

SOME BOUNDED OPERATORS IN SPACES OF TYPE W^Φ

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ABSTRACT. For some generalized N -function Φ , some Hölder type inequalities and bounded operators on spaces of type $W_M^{\Omega, \Phi}$ generalizing the W^p -spaces due to Pathak and Upadhyay are obtained.

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For a nondecreasing right-continuous function a with $a(0) = 0$, $a(t) > 0$ if $t > 0$ and $a(\infty) = \infty$, define $M(x) = \int_0^{|x|} a(t)dt$, which is called an N -function. We know that M is continuous, convex and $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow 0} M(x)/x = 0$. We

define $v(s) = \sup_{a(t) \leq s} t$, $s \geq 0$ and $\Omega(y) = \int_0^{|y|} v(s)ds$. Then Ω is an N -function and $\Omega(y) = \sup_x \{x|y| - M(x)\}$. We call (M, Ω) is a complementary pair of N -functions. In the sequel, let M, Ω and Φ be N -functions.

Now the class K_M^Φ is defined as the set of all differentiable functions $\varphi(x)$ satisfying

$$\|\varphi\|_{M,q}^\Phi = \inf \left\{ \lambda \geq 0 \mid \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \left| e^{M(ax)} \varphi^{(q)}(x) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\} < \infty$$

for each nonnegative integer q where the positive constant a depends upon the function φ . In general K_M^Φ is not a vector space.

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The spaces W_M^Φ is defined to be the linear convex hull of the class K_M^Φ . W_M^Φ is a Banach space under the norm $\|\cdot\|_{M,q}^\Phi$ and can be regarded as the union of countably normed spaces $W_{M,a}^\Phi$ of all infinitely differentiable functions φ , which for any $\delta > 0$ satisfy

$$\|\varphi\|_{M,q,a}^\Phi = \inf \left\{ \lambda \mid \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \left| e^{M[(a-\delta)x]} \varphi^{(q)}(x) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\}.$$

for $q = 0, 1, 2, \dots$

The class $K^{\Omega,\Phi}$ is defined to be the set of all entire functions $\varphi(z)$, $z = x + iy$ satisfying, for $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$,

$$\|\varphi\|^{\Omega,k,\Phi} = \sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \mid \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \left| e^{-\Omega(by)} z^k \varphi(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\} < \infty.$$

The spaces $W^{\Omega,\Phi}$ is defined to be the linear convex hull of the class $K^{\Omega,\Phi}$ with the norm $\|\cdot\|^{\Omega,k,\Phi}$. The space $W^{\Omega,b,\Phi}$ is the set of all functions φ in $W^{\Omega,\Phi}$ with the norm ($k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$)

$$\|\varphi\|^{\Omega,k,b,\Phi} = \sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \mid \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \left| e^{-\Omega[(b+\rho)y]} z^k \varphi(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\}.$$

We denote by $K_M^{\Omega,\Phi}$ the set of all entire analytic functions $\varphi(z)$, $z = x + iy$ with the norm

$$\|\varphi\|_M^{\Omega,\Phi} = \sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \mid \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \left| e^{[M(ax) - \Omega(by)]} \varphi(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\} < \infty.$$

The space $W_M^{\Omega,\Phi}$ is the convex hull of the class $K_M^{\Omega,\Phi}$ with the norm $\|\cdot\|_M^{\Omega,\Phi}$ and can also be represented as a union of countably normed linear spaces. We denote by $W_{M,a}^{\Omega,b,\Phi}$ the set of all functions belonging to the spaces $W_M^{\Omega,\Phi}$ with the norm

$$\|\varphi\|_{M,a}^{\Omega,b,\Phi} = \sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \mid \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \left| e^{M[(a-\delta)x] - \Omega[(b+\rho)y]} \varphi(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\}.$$

In the sequel we denote by $A \cdot B$ the collection of all products $f_1 \cdot f_2$ for any functions $f_1 \in A$ and $f_2 \in B$, and for the simplicity of notation, let $[b, k, f] = e^{-\Omega[(b+\frac{f}{2})y]} z^k f(z)$.

