

## DERIVATIVES OF INNER FUNCTIONS ON EXTENSION WEIGHTED HARDY SPACES

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ABSTRACT. We have extended the  $H^p$  space and established the derivative of inner functions, Blaschke product on weighted Hardy spaces for the unit disc in complex plane.

### 1. Introduction

Much attention has been given to the factorization and boundary properties of functions with derivatives in  $H^p$  and  $B^p$ . In [4], G. Caughran and L. Shields showed that if the holomorphic function  $f$  is in a Hardy space, then  $f$  has a factorization  $f = BSQ$ , where  $B$  is Blaschke product,  $Q$  is an outer function in  $H^p$ . The singular function of  $f(z)$  has the form

$$S(z) = \exp \left\{ - \int \frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} d\mu(e^{i\theta}) \right\},$$

where  $\mu$  is a positive singular measure on the unit circle. We raised the questions whether there exists a singular inner function  $S(z)$  with derivative  $S'(z)$  in  $H^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . They also conjectured that the derivative of non singular inner function lies in  $B^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . But H. A. Allen and C. L.

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Belna [3] disproved this conjecture by giving an example of singular inner functions with derivatives in  $B^p$  for  $0 < p < \frac{2}{3}$

P. Ahern and N. Clark [2] gave the condition in which the derivative of Blaschke product is a member of  $H^p$  and  $B^p$  spaces. N. Linden [7] generalized the previous argument.

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In this paper, we try to extend the  $H^p$  spaces and investigate the derivative of inner functions. Moreover, we find conditions which the derivative of inner functions and Blaschke product are contained in  $A_q^p$  spaces.

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Furthermore, in 1997, K. Shibata [8] generalized the result of the P. Ahern's work and showed that if the derivative of inner function  $M(z)$  belongs to  $A_q^p$  spaces, then the value of  $p$  is  $\frac{2}{3} < p < 1$ .

Last year, K. Shibata, A. Sakai and Y. M. Nam co-worked to extend the theorem of [8]. We try to generalize properties of the extension of  $A_q^p$  spaces and find the value of  $p$  and  $q$  which satisfies the derivative of inner functions.

Let  $H^p$  be Hardy space and  $B^p$  denote the spaces of functions  $f(z)$  holomorphic in the unit disc  $D$  for which

$$\|f\|_{B^p} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 |f(re^{i\theta})| (1-r)^{\frac{1}{p-2}} dr d\theta$$

is finite.

If the quantity

$$M_p(f, r) = \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \right\}^{\frac{1}{p}} \quad (0 < p < \infty)$$

is used, it can be rewritten as follows;

$$\|f\|_{B_p} = \int_0^1 (1-r)^{\frac{1}{p-2}} M_1(f, r) dr.$$

A Blaschke sequence is a (finite or infinite) sequence  $\{a_n\}$  of complex numbers satisfying the conditions:  $0 < |a_n| < 1$  and

$$\sum (1 - |a_n|) < \infty.$$

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where  $\{a_n\}$  is a Blaschke sequence. We note that every Blaschke product is an inner function. The set of Blaschke products is uniformly dense in the set of inner function by the Frostman's theorem [6]. An inner function without zeros which is positive at the origin is called a singular inner product. It is well known that a singular inner function is a function  $S(z)$  which has the form

$$S(z) = \exp \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{z + e^{it}}{z - e^{it}} d\mu(e^{it}),$$

where  $\mu$  is a positive measure on  $\bar{D}$ , and singular with respect to Lebesgue measure.

Now we introduce the definition of  $A_q^p$  spaces and develop its some properties. If  $f(z)$  is holomorphic in  $D$  and  $0 < p < 1$  and  $q > 0$ , we define the weighed  $L^p$  norm by

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^q (1-r)^{1/p-2} d\theta dr.$$

If this is finite, we say  $f(z)$  belongs to  $A_q^p$ . Especially,  $A_q^p = B^p$  when  $q = 1$ .

