

FUNCTIONS OF L^p -MULTIPLIERS

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1. Introduction. Let Γ be a locally compact non-compact abelian group and $B(\Gamma)$ be the space of all Fourier-Stieltjes transforms of bounded measures on the dual group G of Γ . Then it is known that a function Φ on the interval $[-1, 1]$ is extended to an entire function if and only if $\Phi(f) \in B(\Gamma)$ for all f in $B(\Gamma)$ with the range contained in $[-1, 1]$ (see, for example, [10: p.135]).

A function φ defined on Γ is called an L^p -multiplier if for every $f \in L^p(G)$ there exists a function g in $L^p(G)$ so that $\varphi \hat{f} = \hat{g}$, where \hat{f} denotes the Fourier transform of f . The set of all L^p -multipliers will be written by $M_p(\Gamma)$ and the norm of $\varphi \in M_p(\Gamma)$ is defined by

$$\|\varphi\|_{M_p(\Gamma)} = \sup \{ \|g\|_{L^p(G)} : \|f\|_{L^p(G)} = 1 \}.$$

If we define the product in $M_p(\Gamma)$ by the pointwise multiplication, it is a commutative Banach algebra with identity.

It is well-known that $M_1(\Gamma)$ coincides with $B(\Gamma)$ with the norm of measures and $M_2(\Gamma) = L^\infty(\Gamma)$ isometrically. If $1 \leq q \leq p \leq 2$, then $M_q(\Gamma) \subset M_p(\Gamma)$ and if $1/p + 1/p' = 1$, then $M_p(\Gamma) = M_{p'}(\Gamma)$ isometrically.

Our main theorem is the following:

THEOREM 1. *Let Γ be a locally compact non-compact abelian group. Assume $1 \leq p < 2$ and Φ is a function on $[-1, 1]$. Then $\Phi(\varphi) \in M_p(\Gamma)$ for all φ in $M_1(\Gamma)$ whose range is contained in $[-1, 1]$, if and only if Φ is extended to an entire function.*

2. Equivalence of multiplier transforms. In this section we shall show the equivalence of multiplier transforms which will be needed later.

A measurable function φ on the real line \mathbf{R} is said to be regulated if there exists an approximate identity u_ε not necessarily continuous such that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \varphi * u_\varepsilon(x) = \varphi(x)$$

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for all x .

K. de Leeuw proved the followings.

THEOREM A ([2]). *Let φ be a bounded measurable periodic function with period 2π and $1 \leq p \leq 2$. Then $\varphi \in M_p(\mathbf{T})$ if and only if $\varphi \in M_p(\mathbf{R})$. In this case we have*

$$\|\varphi\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} = \|\varphi\|_{M_p(\mathbf{T})},$$

where \mathbf{T} denotes the circle group.

THEOREM B ([2]). *Let φ be a bounded regulated function on \mathbf{R} and $1 \leq p \leq 2$. If $\varphi \in M_p(\mathbf{R})$, then $\varphi(\lambda n) \in M_p(\mathbf{Z})$ for all $\lambda > 0$ and*

$$\|\varphi(\lambda n)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{Z})} \leq \|\varphi\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})},$$

where \mathbf{Z} is the set of integers.

The next theorem is the converse of Theorem B which is given in [7], but for the sake of convenience we shall state the complete proof.

THEOREM 2. *Suppose $1 \leq p \leq 2$ and φ is a function on \mathbf{R} whose points of discontinuity are null. If $\varphi(\lambda n) \in M_p(\mathbf{Z})$ for all $\lambda > 0$ and $\|\varphi(\lambda n)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{Z})}$ are bounded, then $\varphi(\xi) \in M_p(\mathbf{R})$ and we have*

$$\|\varphi\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} \leq \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \|\varphi(\lambda n)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{Z})}.$$

Thus if φ is, furthermore, regulated, we have

$$\|\varphi\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} = \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} \|\varphi(\lambda n)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{Z})}.$$

PROOF. Let g be an infinitely differentiable function with compact support and put $g_\lambda(x) = \lambda g(\lambda x)$ where λ is chosen so large that the support of g_λ is contained in $\mathbf{T} = [-\pi, \pi)$. We denote by the same notation g_λ the periodic extension of g_λ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi\left(\frac{n}{\lambda}\right) \hat{g}_\lambda(n) e^{inx} \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} &\leq \left\| \varphi\left(\frac{n}{\lambda}\right) \right\|_{M_p(\mathbf{Z})} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_\lambda(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\ &= \left\| \varphi\left(\frac{n}{\lambda}\right) \right\|_{M_p(\mathbf{Z})} \lambda^{1-1/p} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g(x)|^p dx \right)^{1/p}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\hat{g}_\lambda(n)$ denotes the n -th Fourier coefficient :

$$\hat{g}_\lambda(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g_\lambda(x) e^{-inx} dx.$$

Changing variable we see that the left hand side equals

$$\lambda^{1-1/p} \left(\int_{-\pi\lambda}^{\pi\lambda} \left| \frac{1}{\lambda\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi\left(\frac{n}{\lambda}\right) \hat{g}\left(\frac{n}{\lambda}\right) e^{inx/\lambda} \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p},$$

where

$$\hat{g}(\xi) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(y) e^{-iy\xi} dy.$$

Since the sum multiplied by $(\lambda\sqrt{2\pi})^{-1}$ converges to

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{g}(\xi) \varphi(\xi) e^{i\xi x} d\xi$$

for every x as $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$, we have by Fatou's lemma

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{g}(\xi) \varphi(\xi) e^{i\xi x} d\xi \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \\ & \leq \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \varphi\left(\frac{n}{\lambda}\right) \right\|_{M_p(Z)} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |g|^p dx \right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get the theorem.

