## A MULTIPLIER THEOREM FOR FOURIER TRANSFORMS

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ABSTRACT. A function f analytic in the upper half-plane  $\Pi^+$  is said to be of class  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  (0 if there exists a constant <math>C such that  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x+iy)|^p dx \le C < \infty$  for all y > 0. These classes are an extension of the  $H_p$  spaces of the unit disc U. For f belonging to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$   $(0 , there exists a Fourier transform <math>\hat{f}$  with the property that  $f(z) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\infty \hat{f}(t)e^{tx} dt$ . This makes it possible to give a definition for the multiplication of  $E_p(\Pi^+)$   $(0 into <math>L_q(0, \infty)$  that is analogous to the multiplication of  $H_p(U)$  into  $I_q$ . In this paper, we consider the case  $0 and <math>p \le q$  and derive a necessary and sufficient condition for multiplying  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  into  $L_q(0, \infty)$ .

1. Introduction. A function f analytic in the unit disc U is said to be of class  $H_p(U)$  if there exists a constant C such that  $\int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \le C < \infty$  for all r < 1. For these classes there exists a rich and varied theory which is described in Duren's book [2]. Among the concepts studied is that of multipliers from  $H_p(U)$  to  $I_q$ .

**Definition 1.** A sequence  $\{\lambda_n\}$  is said to multiply  $H_p(U)$  into  $l_q$   $(0 < q < \infty)$ , if for each  $f(z) = \sum a_n z^n$  belonging to  $H_p(U)$ ,  $\sum |a_n|^q |\lambda_n|^q < \infty$ .

Duren and Shields have shown that a necessary and sufficient condition for  $\{\lambda_n\}$  to multiply  $H_p(U)$   $(0 into <math>l_q$   $(p \le q < \infty)$  is that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{q/p} |\lambda_n|^q = O(N^q)$$
 [2], [3].

It is our aim in this paper to consider classes of functions analytic in the upper half-plane  $\Pi^+$ , which are analogous to the classes  $H_p(U)$ , and to prove a result similar to that of Duren and Shields.

## 2. The main result.

**Definition 2.** A function f analytic in  $\Pi^+$  is said to be of class  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  (0 if there exists a constant <math>C such that

$$M_p(y,f) = \left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x+iy)|^p dx \right\}^{1/p} \le C < \infty$$

for all  $0 < y < \infty$ .

The expression  $M_p(y,f)$  is called a pth mean of f. Also the expression  $M_{\infty}(y,f) = \sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} |f(x+iy)|$  is a pth mean of f and, if  $M_{\infty}(y,f)$  is bounded, f is said to belong to  $E_{\infty}(\Pi^+)$ .

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**Definition 3.** If f belongs to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  (0 < p < 1), then the Fourier transform of f is

$$\hat{f}(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x+iy)e^{-i(x+iy)t}dx \qquad [6].$$

A proof of the fact that  $\hat{f}$  exists and is independent of y is given in §5. In addition, the facts  $\hat{f}(t)$  is continuous,  $\hat{f}(t) = 0$  for  $t \le 0$ , and

$$f(z) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\infty \hat{f}(t) e^{izt} dt,$$

are proved there.

**Definition 4.** Let  $\phi(t)$  be a function measurable on  $(0,\infty)$ . Then  $\phi(t)$  is said to multiply  $E_p(\Pi^+)$   $(0 into <math>L_q(0,\infty)$   $(0 < q < \infty)$ , if for each  $f(z) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\infty \hat{f}(t) e^{izt} dt$  belonging to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$ ,

$$\int_0^\infty |\phi(t)|^q |\hat{f}(t)|^q dt < \infty.$$

We now state the main result.

**Theorem A.** Let  $\phi(t)$  be a function measurable on  $(0, \infty)$ . Then  $\phi(t)$  multiplies  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  into  $L_q(0, \infty)$   $(p \le q)$  if and only if

$$(1) \qquad \int_0^X t^{q/p} |\phi(t)|^X dt \le KX^q,$$

where K is a positive constant.

