

## MIXED NORM SPACES OF ANALYTIC AND HARMONIC FUNCTIONS, II

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**Abstract.** In this paper we continue the study of the spaces  $h(p, q, \varphi)$  and  $H(p, q, \varphi)$ . We apply the main results of Part I to obtain new information on the coefficient multipliers of these spaces. For example, we find the multipliers from  $h(p, q, \varphi)$  to  $h(\infty, q_0, \varphi)$  for any  $p \geq 1$ ,  $q, p_0 > 0$  and any quasi-normal function  $\varphi$ , and this improves and generalizes a result of Shields and Williams [16]. We also describe the multipliers from  $H(p, q, \alpha)$ ,  $p \leq 1$ , to  $H(p_0, q_0, \alpha)$ ,  $p_0 \geq p$ , and  $l^s$ ,  $s > 0$ .

### 0. Introduction

Let  $h(U_R)$  be the class of all complex-valued harmonic functions in the disc  $U_R = \{z : |z| < R\}$ ,  $R > 0$ . For a set  $E$  of integers let  $h_E(U_R) = \{f \in h(U_R) : \text{supp } \hat{f} \subset E\}$ . An  $A$ -space  $X$  is a quasi-normed space satisfying the following conditions: 1. There exists a set  $E$  such that  $h_E(U_R) \subset X \subset h_E(U)$  for all  $R > 1$  ( $U = U_1$ ); 2. If  $f \in X$  and  $\zeta \in \bar{U}$ , then  $\|f_\zeta\| \leq \|f\|$  where  $f_\zeta$  is defined by  $f_\zeta(z) = f(\zeta z)$ ; 3. Let  $P_r(f) = \|f_r\|$ ,  $f \in h_E(U)$ ,  $0 < r < 1$ . Then the family  $\{P_r\}$  defines a topology on  $h_E(U)$ , which coincides with the topology of uniform convergence on compact subsets of  $U$ .

If  $X$  is complete, then the third condition may be replaced by the requirement that  $X$  is continuously embedded into  $h_E(U)$ . (This can be proved by using the closed graph theorem.) In Part I,  $A$ -spaces are defined in a different way, but it is easily shown that the two definitions are equivalent.

A function  $\varphi : (0, 1) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$  is said to be quasi-normal if it is increasing, absolutely continuous,  $\varphi(0+) = 0$  and  $\varphi(2t)/\varphi(t) \leq C < \infty$  for  $0 < t < 1/2$ . If, in addition,  $\varphi(at) \leq \varphi(t)/2$ ,  $t > 0$ , for some  $a > 0$  then  $\varphi$  is said to be normal. In Part I we defined the scale of spaces  $X(q, \varphi)$  in the following way:

$X(q, \varphi)$  consists of all  $f \in h_E(U)$  for which the function  $F(r) := \varphi(1-r)\|f_r\|_X$ ,  $0 < r < 1$ , belongs to the Lebesgue space  $L^q(m_\varphi)$ , where  $dm_\varphi(r) = \varphi'(1-r)dr/\varphi'(1-r)$ .

It was shown that  $X(q, \varphi)$  is a complete  $A$ -space with the quasinorm

$$\|f\|_{X(q, \varphi)} = \|F\|_{L^q(m\varphi)}.$$

Throughout the paper we shall suppose that  $\varphi$  is extended to the interval  $(0, \infty)$  so that the following holds: 1.  $\varphi(t)\varphi(1/t) \sim 1$ ,  $t > 0$ , i.e.  $0 < c \leq \varphi(t)\varphi(1/t) \leq C < \infty$ ; 2.  $1/\varphi$  is convex on  $(1, \infty)$  and  $\varphi(1+) = \varphi(1)$ . Such an extension is possible; for example

$$\varphi(1)/\varphi(t) = \int_0^1 r^{t-1} \varphi'(1-r) dr, \quad t > 1.$$

In this part we consider coefficient multipliers from  $X(g, \varphi)$  to  $Y(g_0, \psi)$ . Multiplier problems for various spaces of analytic and harmonic functions have been considered by many authors. See, for example, [1, 2, 3, 4, 12, 15, 16]. Mainly, these results concern the spaces  $H(p, q, \varphi) := H^p(q, \varphi)$  and  $h(p, g, \varphi) := h^p(q, \varphi)$  with  $\varphi(t) = t^\alpha$ , where  $H^p$  and  $h^p$  are Hardy and harmonic Hardy spaces, respectively. (In this case we write  $\alpha$  instead of  $\varphi$ .) The following result of Hardy and Littlewood [8] and Flett [5, 6] is one of the most important results in this area.

**THEOREM HLF.** *If  $0 < p, q \leq \infty$  and  $0 < \alpha, \beta < \infty$  then the operator  $D^{\beta-\alpha}$  acts as an isomorphism from  $H(p, q, \alpha)$  onto  $H(p, q, \beta)$ .*

The operator  $D^s : h(U) \rightarrow h(U)$  ( $-\infty < s < \infty$ ) is defined by

$$(D^s f)^\wedge(k) = (|k| + 1)^s \hat{F}(k), \quad -\infty < k < \infty.$$

In Section 1 we give some extensions of Theorem HLF. For example, if  $\varphi$  is a normal function and  $\alpha > 0$ , then  $H(p, q, \varphi)$  and  $H(p, q, \alpha)$  are isomorphic via a multiplier transform. However, this transform is more complicated than in the case of Theorem HLF, and is not independent of  $p$ .

The multipliers from  $h(\infty, \infty, \varphi)$  into itself, where  $\varphi$  satisfies additional restrictions on regularity of growth, were described by Shields and Williams [16]. In Section 3 we describe the multipliers from  $h(p, q, \varphi)$  to  $h(\infty, q_0, \varphi)$ ,  $p \leq 1$ , for any quasi-normal function  $\varphi$ . Using this we solve Problem  $B$  of [16].