If $\Phi(x) = x^p$, $1 \leq p < \infty$, we have

$$W_M^\Phi = W_M^p, W_{M,a}^\Phi = W_{M,a}^p, W^{\Omega,\Phi} = W^{\Omega,p} \quad \text{and} \quad W^{\Omega,b,\Phi} = W^{\Omega,b,p}[3].$$

Theorem 1. (a) For any $\varphi(z) \in W_M^\Phi$, the differentiation $\dot{\varphi}(x)$ and the multiplication $x\varphi(x)$ by x of $\varphi(x)$ belongs to the space W_M^Φ .

(b) For any $\varphi(z) \in W^{\Omega, \Phi}$, the differentiation $\dot{\varphi}(z)$ and the multiplication $z\varphi(z)$ by z of $\varphi(z)$ belongs to the space $W^{\Omega, \Phi}$.

(c) For any $\varphi(z) \in W_M^{\Omega, \Phi}$, the differentiation $\dot{\varphi}(z)$ and the multiplication $z\varphi(z)$ by z of $\varphi(z)$ belongs to the space $W_M^{\Omega, \Phi}$.

Proof. (a) For any $\varphi(x) \in W_M^\Phi$, $|\varphi^{(q)}(x)| e^{M(ax)} \leq C_q$ implies that $|\varphi^{(q+1)}(x)| e^{M(ax)} \leq C_{q+1}$ and

$$\begin{aligned} |[x\varphi(x)]^{(q)}| &\leq \left(|x| C_q + qC_{q-1} \right) e^{-M(ax)} \\ &\leq C_q C_\delta e^{-M[(a-\delta)x]} + qC_{q-1} e^{-M(ax)} \leq C'_q e^{-M[(a-\delta)x]}, \end{aligned}$$

where $C'_q = C_q C_\delta + qC_{q-1}$. Hence $\dot{\varphi}(x) \in W_M^\Phi$ and $x\varphi(x) \in W_M^\Phi$.

(b) For any $\varphi(z) \in W^{\Omega, \Phi}$, $|z^k \varphi(z)| e^{-\Omega(by)} \leq C_k$. Since $|z^{k-1} \varphi(z)| e^{-\Omega[(b+r)y]} \leq C_{k-1}$ and

$$|[z^k \varphi(z)]'| \leq \frac{1}{r} C_k e^{-\Omega(b(y+r))} \leq \frac{1}{r} C_k e^{\Omega[(b+r)y] + C_r} \leq C_{kr} e^{\Omega[(b+r)y]},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} |z^k \dot{\varphi}(z)| &\leq |[z^k \varphi(z)]'| + k |z^{k-1} \varphi(z)| \\ &\leq C_{kr} e^{\Omega[(b+r)y]} + k C_{k-1} e^{\Omega[(b+r)y]} \leq C'_{kr} e^{\Omega[(b+r)y]}, \end{aligned}$$

which means that $\dot{\varphi}(z) \in W^{\Omega, \Phi}$. Also $|z^{k+1} \varphi(z)| e^{-\Omega(by)} \leq C_{k+1}$, which implies $z\varphi(z) \in W^{\Omega, \Phi}$.

(c) For any $\varphi(z) \in W_M^{\Omega, \Phi}$, since $|\dot{\varphi}(z)| e^{-M[(x-r)a] - \Omega[b(y+r)]} \leq \frac{C}{r}$ and $|z\varphi(z)| e^{M[(a-r)x] - \Omega[(b+r)y]} \leq C_r$, we have

$$|\dot{\varphi}(z)| e^{M[(a-r)x] - \Omega[(b+r)y]} \leq C_r \quad \text{and} \quad |z\varphi(z)| e^{\Omega[(a-\delta)x] - \Omega[(b+\rho)y]} \leq C_{\delta\rho},$$

which implies $\dot{\varphi}(z) \in W_{M,a}^{\Omega, b, \Phi}$ and $z\varphi(z) \in W_{M,a}^{\Omega, b, \Phi}$. □

By the convexity of $\Phi_i (i = 1, 2, 3)$, we have the following lemma;