The proof of Theorem A requires the use of two other results.

**Theorem B.** If 0 , <math>f belongs to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$ ,  $\alpha = 1/p - 1/q$ , and  $\lambda \ge p$ , then  $\int_0^\infty y^{\lambda \alpha - 1} M_q^{\lambda}(y, f) dy < \infty$ .

The second of these results needs some introduction. If f belongs to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$   $(0 , then <math>\lim_{y\to 0} f(x+iy) = f(x)$  exists a.e. and

$$\rho(f,g) = \int_0^\infty |f(x) - g(x)|^p dx,$$

where f and g belong to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$ , is a translation invariant metric on  $E_p(\Pi^+)$ . Moreover, under this metric,  $E_p(\Pi^+)$   $(0 is a complete topological vector space. In other words, <math>E_p(\Pi^+)$  (0 is an <math>F-space [1], [2], [5]. Finally, we say that an operator  $\Lambda$  from  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  into  $L_q(0, \infty)$  is bounded if there exists a constant K such that  $\|\Lambda(f)\|_q < K\|f\|_p$ , where  $\|f\|_p = \{\int_0^\infty |f(x)|^p dx\}^{1/p}$ .

**Theorem C.** Let  $\phi(t)$  be a function measurable on  $(0, \infty)$ . If  $\phi(t)$  multiplies  $E_p(\Pi^+)$   $(0 into <math>L_q(0, \infty)$  then the operator  $\Lambda(f)(t) = \phi(t)\hat{f}(t)$  is bounded.

We defer, for now, the proofs of Theorem B and Theorem C in order to give an immediate proof of Theorem A.

**Proof of Theorem A.** We begin by showing that (1) is necessary. So let us consider the function

$$F(z) = F_{\rho}(z) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^{\infty} t^{1/p} e^{-\rho t} e^{itz} dt.$$

Since the Laplace transform of  $t^{u-1}$  (u > 0) is  $\Gamma(u)/s^u$ , where s is a complex number with Re s > 0, we see that setting u = 1 + 1/p and  $s = -iz + \rho$  gives

$$F(z) = \Gamma(1 + 1/p)/(\rho - iz)^{1+1/p}$$

From this it follows that F(z) belongs to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  and  $||F||_p = M/\rho$ . But by Theorem C there exists a constant K such that

$$\|\Lambda(f)\|_{a} \leq K\|F\|_{a}$$

so  $\|\hat{F}(t)\phi(t)\|_q \le KM/\rho$ . Thus, our next step is to find  $\hat{F}(t)$ . However,  $F(x+iy) = F_y(x)$  is in  $L_1(-\infty,\infty)$  and is the Fourier transform of

$$g(t) = (2\pi)^{-1} t^{1/p} e^{-\rho t} e^{-yt} \quad \text{if } t \ge 0,$$
  
= 0 \quad \text{if } t < 0,

which also belongs to  $L_1(-\infty, \infty)$ . Hence  $\hat{F}(t)e^{-yt} = \hat{F}_y(t) = 2\pi g(t)$  or  $\hat{F}(t) = t^{1/p}e^{-\rho t}$  if  $t \ge 0$  and zero if t < 0 [7]. Consequently,

$$\int_0^\infty t^{q/p} |\phi(t)|^q e^{-q\rho t} dt \le K^q M^q / \rho^q$$

and this implies that

$$\int_0^X e^{-q\rho X} t^{q/p} |\phi(t)|^q dt \le K^q M^q / \rho^q$$

for X > 0. So taking  $\rho = 1/X$ , we find

$$\int_0^X t^{q/p} |\phi(t)|^q dt \le K M^q e^q X^q.$$

To prove that (1) is sufficient, we begin by considering the integral

$$\int_0^\infty t^{q/p} |\phi(t)|^q e^{-yt} dt \qquad (y > 0).$$

Letting  $S(t) = \int_0^t \tau^{q/p} |\phi(\tau)|^q dt$  and integrating by parts we find that when we use the estimate  $S(t) \le Kt^q$ , the integral is less than or equal to  $Ky \int_0^\infty t^q e^{-\gamma t} dt = K\Gamma(q+1)/y^q$ . Hence