It was shown by Duren and Shields [4] that  $g$  is a multiplier from  $H(1, 1, \alpha)$  into itself if and only if  $M_1(r, g') \leq C/(1-r)$ ,  $0 < r < 1$ . We generalize this by finding the multipliers from  $H(p, q, \alpha)$  to  $H(p_0, q_0, \alpha)$ , where  $p \leq \min(1, p_0)$ .

In Section 5 we briefly discuss the multipliers from  $H(p, q, \alpha)$  to the sequence space  $l^s$ . Some partial solutions to this problem are given by Ahern and Jevtić [1], Mateljević and Pavlović [11, 12] and others. (See [1, 12] for information and references). Here we consider the case  $p \leq 1$  and find the multipliers for any  $q > 0$  and  $s > 0$ . In the case  $p \geq 2$  a stronger result is known [2, 11].

Our method is based on the main result of Part I, which enables us to reduce the multipliers from  $X(q, \varphi)$  to  $Y(q_0, \varphi)$  to those from  $X$  to  $Y$ . For our purposes it is convenient to introduce the spaces  $X[q, W]$  in the following way.

Let  $N$  be a non-negative integer, and let  $\Lambda := \{\lambda_n\}_0^\infty$  be an increasing sequence of positive integers. For a sequence  $W := \{w_n\}_0^\infty$  or harmonic polynomials we write  $W \in (N, \Lambda)$  if the following conditions are satisfied:

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} w_n * f(z), \quad f \in h(U), \quad z \in U,$$

where the series is uniformly convergent on compact subsets of  $U$ ;

$$\hat{w}_n(k) = 0 \text{ if } |k| \notin [\lambda_{n-1}, \lambda_{n+N}) \geq 0,$$

where  $\lambda_{-1} = 0$ .

We define  $X[q, W] = \{f \in h_E(U) : \|f\|_{X[q, W]} < \infty\}$ , where

$$\|f\|_{X[q, W]} = \sum_0^\infty \|w_n * f\|_X^q, \quad q < \infty,$$

$$\|f\|_{X[\infty, W]} = \sup_n \|w_n * f\|_X.$$

These spaces are generalizations of the sequence spaces  $l(p, q)$  introduced by Kellogg [10]. One can prove that  $X[q, W]$  are  $A$ -spaces. Their main properties will be given in Sections 1 and 2.

### 1. Isomorphisms between $X(q, \varphi)$ and $X[q, W]$

By Proposition 3.2, Part I, there exists a lacunary sequence  $\Lambda = \{\lambda_n\}_0^\infty$  of positive integers such that  $\varphi(\Lambda) := \{\varphi(\lambda_n)\}_0^\infty$  is normal, i.e.

$$c_1(1+c)^j \varphi(\lambda_n) \leq \varphi(\lambda_{n+j}) \leq C^j \varphi(\lambda_n), \quad j, n \geq 0.$$

where  $c_1, c, C$  are positive constants.

For an  $A$ -space  $X$  let  $s(X) = h_E(U)$ , where  $E$  is the unique set of integers such that  $h_E(UR) \subset X \subset h_E(U)$ ,  $R > 1$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}_N$  be the class consisting of all normed  $A$ -spaces and all  $H^p$  with  $p \geq l/N$ .

**THEOREM 1.** *Let  $N \geq 1$ , let  $\Lambda$  be a lacunary sequence, and let the sequence  $\varphi(\Lambda)$  be normal. Then there exists a sequence  $W \in (N, \Lambda)$  and a function  $g \in h(U)$  such that for all  $X \in \mathcal{B}_N$  the following assertions hold:*

- a) *The operator  $g^*$  defined by  $g^*(f) = f * g$  is an isomorphism of  $X(q, \varphi)$  onto  $Xq, [W]$ .*
- b)  *$\|w_n * f\|_X \leq K \|f\|_X$  for  $n \leq 0, f \in X$ , where  $K$  is independent of  $X \in \mathcal{B}_N$ .*
- c)  *$\hat{g}(n) = \hat{g}(-n) \sim 1/\varphi(n+1)$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . If  $N = 1$ , then one can take  $\hat{g}(n) = 1/\varphi(|n|+1)$ .*

Define the operators  $D^\psi$  and  $D_\varphi : h(U) \rightarrow h(U)$  by

$$(D_\varphi f)^\wedge(n) = \hat{f}(n)/\varphi(|n|+1), \quad (D^\psi f)^\wedge(n) = \psi(|n|+1)\hat{f}(n).$$

The following theorem generalizes the case  $\geq 1$  of Theorem HLF. It is an immediate consequence of Theorem 1.1.

**THEOREM 1.2.** *Let  $n$  be a lacunary sequence such that both  $\varphi(\wedge)$  and  $\psi(\wedge)$  are normal. Then  $D_\varphi D^\varphi$  acts as an isomorphism from  $h(p, q, \varphi)$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , onto  $h(p, q, \psi)$ .*

*Remark.* The function  $\psi$  is extended to  $(0, \infty)$  in the same way as  $\varphi$ .

