

# CLASSICAL FOURIER ANALYSIS: INTERPOLATION ON $L^p$ SPACES

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**Abstract.** In this written seminar work I will basically follow [Gra14, pp. 33–48]. I will review three basic but important theorems on interpolation of operators on  $L^p$  spaces, namely the *Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem*, the *Riesz-Thorin Interpolation Theorem* and finally an extension of the Riesz-Thorin Interpolation Theorem to analytic families of operators (the so-called *Stein's theorem on interpolation of analytic families of operators*). We are mainly concerned with the notion of linear operators as well as slight generalizations of them.

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## 1. Introduction and Basic Definitions.

**1.1. Linear Operators.** First we need to have a precise and suitable idea of *linear operators* in the generalized setting of measure spaces.

DEFINITION 1.1. *Let  $(X, \mu)$  and  $(Y, \nu)$  be measure spaces. Further let  $T$  be an operator defined on a linear space of complex-valued measurable functions on  $X$  and taking values in the set of all complex-valued, finite almost everywhere, measurable functions*

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on  $Y$ . Then  $T$  is called linear if for all functions  $f$  and  $g$  in the domain of  $T$  and all  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  holds

$$(1) \quad T(f+g) = T(f) + T(g) \quad T(zf) = zT(f)$$

and quasi-linear if

$$(2) \quad |T(f+g)| \leq K(|T(f)| + |T(g)|) \quad |T(zf)| = |z||T(f)|$$

holds for some real constant  $K > 0$ . If  $K = 1$ ,  $T$  is called sublinear.

## 2. The Real Method.

**2.1. The Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem.** The name originates from the real variables technique used for proving the theorem.

**THEOREM 2.1.** (The Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem) *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a  $\sigma$ -finite measure space,  $(Y, \nu)$  another measure space and  $0 < p_0 < p_1 \leq \infty$ . Further let  $T$  be a sublinear operator defined on*

$$L^{p_0} + L^{p_1} := \{f_0 + f_1 : f_0 \in L^{p_0}(X, \mu), f_1 \in L^{p_1}(X, \mu)\}$$

*and taking values in the space of measurable functions on  $Y$ . Assume that there exist  $A_0, A_1 < \infty$  such that*

$$(3) \quad \forall f \in L^{p_0}(X, \mu) \quad \|T(f)\|_{L^{p_0}, \infty} \leq A_0 \|f\|_{L^{p_0}}$$

$$(4) \quad \forall f \in L^{p_1}(X, \mu) \quad \|T(f)\|_{L^{p_1}, \infty} \leq A_1 \|f\|_{L^{p_1}}$$

*Then for all  $p_0 < p < p_1$  and for all  $f \in L^p(X, \mu)$  we have the estimate*

$$(5) \quad \|T(f)\|_{L^p} \leq A \|f\|_{L^p}$$

*where*

$$(6) \quad A := 2 \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} + \frac{p}{p_1-p} \right)^{1/p} A_0^{\frac{\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{p_1}}{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p_1}}} A_1^{\frac{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p}}{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p_1}}}$$

*Proof.* The proof is subdivided into two main parts, which are further subdivided. In detail, we have the following partitioning:

- (i.)  $p_1 < \infty$ .
  - a. Split  $f$  using cut-off functions.
  - b. Estimate the distribution function  $d_{T(f)}$ .
  - c. Estimate  $\|T(f)\|_{L^p}^p$ .
- (ii.)  $p_1 = \infty$ .

- a. Show that  $\mu(\{|T(f_1)| > \alpha/2\}) = 0$ .
  - b. Estimate the distribution function  $d_{T(f_0)}$ .
  - c. Estimate  $\|T(f)\|_{L^p}^p$ .
- (i.) a. Let us first consider the case  $p_1 < \infty$ . Fix  $f \in L^p(X, \mu)$ ,  $\alpha > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$  ( $\delta$  will be determined later). We split  $f$  using so-called *cut-off* functions, by stipulating  $f \equiv f_0(\cdot; \alpha, \delta) + f_1(\cdot; \alpha, \delta)$ , where  $f_0(\cdot; \alpha, \delta)$  is the *unbounded part* of  $f$  and  $f_1(\cdot; \alpha, \delta)$  is the *bounded part* of  $f$ , defined by

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} f_0(x; \alpha, \delta) &:= \begin{cases} f(x), & |f(x)| > \delta\alpha, \\ 0, & |f(x)| \leq \delta\alpha. \end{cases} \\ f_1(x; \alpha, \delta) &:= \begin{cases} f(x), & |f(x)| \leq \delta\alpha, \\ 0, & |f(x)| > \delta\alpha. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

for  $x \in X$ . To facilitate reading I will omit the dependency of  $f_0(\cdot; \alpha, \delta)$  and  $f_1(\cdot; \alpha, \delta)$  upon the parameters  $\alpha$  and  $\delta$  in what follows and simply write  $f_0$ ,  $f_1$  respectively. Since  $p_0 < p$  we have

$$(8) \quad \begin{aligned} \|f_0\|_{L^{p_0}}^{p_0} &= \int_X |f_0|^{p_0} d\mu = \int_X |f|^{p_0} \cdot \chi_{\{|f| > \delta\alpha\}} d\mu \stackrel{(\dagger)}{=} \int_{\{|f| > \delta\alpha\}} |f|^{p_0} d\mu \\ &= \int_{\{|f| > \delta\alpha\}} |f|^p |f|^{p_0-p} d\mu = \int_{\{|f| > \delta\alpha\}} \frac{|f|^p}{|f|^{p-p_0}} d\mu \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(\delta\alpha)^{p-p_0}} \int_{\{|f| > \delta\alpha\}} |f|^p d\mu = (\delta\alpha)^{p_0-p} \int_X |f|^p \cdot \chi_{\{|f| > \delta\alpha\}} d\mu \\ &\leq (\delta\alpha)^{p_0-p} \int_X |f|^p d\mu = (\delta\alpha)^{p_0-p} \|f\|_{L^p}^p < \infty \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $f_0 \in L^{p_0}(X, \mu)$ . Analogously it can be checked, that  $f_1 \in L^{p_1}(X, \mu)$  by the estimate  $\|f_1\|_{L^{p_1}}^{p_1} \leq (\delta\alpha)^{p_1-p} \|f\|_{L^p}^p$ . Therefore  $f \equiv f_0 + f_1 \in L^{p_0} + L^{p_1}$ .

