

## ONFUNCTIONS WITH $H^p$ DERIVATIVE

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### 1. Introduction.

Let  $D$  be the open unit disk and  $H$  the set of analytic functions  $f$  in  $D$  with  $f(0)=0$ ,  $f'(z) \neq 0$  and  $|\arg f'(z)| < \infty$ ,  $f'(0)=1$ . Hornich has defined operations on  $H$  so that it is a real Banach space [2]. That is if  $f, g$  are in  $H$  and  $\alpha$  is real

$$(f, g)(z) = \int_0^z f'(t)g'(t)dt,$$

$$(\alpha \times f)(z) = \int_0^z (f'(t))^\alpha dt,$$

and  $\|f\| = \sup\{|\arg f'(z_1) - \arg f'(z_2)|; z_1, z_2 \text{ in } D\}$ .

In this paper we investigate the relationship of  $H$  (as a set of functions) to the Hardy spaces  $H^p$  of functions in the Lebesgue space  $L^p$  which have zero negative Fourier coefficients.

### 2. Main theorems.

Given  $f$  in  $H$  and  $K$  a number satisfying

$$\pi K \geq 2 \sup |\arg f'(z)|, \quad z \in D$$

then the function  $Q(z) = \exp[K^{-1} \log f'(z)]$  is analytic with positive real part and  $Q(0)=1$ . The function

$$w(z) = \frac{Q(z)-1}{Q(z)+1}$$

is a  $H^\infty$  function satisfying the hypotheses of the Schwarz lemma. Thus for each function  $f$  in  $H$  there a  $H^\infty$  function  $w(z)$  ( $|w(z)| \leq 1$ ,  $w(0)=0$ ) such that

$$f'(z) = \left( \frac{1+w(z)}{1-w(z)} \right)^K$$

**Theorem 1.** Every function in  $H$  has an  $H^p$  derivative for some  $p < 1$ .

**Proof.** Let  $f$  be a function in  $H$ . Define

$$G(z) = \left( \frac{1+z}{1-z} \right)^K$$

Then  $G$  belongs to  $H^p$  for all  $0 < p < 1/K$  and  $f'(z) = G(w(z))$ . Thus  $f'$  is subordinate to  $G$ , and hence  $f' \in H^p$  for all  $0 < p < 1/K$  [1, p. 10]. This completes the proof of theorem.

Since  $f' \in H^p$  for some  $p < 1$ , the following result follows from a theorem of Hardy and Littlewood [1, p. 88].

Corollary. For each  $f$  in  $H$  there is a number  $p > 0$  such that  $f$  is in  $H^p$ .

We remark here that for every function in  $H$  there is a number  $p > 0$  such that  $|f'(z)|^p$  has a harmonic majorant.

Next, we consider the harmonic function  $\operatorname{Re} f'$  with  $f \in H$ . We let  $p(r, \theta)$  denote the Poisson kernel;

$$p(r, \theta) = \frac{1-r^2}{1-2r \cos \theta + r^2}$$

**Theorem 2.** For each function  $f$  in  $H$  the real part of  $f'$  can be expressed as the Poisson-Stieljes integral.

**Proof.** Let  $u = \operatorname{Re} f'$ . By theorem 1, we know that

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

is finite. Define

$$m_r(t) = \int_0^t u(re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Then the functions  $m_r(t)$  are of uniformly bounded variation. By the Helly selection theorem, there is a sequence  $\{r_n\}$  tending to 1 for which  $m_{r_n}(t) \rightarrow m(t)$ , a function of bounded variation in  $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} v(z) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u(r_n z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} p(r, \theta - t) u(r_n e^{it}) dt \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} p(r, \theta - t) d m_{r_n}(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} p(r, \theta - t) d m(t). \end{aligned}$$

Hornich shows that ball  $\{f \in H: \|f\| \leq \pi\}$  contains only univalent functions [2]. Thus we have the following result from a theorem of [1, p. 50].

**Theorem 3.** Every function  $f$  in  $H$  with  $\|f\| \leq \pi$  belongs to  $H^p$  for all  $p < \frac{1}{2}$ .

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