**THEOREM 1.3.** *(with the hypotheses of Theorem 1.2.). For every  $p > 0$  there exists an analytic function  $g$  such that  $\hat{g}(n) \sim \psi(n+1)/\varphi(n+1)$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , and the operator  $g^*$  is an isomorphism from  $H(p, q, \varphi)$  onto  $H(p, q, \psi)$ .*

If  $\varphi$  is normal, then the sequence  $\{\varphi(2^n)\}_0^\infty$  is normal. Thus we have

**COROLLARY 1.1.** *If  $\varphi$  is a normal function and  $\alpha$  is a positive number, then  $H(p, q, \varphi)$  and  $H(p, q, \alpha)$  ( $p > 0$ ) are isomorphic via a multiplier transform.*

*Proof of Theorem 1.1.* By Theorems 2.1. and 4.1. (Part I) and their proofs, there is  $W \in (N, \wedge)$  such that (b) holds,  $\hat{w}_n(-k) = \hat{w}_n(k)$  and

$$\|f\|_{X(q, \varphi)} \sim \left\{ \sum_0^\infty [\varphi(1/\lambda_n) \|w_n * f\|_X] \right\}^{1/q}, \quad f \in s(X).$$

Thus it suffices to find a function  $g$  independent of  $X \in \mathcal{B}_N$  and satisfying (c) and

$$(1.1) \quad \|w_n * g * f\| \sim \varphi(1/\lambda_n) \|w_n * f\|, \quad f \in s(X), \quad n \geq 0$$

Let  $B_n = \varphi(1/\lambda_n)^{1/m}$ ,  $n \geq 0$ , where  $m$  is a positive integer which will be chosen later on. Define the functions  $g_1, \dots, g_m$  in the following way:

$$g_1(z) = \sum_0^\infty B_n w_n(z), \quad g_j = g_1 * g_{j-1}, \quad 2 \leq j \leq m.$$

We have

$$w_n * g_1 = B_n \sum_{k=0}^\infty w_n * w_k + \sum_{k=0}^\infty (B_k - B_n) w_n * w_k = B_n w_n + \sum_{k=n-N}^{n+N} (B_k - B_n) w_n * w_k,$$

where  $B_k = B_0$  and  $w_k = 0$  for  $k < 0$ . Using the triangle inequality for  $\|\cdot\|_X^s$ , where  $s = 1/N$ , we obtain

$$\|w_n * g_1 * f\|^s \geq B_n^s \|w_n * f\|^s - \sum_{k=n-N}^{n+N} |B_k - B_n|^s \|w_n * w_k * f\|^s, \quad f \in s(X).$$

Hence, by (b),

$$\|w_n * g_1 * f\|^s \geq B_n^s \|w_n * f\|^s - K^s \|w_n * f\|^s \sum_{k=n-N}^{n+N} |B_k - B_n|^s.$$

Since  $\varphi(\wedge)$  is normal, there exists  $b \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\varphi(1/\lambda_n + N) \geq b\varphi(1/\lambda_n)$  for all  $n \geq 0$ . Using this we get

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n-N} 6n + N|B_k - B_n|^s &\leq (B_n - N_{n+N})^s N + (B_{n=N} - B_n)^s N \\ &\leq NB_n^s(1 - b^{1/m}) + NB_n^s(b^{-1/m} - 1)^s. \end{aligned}$$

Choose  $m$  so that

$$(1.2) \quad NK^s(1 - b^{1/m})^s + (b^{-1/m} - 1)^s \leq 2^{-s}.$$

Then  $\|w_n * g_1 * f\| \geq 2^{-1}B_n\|w_n * f\|$  and, by induction,

$$(1.3) \quad \|w_n * g_m * f\| \geq 2^{-m}\varphi(1/\lambda_n)\|w_n * f\|.$$

In the other direction, from the identity

$$w_n * g_1 * f = \sum_{k=n-N}^{n+N} B_k w_n * w_k * f$$

we obtain

$$\|w_n * g_1 * f\|^s \leq K^s \|w_n * f\|^s \sum_{k=n-N}^{n+N} B_k^s \leq K_s \|w_n * f\|^s (2N + 1) B_{n-N}^s.$$

This implies

$$(1.4) \quad \|w_n * g_m * f\| \leq C \|w_n * f\|, \quad f \in s(X), \quad n \geq 0,$$

where  $C$  is a positive real constant.

In order to estimate the coefficients of  $g_m$  observe that  $\hat{g}_m(k) = \hat{g}_1(k)^m$ . Thus we have to prove  $\hat{g}_1(k) \sim \varphi(k+1)^{-1/m}$ ,  $k \geq 0$ . It is easily verified that  $\hat{g}_1(k) = B_0$  for  $k < \lambda_0$ . If  $k \geq \lambda_0$  then we choose  $n \geq 0$  so that  $\lambda_n \leq k < \lambda_{n+1}$ . Then

$$\hat{g}_1(k) = B_{n+1} + \sum_{j=n-N}^n (B_j - B_{n+1}) \hat{w}_j(k).$$

Taking  $X = H^\infty$  and  $f(z) = z^k$  in (b) we see that  $|w_j(k)| \leq K$  for all  $j, k \geq 0$ , where  $K$  is the same as in (1.2). Hence

$$\begin{aligned} |\hat{g}(k)| &\geq B_{n+1} + \sum_{j=n-N}^n (B_j - B_{n+1}) \\ &\leq B_{n+1} - K(B_{n-N} - B_{n+1})N \\ &\leq B_{n+1} - KB_{n+1}(B_{n-N}/B_{n+N} - 1)N \\ &\leq B_{n+1} - KB_{n+1}(b^{-2/m} - 1)N \geq 2^{-1}B_{n+1}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $m$  is chosen so that the inequalities (1.2) and  $K(b^{-2/m} - 1)N \leq 1/2$  hold. This proves that  $\hat{g}_m(k) \geq c\varphi(k+1)^{-1}$ . The proof of the inequality  $\hat{g}_m(k) \leq C\varphi(k+1)^{-1}$  is simple. Taking  $g = g_m$  we see that the condition (1.1) is satisfied.

In the case of normed spaces the result follows from Lemma 5.3 of Part I.

