

# $H^p$ -Maximal Regularity and Operator Valued Multipliers on Hardy Spaces

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*Abstract.* We consider maximal regularity in the  $H^p$  sense for the Cauchy problem  $u'(t) + Au(t) = f(t)$  ( $t \in \mathbb{R}$ ), where  $A$  is a closed operator on a Banach space  $X$  and  $f$  is an  $X$ -valued function defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ . We prove that if  $X$  is an AUMD Banach space, then  $A$  satisfies  $H^p$ -maximal regularity if and only if  $A$  is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Moreover we find an operator  $A$  with  $H^p$ -maximal regularity that does not have the classical  $L^p$ -maximal regularity. We prove a related Mihlin type theorem for operator valued Fourier multipliers on Hardy spaces  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , in the case when  $X$  is an AUMD Banach space.

## 1 Introduction and Background

Let  $X$  be a complex Banach space. Let  $-A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a bounded analytic semigroup on  $X$ . We consider the following Cauchy problem on  $\mathbb{R}$ :

$$(1.1) \quad u'(t) + A(u(t)) = f(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

where  $f$  is an  $X$ -valued function defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Let  $D(A)$  denote the domain of  $A$  and let  $1 < p < \infty$ . We let  $A_l$  be the tensor extension of  $A$  on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  given by  $(A_l u)(t) = A(u(t))$ , with domain  $D(A_l) = L^p(\mathbb{R}; D(A))$ . Then we let  $B_l$  be the derivation operator on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  given by  $B_l u = u'$ , with domain the Sobolev space  $D(B_l) = W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . We say that  $A$  has  $L^p$ -maximal regularity if there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$\|A_l u\|_p \leq C \|A_l u + B_l u\|_p, \quad u \in D(A_l) \cap D(B_l).$$

Here  $\|\cdot\|_p$  denotes the norm in  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . It is well known that this property does not depend on  $1 < p < \infty$ . Moreover if  $A$  is invertible, this is equivalent to the property that for any  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , there is a unique  $u \in D(A_l) \cap D(B_l)$  verifying (1.1). Thus  $L^p$ -maximal regularity means that (1.1) can be solved in  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . We refer the reader to [2, 11, 17, 18, 21, 25] for recent results and developments on abstract  $L^p$ -maximal regularity and related topics. See also the excellent survey [19] and the references therein.

The starting point of this work is the paper [25] by Lutz Weis giving a characterization of  $L^p$ -maximal regularity in terms of the Rademacher boundedness of the

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resolvent of  $A$ , in the case when  $X$  is a UMD Banach space. Here is a brief presentation.

Let  $(\varepsilon_k)_{k \geq 1}$  be a Rademacher sequence on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathbb{P})$ . That is to say, the  $\varepsilon_k$  are  $\{-1, 1\}$ -valued, pairwise independent, random variables such that  $\mathbb{P}\{\varepsilon_k = 1\} = \mathbb{P}\{\varepsilon_k = -1\} = \frac{1}{2}$  for any  $k \geq 1$ . We let  $\text{Rad}$  be the linear span of the signs  $\varepsilon_k$ . Then  $\text{Rad} \otimes X$  is the space of all finite sums  $\sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k x_k$ , with  $x_k \in X$ . For any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , we let  $\text{Rad}_p(X)$  be the closed subspace of  $L^p(\Omega; X)$  spanned by  $\text{Rad} \otimes X$ , that we equip with the induced norm. We recall that for any  $1 \leq p, q < \infty$ , the two norms  $\|\cdot\|_{\text{Rad}_p(X)}$  and  $\|\cdot\|_{\text{Rad}_q(X)}$  are equivalent on  $\text{Rad} \otimes X$  (see [23, Theorem 1.e.13]).

Let  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  denote the algebra of all bounded operators on  $X$ . We say that a subset  $\mathcal{M}$  of  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  is *Rademacher bounded* if there exists a constant  $K \geq 0$  such that

$$\left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k T_k(x_k) \right\|_{\text{Rad}_p(X)} \leq K \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k x_k \right\|_{\text{Rad}_p(X)}$$

for any finite family  $(x_k)_{k \geq 1}$  of  $X$  and for any finite family  $(T_k)_{k \geq 1}$  of  $\mathcal{M}$ . We let  $\mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M})$  denote the smallest  $K$  verifying this property. The above property does not depend on  $p$ , but the value of  $\mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M})$  does.

Let  $\omega \in (0, \pi)$ , and let  $A$  be a closed and densely defined operator on  $X$ . We recall that  $A$  is a sectorial operator of type  $\omega$  if the spectrum of  $A$  is included in the closure of the sector  $\Sigma_\omega = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^* : |\text{Arg}(z)| < \omega\}$ , and for any angle  $\theta \in (\omega, \pi)$ , there is a constant  $K_\theta$  such that  $\|\lambda(\lambda - A)^{-1}\| \leq K_\theta$  for any  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\Sigma_\theta}$ . If further the set

$$\{\lambda(\lambda - A)^{-1} : \lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\Sigma_\theta}\} \subset \mathcal{L}(X)$$

is Rademacher bounded for any  $\theta \in (\omega, \pi)$ , then we say that  $A$  is Rademacher sectorial of type  $\omega$ .

Recall that  $-A$  is the infinitesimal generator of a bounded analytic semigroup on  $X$  if and only if  $A$  is a sectorial operator of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Then Weis's characterization theorem in [25] asserts that if  $X$  is a UMD Banach space, then  $A$  has  $L^p$ -maximal regularity if and only if  $A$  is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ . There are two approaches to the "if" part of this statement. The original one [25] was to derive it from a Mihklin-type theorem for operator valued Fourier multipliers on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  satisfying certain Rademacher boundedness conditions. Later on, Kalton and Weis [18] found a second proof based on  $H^\infty$  functional calculus.

