Equivalent Conditions for Bergman Space and Littlewood-Paley Type Inequalities

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Abstract: In this paper we show that the following integrals

$$\begin{split} \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p} (1-|z|)^{\alpha} dV(z), \quad \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z), \\ \text{and} \quad \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\mathcal{R}f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z), \end{split}$$

where p > 0, $q \in [0, p]$, $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$, and where f is a holomorphic function on the unit ball B in \mathbb{C}^n are comparable. This result confirms a conjecture proposed by the second author at several meetings, for example, at the International two-day meeting on complex, harmonic, and functional analysis and applications, Thessaloniki, December 12 and 13, 2003. Also we generalize the well-known inequality of Littlewood-Paley in the unit ball.

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1 Introduction

Let $z = (z_1, \ldots, z_n)$ and $w = (w_1, \ldots, w_n)$ be points in the complex vector space \mathbb{C}^n . By $\langle z, w \rangle \equiv z \, \overline{w} = \sum_{k=1}^n z_k \overline{w}_k$ we denote the inner product of z and w, and $|z| = \sqrt{\langle z, z \rangle}$.

Let B denote the unit ball of \mathbb{C}^n , $B(a,r) = \{ z \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid |z-a| < r \}$ the open ball centered at a of radius r, dV the normalized Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{C}^n and $d\sigma$ the normalized surface measure on the boundary S of B.

By H(B) we denote the class of all functions holomorphic in B. For $f \in H(B)$ we usually write

$$M_p(f,r) = \left(\int_S |f(r\zeta)|^p d\sigma(\zeta)\right)^{1/p}, \quad p \in (0,\infty) \quad \text{for} \quad 0 \le r < 1$$

for the integral means of f and

$$M_{\infty}(f,r) = \sup_{\zeta \in S} |f(r\zeta)| \quad \text{ for } \quad 0 \le r < 1.$$

For $p \in (0, \infty)$ and $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$, the weighted Bergman space $\mathcal{A}^p_{\alpha}(B)$ is the space of all holomorphic functions f on B such that

$$||f||_{p,\alpha} = \left(\int_{B} |f(z)|^{p} (1-|z|)^{\alpha} dV(z)\right)^{1/p} < \infty.$$

Weighted Bergman spaces of analytic functions of one variable have been studied, for example, in [7, 8, 17, 20, 23, 27], while weighted Bergman spaces of analytic functions of several variables have been studied, for example, in [3, 5, 10, 13, 15, 16, 21, 25, 26] (see, also the references therein).

In papers [20, 21] we have investigated relationships among various type of integrals on the Bergman space on the unit disk, unit ball and unit polydisc. In [22] we posed several open problems and conjectures concerning this topic. Among other conjectures, we posed the following:

Conjecture 1. Let p > 0, $q \in [0, p]$, $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$, and $f \in H(B)$. Show that

$$\int_{B} |f(z)|^{p} (1-|z|)^{\alpha} dV(z) \approx |f(0)|^{p} + \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z). \tag{1}$$

The above means that there are finite positive constants C and C' independent of f such that the left and right hand sides L(f) and R(f) satisfy

for all analytic f.

Remark 1. Note that for q = 0 the relationship (1) is obvious. On the other hand, we know that

$$|f(0)|^p + \int_{\mathbb{R}} |\nabla f(z)|^p (1-|z|)^{\alpha+p} dV(z) \approx \int_{\mathbb{R}} |f(z)|^p (1-|z|)^{\alpha} dV(z)$$
 (2)

see, for example, [16, 21, 25], and hence (1) holds also when p = q.

The paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we give several auxiliary results which we use in the proof of the main results. In Section 3 we confirm Conjecture 1, that is, we prove the following result:

Theorem 1. Let p > 0, $q \in [0, p]$, $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$, and $f \in H(B)$. Then

$$\int_{B} |f(z)|^{p} (1-|z|)^{\alpha} dV(z) \approx |f(0)|^{p} + \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z).$$

Some generalizations of the Littlewood-Paley inequality on the unit ball are given in Sections 4 and 5.

2 Auxiliary results

In order to prove the main results we need several auxiliary results which are incorporated in the following lemmas. Throughout the following we will use C to denote a positive constant which may vary from line to line.