## 2. Multipliers from $X[q, W]$ to $Y[q, W]$

Let  $X, Y$  be  $A$ -spaces,  $s(X) \cap s(Y) \neq \emptyset$ . A function  $g \in h(U)$  is a multiplier from  $X$  to  $Y$  if the map  $f \mapsto f * g$  is a bounded linear operator from  $X$  to  $Y$ . If the spaces are complete then this is equivalent with the requirement that  $f * g \in Y$  for all  $f \in X$ . In Part I we have defined the space

$$(X \rightarrow Y) = \{g \in s(X) \cap s(Y) : g \text{ is a multiplier from } X \text{ to } Y\},$$

with the quasi-norm

$$\|g\|_{X, Y} = \sup\{\|f * g\|_Y : f \in X, \|f\|_X \leq 1\}.$$

We shall prove that there is a simple connection between the spaces  $(X[q, W] \rightarrow Y[q_0, W])$  and  $(X \rightarrow Y)$  provided that  $\|w_n * f\|_X \leq C\|f\|_X$ , i.e.,  $X \subset X[\infty, W]$ . One can prove that all these spaces are  $A$ -spaces.

Throughout this section we suppose  $0 < q, q_0 \leq \infty$  and

$$q_1 = \begin{cases} \infty & \text{if } q \leq q_0, \\ qq_0/(q - q_0) & \text{if } q > q_0 \end{cases}$$

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $X \subset X[\infty, W]$  where the inclusion is continuous. Then*

$$(2.1) \quad (X[q, W] \rightarrow Y[q_0, W]) = (X \rightarrow Y)[q_1, W].$$

*Proof.* Since  $\hat{w}_n(k) = 0$  for  $|k| \notin [\lambda_{n-1}, \lambda_{n+N}]$  we have

$$(2.2) \quad w_n * w_j = 0 \text{ for } |j - n| \geq N + 1.$$

Let

$$P_n = \sum_{j=n-N}^{n+N} w_j, \quad n \geq 0,$$

where  $w_j = 0$  for  $j < 0$ . From (2.2) and the identity  $f = \sum w_n * f$  it follows that

$$(2.3) \quad P_n * w_n = w_n, \quad n \geq 0,$$

$$(2.4) \quad w_n * P_j = 0 \text{ if } |j - n| \geq 2N + 1.$$

Let  $g \in Z[q_1] = Z[q_1, W]$ ,  $Z = (X \rightarrow Y)$ . In view of (2.3) and the definition of  $(X \rightarrow Y)$  we have

$$\|w_n * f * g\|_Y = \|P_n * f * w_n * g\|_Y \leq \|P_n * f\|_X \|w_n * g\|_Z.$$

By Hölder's inequality

$$\|f * g\|_{Y[q_0]} \leq \|\{A_n\}\|_{l^q} \|g\|_{Z[q_1]},$$

where  $A_n = \|P_n * f\|_X$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . Using the inequality

$$\|P_n * f\| \leq C \sum_{j=n-N}^{n+N} \|w_j * f\|$$

and Lemma 5.2 of Part I we find  $\|\{A_n\}\|_{l^q} \leq C \|f\|_{X[q]}$ . This concludes the proof of the inclusion  $Z[q_1] \subset (X[q] \rightarrow Y[q_0])$ .

Let  $g \in (X[q] \rightarrow Y[q_0])$ . Then

$$\|f * g\|_{Y[q_0]} \leq C \|f\|_{X[q]}, \quad f \in X[q].$$

Let  $l^q(X)$  be the space of those sequences  $F = \{f_n\}_0^\infty$  for which  $f_n \in X$ ,  $n \geq 0$  and

$$\|F\|_{l^q(X)} := \|\{\|f_n\|_X\}\|_{l^q} \leq \infty.$$

Let  $\overline{l^q}(X)$  be the subspace of  $l^q(X)$  consisting of  $\{f_n\}$  such that  $f_n = 0$  for  $n$  large enough. Define the operators  $V_m$ ,  $0 \leq m \leq 2N$ , on  $\overline{l^q}(X)$  by

$$V_m F = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_{n,m} * f_n,$$

where  $P_{n,m} = P_{(2N+1)n+m}$ . Using the hypothesis  $X \subset X[\infty]$  and the relation (2.4) one shows that  $V_m$ 's are bounded linear operators from  $\overline{l^q}(X)$  to  $X[q]$ . (See Lemma 5.1, Part I.) It follows that

$$\|(V_m F) * g\|_{Y[q_0]} \leq C \|F\|_{l^q(X)}, \quad F \in \overline{l^q}(X), \quad 0 \leq m \leq 2N,$$

where  $C$  is independent of  $F, m$ . This implies

$$\left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|w_{k,m} * (V_m F) * g\|_Y^{q_0} \right\}^{1/q_0} \leq C \|F\|_{l^q(X)},$$

where  $w_{k,m} = w_{(2N+1)k+m}$ . If  $k \neq n$  then  $|(2N+1)k+m - (2N+1)n-m| = (2N+1)k-n \geq 2N+1$ , and this implies  $w_{k,m} * P_{k,m} = 0$ , by (2.4). Hence

$$w_{k,m} * (V_m F) = w_{k,m} * P_{k,m} * f_k = w_{k,m} * f_k.$$

(In the last step we have used (2.3).) Now we have

$$(2.5) \quad \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|w_{k,m} * g * f_k\|_Y^{q_0} \right\}^{1/q_0} \leq C \|F\|_{l^q(X)}.$$

Fix  $m$ ,  $0 \leq m \leq 2N$ , and  $\varepsilon < 1$ , and for every  $k \geq 0$  choose  $h_k \in X$  so that  $\|h_k\|_X = 1$  and

$$(2.6) \quad \|w_{k,m} * g * h_k\|_Y \geq \varepsilon \|w_{k,m} * g\|_Z.$$

Putting  $f_k = a_k h_k$ , where  $\{a_k\}_0^\infty \in \overline{l^q} = (R)$  ( $R$  is the scalar field) we get from (2.5) and (2.6)

$$\varepsilon \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [ |a_k| \|w_{k,m} * g\|_Z ]^{q_0} \right\}^{1/q_0} \leq C \left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|^q \right\}^{1/q},$$

where  $C$  is independent of  $\varepsilon$ ,  $m$  and  $\{a_k\}$ . This gives

$$\left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|w_{k,m} * g\|_Z^{q_1} \right\}^{1/q_1} < \infty$$

for all  $m$ ,  $0 \leq m \leq 2N$ . If  $q_1 < \infty$  then

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \|w_n * g\|^{q_1} = \sum_{m=0}^{2N} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \|w_{k,m} * g\|^{q_1} < \infty$$

whence  $g \in Z[q_1]$ ; similarly for  $q_1 = \infty$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 2.1.