In this paper we introduce an analytic form of maximal regularity, called  $H^p$ -maximal regularity. Instead of considering the Cauchy problem (1.1) on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , we study it on the so-called conjugate Hardy space  $H_{\text{con}}^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . This notion will bring out the role of analytic UMD spaces (AUMD in short). It will be clear from the definition that  $L^p$ -maximal regularity implies  $H^p$ -maximal regularity. We will show in Section 3 that the converse is false. More precisely we will provide an invertible operator  $A$  which is sectorial of type  $\omega$  for any  $\omega > 0$ , such that  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity, but  $A$  does not have  $L^p$ -maximal regularity. Also we will establish an analytic version of Weis's characterization of regularity for an AUMD space  $X$ : an operator  $A$  on  $X$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity if and only if it is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ . As

for the classical case, the “if” part of this characterization theorem has two proofs. One is based on  $H^\infty$  functional calculus; the other is a consequence of an operator valued Fourier multiplier theorem on  $X$ -valued Hardy spaces in the case when  $X$  is an AUMD space. This result, which is of independent interest, is established in Section 2. It extends a remarkable scalar valued multiplier theorem due to Blower [7], and it turns out to be an analytic version of Weis’s multiplier theorem in [25].

We refer the reader to [8] for some background on UMD Banach spaces, and to [1, 19] for comprehensive information on sectorial operators,  $H^\infty$  functional calculus, Rademacher boundedness and abstract  $L^p$ -maximal regularity. We record for further use the so-called *contraction principle*. For any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , for any finite family  $(x_k)_{k \geq 1}$  in an arbitrary Banach space  $X$ , and for any bounded family  $(\alpha_k)_{k \geq 1}$  of complex numbers, we have

$$(1.2) \quad \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \alpha_k \varepsilon_k x_k \right\|_{\text{Rad}_p(X)} \leq 2 \sup_k |\alpha_k| \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k x_k \right\|_{\text{Rad}_p(X)}.$$

## 2 Operator Valued Multipliers on AUMD Banach Spaces

Let  $X$  be a Banach space. For any  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , let  $\mathcal{F}(f) = \widehat{f}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow X$  be the Fourier transform, defined by

$$\widehat{f}(s) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t) e^{-ist} dt, \quad s \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Then we let  $H^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  be the space of all  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  such that  $\widehat{f}(s) = 0$  for any  $s \leq 0$ .

We let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Unless stated otherwise, this condition will remain in force throughout the paper. We let  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  be the closure in  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  of the subspace  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \cap H^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . In the case when  $X = \mathbb{C}$ , this space coincides with the classical Hardy space  $H^p(\mathbb{R})$  (see [13]). The vector valued Hardy space  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  has several equivalent definitions. First,  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \subset L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  is the subspace of all functions whose Poisson integral on the upper half plane of  $\mathbb{C}$  is analytic. Second,  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  is the closure of  $H^p(\mathbb{R}) \otimes X$  in  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Third, a function  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  belongs to  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  if and only if the scalar valued function  $t \mapsto \langle \varphi, f(t) \rangle$  belongs to  $H^p(\mathbb{R})$  for any  $\varphi \in X^*$ . We refer to [22, §4] for more on these spaces.

We aim at defining Fourier multipliers on  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , so we introduce the space  $\mathcal{U}$  of all  $C^\infty$  functions  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  belonging to  $H^1(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $\lim_{|t| \rightarrow \infty} |t^2 f(t)| = 0$ . By [13, Ch. II; Corollary 3.3],  $\mathcal{U}$  is a dense subspace of  $H^p(\mathbb{R})$ . Thus  $\mathcal{U} \otimes X$  is dense in  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ .

Let  $M: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$  be a bounded measurable function. For any  $f \in \mathcal{U} \otimes X$ , the function  $\widehat{f}$  belongs to  $L^1(\mathbb{R}) \otimes X$ . Hence the vector-valued function  $M\widehat{f}$  admits an inverse Fourier transform given by

$$[\mathcal{F}^{-1}(M\widehat{f})](t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty M(s) (\widehat{f}(s)) e^{its} ds, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

We say that  $M$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  if there is a constant  $C \geq 0$  such that

$$\|\mathcal{F}^{-1}(M\widehat{f})\|_p \leq C\|f\|_p, \quad f \in \mathcal{U} \otimes X.$$

In this case,  $\mathcal{F}^{-1}(M\widehat{f})$  belongs to  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  for any  $f \in \mathcal{U} \otimes X$ , and the resulting mapping  $f \mapsto \mathcal{F}^{-1}(M\widehat{f})$  uniquely extends to a bounded linear operator

$$T_M: H^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \longrightarrow H^p(\mathbb{R}; X).$$

Moreover, the norm of  $T_M$  is equal to the smallest possible  $C$  in the above inequality. For simplicity,  $\|T_M\|$  will also be called the norm of the multiplier  $M$ .

We will need a similar notion of Fourier multipliers for periodic functions. Let  $\mathbb{T}$  be the unit circle equipped with its normalized Haar measure, which we identify with the interval  $[-\pi, \pi)$  equipped with the measure  $\frac{dt}{2\pi}$ . For any  $f \in L^1(\mathbb{T}; X)$ , the  $X$ -valued Fourier coefficients are defined by

$$\widehat{f}(k) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(t)e^{-ikt} dt, \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

We let  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  be the subspace of  $L^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  of all functions  $f$  such that  $\widehat{f}(k) = 0$  for any  $k \leq 0$ . Let  $e_k(t) = e^{ikt}$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  and let  $\mathcal{A}$  be the linear span of  $\{e_k; k \geq 1\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{A} \otimes X$  is a dense subspace of  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$ .

Let  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  be a bounded sequence of  $\mathcal{L}(X)$ . We say that  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  if there is a constant  $C \geq 0$  such that

$$\left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} M_k(\widehat{f}(k)) \otimes e_k \right\|_p \leq C\|f\|_p, \quad f \in \mathcal{A} \otimes X.$$

In this case, there is a unique bounded linear operator  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X) \rightarrow H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  taking any  $f = \sum_{k \geq 1} \widehat{f}(k) \otimes e_k$  in  $\mathcal{A} \otimes X$  to  $\sum_{k \geq 1} M_k(\widehat{f}(k)) \otimes e_k$ , and its norm is equal to the smallest possible  $C$  in the above inequality.