Lemma 1. Suppose $0 \le p < \infty$ and $f \in H(B)$. Then

$$\left| |f(\rho\zeta)|^p - |f(r\zeta)|^p \right| \le (\rho - r) \sup_{r < s < \rho} p|f(s\zeta)|^{p-1} |\nabla f(s\zeta)| \tag{3}$$

almost everywhere, where $r < \rho$ and $\zeta \in \partial B$.

Proof. For $f \equiv 0$ the result is obvious. If $f \not\equiv 0$, at points z where f is not zero we have

$$\left| \frac{d}{ds} (|f(z)|^p) \right| = p|f(z)|^{p-1} \left| \langle \nabla |f|(s\zeta), \zeta \rangle \right| \le p|f(z)|^{p-1} |\nabla f(z)|, \tag{4}$$

where $z = s\zeta$. Integrating (4) in s from r to ρ we obtain (3). \square

Lemma 2. Suppose $0 < q \le p < \infty$ and $\alpha > -1$. Then, there is a constant $C = C(p, q, \alpha, n)$ such that

$$M^p_{\infty}(f,1/2) \leq C \left(|f(0)|^p + \int_B |f(z)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(z)|^q (1-|z|)^{q+\alpha} dV(z) \right),$$

for all $f \in H(B)$.

Proof. By Lemma 1, we have

$$\left||f|^{p/q}(z) - |f|^{p/q}(0)\right| \le \frac{p}{q}|z| \sup_{|w| < 1/2} |f(w)|^{\frac{p}{q}-1} |\nabla f(w)|,$$

for every |z| < 1/2. Hence

$$|f(z)|^p \le C \left(|f(0)|^p + \sup_{|w| < 1/2} |f(w)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(w)|^p \right),$$
 (5)

for some positive constant C independent of f.

We have

$$|\nabla f(w)|^q \approx \sum_{k=1}^n \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_k}(w) \right|^q.$$
 (6)

From (6) and since the functions $|f(w)|^{p-q}|\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_k}(w)|^q$, $k \in \{1, \ldots, n\}$ are subharmonic, we have that there is a positive constant C independent of f such that

$$|f(z)|^{p-q}|\nabla f(z)|^{q} \leq C \sum_{k=1}^{n} |f(z)|^{p-q} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_{k}}(z) \right|^{q}$$

$$\leq C \sum_{k=1}^{n} \int_{|w|<3/4} |f(w)|^{p-q} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_{k}}(w) \right|^{q} dV(w)$$

$$\leq C \int_{|w|<3/4} |f(w)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(w)|^{q} dV(w), \tag{7}$$

for every |z| < 1/2.

From (5) and (7), it follows that

$$|f(z)|^{p} \leq C \left(|f(0)|^{p} + \int_{|w| < 3/4} |f(w)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(w)|^{q} dV(w) \right)$$

$$\leq C \left(|f(0)|^{p} + \int_{|w| < 3/4} |f(w)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(w)|^{q} (1 - |w|)^{\alpha} dV(w) \right)$$

$$\leq C \left(|f(0)|^{p} + \int_{B} |f(w)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(w)|^{q} (1 - |w|)^{\alpha} dV(w) \right),$$

for every |z| < 1/2, as desired. \square

Lemma 3. Let $0 , <math>q \in [0, p]$ and $0 \le r < 1$. Then there is a constant C independent of f and r such that

$$\int_{S} \sup_{0 \le \tau < 1} |f(\tau r \zeta)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(\tau r \zeta)|^{q} d\sigma(\zeta) \le C \int_{S} |f(r \zeta)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(r \zeta)|^{q} d\sigma(\zeta)$$

for all $f \in H(B)$.

Proof. By [18, p.165] there is a positive constant C independent of nonnegative subharmonic function u on the unit ball $B \subset \mathbb{R}^m$ such that

$$\int_{S} \sup_{0 \le \tau < 1} u(\tau r \zeta) \, d\sigma(\zeta) \le C \int_{S} u(r \zeta) \, d\sigma(\zeta)$$

for every $r \in (0,1)$. From this, (6), using the fact that the functions $|f(w)|^{p-q} |\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_k}(w)|^q$, $k \in \{1,\ldots,n\}$ are subharmonic, and choosing m=2n we can easily obtain the result. \square

We also need the following technical lemma.

