

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

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**Abstract.** In this written seminar work I will basically follow the section *Interpolation* in the book *Classical Fourier Analysis, third Edition* by Loukas Grafakos. 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.** What follows is a short summary of the important terms used in this paper.

**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 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*

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

*and quasi-linear if*

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

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

**2. The Real Method.** A first important theorem on the subject of interpolation of  $L^p$  spaces will be the so-called *Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem* which uses only real variables techniques for its proof (this stands in contrast to the complex variables techniques used for proving the other interpolation theorems).

**2.1. The Marcinkiewicz Interpolation Theorem.** This theorem applies to sublinear operators (aswell as for quasilinear operators by a slight change of the constant), which is in comparison to the linearity assumed by the other interpolation theorems more generally applicable.

**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*

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

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

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

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

where

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

*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

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

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

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

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  $f, g : (X, \mathcal{A}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B})$ <sup>3</sup> the functions  $f + g$  and  $f \cdot g$  are 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  $x = 0$ .

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

<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.

- 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

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

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

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

and

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<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).

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

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

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

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

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

- (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.**

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

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.** As the name already says, the lemma yields a natural bound of an analytic function defined on a vertical strip in the complex plane using the bounds of the function on the two parallel lines enclosing the strip.

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  $\overline{S}$ , 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  $z \in \overline{S}$  define

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

<sup>9</sup> I adapt here the terminology established in [Rud87, p. 197]. A complex-valued function  $f$  is said to be *holomorphic* or *analytic* in  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  open, if  $f'(z)$  exists for any  $z \in \Omega$ .

$\partial S$ . 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.  $\square$

**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*

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

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

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

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

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

*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

$$\|f\|_{L^p} = \sup \left\{ \left| \int_Y f g d\nu \right| : \|g\|_{L^{p'}} = 1 \right\}$$

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

<sup>10</sup> Let  $\Omega$  be a bounded region of the complex plane,  $f$  be a complex-valued continuous function on  $\bar{\Omega}$  which is holomorphic in  $\Omega$ . Then  $|f(z)| \leq \sup\{|f(z)| : z \in \partial\Omega\}$  for every  $z \in \Omega$ . See [Rud87, p. 253].

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 3.1.** (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  $f \equiv g$ .*

to see, that also

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

First we will deal with the case  $q \geq 1$ . Fix  $f := \sum_{k=1}^n a_k e^{i\alpha_k} \chi_{X_k}$ , 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  $g := \sum_{k=1}^m b_k e^{i\beta_k} \chi_{Y_k} \in \mathfrak{F}$ , 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  $z \in \overline{S}$  (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

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

and

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

By the linearity of the operator  $T$  we have

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

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

<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  $\mathcal{L}^p$  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 3.2.** *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  $Y = f(X) = f(\overline{A}) \subseteq \overline{f(A)} \subseteq Y$ . □

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

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

for each  $j = 1, \dots, n$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, m$ . In the case  $q'_0 = \infty$  we simply have  $\|\chi_{Y_k}\|_{L^\infty} \leq 1$ . Thus the function  $F$  is well-defined on  $\bar{S}$ . Now

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

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

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

by Hölder's inequality. By similar calculations we get

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

and thus

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

Further

$$\begin{aligned}
|F(z)| &\leq \int_Y |T(f_z)(y)g_z(y)|d\nu(y) \\
&= \|T(f_z)g_z\|_{L^1} \\
&\leq \|T(f_z)\|_{L^{q_0}} \|g_z\|_{L^{q'_0}} \\
&\leq M_0 \|f_z\|_{L^{p_0}} \|g_z\|_{L^{q'_0}} \\
&\stackrel{p_0, q'_0 \neq \infty}{=} M_0 \left( \int_X |f_z|^{p_0} d\mu \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \int_Y |g_z|^{q'_0} d\nu \right)^{1/q'_0} \\
&= M_0 \left( \sum_{j=1}^n a_j^{p_0 \operatorname{Re} P(z)} \mu(X_j) \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \sum_{k=1}^m b_k^{q'_0 \operatorname{Re} Q(z)} \nu(Y_k) \right)^{1/q'_0} \\
&= M_0 \left( \sum_{j=1}^n a_j^{p(1-\operatorname{Re} z) + (pp_0 \operatorname{Re} z)/p_1} \mu(X_j) \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \sum_{k=1}^m b_k^{q'(1-\operatorname{Re} z) + (q'q'_0 \operatorname{Re} z)/q'_1} \nu(Y_k) \right)^{1/q'_0} \\
&\leq M_0 \left( \sum_{j=1}^n a_j^{p+(pp_0)/p_1} \mu(X_j) \right)^{1/p_0} \left( \sum_{k=1}^m b_k^{q'+(q'q'_0)/q'_1} \nu(Y_k) \right)^{1/q'_0} \\
&= M_0 \|f\|_{L^{p+(pp_0)/p_1}}^{p/p_0 + p/p_1} \|g\|_{L^{q'+(q'q'_0)/q'_1}}^{q'/q'_0 + q'/q'_1} \\
&=: C(f, g)
\end{aligned}$$