The following transfer result was established in [22, Proposition 4.3] for scalar valued multipliers. It is easy to check that its proof works as well for operator valued multipliers.

**Lemma 2.1** *Let  $M: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$  be a bounded continuous function. Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and let  $C > 0$  be a constant. The following two assertions are equivalent.*

- (i)  *$M$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  whose norm is less than or equal to  $C$ .*
- (ii) *For any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , the sequence  $(M(\varepsilon k))_{k \geq 1}$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  whose norm is less than or equal to  $C$ .*

We shall now observe that Rademacher boundedness is a necessary condition for a bounded Fourier multiplier on either  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  or  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$ . This is an easy variant of analogous results which were proved for multipliers on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  [11] and on  $L^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  [2]. See also [16] for related results.

**Proposition 2.2** *Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .*

(i) *Let  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  be a bounded sequence of  $\mathcal{L}(X)$ , and assume that it is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$ . Then the set  $\{M_k : k \geq 1\} \subset \mathcal{L}(X)$  is Rademacher bounded.*

(ii) *Let  $M: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$  be a bounded continuous function, and assume that  $M$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Then the set  $\{M(t) : t > 0\} \subset \mathcal{L}(X)$  is Rademacher bounded.*

**Proof** Assume that  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  and let  $C \geq 0$  be its norm. Then arguing as in the proof of [2, Proposition 1.11] we obtain that  $\{M_k : k \geq 1\} \subset \mathcal{L}(X)$  is Rademacher bounded, with  $\mathcal{R}_p(\{M_k : k \geq 1\}) \leq 4C$ .

Now let  $M: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$  be a bounded continuous function which is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , and let  $C \geq 0$  be its norm. According to Lemma 2.1, the sequence  $(M(\varepsilon k))_{k \geq 1}$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and its norm is  $\leq C$ . Then by the first part of this proof, the sets

$$\mathcal{M}_\varepsilon = \{M(\varepsilon k) : k \geq 1\}$$

are Rademacher bounded and  $\mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M}_\varepsilon) \leq 4C$  for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Since  $M$  is continuous, this implies that the set  $\{M(t) : t > 0\}$  is Rademacher bounded. ■

We review the definition of analytic martingales and AUMD spaces, and some of their properties. We refer the reader to [12] and [8, §§7,8] for proofs and further results (see also [7, 15, 22]). We consider the compact space  $\mathbb{T}^{\mathbb{N}}$  equipped with Haar measure. We use the notation  $\tau = (t_1, \dots, t_k, \dots)$  for elements of  $\mathbb{T}^{\mathbb{N}}$ . For any integer  $k \geq 1$ , let  $\mathcal{F}_k$  denote the  $\sigma$ -field generated by the first  $k$  variables  $t_1, \dots, t_k$ . Then let  $\mathcal{F}_0$  be the trivial  $\sigma$ -field. An  $X$ -valued martingale with respect to the filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is a sequence of functions  $g_k: \mathbb{T}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow X$ ,  $k \geq 1$  such that for any  $k \geq 1$ ,  $g_k$  is  $\mathcal{F}_k$ -measurable and  $g_{k-1} = \mathbb{E}(g_k | \mathcal{F}_{k-1})$ , with the convention that  $g_0 = 0$ . We let  $dg_k = g_k - g_{k-1}$  denote the martingale differences for any  $k \geq 1$ .

Next, we say that the martingale  $(g_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is analytic if for any  $k \geq 1$  there exists a measurable function  $\Phi_k: \mathbb{T}^{k-1} \rightarrow X$  such that

$$(2.1) \quad dg_k(\tau) = \Phi_k(t_1, \dots, t_{k-1})e^{it_k}, \quad \tau = (t_1, \dots, t_k, \dots) \in \mathbb{T}^{\mathbb{N}}.$$

By definition,  $X$  is an AUMD Banach space if there is a constant  $K_p > 0$  such that for any  $X$ -valued analytic martingale  $(g_k)_{k \geq 1}$ , for any bounded sequence  $(\alpha_k)_{k \geq 1}$  of complex numbers and for any integer  $N \geq 1$ , we have

$$(2.2) \quad \left\| \sum_{k=1}^N \alpha_k dg_k \right\|_p \leq K_p \sup_{k \geq 1} |\alpha_k| \left\| \sum_{k=1}^N dg_k \right\|_p.$$

This property does not depend on  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , and any UMD Banach space is AUMD. Indeed for any  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $X$  is a UMD Banach space if and only if there is a constant  $K_p > 0$  such that (2.2) holds for any  $X$ -valued martingale with respect to the filtration  $(\mathcal{F}_k)_{k \geq 1}$ . Any subspace of an AUMD Banach space is AUMD, and the

class of AUMD spaces includes  $L^1$ -spaces. Indeed, for any measure space  $\Sigma$  and for any  $1 \leq q < \infty$ , the space  $L^q(\Sigma; X)$  is AUMD provided that  $X$  is AUMD.

The following observation will be useful. See [14] for related results.

**Lemma 2.3** *Let  $X$  be an AUMD Banach space and let  $\mathcal{M} \subset \mathcal{L}(X)$  be a Rademacher bounded set. For any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , there exists a constant  $C_p > 0$  such that for any  $X$ -valued analytic martingale  $(g_k)_{k \geq 1}$ , and for any finite family  $(T_k)_{k \geq 1}$  of  $\mathcal{M}$ , we have*

$$\left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} T_k(dg_k) \right\|_p \leq C_p \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} dg_k \right\|_p.$$