P. Ahren [1] first considered the problems that determine the derivative of inner function in  $A_q^p$  spaces.

## 2. Derivative of Inner Function on $B^p$ Spaces

Fix  $p$ ,  $0 < p < 1$ . Let  $B^p$  denote the space of function  $f(z)$  holomorphic in  $D$  for which

$$\|f\|_{B^p} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 |f(re^{i\theta})| (1-r)^{1/p-2} M_1(f, r) dr.$$

It turns out  $H^p$  is a subspace of  $B^p$ , especially  $B^p = H^p$  for  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ . Thus the space  $B^p$  is in respect "extended" than  $H^p$  space. For typographical reasons we shall frequently omit the superscript  $p$  in written norms,  $\|f\|_B$  denote the norm in  $B^p$ . The following lemmas are very important to prove the theorem.

LEMMA 2.1. *Let  $f$  be in  $B^p$ . Then we claim the following:*

$$|f(z)| \leq C_p \|f\|_B (1-r)^{-1/p}, \quad z \in D,$$

where  $C_p$  is a constant depend on  $p$ .

*Proof.* Let  $R < r < 1$ . Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_B &\geq \int_R^1 (1-r)^{1/p-2} M_1(f, r) dr \\ &\geq M_1(f, R) \left(\frac{1}{p} - 1\right)^{-1} (1-R)^{1/p-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$M_1(f, R) \leq \left(\frac{1}{p} - 1\right) \|f\|_B (1-R)^{1-1/p}.$$

From this, the estimate follows by writing

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=R} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta,$$

where  $R = \frac{1}{2}(1 + |z|)$ . □

LEMMA 2.2. Let  $f_\rho(z) = f(\rho z)$  be in  $B^p$ . Then we have that  $f_\rho \rightarrow f$  in  $B^p$ -norm as  $\rho \rightarrow 1$ .

*Proof.* Given  $f \in B^p$  and  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $r > 1$  such that

$$\int_R^1 (1-r)^{1/p-2} M_1(f, r) dr < \varepsilon. \quad (2.1)$$

Since  $M_1(f, r)$  is an increasing function of  $r$ , (2.1) remains valid when  $f$  is replaced by  $f_\rho$ . Now choose  $\rho$  so close to 1 that  $|f_\rho(z) - f(z)| < \varepsilon$  on  $|z| \leq R$ . Then we have

$$\int_0^R (1-r)^{1/p-2} M_1(f_\rho - f, r) dr < \varepsilon \|1\|_B,$$

which, upon combining with (2.1), yields

$$\|f_\rho - f\|_B \leq \varepsilon \|1\|_B + 2\varepsilon.$$

We, therefore, have  $f_\rho \rightarrow f$  in  $B^p$ -norm as  $\rho \rightarrow 1$ .  $\square$

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$$\|f\|_B \leq C_p \|f\|_p.$$

The properties from Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 2.4 implies that  $H^p \subset B^p$ , and given the norm inequality. Also,  $H^p$  contains all functions holomorphic in a bigger disc, and such functions are dense in  $B^p$  by Lemma 2.2.

If  $1 < p < \infty$ , it is well known that every bounded linear functional  $\psi$  in  $(H^p)^*$  has a unique representation.

$$\psi(f) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) g(e^{-i\theta}) d\theta,$$

where  $g \in H^q$ ,  $q = p/(p-1)$ . The following may be regarded as an extension of this result to  $0 < p < 1$ .

**THEOREM 2.5.** ([5]) Let  $\psi \in (H^p)^*$ ,  $0 < p < 1$ . Then there is unique function  $g$  such that

$$\psi(f) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(re^{i\theta})g(e^{-i\theta})d\theta, \quad f \in H^p,$$

where  $g(z)$  is holomorphic in  $D$  and continuous on  $\overline{D}$ .

