

# Poisson–Bergman Type Operators on Lipschitz and Mixed Norm Spaces in the Real Ball

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**Abstract**—Boundedness of some Poisson–Bergman type operators is stated over the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Forelli–Rudin type theorems are proved and bounded harmonic projections are found on Lipschitz and mixed norm spaces.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

In this paper, we develop and improve our recent results in harmonic function spaces and operators on them, see [1, 2, 4, 5, 21]. Some results of the paper were announced in [3].

Let  $B = B_n$  be the open unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  ( $n \geq 2$ ) and  $S = \partial B$  be its boundary, the unit sphere. The integral means of order  $p$  of a function  $f(x) = f(r\zeta)$  on the sphere  $|x| = r$  are denoted by

$$M_p(f; r) := \|f(r \cdot)\|_{L^p(S; d\sigma)}, \quad 0 \leq r < 1, \quad 0 < p \leq \infty,$$

where  $d\sigma$  is the  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional area-surface Lebesgue measure on  $S$  normalized so that  $\sigma(S) = 1$ . The set of all (real) harmonic functions in the unit ball  $B$  is denoted by  $h(B)$ . Let  $dV$  be the Lebesgue volume measure on  $B$  normalized so that  $V(B) = 1$ . In the polar coordinates, we have  $dV(x) = nr^{n-1} dr d\sigma(\zeta)$ .

By definition, the mixed norm space  $L(p, q, \alpha)$  ( $0 < p, q \leq \infty, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ ) is the set of those functions  $f$  measurable in the unit ball  $B$ , for which the quasi-norm

$$\|f\|_{L(p,q,\alpha)} := \begin{cases} \left( \int_0^1 (1-r)^{\alpha q-1} M_p^q(f; r) dr \right)^{1/q}, & 0 < q < \infty, \\ \operatorname{ess\,sup}_{0 < r < 1} (1-r)^\alpha M_p(f; r), & q = \infty, \end{cases}$$

is finite. For the subspace of  $L(p, q, \alpha)$  consisting of harmonic functions let  $h(p, q, \alpha) := h(B) \cap L(p, q, \alpha)$ .

The mixed norm spaces  $h(p, q, \alpha)$  and their analogues consisting of holomorphic, pluriharmonic or harmonic functions in the disc, the ball in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  or  $\mathbb{R}^n$  have been extensively discussed in the past three decades. The mixed norm spaces of holomorphic functions in the unit disc were introduced by Hardy and Littlewood [11, 12], and developed later by Flett [10]. For  $p = q < \infty$  the spaces  $h(p, q, \alpha)$  coincide with weighted Bergman spaces, see [9, 13], while for  $q = \infty$  these spaces are referred to as weighted Hardy spaces. The spaces  $h(p, p, \alpha), h(p, q, \alpha)$  on the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  were studied in [6, 7, 16, 14, 19,

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18, 4, 5], while the space  $h(p, q, \alpha)$  consisting of  $n$ -harmonic functions on a polydisc in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  were studied in [1, 2].

In the recent paper [5], we established a reproducing integral formula of Poisson–Bergman type for functions in  $h(p, q, \alpha)$  with a wide range of parameters.

**Theorem A.** *Let  $\alpha > 0$  and  $u \in h(p, q, \alpha)$  be an arbitrary function. If either  $0 < p, q \leq \infty, \beta > \max\{\alpha + (n - 1)(1/p - 1), \alpha\}$ , or  $1 \leq p \leq \infty, 0 < q \leq 1, \beta \geq \alpha$ , then*

$$u(x) = \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta-1} P_\beta(x, y) u(y) dV(y), \quad x \in B, \quad (1)$$

where  $P_\beta$  is the Poisson–Bergman type kernel defined in Section 2 below.

Integral formula (1) induces a linear integral operator of Bergman type

$$T_\beta(u)(x) := \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta-1} P_\beta(x, y) u(y) dV(y), \quad x \in B.$$

In fact, Theorem A asserts that operator  $T_\beta$  is the identity map on  $h(p, q, \alpha)$ , that is,  $T_\beta(u) = u, \forall u \in h(p, q, \alpha)$  for suitable parameters.