by Hölder's inequality and in the edge cases

$$\begin{aligned}
p_0 = \infty, q'_0 \neq \infty : \quad & C(f, g) := M_0 \max_{j=1, \dots, n} a_j^{p/p_1} \|g\|_{L^{q'/(q'_0+q'/q'_1)}}^{q'/(q'_0+q'/q'_1)} \\
p_0 \neq \infty, q'_0 = \infty : \quad & C(f, g) := M_0 \|f\|_{L^{p+(pp_0)/p_1}}^{p/p_0+p/p_1} \max_{k=1, \dots, m} b_k^{q'/q'_1} \\
p_0 = \infty, q'_0 = \infty : \quad & C(f, g) := M_0 \max_{j=1, \dots, n} a_j^{p/p_1} \max_{k=1, \dots, m} b_k^{q'/q'_1}
\end{aligned}$$

Hence  $F$  is bounded on  $\overline{S}$ . It is obvious, that  $F$  is analytic on  $S$  and continuous on  $\overline{S}$  (as the sum, product, quotient, composition of analytic/continuous functions). Therefore we can apply Hadamard's three lines lemma to get

$$\begin{aligned}
|F(z)| &\leq \left( M_0 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_0} \|g\|_{L^{q'}}^{q'/q'_0} \right)^{1-\theta} \left( M_1 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_1} \|g\|_{L^{q'}}^{q'/q'_1} \right)^\theta \\
&= M_0^{1-\theta} M_1^\theta \|f\|_{L^p} \|g\|_{L^{q'}}
\end{aligned} \tag{33}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned}
\|T(f)\|_{L^q} &= \sup \left\{ \left| \int_Y T(f)g d\nu \right| : g \in \mathfrak{F}, \|g\|_{L^{q'}} = 1 \right\} \\
&= \sup \{ |F(\theta)| : g \in \mathfrak{F}, \|g\|_{L^{q'}} = 1 \} \\
&\leq M_0^{1-\theta} M_1^\theta \|f\|_{L^p}
\end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

Now assume  $q = 1$ . Then  $q_0 = q_1 = 1$ . Let  $g := \sum_{k=1}^m b_k e^{i\beta_k} \chi_{Y_k}$  be a simple function (this means, that  $\nu(Y_k) < \infty$  is possible for some  $Y_k$ ) with  $\|g\|_{L^\infty} = 1$ . Define  $f_z$  as above and

$$F(z) := \int_Y T(f_z)(y) g(y) d\nu(y) \tag{35}$$

Using the linearity property of  $T$  we see again, that  $F(z)$  is well-defined on  $\overline{S}$ . Analogously we get

$$|F(it)| \leq M_0 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_0} \quad |F(1+it)| \leq M_1 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_1} \tag{36}$$

Again,  $F$  is bounded on  $\overline{S}$  by

$$\begin{aligned}
p_0 \neq \infty, q'_0 = \infty : \quad & C(f, g) := M_0 \|f\|_{L^{p+(pp_0)/p_1}}^{p/p_0+p/p_1} \max_{k=1, \dots, m} b_k^{q'/q'_1} \\
p_0 = \infty, q'_0 = \infty : \quad & C(f, g) := M_0 \max_{j=1, \dots, n} a_j^{p/p_1} \max_{k=1, \dots, m} b_k^{q'/q'_1}
\end{aligned}$$

