mid F'}$  if and only if  $g \in S^\perp \Rightarrow \widetilde{g \mid F} \in S^\perp$ .

REMARKS. The following illustrates 2.5. Let X be the union of two disjoint disks,  $\mu = m_1 + m_2$  where  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are the Lebesgue measures on the two circles comprising the boundary of X, and let A be the algebra of functions continuous on X and analytic on the

interior of X. Then  $H^1(m_1) + L^1(m_2)$  splits and neither F nor F' have measure 0.

Also it is easy to find examples of closed subspaces of  $L^1(-1,1)$  which are proper and interpolate on (-1,0] and (0,1). For example, let S be the set of functions f in  $L^1(-1,1)$  such that f(x) = f(-x) a.e.

3. Interpolation of  $H^p$ -spaces and function algebras. Throughout this section unless it is otherwise stated, we assume that A is a function algebra on a compact space X,  $\mu$  is a representing measure for A which is not a point-mass and I is the corresponding maximal ideal.

PROPOSITION 3.1. If I is SM in  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$  then the only open sets on which  $H^{p}(\mu)$  interpolates for some  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  are those of measure 0.

*Proof.* If  $H^p$  interpolates on V open and  $\mu(V) > 0$  then find K compact in V of positive measure. Find a sequence in I whose moduli converge to 1 on K and 0 on V'. This contradicts 1.3 (ii).

PROPOSITION 3.2. If I is BSM in  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$  then the only measurable sets on which  $H^{p}(\mu)$  interpolates for some  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  are those of measure 0.

*Proof.* Suppose  $H^p$  interpolates on a set F of positive measure. We may assume that F is closed. Since  $\mu$  is assumed to not be a point-mass F' has positive measure. We can therefore choose  $K_n$  compact and monotone in F' so that  $\mu(K_n) \to \mu(F')$ . Find  $f_n$  in I which are uniformly bounded such that  $||f_n| - 1| < 1/n$  on F and  $|f_n| < 1/n$  on  $K_n$ . This contradicts 1.3 (ii).

We wish to study the relation between interpolation of the algebra A and its associated  $H^p$ -spaces. As was pointed out in the introduction, if A approximates in modulus then the situation is trivial. For if F is a closed set on which A interpolates then because F is an intersect of peak sets, we must have that  $\mu(F) = 0$  by the dominated convergence theorem. So interpolation of the  $H^p$ -space follows vacuously. More generally we have the following.

PROPOSITION 3.3. Let A be BSM on X, and F a closed subset of X. If A interpolates on F then  $H^p(\mu)$  interpolate on F for any measure  $\mu$ , and any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

*Proof.*  $g\perp H^p\Rightarrow g\ d\mu\perp A\Rightarrow g\ d\mu_F=0\Rightarrow g\,|\,F=0$  a.e.,  $\mu\Rightarrow H^p$  interpolates on F.

PROPOSITION 3.4. If  $\mu$  is a representing measure for A, and A is BSM in  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$ , then  $H^{p}(\mu)$  interpolates only on sets of measure 0 if  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ .

*Proof.* Suppose for some p,  $H^p | F = L^p(F)$ . Let  $A_0$  be the ideal determined by  $\mu$ . Then  $A_0 \subset (H^p)^\perp$  so by 2.1.,  $g \in A_0 \Rightarrow g | F = 0$  a.e. But if  $f \in H^p$ , then  $f - \int f d\mu$  is a pointwise a.e. limit of a sequence of elements of  $A_0$  and thus  $f = \int f d\mu$  a.e. on F, so that all  $H^p$  functions are constant a.e. on F. Thus  $L^p(F) = \text{constants}$  and thus  $\mu_F$  is a pointmass at some point x. But  $\mu$  must be continuous, for  $\exists g \in I$  such that  $g(x) \neq 0$  and applying 2.1 gives  $\mu\{x\} = 0$ .

PROPOSITION 3.5. Let A be BSMI on X, and F a closed subset of X. If  $A \mid F$  is closed then  $H^p(\mu)$  restricted to F is closed for any measure  $\mu$ , and any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .

*Proof.*  $g \perp H^p \Rightarrow g \ d\mu \perp A \Rightarrow g \ d\mu_F \in (A \mid F)^\perp \Rightarrow g \ d\mu_F \in (H^p)^\perp \Rightarrow H^p$  restricted to F is closed by 2.3.