Along with the operator  $T_\beta$ , define more general operators of Bergman type,

$$T_{\beta, \lambda}(f)(x) := \frac{2(1 - |x|^2)^\lambda}{n\Gamma(\beta + \lambda)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta-1} P_{\beta+\lambda}(x, y) f(y) dV(y),$$

$$S_{\beta, \lambda}(f)(x) := \frac{2(1 - |x|^2)^\lambda}{n\Gamma(\beta + \lambda)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta-1} |P_{\beta+\lambda}(x, y)| |f(y)| dV(y).$$

Note that  $T_{\beta, 0} \equiv T_\beta$ . We introduce some more operators of Poisson–Bergman type with the use of ordinary Poisson kernel  $P_0(x, y)$ ,

$$\Phi_{\beta, \delta}(f)(x) := \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta-1} P_0(x, y) \mathcal{D}^\delta f(y) dV(y), \quad \beta, \delta > 0,$$

where  $\mathcal{D}^\delta$  is an operator of fractional differentiation defined in Section 2.

Our purpose is to find out the action of operators  $T_{\beta, \lambda}, S_{\beta, \lambda}, \Phi_{\beta, \delta}$  on Lipschitz and much wider mixed norm spaces.

**Theorem 1.** *For any  $\alpha + \beta > \delta > \alpha > 0$ , the operator  $\Phi_{\beta, \delta}$  continuously maps the Lipschitz space  $\Lambda_\alpha$  onto harmonic Lipschitz space  $h\Lambda_{\alpha+\beta-\delta}$ , i.e.  $\Phi_{\beta, \delta} : \Lambda_\alpha \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} h\Lambda_{\alpha+\beta-\delta}$ , with the norm inequality*

$$\|\Phi_{\beta, \delta}(f)\|_{h\Lambda_{\alpha+\beta-\delta}} \leq C(\alpha, \beta, \delta, n) \|f\|_{\Lambda_\alpha}.$$

*In particular, for  $\beta = \delta$ , the operator  $\Phi_{\beta, \beta}$  is a continuous projection of the Lipschitz space  $\Lambda_\alpha$  onto its harmonic subspace,  $\Phi_{\beta, \beta} : \Lambda_\alpha \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} h\Lambda_\alpha$ .*

The Bergman projection  $T_\beta$  also preserves classical Lipschitz spaces  $\text{Lip } \alpha$ , as stated in Theorem 2 below.

**Theorem 2.** *For  $0 < \alpha < 1, \beta > 0$ , the operator  $T_\beta$  continuously projects the Lipschitz space  $\text{Lip } \alpha$  onto its harmonic subspace  $h\text{Lip } \alpha$ ,  $T_\beta : \text{Lip } \alpha \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} h\text{Lip } \alpha$ , that is,*

$$\|T_\beta f\|_{h\text{Lip } \alpha} \leq C(\alpha, \beta, n) \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha}.$$

**Remark 1.** *Theorems 1 and 2 assert that Poisson–Bergman operators  $\Phi_{\beta, \beta}$  and  $T_\beta$  act as bounded harmonic projections in Lipschitz spaces. Preservation of Lipschitz spaces under the Bergman projection was established earlier in [15] (for unweighted Bergman projection) and [8] (for integer  $\beta$ ).*

Having established Theorem A, it is natural to ask whether the operators  $T_{\beta,\lambda}, S_{\beta,\lambda}$  are bounded in mixed norm spaces.

**Theorem 3.** *If  $1 \leq p, q \leq \infty, \beta > \alpha > -\lambda$ , then the operators  $T_{\beta,\lambda}, S_{\beta,\lambda}$  continuously map the space  $L(p, q, \alpha)$  into itself:  $T_{\beta,\lambda}, S_{\beta,\lambda} : L(p, q, \alpha) \xrightarrow{\text{into}} L(p, q, \alpha)$ , that is,*

$$\|T_{\beta,\lambda}f\|_{L(p,q,\alpha)} \leq C\|f\|_{L(p,q,\alpha)}, \tag{2}$$

$$\|S_{\beta,\lambda}f\|_{L(p,q,\alpha)} \leq C\|f\|_{L(p,q,\alpha)}, \tag{3}$$

where  $C = C(p, q, \alpha, \beta, \lambda, n)$  is a positive constant depending only on the parameters indicated. Moreover, the operator  $T_{\beta,0}$  continuously projects  $L(p, q, \alpha)$  onto  $h(p, q, \alpha)$ :

$$T_{\beta,0} : L(p, q, \alpha) \xrightarrow{\text{onto}} h(p, q, \alpha). \tag{4}$$