The n -dimensional extensions of Theorems A, B and 2 are obvious.

Let $\mathcal{A}(r)$ be the direct sum of countably many copies of the cyclic group $Z(r)$ of order r and $D(r)$ be the dual to $\mathcal{A}(r)$. Every element x of $\mathcal{A}(r)$ or $D(r)$ has the expression $x = x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus \dots$, where $x_j = 0, 1, \dots, r-1$ are the realization of $Z(r)$. With this realization to every $x = x_1 \oplus x_2 \oplus \dots$ of $D(r)$ such that $x_j = 0$ except finite numbers of j there corresponds an element of $\mathcal{A}(r)$. Thus a function on $D(r)$ is considered as a function on $\mathcal{A}(r)$.

THEOREM 3. *Let φ be a continuous function on $D(r)$ and $1 \leq p \leq 2$. Then $\varphi \in M_p(D(r))$ if and only if $\varphi \in M_p(\mathcal{A}(r))$. In this case we have*

$$\|\varphi\|_{M_p(D(r))} = \|\varphi\|_{M_p(\mathcal{A}(r))}.$$

PROOF. That $\varphi \in M_p(\mathcal{A}(r))$ is equivalent to say that

$$(1) \quad \left(\int_{D(r)} \left| \sum_y \varphi(y) p(y)(x, y) \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \leq B \left(\int_{D(r)} \left| \sum_y p(y)(x, y) \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p}$$

for all polynomial $\sum p(y)(x, y)$ on $D(r)$, where B is a constant and (\cdot, y) denotes a character of $D(r)$. By the same way that $\varphi \in M_p(D(r))$ is equivalent to say that

$$(2) \quad \left(\sum_v \left| \int_{D(r)} \varphi(u) f(u)(u, v) du \right|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C \left(\sum_v \left| \int_{D(r)} f(u)(u, v) du \right|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

for all continuous step function f on $D(r)$, where C is a constant.

We first deduce (1) from (2) with $B \leq C$. Let $\sum_y p(y)(x, y)$ be a polynomial. We may assume that the y 's run over all elements of the form $y = y_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus y_N \oplus 0 \oplus 0 \oplus \cdots$ for some fixed N . Put $f_M(u) = p(y)r^M$ if u is of the form $u = y_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus y_N \oplus 0 \oplus \cdots \oplus u_{M+1} \oplus u_{M+2} \oplus \cdots$ and $f_M(u) = 0$ otherwise. Then we have

$$\int_{D(r)} f_M(u)(u, v) du = \sum_y p(y)(y, v)$$

for all $v = v_1 \oplus \cdots \oplus v_M \oplus 0 \oplus 0 \oplus \cdots$ and the integral vanishes otherwise. We remark that the right hand side does not depend on the $n(>M)$ -th components of v .

Let U_M be the set of all u of the form $u = 0 \oplus \cdots \oplus 0 \oplus u_{M+1} \oplus u_{M+2} \oplus \cdots$. Then, since φ is continuous,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} r^M \int_{U_M} \varphi(y + u)(u, v) du &= \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} r^M \int_{U_M} \varphi(y + u) du \\ &= \varphi(y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{D(r)} \varphi(u) f_M(u)(u, v) du &= \sum_y p(y)(y, v) r^M \int_{U_M} \varphi(y + u)(u, v) du \\ &= \sum_y p(y)(y, v) \varphi(y) + o(1) \end{aligned}$$

uniformly in v of the form as before when $M \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore

$$\left(\sum_v \left| \int_{D(r)} f_M(u)(u, v) du \right|^p \right)^{1/p} = r^{M/p} \left(\int_{D(r)} \left| \sum_y p(y)(v, y) \right|^p dv \right)^{1/p},$$

where we replaced (y, v) by (v, y) and

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_v \left| \int_{D(r)} \varphi(u) f_M(u)(u, v) du \right|^p \right)^{1/p} \\ & \geq r^{M/p} \left(\int_{D(r)} \left| \sum_y p(y) \varphi(y)(v, y) \right|^p dv + o(1) \right)^{1/p}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get (1) with $B \leq C$.

Now we show that (1) implies (2) with $C \leq B$. Assume φ is continuous and satisfies (1). Let f be a continuous step function so that $f(u)$ depends only on the first N -th components of $u = u_1 \oplus u_2 \oplus \dots$. Define $p(y) = f(u)$ for $y = u_1 \oplus \dots \oplus u_N \oplus 0 \oplus 0 \oplus \dots$ and $p(y) = 0$ for y not of that form. We fix this $p(y)$.