Hadamard's three lines lemma therefore yields

$$|F(z)| \leq \left( M_0 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_0} \right)^{1-\theta} \left( M_1 \|f\|_{L^p}^{p/p_1} \right)^\theta = M_0^{1-\theta} M_1^\theta \|f\|_{L^p} \tag{37}$$

and observing  $P(\theta) = 1$  for  $0 < \theta < 1$  yields

$$\begin{aligned}\|T(f)\|_{L^1} &= \sup \left\{ \left| \int_Y T(f)g d\nu \right| : g \text{ simple}, \|g\|_{L^\infty} = 1 \right\} \\ &= \sup \{ |F(\theta)| : g \text{ simple}, \|g\|_{L^\infty} = 1 \} \\ &\leq M_0^{1-\theta} M_1^\theta \|f\|_{L^p}\end{aligned}\tag{38}$$

This is justified by the fact, that the simple functions are dense in  $L^\infty$  (for a proof see [Coh13, p. 100]).  $\square$

REMARK 3.1. *As you can see in the proof of the case  $q = 1$ , it is necessary to have  $0 < \theta < 1$ . Since for example choosing  $q_1 = 1$  and  $q_0 > 1$  arbitrary leads for  $\theta = 1$  to  $q = 1$  but then the function  $g$  can be chosen so, that the integral in the definition (27) diverges.*

REMARK 3.2. *The proof initially given by Grafakos differs in the case study of  $q$ . I argued in a different way, because I used the density of the simple functions and finitely simple functions whereas he used the theorem given here [Fol99, p. 189], which makes the distinction of the cases  $q > 1$  and  $q = 1$  unnecessary.*

**3.3. Young's inequality.** Using the Riesz-Thorin interpolation theorem, we can give an alternative proof of Young's inequality [Gra14, pp. 22–23].

**THEOREM 3.2.** (Young's inequality) *Let  $G$  be a locally compact group, which is a countable union of compact subsets, and let  $\eta$  be a left invariant Haar measure. Let  $1 \leq p, q, r \leq \infty$*

$$\frac{1}{q} + 1 = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{r}\tag{39}$$

*Then for all  $f \in L^p(G, \eta)$  and all  $g \in L^r(G, \eta)$  satisfying  $\|g\|_{L^r} = \|\tilde{g}\|_{L^r}$  we have  $f * g$  exists  $\eta$ -a.e. and satisfies*

$$\|f * g\|_{L^q} \leq \|g\|_{L^r} \|f\|_{L^p}\tag{40}$$

*Proof.* Fix  $g \in L^r(G, \eta)$  and let  $T(f) := f * g$  be defined on  $L^1(G, \eta) + L^{r'}(G, \eta)$ . Obviously,  $T$  is a linear operator by the linearity of the integral. By Minkowski's integral inequality (see exercise 1.1.6 [Gra14, p. 13]) we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\|T(f)\|_{L^r} &= \left( \int_G \left| \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x)d\eta(y) \right|^r d\eta(x) \right)^{1/r} \\
&\leq \int_G \left( \int_G |f(y)|^r |g(y^{-1}x)|^r d\eta(x) \right)^{1/r} d\eta(y) \\
&= \int_G |f(y)| \left( \int_G |g(y^{-1}x)|^r d\eta(y^{-1}x) \right)^{1/r} d\eta(y) \\
&= \int_G |f(y)| \left( \int_G |g(z)|^r d\eta(z) \right)^{1/r} d\eta(y) \\
&\leq \|f\|_{L^1} \|g\|_{L^r}
\end{aligned} \tag{41}$$

for  $f \in L^1(g, \mu)$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$  (since  $(G, \eta)$  is  $\sigma$ -finite). The case  $r = \infty$  follows from

$$|(f * g)(x)| = \left| \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x)d\eta(y) \right| \leq \int_G |f(y)||g(y^{-1}x)|d\eta(y) \leq \|g\|_{L^\infty} \|f\|_{L^1} \tag{42}$$