Lemma 4. ([14]) Suppose that g(r) is a nonnegative continuous function on the interval [0,1), b>0 and $\alpha>-1$. Then there is a constant $C=C(\alpha,b)$ such that

$$\int_0^1 g^b(r) (1-r)^\alpha dr \leq C \left(\max_{r \in [0,1/2]} \, g^b(r) + \int_0^1 \left| g \left(\frac{1+r}{2} \right) - g(r) \right|^b (1-r)^\alpha dr \right).$$

3 Proof of Theorem 1

In this section we prove the main result of this paper.

Proof of Theorem 1. The existence of a positive constant C such that

$$\int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z) \le C \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p} (1-|z|)^{\alpha} dV(z)$$

follows from Theorem 2 in [20], with $\omega(z) = (1 - |z|)^{\alpha}$. Assume first that $q \leq 1$. By Lemma 4 (the case b = 1), Lemma 2, Lemma 3 and polar coordinates, we obtain

$$\begin{split} ||f||_{p,\alpha}^{p} &= 2n \int_{0}^{1} M_{p}^{p}(f,r)(1-r)^{\alpha}r^{2n-1}dr \\ &\leq C \left(M_{p}^{p}(f,1/2) + \int_{0}^{1} \left| M_{p}^{p}(f,(1+r)/2) - M_{p}^{p}(f,r) \right| (1-r)^{\alpha}dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_{p}^{p}(f,1/2) + \int_{0}^{1} \left| M_{q}^{q}(|f|^{p/q},(1+r)/2) - M_{q}^{q}(|f|^{p/q},r) \right| (1-r)^{\alpha}dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_{\infty}^{p}(f,1/2) + \int_{0}^{1} \int_{S} \left| |f|^{p/q}((1+r)\zeta/2) - |f|^{p/q}(r\zeta) \right|^{q} d\sigma_{N}(\zeta)(1-r)^{\alpha}dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_{\infty}^{p}(f,1/2) + \int_{0}^{1} \int_{S} \left| \frac{p}{q} \sup_{r < \rho < \frac{1+r}{2}} |f(\rho\zeta)|^{\frac{p}{q}-1} |\nabla f(\rho\zeta)| \right|^{q} d\sigma_{N}(\zeta)(1-r)^{\alpha+q}dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_{\infty}^{p}(f,1/2) + \left(\frac{p}{q} \right)^{q} \int_{0}^{1} \int_{S} \sup_{0 < \rho < \frac{1+r}{2}} |f(\rho\zeta)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(\rho\zeta)|^{q} d\sigma_{N}(\zeta)(1-r)^{\alpha+q}dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_{\infty}^{p}(f,1/2) + \left(\frac{p}{q} \right)^{q} \int_{0}^{1} \int_{S} \left| f \left(\frac{1+r}{2}\zeta \right) \right|^{p-q} \left| \nabla f \left(\frac{1+r}{2}\zeta \right) \right|^{q} d\sigma_{N}(\zeta)(1-r)^{\alpha+q}dr \right) \\ &= C \left(M_{\infty}^{p}(f,1/2) + 2^{\alpha+q+1} \left(\frac{p}{q} \right)^{q} \int_{1/2}^{1} \int_{S} |f(r\zeta)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(r\zeta)|^{q} d\sigma_{N}(\zeta)(1-r)^{\alpha+q}dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_{\infty}^{p}(f,1/2) + 2^{\alpha+q+2n} \left(\frac{p}{q} \right)^{q} \int_{0}^{1} \int_{S} |f(r\zeta)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(r\zeta)|^{q} d\sigma_{N}(\zeta)(1-r)^{\alpha+q}r^{2n-1}dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(|f(0)|^{p} + \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(z)|^{q}(1-|z|)^{\alpha+q}dV(z) \right), \end{split}$$

finishing the proof in this case.