*Proof of the equality (†).* Assume  $\mu$  is defined on the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{A}$ . We have to prove that  $\{|f| > \delta\alpha\} \in \mathcal{A}$ <sup>1</sup>. Since  $f$  is complex-valued, we may write  $f \equiv \operatorname{Re} f + i \operatorname{Im} f$  and thus  $|f|^2 \equiv \operatorname{Re}^2 f + \operatorname{Im}^2 f$ . Since  $f$  is measurable by hypothesis this implies that  $\operatorname{Re} f$  and  $\operatorname{Im} f$  are measurable<sup>2</sup>. Further for measurable real-valued functions  $f, g : (X, \mathcal{A}) \rightarrow (\overline{\mathbb{R}}, \overline{\mathfrak{B}})$ <sup>3</sup> the functions  $f + g$  and  $f \cdot g$  are

<sup>1</sup> For  $Y \in \mathcal{A}$  the  $\mu$ -integral of  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  over  $Y$  is defined to be  $\int_Y f d\mu := \int_X f \cdot \chi_Y d\mu$ . For more details see [Els11, pp. 135–136].

<sup>2</sup>For a proof see [Els11, p. 106]

<sup>3</sup> $\overline{\mathfrak{B}} := \sigma(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\overline{\mathfrak{B}} = \{B \cup E : B \in \mathfrak{B}, E \subseteq \{\pm\infty\}\}$ .

measurable<sup>4</sup> and thus  $|f|^2$  is measurable. Hence  $\{\operatorname{Re}^2 f + \operatorname{Im}^2 f > \lambda\} \in \mathcal{A}$ <sup>5</sup> for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ . So especially for  $\lambda := (\delta\alpha)^2$  we have  $\{|f| > \delta\alpha\} \in \mathcal{A}$ <sup>6</sup>. In a similar manner it can also be proven that  $\{|f| \leq \delta\alpha\} \in \mathcal{A}$ . Let us next prove a useful lemma.

**LEMMA 2.1.** *Let  $A \in \mathcal{O}(X)$  and  $\chi_A : (X, \mathcal{A}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, \mathfrak{B}^2)$  be the characteristic function of the set  $A$ . Then  $\chi_A$  is measurable if and only if  $A$  is measurable.*

*Proof.* Assume  $\chi_A$  is measurable. Then  $\operatorname{Re}\chi_A$  and  $\operatorname{Im}\chi_A$  are measurable. Especially for  $0 < \lambda < 1$  we have that  $\{\operatorname{Re}\chi_A > \lambda\} = A \in \mathcal{A}$ . Conversely, assume  $A$  is measurable. For  $\lambda < 0$  we have  $\{\operatorname{Re}\chi_A > \lambda\} = X \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $\lambda \in [0, 1[$ ,  $\{\operatorname{Re}\chi_A > \lambda\} = A \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\{\operatorname{Re}\chi_A > \lambda\} = \emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$  for  $\lambda \geq 1$ . Since  $\operatorname{Im}\chi_A \equiv 0$  we have  $\{\operatorname{Im}\chi_A > \lambda\} = X \in \mathcal{A}$  if  $\lambda < 0$  and  $\{\operatorname{Im}\chi_A > \lambda\} = \emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$  if  $\lambda \geq 0$ .  $\square$  By Lemma 2.1 and the fact that  $f \cdot g$  is measurable for two measurable functions  $f, g : (X, \mathcal{A}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, \mathfrak{B}^2)$ <sup>7</sup>,  $f_0$  and  $f_1$  are measurable since  $f_0 \equiv f \cdot \chi_{\{|f| > \delta\alpha\}}$  and  $f_1 \equiv f \cdot \chi_{\{|f| \leq \delta\alpha\}}$ .

One subtlety is left to clear: the  $\mu$ -integrability of either  $|f_1|^{p_0}$  or  $|f_1|^{p_1}$  requires that  $|f_0|^{p_0}$  and  $|f_1|^{p_1}$  are measurable functions. By the fact that any continuous map  $g : (X, d_X) \rightarrow (Y, d_Y)$  between metric spaces is Borel-measurable (see [Els11, p. 86]) and that the composition of measurable functions is again measurable (see [Els11, p. 87]), the measurability of either  $f_0$  or  $f_1$  follows by  $|f_0|^{p_0} \equiv \cdot^{p_0} \circ |f \cdot \chi_{\{|f| > \delta\alpha\}}|$  and  $|f_1|^{p_1} \equiv \cdot^{p_1} \circ |f \cdot \chi_{\{|f| \leq \delta\alpha\}}|$  by stipulating  $\cdot^p : (\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0}, |\cdot|) \rightarrow (\mathbb{C}, |\cdot|)$ ,  $x^p := \exp(p \log(x))$  for  $p > 0$  and  $x \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$  and  $x^p := 0$  if  $x = 0$ .

- b.** Since  $T$  is a sublinear operator we have  $|T(f)| = |T(f_0 + f_1)| \leq |T(f_0)| + |T(f_1)|$ . Thus for any  $y \in Y$  with  $|T(f)(y)| > \alpha$  we therefore have either  $|T(f_0)(y)| > \alpha/2$  or  $|T(f_1)(y)| > \alpha/2$ <sup>8</sup>. Hence

$$\{|T(f)| > \alpha\} \subseteq \{|T(f_0)| > \alpha/2\} \cup \{|T(f_1)| > \alpha/2\}$$

and so by the monotonicity and subadditivity property of the measure  $\mu$  we have

<sup>4</sup>For a proof see [Els11, p. 107].

<sup>5</sup>For a proof see [Els11, pp. 105–106].

<sup>6</sup>This follows from the fact that  $x < y$  if and only if  $x^n < y^n$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$  and some real numbers  $x, y > 0$  (see [Zor04, p. 119]).

<sup>7</sup>Els11, p. 107.

<sup>8</sup>Without loss of generality assume  $|T(f_0)(y)| \leq |T(f_1)(y)|$ . Then we have  $\alpha < |T(f)(y)| \leq |T(f_0)(y)| + |T(f_1)(y)| \leq 2|T(f_1)(y)|$  (this is possible since  $\mathbb{R}$  is an ordered field).