By stipulating  $h(y) := g(y^{-1}x)$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}
|(f * g)(x)| &= \left| \int_G f(y)g(y^{-1}x)d\eta(y) \right| \leq \int_G |f(y)g(y^{-1}x)|d\eta(y) \\
&= \|fh\|_{L^1} \leq \|f\|_{L^{r'}} \|h\|_{L^r} = \|f\|_{L^{r'}} \|\tilde{g}\|_{L^r} = \|g\|_{L^r} \|f\|_{L^{r'}}
\end{aligned} \tag{43}$$

for  $r < \infty$  and  $f \in L^{r'}(g, \eta)$ , since

$$\|h\|_{L^r}^r = \int_G |g(y^{-1}x)|^r d\eta(y) = \int_G |\tilde{g}(x^{-1}y)|d\eta(y) = \|\tilde{g}\|_{L^r}^r$$

The Riesz-Thorin interpolation theorem now yields for any  $0 < \theta < 1$

$$\|f * g\|_{L^q} = \|T(f)\|_{L^q} \leq \|g\|_{L^r}^{1-\theta} \|g\|_{L^r}^\theta \|f\|_{L^p} = \|g\|_{L^r} \|f\|_{L^p} \tag{44}$$

where

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1-\theta}{1} + \frac{\theta}{r'} \quad \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1-\theta}{r} + \frac{\theta}{\infty}$$

and by

$$\frac{1}{p} = 1 - \frac{\theta}{r} \quad \frac{1}{q} = \frac{1}{r} - \frac{\theta}{r}$$

we get

$$\frac{1}{q} + 1 = \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{r}$$

□



REMARK 3.3. *The proof would be much shorter if we just used Minkowski's inequality [Gra14, pp. 21–22] instead of Minkowski's integral inequality. However, the proof given here is an alternative version of the one given already for Minkowski's inequality.*

**4. Interpolation of Analytic Families of Operators.** This generalization of the classical Riesz-Thorin theorem is due to [Elias M. Stein](#). Crucial for its proof is again a complex-analytic theorem which can be extended on the basis of Hadamard's three lines lemma.

**4.1. Extension of Hadamard's Three Lines Lemma.** This theorem is analogous to the one originally used by Stein itself and formulated by [I. I. Hirschman, Jr.](#)

LEMMA 4.1. (Hadamard's three lines lemma, extension) *Let  $F$  be a holomorphic function in the strip  $S := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : 0 < \operatorname{Re} z < 1\}$  and continuous on  $\bar{S}$ , such that for some  $A < \infty$  and  $\tau \in [0, \pi[$  we have  $\log |F(z)| \leq Ae^{\tau|\operatorname{Im} z|}$  for every  $z \in \bar{S}$ . 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.* Since the proof is rather long, we divide it as follows.

- (i)  $y = 0$ .
  - a. Construct a holomorphic function  $h$  on  $D := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$  with range  $S$ .
  - b. Using the Poisson integral formula and the maximum principle for subharmonic functions find an upper bound for the subharmonic function  $\log |F \circ h|$  on  $D$ . Furthermore, applying the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem yields a bound on  $\bar{D} \setminus \{\pm 1\}$ .
  - c. The next steps are basically about finding an appropriate form of the integral bound. First we rewrite the integral bound obtained via the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem.
  - d. We split the integral into two parts. First we consider the interval  $]-\pi, 0[$ .
  - e. In this step we consider the interval  $]0, \pi[$  and conclude.
- (ii)  $y \neq 0$ .
  - a. Define an auxiliary function which satisfies the assumptions of the lemma and deduce from the case  $y = 0$ .
- (i) Consider the case  $y = 0$ .
  - a. Assume  $F$  to be not identically zero (the case where  $F$  is identically zero is trivial). Consider the function

$$h(z) := \frac{1}{\pi i} \operatorname{Log} \left( i \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right) \tag{45}$$

on  $D$ . Define  $\psi(z) := i(1+z)/(1-z)$ . If we write  $z := x + iy \in D$ , we have

$$\psi(z) = \frac{-2y}{(1-x)^2 + y^2} + i \frac{1-x^2-y^2}{(1-x)^2 + y^2} \quad (46)$$