**Remark 2.** *Theorem 3 is an analogue of the well-known Forelli–Rudin theorem in Bergman spaces, see, e.g., [9, 13]. Various generalizations for holomorphic and harmonic functions can also be found in [9, 13, 7, 14, 18, 1].*

## 2. PRELIMINARIES

Throughout the paper, we assume  $x = r\zeta, y = \rho\eta, 0 \leq r, \rho < 1, \zeta, \eta \in S$ , and the letters  $C(\alpha, \beta, \dots), C_\alpha$  etc. stand for different positive constants depending only on the parameters indicated.

**Definition 1.** *(Riemann–Liouville fractional integral and derivative for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ )* For a function  $f$  of one variable  $r \in [0, 1)$ , let

$$D^{-\alpha}f(r) := \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^r (r-t)^{\alpha-1} f(t) dt = \frac{r^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^1 (1-t)^{\alpha-1} f(tr) dt,$$

$$D^m f(r) := \left(\frac{d}{dr}\right)^m f(r), \quad D^\alpha f(r) := D^{-(m-\alpha)} D^m f(r),$$

where  $0 \leq r < 1, \alpha > 0, m \in \mathbb{Z}, m \geq 0, m-1 < \alpha \leq m$ .

**Definition 2.** *(Fractional integral and derivative for  $\mathbb{R}^n, n \geq 2$ )* Given a function  $f$  in the unit ball  $B$ , let

$$\mathcal{D}_n^{-\alpha} f(x) := r^{-(\alpha+n/2-1)} D^{-\alpha} \left\{ r^{n/2-1} f(x) \right\} = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^1 (1-t)^{\alpha-1} f(tx) t^{n/2-1} dt,$$

$$\mathcal{D}^\alpha f(x) \equiv \mathcal{D}_n^\alpha f(x) := r^{-(n/2-1)} D^\alpha \left\{ r^{\alpha+n/2-1} f(x) \right\}, \quad r = |x|.$$

This version of the fractional derivative in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is introduced in [5] and makes it possible to apply it to the extended Poisson kernel in  $B$

$$P(x, y) \equiv P_0(x, y) := \frac{1 - |x|^2|y|^2}{(1 - 2x \cdot y + |x|^2|y|^2)^{n/2}}, \quad x \in B, y \in \overline{B},$$

in order to obtain the Poisson–Bergman type kernel  $P_\beta$  in  $B$  mentioned in Theorem A. Here  $x \cdot y$  means the Euclidean inner product.

**Definition 3.** *(Poisson–Bergman type kernel in  $B$ )*

$$P_\alpha(x, y) := \mathcal{D}_n^\alpha P(x, y), \quad x, y \in B, \quad \alpha \geq 0.$$

Similar and equivalent kernels mostly in series or integral forms are defined in [6, 9, 7, 16, 14, 18].

Note that Poisson–Bergman type kernel  $P_\alpha(x, y)$  is a harmonic function with respect to both  $x$  and  $y$ , and  $P_\alpha(x, y) = P_\alpha(y, x)$ . Let us mention important estimates of the Poisson–Bergman type kernel (see, e.g., [16, 14, 19])

$$|P_\alpha(x, y)| \leq \frac{C(\alpha, n)}{|\eta - \rho x|^{\alpha+n-1}} = \frac{C(\alpha, n)}{|\zeta - ry|^{\alpha+n-1}}, \quad \alpha \geq 0, \tag{5}$$

$$|\mathcal{D}_n^1 P_\alpha(x, y)| \leq \frac{C(\alpha, n)}{|\eta - \rho x|^{\alpha+n}}, \quad x = r\zeta, \quad y = \rho\eta, \quad \alpha \geq 0. \quad (6)$$

**Lemma 1.** For any  $\beta > \alpha > 0$ , there hold the inequalities

$$\int_S \frac{d\sigma(\xi)}{|\xi - x|^{\alpha+n-1}} \leq C(\alpha, n) \frac{1}{(1 - |x|)^\alpha}, \quad x \in B,$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{(1-t)^{\alpha-1}}{(1-rt)^\beta} dt \leq C(\alpha, \beta) \frac{1}{(1-r)^{\beta-\alpha}}, \quad 0 \leq r < 1,$$

$$\int_B \frac{(1-|y|)^{\alpha-1}}{|\zeta - ry|^{\beta+n-1}} dV(y) \leq C(\alpha, \beta, n) \frac{1}{(1-|x|)^{\beta-\alpha}}, \quad x = r\zeta \in B.$$

The estimates of Lemma 1 are well known and can be found, for example, in [14, 16, 19].