REMARKS. Both 3.3 and 3.5 hold because F is an intersect of peak sets. By the above it is easy to construct examples in which the  $H^p$  spaces interpolate on sets of positive measure (where  $\mu$  is not a representing measure). For another example, let A be the disk algebra on the unit disk, and let  $\mu = 1/2 d\theta + 1/2 \delta_0$  where  $\delta_0$  is the poin-mass at 0. As yet we have boon unable to construct examples which are not of this discrete type when  $\mu$  is a represeting measure.

We now construct examples in which the algebra and  $H^{\infty}$  interpolate but in which none of the  $H^{p}$ -spaces,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , interpolate. Let  $\{r_{n}\}$  be a nonnegative interpolating sequence in the open unit disk converging to 1. Then  $F = \{r_{n}\} \cup \{1\}$  is an interpolating sequence for the disk algebra on the unit disk [6]. Let  $\mu_{n}$  be the Poisson measures for  $r_{n}$  on the unit circle. Choose a sequence  $\alpha_{n} \geq 0$  such that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{n} \mu_{n} < 1/2 d\theta$  (\*). Consider the positive measure  $\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{n} (\delta_{n} - \mu_{n}) + d\theta$  where  $\delta_{n}$  is the point-mass at  $r_{n}$ . Then  $\mu$  represents 0 for the disk algebra and we claim that  $H^{\infty}(\mu)$  interpolates on F while  $H^{p}(\mu)$   $1 \leq p < \infty$  do not interpolate on F. To see this we need the following.

LEMMA 3.6.  $H^p(\mu) = H^p \mid F \cup T$  where  $H^p$  is the usual  $H^p$ -space for the disk algebra  $(1 \leq p \leq \infty)$  on the closed unit disk.

*Proof.* If  $f \in H^p(d\theta)$  then  $\exists f_n \in A \ni : f_n \to f$  in  $L^p(d\theta)$ . If  $\hat{f}$  de-

notes the harmonic extension of f to  $H^p$ , then

$$\int |\hat{f}_n - \hat{f}|^p d\mu \le (1 + \sum 2\alpha_j(1 + r_j)/(1 - r_j)) \int |f_n - f| d\theta \longrightarrow 0$$
.

So  $H^p \mid F \cup T \subset H^p(d\mu)$ . Conversely, if  $f_n \in A$  and  $f_n \to f$  in  $L^p(\mu)$ , then  $f_n \to f$  in  $L^p(d\theta)$ , so  $f \mid T \in H^p(d\theta)$  and therefore extends to  $g = \widehat{f \mid T}$  in  $H^p$ . So  $g \mid F \cup T \in H^p(\mu)$  and  $g \mid T = f \mid T$ . But since the functions in  $H^p(\mu)$  are determined by their values on T, we have  $f = g \in H^p \mid F \cup T$ , and we are done for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Now

$$egin{aligned} H^\infty(d\mu) &= H^2(d\mu) \cap L^\infty(d\mu) = [H^2\,|\,F\,\cup\,T] \cap L^\infty(\mu) \ &= [H^2(d heta) \cap L^\infty(d heta)\hat{\mathbb{I}}\,|\,F\,\cup\,T = H^\infty\,|\,F\,\cup\,T\,, \end{aligned}$$

and this completes the proof.

Now observe that if  $f \in H^p(d\mu)$ , then

$$|f(r_n)|^p \le [(1+r_n)/(1-r_n)] \int |f|^p d\theta$$

so that  $\exists c \ni$ : the growth condition  $|f(r_n)|^p \le c(1+r_n)/(1-r_n)$  is satisfied. Thus if we choose a (nonnegative) sequence  $\{x_n\}$  such that  $x_n^p(1-r_n)/(1+r_n)\to\infty$  and such that  $\sum x_n^p(1+r_n)\alpha_n/(1-r_n)<\infty$ , we obtain an element of  $L^p(\mu_F)$  which is not the restriction of a function from  $H^p(d\mu)$ . Such a sequence can be found for example by finding  $\beta_n \ge 0$  to satisfy (\*) and setting  $\alpha_n = \beta_n^2$  and  $\alpha_n = (\beta_n)^{-1/p}$ .

