## 3.2 Duality between $H^1$ and BMO

Show that *f* satisfies the estimate

$$\left|\left\{x \in Q: \left|f(x) - \operatorname{Avg}_{Q}f\right| > \alpha\right\}\right| \le |Q| e^{-c\alpha^{1/r}}$$

with  $c = (2b)^{-1/m} \log 2$ . [*Hint:* Try  $p = (\alpha/2b)^{1/m}$ .]

**3.1.8.** Prove that  $|\log |x||^p$  is not in  $BMO(\mathbf{R})$  when 1 . [*Hint:* $Show that if <math>|\log |x||^p$  were in *BMO*, then estimate (3.1.9) would be violated for large  $\alpha$ .]

**3.1.9.** Given  $1 and f locally integrable on <math>\mathbb{R}^n$  prove that

$$\sup_{Q} \left( \inf_{c_{Q}} \frac{1}{|Q|} \int_{Q} |f(x) - c_{Q}|^{p} dx \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \approx \left\| f \right\|_{BMO}.$$

*Hint:* Use Proposition 3.1.2 (4) and Corollary 3.1.9.

**3.1.10.** Let  $f \in BMO(\mathbf{R})$  have mean value equal to zero on a fixed closed interval *I*. Find a *BMO* function *g* on **R** such that

(1) 
$$g = f$$
 on *I*;

- (2) g = 0 on **R** \  $\frac{5}{3}I$ ;
- (3)  $||g||_{BMO} \le 12 ||f||_{BMO}$ .

[*Hint:* Let  $I_0$  be the closed middle third of I. Write the interior of I as  $\bigcup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} I_k$ , where for |k| > 0,  $I_k$  are closed subintervals of I such that the right endpoint of  $I_k$  coincides with the left endpoint of  $I_{k+1}$  and dist  $(I_k, \partial I) = |I_k| = \frac{1}{3}2^{-|k|}$ . For  $|k| \ge 1$ , let  $J_k$  be the reflection of  $I_k$  with respect to the closest endpoint of I and set  $g = \operatorname{Avg}_{I_k} f$  on  $J_k$ for |k| > 1, g = f on I, and zero otherwise. To prove property (3), given an arbitrary interval Q on the real line, consider the cases where  $|Q| \ge \frac{1}{3}|I|$  and  $|Q| < \frac{1}{3}|I|$ .]

## **3.2 Duality between** $H^1$ and BMO

The next result we discuss is a remarkable duality relationship between the Hardy space  $H^1$  and *BMO*. Precisely, we show that *BMO* is the dual space of  $H^1$ . This means that every continuous linear functional on the Hardy space  $H^1$  can be realized as integration against a fixed *BMO* function, where *integration* in this context is an abstract operation, not necessarily given by an absolutely convergent integral. Restricting our attention, however, to a dense subspace of  $H^1$  such as the space of all finite sums of atoms, the use of the word *integration* is well justified. Indeed, first we note that an important consequence of (3.1.15) is that any *BMO* function *b* lies in  $L^p(Q)$  for any *Q* in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and any *p* satisfying 1 ; in particular it is square