For every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a continuous step function φ_ε converging uniformly to φ such that

$$\left(\int_{D(r)} \left| \sum_y \varphi_\varepsilon(y) p(y)(x, y) \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \leq (B + \varepsilon) \left(\int_{D(r)} \left| \sum_y p(y)(x, y) \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p}.$$

Thus there exists an integer M so that $\varphi_\varepsilon(u)$ depends only on the first M -th components of u . We may assume $M > N$. Let Y be the set of u in $D(r)$ whose $n(> N)$ -th components are zero and X the set of x 's in $D(r)$ whose $n(> M)$ -th components are zero. Then we have

$$\int_{D(r)} \varphi_\varepsilon(u) f(u)(u, v) du = r^{-M} \sum_{y \in Y} \varphi_\varepsilon(y) p(y)(y, v)$$

for $v \in X$ and the left hand side vanishes for v not in X . By the same way we have

$$\int_{D(r)} f(u)(u, v) du = r^{-M} \sum_{y \in Y} p(y)(y, v)$$

for v in X and zero for v not in X . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\sum_v \left| \int_{D(r)} \varphi_\varepsilon(u) f(u)(u, v) \, du \right|^p \right)^{1/p} \\ &= r^{-M(1-1/p)} \left(\int_{D(r)} \left| \sum_{y \in Y} \varphi_\varepsilon(y) p(y)(x, y) \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\left(\sum_v \left| \int_{D(r)} f(u)(u, v) \, du \right|^p \right)^{1/p} = r^{-M(1-1/p)} \left(\int_{D(r)} \left| \sum_{y \in Y} p(y)(x, y) \right|^p dx \right)^{1/p}.$$

Therefore we get from (1)

$$\left(\sum_v \left| \int_{D(r)} \varphi_\varepsilon(u) f(u)(u, v) \, du \right|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq (B + \varepsilon) \left(\sum_v \left| \int_{D(r)} f(u)(u, v) \, du \right|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

Letting $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ we get (2).

3. Proof of Theorem 1.

LEMMA 1. *Let Γ be \mathbf{Z} or $\mathcal{A}(r)$. Then for any $1 \leq p < 2$ we have a constant $K_p > 1$ depending only on Γ and p such that*

$$\sup_{\varphi} \|e^{i\varphi}\|_{M_p(\Gamma)} \geq K_p^a,$$

where φ ranges over all real-valued functions in $M_1(\Gamma)$ satisfying $\|\varphi\|_{M_1(\Gamma)} \leq a$.

PROOF. Let G be the dual to Γ . For a function f on G define

$$\|f\|_{A_p(G)} = \left(\sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma} |\hat{f}(\gamma)|^p \right)^{1/p},$$

where \hat{f} denotes the Fourier coefficient of f . Then we know [9] that there exists a constant $K_p > 1$ for which we have

$$\sup_Q \|e^{iQ}\|_{A_p(G)} > K_p^a,$$

where Q runs over all real polynomials on G with $\|Q\|_{A_1(G)} \leq a$.

Since $\|Q\|_{A_1(G)} = \|Q\|_{M_1(G)}$ and $\|f\|_{A_p(G)} \leq \|f\|_{M_p(G)}$, there exists a real polynomial φ on G such that $\|\varphi\|_{M_1(G)} \leq a$ and

$$\|e^{i\varphi}\|_{M_p(G)} > K_p^a.$$

Assume $\Gamma = \mathbf{Z}$, then by Theorems A, B and 2 we have a real-valued continuous function φ on \mathbf{T} such that

$$\|e^{i\varphi(\lambda n)}\|_{M_p(\mathbf{Z})} > K_p^a \quad \text{and} \quad \|\varphi\|_{M_1(\mathbf{T})} \leq a$$

for sufficiently small $\lambda > 0$. Remark that $\|\varphi(\lambda n)\|_{M_1(\mathbf{Z})} \leq \|\varphi\|_{M_1(\mathbf{R})} = \|\varphi\|_{M_1(\mathbf{T})} \leq a$ and then we get the desired inequality for $\Gamma = \mathbf{Z}$,

For the group $\mathcal{A}(r)$ the result is obvious by Theorem 3.

LEMMA 2. *Let Γ be \mathbf{R} or a discrete group and assume $1 \leq p < 2$. If $\Phi(\varphi) \in M_p(\Gamma)$ for all $\varphi \in M_1(\Gamma)$ whose range is contained in $[-1, 1]$, then Φ is continuous in $[-1, 1]$.*

PROOF. First we assume Γ is a discrete group. If Φ is discontinuous at a point in $[-1, 1]$, there exists a sequence $\{a_j\}_{j=0}^\infty$ in $[-1, 1]$ and a finite number B satisfying :

$$B \neq \Phi(a), \quad a_i \neq a_j \quad (i \neq j), \quad \sum_{j=0}^\infty |a_j - a| < \infty$$

and

$$\sum_{j=0}^\infty |\Phi(a_j) - B| < \infty.$$

We may assume $\Phi(a) = 0$.