Hence  $\text{Im } \psi(z) > 0$ . Stipulating  $x := 1 - y$  for  $y$  satisfying  $y^2 < y$ , we get

$$\lim_{y^2 < y, y \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Im } \psi(z) = \lim_{y^2 < y, y \rightarrow 0^+} \left( \frac{1}{y} - 1 \right) = \infty \quad (47)$$

using the same definition of  $x$  we get

$$\lim_{y^2 < y, y \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Re } \psi(z) = - \lim_{y^2 < y, y \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{1}{y} = -\infty \quad (48)$$

and by stipulating  $x := 1 + y$

$$\lim_{y^2 < -y, y \rightarrow 0^-} \text{Re } \psi(z) = - \lim_{y^2 < -y, y \rightarrow 0^-} \frac{1}{y} = \infty \quad (49)$$

Since  $2i \neq 0$ ,  $\psi$  is a linear fractional transformation (see [Rud87, p. 279]) with

$$\psi^{-1}(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i} \quad (50)$$

Therefore  $\psi$  maps the unit circle  $D$  onto the upper half plane. The principal value of  $\log z$  denoted by  $\text{Log } z$  is defined by

$$\text{Log } z := \log |z| + i \text{Arg } z \quad z \neq 0 \quad (51)$$

where  $-\pi < \text{Arg } z \leq \pi$  is the principal value of the argument of  $z \neq 0$ . We see that  $\pi i h(z)$  maps the upper half plane onto the strip  $\mathbb{R} \times ]0, \pi[$ . Thus  $h(z)$  maps the unit circle  $D$  onto the strip  $]0, 1[ \times \mathbb{R}$ . By

$$h'(z) = \frac{2}{\pi i} \frac{1}{1-z} \quad (52)$$

we see that  $h$  is a holomorphic function on  $D$ . By composition,  $F \circ h$  is holomorphic on  $D$  and thus by [Rud87, p. 336]  $\log |F \circ h|$  is subharmonic on  $D$ . It is easy to verify, that

$$h^{-1}(z) = \frac{e^{\pi i z} - i}{e^{\pi i z} + i} \quad (53)$$

on the unit strip  $S$ .

- b.** Fix some  $0 \leq R < 1$ . Then  $\log |F \circ h|$  is continuous (as the sum, product, quotient, composition of continuous functions) for  $|z| = R$ . Define

$$H(re^{i\theta}) := \begin{cases} \log |F(h(Re^{i\theta}))| & r = R, \\ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log |F(h(Re^{it}))| \frac{R^2 - r^2}{R^2 - 2Rr \cos(\theta - t) + r^2} d\lambda(t) & 0 \leq r < R \end{cases}$$

Then  $H$  is continuous for  $|z| \leq R$  and harmonic for  $|z| < R$  (see [Rud87, pp. 234–235]). Since  $\log |F(h(Re^{i\theta}))| = H(Re^{i\theta})$ , by [Rud87, p. 336] we have

$$\log |F(h(re^{i\theta}))| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log |F(h(Re^{it}))| \frac{R^2 - r^2}{R^2 - 2Rr \cos(\theta - t) + r^2} d\lambda(t) \quad (54)$$

Consider  $e^{i\theta}$  where  $\text{Arg } e^{i\theta} \neq 0, \pi$ , we have  $\text{Im } \psi(e^{i\theta}) = 0$  and hence  $\psi(e^{i\theta}) \in \mathbb{R}$ . But then either  $\text{Re } h(e^{i\theta}) = 0$ ,  $\psi(e^{i\theta}) > 0$  or  $\text{Re } h(e^{i\theta}) = 1$ ,  $\psi(e^{i\theta}) < 0$ . Hence the growth property of the hypothesis implies

$$\log |F(h(e^{i\theta}))| \leq Ae^{\tau |\text{Im } h(e^{i\theta})|} = Ae^{\tau/\pi |\log |(1+e^{i\theta})(1-e^{i\theta})||} = A \left| \frac{1+e^{i\theta}}{1-e^{i\theta}} \right|^{\tau/\pi}$$

c. Fix some  $re^{i\theta}$ ,  $r < R$  and stipulate  $x := h(re^{i\theta})$ . Then we obtain <sup>14</sup>

