

# Hilbert function spaces of Dirichlet series with the complete Pick property

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If this condition is sufficient,  $\mathcal{H}$  is called a **Pick space**. If the same is true for matrix valued multipliers,  $\mathcal{H}$  is called a **complete Pick space**.

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