Lemma 2. [2] *If N -functions $\Phi_i (i = 1, 2, 3)$ satisfy the inequality*

$$\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_1^{-1}(x)\Phi_2^{-1}(x)/\Phi_3^{-1}(x) < \infty$$

for any $x \geq 0$, then for $f_1 \in W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1}$ and $f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2}$, we have $f_1 f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$, that is,

$$W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1} \cdot W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2} \subset W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$$

and

$$\|f_1 f_2\|^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, \Phi_3} \leq 2 \|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2}$$

Lemma 3. *If N -functions $\Phi_i (i = 1, 2, 3)$ satisfy the inequality, for any $x \geq 0$ and some positive constant α , $\Phi_1^{-1}(x)\Phi_2^{-1}(x) \leq \alpha\Phi_3^{-1}(x)$, then for nonnegative x and y , we have $\Phi_3\left(\frac{xy}{\alpha}\right) \leq \Phi_1(x) + \Phi_2(y)$, where $\Phi_i^{-1}(x) = \inf\{\Phi_i(t) > x\}$.*

Proof. By the definition of the inverse, we have $\Phi_i(\Phi_i^{-1}(x)) \leq x \leq \Phi_i^{-1}(\Phi_i(x))$. Let $x, y \in R^+$ be arbitrarily fixed. Then $\Phi_1(x) \leq \Phi_2(y)$ or its order would be reversed. In the first case, we have

$$xy \leq \Phi_1^{-1}(\Phi_1(x))\Phi_2^{-1}(\Phi_2(y)) \leq \Phi_1^{-1}(\Phi_2(y))\Phi_2^{-1}(\Phi_2(y)) \leq \alpha\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_2(y))$$

Hence $\Phi_3\left(\frac{xy}{\alpha}\right) \leq \Phi_2(y)$. If the second case is true, we get $\Phi_3\left(\frac{xy}{\alpha}\right) \leq \Phi_1(x)$, so

$$\Phi_3\left(\frac{xy}{\alpha}\right) \leq \max\{\Phi_1(x), \Phi_2(y)\} \leq \Phi_1(x) + \Phi_2(y),$$

which completes the proof. □

Theorem 4. *If N -functions $\Phi_i (i = 1, 2, 3)$ satisfy the inequality, for any $x \geq 0$ and some positive constant α , $\Phi_1^{-1}(x)\Phi_2^{-1}(x) \leq \alpha\Phi_3^{-1}(x)$, then for $f_1 \in W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1}$ and $f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2}$, we have $f_1 f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$, that is,*

$$W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1} \cdot W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2} \subset W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$$

and

$$\|f_1 f_2\|^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, \Phi_3} \leq 2\alpha \|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2}$$

Proof. Without loss of generality, we may assume that

$$\|f_1\|_{\Omega,0,b_0,\Phi_1} = \|f_2\|_{\Omega,k,b,\Phi_2} = 1.$$

By the Lemma 3, we have the following inequalities; for any ε ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_3 \left(\frac{1}{2\alpha(1+\varepsilon)^2} [b_0 + b, k_0 + k, f_1 f_2] \right) dx \\ & \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2} \Phi_3 \left(\frac{1}{\alpha(1+\varepsilon)^2} [b_0, k_0, f_1] \cdot [b, k, f_2] \right) dx \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_1 \left(\frac{1}{1+\varepsilon} [b_0, k_0, f_1] \right) dx + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_2 \left(\frac{1}{1+\varepsilon} [b, k, f_2] \right) dx \\ & \leq \frac{1}{2} \left(\|f_1\|_{\Omega,k_0,b_0,\Phi_1} + \|f_2\|_{\Omega,k,b,\Phi_2} \right) \leq \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} = 1, \end{aligned}$$

where $(f_1 f_2)(z) = f_1(z) f_2(z)$; which implies that

$$\|f_1 f_2\|_{\Omega,k_0+k,b_0+b,\Phi_3} \leq 2\alpha(1+\varepsilon)^2 \|f_1\|_{\Omega,k_0,b_0,\Phi_1} \|f_2\|_{\Omega,k,b,\Phi_2},$$

which completes the proof. □

Lemma 5. For some constant α_i and the corresponding complementary pairs (M_i, Φ_i) , the followings are equivalent;