As a consequence of Theorems 1.1 and 2.1 we have

**THEOREM 2.2.** *If  $Z = (X \rightarrow Y)$ , where  $X, Y$  are normed spaces, then*

$$(X(q, \varphi) \rightarrow Y(q_0, \varphi)) = \{g \in s(X) \cap s(Y : D^\varphi g \in Z(q_1, \varphi))\}.$$

*Proof.* It follows from Theorem 1.1 that  $(X(q, \varphi) \rightarrow Y(q_0, \varphi)) = (X[q, W] \rightarrow Y[q_0, W])$  for a suitable  $W \in (1, \wedge)$ . Now the desired result is obtained by using Theorem 2.1 and then Theorem 1.1 and the fact that  $Z$  is a normed space.

### 3. Multipliers of $h(p, g, \varphi)$

In this section we apply the preceding results to the case of the spaces  $h(p, q, \varphi) = h^p(q, \varphi)$ . Note that if  $p \geq 1$  then  $\|f_r\|_{h_p} = M_p(r, f)$ ,  $0 < r < 1$ , so that  $f \in h(p, q, \varphi)$  if and only if

$$\int_0^1 [\varphi(1-r)M_p(r, f)]^q dm_\varphi(r) < \infty.$$

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $q, q_0, q_1$ , be as in Section 2, let  $p \geq 1$  and  $1/p + 1/p' = 1$ . For a function  $g$  the following are equivalent.*

- (i)  $g$  is a multiplier from  $h(1, q, \varphi)$  to  $h(p, q_0, \varphi)$ ;
- (ii)  $g$  is a multiplier from  $h(p', q, \varphi)$  to  $h(\infty, q_0, \varphi)$ ;
- (iii)  $D^\varphi g \in h(p, q_1, \varphi)$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 2.2.  $(h(1, q, \varphi) \rightarrow h(p, q_0, \varphi))$  is the set of all  $g \in h(U)$  such that  $D^\varphi g \in (h^1 \rightarrow h^p)(q_1, \varphi)$ . Since  $(h^1 \rightarrow h^p) = (h^{p'} \rightarrow h^\infty) = h^p$  we see that (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii). The proof. of (ii)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (iii) is the same.



COROLLARY 3.1. *If  $p \geq 1$  then the set*

$$M(p, \varphi) := (h(p, q, \varphi) \rightarrow h(p, q, \varphi))$$

*is independent of  $q$ . Furthermore*

$$(3.1) \quad M(\infty, \varphi) = M(1, \varphi) = \{g \in h(U) : D^\varphi g \in h(1, \infty, \varphi)\}.$$

Shields and Williams [16] proved that (3.1) holds provided that *varphi* satisfies some regularity conditions.

The set  $M(p, \varphi)$  is an algebra with unit. It follows from Theorem 2.2 and the equality  $(h^p \rightarrow h^p) = (h^{p'} \rightarrow h^{p'})$  that  $M(p, \varphi) = M(p', \varphi)$ . It is clear that  $M(2, \varphi) = \{g \in h(U) : \hat{g} \text{ is bounded}\}$ . Concerning the set  $M(p, \varphi)$  we can only prove that it increases with  $p \in [1, 2]$ .

PROPOSITION 3.1. *If  $1 \leq p \leq s \leq 2$  then  $M(p, \varphi) \subset M(s, \varphi)$ .*

*Proof.* It is trivial to check that  $(h^p \rightarrow h^p) \subset (h^2 \rightarrow h^2)$ . By the Riesz-Thorin theorem,  $(h^p \rightarrow h^p) \subset (h^s \rightarrow h^s)$  if  $p \leq s \leq 2$ . Now if  $g$  is in  $M(p, \varphi)$  then by Theorem 2.2,  $D^\varphi g \in (h^p \rightarrow h^p)(\infty, \varphi) \subset (h^s \rightarrow h^s)(\infty, \varphi)$ , and this concludes the proof.

In [16] Shields and Williams posed the question: If the spaces  $h(\infty, \infty, \varphi)$  and  $h(\infty, \infty, \psi)$  have the same set of multipliers are they isomorphic via a multiplier transform? The answer is yes, as the following theorem shows.