**Proof** Let  $(T_k)_{k \geq 1}$  be a finite family of  $\mathcal{M}$ . If  $(g_k)_{k \geq 1}$  satisfies (2.1), then we have

$$[T_k(dg_k)](\tau) = T_k(\Phi_k(t_1, \dots, t_{k-1}))e^{it_k}$$

for any  $\tau = (t_1, \dots, t_k, \dots) \in \mathbb{T}^{\mathbb{N}}$ . Hence the  $T_k(dg_k)$ 's are the differences of an  $X$ -valued analytic martingale. Hence (2.2) yields

$$\left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} T_k(dg_k) \right\|_p \leq K_p \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k(\lambda) T_k(dg_k) \right\|_p$$

for any  $\lambda \in \Omega$ . Integrating over  $\Omega$  and applying Fubini's theorem, we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} T_k(dg_k) \right\|_p^p &\leq K_p^p \int_{\mathbb{T}^{\mathbb{N}}} \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k T_k(dg_k(\tau)) \right\|_{\text{Rad}_p(X)}^p d\tau \\ &\leq K_p^p \mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M})^p \int_{\mathbb{T}^{\mathbb{N}}} \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k dg_k(\tau) \right\|_{\text{Rad}_p(X)}^p d\tau \\ &\leq K_p^p \mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M})^p \int_{\Omega} \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k(\lambda) dg_k \right\|_p^p d\mathbb{P}(\lambda). \end{aligned}$$

In turn, (2.2) yields

$$\left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k(\lambda) dg_k \right\|_p \leq K_p \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} dg_k \right\|_p$$

for any  $\lambda \in \Omega$ . Hence we finally obtain that

$$\left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} T_k(dg_k) \right\|_p \leq K_p^2 \mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M}) \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} dg_k \right\|_p. \quad \blacksquare$$

For any sequence  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  in  $\mathcal{L}(X)$ , we set

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta M_k &= M_k - M_{k-1}, \quad k \geq 2, \\ \Delta^2 M_k &= \Delta \Delta M_k = M_k - 2M_{k-1} + M_{k-2}, \quad k \geq 3. \end{aligned}$$

Differences of this kind are used in classical Mikhlin type theorems.

**Theorem 2.4** *Let  $X$  be an AUMD Banach space and let  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  be a sequence of bounded operators on  $X$ . Assume that the sets*

$$(2.3) \quad \{M_k : k \geq 1\}, \quad \{k\Delta M_k : k \geq 2\}, \quad \text{and} \quad \{k^2\Delta^2 M_k : k \geq 3\}$$

*are Rademacher bounded. Then  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .*

This result is an extension of a remarkable theorem due to Blower [7]. Blower’s theorem corresponds to the case when  $p = 1$  and the  $M_k$ ’s are scalars. Namely, he shows that if  $X$  is an AUMD space, and if  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is a sequence of  $\mathbb{C}$  such that the three sets in (2.3) are bounded, then  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^1(\mathbb{T}; X)$ . A first observation is that with the same proof, one obtains that in this case  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  also is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . The proof of Theorem 2.4 is an adaptation of Blower’s proof. Indeed many of Blower’s arguments work as well in the operator-valued setting and we will only indicate the relevant modifications.

**Proof of Theorem 2.4** Let  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  be as in the statement. We may assume that we have  $M_1 = \dots = M_7 = 0$ . Then we consider the power series

$$v(z) = \sum_{k \geq 8} M_k z^k, \quad z \in \mathbb{C}, |z| < 1.$$

We let  $v'_r$  and  $v''_r$  be the first and second derivative of the function  $(r, t) \mapsto v(re^{it})$  with respect to the first variable, so that

$$(2.4) \quad v'_r(re^{it}) = \sum_{k \geq 8} k M_k r^{k-1} e^{ikt} \quad \text{and} \quad v''_r(re^{it}) = \sum_{k \geq 8} k(k-1) M_k r^{k-2} e^{ikt}$$

for any  $0 < r < 1$  and any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . We let

$$P_r(t) = \frac{1 - r^2}{1 + r^2 - 2r \cos(t)}$$

denote the Poisson kernel and we set

$$h(r, t) = \frac{(1 - r^4)^2}{r^7} P_r(t)^{-1} (r v''_r(re^{it}) - 2v'_r(re^{it})), \quad 0 < r < 1, t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Below we will show that the set

$$(2.5) \quad \{h(r, t) : 0 < r < 1, t \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset \mathcal{L}(X) \quad \text{is Rademacher bounded.}$$

Now as indicated before this proof, we follow Blower’s proof in [7]. A thorough reading of that paper shows that Blower’s arguments [7, §§3,4] can be reproduced

verbatim in our case. Next, using (2.5) in the place of [7, Lemma 4] together with Lemma 2.3, the arguments in [7, §5] also carry over to the operator valued case.

Thus we only need to prove (2.5). We note that for any  $0 < r < 1$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have both

$$P_r(t)^{-1} \leq \frac{1+r^2-2r\cos(t)}{1-r} \quad \text{and} \quad 1-r^4 = (1-r)(1+r)(1+r^2) \leq 4(1-r).$$

Hence letting

$$\tilde{h}(r, t) = \frac{1-r}{r^7} (1+r^2-2r\cos(t)) (rv_r''(re^{it}) - 2v'(re^{it})),$$

we are reduced to showing that the set

$$(2.6) \quad \{\tilde{h}(r, t) : 0 < r < 1, t \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset \mathcal{L}(X) \quad \text{is Rademacher bounded.}$$

Applying (2.4), we find that

$$\tilde{h}(r, t) = (1-r)(1+r^2-2r\cos(t)) \sum_{k \geq 8} k(k-3)M_k r^{k-8} e^{ikt}.$$

Then, writing  $1+r^2-2r\cos(t) = 1-re^{it}-re^{-it}+r^2$ , we deduce that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{h}(r, t) &= (1-r) \left[ \sum_k k(k-3)M_k r^{k-8} e^{ikt} - \sum_k k(k-3)M_k r^{k-7} e^{i(k+1)t} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_k k(k-3)M_k r^{k-7} e^{i(k-1)t} + \sum_k k(k-3)M_k r^{k-6} e^{ikt} \right] \\ &= (1-r) \left[ \sum_k k(k-3)M_k r^{k-8} e^{ikt} - \sum_k (k-1)(k-4)M_{k-1} r^{k-8} e^{ikt} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \sum_k (k+1)(k-2)M_{k+1} r^{k-6} e^{ikt} + \sum_k k(k-3)M_k r^{k-6} e^{ikt} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

For any  $k \geq 8$ , let

$$\begin{aligned} A_k &= 2k(k-3)M_k - (k-1)(k-4)M_{k-1} - (k+1)(k-2)M_{k+1}, \\ B_k &= (k+1)(k-2)M_{k+1} - k(k-3)M_k. \end{aligned}$$