Take a function f in $L^p(G)$ and a sequence $\{\varepsilon_j\}_{j=0}^\infty$, $\varepsilon_j = \pm 1$, such that $\sum_{j=0}^\infty \hat{f}(\gamma_j) \varepsilon_j(x, \gamma_j)$ does not belong to $L^p(G)$, where $f \sim \sum_{j=0}^\infty \hat{f}(\gamma_j)(x, \gamma_j)$ (see [3] or [11]). Thus if we set $\eta_j = \Phi(a_j)$ for $\varepsilon_j = 1$ and $\eta_j = 0$ for $\varepsilon_j = -1$, then $\sum_{j=0}^\infty \hat{f}(\gamma_j) \eta_j(x, \gamma_j) \notin L^p(G)$. In fact we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \hat{f}(\gamma_j) \eta_j(x, \gamma_j) &= \frac{B}{2} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \hat{f}(\gamma_j)(x, \gamma_j) + \frac{B}{2} \sum_{j=0}^\infty \hat{f}(\gamma_j) \varepsilon_j(x, \gamma_j) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\varepsilon_j=1} \hat{f}(\gamma_j) [\Phi(a_j) - B](x, \gamma_j). \end{aligned}$$

The first and the third sums on the right hand side belong to $L^p(G)$ and the second does not by the assumption.

Put $\varphi(\gamma_j) = a_j$ for $\varepsilon_j = 1$ and $\varphi(\gamma) = a$ for other γ . Then for any g in $L^1(G)$ we have

$$\sum \hat{g}(\gamma) \varphi(\gamma)(x, \gamma) = \sum \hat{g}(\gamma) [\varphi(\gamma) - a](x, \gamma) + a \sum \hat{g}(\gamma)(x, \gamma),$$

which also belongs to $L^1(G)$, that is, $\varphi \in M_1(\Gamma)$. On the other hand $\Phi(\varphi(\gamma_j)) = \eta_j$. Thus $\Phi(\varphi) \notin M_p(\Gamma)$ which contradicts our assumption.

Next we assume $\Gamma = \mathbf{R}$. First we show that there exist positive numbers δ and M such that if φ is a real-valued function in $M_1(\mathbf{R})$, the support of $\varphi \subset [0, 1]$ and $\|\varphi\|_{M_1(\mathbf{R})} < \delta$, then $\|\Phi(\varphi)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} \leq M$.

To prove this we may assume $\Phi(0) = 0$. If this assertion is false, then we have a sequence $\{\varphi_j\}$ such that the support of $\varphi_j \subset (2j, 2j+1)$, the range of $\varphi_j \subset [-1, 1]$, $\|\varphi_j\|_{M_1(\mathbf{R})} < 2^{-j}$ but $\|\Phi(\varphi_j)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} > j$. Put $\psi = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j$. Then $\|\psi\|_{M_1(\mathbf{R})} \leq 1$. Let ξ_j be the continuous function such that $\xi_j(x) = 1$ on $(2j, 2j+1)$, $= 0$ outside $(2j-1/2, 2j+3/2)$ and is linear otherwise. Then $\xi_j \Phi(\psi) = \Phi(\varphi_j)$. Thus

$$3\|\Phi(\psi)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} \geq \|\xi_j \Phi(\psi)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} = \|\Phi(\varphi_j)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} > j$$

which is impossible.

Suppose Φ is not continuous at a point a . Let $\{a_j\}$ be a sequence converging to a such that $\Phi(a_j)$ converge to $B \neq \Phi(a)$. We may assume $\Phi(a) = 0$ and $a = 0$. Let F be any closed set contained in $(1/4, 3/4)$ and $\{C_j\}$ be an increasing sequence of closed sets in $[0, 1] \setminus F$, such that $m(F \cup C_j) \rightarrow 1$. Then we have a sequence $\{\chi_j\}$ of functions in $M_1(\mathbf{R})$ which equal 1 on F and 0 on $(-\infty, 0) \cup C_j \cup (1, \infty)$. Take a sequence $\{k_j\}$ such that $\|a_{k_j} \chi_j\|_{M_1(\mathbf{R})} < \delta$. Then we have $\|\Phi(a_{k_j} \chi_j)\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} < M$ for all $j = 1, 2, \dots$. Since $\Phi(a_{k_j} \chi_j) = \Phi(a_{k_j})$ on F and 0 on $(-\infty, 0) \cup (1, \infty)$, $\Phi(a_{k_j} \chi_j) \rightarrow B \chi_F$ almost everywhere as $j \rightarrow \infty$ and $\|B \chi_F\|_{M_p(\mathbf{R})} \leq M$, where χ_F is the characteristic function of F . This implies that every open set in $(1/4, 3/4)$ is an L^p -multiplier, which is impossible (see, [8]).

LEMMA 3. *Suppose Γ is a locally compact, non-compact abelian group and $1 \leq p < 2$. If Φ is a function on the real line possessing the property that $\Phi(\varphi) \in M_p(\Gamma)$ for all real valued function φ in $M_1(\Gamma)$, then Φ has the similar property for an infinite discrete group.*

PROOF. By the structure theorem Γ contains an open subgroup Γ_0 which is the direct sum of a compact group Λ and an N -dimensional euclidean space

\mathbf{R}^N . Let H be the annihilator of Γ_0 . Then H is the dual to Γ/Γ_0 and a compact subgroup of $G = \hat{\Gamma}$.

(a) The case where $N > 0$. First we observe that Φ maps $M_1(\Gamma_0)$ to $M_p(\Gamma_0)$.

