## ON THE SPACE OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS OF LOGARITHMIC TYPE T

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**Abstract**. We consider the space of functions analytic in a finite disc. Using the coefficient characterization of the logarithmic type we define a norm and show that the space obtained is a Frechét space. Characterizations for continuous linear functional and proper bases are also obtained.

1. Introduction. The study of spaces of entire functions was initiated by Ganapathy Tyer [3]. He introduced the notion of a proper base and established a relationship between proper bases and automorphisms of the space. Arsov [1] considered the space of functions analytic in the finite disc |z| < R endowed with the topology of uniform convergence on compact sets and obtained a relationship between proper bases and linear homeomorphisms. Srivastava [5] defined a norm on the space of analytic functions with the help of growth parameters and studied the properties of this space.

Let  $U_R$  denote the class of all functions f analytic in  $|z| < R < \infty$ , where  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ . We set  $M(r, f) = M(r) = \max_{|z|=r} |f(z)|$ , 0 < r < R. Then f is said to be of order  $\rho_0$  if

(1.1) 
$$\lim_{r \to R} \sup \frac{\log^+ \log^+ M(r)}{-\log \log(R/r)} = \rho_0, \quad 0 \le \rho_0 \le \infty,$$

where  $\log^+ x = \max(0, \log x)$  for x > 0. If  $0 < \rho_0 < \infty$  then the type  $T_0$  of f is defined by

(1.2) 
$$\lim_{r \to R} \sup \left[ \log^+ M(r) (\log(R/r))^{\rho_0} \right] = T_0, \quad 0 \le T_0 \le \infty.$$

Srivastava [5] used the coefficient characterization of the type  $T_0$  to define a norm as follows. It is known [2] that

(1.3) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \left\{ \left[ \log^+ (|a_n| \, R^n) \right]^{\rho_0 + 1} \right\} n^{-\rho_0} = T_0 A^{\rho_0 + 1},$$
 where  $A = (\rho_0 + 1) \rho_0^{-\rho_0/(\rho_0 + 1)}.$ 

Let  $U_R(\rho_0, T_0)$  denote the class of all functions f,  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ , analytic in the disc |z| < R, having growth parameters not exceeding  $(\rho_0, T_0)$ . Then for  $f \in U_R(\rho_0, T_0)$ , we have

(1.4) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup n^{-\rho_0} \left[ \log^+ (|a_n| R^n) \right]^{\rho_0 + 1} \le A^{\rho_0 + 1} T_0.$$

For any  $\delta > 0$ , define

$$||f; \rho_0, T_0 + \delta|| = |a_0| + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| R^n P(n, \rho_0, T_0 + \delta)$$

where  $P(n, \rho_0, T_0 + \delta) = \exp\left[-An^{\rho_0/(\rho_0+1)}(T_0 + \delta)^{1/(\rho_0+1)}\right]$ . Evidently, if  $\rho_0 = 0$  or  $\rho_0 = \infty$ , then the type  $T_0$  can not be defined and consequently the norm above can not be defined either. In this paper, we study the spaces of analytic functions of slow growth, (i.e. when  $\rho_0 = 0$ ). For such functions, the logarithmic order  $\rho$  is defined as in [4]:

(1.5) 
$$\lim_{r \to R} \sup \frac{\log^+ \log^+ M(r)}{\log \log[R/(R-r)]} = \rho, \quad 0 \le \rho \le \infty.$$

Further, if  $0 < \rho < \infty$ , the logarithmic type T is defined by

$$\lim_{r\to R}\sup\frac{\log^+M(r)}{\{\log[R/(R-r)]\}^\rho}=T,\quad 0\le T\le\infty.$$

For  $1 < \rho < \infty$ , the logarithmic type T is given by [4; Lemma, p. 448]

(1.7) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \left[ \log^+ \left( |a_n| \, R^n \right) \left( \log n \right)^{-\rho} \right] = T$$