- (a) $\Phi_1^{-1}(x) \Phi_2^{-1}(x) \leq \alpha \Phi_3^{-1}(x)$;
- (b) $\Phi_3(\alpha_1 xy) \leq \Phi_1(x) + \Phi_2(y)$ for some $\alpha > 0$, and $x, y \geq x_0 \geq 0$;
- (c) $M_1(\alpha_2 yz) \leq \Phi_2(y) + M_3(z)$, $y, z \geq x_2 \geq 0$;
- (d) $M_2(\alpha_3 xz) \leq \Phi_1(x) + M_3(z)$, $x, z \geq x_3 \geq 0$.

Proof. By the Theorem 4 and Lemma 5, this is proved. □

By the Lemma 3 and properties of the corresponding complementary pairs of N -functions, we have the following corollary;

Corollary 6. For some constant c_i and the corresponding complementary pairs (M_i, Φ_i) ($i = 1, 2, 3$) of N -functions in Lemma 5, if the inequality $\Phi_1^{-1}(x) \Phi_2^{-1}(x) \leq \alpha \Phi_3^{-1}(x)$ holds, then we have the followings;

- (a) for $f_1 \in W^{\Omega,b_0,\Phi_1}$ and $f_2 \in W^{\Omega,b,\Phi_2}$, $f_1 f_2 \in W^{\Omega,b_0+b,\Phi_3}$, that is,

$$W^{\Omega,b_0,\Phi_1} \cdot W^{\Omega,b,\Phi_2} \subset W^{\Omega,b_0+b,\Phi_3}$$

and

$$\|f_1 f_2\|_{\Omega,k_0+k,b_0+b,\Phi_3} \leq \frac{2}{c_1} \|f_1\|_{\Omega,k_0,b_0,\Phi_1} \|f_2\|_{\Omega,k,b,\Phi_2}.$$

(b) for $f_1 \in W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_2}$ and $f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b, M_3}$, $f_1 f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b_0+b, M_1}$, that is,

$$W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_2} \cdot W^{\Omega, b, M_3} \subset W^{\Omega, b_0+b, M_1}$$

and

$$\|f_1 f_2\|^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, M_1} \leq \frac{2}{c_2} \|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_2} \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, M_3}.$$

(c) for $f_1 \in W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1}$ and $f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b, M_3}$, $f_1 f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b_0+b, M_1}$, that is,

$$W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1} \cdot W^{\Omega, b, M_3} \subset W^{\Omega, b_0+b, M_2}$$

and

$$\|f_1 f_2\|^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, M_2} \leq \frac{2}{c_3} \|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, M_3}.$$

Theorem 7. Let $\Phi_i, i = 1, 2, 3$ be N -functions such that $\Phi_1^{-1}(x)\Phi_2^{-1}(x) \leq \alpha\Phi_3^{-1}(x)$ and $f(z)$ be an entire analytic function satisfying

$$\| (1 + |x|^h)^{-1} f(z) \|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} = D_{\Phi_1} < \infty.$$

Then we have $\varphi f \in W^{\Omega, k, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$ for all $\varphi \in W^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2}$.

Proof. By Theorem 4, we have, for any ε ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{\varphi f}{(1 + \varepsilon)^2} \right\|^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, \Phi_3} \\ & \leq 2\alpha \left\| \frac{1}{1 + \varepsilon} (1 + |x|^h)^{-1} f(z) \right\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} \left\| \frac{1}{1 + \varepsilon} (1 + |x|^h) \varphi(z) \right\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2} \\ & \leq 2\alpha \left\| \frac{1}{1 + \varepsilon} (1 + |x|^h)^{-1} f(z) \right\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} \left\| \frac{1}{1 + \varepsilon} (\varphi(z) + |x|^h \varphi(z)) \right\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2} \\ & \leq 2\alpha D_{\Phi_1} (\|\varphi\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2} + \|\varphi\|^{\Omega, k+h, b, \Phi_2}) < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

which implies that $\varphi f \in W^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$ for all $\varphi \in W^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2}$. □

If $\Phi(x) = x^p, 1 \leq p < \infty$, we have $W_M^{\Omega, \Phi} = W_M^{\Omega, p}, W_{M, a}^{\Omega, b, \Phi} = W_{M, a}^{\Omega, b, p} [2, 3]$.