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_{T(f)}(\alpha) &= \mu(\{|T(f)| > \alpha\}) \\
 &\leq \mu(\{|T(f_0)| > \alpha/2\} \cup \{|T(f_1)| > \alpha/2\}) \\
 &\leq \mu(\{|T(f_0)| > \alpha/2\}) + \mu(\{|T(f_1)| > \alpha/2\}) \\
 &= d_{T(f_0)}(\alpha/2) + d_{T(f_1)}(\alpha/2)
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{9}$$

Now by hypothesis (3) we can estimate  $d_{T(f_0)}(\alpha/2)$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned}
 d_{T(f_0)}(\alpha/2) &= \left(\frac{\alpha/2}{\alpha/2}\right)^{p_0} d_{T(f_0)}(\alpha/2) \\
 &\leq \left(\frac{1}{\alpha/2}\right)^{p_0} \left[\sup \left\{ \gamma d_{T(f_0)}(\gamma)^{1/p_0} : \gamma > 0 \right\}\right]^{p_0} \\
 &= \left(\frac{1}{\alpha/2}\right)^{p_0} \|T(f_0)\|_{L^{p_0, \infty}}^{p_0} \\
 &\leq \left(\frac{A_0}{\alpha/2}\right)^{p_0} \|f_0\|_{L^{p_0}}^{p_0}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{10}$$

Analogously, we get  $d_{T(f_1)}(\alpha/2) \leq \left(\frac{A_1}{\alpha/2}\right)^{p_1} \|f_1\|_{L^{p_1}}^{p_1}$  by hypothesis (4).

c. By

$$\int_0^{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|} \alpha^{p-p_0-1} d\lambda = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{p-p_0} \frac{1}{\delta^{p-p_0}} |f|^{p-p_0}, & p \geq p_0 + 1 \\ \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\omega}^{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|} \alpha^{p-p_0-1} d\lambda & \\ = \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0^+} \left[ \frac{1}{p-p_0} \alpha^{p-p_0} \left| \frac{1}{\omega} \right| \right] & \\ = \frac{1}{p-p_0} \left[ \frac{1}{\delta^{p-p_0}} |f|^{p-p_0} - \lim_{\omega \rightarrow 0^+} \omega^{p-p_0} \right] & \\ = \frac{1}{p-p_0} \frac{1}{\delta^{p-p_0}} |f|^{p-p_0}, & p_0 < p < p_0 + 1 \end{cases}
 \tag{11}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|}^{\infty} \alpha^{p-p_1-1} d\lambda &= \lim_{\omega \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{1}{p-p_1} \alpha^{p-p_1} \right]_{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|}^{\omega} \\
 &= \frac{1}{p-p_1} \left[ \lim_{\omega \rightarrow \infty} \omega^{p-p_1} - \frac{1}{\delta^{p-p_1}} |f|^{p-p_1} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{p_1-p} \frac{1}{\delta^{p-p_1}} |f|^{p-p_1}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{12}$$

and the representation  $\|f\|_{L^p}^p = p \int_0^{\infty} \alpha^{p-1} d_f(\alpha) d\lambda$  for  $0 < p < \infty$  we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\|T(f)\|_{L^p}^p &= p \int_0^\infty \alpha^{p-1} d_{T(f)} \lambda \\
&\leq p(2A_0)^{p_0} \int_0^\infty \alpha^{p-p_0-1} \int_{\{|f|>\delta\alpha\}} |f|^{p_0} d\mu d\lambda \\
&\quad + p(2A_1)^{p_1} \int_0^\infty \alpha^{p-p_1-1} \int_{\{|f|\leq\delta\alpha\}} |f|^{p_1} d\mu d\lambda \\
&= p(2A_0)^{p_0} \int_{\{|f|>0\}} |f|^{p_0} \int_0^{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|} \alpha^{p-p_0-1} d\lambda d\mu \\
&\quad + p(2A_0)^{p_0} \int_{\{|f|=0\}} |f|^{p_0} \int_0^{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|} \alpha^{p-p_0-1} d\lambda d\mu \\
&\quad + p(2A_1)^{p_1} \int_X |f|^{p_1} \int_{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|}^\infty \alpha^{p-p_1-1} d\lambda d\mu \\
&= p(2A_0)^{p_0} \int_X |f|^{p_0} \int_0^{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|} \alpha^{p-p_0-1} d\lambda d\mu \\
&\quad + p(2A_1)^{p_1} \int_X |f|^{p_1} \int_{\frac{1}{\delta}|f|}^\infty \alpha^{p-p_1-1} d\lambda d\mu \\
&= \frac{p(2A_0)^{p_0}}{p-p_0} \frac{1}{\delta^{p-p_0}} \int_X |f|^{p_0} |f|^{p-p_0} d\mu \\
&\quad + \frac{p(2A_1)^{p_1}}{p_1-p} \frac{1}{\delta^{p-p_1}} \int_X |f|^{p_1} |f|^{p-p_1} d\mu \\
&= p \left( \frac{(2A_0)^{p_0}}{p-p_0} \frac{1}{\delta^{p-p_0}} + \frac{(2A_1)^{p_1}}{p_1-p} \delta^{p_1-p} \right) \|f\|_{L^p}^p
\end{aligned}
\tag{13}$$

We pick  $\delta > 0$  such that  $(2A_0)^{p_0} \delta^{p_0-p} = (2A_1)^{p_1} \delta^{p_1-p}$ . Solving for  $\delta$  yields

$$\delta = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{A_0}{A_1} \right)^{p_1/(p_1-p_0)}
\tag{14}$$

Substituting this in estimate (13) leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
\|T(f)\|_{L^p}^p &\leq p \left( \frac{(2A_0)^{p_0}}{p-p_0} \frac{2^{p-p_0} A_1^{\frac{p_1(p-p_0)}{p_1-p_0}}}{A_0^{\frac{p_0(p-p_0)}{p_1-p_0}}} + \frac{(2A_1)^{p_1}}{p_1-p} \frac{A_0^{\frac{p_0(p_1-p)}{p_1-p_0}}}{2^{p_1-p} A_1^{\frac{p_1(p_1-p)}{p_1-p_0}}} \right) \|f\|_{L^p}^p \\
&= 2^p p \left( \frac{A_0^{\frac{p_0(p_1-p)}{p_1-p_0}} A_1^{\frac{p_1(p-p_0)}{p_1-p_0}}}{p-p_0} + \frac{A_0^{\frac{p_0(p_1-p)}{p_1-p_0}} A_1^{\frac{p_1(p-p_0)}{p_1-p_0}}}{p_1-p} \right) \|f\|_{L^p}^p
\end{aligned}
\tag{15}$$