We denote by  $U_R(\rho,T)$  the class of all functions  $f(z) = \sum_{n=o}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  analytic in the disc |z| < R, and of logarithmic growth  $(\rho,T)$ , that is, the logarithmic order of f does not exceed  $\rho$  and if f is of logarithmic order  $\rho$ , its logarithmic type T does not exceed T,  $1 < \rho < \infty$ ,  $0 \le T < \infty$ . From (1.7), it follows that  $f \in U_R(\rho,T)$  if and only if

(1.8) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \left[ \log^+(|a_n| R^n) (\log n)^{-\rho} \right] \le T.$$

From (1.8), we have for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  and all  $n > n_0(\varepsilon)$ 

$$(1.9) |a_n| < R^{-n} \exp\left[ (T + \varepsilon)(\log n)^{\rho} \right].$$

For each  $f \in U_R(\rho, T)$  we define for  $\delta > 0$ ,

(1.10) 
$$||f; \rho, T + \delta|| = |a_0| + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| R^n \exp\left[-(T + \rho)(\log n)^{\rho}\right].$$

In view of (1.9), (1.10) clearly defines a norm for any  $\delta > 0$ . We denote by  $U_R(\rho, T, \delta)$  the space  $U_R(\rho, T)$  equiped with the norm (1.10). Let  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho, T)$  be the space  $U_R(\rho, T)$  equiped with the weakest topology which is stronger than the topologies of each  $U_R(\rho, T, \delta)$ . The equivalent metric on  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho, T)$  can be expressed as

(1.11) 
$$\lambda(f,g) = \sum_{q=1}^{\infty} 2^{-q} \frac{\|f - g\|_q}{1 + \|f - g\|_q}$$

where  $||f - g||_q = ||f - g; \rho, T + 1/q||$ , as defined by (1.10).

**2. Linear transformations on**  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . In this section we obtain characterization of continuous linear transformation on  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . First we prove

Theorem 1. The space  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  is a Frechét space.

*Proof.* We show that the space  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  is complete. Let  $\{f_{\alpha}\}$  be a Cauchy sequence in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . Then it is a Cauchy sequence in each  $U_{R}(\rho,T,\delta)$ ,  $\delta>0$ . Hence if we set  $f_{\alpha}(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}a_{n}^{(\alpha)}z^{n}$ , then for a given  $\eta>0$  and q, there exists a positive integer  $m_{0}=m_{0}(q,\eta)$  such that  $\|f_{\alpha}-f_{\beta}\|<\eta$  for  $\alpha,\beta\geq m_{0}$ . Thus

$$(2.1) \qquad \left| a_0^{(\alpha)} - a_0^{(\beta)} \right| + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| a_n^{(\alpha)} - a_n^{(\beta)} \right| R^n \exp\left[ -(T + 1/q)(\log n)^{\rho} \right] < \eta$$

for  $\alpha, \beta \geq m$  and q a fixed positive integer. Hence for  $n=0,1,2,\ldots$ , we get  $\left|a_n^{(\alpha)}-a_n^{(\beta)}\right|<\eta$  for all  $\alpha,\beta\geq m_0$ . Hence  $\left\{a_n^{(\alpha)}\right\}_{\alpha=1}^\infty$  is a Cauchy sequence of complex numbers for each  $n=0,1,2,\ldots$ . Thus there exists a sequence  $\left\{a_n\right\}_{n=0}^\infty$  of complex numbers such that  $\lim_{\alpha\to\infty}a_n^{(\alpha)}=a_n,\,n=0,1,2,\ldots$ . Let  $\beta\to\infty$  in (2.1). Then for  $\alpha\geq m_0$  we have

$$(2.2) \left| a_0^{(\alpha)} - a_0 \right| + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left| a_n^{(\alpha)} - a_n \right| R^n \exp\left[ -(T + 1/q)(\log n)^{\rho} \right] < \eta.$$