In fact for $\varphi \in M_1(\Gamma_0)$ put $\tilde{\varphi} = \varphi$ on Γ_0 and 0 outside Γ_0 . Then $\tilde{\varphi} \in M_1(\Gamma)$.

For if $f \in L^1(G)$, then $f^*(x) = \int_H f(x+y) dm_H(y)$ belongs to $L^1(G/H)$ and $\hat{f}^*(\gamma) = \hat{f}(\gamma)$ on Γ_0 , where dm_H denotes the Haar measure on H . Thus there exists a function g^* in $L^1(G/H)$ such that $\hat{g}^* = \varphi \hat{f}^* = \tilde{\varphi} \hat{f}$ on Γ_0 . Let π be the natural homomorphism of G onto G/H , then $g = g^* \circ \pi \in L^1(G)$ and satisfies the relation $\hat{g} = \tilde{\varphi} \hat{f}$ on Γ .

On the other hand if $\Psi \in M_p(\Gamma)$ and $\Psi = 0$ outside Γ_0 , then $\Psi \in M_p(\Gamma_0)$. For if $f^* \in L^p(G/H)$, then the function $f = f^* \circ \pi \in L^p(G)$ and $\hat{f} = \hat{f}^*$ on Γ_0 . Thus there exists a function g in $L^p(G)$ such that $\Psi \hat{f} = \hat{g}$. Put $g^*(x) = \int_H g(x+y) dm_H(y)$, then $g^* \in L^p(G/H)$, since H is compact. Furthermore we have $\Psi \hat{f}^* = \Psi \hat{f} = \hat{g} = \hat{g}^*$ on Γ_0 .

Therefore we can conclude that Φ maps $M_1(\Gamma_0)$ into $M_p(\Gamma_0)$.

Since $\Gamma_0 = \Lambda \oplus \mathbf{R} \oplus \cdots \oplus \mathbf{R}$, Φ maps also $M_1(\mathbf{R})$ into $M_p(\mathbf{R})$. Thus Φ is continuous by Lemma 2. Let φ be a real-valued function in $M_1(\mathbf{Z})$, then there exists a measure μ on \mathbf{T} such that

$$\varphi(n) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-inx} d\mu(x).$$

Thus the function φ^* defined by

$$\varphi^*(\xi) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-i\xi x} d\mu(x)$$

is real-valued on \mathbf{R} and $\varphi^* \in M_1(\mathbf{R})$. Thus $\Phi(\varphi^*) \in M_p(\mathbf{R})$. Since Φ is continuous, Theorem B implies $\Phi(\varphi^*(n)) = \Phi(\varphi(n)) \in M_p(\mathbf{Z})$. Therefore Φ maps $M_1(\mathbf{Z})$ into $M_p(\mathbf{Z})$.

(b) The case where $N = 0$. We shall show that Φ maps $M_1(\Gamma/\Gamma_0)$ into $M_p(\Gamma/\Gamma_0)$.

For $\varphi \in M_1(\Gamma/\Gamma_0)$ we put $\varphi^* = \varphi \circ \sigma$ where σ is the natural homomorphism of Γ onto Γ/Γ_0 . Let T_φ and T_{φ^*} be the corresponding multiplier transforms on $L^1(H)$ and $L^1(G)$ respectively. Every element z of G is written as $z = x + y$ where $x \in H$ and y is an element of a coset of H . Then we have

$$[T_{\varphi^*} f](z) = T_\varphi[f(y + \cdot)](x)$$

for all f in $L^1(G)$. In fact the Fourier transform of the right hand side is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{G/H} dm_{G/H}(y) \int_H (\overline{x+y}, \gamma) T_\phi[f(y + \cdot)](x) dm_H(x) \\ &= \int_{G/H} (\overline{y}, \gamma) dm_{G/H}(y) \int_H (\overline{x}, \gamma) T_\phi[f(y + \cdot)](x) dm_H(x) \\ &= \int_{G/H} (\overline{y}, \gamma) dm_{G/H}(y) \int_H (\overline{x}, \gamma) \phi^*(\gamma) f(y + x) dm_H(x) \\ &= \phi^*(\gamma) \hat{f}(\gamma). \end{aligned}$$

The last term is the Fourier transform of $T_{\phi^*}f$.

On the other hand if $\Psi \in M_p(\Gamma)$ and Ψ is constant on each coset of Γ_0 , then Ψ considered as a function on Γ/Γ_0 belongs to $M_p(\Gamma/\Gamma_0)$. For if $f \in L^p(H)$ put $\tilde{f} = f$ on H and 0 otherwise. Then $\tilde{f} \in L^p(G)$ and $\|\tilde{f}\|_{L^p(G)} = \|f\|_{L^p(H)}$. $\hat{\tilde{f}}(\gamma)$ is constant on each coset of Γ_0 and $\Psi(\gamma)\hat{\tilde{f}}(\gamma) = \Psi(\gamma_1)\hat{\tilde{f}}(\gamma_1)$ where $\gamma_1 \in \Gamma/\Gamma_0$ and $\gamma \in \gamma_1$. Since $T_\Psi \tilde{f} = T_\Psi f$ on H and 0 otherwise, we get $T_\Psi f \in L^p(H)$, that is, $\Psi \in M_p(\Gamma/\Gamma_0)$.