Now assume that q > 1. Then by Lemma 4 with b = q and Minkowski's inequality, we have

$$\begin{split} ||f||_{p,\alpha}^p &= 2n \int_0^1 (M_p^{p/q}(f,r))^q (1-r)^\alpha r^{2n-1} dr \\ &\leq C \left(M_p^p(f,1/2) + \int_0^1 \left| M_p^{p/q}(f,(1+r)/2) - M_p^{p/q}(f,r) \right|^q (1-r)^\alpha dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_p^p(f,1/2) + \int_0^1 \left| M_q(|f|^{p/q},(1+r)/2) - M_q(|f|^{p/q},r) \right|^q (1-r)^\alpha dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_\infty^p(f,1/2) + \int_0^1 \int_S \left| |f|^{p/q} \left(\frac{1+r}{2} \zeta \right) - |f|^{p/q} (r\zeta) \right|^q d\sigma_N(\zeta) (1-r)^\alpha dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_\infty^p(f,1/2) + \int_0^1 \int_S \left| \frac{p}{q} \sup_{r < \rho < \frac{1+r}{2}} |f(\rho\zeta)|^{\frac{p}{q}-1} |\nabla f(\rho\zeta)| \right|^q d\sigma_N(\zeta) (1-r)^{\alpha+q} dr \right) \\ &\leq C \left(M_\infty^p(f,1/2) + \left(\frac{p}{q} \right)^q \int_0^1 \int_S \sup_{0 < \rho < \frac{1+r}{2}} |f(\rho\zeta)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(\rho\zeta)|^q d\sigma_N(\zeta) (1-r)^{\alpha+q} dr \right). \end{split}$$

The rest of the proof is the same as in the first case and will be omitted. \Box .

4 Fractional derivative

For holomorphic functions in the ball consider fractional integrodifferentiation of order $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. If $f \in H(B)$ has a series expansion

$$f(z) = \sum_{k \in Z_+^n} a_k z^k, \qquad z \in B,$$

then define

$$\mathcal{D}^{\alpha} f(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} (1 + |k|)^{\alpha} a_k z^k, \qquad z \in B.$$

Theorem 2. Suppose $0 < q \le p < \infty$, $\alpha > 0$, $f(z) \in H^p(B)$, and a holomorphic function g(z) belongs to the mixed norm space $H(p,q,\alpha)$ in B, that is

$$||g||_{H(p,q,\alpha)}^q = \int_0^1 M_p^q(g,r)(1-r)^{\alpha q-1} dr < +\infty.$$

Then

$$\int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |g(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha q-1} dV(z) \le C ||f||_{H^{p}}^{p-q} ||g||_{H(p,q,\alpha)}^{q}.$$

In particular, if $\mathcal{D}^{\alpha} f \in H(p,q,\alpha)$, then

$$\int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\mathcal{D}^{\alpha} f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha q-1} dV(z) \le C ||f||_{H^{p}}^{p-q} ||\mathcal{D}^{\alpha} f||_{H(p,q,\alpha)}^{q}.$$

Proof. Assuming that $||f||_{H^p} \neq 0$, we can apply Jensen's inequality to the integral

$$\int_{S} |f(r\zeta)|^{p-q} |g(r\zeta)|^{q} d\sigma(\zeta)$$

$$= M_{p}^{p}(f,r) \left[\frac{1}{M_{p}^{p}(f,r)} \int_{S} \left| \frac{g(r\zeta)}{f(r\zeta)} \right|^{q} |f(r\zeta)|^{p} d\sigma(\zeta) \right]^{\frac{p-q}{q-p}}$$

$$\leq M_{p}^{p}(f,r) \left[\frac{1}{M_{p}^{p}(f,r)} \int_{S} \left| \frac{g(r\zeta)}{f(r\zeta)} \right|^{p} |f(r\zeta)|^{p} d\sigma(\zeta) \right]^{q/p}$$

$$= M_{p}^{p-q}(f,r) \left[\int_{S} |g(r\zeta)|^{p} d\sigma(\zeta) \right]^{q/p} = M_{p}^{p-q}(f,r) M_{p}^{q}(g,r). \tag{8}$$

Multiplying (8) by $(1-r)^{\alpha q-1}r^{2n-1}dr$, then integrating from 0 to 1 it follows that

$$\int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |g(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha q-1} dV(z)$$

$$\leq C \int_{0}^{1} M_{p}^{p-q} (f,r) M_{p}^{q} (g,r) (1-r)^{\alpha q-1} dr$$

$$\leq C ||f||_{H^{p}}^{p-q} \int_{0}^{1} M_{p}^{q} (g,r) (1-r)^{\alpha q-1} dr,$$

and the proof is complete. \square

Now we introduce some more notation to formulate several auxiliary lemmas. In what follows, for a fixed $\delta > 1$ let $\Gamma_{\delta}(\zeta) = \{z \in B : |1 - \overline{\zeta}z| \le \delta(1 - |z|)\}$ be the admissible approach region whose vertex is at $\zeta \in S$. Let also $I_{\zeta,t} = \{\eta \in S : |1 - \overline{\zeta}\eta| < t\}$ and $\widehat{I}_{\zeta,t} = \{z \in B : |1 - \overline{\zeta}z| < t\}$.