Then the above decomposition of  $\tilde{h}(r, t)$  can be re-written as

$$\tilde{h}(r, t) = (1-r) \sum_{k \geq 8} A_k r^{k-8} e^{ikt} + (1-r)(1-r^2) \sum_{k \geq 8} B_k r^{k-8} e^{ikt}.$$

Now observe that there exists a constant  $K > 0$  such that for any  $0 < r < 1$  and any  $t \in \mathbb{R}$  we have

$$\left| (1 - r) \sum_{k \geq 8} r^{k-8} e^{ikt} \right| \leq K \quad \text{and} \quad \left| (1 - r)(1 - r^2) \sum_{k \geq 8} k r^{k-8} e^{ikt} \right| \leq K.$$

Hence it follows from the convexity lemma [10, Lemma 3.2] that (2.6) holds true provided that the two sets

$$(2.7) \quad \{A_k : k \geq 8\} \quad \text{and} \quad \{k^{-1}B_k : k \geq 8\}$$

are Rademacher bounded. For any  $k \geq 8$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_k &= k^2(2M_k - M_{k-1} - M_{k+1}) + k(-6M_k + 5M_{k-1} + M_{k+1}) + (-4M_{k-1} + 2M_{k+1}) \\ &= -k^2 \Delta^2 M_{k+1} - 5k \Delta_k + k \Delta_{k+1} + 2M_{k+1} - 4M_{k-1}. \end{aligned}$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} k^{-1}B_k &= k^{-1}(k^2(M_{k+1} - M_k) + k(-M_{k+1} + 3M_k) - 2M_{k+1}) \\ &= k \Delta M_{k+1} - M_{k+1} + 3M_k - 2k^{-1}M_{k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

These decompositions show that the two sets in (2.7) are Rademacher bounded, which completes the proof. ■

**Corollary 2.5** *Let  $X$  be an AUMD Banach space and let  $M: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$  be a  $C^2$ -function. Assume that the sets*

$$(2.8) \quad \{M(t) : t > 0\}, \quad \{tM'(t) : t > 0\}, \quad \text{and} \quad \{t^2M''(t) : t > 0\}$$

*are Rademacher bounded. Then  $M$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .*

**Proof** Let  $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{M}'$  and  $\mathcal{M}''$  be the three sets in (2.8). Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $k \geq 1$ , let  $M_k^\varepsilon = M(\varepsilon k)$ , and consider the sets

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{M}(\varepsilon) &= \{M_k^\varepsilon : k \geq 1\}, \quad \mathcal{M}'(\varepsilon) = \{k \Delta M_k^\varepsilon : k \geq 2\}, \\ \mathcal{M}''(\varepsilon) &= \{k^2 \Delta^2 M_k^\varepsilon : k \geq 3\}. \end{aligned}$$

Then  $\mathcal{M}(\varepsilon), \mathcal{M}'(\varepsilon)$  and  $\mathcal{M}''(\varepsilon)$  are subsets of the closed absolute convex hull of  $\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{M}'$  and  $\mathcal{M}''$ , respectively. Hence by [10, Lemma 3.2], these sets are Rademacher bounded, and there is a constant  $K > 0$  such that  $\mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M}(\varepsilon)), \mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M}'(\varepsilon)), \mathcal{R}_p(\mathcal{M}''(\varepsilon))$  are all less than or equal to  $K$ . Hence by Theorem 2.4 and its proof, the sequences  $(M(\varepsilon k))_{k \geq 1}$  are bounded multipliers on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$ , and their multiplier norms are uniformly bounded. The result therefore follows from Lemma 2.1. ■

The paper [4] contains several characterizations of Hilbert spaces in terms of bounded Fourier multipliers on  $L^p$ -spaces. These results have simple analogs for bounded Fourier multipliers on  $H^p$ -spaces, as follows.

**Proposition 2.6** *Let  $X$  be a Banach space and let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . The following assertions are equivalent.*

- (i)  $X$  is isomorphic to a Hilbert space.
- (ii) Any sequence  $(M_k)_{k \geq 1}$  of  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  such that the three sets in (2.3) are bounded is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_0^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$ .
- (iii) Any  $C^2$ -function  $M: \mathbb{R}_+^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$  such that the three sets in (2.8) are bounded is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ .

**Proof** If  $X$  is isomorphic to a Hilbert space, then every bounded subset of  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  is Rademacher bounded, hence (i) implies (ii) and (iii) by Theorem 2.4 and Corollary 2.5. The proofs of the implications (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) and (iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i) are similar to those of [4, Theorem 1] and [4, Theorem 3], respectively. We skip the details. ■

### 3 $H^p$ -Maximal Regularity

Let  $X$  be a Banach space. For any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , we let  $H_-^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  be the space of all  $f$  in  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  such that the function  $t \mapsto f(-t)$  belongs to  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . It is clear that

$$(3.1) \quad H^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \cap H_-^p(\mathbb{R}; X) = \{0\}.$$

We let  $H_{\text{con}}^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  be the domain of the Hilbert transform  $\mathcal{H}$  on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , equipped with the graph norm  $\|f\|_{\text{con}} = \|f\|_p + \|\mathcal{H}(f)\|_p$ . Using (3.1), we see that there is a canonical Banach space identification

$$(3.2) \quad H_{\text{con}}^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \approx H^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \oplus_1 H_-^p(\mathbb{R}; X).$$

Indeed the linear map taking any pair  $(f_1, f_2) \in H^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \oplus H_-^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  to the function  $f_1 + f_2 \in L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  is an isomorphism. (The notation  $\oplus_1$  means that the norm on the right-hand side of (3.2) is given by  $\|(f_1, f_2)\| = \|f_1\|_p + \|f_2\|_p$ , but this choice does not play any special role.) One of the equivalent definitions of the UMD property is that for any  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $X$  is UMD if and only if  $H_{\text{con}}^p(\mathbb{R}; X) = L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  (see [8]). Also,  $X$  is UMD if and only if the  $H_{\text{con}}^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  coincides with the so-called atomic  $H^1$ -space  $H_{\text{at}}^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  [5].

Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . As in Section 1, we let  $B_l$  be the derivation operator on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Then we let  $B_{l+}$  be the restriction of  $B_l$  to  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . More precisely, we let

$$H^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; X) = W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; X) \cap H^p(\mathbb{R}; X).$$

Then we observe that  $u'$  belongs to  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  for any  $u \in H^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; X)$  and we define  $B_{l+}$  as the derivation operator  $u \mapsto u'$  with domain  $D(B_{l+}) = H^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Likewise, we let  $B_{l-}$  be the restriction of  $B_l$  to  $H_-^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , with domain equal to  $H_-^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; X) = W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; X) \cap H_-^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Next, we define  $B_h$  as the derivation operator on  $H_{\text{con}}^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ ,

with domain equal to the space of all  $u \in H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$  such that  $u' \in H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Through the identification (3.2),  $B_h$  is simply the direct sum of  $B_{h+}$  and  $B_{h-}$ , and

$$D(B_h) = H^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; X) \oplus H^{1,p}_-(\mathbb{R}; X).$$

Let  $-A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a bounded analytic semigroup on  $X$ . As before, we let  $A_l$  be the tensor extension of  $A$  to  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , and we let  $A_{l+}$  and  $A_{l-}$  be the restrictions of  $A_l$  to  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  and  $H^p_-(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , respectively. Then we let  $A_h$  be the tensor extension of  $A$  on  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Again, this can be regarded as the direct sum of  $A_{h+}$  and  $A_{h-}$ , with domain  $D(A_h) = H^p(\mathbb{R}; D(A)) \oplus H^p_-(\mathbb{R}; D(A))$ . Of course, the operators considered above depend on  $p$ , although it is not visible on the notation.

**Definition 3.1** We say that  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity if there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$(3.3) \quad \|A_h u\|_p \leq C \|A_h u + B_h u\|_p, \quad u \in D(A_h) \cap D(B_h).$$

It should be noticed that the value  $p = 1$  is included in this definition.

**Remark 3.2** We wish to record several simple facts on  $H^p$ -maximal regularity. Consider  $A$  as above.

(i) By construction,  $A_h$  is a sectorial operator of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ ,  $B_h$  is a sectorial operator of type  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ , and  $A_h$  and  $B_h$  commute. As is well known, this implies that

$$A_h + B_h : D(A_h) \cap D(B_h) \longrightarrow H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$$

is densely defined. Furthermore  $B_h$  is one-to-one and has dense range, which implies that  $A_h + B_h$  is one-to-one and has dense range (see [20, Proposition 2.6]). Then the operator  $A_h(A_h + B_h)^{-1}$  is densely defined on  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$  and a reformulation of (3.3) is that  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity if and only if  $A_h(A_h + B_h)^{-1}$  is bounded on  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ .

This is the analog of the fact that if  $p > 1$ ,  $A$  has  $L^p$ -maximal regularity if and only if  $A_l(A_l + B_l)^{-1}$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ .

(ii) As in (i), we can consider the operators  $A_{h+}(A_{h+} + B_{h+})^{-1}$  and  $A_{h-}(A_{h-} + B_{h-})^{-1}$ . Clearly they are the restrictions of  $A_l(A_l + B_l)^{-1}$  to  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  and  $H^p_-(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , respectively. Then it follows from our discussion preceding Definition 3.1 and from (i) above that  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity if and only if  $A_{h+}(A_{h+} + B_{h+})^{-1}$  and  $A_{h-}(A_{h-} + B_{h-})^{-1}$  are both bounded.

(iii) Let  $M : \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$  be a bounded measurable function. We say that  $M$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$  if the two functions  $t \in \mathbb{R}^*_+ \mapsto M(t)$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}^*_+ \mapsto M(-t)$  are bounded Fourier multipliers on  $H^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ .

Consider the special function  $M_A : \mathbb{R}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$  defined by

$$M_A(t) = it(it + A)^{-1}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^*.$$

It is well known that  $M_A$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  if and only if the operator  $A_l(A_l + B_l)^{-1}$  is bounded on  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  (see [25, §4]). Using (ii) above, we deduce that  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity if and only if  $M_A$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ .

We do not know whether  $H^p$ -maximal regularity is independent of  $p$  on general Banach spaces. Parts (b) and (c) of the next statement show that this is the case on AUMD Banach spaces.

**Theorem 3.3**

- (i) Let  $-A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a bounded analytic semigroup on  $X$ .
- (a) If  $A$  has  $L^p$ -maximal regularity for any  $1 < p < \infty$  (equivalently, for some  $1 < p < \infty$ ), then  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .
  - (b) If  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity for some  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , then  $A$  is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ .
  - (c) Assume that  $X$  is AUMD. If  $A$  is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ , then  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .
- (ii) There exists an invertible operator  $A$  on some AUMD Banach space, which has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , although  $A$  does not have  $L^p$ -maximal regularity.

**Proof** (i) Let  $1 < p < \infty$  and assume that  $A$  has  $L^p$ -maximal regularity. Then by Remark 3.2 (ii),  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity for any  $1 < p < \infty$ . Further, the operator  $A_l(A_l + B_l)^{-1} : L^p(\mathbb{R}; X) \rightarrow L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  extends to a bounded operator on the atomic  $H^1$ -space  $H_{at}^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , by [16, Theorem 1.4]. By a theorem of Bourgain and Garcia-Cuerva, the norms induced by  $L^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  and  $H_{at}^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  coincide on  $H^1(\mathbb{R}) \otimes X$ , and hence  $H^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  is (isomorphic to) a subspace of  $H_{at}^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  (see [6, Theorem 1.1]). We deduce that the restriction of  $A_l(A_l + B_l)^{-1}$  to  $H^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  is bounded. Likewise, the restriction of  $A_l(A_l + B_l)^{-1}$  to  $H_-^1(\mathbb{R}; X)$  is bounded. According to Remark 3.2(ii), this means that  $A$  has  $H^1$ -maximal regularity.

Part (b) is a combination of Remark 3.2 (iii) and Proposition 2.2.