Therefore Φ maps $M_1(\Gamma/\Gamma_0)$ into $M_p(\Gamma/\Gamma_0)$. We remark that Γ/Γ_0 is an infinite discrete group, since Γ is not compact.

We refer the following lemma to [5].

LEMMA C. (a) Let $\{\Omega_j\}, j = 1, 2, \dots$, be a sequence of finite subgroups of $\Delta(r) (r \geq 2)$. Then there exists a sequence $\{\gamma_j\}$ of $\Delta(r)$ having the property: Let Γ_j be the group generated by Ω_j and γ_j , then no two of groups Γ_j have a non-zero element in common. Let $\{f_j\}$ be a sequence of polynomials (real-valued if $r = 2$) on $D(r)$ such that \hat{f}_j has its support in Ω_j , then we have an element x_0 in $D(r)$ so that

$$\|f_j\|_\infty \leq 2 \Re[(x_0, \gamma_j) f_j(x_0)], \quad j = 1, 2, \dots,$$

(b) Let Γ be an infinite discrete group of unbounded order and G is the dual to Γ . Let $\{n_j\}, j = 1, 2, \dots$, be a sequence of positive integers. Then there exist a sequence $\{m_j\}$ of positive integers and a sequence $\{\gamma_j\}$ in Γ having the properties:

(4) The order of γ_j exceeds $2m_j + 6n_j^3$.

(5) The sets $E_j = \{n\gamma_j : m_j - 2n_j \leq n \leq m_j + 2n_j\}$ are disjoint.

(6) If $\{f_j\}$ is a sequence of polynomials on \mathbf{T} such that \hat{f}_j has its support in $\{n: |n| \leq 2n_j\}$, then we have an element x_0 in G such that

$$\|f_j\|_\infty \leq 2 \Re[(x_0, m_j \gamma_j) \sum_{-2n_j}^{2n_j} \hat{f}_j(n)(x_0, \gamma_j)], \quad j = 1, 2, \dots.$$

LEMMA 4. Let Γ be an infinite discrete group and Φ be a continuous periodic function. Suppose $\Phi(\varphi) \in M_p(\Gamma)$ for every real-valued multiplier φ in $M_1(\Gamma)$. Then for any positive number a , there exists a constant C_a such that

$$(7) \quad \|\Phi(\varphi)\|_{M_r(\Lambda)} \leq C_a$$

for all real-valued φ in $M_1(\Lambda)$ such that $\|\varphi\|_{M_1(\Lambda)} \leq a$, where Λ is a group $\mathcal{A}(r)$ ($r \geq 2$) or \mathbf{Z} .

PROOF. We may suppose $\Phi(0) = 0$. If (7) is false, we can find polynomials p_j on \mathbf{L} and real-valued multipliers φ_j satisfying

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \|p_j\|_{L^p(\mathbf{L})} &\leq 2^{-j}, \\ \|\varphi_j\|_{M_1(\Lambda)} &\leq a, \end{aligned}$$

$$\left\| \sum_{\gamma} \Phi(\varphi_j(\gamma)) \hat{p}_j(\gamma)(\cdot, \gamma) \right\|_{L^p(\mathbf{L})} > j, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots,$$

where Λ indicates the groups $\mathcal{A}(r)$ ($r \geq 2$) or \mathbf{Z} , and \mathbf{L} is the dual to Λ .

Here we can assume that the support of φ_j is finite. For let k_j be the polynomials on \mathbf{L} so that $\|k_j\|_{L^1(\mathbf{L})} \leq 3$ and $\hat{k}_j = 1$ on the support of \hat{p}_j . Then $\|\hat{k}_j \varphi_j\|_{M_1(\Lambda)} \leq 3a$ and

$$\sum_{\gamma} \Phi(\hat{k}_j(\gamma) \varphi_j(\gamma)) \hat{p}_j(\gamma)(x, \gamma) = \sum_{\gamma} \Phi(\varphi_j(\gamma)) \hat{p}_j(\gamma)(x, \gamma).$$

First we assume that Γ is a group of bounded order. Then we can write $\Gamma = \mathcal{A}(r) \oplus \Pi$ for some $r \geq 2$. Therefore Φ has the same property for $\mathcal{A}(r)$ as in the lemma, so that we can assume $\Gamma = \mathcal{A}(r)$. We show (8) is impossible for $\Lambda = \mathcal{A}(r)$.

Let Ω_j be the subgroup generated by the support of φ_j , then Ω_j is a finite subgroup of $\mathcal{A}(r)$. Let X be the space of real-valued continuous functions f of the form

$$f(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (x, \gamma_j) f_j(x),$$

where $\{\gamma_j\}$ is a sequence of (a) in Lemma C and the support of f_j is contained in Ω_j . Then this representation of f is unique and we have

$$\|f\|_{\infty} \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|f_j\|_{\infty} \leq 2\|f\|_{\infty}.$$

Thus the functional defined on X by

$$Tf = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{D(r)} f_j(-x) \sum_{\gamma} \varphi_j(\gamma)(x, \gamma) \, dx$$

is bounded. Therefore there exists a finite measure μ on $D(r)$ such that

$$Tf = \int_{D(r)} f(-x) \, d\mu(x).$$

In particular $\hat{\mu}(\gamma + \gamma_j) = \varphi_j(\gamma)$. If $\hat{\mu}$ is not real-valued we replace $\hat{\mu}$ by its real part. Since $\hat{\mu} \in M_1(\mathcal{A}(r))$ and $\left\| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} p_j(\cdot, \gamma_j) \right\|_{L^p(D(r))} \leq 1$, we have