Following [6, 12], consider the functions

$$\begin{split} A_p(f)(\zeta) &= \left(\int_{\Gamma_{\delta}(\zeta)} \frac{|f(z)|^p}{(1-|z|)^{n+1}} dV(z) \right)^{1/p}, \qquad p < \infty, \\ A_{\infty}(f)(\zeta) &= \sup\{|f(z)| : z \in \Gamma_{\delta}(\zeta)\}, \\ C_p(f)(\zeta) &= \sup_t \left(\frac{1}{|I_{\zeta,t}|} \int_{\widehat{I}_{\zeta,t}} \frac{|f(z)|^p}{1-|z|} dV(z) \right)^{1/p}, \quad p < \infty, \quad \zeta \in S. \end{split}$$

Lemma A. ([6, 12]) For any functions f(z) and g(z) measurable in B

$$\int_{B} \frac{|f(z)||g(z)|}{1-|z|} dV(z) \le C \int_{S} A_{p}(f)(\zeta) C_{p'}(g)(\zeta) d\sigma(\zeta), \quad 1$$

where p' = p/(p-1) is the conjugate index.

Lemma B. ([6, 12]) For $0 < q < \infty, \alpha > 0, \beta > 0$ and a function f(z) measurable in B

$$\left\| C_q \left(|f(z)|(1-|z|)^{\alpha} \right) \right\|_{L^{\infty}}^q \asymp \sup_{w \in B} (1-|w|)^{\beta} \int_B \frac{|f(z)|^q (1-|z|)^{\alpha q-1}}{|1-\overline{w}z|^{\beta+n}} dV(z).$$

Theorem 3. Let 0 < q < 2, q < p, $\gamma > 0$, $0 < \alpha < \gamma q/n$. Then for any $\lambda > (p-q)/\alpha$,

$$\int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\mathcal{D}^{\gamma} f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\gamma q-1} dV(z) \le C \|f\|_{H^{\lambda}}^{p-q} \|\mathcal{D}^{\alpha n/q} f\|_{H^{q}}^{q}.$$
(9)

Proof. Denote by L the integral on the left-hand side of (9). Choosing any α , $0 < \alpha < \gamma q/n$ and estimating L by Lemma A gives

$$L = \int_{B} |\mathcal{D}^{\gamma} f(z)|^{q} (1 - |z|)^{\gamma q - \alpha n} \cdot |f(z)|^{p - q} (1 - |z|)^{\alpha n} \frac{dV(z)}{1 - |z|}$$

$$\leq C \int_{S} A_{2/q} \left(|\mathcal{D}^{\gamma} f(z)|^{q} (1 - |z|)^{\gamma q - \alpha n} \right) (\zeta) \cdot C_{(2/q)'} \left(|f(z)|^{p - q} (1 - |z|)^{\alpha n} \right) (\zeta) d\sigma(\zeta)$$

$$\leq C \left\| C_{(2/q)'} \left(|f(z)|^{p - q} (1 - |z|)^{\alpha n} \right) \right\|_{L^{\infty}} \int_{S} A_{2/q} \left(|\mathcal{D}^{\gamma} f(z)|^{q} (1 - |z|)^{\gamma q - \alpha n} \right) (\zeta) d\sigma(\zeta).$$

We estimate here L^{∞} -norm and the last integral separately. By Lemma B, choosing $\beta > 0$ large enough, the L^{∞} -norm can be estimated as follows

$$\begin{split} & \left\| C_{2/(2-q)} \Big(|f(z)|^{p-q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha n} \Big) \right\|_{L^{\infty}}^{2/(2-q)} \\ & \leq C \sup_{w \in B} (1-|w|)^{\beta} \int_{B} |f(z)|^{2(p-q)/(2-q)} \frac{(1-|z|)^{2\alpha n/(2-q)-1}}{|1-\overline{w}z|^{\beta+n}} dV(z) \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{H^{\lambda}}^{2(p-q)/(2-q)} \sup_{w \in B} (1-|w|)^{\beta} \int_{B} \frac{(1-|z|)^{2\alpha n/(2-q)-(2n/\lambda)(p-q)/(2-q)-1}}{|1-\overline{w}z|^{\beta+n}} dV(z) \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{H^{\lambda}}^{2(p-q)/(2-q)} \sup_{w \in B} (1-|w|)^{2n/(2-q)\cdot(\alpha-(p-q)/\lambda)} \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{H^{\lambda}}^{2(p-q)/(2-q)}. \end{split}$$