$$y^q \int_0^\infty t^{q/p} |\phi(t)|^q e^{-yt} dt \le C < \infty$$

for y > 0. Next we note that for  $\gamma = q(1/p - 1)$ , Theorem B implies that for f belonging to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  (0 ,

$$\int_0^\infty y^{\gamma-1} M_1^q(y,f) \, dy < \infty.$$

Thus for each f belonging to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$ 

$$\int_0^\infty y^{\gamma-1} M_1^q(y,f) \left[ y^q \int_0^\infty t^{q/p} |\phi(t)|^q e^{-yt} dt \right] dy < \infty,$$

or using Fubini's theorem

$$\int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty t^{q/p} |\phi(t)|^q y^{\gamma+q-1} M_1^q(y,f) e^{-yt} dy dt < \infty.$$

But from the definition of the Fourier transform for f, we have  $|\hat{f}(t)|e^{-\gamma t} \le M_1(y,f)$ . Thus

$$\int_0^\infty |\phi(t)|^q |\hat{f}(t)|^q t^{q/p} \int_0^\infty y^{\gamma+q-1} e^{-(q+1)yt} dy dt < \infty,$$

or

$$\frac{\Gamma(q/p)}{(q+1)^{q/p}} \int_0^\infty |\phi(t)|^q |\hat{f}(t)|^q dt < \infty. \quad \Box$$

Theorem A has the following interesting corollary.

Corollary. If f belongs to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$   $(0 , then <math>\int_0^\infty |\hat{f}(t)|^p t^{p-2} dt < \infty$ .

This is an extension of the following results.

**Theorem (Hardy-Littlewood-Titchmarsh).** If f belongs to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$   $(1 , then <math>\int_0^\infty |\hat{f}(t)|^p t^{p-2} dt < \infty$  [8].

**Theorem (Hille-Tamarkin).** If f belongs to  $E_1(\Pi^+)$ , then  $\int_0^\infty |\hat{f}(t)|/t \, dt < \infty$  [4].

3. The proof of Theorem B. This proof is a consequence of several other theorems.

**Theorem 1.** Let u(z) be a nonnegative subharmonic function defined on  $\Pi^+$  and suppose

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x+iy) dx \le C/y^{\alpha} \qquad (y>0),$$

where  $\alpha \ge 0$ . Then there exists a constant  $K = K(\alpha)$  such that  $u(x_0 + iy_0) \le KC/y_0^{\alpha+1}$  for each point  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$   $(y_0 > 0)$ .

**Proof.** The case  $\alpha = 0$  was proved by Krylov [5]. So assume  $\alpha > 0$ . Then setting  $y_1 = y_0/2$  and  $u_{y_1}(z) = u(x + i(y + y_1))$ , we find

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u_{y_1}(x+iy) dx \le C/y_1^{\alpha} \qquad (y>0).$$

Hence, by the case  $\alpha = 0$ , we have  $u_{y_1}(x_0 + iy_2) \le KC/y_1^{\alpha}y_2$   $(y_2 > 0)$ , and putting  $y_1 = y_2 = y_0/2$ ,

$$u(x_0 + iy_0) \le 2^{\alpha+1} KC/y_0^{\alpha+1}$$
.