**THEOREM 2.6.**  $B^p$  and  $H^p$  have the same continuous linear functionals; more precisely, Theorem 2.5 remains true if in its statements  $H^p$  is everywhere replaced by  $B^p$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\psi \in (B^p)^*$  be given and the associated function  $g(z) = \sum b_k z^k$  as in the proof of Theorem 2.5. By Lemma 2.4,  $\psi$  is also a bounded linear functionals on  $H^p$  and hence  $g$  has desired smoothness. Furthermore, if  $f(z) = \sum a_k z^k \in B^p$ , then by Theorem 3.5 we have

$$\psi(f) = \lim_{\rho \rightarrow 1} \sum a_k z^k \rho^k = \lim_{\rho \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(\rho e^{i\theta})g(e^{-i\theta})d\theta \quad (2.2)$$

where  $f_\rho \rightarrow f$  in norm, by Lemma 2.2.

Conversely let  $g$  (holomorphic and continuous) be given and suppose that  $g$  has the smoothness described in Theorem 2.5. We must show that the limit in (2.2) exists for every  $f \in B^p$  and bounded by  $C\|f\|$ . The proof is identical to the proof of Theorem 2.5.  $\square$

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where  $\{a_n\}$  is a Blaschke sequence. It is well-known if zeros  $\{a_n\}$  of a Blaschke product  $B(z)$  satisfy the condition

$$\sum (1 - |a_n|) \log \frac{1}{1 - |a_n|} < \infty,$$

then  $B'(z) \in B^p$  for  $p = \frac{1}{2}$ . The following implies that for each  $p < 1$  there exist infinite Blaschke products with derivative  $B^p$ .

**THEOREM 2.7.** *Let  $B(z)$  be a Blaschke product with zeros  $\{a_n\}$  such that*

$$\sum (1 - |a_n|)^\alpha < \infty$$

for some  $\alpha$  ( $0 < \alpha < 1$ ). Then  $B'(z) \in B^{1/(1+\alpha)}$ .

*Proof.* It is easily seen that

$$\begin{aligned} B'(z) &= B(z) \sum \frac{1 - |a_n|^2}{(z - a_n)(1 - \bar{a}_n z)} \\ &= \left( \frac{\bar{a}_1}{|a_1|} \frac{a_1 - z}{1 - \bar{a}_1 z} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{\bar{a}_2}{|a_2|} \frac{a_2 - z}{1 - \bar{a}_2 z} \right) \cdots \left( \frac{\bar{a}_n}{|a_n|} \frac{a_n - z}{1 - \bar{a}_n z} \right) \cdots \\ &\quad \cdot \left\{ \frac{1 - |a_1|^2}{(z - a_1)(1 - \bar{a}_1 z)} + \frac{1 - |a_2|^2}{(z - a_2)(1 - \bar{a}_2 z)} + \cdots \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{1 - |a_n|^2}{(z - a_n)(1 - \bar{a}_n z)} + \cdots \right\} \\ &= \sum \frac{\beta_n(z)(1 - |a_n|^2)}{(1 - \bar{a}_n z)^2}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\beta_n(z) = B(z)(1 - \bar{a}_n z)/(z - a_n)$ , and this implies that

$$\begin{aligned} |B'(z)| &\leq \sum (1 - |a_n|^2)/|z - \bar{a}_n z|^2 \\ &\leq 2 \sum (1 - |a_n|)/|z - \bar{a}_n z|^2 \end{aligned}$$

for all  $|z| < 1$ . Therefore, for  $0 < r < 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} |B'(z)(re^{it})| dt &\leq 2 \sum (1 - |a_n|) \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dt}{|1 - \bar{a}_n r e^{it}|^2} \\ &= 4\pi \sum \frac{1 - |a_n|}{1 - r^2 |a_n|^2}. \end{aligned}$$

The inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} 2(1 - r^2|a_n|^2) &\geq 2(1 - r|a_n|) \geq 2 - r^2 - |a_n|^2 \\ &\geq 1 - r + 1 - |a_n| \end{aligned}$$

implies that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |B'(re^{it})| dt \leq 8\pi \sum \frac{1 - |a_n|}{1 - r + 1 - |a_n|}.$$

If we write  $p = 1/(1 + \alpha)$ , then  $1/p - 2 = \alpha - 1$ ; setting  $1 - |a_n| = d_n$ , we now obtain the estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \frac{d_n(1-r)^{\alpha-1}}{1-r+d_n} dr &= \int_0^1 \frac{d_n s^{\alpha-1}}{s+d_n} ds \\ &\leq \int_0^c n_s^{\alpha-1} ds + \int_{d_n}^1 d_n s^{\alpha-2} ds \\ &= \frac{d_n^\alpha}{\alpha} + \frac{d_n^\alpha - d_n}{1-\alpha} \\ &\leq \frac{d_n^\alpha}{\alpha(1-\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows immediately that

$$\|B'(z)\|_B \leq \frac{4}{\alpha(1-\alpha)} \sum (1 - |\alpha_n|)^\alpha.$$

□

### 3. $A_q^p$ -Derivatives of Inner Functions and Blaschke Products

In this section, we will construct more extended Hardy spaces  $A_q^p$  and try to find conditions which the derivative of  $M(z)$ ,  $B(z)$  are contained in  $A_q^p$  spaces.



Now we introduce the definition of  $A_q^p$  spaces and develop its some properties. If  $f(z)$  is holomorphic in  $D$  and  $0 < p < 1$  and  $q > 0$ , we define the weighed  $L^p$  norm by

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^q (1-r)^{1/p-2} d\theta dr.$$

If this is finite, we say  $f(z)$  belongs to  $A_q^p$ . Especially,  $A_q^p = B^p$  when  $q = 1$ .

Here we consider the problem that determine the value of  $p$  when  $M'(z)$  and  $B'(z)$  are in  $A_q^p$  spaces.

If  $M(z)$  is an inner function, then the following fact holds.

LEMMA 3.1. *If  $M(z) = \sum a_n z^n$  is an inner function, then*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} |M'(re^{i\theta})|^2 (1-r)^{1/p-1} d\theta dr \\ &= \sum |a_n|^2 n^{2-1/p}, \quad 0 < p < 1. \end{aligned}$$

If  $0 < r < 1$ , then we have  $r < 1/(1-r)$ . Thus the following fact holds.

LEMMA 3.2. *For any  $q > 0$ ,  $0 < r < 1$ ,*

$$r^q < \frac{1}{(1-r)^q}.$$

THEOREM 3.3. *Let  $M(z) = \sum_{n>k} a_n z^n$  be an inner function such that  $a_n = o(\frac{1}{n})$ . Then for  $q = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $0 < p < \frac{2}{3}$ ,  $M'(z) \in A_q^p$ .*

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.1 and 3.2, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} |M'(re^{i\theta})|^{\frac{1}{2}} (1-r)^{1/p-2} d\theta dr \\
& \leq \sum_{n>k} n^{\frac{1}{2}} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^1 r^{(n-1)/2} (1-r)^{-2+1/p} dr \\
& \leq \sum_{n>k} n^{\frac{1}{2}} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^1 r^{\frac{1}{2}} (1-r)^{-2+1/p} dr \\
& \leq \sum_{n>k} n^{\frac{1}{2}} |a_n|^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^1 (1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}-2+1/p} dr, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\int_0^1 (1-r)^t dr$  is finite for any numbers  $t > -1$ , the proof is complete.  $\square$

In view of Theorem 3.3, we have the following restatement.