$$\begin{aligned} re^{i\theta} &= h^{-1}(x) = \frac{e^{\pi ix} - i}{e^{\pi ix} + i} = \frac{\cos(\pi x) + i \sin(\pi x) - i}{\cos(\pi x) + i \sin(\pi x) + i} \\ &= \frac{\cos(\pi x) + i \sin(\pi x) - i}{\cos(\pi x) + i \sin(\pi x) + i} \frac{\cos(\pi x) - i \sin(\pi x) - i}{\cos(\pi x) - i \sin(\pi x) - i} = -i \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{1 + \sin(\pi x)} \\ &= \left( \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{1 + \sin(\pi x)} \right) e^{-i\pi/2} \end{aligned} \quad (55)$$

by

$$\begin{aligned} &(\cos(\pi x) + i \sin(\pi x) - i)(\cos(\pi x) - i \sin(\pi x) - i) \\ &= \cos^2(\pi x) - i \sin(\pi x) \cos(\pi x) - i \cos(\pi x) + i \sin(\pi x) \cos(\pi x) \\ &\quad + \sin^2(\pi x) + \sin(\pi x) - i \cos(\pi x) - \sin(\pi x) - 1 = -2i \cos(\pi x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} &(\cos(\pi x) + i \sin(\pi x) + i)(\cos(\pi x) - i \sin(\pi x) - i) \\ &= \cos^2(\pi x) - i \sin(\pi x) \cos(\pi x) - i \cos(\pi x) + i \sin(\pi x) \cos(\pi x) \\ &\quad + \sin^2(\pi x) + \sin(\pi x) + i \cos(\pi x) + \sin(\pi x) + 1 = 2 + 2 \sin(\pi x) \end{aligned}$$

From equality (55) we deduce  $r = \frac{\cos(\pi x)}{1 + \sin(\pi x)}$ ,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  if  $0 < x \leq \frac{1}{2}$  and  $r = -\frac{\cos(\pi x)}{1 + \sin(\pi x)}$ ,  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{2}$  if  $\frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1$ . Let  $0 < x \leq \frac{1}{2}$ . Then we have

<sup>14</sup> Recall, that for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  the trigonometric functions are defined by  $\sin(z) := \frac{e^{iz} - e^{-iz}}{2i}$  and  $\cos(z) := \frac{e^{iz} + e^{-iz}}{2}$ . Hence the identities  $e^{iz} = \cos(z) + i \sin(z)$  and  $\cos^2(z) + \sin^2(z) = 1$  holds for any  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1-r^2}{1-2r\cos(\theta-\varphi)+r^2} &= \frac{1+2\sin(\pi x)+\sin^2(\pi x)-\cos^2(\pi x)}{1+2\sin(\pi x)+\sin^2(\pi x)+2\cos(\pi x)\sin(\varphi)(1+\sin(\pi x))+\cos^2(\pi x)} \\
 &= \frac{\sin(\pi x)+\sin^2(\pi x)}{1+\sin(\pi x)+\cos(\pi x)\sin(\varphi)(1+\sin(\pi x))} \\
 &= \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{1+\cos(\pi x)\sin(\varphi)}
 \end{aligned}$$

since  $\cos(-\pi/2-\varphi) = -\sin(\varphi)$ . That the case  $\frac{1}{2} \leq x < 1$  yields the same result is due to  $\cos(\pi/2-\varphi) = \sin(\varphi)$ .

Now we have to reformulate

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{1+\cos(\pi x)\sin(\varphi)} \log |F(h(e^{i\varphi}))| d\lambda(\varphi) \quad (56)$$

To reach that we split the integral (56) into two parts.

d. Consider the interval  $]-\pi, 0[$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 e^{i\varphi} &= h^{-1}(it) = \frac{e^{-\pi t} - i e^{-\pi t} - i}{e^{-\pi t} + i e^{-\pi t} - i} = \frac{e^{-2\pi t} - 2ie^{-\pi t} - 1}{e^{-2\pi t} + 1} \\
 &= \frac{e^{-2\pi t} - 1}{e^{-2\pi t} + 1} - \frac{2ie^{-\pi t}}{e^{-2\pi t} + 1} = \frac{e^{-2\pi t} - 1}{e^{-2\pi t} + 1} - \frac{2i}{e^{-\pi t} + e^{\pi t}} \\
 &= \frac{1 - e^{2\pi t}}{1 + e^{2\pi t}} - \frac{2i}{e^{-\pi t} + e^{\pi t}} = -\tanh(\pi t) - i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 d\lambda(\varphi) &= -i \frac{d}{dt} \log(-\tanh(\pi t) - i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)) = -\pi \frac{\frac{i}{\cosh^2(\pi t)} + \frac{\sinh(\pi t)}{\cosh^2(\pi t)}}{\tanh(\pi t) + i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)} \\
 &= -\pi \frac{i + \sinh(\pi t)}{\sinh(\pi t) \cosh(\pi t) + i \cosh(\pi t)} = -\pi \frac{1}{\cosh(\pi t)} = -\pi \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)
 \end{aligned}$$