**Theorem 2.** Suppose f(z) is analytic in  $\Pi^+$  and

(1) 
$$M_p(y,f) \leq C/y^{\beta} \quad (0$$

Then there exists a constant  $K = K(\beta, p, q)$  such that

(2) 
$$M_q(y,f) \leq KC/y^{\beta+1/p-1/q} \qquad (p < q \leq \infty).$$

**Proof.** It suffices to consider the case  $q = \infty$ . For suppose (2) has been proven for  $q = \infty$  and  $K \ge 1$  (which we may assume without loss of generality). Then

$$M_{q}(y,f) = \left\{ \int_{\infty}^{\infty} |f(x+iy)|^{p} |f(x+iy)|^{q-p} dx \right\}^{1/q}$$

$$\leq [M_{\infty}(y,f)]^{q-p/q} [M_{p}(y,f)]^{p/q}$$

$$\leq K^{q-p/q} C/y^{\lambda},$$

where  $\lambda = \beta + 1/p - 1/q$ . Now to derive the theorem for  $q = \infty$ , let u(z) be the nonnegative subharmonic function  $|f(z)|^p$  and  $\alpha = \beta p$ . Then Theorem 1 implies

$$|f(x_0+iy_0)|^p \leq KC/y_0^{\beta p+1},$$

which is equivalent to (2).  $\square$ 

**Theorem 3.** Suppose f belongs to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$ . Then for  $1 , and <math>1 < a < \infty$ ,

where C = C(a, b) is independent of f.

**Proof.** We begin by assuming that f is analytic in the closed upper half-plane. Then integrating by parts we find

$$\int_0^{y_0} y^b M_p^a(y,f) dy = \frac{y_0^{b+1}}{b+1} M_p^a(y_0,f) - \frac{1}{b+1} \int_0^{y_0} y^{b+1} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \{M_p^a(y,f)\} dy.$$

Thus our next step is to estimate  $|(\partial/\partial y)M_p^a(y,f)|$ . But

$$(\partial/\partial y)M_p^a(y,f)=(a/p)M_p^{a-p}(y,f)(\partial/\partial y)M_p^p(y,f),$$

so we need to estimate  $|(\partial/\partial y)M_p^p(y,f)|$ . However,

$$\left|\frac{\partial}{\partial y}|f(x+iy)|^p\right|=p|f(x+iy)|^{p-1}\left|\frac{\partial}{\partial y}|f(x+iy)|\right|$$

and

$$\frac{||f(x+iy_1)|-|f(x+iy_2)||}{|y_1-y_2|} \le \frac{|f(x+iy_1)-f(x+iy_2)|}{|y_1-y_2|}$$

implies

$$|(\partial/\partial y)|f(x+iy)|| \le |f'(x+iy)|,$$

SO

$$\left|\frac{\partial}{\partial y}|f(x+iy)|^p\right| \leq p|f(x+iy)|^{p-1}|f'(x+iy)|.$$

Thus Hölder's inequality implies

$$|(\partial/\partial y)M_p^p(y,f)| \leq pM_p^{p-1}(y,f)M_p(y,f')$$

and this implies

$$|(\partial/\partial y)M_p^a(y,f)| \leq aM_p^{a-1}(y,f)M_p(y,f').$$

But now we have

$$\left| \int_0^{\gamma_0} y^{b+1} \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \{ M_p^a(y,f) \} dy \right| \le a \int_0^{\gamma_0} y^{b+1} M_p^{a-1}(y,f) M_p(y,f') dy$$

$$\le a \left\{ \int_0^{\gamma_0} y^b M_p^a(y,f) dy \right\}^{1-1/a} \left\{ \int_0^{\gamma_0} y^{a+b} M_p^a(y,f') dy \right\}^{1/a},$$

where we have used Hölder's inequality again. Hence

(4) 
$$\left\{ \int_{0}^{y_{0}} y^{b} M_{\rho}^{a}(y,f) dy \right\}^{Va} \\
\leq \left( \frac{y_{0}^{b+1}}{b+1} \right)^{Va} M_{\rho}(y_{0},f) + \frac{a}{b+1} \left\{ \int_{0}^{y_{0}} y^{a+b} M_{\rho}^{a}(y,f') dy \right\}^{Va}.$$

where we have used the estimate

$$\int_0^{y_0} y^b M_p^a(y,f) dy \ge \frac{y_0^{b+1} M_p^a(y_0,f)}{b+1}.$$

which follows from the fact that the means  $M_p(y,f)$  are nonincreasing functions of y [5].