We give two proofs of (c). Assume that  $X$  is AUMD, and let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . By [22, Theorem 1.2], the derivation operator  $B_h$  has a bounded  $H^\infty(\Sigma_\theta)$  functional calculus for any  $\theta > \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Hence by [18, Theorem 6.3],  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity provided that it is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

Another proof follows from Corollary 2.5. Indeed, assume that  $A$  is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ , and let  $M_A$  be given by Remark 3.2 (iii). Arguing as in [25, Example 2.9], it is not hard to show that  $M_A$  satisfies the assumptions of Corollary 2.5. Hence if  $X$  is AUMD, the function  $M_A$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H_{con}^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , and hence  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity.

(ii) Throughout we assume that  $Y$  is an AUMD Banach space, that  $Y$  has an unconditional basis and a finite cotype, and that  $Y$  is not UMD. The space  $Y = \ell^1$  fulfills these geometric conditions. We let  $D$  be the derivation operator on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}; Y)$ , with domain equal to the Sobolev space  $W^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}; Y)$ . According to a forthcoming paper by Kalton and Weis,<sup>1</sup> this operator is not Rademacher sectorial. In fact the set

$$(3.4) \quad \{s(s + D)^{-1} : s \in \mathbb{R}, s \geq 1\} \subset \mathcal{L}(L^2(\mathbb{R}; Y))$$

<sup>1</sup>Euclidean structures, in preparation.

is not Rademacher bounded. Indeed, assume that it is Rademacher bounded and let  $K$  be its Rademacher constant. For any  $\mu > 0$ , let  $T_\mu$  be the operator on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}; Y)$  defined by  $(T_\mu u)(t) = \mu^{\frac{1}{2}} u(\mu t)$ . Then  $T_\mu$  is a surjective isometry and  $T_\mu^{-1} D T_\mu = \mu D$ . Hence the set  $\mathcal{M}_\mu = \{s(s + \mu D)^{-1} : s \in \mathbb{R}, s \geq 1\}$  is Rademacher bounded and  $\mathcal{R}_2(\mathcal{M}_\mu) \leq K$  for any  $\mu > 0$ . This readily implies that the set  $\{s(s + D)^{-1} : s > 0\}$  is Rademacher bounded, a contradiction.

Let  $X = \text{Rad}_2(Y)$ . We recall that

$$\text{Rad}_2(Y) = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k x_k : \text{the series } \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k x_k \text{ converges in } L^2(\Omega; X) \right\}.$$

Following an idea from [3], we let  $(\lambda_k)_{k \geq 1}$  be a dense sequence of the interval  $[1, \infty)$ , and we define an operator  $A$  on  $X$  as follows. We set

$$D(A) = \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k x_k \in \text{Rad}_2(Y) : \text{the series } \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k \varepsilon_k x_k \text{ converges in } L^2(\Omega; X) \right\},$$

and we let

$$A \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k x_k \right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k \varepsilon_k x_k$$

for any  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k x_k \in D(A)$ . It is clear that  $A$  is closed and densely defined.

Using (1.2), it is easy to see that  $A$  is sectorial of type  $\omega$  for any  $\omega > 0$ , and that  $A$  admits a bounded  $H^\infty(\Sigma_\theta)$  functional calculus for any  $\theta > 0$ . Indeed for any  $f \in H^\infty(\Sigma_\theta)$ , we have

$$f(A) \left( \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k x_k \right) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} f(\lambda_k) \varepsilon_k x_k$$

for any  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_k x_k$  in  $D(A)$ , and  $\|f(A)\| \leq 2\|f\|_{\infty, \theta}$ , where  $\|f\|_{\infty, \theta} = \sup\{|f(z)| : z \in \Sigma_\theta\}$ . Since  $Y$  is AUMD, the space  $X \subset L^2(\Omega; Y)$  is AUMD as well. It therefore follows from [18, Proposition 3.2 and Theorem 5.3] that  $A$  is Rademacher sectorial of type  $\omega$  for any  $\omega > 0$ . By part (i)(c) of this theorem, this implies that  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity (for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ).

Recall that  $\lambda_k \geq 1$  for any  $k \geq 1$ . Hence using (1.2) again, one obtains that  $A$  is invertible with  $A^{-1}$  sending any  $\sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k x_k$  in  $X$  to  $\sum_{k \geq 1} \lambda_k^{-1} \varepsilon_k x_k$ .

Suppose now that  $A$  has  $L^2$ -maximal regularity. As before, we let  $B_l$  (resp.  $A_l$ ) be the derivation operator (resp. the tensor extension of  $A$ ) on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Our hypothesis means that the operator  $T = A_l(A_l + B_l)^{-1} : L^2(\mathbb{R}; \text{Rad}_2(Y)) \rightarrow L^2(\mathbb{R}; \text{Rad}_2(Y))$  is bounded (see Remark 3.2(ii)). By Fubini's theorem, we have an isometric identification  $L^2(\mathbb{R}; \text{Rad}_2(Y)) \simeq \text{Rad}_2(L^2(\mathbb{R}; Y))$ . Let  $(z_k)_{k \geq 1}$  be a finite sequence of  $L^2(\mathbb{R}; Y)$ . It is clear that under the above identification, we have

$$T \left( \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k z_k \right) = \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k \lambda_k (\lambda_k + D)^{-1} z_k.$$

Hence we have

$$\left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k \lambda_k (\lambda_k + D)^{-1} z_k \right\|_2 \leq \|T\| \left\| \sum_{k \geq 1} \varepsilon_k z_k \right\|_2.$$

This shows that the set  $\{\lambda_k(\lambda_k + D)^{-1} : k \geq 1\}$  is Rademacher sectorial. Since the sequence  $(\lambda_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is dense sequence in  $[1, \infty)$ , this implies that the set (3.4) is Rademacher bounded, which is a contradiction. ■

As far as we know, the operator  $A$  in Theorem 3.3(ii) is the first example of an operator  $A$  which is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$  without having  $L^p$ -maximal regularity.