By

$$\begin{aligned}
\sin(\varphi) \cosh(\pi t) &= \sin(-i \log(-\tanh(\pi t) - i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t))) \cosh(\pi t) \\
&= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ -\tanh(\pi t) - i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t) + \frac{1}{\tanh(\pi t) + i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)} \right] \cosh(\pi t) \\
&= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \frac{\cosh(\pi t) - \tanh(\pi t) \sinh(\pi t) - 2i \tanh(\pi t) + \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)}{\tanh(\pi t) + i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \frac{\cosh^2(\pi t) - \sinh^2(\pi t) - 2i \sinh(\pi t) + 1}{\sinh(\pi t) + i} \right] \\
&= \frac{1 - i \sinh(\pi t)}{i \sinh(\pi t) - 1} \\
&= -1
\end{aligned}$$

we therefore get

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^0 \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{1 + \cos(\pi x) \sin(\varphi)} \log |F(h(e^{i\varphi}))| d\lambda(\varphi) \\
= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\cosh(\pi t) - \cos(\pi x)} \log |F(it)| d\lambda(t) \quad (57)
\end{aligned}$$

e. Consider the interval  $]0, \pi[$ . The change of variables  $1 + it = h(e^{i\varphi})$  is equivalent to  $e^{i\varphi} = -\tanh(\pi t) + i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)$ . Furthermore  $d\lambda(\varphi) = \pi \operatorname{sech}(\pi t) d\lambda(t)$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{1 + \cos(\pi x) \sin(\varphi)} \log |F(h(e^{i\varphi}))| d\lambda(\varphi) \\
= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\cosh(\pi t) + \cos(\pi x)} \log |F(1 + it)| d\lambda(t) \quad (58)
\end{aligned}$$

since

$$\begin{aligned}
\sin(\varphi) \cosh(\pi t) &= \sin(-i \log(-\tanh(\pi t) + i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t))) \cosh(\pi t) \\
&= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ -\tanh(\pi t) + i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t) - \frac{1}{-\tanh(\pi t) + i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)} \right] \cosh(\pi t) \\
&= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \frac{-\cosh(\pi t) + \tanh(\pi t) \sinh(\pi t) - 2i \tanh(\pi t) - \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)}{-\tanh(\pi t) + i \operatorname{sech}(\pi t)} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \frac{-\cosh^2(\pi t) + \sinh^2(\pi t) - 2i \sinh(\pi t) - 1}{i - \sinh(\pi t)} \right] \\
&= \frac{1 + i \sinh(\pi t)}{1 + i \sinh(\pi t)} \\
&= 1
\end{aligned}$$

Thus the case  $y = 0$  is proven.

(ii) Consider the case  $y \neq 0$ .

a. Fix  $y \neq 0$  and define  $G(z) := F(z + iy)$  for  $z \in \bar{S}$ . Then  $G$  is a holomorphic function in  $S$  and continuous on  $\bar{S}$  as a composition of continuous and holomorphic functions. Moreover, the hypothesis on  $F$  yields

$$\log |G(z)| = \log |F(z + iy)| \leq A e^{\tau |\operatorname{Im} z + y|} \leq A e^{\tau |\operatorname{Im} z|} e^{\tau |y|} \quad (59)$$

for all  $z \in \bar{S}$ . The previous case yields for  $G$  with  $A$  replaced by  $A e^{\tau |y|}$

$$|G(x)| \leq \exp \left( \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{\log |G(it)|}{\cosh(\pi t) - \cos(\pi x)} + \frac{\log |G(1 + it)|}{\cosh(\pi t) + \cos(\pi x)} \right] d\lambda(t) \right) \quad (60)$$