THEOREM 3.2. *If  $M(\infty, \varphi) = M(\infty, \psi)$  then the operator  $D_\varphi D^\psi$  acts as an isomorphism from  $h(\infty, q, \varphi)$  onto  $h(\infty, q, \psi)$ .*

*Proof.* By Theorem 1.2, it is enough to find a lacunary sequence  $\{\lambda_n\}$  such that both  $\{\varphi(\lambda_n)\}$  and  $\{\psi(\lambda_n)\}$  are normal. Let

$$g_1(z) = \sum_0^\infty z^{t_n} \quad \text{and} \quad g_2(z) = \sum_0^\infty z^{s_n}, \quad z \in U,$$

where  $\{t_n\}$  and  $\{s_n\}$  are lacunary sequences of integers such that  $\{\varphi(t_n)\}$  and  $\{\psi(s_n)\}$  are normal. By the well-known fact on lacunary trigonometric series,

$$M_1(r, D^\psi g_2) \sim \left\{ \sum_0^\infty \psi(s_n)^2 r^{2s_n} \right\}^{1/2}, \quad 0 < r < 1.$$

Hence, by Lemma 3.1 of Part I,  $M_1(r, D^\psi g_2) \leq C/\psi(1-r)$ , i.e.,  $D^\psi g_2 \in h(1, \infty, \psi)$ . Therefore  $g_2 \in M(\infty, \psi)$ , by (3.1). Using this and the hypothesis  $M(\infty, \varphi) = M(\infty, \psi)$  we conclude that  $g_2 \in M(\infty, \varphi)$ . Hence, by (3.1),  $D^\psi g_2 \in h(1, \infty, \varphi)$ , i.e.,

$$\left\{ \sum_0^\infty \varphi(s_n)^2 r^{2s_n} \right\}^{1/2} \leq C/\varphi(1-r).$$

This implies

$$\sum_{T_n} \varphi(s_k)^2 \leq C\varphi(t_n)^2, \quad n \geq 0,$$

where  $T_n = \{k : t_n \leq s_k < t_{n+1}\}$ . Since  $\varphi(t_n) \leq \varphi(s_k) \leq \varphi(t_{n+1}) \leq C\varphi(t_n)$  for  $k \in T_n$ , we conclude that  $\text{card}(T_n) \leq C < \infty$ ,  $n \geq 0$ . Using this and the analogous fact for the sets  $\{k : s_n \leq t_k < s_{n+1}\}$  we find a positive integer  $m$  such that for all  $n \geq 0$ ,  $j \geq 1$

$$(i) \quad \text{card}\{k : t_n \leq s_k < t_{n+j}\} \leq mj,$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{card}\{k : s_n \leq t_k < s_{n+j}\} \leq mj.$$

Put  $\lambda_k = t_{km}$ ,  $k \geq 0$ . It is easy to see that the sequence  $\{\varphi(\lambda_k)\}$  is normal. Let  $k_0$  be such that  $t_{k_0 m} \geq s_0$ . If  $k > k_0$  choose  $n$  so that  $s_n \leq t_{km} < s_{n+1}$ . Then, by (ii),  $\lambda_{k+j} = t_{k+m+jm} \geq s_{n+j}$  and, consequently,

$$\psi(\lambda_{k+j})/\psi(\lambda_k) \geq \psi(s_{n+j})/\psi(s_{n+1}) \geq ca^j,$$

where  $a > 1$  and  $c > 0$  are constants. (Here we have used the hypothesis that  $\{\psi(s_n)\}$  is normal.) On the other hand, it follows from (i) that  $s_{n+m+1} \geq t_{k+m} = \lambda_{k+1}$ . Hence

$$\psi(\lambda_{k+1})/\psi(\lambda_k) \leq \psi(s_{n+m+1})/\psi(s_n) \leq C.$$

Thus the sequence  $\{\psi(\lambda_k)\}$  is normal, what was to be proved.

As a further application of the equality (3.1) we have the following characterization of self-conjugate spaces. The space  $h(p, q, \varphi)$  is said to be self-conjugate if

$$f \in h(p, q, \varphi) \text{ implies } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \hat{f}(n)z^n \in h(p, q, \varphi).$$

If  $1 < p < \infty$  then  $h(p, q, \varphi)$  is self-conjugate because of the Riesz theorem. Hardy and Littlewood [7, 9] proved that  $h(p, \infty, \alpha)$  is self-conjugate for any  $p > 0$ . For further information see [5, 6].

**THEOREM 3.3.** *For every  $q \in (0, \infty]$  the following statements are equivalent.*

- (i)  $h(1, q, \varphi)$  is self-conjugate;
- (ii)  $h(\infty, q, \varphi)$  is self-conjugate;
- (iii)  $\varphi$  is a normal function.

*Proof.* Observe that  $h(p, q, \varphi)$  is self-conjugate if and only if the function  $\sum_0^\infty z^n$  belongs to  $M(p, \varphi)$ . Since  $M(1, \varphi) = M(\infty, \varphi)$  we see that (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (ii). Assuming (iii) we have to prove that  $D^\varphi h \in H(1, \infty, \varphi)$ , where  $h(z) = 1/(1-z) = -\sum_0^\infty z^n$ . By Theorem 1.2, this is equivalent with  $D^1 h \in H(1, \infty, 1)$ . Since  $D^1 h(z) = (1-z)^{-2}$  we have  $M_1(r, D^1 h) = (1-r^2)^{-1}$ , and this gives the desired result.

To prove that (i) implies (iii) we use the inequality

$$\|f\|_1 \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_0^\infty (n+1)^{-1} |\hat{f}(n)|, \quad f \in H^1,$$

[3, Theorem 6.1]. In particular,

$$M_1(r, D^\varphi h) \geq \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_0^\infty (n+1)^{-1} \varphi(n+1) r^n, 0 < r < 1.$$

Thus if (i) holds then  $\sum_0^\infty (n+1)^{-1} \varphi(n+1) r^n \leq c/\varphi(1-r)$ . This implies

$$\varphi(\lambda_k) \sum_{n=\lambda_k}^{\lambda_{k+1}} (n+1)^{-1} \leq C/\varphi(1/\lambda_{k+1}), \quad k \geq 0,$$

where  $\{\lambda_k\}$  is a lacunary sequence of integers such that  $\varphi(\lambda_k) \sim 2^k$ , i.e.  $\varphi(1/\lambda_k) \sim 2^{-k}$ . (See Proposition 3.2 Part I.) It follows that  $\lambda_{k+1}/\lambda_k \leq C, k \geq 0$ . By using this one shows that  $\varphi^-(2t) \leq C\varphi^-(t), t > 0$ , where  $\varphi^-$  is the inverse function. Hence  $\varphi^-(t/C) \leq \varphi(t)/2$ , and this concludes the proof of the theorem.