We also need well-known Hardy's inequalities, see, e.g., [20, 10].

**Lemma 2.** (Hardy's inequalities) If  $1 \leq q < \infty$ ,  $\beta > 0$ ,  $h(r) \geq 0$ , then

$$\int_0^1 x^{-\beta-1} \left( \int_0^x h(t) dt \right)^q dx \leq C \int_0^1 x^{q-\beta-1} h^q(x) dx, \quad (7)$$

$$\int_0^1 (1-r)^{\beta-1} \left( \int_0^r h(t) dt \right)^q dr \leq C \int_0^1 (1-r)^{q+\beta-1} h^q(r) dr, \quad (8)$$

$$\int_0^1 (1-r)^{-\beta-1} \left( \int_r^1 h(t) dt \right)^q dr \leq C \int_0^1 (1-r)^{q-\beta-1} h^q(r) dr, \quad (9)$$

where the constants  $C = C(q, \beta) > 0$  depend only on  $q$  and  $\beta$ .

Inequality (9) follows from (7) by a linear change of integration variables.

### 3. BOUNDED PROJECTIONS ON LIPSCHITZ SPACES

It would be of interest to find out the images of classical Lipschitz spaces under the Bergman operators. It turns out that both operators  $\Phi_{\beta, \beta}$  and  $T_\beta$  preserve the Lipschitz classes in  $B$ , and so become bounded projections.

**Definition 4.** A function  $f$  given in the unit ball  $B$  is said to belong to Lipschitz space  $Lip \alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha < 1$ ) if  $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq C(\alpha, n)|x - y|^\alpha$ ,  $x, y \in B$ . The Lipschitz space  $Lip \alpha$  is equipped with a seminorm

$$\|f\|_{Lip \alpha} := \sup_{x \neq y} \frac{|f(x) - f(y)|}{|x - y|^\alpha},$$

and  $Lip \alpha$  becomes a Banach space with the norm  $|f(0)| + \|f\|_{Lip \alpha}$ . Let  $hLip \alpha$  be the subspace of  $Lip \alpha$  consisting of harmonic functions,  $hLip \alpha := h(B) \cap Lip \alpha$ .

Define now slightly different Lipschitz spaces for all  $\alpha > 0$ .

**Definition 5.** A function  $f$  smooth enough in the unit ball  $B$  is said to belong to Lipschitz space  $\Lambda_\alpha$  ( $\alpha > 0$ ) if

$$(1 - |x|)^{\gamma-\alpha} |\mathcal{D}^\gamma f(x)| \leq C(\alpha, \gamma, n), \quad x \in B,$$

for some  $\gamma > \alpha$ . Note that for different values of  $\gamma > \alpha$ , equivalent conditions appear. The fractional derivative  $\mathcal{D}^\gamma$  may be replaced by a higher order gradient. A norm in  $\Lambda_\alpha$  can be defined as follows:

$$\|f\|_{\Lambda_\alpha} := \|\mathcal{D}^\gamma f\|_{L(\infty, \infty, \gamma-\alpha)}.$$

Denote by  $h\Lambda_\alpha$  the subspace of  $\Lambda_\alpha$  consisting of harmonic functions,  $h\Lambda_\alpha := h(B) \cap \Lambda_\alpha$ .

The following lemma is an analogue of the classical Hardy–Littlewood theorem [11]. The proof runs along essentially the same lines as in the classical theorem.

**Lemma 3.** For  $0 < \alpha < 1$ , the harmonic Lipschitz spaces defined above coincide,  $hLip\ \alpha = h\Lambda_\alpha$ , and corresponding norms are equivalent:

$$|u(0)| + \|u\|_{Lip\ \alpha} \approx |u(0)| + \sup_{x \in B} (1 - |x|)^{1-\alpha} |\nabla u(x)| \approx \|u\|_{\Lambda_\alpha}.$$

The notation  $A \approx B$  for some  $A, B > 0$  denotes the two-sided estimate  $c_1 A \leq B \leq c_2 A$  with some positive constants  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  independent of the variable involved.