**Remark 3.4** Let  $-A$  be the infinitesimal generator of a bounded analytic semigroup on  $X$  and assume that  $A$  is invertible. Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and consider  $A_h, B_h$  on  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ . Then  $A_h$  also is invertible, hence  $A_h(A_h + B_h)^{-1}$  is bounded if and only if  $(A_h + B_h)^{-1}$  is bounded. Thus  $A$  has  $H^p$ -maximal regularity if and only if for any  $f \in H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , there is a (necessarily unique)  $u \in D(A_h) \cap D(B_h)$  such that (1.1) holds true.

Thus Theorem 3.3(ii) provides an operator  $A$  with the following property: for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and for any  $f \in H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , (1.1) can be solved with  $u'$  belonging to  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , hence *a fortiori* to  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ , but for any  $1 < p < \infty$ , one can find  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$  such that (1.1) has no solution with  $u'$  belonging to  $L^p(\mathbb{R}; X)$ .

The results discussed so far in this section have analogs for periodic functions that we shall now indicate. We let  $L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X) \subset L^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  be the space of all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  such that  $\widehat{f}(0) = 0$  and we let  $H^p_{0-}(\mathbb{T}; X)$  be the space of all  $f \in L^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  such that  $\widehat{f}(k) = 0$  for any  $k \geq 0$ . Then the conjugate Hardy space  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{T}; X)$  is defined as the space of all  $f \in L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$  whose Hilbert transform belongs to  $L^p(\mathbb{T}; X)$  and we have a Banach space identification  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{T}; X) \approx H^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X) \oplus_1 H^p_{0-}(\mathbb{T}; X)$ . We let  $\widetilde{B}_l$  be the derivation operator on  $L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$ . Its domain is the Sobolev space  $W^{1,p}_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$  of all  $u \in L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$  such that there exists  $v \in L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$  verifying  $\widehat{v}(k) = ik\widehat{u}(k)$  for any  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ . This  $v$  is necessarily unique and we have  $u' = \widetilde{B}_l(u) = v$  in this case (see [2, Lemma 2.1] for more on this).

Let  $A$  be a closed and densely defined operator on  $X$ . We do not assume that  $A$  is sectorial in this context. Then we let  $\widetilde{A}_l$  be the tensor extension of  $A$  on  $L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$ , with domain  $L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; D(A))$ . We consider the following Cauchy problem:

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} u'(t) + Au(t) &= f(t), \quad 0 \leq t < 2\pi; \\ u(0) &= u(2\pi). \end{aligned}$$

We say that  $A$  has  $L^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity if for any  $f \in L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$ , there exists a (necessarily unique)  $u \in D(\widetilde{A}_l) \cap D(\widetilde{B}_l)$  verifying (3.5). According to [2, Theorem 2.3] and its proof, this holds true if and only if  $i\mathbb{Z}^*$  is included in the resolvent set of  $A$ , and the sequence  $(ik(ik + A)^{-1})_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^*}$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $L^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$ .

Note that our notion of  $L^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity is slightly different from the one considered in [2, Section 2]. Indeed an operator  $A$  has the periodic  $L^p$ -maximal regularity considered in that paper if and only if  $A$  is invertible and has  $L^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity in our sense.

It is unclear whether  $L^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity is independent of  $p$  in general (although [3, Theorem 2.3] shows that it is the case when  $X$  is a UMD Banach space).

Now we consider the derivation operator  $\widetilde{B}_h$  and the tensor extension  $\widetilde{A}_h$  on  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{T}; X)$ . Namely,  $\widetilde{B}_h$  is the direct sum of the restrictions of  $\widetilde{B}_l$  to  $H^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$  and  $H^p_{0-}(\mathbb{T}; X)$ , respectively. The definition of  $\widetilde{A}_h$  is similar. Then we say that  $A$  has  $H^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity if for any  $f \in H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{T}; X)$ , there exists a (necessarily unique)  $u \in D(\widetilde{A}_h) \cap D(\widetilde{B}_h)$  verifying (3.5). Arguing as in [2, §2], one obtains that  $A$  has  $H^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity if and only if  $i\mathbb{Z}^*$  is included in the resolvent set of  $A$ , and the sequence  $(ik(ik + A)^{-1})_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^*}$  is a bounded Fourier multiplier on  $H^p_{\text{con}}(\mathbb{T}; X)$ . Equivalently, the two sequences  $(ik(ik + A)^{-1})_{k \geq 1}$  and  $(ik(ik - A)^{-1})_{k \geq 1}$  are bounded Fourier multipliers on  $H^p_0(\mathbb{T}; X)$ .

Then we have the following analog of Theorem 3.3.

**Theorem 3.5**

- (i) *Let  $A$  be a closed and densely defined operator on  $X$ . Assume that  $i\mathbb{Z}^*$  is included in the resolvent set of  $A$  and let  $\mathcal{M} = \{k(ik + A)^{-1} : k \in \mathbb{Z}^*\} \subset \mathcal{L}(X)$ .*
  - (a) *Let  $1 < p < \infty$ . If  $A$  has  $L^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity, then  $A$  has  $H^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity.*
  - (b) *If  $A$  has  $H^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity for some  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , then  $\mathcal{M}$  is Rademacher bounded.*
  - (c) *Assume that  $X$  is AUMD. If the set  $\mathcal{M}$  is Rademacher bounded, then  $A$  has  $H^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ .*
- (ii) *There exists an operator  $A$  on some AUMD Banach space, which has  $H^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ , although it has  $L^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity for no  $1 < p < \infty$ .*

**Proof** Arguing as in the proof of Theorem 3.3, part (i) follows from Proposition 2.2 and Theorem 2.4. We skip the details.

To prove (ii), consider the operator  $A$  given by Theorem 3.3(ii). This operator is Rademacher sectorial of type  $< \frac{\pi}{2}$ , hence the set  $\mathcal{M}$  is Rademacher bounded. Thus  $A$  has  $H^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity for any  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Now assume that  $A$  has  $L^p_{\text{per}}$ -maximal regularity for some  $1 < p < \infty$ . Since  $-A$  generates a bounded analytic semi-group and  $A$  is invertible, it follows from [9, §3] that  $A$  also has  $L^p$ -maximal regularity, a contradiction. ■

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