Let k be arbitrary integer,  $1 \le q < k$ . Since  $f_{m_0} \in U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ , we have from (1.9),

$$\left| a_n^{(m_0)} \right| < R^{-n} \exp\left[ (T + 1/k) (\log n)^{\rho} \right]$$

for  $n \geq N_1(k,\eta)$ . Also,  $|a_n| \leq \left|a_n^{(m_0)}\right| + \left|a_n^{(m_0)} - a_n\right|$  for any n. Hence for  $n \geq N_1'$ 

$$|a_n| < \eta R^{-n} \exp\left[ (T + 1/q)(\log n)^{\rho} \right] + R^{-n} \exp\left[ (T + 1/k)(\log n)^{\rho} \right].$$

Since  $\eta > 0$  was arbitrary and k > q, there exists a positive integer  $N_2(q)$  such that for  $n > N_2$ ,

$$|a_n| R^n \exp\left[-(T+1/q)(\log n)^{\rho}\right]$$
  
  $< \eta + R^{-n} \exp\left[\left\{(T+1/k) - (T+1/q)\right\}(\log n)^{\rho}\right] < 1.$ 

Hence  $|a_n| < R^{-n} \exp\left[(T+1/q)(\log n)^\rho\right], \ n > N_2$ . Thus the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  satisfies (1.9) for every fixed  $q=1,2,\ldots$ . So,  $f\in U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ , where  $f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^\infty a_n z^n$ .

Now from (2.2), for any fixed q, we have  $\|f_{\alpha} - f\|_{q} < \eta$ ,  $\alpha \geq m_{0}$ . Hence  $f_{\alpha} \to f$  as  $\alpha \to \infty$ , in each  $U_{R}(\rho, T, 1/q)$ . Thus  $f_{\alpha} \to f$  in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho, T)$ , and the space  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho, T)$  is complete, and therefore a Frechét space.

In the next theorem, we give a characterization of linear continuous functional on  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . We thus have

Theorem 2. A continuous linear functional F on  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  is of the form  $F(f) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n C_n$  if and only if

$$(2.3) |C_n| \le A R^n \exp\left[-(T+1/q)(\log n)^{\rho}\right], \quad n \ge 1, \quad q \ge 1,$$

where A is a positive number depending on  $\rho$  but not on n and  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ .

Proof. Let  $F: U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T) \to C$  be a continuous linear functional, where C is the field of complex numbers. Then for any sequence  $\{f_m\}$ ,  $f_m \in U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  such that  $f_m \to f$  as  $m \to \infty$  in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ , we have  $F(f_m) \to F(f)$ . Now let  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$  where  $a_n$ 's satisfy (1.9). Then  $f \in U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . Also, for  $m = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ , let us put  $f_m(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{m} a_n z^n$ . Then  $f_m \in U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  for each  $m = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ . Let q be any fixed, positive integer and let  $0 < \varepsilon < 1/q$ . Then from (1.9) we can find a positive integer m such that

$$|a_n| < R^{-n} \exp\left[ (T + \varepsilon)(\log n)^{\rho} \right], \quad n > m.$$

Now

$$||f - f_m||_q = \left\| \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} a_n z^n \right\|_q = \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} |a_n| R^n \exp\left[ -(T + 1/q)(\log n)^{\rho} \right]$$

$$< \sum_{n=m+1}^{\infty} \exp\left[ (\log n)^{\rho} (\varepsilon - 1/q) \right] < \varepsilon.$$

for sufficiently large values of m. Hence for these values of m,

$$\lambda(f, f_m) = \sum_{q=1}^{\infty} 2^{-q} \frac{\|f - f_m\|_q}{1 + \|f - f_m\|_q} < \sum_{q=1}^{\infty} 2^{-q} \left(\frac{\varepsilon}{1 + \varepsilon}\right) < \varepsilon.$$