**COROLLARY 3.4.** *If  $1/(q+1) < p < 1/q$ , then  $M' \in A_q^p$  if and only if  $M' \in B^t$  with  $t = p/(1-p(q-1))$ .*

The above corollary is false if  $p = 1/(q+1)$ , for example, if  $q = 2$  then  $p = 1/3$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
\iint |M'(re^{i\theta})|^2 (1-r)^{-2+1/p} dr d\theta & \leq \sum n^2 |a_n|^2 \int_0^1 (r^2 - r^3) dr \\
& = \frac{1}{12} \sum n^2 |a_n|^2
\end{aligned}$$

is finite if  $a_n = o(\frac{1}{n})$ , but if  $q = \frac{1}{2}$  then

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} |M'(re^{i\theta})| dr d\theta$$

does not always converge.

Next we consider the derivative of Blaschke products.

$\iint |B'(re^{i\theta})|^2 dr d\theta$  is finite if and only if  $B(z)$  is a finite Blaschke products.

If  $M(z)$  is an inner function and  $p > 1/q$  ( $1 \leq q \leq 2$ ) then  $M' \notin A_q^p$  unless  $M(z)$  is a finite Blaschke.

Let us restrict our attention to infinite Blaschke product, then we have the following result.

LEMMA 3.5. ([5]) If we take the value of  $p$  ( $\frac{1}{2} < p < 1$ ), then we have the following:

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{(1 - 2r \cos \theta + r^2)^p} = O\left(\frac{1}{(1-r)^{2p-1}}\right)$$

as  $r \rightarrow 1$ .

LEMMA 3.6. If we take the value of  $p$  ( $\frac{1}{2} < p < 1$ ), then there exists a constant  $C$  such that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{|1 - \bar{a}_n r e^{i\theta}|^{2p}} < C(1-r)^{1-2p}$$

for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , and all  $r$  ( $0 < r < 1$ ).

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.5,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{|1 - \bar{a}_n r e^{i\theta}|^{2p}} &= \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{(1 + r^2|a_n|^2 - 2r|a_n| \cos \theta)^p} \\ &< C(1-r)^{1-2p}. \end{aligned}$$

□

Finally, we prove the following theorem using the above lemmas.

THEOREM 3.7. Let  $B(z)$  be infinite Blaschke product with zeros  $\{a_n\}$  such that

$$\sum_n (1 - |a_n|)^q < \infty$$

for some  $q$  ( $\frac{1}{2} < q < 1$ ). Then for  $0 < p < 1/2q$ ,  $B' \in A_q^p$ .

*Proof.* The derivative of  $B(z)$  is given by the following formula

$$B'(z) = \sum_n \beta_n(z)(1 - |a_n|^2)/(1 - \bar{a}_n z)^2$$

where  $\beta_n(z) = B(z)(1 - \bar{a}_n z)/(z - a_n)$ . This implies that

$$|B'(z)| < 2 \sum_n (1 - |a_n|)/(1 - \bar{a}_n z)^2$$

for all  $|z| < 1$ . Since  $\frac{1}{2} < q < 1$ ,

$$|B'(z)|^q < 2^q \sum_n (1 - |a_n|)^q/(1 - \bar{a}_n z)^{2q},$$

which, upon integrating each side and using Lemma 3.6, yields the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} |B'(z)(re^{i\theta})|^q (1-r)^{-2+1/p} d\theta dr \\ & < 2^q C \sum_n (1 - |a_n|)^q \int_0^1 (1-r)^{-1-2q+1/p} dr. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $0 < p < 1/2q$ , it follows that  $-1 - 2q + 1/p > -1$ . Thus the proof is complete.  $\square$

**COROLLARY 3.8.** *Let  $B(z)$  be finite Blaschke product with zeros  $\{a_n\}$  such that*

$$\sum_n (1 - |a_n|)^q < \infty$$

for some  $q$  with  $\frac{2}{3} < q < 1$ . Then we have, for  $0 < p < \frac{1}{2q}$ ,  $B' \in A_q^p$ .

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