Now, observing  $G(x) = F(x + iy)$ ,  $G(it) = F(it + iy)$  and  $G(1 + it) = F(1 + it + iy)$  yields the desired result.  $\square$

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

**DEFINITION 4.1.** (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*

$$\int_Y |T_z(\chi_A) \chi_B| d\nu \quad (61)$$

*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*

$$z \mapsto \int_Y T_z(f) g d\nu \quad (62)$$

is analytic on  $S$  and continuous on  $\overline{S}$ . Further, an analytic family  $(T_z)_{z \in \overline{S}}$  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

$$\log \left| \int_Y T_z(f) g d\nu \right| \leq C(f, g) e^{\tau |\operatorname{Im} z|} \quad (63)$$

for all  $z \in \overline{S}$ .

**THEOREM 4.1.** (Riesz-Thorin interpolation theorem, extension) *Let  $(T_z)_{z \in \overline{S}}$  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  $\tau \in [0, \pi[$*

$$\sup \left\{ e^{-\tau |y|} \log M_0(y) : y \in \mathbb{R} \right\} < \infty \quad \sup \left\{ e^{-\tau |y|} \log M_1(y) : y \in \mathbb{R} \right\} < \infty \quad (64)$$

Fix  $0 < \theta < 1$  and define

$$\frac{1}{p} := \frac{1-\theta}{p_0} + \frac{\theta}{p_1} \quad \frac{1}{q} := \frac{1-\theta}{q_0} + \frac{\theta}{q_1} \quad (65)$$

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

$$\|T_{iy}(y)\|_{L^{q_0}} \leq M_0(y) \|f\|_{L^{p_0}} \quad \|T_{1+iy}(y)\|_{L^{q_1}} \leq M_1(y) \|f\|_{L^{p_1}} \quad (66)$$

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  $z \in \overline{S}$

$$F(z) := \int_Y T_z(f_z) g_z d\nu \quad (67)$$

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  $z \in \overline{S}$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
\log |F(z)| &= \log \left| \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m a_j^{P(z)} b_j^{Q(z)} e^{i\alpha_j} e^{i\beta_k} \int_Y T_z(\chi_{X_j})(y) \chi_{Y_k}(y) d\nu(y) \right| \\
&\leq \log \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m |a_j^{P(z)}| |b_j^{Q(z)}| \int_Y |T_z(\chi_{X_j})(y)| \chi_{Y_k}(y) d\nu(y) \right) \\
&\leq \log \left( \sum_{j=1}^n \sum_{k=1}^m a_j^{p/p_0+p/p_1} b_k^{q'/q'_0+q'/q'_1} \int_{Y_k} |T_z(\chi_{X_j})| d\nu \right)
\end{aligned} \tag{68}$$

□

## Appendix A. Measure Theory

Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a measure space. Recall, that if for each measurable set  $Y$  with  $\mu(Y) = \infty$  there exists a measurable set  $E \subseteq Y$  and  $0 < \mu(E) < \infty$ ,  $\mu$  is called *semifinite*.

LEMMA A.1. *Every  $\sigma$ -finite measure is semifinite.*

*Proof.* Let  $X = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X_n$  where  $\mu(X_n) < \infty$  and  $\mu(Y) = \infty$ . By letting  $\tilde{X}_N := \bigcup_{n \leq N} X_n$ ,  $\tilde{X}_N$  is an increasing sequence. Then  $Y \cap \tilde{X}_n$  is measurable for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and by [Coh13, p. 10]

$$\begin{aligned}
\infty = \mu(Y) &= \mu(Y \cap X) = \mu \left( Y \cap \left( \bigcup_{N \in \mathbb{N}} \tilde{X}_N \right) \right) \\
&= \mu \left( \bigcup_{N \in \mathbb{N}} (Y \cap \tilde{X}_N) \right) = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mu(Y \cap \tilde{X}_N)
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $Y \cap \tilde{X}_N \subseteq \tilde{X}_N$ ,  $\mu(Y \cap \tilde{X}_N) < \infty$  for every  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ . Hence for every  $C > 0$  there exists  $M \in \mathbb{N}$ , such that

$$\mu(Y \cap \tilde{X}_N) > M$$

for  $N > M$ .

□

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