Hence  $f_m \to f$  in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  as  $m \to \infty$ . Therefore  $\lim_{m \to \infty} F(f_m) = F(f)$ . Let us put  $C_n = F(z^n)$ . Then

$$F(f) = \lim_{m \to \infty} F(f_m) = \lim_{m \to \infty} \sum_{n=0}^{m} a_n C_n = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n C_n.$$

Further,  $|C_n| = |F(z^n)|$ . Since F is continuous on  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ , it is continuous on  $U_R(\rho,T,1/q)$  for each  $q=1,2,\ldots$  Consequently there exists a positive number A independent of q such that

$$|F(z^n)| = |C_n| \le A \|\alpha_n\|_q$$
,  $q \ge 1$ , where  $\alpha_n(z) = z^n$ .

Now, using the definition of the norm for  $\alpha_n(z)$ , we get

$$|C_n| \le A R^n \exp \left[ -(T + 1/q)(\log n)^{\rho} \right]$$
 for all  $n \ge 1, q \ge 1$ .

Hence we have

$$F(f) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n C_n$$
, where  $C_n$ 's satisfy (2.3).

Conversely suppose that  $C_n$ 's satisfy (2.3) and for any sequence of complex numbers  $\{a_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  let  $F(f) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n C_n$ . Then for  $q \geq 1$ ,

$$|F(f)| \le A \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| R^n \exp\left[-(T+1/q)(\log n)^{\rho}\right] + |a_0 C_0|.$$

Let us put  $A_1 = \max(A, |C_0|)$ . Then we have  $|F(f)| \leq A_1 ||f||_q$ ,  $q \geq 1$ . Hence F defines a continuous linear functional on  $U_R(\rho, T, 1/q)$  for each  $q = 1, 2, \ldots$  In view of the metric defined by (1.11), F is continuous linear functional on  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho, T)$ . This completes the proof of Theorem 2.

For  $f \in U_R(\rho, T)$  and  $\delta > 0$ , let  $||f; \rho, T + \rho||$  be defined by (1.10). Then we have the following result.

Theorem 3. A necessary and sufficient condition that there exists a continuous linear transformation  $F: U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T) \to U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  with  $F(\alpha_n) = \beta_n$ ,  $n = 0, 1, 2, \ldots, \alpha_n = z^n, \beta_n \in U_R(\rho,T)$ , is that for every  $\delta > 0$ ,

(2.4) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+} \left\{ \left\| \beta_{n}; \rho, T + \delta \right\|^{-1} R^{n} \right\}} < \frac{1}{T}$$

*Proof.* Let F be a continuous linear transformation from  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  into  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  with  $F(\alpha_n)=\beta_n,\ n=0,1,2,\ldots$  Then for any given  $\delta>0$  there exists a  $\delta_1>0$  and a constant  $K=K(\delta)$  such that

$$||F(\alpha_n); \rho, T + \delta|| \le K ||\alpha_n; \rho, T + \delta_1||, \text{ i.e.}$$

$$||\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta|| \le K R^n \exp\left[-(T + \delta_1)(\log n)^{\rho}\right], \text{ i.e.}$$

$$\frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^+ \left[||\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta||^{-1} R^n\right]} < o(1) + (T + \delta_1)^{-1}.$$

Hence

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+} \left[ \left\| \beta_n; \rho, T + \delta \right\|^{-1} R^n \right]} \leq \frac{1}{T + \delta_1} < \frac{1}{T}.$$

Conversely suppose that the sequence  $\{\beta_n\}$  satisfies (2.4). Then for any given  $\eta' > 0$ , there exists a positive integer  $N_0 = N_0(\eta')$  such that