From (4), it is clear that in order to complete the proof for this case, we need only show that  $y_0^{b+1} M_p^a(y_0, f)$  tends to zero as  $y_0$  tends to infinity. But using Theorem 2, it is easy to see that  $f(x + iy_0) = -i \int_{y_0}^{\infty} f'(x + iy) dy$  and applying Minkowski's inequality, we find

$$M_p(y_0,f) \leq \int_{y_0}^{\infty} M_p(y,f') dy.$$

So suppose r > 1. Then

$$M_p^a(y_0,f) \le [C(y_0)]^a \left[ \frac{1}{r-1} \int_{y_0}^{\infty} y^r M_p(y,f') \frac{d(-1/y^{r-1})}{C(y_0)} \right]^a,$$

where  $C(y_0) = \int_{y_0}^{\infty} d(-1/y^{r-1}) = 1/y_0^{r-1}$ , and Jensen's inequality gives

$$M_p^a(y_0,f) \leq [C(y_0)]^{a-1} \frac{1}{(r-1)^{a-1}} \int_{y_0}^{\infty} y^{ar-r} M_p^a(y,f') dy.$$

Hence setting r = (a + b)/(a - 1), we have

$$y_0^{b+1} M_p^a(y_0, f) \le \frac{1}{((b+1)/(a-1))^{a-1}} \int_{y_0}^{\infty} y^{a+b} M_p^a(y, f') dy,$$

from which it follows that  $y_0^{b+1} M_p^a(y_0, f)$  tends to zero as  $y_0$  tends to infinity.

Finally we remove the restriction that f is analytic in the closed upper half-plane. Since  $f_y(z) = f(z + iy)$  is analytic in the closed upper half-plane, the theorem holds for  $f_y(z)$ . Thus the result for f(z) follows from letting y tend to zero and applying the monotone convergence theorem.  $\square$ 

These three theorems have prepared the way for a proof of Theorem B.

**Proof of Theorem B.** We first reduce the theorem to the case  $\lambda = p = 2$ . By Theorem 2

$$M_p^{\lambda}(y,f) \leq K^{\lambda-p} M_q^p(y,f)/y^{\alpha(\lambda-p)},$$

so

$$\int_0^\infty y^{\alpha\lambda-1} M_q^{\lambda}(y,f) dy \le K^{\lambda-p} \int_0^\infty y^{\alpha p-1} M_q^{p}(y,f) dy.$$

Hence we can assume  $\lambda = p$ . Next assume the theorem is true for  $\lambda = p = 2$  and  $f(z) \neq 0$  in  $\Pi^+$  and belongs to  $E_p(\Pi^+)$ . Then  $g(z) = [f(z)]^{p/2}$  belongs to  $E_2(\Pi^+)$  and

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} y^{-p/q} M_{q}^{p}(y,f) dy = \int_{0}^{\infty} y^{-2/s} M_{s}^{2}(y,g) dy < \infty,$$

where s = 2q/p > 2. In case f(z) has zeros in  $\Pi^+$ , it is possible to write it as a sum of two nonzero functions in  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  [2] and still show that it suffices to take p = 2.