And taking the  $p$ -th power further

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|T(f)\|_{L^p} &\leq 2 \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} + \frac{p}{p_1-p} \right)^{1/p} A_0^{\frac{p_0(p_1-p)}{p(p_1-p_0)}} A_1^{\frac{p_1(p-p_0)}{p(p_1-p_0)}} \|f\|_{L^p} \\
 &= 2 \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} + \frac{p}{p_1-p} \right)^{1/p} A_0^{\frac{p_0(p_1-p)}{p(p_1-p_0)} \frac{p_1}{p_1}} A_1^{\frac{p_1(p-p_0)}{p(p_1-p_0)} \frac{p_0}{p_0}} \|f\|_{L^p} \\
 (16) \quad &= 2 \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} + \frac{p}{p_1-p} \right)^{1/p} A_0^{\frac{\frac{p_1-p}{p_1}}{\frac{p_1-p_0}{p_1}}} A_1^{\frac{\frac{p-p_0}{p_0}}{\frac{p_1-p_0}{p_1}}} \|f\|_{L^p} \\
 &= 2 \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} + \frac{p}{p_1-p} \right)^{1/p} A_0^{\frac{\frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{p_1}}{\frac{1}{p_0} - \frac{1}{p_1}}} A_1^{\frac{\frac{1}{p_0} - \frac{1}{p}}{\frac{1}{p_0} - \frac{1}{p_1}}} \|f\|_{L^p}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii.) **a.** Assume  $p_1 = \infty$ . We again use the cut-off functions defined in (7) to decompose  $f$ . Since  $\{|f_1| > \delta\alpha\} = \emptyset$ , we have

$$\|T(f_1)\|_{L^\infty} \leq A_1 \|f_1\|_{L^\infty} = A_1 \inf \{B > 0 : \mu(\{|f_1| > B\}) = 0\} \leq A_1 \delta\alpha = \alpha/2$$

Provided we stipulate  $\delta := 1/(2A_1)$ . Therefore the set  $\{|T(f_1)| > \alpha/2\}$  has measure zero (this is immediate since  $\|T(f_1)\|_{L^\infty} = \inf \{B > 0 : \mu(\{|T(f_1)| > B\}) = 0\} \leq \alpha/2$  and any subset of a set with measure zero has itself measure zero). Thus similar to part **b.** of (i.) we get  $d_{T(f)}(\alpha) \leq d_{T(f_0)}(\alpha/2)$ .

- b.** Hypothesis (3) yields the estimate  $d_{T(f_0)}(\alpha/2) \leq \left(\frac{A_0}{\alpha/2}\right)^{p_0} \int_{\{2A_1|f|>\alpha\}} |f|^{p_0} d\mu$ .

- c.** Thus by **a.** and **b.**

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|T(f)\|_{L^p}^p &= p \int_0^\infty \alpha^{p-1} d_{T(f)} d\lambda \\
 &\leq p(2A_0)^{p_0} \int_0^\infty \alpha^{p-p_0-1} \int_{\{2A_1|f|>\alpha\}} |f|^{p_0} d\mu d\lambda \\
 (17) \quad &= p(2A_0)^{p_0} \int_X |f|^{p_0} \int_0^{2A_1|f|} \alpha^{p-p_0-1} d\lambda d\mu \\
 &= \frac{2^p p A_0^{p_0} A_1^{p-p_0}}{p-p_0} \int_X |f|^p d\mu \\
 &= \frac{2^p p A_0^{p_0} A_1^{p-p_0}}{p-p_0} \|f\|_{L^p}^p
 \end{aligned}$$

That the constant  $2^p p A_0^{p_0} A_1^{p-p_0} / (p-p_0)$  found in (17) is the  $p$ -th power of the one stated in the theorem can be seen by passing the constant (6) to the limit  $p_1 \rightarrow \infty$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{p_1 \rightarrow \infty} A &= \lim_{p_1 \rightarrow \infty} \left[ 2 \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} + \frac{p}{p_1-p} \right)^{1/p} A_0^{\frac{\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{p_1}}{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p_1}}} A_1^{\frac{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p}}{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p_1}}} \right] \\
&= 2 \exp \left[ \frac{1}{p} \log \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} + \lim_{p_1 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p_1} \frac{p}{1-p} \lim_{p_1 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p_1} \right) \right] \\
&\quad \cdot \lim_{p_1 \rightarrow \infty} A_0^{\frac{\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{p_1}}{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p_1}}} \cdot \lim_{p_1 \rightarrow \infty} A_1^{\frac{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p}}{\frac{1}{p_0}-\frac{1}{p_1}}} \\
&= 2 \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} \right)^{1/p} \exp \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{p} - \lim_{p_1 \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{p_1}}{\frac{1}{p_0} - \lim_{p_1 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p_1}} \log(A_0) \right] \\
&\quad \cdot \exp \left[ \frac{\frac{1}{p_0} - \frac{1}{p}}{\frac{1}{p_0} - \lim_{p_1 \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{p_1}} \log(A_1) \right] \\
&= 2 \left( \frac{p}{p-p_0} \right)^{1/p} A_0^{\frac{p_0}{p}} A_1^{1-\frac{p_0}{p}}
\end{aligned}$$

□

**3. The Complex Method.** This theorem will unfortunately only be applicable to linear operators but will yield a more natural bound of the operator on the intermediate space. The proof will make strong use of complex variables technique. A major tool will be an application of the maximum modulus principle, known as *Hadamard's three lines lemma*.

### 3.1. Hadamard's Three Lines Lemma.

**LEMMA 3.1.** *Hadamard's three lines lemma*) Let  $F$  be an analytic function on the strip  $S := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < \operatorname{Re} z < 1\}$ , continuous and bounded on  $\bar{S}$ , such that  $|F(z)| \leq B_0$  when  $\operatorname{Re} z = 0$  and  $|F(z)| \leq B_1$  when  $\operatorname{Re} z = 1$ , for some  $0 < B_0, B_1 < \infty$ . Then  $|F(z)| \leq B_0^{1-\theta} B_1^\theta$  when  $\operatorname{Re} z = \theta$ , for any  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ .

*Proof.* For  $z \in \bar{S}$  define

$$(18) \quad G(z) := \frac{F(z)}{B_0^{1-z} B_1^z} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}_{>0} : G_n(z) := G(z) e^{(z^2-1)/n}$$

Obviously,  $G(z)$  and  $G_n(z)$  are analytic functions on  $S$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$ <sup>9</sup>. Further, we have

<sup>9</sup> Recall, that a function  $f$  is called *analytic on  $U$* ,  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  open, if  $f$  is analytic at every  $z_0 \in U$ , that is, there exists a power series  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (z - z_0)^n$  and some  $r > 0$ , such that the series converges absolutely for  $|z - z_0| < r$ , and such that for such  $z$ , we have  $f(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n (z - z_0)^n$  (as defined in [Lan93, pp. 68–69]). If  $f$  and  $g$  are analytic on  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ , so are  $f + g$ ,  $f \cdot g$ . Also  $f/g$  is analytic on the open subset of  $z \in U$  such



$$(19) \quad |B_0^{1-z} B_1^z|^2 = |B_0^{1-z}|^2 |B_1^z|^2 = B_0^{1-z} B_0^{1-\bar{z}} B_1^z B_1^{\bar{z}} = \left(B_0^{1-\operatorname{Re} z}\right)^2 \left(B_1^{\operatorname{Re} z}\right)^2$$