(2.5) 
$$\frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+} \left[ \|\beta_{n}; \rho, T + \delta\|^{-1} R^{n} \right]} < \frac{1}{T + \eta'}$$

for all  $n > N_0$  and all  $\delta > 0$ . Let  $f \in U_R(\rho, T)$ ,  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ , and let  $0 < \eta < \eta'$ . Then from (1.8), there exists a positive integer  $N_1 = N_1(\eta)$  such that for all  $n > N_1$ ,

$$|a_n| < R^{-n} \exp\left[ (T + \eta)(\log n)^{\rho} \right].$$

Let  $N = \max(N_0, N_1)$ . Then from (2.5) and (2.6), we have for n > N,

$$|a_n| \|\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta\| < \exp\left[(\eta - \eta')(\log n)^{\rho}\right].$$

Since  $0<\eta<\eta'$ , this inequality implies that the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}a_n\beta_n$  converges absolutely in  $U_R(\rho,T,\delta)$  for each  $\delta>0$ . Since each  $U_R(\rho,T,\delta)$  is complete, we conclude that this series converges to an element of  $U_R(\rho,T,\delta)$ . Let us define a transformation  $F\colon U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)\to U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  by putting  $F(f)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}a_n\beta_n$  for  $f\in U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . We note that F is linear,  $F(\alpha_n)=\beta_n$  and for any  $\delta>0$ , there exists a  $\delta'>0$  such that

$$\frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+}\left[\|\beta_{n}; \rho, T + \delta\|^{-1} R^{n}\right]} \le \frac{1}{T + \delta'} \quad \text{for } n > N(\delta, \delta'), \quad \text{i.e.}$$
$$\|\beta_{n}; \rho, T + \delta\| \le K R^{n} \exp\left[-(T + \delta')(\log n)^{\rho}\right]$$

for all  $n \geq 0$ ,  $K = K(\delta)$  being a constant. Hence

$$\begin{split} \|F(\alpha); \rho, T + \delta'\| &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| \, \|\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta\| \\ &\leq |a_0| + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n| K \, R^n \exp\left[-(T + \delta') (\log n)^{\rho}\right] \\ &\leq K' \, \|\alpha_n; \rho, T + \delta'\| \,, \quad \text{where } K' = \max(1, K^{-1}). \end{split}$$

Hence F is continuous on  $U_R(\rho, T, \delta)$  for each  $\delta > 0$ . Consequently F is continuous on  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho, T)$ . This proves Theorem 3.

3. Proper bases. In this section, we will study the properties of bases in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . We give some definitions. Let  $f_k$ ,  $k=0,1,\ldots$ , be a sequence of functions in  $U_R(\rho,T)$ . If  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k f_k = 0 \Rightarrow C_k = 0$  for all  $k=0,1,2,\ldots$  and all sequences  $\{C_k\}$  of complex numbers for which  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k f_k$  converges in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ , then the sequence  $\{f_k\}$  is said to be linearly independent. We say that  $\{f_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$  spans a subspace  $V_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  of  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  provided  $V_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  consists of all linear combinations  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k f_k$  where  $\{C_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$  is any sequence of complex numbers such that  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k f_k$  converges in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . A sequence  $\{f_k\}$  which is linearly independent and spans a closed subspace  $V_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  of  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  is called a basis of  $V_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . Lastly, a basis  $\{f_k\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$  of a subspace  $V_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  is said to be a proper base if for all sequences of complex numbers  $\{C_n\}$ ,  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k f_k$  converges if and only if  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k \alpha_k$  converges in  $V_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . From (1.8) we know that  $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} C_k \alpha_k$  converges in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  if and only if

(3.1) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \left[ \log^+ \left( |C_n| \, R^n \right) (\log n)^{-\rho} \right] \le T.$$

Now we prove

Theorem 4. The following three conditions are equivalent:

(3.2) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+} \left[ \|\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta\|^{-1} R^n \right]} < \frac{1}{T}, \quad \delta > 0;$$

(3.3) for all sequences  $\{a_n\}$  of complex numbers the convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \alpha_n$  in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  implies convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \beta_n$  in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ ;

(3.4) for all sequences  $\{a_n\}$  of complex numbers, convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \alpha_n$  in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  implies that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n \beta_n = 0$  in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ .

*Proof.* In proving the sufficiency part of Theorem 3 we have already shown that  $(3.2) \Rightarrow (3.3)$ . Further, the implication  $(3.3) \Rightarrow (3.4)$  is evident. Thus we have only to show that  $(3.4) \Rightarrow (3.2)$ . Therefore, let (3.4) be true but for some  $\delta > 0$ , (3.2) be not satisfied. Then for  $\delta = \delta'$  (say), there exists a sequence  $\{n_k\}$  of positive integers such that

(3.5) 
$$\frac{(\log n_k)^{\rho}}{\log^+ \left[ \|\beta_{n_k}; \rho, T + \delta'\|^{-1} R^{n_k} \right]} > \frac{1}{T + k^{-1}}, \text{ for all } k = 1, 2, \dots.$$

We define a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  of real numbers as follows:

$$a_n = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \left\|\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta' \right\|^{-1}, & n = n_k \\ 0, & n \neq n_k \end{array} \right.$$

Then for all large values of k, we have

$$\frac{\log^{+} \left[ |a_{n_{k}}| \, R^{n_{k}} \right]}{(\log n_{k})^{\rho}} = \frac{\log^{+} \left[ \|\beta_{n_{k}}; \rho, T + \delta'\|^{-1} \, R^{n_{k}} \right]}{(\log n_{k})^{\rho}} < T + k^{-1}.$$

Hence

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \sup \left\{ \log^+ \left[ |a_{n_k}| \, R^{n_k} \right] (\log n_k)^{-\rho} \right\} \le T.$$

Thus the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  defined as above satisfies (3.1) and hence  $\sum a_n \alpha_n$  converges in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . So, by (3.4), we have  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n\beta_n = 0$ . However

$$||a_{n_k}\beta_{n_k}; \rho, T + \delta'|| = |a_{n_k}| ||\beta_{n_k}; \rho, T + \delta'|| = 1.$$

Therefore  $\{a_n\beta_n\}$  does not converge to 0 in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . This is a contradiction. Hence (3.2) must hold for all  $\delta > 0$ . This proves Theorem 4.

Next we prove

Theorem 5. The following three conditions are equivalent:

- (a) for all sequences  $\{a_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$  of complex numbers,  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n\beta_n = 0$  in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  implies that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n\alpha_n$  converges in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ ;
- (b) for all sequences  $\{a_n\}$  of complex numbers, convergence of  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}$  implies that  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \alpha_n$  converges in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ ;

(c) 
$$\lim_{\delta \to 0} \left[ \lim_{n \to \infty} \inf \frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^+ \left[ \|\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta\|^{-1} R^n \right]} \right] \ge \frac{1}{T}.$$

*Proof.* Obviously (a)  $\Rightarrow$  (b). To prove (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c), we assume that (b) holds but (c) does not. Then we have

$$\lim_{\delta \to 0} \left[ \lim_{n \to \infty} \inf \frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+} \left[ \|\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta\|^{-1} R^n \right]} \right] < \frac{1}{T}.$$

Hence for any  $\delta > 0$ ,

(3.6) 
$$\lim_{n\delta\to\infty}\inf\frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+}\left[\left\|\beta_{n};\rho,T+\delta\right\|^{-1}R^{n}\right]}<\frac{1}{T}.$$

Let  $\eta > 0$  be any fixed number. From (3.6), we can find an increasing sequence  $\{n_k\}$  of positive integers such that

(3.7) 
$$\frac{(\log n_k)^{\rho}}{\log^+ \left[ \|\beta_{n_k}; \rho, T + \delta\|^{-1} R^{n_k} \right]} < \frac{1}{T + \eta}.$$