We are now in a position to prove projection theorems for Lipschitz spaces.

**Proof of Theorem 1.** Differentiate  $\Phi_{\beta,\delta}(f)$  with the operator  $\mathcal{D}^\gamma$  for  $\gamma > \alpha + \beta - \delta > 0$ , to get

$$\mathcal{D}^\gamma \Phi_{\beta,\delta}(f)(x) = \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta-1} P_\gamma(x, y) \mathcal{D}^\delta f(y) dV(y).$$

In view of the kernel estimate (5),

$$\begin{aligned} |(\mathcal{D}^\gamma \Phi_{\beta,\delta} f)(x)| &\leq C(\beta, n) \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta-1} |P_\gamma(x, y)| |\mathcal{D}^\delta f(y)| dV(y) \\ &\leq C(\beta, \gamma, n) \int_B \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\gamma+n-1}} |\mathcal{D}^\delta f(\rho\eta)| \rho^{n-1} d\rho d\sigma(\eta). \end{aligned}$$

Replace here  $x$  by  $Qx$ , where  $Q$  is an arbitrary orthogonal linear transformation  $Q : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , that is,  $|Qx| = |x|$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . Recall that the measure  $\sigma$  is invariant under rotations, meaning  $\sigma(Q(G)) = \sigma(G)$  for every Borel set  $G \subset S$  and every orthogonal transformation  $Q$ . Applying also the change  $\eta \mapsto Q\eta$ , we find that

$$\begin{aligned} |(\mathcal{D}^\gamma \Phi_{\beta,\delta} f)(Qx)| &\leq C \int_B \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho Qx - Q\eta|^{\gamma+n-1}} |\mathcal{D}^\delta f(\rho Q\eta)| \rho^{n-1} d\rho d\sigma(\eta) \\ &= C \int_0^1 \int_S \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\gamma+n-1}} |\mathcal{D}^\delta f(\rho Q\eta)| \rho^{n-1} d\rho d\sigma(\eta). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, by Lemma 1,

$$M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^\gamma \Phi_{\beta,\delta} f; r) \leq C \int_0^1 \int_S \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\gamma+n-1}} M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^\delta f; \rho) d\rho d\sigma(\eta) \leq C \int_0^1 \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{(1 - r\rho)^\gamma} M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^\delta f; \rho) d\rho.$$

Note that the last integral converges since  $f \in \Lambda_\alpha$ ,

$$(1 - r)^{\delta-\alpha} M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^\delta f; r) \leq \|\mathcal{D}^\delta f\|_{L(\infty, \infty, \delta-\alpha)} = \|f\|_{\Lambda_\alpha},$$

and

$$\int_0^1 (1 - \rho)^{\beta-1} M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^\delta f; \rho) d\rho \leq \|f\|_{\Lambda_\alpha} \int_0^1 (1 - \rho)^{\alpha+\beta-\delta-1} d\rho < +\infty.$$

Hence, in view of the condition  $\gamma > \alpha + \beta - \delta > 0$  and Lemma 1,

$$M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^\gamma \Phi_{\beta,\delta}(f); r) \leq C \int_0^1 \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{(1 - r\rho)^\gamma} \frac{\|\mathcal{D}^\delta f\|_{L(\infty, \infty, \delta-\alpha)}}{(1 - \rho)^{\delta-\alpha}} d\rho$$

$$\leq C \|\mathcal{D}^\delta f\|_{L(\infty, \infty, \delta - \alpha)} \int_0^1 \frac{(1 - \rho)^{\beta - \delta + \alpha - 1}}{(1 - r\rho)^\gamma} d\rho \leq C \|\mathcal{D}^\delta f\|_{L(\infty, \infty, \delta - \alpha)} \frac{1}{(1 - r)^{\gamma - \beta + \delta - \alpha}},$$

where  $C = C(\alpha, \beta, \gamma, \delta, n)$ . Therefore,

$$(1 - r)^{\gamma - \beta + \delta - \alpha} M_\infty(\mathcal{D}^\gamma \Phi_{\beta, \delta}(f); r) \leq C \|\mathcal{D}^\delta f\|_{L(\infty, \infty, \delta - \alpha)}, \quad 0 \leq r < 1,$$

that is,  $\|\Phi_{\beta, \delta}(f)\|_{h\Lambda_{\alpha + \beta - \delta}} \leq C \|f\|_{\Lambda_\alpha}$ .