Consider  $0 \leq \operatorname{Re} z \leq 1$  and  $B_0 \geq 1$ . Then  $B_0^{1-\operatorname{Re} z} = \exp((1 - \operatorname{Re} z) \log B_0) \geq 1$  and  $B_0^{1-\operatorname{Re} z} \geq B_0$  in the case  $B_0 < 1$ . A similar estimation of  $B_1^{\operatorname{Re} z}$  leads to

$$(20) \quad |B_0^{1-z} B_1^z| \geq \min\{1, B_0\} \min\{1, B_1\}$$

for all  $z \in \bar{S}$ . By this,  $G(z)$  is bounded on  $\bar{S}$  (by the boundedness of  $F$ ). Let  $M > 0$ , such that  $|G(z)| \leq M$  for  $z \in \bar{S}$ . Fix  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$  and write  $z := x + iy \in \bar{S}$ . Since

$$(21) \quad \begin{aligned} |G_n(z)|^2 &= |G(z)|^2 |e^{((x+iy)^2-1)/n}|^2 \\ &\leq M^2 e^{(x^2+2ixy-y^2-1)/n} e^{(x^2-2ixy-y^2-1)/n} \\ &= M^2 \left(e^{-y^2/n}\right)^2 \left(e^{(x^2-1)/n}\right)^2 \\ &\leq M^2 \left(e^{-y^2/n}\right)^2 \\ &= M^2 \left(e^{-|y|^2/n}\right)^2 \end{aligned}$$

we have  $\lim_{y \rightarrow \pm\infty} \sup\{|G_n(z)| : x \in [0, 1]\} = 0$  by the pinching-principle. Hence there exists some  $C(n) \in \mathbb{R}_{>0}$ , such that  $|G_n(z)| \leq 1$  for all  $|y| \geq C(n)$  and all  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Consider the rectangle  $R := [0, 1] \times [-C(n), C(n)]$ . Now  $|G_n(z)| \leq 1$  on the lines  $[0, 1] \times \{\pm C(n)\}$  and since  $|G(z)| = |F(z)|/B_0 \leq 1$ ,  $|G(z)| = |F(z)|/B_1 \leq 1$  on the line  $\{0\} \times [-C(n), C(n)]$  and  $\{1\} \times [-C(n), C(n)]$  respectively by assumption, we have  $|G_n(z)| \leq 1$  on  $\partial S$ . By the maximum modulus principle<sup>10</sup> we have  $|G_n(z)| \leq 1$  on  $R$  and thus  $|G_n(z)| \leq 1$  on  $\bar{S}$ . Since inequalities are preserved by limits and the modulus is a continuous function, we have that  $|G(z)| = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |G_n(z)| \leq 1$  on  $\bar{S}$ . Taking  $z := \theta + it$ , where  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , we conclude  $|F(z)| = |G(z)| |B_0^{1-z} B_1^z| \leq B_0^{1-\theta} B_1^\theta$ , which completes the proof.  $\square$

that  $g(z) \neq 0$ . If  $g : U \rightarrow V$  and  $f : V \rightarrow C$  are analytic so is  $f \circ g$ . Further, if  $f(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} a_n z^n$  is a power series with radius of convergence  $r$ ,  $f$  is analytic on  $B_r(0)$  (for a proof see [Lan93, pp. 69–70]).

<sup>10</sup> The theorem can be found in [Lan93, pp. 91–92]. I will reproduce it here.

**LEMMA 3.2.** (Maximum Modulus Principle, global version) *Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a connected open set, and let  $f$  be an analytic function on  $U$ . If  $z_0 \in U$  is a maximum point for  $|f|$ , that is  $|f(z_0)| \geq |f(z)|$  for all  $z \in U$ , then  $f$  is constant on  $U$ .*

For our purpose the following corollary is more appropriate.

**COROLLARY 3.1.** *Let  $U \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a connected open set and  $f$  be a continuous function on  $\bar{U}$ , analytic and non-constant on  $U$ . If  $z_0 \in \bar{U}$  is a maximum for  $f$ , that is  $|f(z_0)| \geq |f(z)|$  for all  $z \in \bar{U}$ , then  $z_0 \in \partial U$ .*

**3.2. The Riesz-Thorin Interpolation Theorem.** Now we are able to prove the Riesz-Thorin Interpolation theorem without an interruption.

**THEOREM 3.1.** (Riesz-Thorin Interpolation Theorem) *Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a measure space,  $(Y, \nu)$  a  $\sigma$ -finite measure space and  $T$  be a linear operator defined on the set of all finitely simple functions on  $X$  and taking values in the set of measurable functions on  $Y$ . Let  $1 \leq p_0, p_1, q_0, q_1 \leq \infty$  and assume that*

$$(22) \quad \|T(f)\|_{L^{q_0}} \leq M_0 \|f\|_{L^{p_0}} \quad \|T(f)\|_{L^{q_1}} \leq M_1 \|f\|_{L^{p_1}}$$

*holds for all finitely simple functions  $f$  on  $X$  and  $0 < M_0, M_1 < \infty$ . Then for all  $0 < \theta < 1$  we have*

$$(23) \quad \|T(f)\|_{L^q} \leq M_0^{1-\theta} M_1^\theta \|f\|_{L^p}$$

*for all finitely simple functions  $f$  on  $X$ , where*

$$(24) \quad \frac{1}{p} = \frac{1-\theta}{p_0} + \frac{\theta}{p_1} \quad \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1-\theta}{q_0} + \frac{\theta}{q_1}$$

*Proof.* The proof heavily relies on the fact, that the  $L^p$  norm of a function can be obtained via duality for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  (for  $p = \infty$  the underlying space has to be  $\sigma$ -finite according to [Els11, pp. 288–289]) by

$$\|f\|_{L^p(Y, \mathcal{B}, \nu)} = \sup \left\{ \left| \int_Y f g d\nu \right| : \|g\|_{L^{p'}(Y, \mathcal{B}, \nu)} = 1 \right\}$$

with  $p' := \frac{p}{p-1}$  for  $p \in ]1, \infty[$  and  $p' := 1$  for  $p = \infty$ . Let  $\mathcal{B}$  denote the domain of  $\nu$  and define for notational simplification  $\mathfrak{F} := \text{span}_{\mathbb{C}}\{\chi_E : E \in \mathcal{B}, \nu(E) < \infty\}$ , the set of all finitely simple functions on  $Y$ <sup>11</sup>. Since  $\mathfrak{F}$  is dense in  $L^p$  for every  $0 < p < \infty$ <sup>12</sup>, we may use the corollary found in [Bou95, p. 76]