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\gamma} \Phi(\hat{\mu}(\gamma + \gamma_j)) \hat{p}_j(\gamma)(\cdot, \gamma + \gamma_j) \right\|_{L^p(D(r))} \leq \|\Phi(\hat{\mu})\|_{M_p(\mathcal{A}(r))} < \infty.$$

Consider the characteristic function of $\Omega_j + \gamma_j$ which is a multiplier of norm one. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Phi(\hat{\mu})\|_{M_p(\mathcal{A}(r))} &\geq \left\| \sum_{\gamma} \Phi(\hat{\mu}(\gamma + \gamma_j)) \hat{p}_j(\gamma)(\cdot, \gamma + \gamma_j) \right\|_{L^p(D(r))} \\ &= \left\| \sum_{\gamma} \Phi(\varphi_j(\gamma)) \hat{p}_j(\gamma)(\cdot, \gamma) \right\|_{L^p(D(r))} \\ &\geq j, \end{aligned}$$

$j = 1, 2, \dots$, which is impossible.

Next we treat the case where Γ is not of bounded order. Assume (8) holds for $\Lambda = \mathbb{Z}$.

We can suppose that the support of $\hat{p}_j \subset [-n_j, n_j]$ and the support of $\varphi_j \subset [-2n_j, 2n_j]$. Let $\{\gamma_j\}$, $\{E_j\}$ and $\{m_j\}$ be the sequences of (b) in Lemma C.

Let X be the space of continuous functions f on G of the form

$$f^*(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (x, m_j \gamma_j) f_j^*(x),$$

where $f_j^*(x) = \sum_{-2n_j}^{2n_j} \hat{f}_j(n)(x, n\gamma_j)$. Then the representation is unique. For f^* put

$$f(\theta) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} e^{im_j \theta} f_j(\theta),$$

where $f_j(\theta) = \sum_{-2n_j}^{2n_j} \hat{f}_j(n) e^{in\theta}$. Then we have, by (b) of Lemma C,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|f_j\|_{\infty} \leq 2\|f^*\|_{\infty}.$$

We define a functional T on X by

$$Tf = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f_j(-\theta) \sum_{-2n_j}^{2n_j} \varphi_j(n) e^{in\theta} d\theta.$$

Then this is bounded on X . Thus there exists, by extension theorem, a finite measure μ on G such that

$$Tf = \int_G f^*(-x) d\mu(x).$$

In particular $\hat{\mu}(m_j \gamma_j + n\gamma_j) = \varphi_j(n)$ for $|n| \leq 2n_j$, $j = 1, 2, \dots$. As above we may assume $\hat{\mu}$ is real-valued.

Now for the polynomial q on T of order $\leq n_j$, put

$$q^*(x) = \sum_{-n_j}^{n_j} \hat{q}(n)(x, n\gamma_j), \quad x \in G.$$

If γ_j is of infinite order, then $\|q^*\|_{L^p(G)} = \|q\|_{L^p(T)}$. If γ_j has order d , say, then

$$\|q^*\|_{L^p(G)} = \left[\sum_{k=1}^d \frac{1}{d} \left| q\left(\frac{2\pi k}{d}\right) \right|^p \right]^{1/p}.$$

This differs from

$$\|q\|_{L^p(T)} = \left[\sum_{k=1}^d \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{(2k-1)\pi/d}^{(2k+1)\pi/d} |q(\theta)|^p d\theta \right]^{1/p}$$

by at most

$$\frac{\pi}{d} \|q'\|_\infty \leq \frac{5\pi}{d} n_j^2 \|q\|_{L^1(T)} \leq \frac{1}{2} \|q\|_{L^1(T)} \leq \frac{1}{2} \|q\|_{L^p(T)}.$$

Thus we have

$$2\|q\|_{L^p(T)} \geq \|q^*\|_{L^p(G)} \geq \frac{1}{2} \|q\|_{L^p(T)}.$$

Therefore from (8) we get

$$\|p_j^*\|_{L^p(G)} \leq 2^{-j+1},$$

(9)

$$\left\| \sum_{-n_j}^{n_j} \Phi(\varphi_j(n)) \hat{p}_j(n)(\cdot, n\gamma_j) \right\|_{L^p(G)} \geq \frac{1}{2} j,$$

$j = 1, 2, \dots$. Since $\hat{\mu} \in M_1(\Gamma)$ and $\left\| \sum p_j^* \right\|_{L^1(G)} \leq 2$,

$$\left\| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{-n_j}^{n_j} \Phi(\hat{\mu}(m_j\gamma_j + n\gamma_j)) \hat{p}_j(n)(\cdot, m_j\gamma_j + n\gamma_j) \right\|_{L^p(G)} \leq 2\|\Phi(\hat{\mu})\|_{M_p(\Gamma)} < \infty.$$