#### 4. Multipliers from $H(p, q, \alpha)$ to $H(p_0, q_0, \alpha)$

Let  $\alpha$  be a positive real number. A function  $f \in H(U)$  (= the class of analytic functions) belongs to  $H(p, q, \alpha) = H^p(q, \alpha)$  if and only if

$$\left\{ \int_0^1 (1-r)^{q\alpha-1} M_p^q(r, f) dr \right\}^{1/q} < \infty.$$

If  $q = \infty$  this should be read as

$$\sup_{0 < r < 1} (1-r)^\alpha M_p(r, f) < \infty.$$

The main results of this section is the following.

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $p \leq 1, p_0 \geq p$  and  $0 < q, q_0 \leq \infty$ . A function  $g \in H(U)$  is a multiplier from  $H(p, q, \alpha)$  to  $H(p_0, q_0, \alpha)$  if and only if  $D^{1/p}g \in H(p_0, q_1, 1)$ .*

Here, as before,  $q_1 = \infty (q \leq q_0); q_1 = q_0 (q = \infty); q_1 = qq_0/(q - q_0)$  if  $q_0 < q < \infty$ .

Note that  $D^{1/p}g \in H(p_0, q_1, 1)$  if and only if

$$\left\{ \int_0^1 (1-r)^{q_1-1} M_{p_0}^{q_1}(r, D^{1/p}g) dr \right\}^{1/q_1} < \infty.$$

**COROLLARY 4.1.** *Let  $p \leq 1$ . Then  $g$  is a multiplier from  $H(p, q, \alpha)$  to itself if and only if  $M_p(r, D^{1/p}g) \leq C/(1-r), 0 < r < 1$ .*

This generalizes a result of Duren and Shields [4] ( $p = q = 1$ ).

Let  $N$  be a positive integer and choose a sequence  $W = \{w_n\}_0^\infty$  of harmonic polynomials such that  $W \in (N, \{2^n\}_1^\infty)$  (see Introduction) and for all  $p > 1/(N+1)$  and  $q > 0$

$$\|f\|_{H(p, q, \alpha)} \sim \left\{ \sum_0^\infty [2^{-n\alpha} \|w_p * f\|_p]^q \right\}^{1/q} \quad f \in H(U),$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_p$  stands for the norm of  $H^p$ . Since

$$w_n * f(z) = \sum_{j=2^{n-1}}^{2^{n+N}} \hat{w}_n(j) \hat{f}(j) z^j$$

we have, by Lemma 3.1 [11],

$$r^{2n+N} \|w_n * f\|_p \leq M_p(r, w_n * f) \leq r^{2n-1} \|w_n * f\|_p.$$

( $n \geq 1, 0 < r < 1$ ). After elementary calculations it follows that

$$2^{-n\alpha} \|w_n * f\|_p \sim \|w_n * f\|_{H(p,s,\alpha)}, \quad f \in H(U), \quad n \geq 0,$$

where  $s$  is an arbitrary positive number or  $\infty$ . Thus we have the following.

**THEOREM 4.2.** *Let  $p > 1/(N+1)$ ,  $0 < q \leq \infty$  and  $0 < s \leq \infty$ . Then*

$$H(p, q, \alpha) = H(p, s, \alpha)[q, W].$$

Observe that the polynomials  $w_n$  are independent of  $p, q, s$ .

Combining Theorems 4.2 and 2.1 we get the identity

$$(4.1) \quad (H(p, q, \alpha) \rightarrow H(p_0, q_0, \beta)) = (H(p, \infty, \alpha) \rightarrow H(p_0, \infty, \beta))[q_1, W],$$

which shows that the general case of Theorem 4.1 follows from the special case  $q_0 = q = \infty$ .

*Proof of Theorem 4.1.* Let  $g$  be a multiplier from  $H(p, \infty, \alpha)$  to  $H(p_0, \infty, \alpha)$ . Then

$$\|g * f_r\|_{H(p_0, \infty, \alpha)} \leq C \|f_r\|_{H(p, \infty, \alpha)}, \quad 0 < r < 1,$$

where  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)^{m-1} z^n$ , and  $m$  is an integer such that  $\alpha + 1/p - m < 0$ . It is easily verified that  $f(z)(1-z)^m$  is a polynomial. Therefore

$$M_p^p(\rho, f) \leq C \int_{|z|=1} |1 - \rho z|^{-pm} |dz|, \quad 0 < \rho < 1.$$

If we put  $z = (\zeta + \rho)/(1 + \rho\zeta)$  we see that the last integral equals

$$(1 - \rho^2)^{1-pm} \int_{|\zeta|=1} |1 + \rho\zeta|^{pm-2} |d\zeta|.$$

Since  $pm - 2 > -1$  we find  $M_p(\rho, f) \leq C(1 - \rho)^{1/pm}$ ,  $0 < \rho < 1$ , whence

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_r\|_{H(p, \infty, \alpha)} &\leq C \sup_{\rho} (1 - \rho)^{\alpha} (1 - \rho r)^{1/p-m} \\ &\leq C \sup -\rho (1 - \rho r)^{\alpha} (1 - \rho r)^{1/p-m} \\ &\leq C(1 - r)^{\alpha+1/p-m}, \quad 0 < r < 1. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$(1 - r)^\alpha M_{p_0}(r^2, f * g) \leq \|g * f_r\|_{H(p_0, \infty, \alpha)} \leq C(1 - r)^{\alpha + 1/p - m},$$

i.e.  $D^{m-1}g = f * g \in H(p_0, \infty, m - 1/p)$ . Applying Theorem HLF, quoted in Introduction) we conclude that  $D^{1/p}g \in H(p_0, \infty, 1)$ .