For the surjectivity of  $\Phi_{\beta, \delta} : \Lambda_\alpha \rightarrow h\Lambda_{\alpha + \beta - \delta}$ , we take arbitrary harmonic function  $g \in h\Lambda_{\alpha + \beta - \delta}$ , so  $\mathcal{D}^\beta g \in h(\infty, \infty, \delta - \alpha)$ . According to the continuous inclusions (ii),(vi) in [4, Thm 1.1],

$$\mathcal{D}^\beta g \in h(\infty, \infty, \delta - \alpha) \subset h(1, \infty, \delta - \alpha) \subset h(1, 1, \beta), \quad \beta > \delta - \alpha > 0.$$

By Theorem A,  $\mathcal{D}^\beta g(x) = T_{\beta, 0}(\mathcal{D}^\beta g)(x)$ , and then taking the integral operator  $\mathcal{D}^{-\beta}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} g(x) &= \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta - 1} P_0(x, y) \mathcal{D}^\beta g(y) dV(y) \\ &= \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta - 1} P_0(x, y) \mathcal{D}^\delta [\mathcal{D}^{-\delta} \mathcal{D}^\beta g(y)] dV(y) = \Phi_{\beta, \delta}(\mathcal{D}^{-\delta} \mathcal{D}^\beta g)(x) =: \Phi_{\beta, \delta}(\psi)(x), \end{aligned}$$

where we have used the inversion formula  $\mathcal{D}^\delta \mathcal{D}^{-\delta} F = F$ , see [5, Lemma 4.1]. Now it remains to show only that the function  $\psi := \mathcal{D}^{-\delta} \mathcal{D}^\beta g$  is in  $h\Lambda_\alpha$ . For an integer  $m \in \mathbb{N}, m > \delta > \alpha > 0$ , we apply Hardy–Littlewood type theorems on (fractional) integro-differentiation in harmonic spaces  $h(\infty, \infty, \alpha)$  (see [17]). Also, by using the commutation formula  $\mathcal{D}^m \mathcal{D}^{-\delta} F = \mathcal{D}^{-\delta} \mathcal{D}^m F$  (see [2, Lemma 4] for  $\mathbb{R}^2$ ), we consecutively obtain the following implications

$$\begin{aligned} g \in h\Lambda_{\alpha + \beta - \delta} &\implies \mathcal{D}^\beta g \in h(\infty, \infty, \delta - \alpha) \implies \mathcal{D}^m \mathcal{D}^\beta g \in h(\infty, \infty, \delta - \alpha + m) \\ &\implies \mathcal{D}^{-\delta} \mathcal{D}^m \mathcal{D}^\beta g = \mathcal{D}^m \mathcal{D}^{-\delta} \mathcal{D}^\beta g \in h(\infty, \infty, m - \alpha) \\ &\implies \mathcal{D}^m \psi = \mathcal{D}^m (\mathcal{D}^{-\delta} \mathcal{D}^\beta g) \in h(\infty, \infty, m - \alpha) \implies \psi \in h\Lambda_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the surjectivity of  $\Phi_{\beta, \beta}$  immediately follows from the fact that  $\Phi_{\beta, \beta}$  is the identity operator on  $h\Lambda_\alpha$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 1.  $\square$

**Proof of Theorem 2.** Let  $f$  be an arbitrary Lipschitz function in the space  $\text{Lip } \alpha$  not necessarily harmonic. Because of Theorem A

$$1 = \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta - 1} P_\beta(x, y) dV(y), \quad x \in B.$$

It follows that for any fixed point  $z \in B, 0 < |z - x| < 1 - |x|$ ,

$$T_\beta(f)(x) = \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta - 1} P_\beta(x, y) (f(y) - f(z)) dV(y) + f(z).$$

Further differentiation with  $\mathcal{D}_n^1$  and estimation by using of (6) lead to

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{D}_n^1 T_\beta(f)(x)| &\leq \frac{2}{n\Gamma(\beta)} \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta - 1} |\mathcal{D}_n^1 P_\beta(x, y)| |f(y) - f(z)| dV(y) \\ &\leq C(\alpha, \beta, n) \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta - 1} \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} \frac{|y - z|^\alpha}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta + n}} dV(y) \\ &\leq C(\alpha, \beta, n) \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} \int_B \frac{(1 - |y|)^{\beta - 1} |y - z|^\alpha}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta + n}} dV(y). \end{aligned}$$