Since  $H^{\infty}$  interpolates on F, we see that  $H^{\infty}(d\mu)$  interpolates on F by 3.6.

Thus one may ask for conditions that will force interpolation of  $H^p$ -spaces to follow from interpolation of the algebra. The following is one such condition.

THEOREM 3.7 Let A be a function algebra on X,  $\mu$  a representing measure for A, and  $A_0$  the corresponding maximal ideal. Suppose that  $H^p(\mu) = H^\alpha(\mu) \cap L^p(\mu)$ ,  $\alpha \leq p$ . If  $A_0$  is weak-star dense in  $H^\alpha(\mu)^\perp$ , then interpolation of A on a closed set F implies interpolation of  $H^p(\mu)$  on F for all  $\alpha \leq p < \infty$  with integer conjugates q.

*Proof.* The conclusion deals only with  $1 \le \alpha \le p \le 2$ . Suppose  $1 < \alpha$  and  $A \mid F = C(F)$ . Then  $\exists c \ni : ||\mu_F|| \le c \, ||\mu_{F'}||$  for every  $\mu \in A^{\perp}$ . Now choose  $g \in A_0$ . Then  $g^q d\mu \in A^{\perp}$  so  $\int_F |g|^q d\mu \le c \int_{F'} |g|^q d\mu$  or  $(*) ||g| F||_q \le c^{1/q} ||g| F'||_q$ . Since  $A_0$  is dense in  $H^p(\mu)^{\perp}$  also, we have (\*) holds for every  $g \in H^p(\mu)^{\perp}$  and thus  $H^p(\mu)$  interpolates on F. Suppose  $\alpha = 1$ . For  $g \perp H^1(\mu)$  we have  $||g| F||_q \le c^{1/q} ||g| F'||_q$  for  $q = 2, 3, \cdots$ , and thus letting  $q \to \infty$  we have  $||g| F||_{\infty} \le ||g| F'||_{\infty}$  so that  $H^1(\mu)$  also interpolates on F.

COROLLARY 3.8. If A is a function algebra which is weak-star-Dirichlet in  $L^{\infty}(\mu)$  then A interpolates only on sets of  $\mu$  measure 0.

*Proof.* A satisfies the hypotheses of 3.7 [7] and thus  $H^1$  interpolates on F. But  $H^1$  is invariant under  $H^{\infty}$  which is BSMI so that F has  $\mu$  measure 0 by 3.4.

It is also clear from 3.4 that when A is weak-star-Dirichlet,  $H^p$  interpolate only on sets of measure 0 for  $1 \le p \le \infty$ . Using the invariant subspace theorem we have the following.

Theorem 3.9. Let A be weak-star-Dirichlet. If F is closed and  $H^p(\mu)$  restricted to F is closed for some  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , then  $\mu(F) = 0$ , or  $\mu(F') = 0$ .

*Proof.* Since  $H^p$  is invariant under  $H^{\infty}$  which is BSMI, applying 2.3 and 2.6 we have  $H^p = H^{p} | F \oplus H^{p} | F'$ . Now if F has positive measure, then  $H^p | F$  is a simply invariant subspace of  $L^p$  and by the invariant subspace theorem [7, 4.16],  $H^p | F = qH^p$  where |q| = 1 a.e. But  $q \in H^p | F$  so we have  $\mu(F') = 0$ .

The example preceding 3.7 is clearly not weak-star-Dirichlet because the measure  $\mu$  is not minimal. In addition we have the following.

COROLLARY 3.10. In the example preceding 3.7,  $A_0$  is not weak-star dense in  $H^1(\mu)^{\perp}$ .

*Proof.* We only need to verify that  $H^p(\mu) \supset H^1(\mu) \cap L^p(\mu)$ . But if  $f \in H^1(\mu) \cap L^p(\mu)$  then  $f \mid T = g \mid T$  where

$$g \in H^1(d\theta) \cap L^p(d\theta) = H^p(d\theta)$$
.

So as  $\hat{g} \mid F \cup T \in H^p(\mu)$ , and  $\hat{g}$  and f agree on T, we have

$$f = \hat{g} \mid F \cup T \in H^p(\mu)$$
.

Finally we remark that 1.3 should hold for function spaces whose duals restrict in some sense and whose norm satisfies the concavity condition. We hope to consider such examples at a later date.

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