To continue the proof we need the following lemma,

LEMMA 4.1 [13]. *Let  $f \in H^p$ ,  $0 < p \leq 1$ , and  $g \in H_q$ ,  $q \geq p$ . Then*

$$M_q(r, f * g) \leq (1 - r)^{1-1/p} \|f\|_p \|g\|_q, \quad 0 < r < 1.$$

We return to the proof of Theorem 4.1. Let  $D^{1/p}g \in H(p_0, \infty, 1)$  and  $f \in H(p, \infty, \alpha)$ ,  $p \leq 1$ ,  $p_0 \geq p$ . We have to prove that  $h := f * g$  belongs to  $H(p_0, \infty, \alpha)$ . We have, by the lemma,

$$M_{p_0}(r^3, D^{1/p}h) = M_{p_0}(r, f_r * D^{1/p}g_r) \leq (1 - r)^{1-1/p} \|f_r\|_p \|D^{1/p}g_r\|_{p_0}.$$

It follows from the hypotheses that  $\|f_r\|_p \leq C(1 - r)^{-\alpha}$  and  $\|D^{1/p}g_r\|_{p_0} \leq C(1 - r)^{-1}$ , so that  $M_{p_0}(r^3, D^{1/p}h) \leq C(1 - r)^{-\alpha-1/p}$ , i.e.  $D^{1/p}h \in H(p_0, \infty, a + 1/p)$ . Hence  $h \in H(p_0, \infty, 1)$ , by Theorem HLF.

The preceding discussion shows that  $D^{1/p}$  is an isomorphism of the space  $(H(p, \infty, \alpha) \rightarrow H(p_0, \infty, \alpha))$  onto  $H(p, \infty, 1)$ . By using (4.1) we conclude that, if  $p, p_0 > 1/(N + 1)$ , then  $D^{1/p}$  is an isomorphism of  $(H(p, q, \alpha) \rightarrow H(p_0, q_0, \alpha))$  onto  $H(p_0, \infty, 1)[q_1, W]$ . But the last space is equal to  $H(p_0, q_1, 1)$ , by Theorem 4.2. This completes the proof of Theorem 4.1.

### 5. Multipliers into $l^p$ spaces

A complex sequence  $\{a_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  is of class  $l(p, q)$  ( $0 < p, q \leq \infty$ ) if

$$\left\{ \left( \sum_{J_n} |a_j|^p \right)^{1/p} \right\}_{n=0}^\infty \in l^q,$$

where  $J_0 = \{0\}$  and  $J_n = \{j : 2^{n-1} \leq j < 2^n\}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . It is easily checked that if  $\{a_n\}$  is in  $l(p, q)$  then the function  $f(z) = \sum_0^\infty a_n z^n$  is analytic in the unit disc. Therefore  $l(p, q)$  may be treated as a space of analytic functions. Furthermore,  $l(p, q)$  is an  $A$ -space (with the obvious quasi-norm). Note that  $l^p = l(p, p)$ .

Let  $N$  and  $W$  be as in Section 4. Then we have  $\|w_n * f\|_x \leq C\|f\|_x$ , where  $X = H(\infty, q, \alpha)$  and  $C$  is independent of  $f, n$ . In particular, taking  $f(z) = z^j$  we see that  $|\hat{w}_n(j)| \leq C$ ,  $j, n \geq 0$ . Using this one can easily prove the following.

LEMMA 5.1.  $l(p, q) = l^p[g, W]$  for all  $p, q > 0$ .

Now we can use Theorem 2.1 and 4.2 to obtain

$$(H(p, q, \alpha) \rightarrow l(p_0, q_0)) = (H(p, \infty, \alpha) \rightarrow l^{p_0})[q_1, W],$$

where  $p > 1/(N+1)$ . If  $p \leq 1$  then the space  $H(p, \infty, \alpha) \rightarrow l^{p_0}$  is easily determined and is isomorphic to  $l^{p_0}$ , via the operator  $D^{\alpha+1/p-1}$ . See [12]. In the special case  $p_0 = q_0 = s$  we have the following result.

**THEOREM 5.1.** *Let  $p \leq 1$  and  $0 < s \leq \infty$ . A function  $g \in H(U)$  is a multiplier from  $H(p, q, \alpha)$  to  $l^s$  if and only if*

$$\{(n+1)^{\alpha+1/p-1} \hat{g}(n)\}_{n=0}^{\infty} \in l(s, q_1),$$

where  $q_1 = \infty$  if  $s \geq q$ ;  $q_1 = qs/(q-s)$  if  $s < q$ .

Some special cases of this theorem were proved by Ahern and Jevtić [1] ( $p = 1, s > 1$ ) and Mateljević and Pavlović [12] ( $p < 1, s \geq q$ ).

## 6. Problems

Let  $\varphi$  be a normal function and  $\alpha > 0$ .

**Problem 1.** Find a function  $g \in H(U)$  (if it exists) such that, for all  $p, q$ , the map  $f \mapsto f * g$  is an isomorphism from  $H(p, q, \varphi)$  onto  $H(p, q, \alpha)$ .

Note that the form of  $g$  should be independent of  $p > 0$ .

By using the complex maximal theorem and our results this problem is easily reduced to the following.

**Problem 2.** Does there exist an equivalent function  $\psi$  such that

$$\psi(1/t) = \int_0^1 r^t d\eta(r) \quad \text{and} \quad t^{-m}/\psi(1/t) = \int_0^1 r^t d\mu(r), \quad t > 1,$$

for some positive Borel measures  $\eta, \mu$  and some integer  $m > 0$ ?

*Added in proof:* The author solved Problem 1 above.

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