The further application of the triangle inequality

$$|y - z|^\alpha \leq |y - x|^\alpha + |x - z|^\alpha \quad (0 < \alpha < 1)$$

and another obvious inequality  $|y - x| < |\rho x - \eta|$ ,  $x, y \in B$ , together with Lemma 1, finally yields

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathcal{D}_n^1 T_\beta(f)(x)| &\leq C \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} \int_B \frac{(1 - |y|)^{\beta-1} |y - x|^\alpha}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta+n}} dV(y) + C \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} |x - z|^\alpha \int_B \frac{(1 - |y|)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta+n}} dV(y) \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} \int_B \frac{(1 - |y|)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta+n-\alpha}} dV(y) + C \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} (1 - |x|)^\alpha \int_B \frac{(1 - |y|)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta+n}} dV(y) \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} \frac{1}{(1 - |x|)^{1-\alpha}} + C \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} \frac{(1 - |x|)^\alpha}{1 - |x|} = C(\alpha, \beta, n) \|f\|_{\text{Lip } \alpha} \frac{1}{(1 - |x|)^{1-\alpha}}. \end{aligned}$$

This, together with Lemma 3, completes the proof of Theorem 2. □

#### 4. BOUNDED OPERATORS ON MIXED NORM SPACES

**Proof of Theorem 3.** Let  $f$  be an arbitrary function in the mixed norm space  $L(p, q, \alpha)$ . Since  $|T_{\beta, \lambda}(f)| \leq S_{\beta, \lambda}(|f|)$ , it suffices to prove only the inequality (3). An application of the estimate (5) gives

$$\begin{aligned} |(S_{\beta, \lambda} f)(x)| &\leq C(1 - |x|^2)^\lambda \int_B (1 - |y|^2)^{\beta-1} |P_{\beta+\lambda}(x, y)| |f(y)| dV(y) \\ &\leq C(1 - |x|^2)^\lambda \int_B \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta+\lambda+n-1}} |f(y)| \rho^{n-1} d\rho d\sigma(\eta). \end{aligned}$$

Replace here  $x$  by  $Qx$ , where  $Q$  is an arbitrary orthogonal linear transformation  $Q : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ , that is,  $|Qx| = |x|$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ . After changing the variable  $\eta \mapsto Q\eta$ , we find that

$$\begin{aligned} |(S_{\beta, \lambda} f)(Qx)| &\leq C(\beta, \lambda, n)(1 - |Qx|^2)^\lambda \int_B \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho Qx - Q\eta|^{\beta+\lambda+n-1}} |f(\rho Q\eta)| \rho^{n-1} d\rho d\sigma(\eta) \\ &= C(\beta, \lambda, n)(1 - |x|^2)^\lambda \int_0^1 \int_S \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta+\lambda+n-1}} |f(\rho Q\eta)| \rho^{n-1} d\rho d\sigma(\eta). \end{aligned}$$

Further, we use Minkowski's inequality in the continuous form, Lemma 1, and the identity  $M_p(F; |z|) = (\int |F(Qz)|^p dQ)^{1/p}$ ,  $z \in B$ , where the integral is taken over the orthogonal group. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} M_p(S_{\beta, \lambda} f; r) &\leq C(1 - |x|^2)^\lambda \int_0^1 \int_S \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{|\rho x - \eta|^{\beta+\lambda+n-1}} M_p(f; \rho) d\rho d\sigma(\eta) \\ &\leq C(\beta, \lambda, n)(1 - r^2)^\lambda \int_0^1 \frac{(1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{(1 - r\rho)^{\beta+\lambda}} M_p(f; \rho) d\rho. \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