**COROLLARY 3.2.** (Principle of extension of identities) *Let  $f, g$  be two continuous mappings of a topological space  $X$  into a Hausdorff space  $Y$ . If  $f(x) = g(x)$  at all points of a dense subset of  $X$ , then  $f \equiv g$ .*

<sup>11</sup> This is almost trivial. Consider  $Y_1, Y_2 \in \mathcal{B}$  with  $\nu(Y_1), \nu(Y_2) < \infty$  and  $Y_1 \cap Y_2 \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $f \equiv z_1 \chi_{Y_1} + z_2 \chi_{Y_2} \in \mathfrak{F}$  for  $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}$ . We see, that  $f \equiv z_1 \chi_{Y_1 \setminus Y_2} + z_2 \chi_{Y_2 \setminus Y_1} + (z_1 + z_2) \chi_{Y_1 \cap Y_2} \in \mathfrak{F}$  where the latter function is a finitely simple one since  $\nu(Y_1 \cup Y_2) \leq \nu(Y_1) + \nu(Y_2) < \infty$  and  $Y_1 \setminus Y_2, Y_2 \setminus Y_1, Y_1 \cap Y_2 \subseteq Y_1 \cup Y_2$ .

<sup>12</sup> In [Els11, p. 242] a proof can be found, that  $\mathfrak{F}$  is dense in  $L^p$  for  $0 < p < \infty$ . Now the canonical map  $\pi : \mathcal{L}^p \rightarrow L^p / \mathcal{N}$  is continuous. Hence we may use the following lemma.

**LEMMA 3.3.** *Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be topological spaces,  $f : X \rightarrow Y$  and  $A \subseteq X$  dense in  $X$ . Then  $f(A)$  is dense in  $Y$ .*

*Proof.* By [Mun00, p. 104] we have  $Y = f(X) = f(\overline{A}) \subseteq \overline{f(A)} \subseteq Y$ . □

to see, that also

$$\|f\|_{L^p} = \sup \left\{ \left| \int_Y f g d\mu \right| : g \in \mathfrak{F}, \|g\|_{L^{p'}} \leq 1 \right\}$$

First we will deal with the case  $q > 1$ . Fix  $f \equiv \sum_{k=1}^n a_k e^{i\alpha_k} \chi_{X_k}$ , where  $n \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$ ,  $a_k > 0$ ,  $\alpha_k \in [0, 2\pi[$ ,  $X_i \cap X_j = \emptyset$  for  $i, j = 1, \dots, n$  and  $\mu(X_k) < \infty$  for every  $k = 1, \dots, n$ . Further let  $g \equiv \sum_{k=1}^m b_k e^{i\beta_k} \chi_{Y_k} \in \mathfrak{F}$ , where  $m \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$ ,  $b_k > 0$  and  $\beta_k \in [0, 2\pi[$ . Define

$$P(z) := \frac{p}{p_0}(1-z) + \frac{p}{p_1}z \quad Q(z) := \frac{q'}{q'_0}(1-z) + \frac{q'}{q'_1}z$$

for  $z \in \bar{S}$  (in the case  $p = \infty$  we get also  $p_0 = p_1 = \infty$  and hence by stipulating  $\frac{\infty}{\infty} := 1$  the function  $P$  is well-defined). Further let

$$(25) \quad f_z \equiv \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^{P(z)} e^{i\alpha_k} \chi_{X_k} \quad g_z \equiv \sum_{k=1}^m b_k^{Q(z)} e^{i\beta_k} \chi_{Y_k}$$

and

$$(26) \quad F(z) := \int_Y T(f_z)(y) g_z(y) d\nu(y)$$

By the linearity of the operator  $T$  we have

$$(27) \quad F(z) = \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m a_j^{P(z)} b_k^{Q(z)} e^{i\alpha_j} e^{i\beta_k} \int_Y T(\chi_{X_j})(y) \chi_{Y_k}(y) d\nu(y)$$

and by using Hölder's inequality <sup>13</sup>

$$(28) \quad \begin{aligned} \left| \int_Y T(\chi_{X_j})(y) \chi_{Y_k}(y) d\nu(y) \right| &\leq \int_Y |T(\chi_{X_j})(y)| \chi_{Y_k}(y) d\nu(y) \\ &= \|T(\chi_{X_j}) \chi_{Y_k}\|_{L^1} \\ &\leq \|T(\chi_{X_j})\|_{L^{q_0}} \|\chi_{Y_k}\|_{L^{q'_0}} \\ &\leq M_0 \|\chi_{X_j}\|_{L^{p_0}} \|\chi_{Y_k}\|_{L^{q'_0}} \\ &= M_0 \mu(X_j)^{1/p_0} \nu(Y_k)^{1/q'_0} \\ &< \infty \end{aligned}$$

for  $p_0 < \infty$  and each  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, m$ . The case  $p_0, q'_0 = \infty$  is trivial, since  $\|\chi_{X_j}\|_{L^\infty(X, \mathcal{A}, \mu)}, \|\chi_{Y_k}\|_{L^\infty} \leq 1$ . Now

<sup>13</sup>A proof can be found in [Els11, p. 223].