For  $\eta_1$ ,  $0 < \eta_1 < \eta$ , we define a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  as follows:

$$a_n = \begin{cases} R^{-n} \exp[(T + \eta_1)(\log n)^{\rho}], & n = n_k \\ 0, & n \neq n_k. \end{cases}$$

Then for any  $\delta > 0$  we have

(3.8) 
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n| \|\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta\| = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_{n_k}| \|\beta_{n_k}; \rho, T + \delta\|.$$

Now for any  $\delta > 0$ , we omit those terms of the series on right-hand side for which  $\delta < 1/k$ . Then the remainder of the series in (3.8) is dominated by  $\sum |a_{n_k}| \|\beta_{n_k}; \rho, T + k^{-1}\|$ . Consequently by (3.7) we obtain

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_{n_k}| \|\beta_{n_k}; \rho, T + k^{-1}\|$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} R^{-n_k} \exp\left[(\log n_k)^{\rho} (T + \eta_1)\right] R^{n_k} \exp\left[-(T + \eta)(\log n_k)^{\rho}\right]$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \exp\left[(\log n_k)^{\rho} (\eta_1 - \eta)\right].$$

Since  $0 < \eta_1 < \eta$ , the series on the right-hand side is convergent. Since  $a_n = 0$  for  $n \neq n_k$  the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \beta_n$  is convergent for the above sequence  $\{a_n\}$ . Since this is true for every  $\delta > 0$ , the series  $\sum a_n \beta_n$  converges in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . On the other hand, for this sequence  $\{a_n\}$ , we also have

(3.9) 
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \{ \log^+ [|a_n| \, R^n] (\log n)^{-\rho} \} = T + \eta_1 > T,$$

which gives a contradiction to (3.1) and consequently to (b). So, we must have (b)  $\Rightarrow$  (c). Lastly we prove that (c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a). Hence, suppose that (c) holds but (a) does not. Then there exists a sequence  $\{a_n\}$  of complex numbers for which  $\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n\beta_n = 0$ , but  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n\alpha_n$  does not converge in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . Hence from (3.1) we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sup \left\{ \log^+ \left[ |a_n| R^n \right] (\log n)^{-\rho} \right\} > T$$

Thus there exists a positive number  $\varepsilon$  and a sequence  $\{n_k\}$  of positive integers such that

$$\log^+\left\{\left[|a_{n_k}|\ R^{n_k}\right](\log n_k)^{-\rho}\right\} > T - \varepsilon.$$

Let  $0 < \eta < \varepsilon/2$ . From (c) we can find a positive number  $\delta$  such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \inf \frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+} \left[ \|\beta_n; \rho, T + \delta\|^{-1} R^n \right]} \ge \frac{1}{T + \eta}.$$

Hence there exists an integer  $N = N(\eta)$  such that for  $n \geq N$ ,

$$\frac{(\log n)^{\rho}}{\log^{+}\left[\|\beta_{n}; \rho, T + \delta\|^{-1} R^{n}\right]} \ge \frac{1}{T + 2\eta}.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \max\left[\|a_n\beta_n;\rho,T+\delta\|\right] &= \max\left[|a_n|\ \|\beta_n;\rho,T+\delta\|\right] \\ &\geq \max\left[|a_{n_k}|\ \|\beta_{n_k};\rho,T+\delta\|\right] \\ &\geq \exp\left[\left(\log n_k\right)^{\rho}(\varepsilon-2\eta)\right] > 1 \end{aligned}$$

since  $\varepsilon > 2\eta$ . Hence the sequence  $\{a_n\beta_n\}$  does not converge to zero in  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$ . This is a contradiction to (c). So we must have (c)  $\Rightarrow$  (a) and proof of Theorem 5 is completed.

Lastly we give a characterization of proper bases. This result follows from the last two theorems.

THEOREM 6. A base  $\{\beta_n\}$  in a closed subspace  $V_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  of  $U_{R,\lambda}(\rho,T)$  is proper if and only if the conditions (3.2) and (c) stated above are satisfied.

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