**Case  $1 \leq q < \infty$ .** First note that the last integral in (10) is convergent since  $\beta > \alpha$  and, by Hölder's inequality ( $1 < q < \infty, 1/q + 1/q' = 1$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 (1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-1} M_p(f; \rho) d\rho &= \int_0^1 (1 - \rho^2)^{\beta-\alpha+\alpha} M_p(f; \rho) \frac{d\rho}{1 - \rho} \\ &\leq C_\beta \left( \int_0^1 (1 - \rho)^{q'(\beta-\alpha)} \frac{d\rho}{1 - \rho} \right)^{1/q'} \left( \int_0^1 (1 - \rho)^{\alpha q} M_p^q(f; \rho) \frac{d\rho}{1 - \rho} \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

$$= C(\alpha, \beta, q) \|f\|_{L(p, q, \alpha)} < +\infty.$$

Therefore, the evaluation of  $M_p(S_{\beta, \lambda} f; r)$  can be continued as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} M_p(S_{\beta, \lambda} f; r) &\leq C(\beta, \lambda, n)(1-r^2)^\lambda \left( \int_0^r + \int_r^1 \right) \frac{(1-\rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{(1-r\rho)^{\beta+\lambda}} M_p(f; \rho) d\rho \\ &\leq C(1-r^2)^\lambda \int_0^r \frac{M_p(f; \rho)}{(1-\rho)^{1+\lambda}} d\rho + C(1-r)^{-\beta} \int_r^1 (1-\rho^2)^{\beta-1} M_p(f; \rho) d\rho. \end{aligned}$$

By the triangle inequality and next by Hardy's inequalities (8) and (9) in Lemma 2,

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_{\beta, \lambda} f\|_{L(p, q, \alpha)} &= \|(1-r)^\alpha M_p(S_{\beta, \lambda} f; r)\|_{L^q(dr/(1-r))} \\ &\leq C \left\| (1-r)^{\alpha+\lambda} \int_0^r M_p(f; \rho) \frac{d\rho}{(1-\rho)^{1+\lambda}} \right\|_{L^q(dr/(1-r))} \\ &\quad + C \left\| (1-r)^{\alpha-\beta} \int_r^1 (1-\rho)^{\beta-1} M_p(f; \rho) d\rho \right\|_{L^q(dr/(1-r))} \\ &\leq C \left[ \int_0^1 (1-r)^{(\alpha+\lambda)q-1} \left( \frac{1-r}{(1-r)^{1+\lambda}} M_p(f; r) \right)^q dr \right]^{1/q} \\ &\quad + C \left[ \int_0^1 (1-r)^{(\alpha-\beta)q-1} \left( (1-r)^\beta M_p(f; r) \right)^q dr \right]^{1/q} \leq C \|f\|_{L(p, q, \alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

**Case  $q = \infty$ .** Since  $(1-r)^\alpha M_p(f; r) \leq \|f\|_{L(p, \infty, \alpha)}$  and  $\beta > \alpha$ , the integral in (10) again converges,

$$\int_0^1 (1-\rho^2)^{\beta-1} M_p(f; \rho) d\rho \leq C_\beta \|f\|_{L(p, \infty, \alpha)} \int_0^1 (1-\rho)^{\beta-\alpha-1} d\rho < +\infty.$$

Therefore, by (10) and Lemma 1,

$$\begin{aligned} M_p(S_{\beta, \lambda} f; r) &\leq C(\beta, \lambda, n)(1-r^2)^\lambda \int_0^1 \frac{(1-\rho^2)^{\beta-1}}{(1-r\rho)^{\beta+\lambda}} \frac{\|f\|_{L(p, \infty, \alpha)}}{(1-\rho)^\alpha} d\rho \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{L(p, \infty, \alpha)} (1-r^2)^\lambda \int_0^1 \frac{(1-\rho)^{\beta-\alpha-1}}{(1-r\rho)^{\beta+\lambda}} d\rho \leq C(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, n) \|f\|_{L(p, \infty, \alpha)} (1-r^2)^\lambda \frac{1}{(1-r)^{\alpha+\lambda}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $(1-r)^\alpha M_p(S_{\beta, \lambda} f; r) \leq C(\alpha, \beta, \lambda, n) \|f\|_{L(p, \infty, \alpha)}$ ,  $0 \leq r < 1$ , so (2) and (3) are proved.

Since the operator  $T_{\beta, 0}$  ( $\lambda = 0$ ) is bounded on  $L(p, q, \alpha)$  and, by Theorem A, is the identity map on  $h(p, q, \alpha)$ , the mapping (4),  $T_{\beta, 0} : L(p, q, \alpha) \rightarrow h(p, q, \alpha)$  is a harmonic projection of  $L(p, q, \alpha)$  onto  $h(p, q, \alpha)$ . The proof of Theorem 3 is complete.  $\square$

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