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|f_{it}\|_{L^{p_0}} &= \left( \sum_{k=1}^n \int_X |f_{it}|^{p_0} d\mu + \int_{X \setminus \bigcup_{k=1}^n X_k} |f_{it}|^{p_0} d\mu \right)^{1/p_0} \\
 &= \left( \sum_{k=1}^n |a_k^{P(it)} e^{i\alpha_k}|^{p_0} \int_X \chi_{X_k} d\mu \right)^{1/p_0} \\
 (29) \quad &= \left( \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^{p_0 \operatorname{Re} P(it)} \mu(X_k) \right)^{1/p_0} \\
 &= \left( \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^p \mu(X_k) \right)^{p/(p_0 p)} \\
 &= \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_0}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $p, p_0 \neq \infty$ . Let us consider  $p_0 = \infty, p \neq \infty$ . Then either  $\|f_{it}\|_{L^\infty} = 0$  or  $\|f_{it}\|_{L^\infty} = 1$ . Since  $\|\cdot\|_{L^p}$  is a norm for  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$  (see [Els11, p. 231]), we have  $f = 0$   $\mu$ -a.e. if  $\|f_{it}\|_{L^\infty} = 0$ . Since  $f$  is finitely simple, we may conclude  $f \equiv \sum_{k=1}^n a_k e^{i\alpha_k} \chi_{X_k}$ , where  $\mu(X_k) = 0$  for  $k = 1, \dots, n$ . But then  $\|f_{it}\|_{L^\infty} = \inf\{B > 0 : \mu(\{|f_{it}| > B\}) = 0\} = \inf\{B > 0 : \mu(\{1 > B\}) = 0\} = 0$  since  $|a_k^{P(it)}| = \lim_{p_0 \rightarrow \infty} a_k^{p/p_0} = 1$ . In the other case we simply have  $\|f_{it}\|_{L^\infty} = 1$  since there exists at least one subset  $X_k$  such that  $\mu(X_k) \neq 0$ . Now consider  $p = \infty$ . Then  $p_0 = p_1 = \infty$ . Thus  $P(it) = 1$  and so  $f_z \equiv f$  and the equation holds trivially. By the same considerations we see that  $\|g_{it}\|_{L^{q'_0}} = \|g\|_{L^{q'}}^{q'/q'_0}$  for  $q_0 \in [1, \infty]$  (set  $\infty' := 1$ ). Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F(it)| &\leq \int_Y |T(f_{it})(y) g_{it}(y)| d\nu(y) \\
 &= \|T(f_{it}) g_{it}\|_{L^1} \\
 (30) \quad &\leq \|T(f_{it})\|_{L^{q_0}} \|g_{it}\|_{L^{q'_0}} \\
 &\leq M_0 \|f_{it}\|_{L^{p_0}} \|g_{it}\|_{L^{q'_0}} \\
 &= M_0 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_0} \|g\|_{L^{q'}}^{q'/q'_0}
 \end{aligned}$$

by Hölder's inequality. By similar calculations we get

$$(31) \quad \|f_{1+it}\|_{L^{p_1}} = \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_1} \quad \|g_{1+it}\|_{L^{q'_1}} = \|g\|_{L^{q'}}^{q'/q'_1}$$

and thus

$$(32) \quad |F(1+it)| \leq M_1 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_1} \|g\|_{L^{q'}}^{q'/q'_1}$$

Since  $F$  is analytic on  $S$ , continuous on  $\bar{S}$  and further

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F(z)| &\leq \int_Y |T(fz)(y)g_z(y)|d\nu(y) \\
 &= \|T(fz)g_z\|_{L^1} \\
 &\leq \|T(fz)\|_{L^{q_0}} \|g_z\|_{L^{q'_0}} \\
 &\leq M_0 \|fz\|_{L^{p_0}} \|g_z\|_{L^{q'_0}} \\
 (33) \quad &= M_0 \left( \int_X |fz|^{p_0} d\mu \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \int_Y |g_z|^{q'_0} d\nu \right)^{1/q'_0} \\
 &= M_0 \left( \sum_{j=1}^n a_j^{p_0 \operatorname{Re} P(z)} \mu(X_j) \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \sum_{k=1}^m b_k^{q'_0 \operatorname{Re} Q(z)} \nu(Y_k) \right)^{1/q'_0} \\
 &\leq M_0 \left( \sum_{j=1}^n a_j^{p_0 + (pp_0)/p_1} \mu(X_j) \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \sum_{k=1}^m b_k^{q'_0 + (q'_0 q'_1)/q'_1} \nu(Y_k) \right)^{1/q'_0}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $p, q'_0 \neq \infty$  by Hölder's inequality (the remaining cases are trivial),  $F$  is bounded on  $\overline{S}$ , therefore we can apply Hadamard's three lines lemma to get

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F(z)| &\leq \left( M_0 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_0} \|g\|_{L^{q'_0}}^{q'_0/q'_0} \right)^{1-\theta} \left( M_1 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_1} \|g\|_{L^{q'_1}}^{q'_1/q'_1} \right)^{\theta} \\
 (34) \quad &= M_0^{1-\theta} M_1^{\theta} \|f\|_{L^p} \|g\|_{L^{q'_1}}^{\theta}
 \end{aligned}$$

for  $\operatorname{Re} z = \theta$  where  $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ . Further observe  $P(\theta) = Q(\theta) = 1$  and thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|T(f)\|_{L^q} &= \sup \left\{ \left| \int_Y T(f)g d\nu \right| : g \in \mathfrak{F}, \|g\|_{L^{q'_1}} = 1 \right\} \\
 (35) \quad &= \sup \left\{ |F(\theta)| : g \in \mathfrak{F}, \|g\|_{L^{q'_1}} = 1 \right\} \\
 &\leq M_0^{1-\theta} M_1^{\theta} \|f\|_{L^p}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now assume  $q = 1$ . Then  $q_0 = q_1 = 1$  and so  $Q(z) = 1$  which implies  $g_z \equiv g$  for every  $z \in \overline{S}$ . Assume, that  $\|g\|_{L^\infty} = 1$ . Then the above proof is also valid (with slight modifications and changes of bounds), if we take the supremum over the simple functions, instead of finitely simple functions, since by [Coh13, p. 100] the simple functions are dense in  $L^\infty$ .  $\square$

#### 4. Interpolation of Analytic Families of Operators.

**4.1. The Poisson Formula.** First, we have to extend Hadamard's three lines lemma appropriately (lemma 3.1). To do so, we first need some theorems and definitions of complex analysis.

**THEOREM 4.1.** (Complex Analysis Revisited) *Let  $h(e^{i\theta})$  be a continuous function on the unit circle. Then the Poisson integral*

$$\tilde{h}(z) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} h(e^{i\varphi}) P_r(\theta - \varphi) \frac{d\lambda(\varphi)}{2\pi} \quad z := re^{i\theta} \in \mathbb{D} := \{|z| < 1\}$$

where

$$(36) \quad P_r(\theta) := \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} r^{|k|} e^{ik\theta} \quad 0 \leq r < 1, -\pi \leq \theta \leq \pi$$

denotes the Poisson kernel function, is a harmonic function on  $\mathbb{D}$  with boundary values  $h(e^{i\theta})$ , that is,  $\tilde{h}(e^{i\theta})$  tends to  $h(\zeta)$  as  $z \in \mathbb{D}$  tends to  $\zeta \in \partial\mathbb{D}$ .

*Proof.* A proof can be found in [Gam01, pp. 277–278]. □

Further we introduce the notion of a subharmonic function as found in [Gam01, p. 394].

**DEFINITION 4.1.** *Let  $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  be a domain (open and path-connected), and let  $u : D \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty[$  be continuous. We say that  $u(z)$  is subharmonic if for each  $z_0 \in D$ , there is  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $u(z)$  satisfies the mean value inequality*

$$(37) \quad u(z_0) \leq \int_0^{2\pi} u(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \frac{d\lambda(\theta)}{2\pi} \quad 0 < r < \varepsilon$$

And the notion of a conformal mapping ([Gam01, p. 59]).