where $|f(z)| \le C||f||_{H^{\lambda}}(1-|z|)^{-n/\lambda}$, $z \in B$, and another well-known inequality ([15]) in the unit ball are used. Hence for any $\lambda > (p-q)/\alpha$

$$\left\| C_{2/(2-q)} \left(|f(z)|^{p-q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha} \right) \right\|_{L^{\infty}} \le C \|f\|_{H^{\lambda}}^{p-q}. \tag{10}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{split} J & \equiv \int_S A_{2/q} \bigg(|\mathcal{D}^{\gamma} f(z)|^q (1-|z|)^{\gamma q-\alpha n} \bigg) (\zeta) \, d\sigma(\zeta) \\ & = \int_S \left[\int_{\Gamma_{\delta}(\zeta)} |\mathcal{D}^{\gamma} f(z)|^2 (1-|z|)^{2(\gamma-\alpha n/q)-n-1} \, dV(z) \right]^{q/2} d\sigma(\zeta). \end{split}$$

According to a result on fractional differentiation ([11, pp. 179, 186])

$$J \le C \left\| \mathcal{D}^{\alpha n/q} f \right\|_{H^q}^q. \tag{11}$$

This completes the proof of Theorem 3. \Box

Remark 2. Note that taking p=2 and $\gamma=1$ in (9) and formally passing to the limit as $q\to 2-$ and $\alpha\to 0+$ we get the classical Littlewood-Paley inequality for the unit ball.

5 Radial derivative

In this section consider radial derivative

$$\mathcal{R}f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} z_k \frac{\partial f(z)}{\partial z_k}.$$

If $f \in H(B)$ has a series expansion

$$f(z) = \sum_{k \in Z_{\perp}^{n}} a_k z^k, \qquad z \in B,$$

then

$$\mathcal{R}f(z) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n} |k| a_k z^k, \qquad z \in B.$$

Theorem 4. Suppose $0 < q \le p < \infty$, $f \in H(B)$ and

$$\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f) = \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\mathcal{R}f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{q-1} dV(z).$$

Then

$$|f(0)|^p + \mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f) \le C||f||_{H^p}^p, \qquad q \ge 2.$$
 (12)

Conversely, if f(0) = 0, then

$$||f||_{H_p}^p \le C\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f), \qquad q \le 2. \tag{13}$$

Proof. First we prove that for q=2

$$||f||_{H^p}^p \simeq |f(0)|^p + \mathcal{L}_{p,2}(f)$$
 (14)

(compare with [19]). Indeed, we can apply a one variable analogue of (14) (see, e.g., [24]) to the slice function $f_{\zeta}(\lambda) = f(\lambda\zeta), \lambda \in U, \zeta \in S$,

$$||f_{\zeta}||_{H^{p}(U)}^{p} \approx |f(0)|^{p} + \int_{U} |f_{\zeta}(\lambda)|^{p-2} |f'_{\zeta}(\lambda)|^{2} (1 - |z|) dm(\lambda), \tag{15}$$

where dm is the area Lebesgue measure on the unit disk U. Note that

$$f'_{\zeta}(\lambda) = \lambda^{-1} \mathcal{R} f(\lambda \zeta)$$
 and $\mathcal{R}(f_{\zeta}) = (\mathcal{R} f)_{\zeta}, \quad \lambda \in U, \zeta \in S.$ (16)

We integrate (15) over the sphere S, making use of (16) and the formula (see, e.g., [1])

$$\int_{\mathbb{C}^n} g(w)|w|^{-2n} dV(w) = n \int_S \left(\int_{\mathbb{C}} g(z\zeta)|z|^{-2} dm(z) \right) d\sigma(\zeta), \tag{17}$$

to obtain

$$||f||_{H^p}^p \approx |f(0)|^p + \int_B |f(w)|^{p-2} |\mathcal{R}f(w)|^2 (1 - |w|) dV(w), \tag{18}$$

which coincides with (14).