So let  $f \in E_2(\Pi^+)$ . Then using the Paley-Wiener theorem [7], we can write

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \hat{f}(t) e^{izt} dt,$$

where  $\hat{f}(t)$  is the Fourier transform of the boundary function f(x) of f(z). Also

$$f'(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty t \hat{f}(t) e^{izt} dt.$$

Next we assume  $2 < q < \infty$ . Then by Theorem 3

$$\int_0^\infty y^{-2/q} M_q^2(y,f) \, dy \le C \int_0^\infty y^{2-2/q} M_q^2(y,f') \, dy,$$

and by Theorem 2  $M_q(y,f') \leq Ky^{1/q-1/2}M_2(y/2,f')$ , so

$$\int_0^\infty y^{-2/q} M_q^2(y,f) \, dy \le CK \int_0^\infty y M_2^2(y/2,f') \, dy.$$

Finally, by Plancherel's theorem [7], we find

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} y^{-2/q} M_{q}^{2}(y, f) dy \leq \frac{CK}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} y \int_{0}^{\infty} |\hat{f}(t)|^{2} t^{2} e^{-yt} dt dy$$

$$= \frac{CK}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} |\hat{f}(t)| t^{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} y e^{-yt} dy dt$$

$$= \frac{CK}{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} |\hat{f}(t)|^{2} dt$$

$$= CK \int_{0}^{\infty} |f(x)|^{2} dx < \infty.$$

If  $q = \infty$ , then the estimate

$$M_{\infty}^{2}(y,f) \leq KM_{r}^{2}(y/2,f)/y^{2/r}$$

for some r > 2 can be used to derive the desired results.  $\square$ 

4. The proof of Theorem C. Since  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  is an F-space under the metric  $\rho(f,g) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x) - g(x)|^p dx$ , we can use the closed graph theorem. Thus we need to show that  $\Lambda$  is a closed operator. So let  $\{f_n\}$  be a sequence which converges in  $E_p(\Pi^+)$  to f and also suppose  $\Lambda(f_n)(t) = \phi(t)\hat{f}_n(t)$  converges to g(t) in  $L_q(0,\infty)$ . Then we need to show that  $\Lambda(f)(t) = g(t)$  a.e.

Considering the sequence  $\{f_n\}$  and f first, we find by Theorem 2 that

$$\left\{ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f_n(x+iy_0) - f(x+iy_0)|^2 dx \right\}^{1/2} \le \frac{K ||f_n - f||_p}{v_0^{1/p - 1/2}},$$

where  $y_0 > 0$ . Thus  $f_{y_0,n}(z) = f_n(z+iy_0)$  converges to  $f_{y_0}(z) = f(z+iy_0)$  in  $E_2(\Pi^+)$ . Moreover, it is easy to see that the Fourier transform of  $f_{n,y}(x)$  is  $\hat{f}_n(t)e^{-y_0t}$ , while the Fourier transform of  $f_{y_0}(x)$  is  $f(t)e^{-y_0t}$ . Consequently, Plancherel's theorem [7] implies that  $\hat{f}_n(t)e^{-y_0t}$  converges to  $\hat{f}(t)e^{-y_0t}$  in  $L_2(0,\infty)$ . Hence, there exists a subsequence  $\{\hat{f}_k(t)\}$  of  $\{\hat{f}_n(t)\}$  converging to  $\hat{f}(t)$  a.e. But the sequence of  $\{\Lambda(f_k)\}$  also converges to g(t) in  $L_q(0,\infty)$ . Therefore, there exists a subsequence of  $\{\Lambda(f_k)\}$ , which we also denote by  $\{\Lambda(f_k)\}$ , converging to g(t) a.e. Thus  $\{\phi(t)f_k(t)\}$  converges to  $\phi(t)f(t)$  a.e. and also to g(t) a.e., which implies

$$\phi(t)\hat{f}(t) = g(t)$$
 a.e.

5. Fourier transform. The Fourier transform defined in §2 certainly exists since Theorem 2 implies that  $f_p(x) = f(x + iy)$  belongs to  $L_1(-\infty, \infty)$ . In fact, if C is a constant such that  $M_p(y,f) \le C$  for y > 0, then there exists a constant K = K(0,p,1) such that

(1) 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(x+iy)| dx \le CK/y^{1/p-1}$$

for y > 0.