Theorem 8. *If $\Phi_i (i = 1, 2, 3)$ are N -functions such that the inequality $\Phi_1^{-1}(x)\Phi_2^{-1}(x) \leq \alpha\Phi_3^{-1}(x)$ for any $x \geq 0$ and $f(z)$ is an entire function satisfying*

$$\sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_1 \left(\frac{1}{\lambda} \left| e^{-[M(a_0x) + \Omega(b_0y)]} f(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\} = D_{\Phi_1} < \infty.$$

Then $\varphi f \in W_{M, a-a_0}^{\Omega, b+b_0, \Phi_3}$ for all $\varphi \in W_{M, a}^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2}$.

Proof. By the similar argument as the proof of Theorem 4, We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{1}{\alpha(1+\epsilon)^2} \varphi f \right\|_{M, a-a_0}^{\Omega, b+b_0, \Phi_3} \\ &= \sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_3 \left(\frac{1}{\lambda(1+\epsilon)^2} \left| e^{[M((a-a_0-\delta)x) - \Omega((b+b_0+\rho)y)]} \right. \right. \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \left. \times f(z) \frac{1}{\alpha} \varphi(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\} \\ &\leq \sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_3 \left(\frac{1}{\lambda(1+\epsilon)^2} \left| e^{[M((a-\delta)x) - M(a_0x) - \Omega((b+\rho)y) - \Omega(b_0y)]} \right. \right. \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \left. \times f(z) \frac{1}{\alpha} \varphi(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\} \\ &\leq \sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_1 \left(\frac{1}{\lambda(1+\epsilon)} \left| e^{-[M(a_0x) + \Omega(b_0y)]} f(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\} \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \sup_y \inf \left\{ \lambda \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_2 \left(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon} \left| e^{[M((a-\delta)x) - \Omega((b+\rho)y)]} \varphi(z) \right| \right) dx \leq 1 \right\} \right\} \\ &\leq (D_{\Phi_1} + \|\varphi\|_{M, a}^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2}) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma 9. *For some constant $\alpha > 0$, if N -functions $\Phi_i (i = 1, 2, 3)$ satisfy the inequality*

$$\Phi_1^{-1}(x)\Phi_2^{-1}(x) \leq \alpha x \Phi_3^{-1}(x) \dots \dots (*)$$

for any $x \geq 0$, then for nonnegative x and y , we have

$$\frac{xy}{\alpha} \leq \Phi_1(x)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_2(y)) + \Phi_2(y)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_1(x)),$$

where $\Phi_i^{-1}(x) = \{t \mid \Phi_i(t) > x\}$ for all n .

Proof. By the similar way as in the proof of Lemma 3, this is proved; for given $x \geq 0$ and $y \geq 0$, either $\Phi_1 \leq \Phi_2$ or its reversed order hold. Suppose $\Phi_1 \leq \Phi_2$. Since $x/\Phi_i^{-1}(x)$ is increasing and $\Phi_i(\Phi_i^{-1}(x)) \leq x \leq \Phi_i^{-1}(\Phi_i(x))$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{xy}{\alpha} &\leq \frac{y\Phi_1^{-1}(\Phi_1(x))\Phi_2^{-1}(\Phi_1(x))}{\alpha\Phi_2^{-1}(\Phi_1(x))} \leq \frac{y\Phi_1(x)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_1(x))}{\alpha\Phi_2^{-1}(\Phi_1(x))} \\ &\leq \frac{y\Phi_2(y)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_1(x))}{\Phi_2^{-1}(\Phi_2(y))} \leq \Phi_2(y)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_1(x)) \end{aligned}$$

If $\Phi_1(x) > \Phi_2(y)$, then

$$\frac{xy}{\alpha} \leq \Phi_1(x)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_2(y)).$$