**DEFINITION 4.2.** *A smooth complex-valued function  $g(z)$  (that is,  $g(z)$  has as many derivatives as is necessary for whatever is being asserted to be true) is conformal at  $z_0$  if whenever  $\gamma_0, \gamma_1$  are two curves terminating at  $z_0$  with non-zero tangents, then the curves  $g \circ \gamma_0, g \circ \gamma_1$  have non-zero tangents at  $g(z_0)$  and the angle from  $(g \circ \gamma_0)'(z_0)$  to  $(g \circ \gamma_1)'(z_0)$  is the same as the angle from  $\gamma_0'(z_0)$  to  $\gamma_1'(z_0)$ . A conformal mapping of one domain  $D$  onto another  $V$  is a continuously differentiable function that is conformal at each point of  $D$  and that maps  $D$  one-to-one onto  $V$ .*

Now we are able to formulate the proof of the extension of Hadamard's three lines lemma.

**LEMMA 4.1.** (Hadamard's three lines lemma, extension) *Let  $F$  be an analytic function on the strip  $S := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < \operatorname{Re} z < 1\}$  and continuous on  $\overline{S}$ , such that for every  $z \in \overline{S}$  we have  $\log |F(z)| \leq Ae^{\tau|\operatorname{Im} z|}$  for some  $A < \infty$  and  $\tau \in [0, \pi[$ . Then*

$$|F(z)| \leq \exp \left( \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\log |F(it + iy)|}{\cosh(\pi t) - \cos(\pi x)} + \frac{\log |F(1 + it + iy)|}{\cosh(\pi t) + \cos(\pi x)} \right] d\lambda(t) \right)$$

whenever  $z := x + iy \in S$ .

*Proof.* Consider the function

$$(38) \quad h(z) := \frac{1}{\pi i} \text{Log} \left( \frac{z+1}{iz-i} \right) = \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \text{Arg} \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) - i \log \left| \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right| \right)$$

which maps  $\mathbb{D}$  onto  $]0, 1[ \times \mathbb{R}$ . □

#### 4.2. Stein's Theorem on Interpolation of Analytic Families of Operators.

**DEFINITION 4.3.** (Analytic family, admissible growth) *Let  $(X, \mu)$ ,  $(Y, \nu)$  be measure spaces and  $(T_z)_{z \in \bar{S}}$ , where  $T_z$  is defined on the space of all finitely simple functions on  $X$  and taking values in the space of all measurable functions on  $Y$  such that*

$$(39) \quad \int_Y |T_z(\chi_A) \chi_B| d\nu$$

*whenever  $\mu(A), \nu(B) < \infty$ . The family  $(T_z)_{z \in \bar{S}}$  is said to be analytic if for all  $f, g$  finitely simple we have that*

$$(40) \quad z \mapsto \int_Y T_z(f) g d\nu$$

*is analytic on  $S$  and continuous on  $\bar{S}$ . Further, an analytic family  $(T_z)_{z \in \bar{S}}$  is called of admissible growth, if there is a constant  $\tau \in [0, \pi[$ , such that for all finitely simple functions  $f, g$  a constant  $C(f, g)$  exists with*

$$(41) \quad \log \left| \int_Y T_z(f) g d\nu \right| \leq C(f, g) e^{\tau |\text{Im} z|}$$

*for all  $z \in \bar{S}$ .*

**THEOREM 4.2.** (Riesz-Thorin interpolation theorem, extension) *Let  $(T_z)_{z \in \bar{S}}$  be an analytic family of admissible growth,  $1 \leq p_0, p_1, q_0, q_1 \leq \infty$  and suppose that  $M_0, M_1$  are positive functions on the real line such that for some  $\tau \in [0, \pi[$*

$$(42) \quad \sup \left\{ e^{-\tau |y|} \log M_0(y) : y \in \mathbb{R} \right\} < \infty \quad \sup \left\{ e^{-\tau |y|} \log M_1(y) : y \in \mathbb{R} \right\} < \infty$$

*Fix  $0 < \theta < 1$  and define*

$$(43) \quad \frac{1}{p} := \frac{1-\theta}{p_0} + \frac{\theta}{p_1} \quad \frac{1}{q} := \frac{1-\theta}{q_0} + \frac{\theta}{q_1}$$

Further suppose that for all finitely simple functions  $f$  on  $X$  and  $y \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$(44) \quad \|T_{iy}(y)\|_{L^{q_0}} \leq M_0(y)\|f\|_{L^{p_0}} \quad \|T_{1+iy}(y)\|_{L^{q_1}} \leq M_1(y)\|f\|_{L^{p_1}}$$

Then for all finitely simple functions  $f$  on  $X$  we have

$$\|T_\theta(f)\|_{L^q} \leq M(\theta)\|f\|_{L^p}$$

where for  $0 < x < 1$

$$M(x) = \exp \left( \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\log M_0(t)}{\cosh(\pi t) - \cos(\pi x)} + \frac{\log M_1(t)}{\cosh(\pi t) + \cos(\pi x)} \right] d\lambda(t) \right)$$

*Proof.* Fix  $0 < \theta < 1$  and finitely simple functions  $f, g$  on  $X, Y$  respectively with  $\|f\|_{L^p} = \|g\|_{L^{q'}} = 1$ . Define  $f_z, g_z$  as in (25) and for  $z \in \bar{S}$

$$(45) \quad F(z) := \int_Y T_z(f_z)g_z d\nu$$

Observe, that  $|a_j^{P(z)}| \leq a_j^{p/p_0+p/p_1}$  and  $|b_k^{Q(z)}| \leq b_k^{q'/q'_0+q'/q'_1}$  for  $z \in \bar{S}$ . Hence

$$(46) \quad \begin{aligned} \log |F(z)| &= \log \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m a_j^{P(z)} b_k^{Q(z)} e^{i\alpha_j} e^{i\beta_k} \int_Y T_z(\chi_{X_j})(y) \chi_{Y_k}(y) d\nu(y) \right| \\ &\leq \log \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m |a_j^{P(z)}| |b_k^{Q(z)}| \int_Y |T_z(\chi_{X_j})(y)| |\chi_{Y_k}(y)| d\nu(y) \right) \\ &\leq \log \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m a_j^{p/p_0+p/p_1} b_k^{q'/q'_0+q'/q'_1} \int_{Y_k} |T_z(\chi_{X_j})| d\nu \right) \end{aligned}$$

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