To see that  $\hat{f}$  is independent of y, fix  $0 < y_1 < y_2 < \infty$  and for each  $\alpha > 0$  let  $\Gamma_{\alpha}$  be the rectangular contour with vertices  $\pm \alpha + iy_1$  and  $\pm \alpha + iy_2$ . By Cauchy's theorem

(2) 
$$\int_{\Gamma_c} f(z)e^{-itz}dz = 0.$$

Next let  $I = [y_1, y_2]$  and put

$$\Phi(\beta) = i \int_I f(\beta + iu) e^{-it\beta} e^{tu} du.$$

Then  $|\Phi(\beta)| \le e^{iy_2} \int_{y_1}^{y_2} |f(\beta + iu)| du$ . Now if we let

$$\Psi(\beta) = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} |f(\beta + iu)| du,$$

then Fubini's theorem and (1) imply

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Psi(\beta) d\beta = \int_{y_1}^{y_2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(\beta + iy)| d\beta dy \le \frac{CK}{v_1^{1/p-1}} (y_2 - y_1).$$

Thus there exists a sequence  $\{\alpha_j\}$  such that  $\alpha_j \to \infty$  as  $j \to \infty$  and  $\Psi(\alpha_j) + \Psi(-\alpha_j) \to 0$  as  $j \to \infty$ . Hence we have

(3) 
$$\Phi(\alpha_j) \to 0 \text{ and } \Phi(-\alpha_j) \to 0$$

as  $j \to \infty$ . Now combining (1), (2), and (3), we find

(4) 
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x+iy_1)e^{-i(x+iy_1)t}dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x+iy_2)e^{-i(x+iy_2)t}dx,$$

i.e.,  $\hat{f}$  is independent of y.

If we let  $f_{\nu}(z) = f(z + iy)$ , then (4) becomes

$$\hat{f}(t) = e^{y_1 t} \hat{f}_{y_1}(t) = e^{y_2 t} \hat{f}_{y_2}(t).$$

Since  $\hat{f}_y$  is the Fourier transform of an  $L_1(-\infty, \infty)$  function, it is continuous and hence  $\hat{f}$  is continuous.

Using (1) again, we see that

$$|\hat{f}(t)|e^{-ty} = |\hat{f}_{\nu}(t)| \le ||f_{\nu}||_1 \le CK/y_0^{1/p-1}$$

for a fixed  $y_0 < y$ . Thus if we fix t < 0 and let  $y \to \infty$ , we find  $\hat{f}(t) = 0$ . Hence  $\hat{f}(t)$  is identically zero on  $(0,\infty)$  and by continuity it is zero at t = 0. Also note  $f_v(t) = 0$  on  $(-\infty, 0]$ .

As we have noted,  $\hat{f}(t) = f_y(t)e^{yt}$ , so  $\hat{f}_y(t) = \hat{f}(t)e^{-yt} = \hat{f}_{y_0}(t)e^{(y_0-y)t}$ , and letting  $y_0 = y/2$ , we have

$$\int_0^\infty |\hat{f}_y(t)| dt \le \|f_{y_0}\|_1 \int_0^\infty e^{(y_0 - y)t} dt$$

$$\le \frac{KC}{y_0^{1/p - 1}} \frac{1}{y - y_0}$$

$$= \frac{2^{1/p} KC}{y^{1/p}}.$$

Hence for y > 0,  $\hat{f}_y$  belongs to  $L_1(-\infty, \infty)$  and we can apply the inversion theorem [7], to find

$$f(z) = f_y(x) = (2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\infty \hat{f}_y(t) e^{itx} dt$$
  
=  $(2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\infty \hat{f}(t) e^{-ty} e^{itx} dt$   
=  $(2\pi)^{-1} \int_0^\infty \hat{f}(t) e^{itz} dt$ .

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