If we put $\hat{K}_j(\gamma) = \min(1, 2 - |n|/n_j)$ for $\gamma = m_j\gamma_j + n\gamma_j$, $|n| \leq 2n_j$ and $\hat{K}_j = 0$ otherwise, then $\|\hat{K}_j\|_{M_p(\Gamma)} \leq 3$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} 6\|\Phi(\hat{\mu})\|_{M_p(\Gamma)} &\geq \left\| \sum_{-n_j}^{n_j} \Phi(\hat{\mu}(m_j\gamma_j + n\gamma_j)) \hat{p}_j(n)(\cdot, m_j\gamma_j + n\gamma_j) \right\|_{L^p(G)} \\ &= \left\| \sum_{-n_j}^{n_j} \Phi(\varphi_j(n)) \hat{p}_j(n)(\cdot, n\gamma_j) \right\|_{L^p(G)}, \end{aligned}$$

which contradicts (9). Thus the lemma is proved.

Now we proceed to the proof of Theorem 1. Let Φ be the function in the theorem. Considering $\Phi(\sin t)$ and $\Phi(\varepsilon \sin t)$ ($0 < \varepsilon < 1$), it is sufficient to show that Φ is entire under the additional assumption that Φ is defined on the whole line and periodic. By Lemmas 2 and 3 Φ is continuous and maps real-valued functions in $M_1(\Lambda)$ into $M_p(\Lambda)$ where Λ is an infinite discrete group. We have

$$e^{in\varphi} \hat{\Phi}(n) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \Phi(\varphi+x) e^{-inx} dx,$$

where $\varphi \in M_1(\Lambda)$ and $\Lambda = \mathcal{A}(r)$ ($r \geq 2$) or \mathbf{Z} . Hence by Lemma 4

$$|\hat{\Phi}(n)| \|e^{in\varphi}\|_{M_p(\Lambda)} \leq C_a$$

for any φ such that $\|\varphi\|_{M_1(\Lambda)} \leq a$. Therefore by Lemma 1 we get $|\hat{\Phi}(n)| \leq C_a K_p^{-an}$ for any $a > 0$. Therefore Φ is extended to an entire function.

REMARK. Let Γ be a compact abelian group and $1 \leq p < 2$. If Φ is a function on $[-1, 1]$ and $\Phi(\varphi) \in M_p(\Gamma)$ for all φ in $M_1(\Gamma)$ with the range contained in $[-1, 1]$, then Φ is the restriction of a function analytic in a neighborhood of $[-1, 1]$.

In fact $M_1(\Gamma) = A_1(\Gamma)$ and $M_p(\Gamma) \subset A_p(\Gamma)$, so that this follows from a theorem of Rudin in [9].

4. Some consequences of Theorem 1. Let $1 \leq p < 2$ and $m_p(\Gamma)$ be the space of continuous functions in $M_p(\Gamma)$. Since $\|\varphi\|_{\infty} \leq \|\varphi\|_{M_p(\Gamma)}$, $m_p(\Gamma)$ is a closed subalgebra of $M_p(\Gamma)$ and each point of Γ is identified with a maximal ideal of $m_p(\Gamma)$.

THEOREM 4. *Let $1 \leq p < 2$ and Γ be a locally compact non-compact abelian group. Then for any complex number z there exist a real-valued function φ in $m_p(\Gamma)$ and a homomorphism h of $m_p(\Gamma)$ such that $h(\varphi) = z$.*

PROOF. Otherwise the function $\Phi(x) = (x - z)^{-1}$ would carry the real-valued functions in $m_p(\Gamma)$ to $M_p(\Gamma)$, which is impossible since $M_1(\Gamma) \subset m_p(\Gamma)$.

COROLLARY 5. *Under the conditions in Theorem 4 the algebra $m_p(\Gamma)$*

is asymmetric and not regular.

PROOF. By Theorem 4, Γ is not dense in the maximal ideal space \mathfrak{M} of $m_p(\Gamma)$. Therefore $m_p(\Gamma)$ is not regular. Let φ be a function in $m_p(\Gamma)$ such that the Fourier-Gelfand transform $\widehat{\varphi}$ is real-valued on Γ but not on \mathfrak{M} . If for some $\psi \in m_p(\Gamma)$ we have $\widehat{\psi} = \overline{\widehat{\varphi}}$ on \mathfrak{M} , then $\psi(\gamma) = \varphi(\gamma)$ for all $\gamma \in \Gamma$, that is, $\widehat{\varphi}$ is real-valued. Thus $\widehat{\varphi} \in \widehat{m_p(\Gamma)}$.

THEOREM 6. *Under the conditions in Theorem 4 there exists a real-valued function φ in $M_1(\Gamma)$ such that $\varphi(\gamma) \geq 1$ but $1/\varphi \notin M_p(\Gamma)$.*

PROOF. It suffices to consider the function $\Phi(x) = 1/(x^2 + 1)$.

This will be interesting in connection with the inversion theorem of the singular integral operators; see Calderón-Zygmund [1].

From Theorem 1 and Remark in § 3 we have the following result which is proved partially by Hörmander [6] and Figà-Talamanca [4] in the case $\Gamma = \mathbf{R}$.

THEOREM 7. *Let Γ be a locally compact abelian group and $1 \leq p < 2$. Then the contraction does not operate on $M_p(\Gamma)$ and $m_p(\Gamma)$.*

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