In both cases, for nonnegative x and y ,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{xy}{\alpha} &\leq \max \left\{ \Phi_2(y)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_1(x)), \Phi_1(x)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_2(y)) \right\} \\ &\leq \Phi_1(x)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_2(y)) + \Phi_2(y)\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_1(x)) \end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 10. For some constant $\alpha > 0$, if N -functions $\Phi_i (i = 1, 2, 3)$ satisfy the inequality (*) in Lemma 7, then for $f_1 \in W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1}$ and $f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2}$, we have $f_1 f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$, that is,

$$W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1} \cdot W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2} \subset W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$$

and

$$\|f_1 f_2\|^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, \Phi_3} \leq 2\alpha \|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2}$$

Proof. Without loss of generality, we may assume that

$$\|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} = \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2} = 1.$$

Then by the convexity of Φ_3 and the condition (1), we have the following inequalities;

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_3 \left(\frac{1}{2\alpha(1+\epsilon)^2} [b_0 + b, k_0 + k, f_1 f_2] \right) dx \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_3 \left(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon} \Phi_1([b_0, k_0, f_1]) \Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_2(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon} [b, k, f_2])) \right) dx \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_3 \left(\Phi_2(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon} [b, k, f_2]) \Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_1(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon} [b_0, k_0, f_1])) \right) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} I_1 + \frac{1}{2} I_2 \text{ (say)} \end{aligned}$$

By symmetry it suffices to consider one of them, say I_1 .

$$\begin{aligned} I_1 &\leq \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_3(\Phi_1(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon}[b_0, k_0, f_1])\Phi_3^{-1}(\Phi_2(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon}[b, k, f_2])))dx}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_1(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon}[b_0, k_0, f_1])dx} \\ &\leq \frac{(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_1(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon}[b_0, k_0, f_1])dx)(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_2(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon}[b, k, f_2])dx)}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_1(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon}[b_0, k_0, f_1])dx} \\ &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_2(\frac{1}{1+\epsilon}[b, k, f_2])dx \\ &\leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_2([b, k, f_2])dx \leq \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2} \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly $I_2 \leq 1$, so this implies, for any ϵ ,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi_3\left(\frac{1}{2\alpha(1+\epsilon)^2}[b_0 + b, k_0 + k, f_1 f_2]\right) dx \leq \|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b, \Phi_2} \leq 1.$$

This shows that $f_1 f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}, W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1} \cdot W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2} \subset W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$ and

$$\|f_1 f_2\|^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, \Phi_3} \leq 2\alpha(1+\epsilon)^2 \|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2},$$

which completes the proof. □

Theorem 11. *If $\Phi_i (i = 1, 2)$ are monotone nondecreasing N -functions such that*

$$\int_0^1 (\Phi_1^{-1}(t)\Phi_2^{-1}(t)/t^2)dt < \infty$$

and, for some constant α ,

$$\Phi_3^{-1}(x) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_0^x (\Phi_1^{-1}(t)\Phi_2^{-1}(t)/t^2)dt,$$

then, for $f_1 \in W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1}$ and $f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2}$, we have $f_1 f_2 \in W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$, that is,

$$W^{\Omega, b_0, \Phi_1} \cdot W^{\Omega, b, \Phi_2} \subset W^{\Omega, b_0+b, \Phi_3}$$

and

$$\|f_1 f_2\|^{\Omega, k_0+k, b_0+b, \Phi_3} \leq 2\alpha \|f_1\|^{\Omega, k_0, b_0, \Phi_1} \|f_2\|^{\Omega, k, b, \Phi_2}$$

Proof. Since $\Phi_1^{-1}(t)/t$ and $\Phi_2^{-1}(t)/t$ are nonincreasing it follows that $\Phi_3(t)$ is concave and $\Phi_3^{-1}(0) = 0$. Therefore Φ_3 is a N -function and

$$\Phi_1^{-1}(t) = \int_0^x (\Phi_1^{-1}(t)\Phi_2^{-1}(t)/t^2) dt \geq x(\Phi_1^{-1}(t)/t)(\Phi_2^{-1}(t)/t),$$

so that $\Phi_1^{-1}(x)\Phi_2^{-1}(x) \leq x\Phi_3^{-1}(x)$. By the Theorem 8, this is proved. \square

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