On the other hand, the inequality

$$|f(0)|^p + \int_B |\mathcal{R}f(z)|^p (1 - |z|)^{p-1} dV(z) \le C||f||_{H^p}^p, \qquad 2 \le p < \infty, \tag{19}$$

is well-known, see, e.g., [1] and also [11] for a more general result. Therefore, by the Riesz-Thorin interpolation theorem (see, e.g., [28]) the inequalities (19) and (18), that is the inequality (12) for q = 2 and q = p imply the inequality (12) for all $2 \le q \le p$.

Passing now to the proof of (13) we use a similar interpolation result. Namely, if a function g is in $L^{q_1}(d\mu) \cap L^{q_2}(d\mu)$ for $0 < q_1 < q_2 < \infty$, then $g \in L^q(d\mu)$ for all $q, q_1 \leq q \leq q_2$, and furthermore there exists a number $\theta \in (0,1)$ such that

$$||g||_{L^q} \le ||g||_{L^{q_1}}^{1-\theta} ||g||_{L^{q_2}}^{\theta}. \tag{20}$$

To prove (20) we choose θ such that $1/q = (1-\theta)/q_1 + \theta/q_2$, and then apply Hölder's inequality with indices $q_2/(q\theta) > 1$ and $(q_2/(q\theta))' = q_2/(q_2 - q\theta)$.

We use also an inequality converse to (19), see [1, 2, 11],

$$||f||_{H^p}^p \le C|f(0)|^p + C\int_B |\mathcal{R}f(z)|^p (1-|z|)^{p-1} dV(z), \qquad 0 (21)$$

Consider now three cases. If 0 < q < p < 2, then choosing

$$g(z) = \frac{\mathcal{R}f(z)}{f(z)}(1-|z|), \qquad d\mu = |f(z)|^p \frac{dV(z)}{1-|z|},$$

$$\frac{1}{p} = \frac{1-\theta}{q} + \frac{\theta}{2}$$
, that is $\theta = \frac{2(p-q)}{p(2-q)}$,

by (19), (20), (14), we obtain

$$||f||_{H^{p}}^{p} \leq C_{p}\mathcal{L}_{p,p}(f) = C_{p}||g||_{L^{p}(d\mu)}^{p} \leq C_{p}||g||_{L^{q}(d\mu)}^{p(1-\theta)}||g||_{L^{2}(d\mu)}^{p\theta}$$

$$= C_{p}(\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f))^{p(1-\theta)/q}(\mathcal{L}_{p,2}(f))^{p\theta/2}$$

$$\leq C_{p}(\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f))^{p(1-\theta)/q}||f||_{H^{p}}^{p^{2}\theta/2}.$$

Thus.

$$||f||_{H^p}^{p(1-p\theta/2)} \le C_p (\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f))^{p(1-\theta)/q},$$

or

$$||f||_{H^p}^p \le C_p \mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f).$$

If $0 < q \le 2 = p$, then we may pass in the last inequality to the limit as $p \to 2-$ because the constant C_p in view of (20) is bounded in $p \in (q, 2)$.

If $0 < q \le 2 < p$, then choosing θ , satisfying

$$\frac{1}{2} = \frac{1-\theta}{q} + \frac{\theta}{p},$$
 that is $\theta = \frac{p(2-q)}{2(p-q)},$

by (21), (20), (14), we obtain

$$||f||_{H^{p}}^{p} \leq C\mathcal{L}_{p,2}(f) = C||g||_{L^{2}(d\mu)}^{2} \leq C||g||_{L^{q}(d\mu)}^{2(1-\theta)}||g||_{L^{p}(d\mu)}^{2\theta}$$

$$= C(\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f))^{2(1-\theta)/q} (\mathcal{L}_{p,p}(f))^{2\theta/p}$$

$$\leq C(\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f))^{2(1-\theta)/q} ||f||_{H^{p}}^{2\theta}.$$

Thus,

$$||f||_{H^p}^{p-2\theta} \le C(\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f))^{2(1-\theta)/q}$$

or

$$||f||_{H^p}^{p(1/2-\theta/p)} \le C(\mathcal{L}_{p,q}(f))^{(1-\theta)/q}$$

In all cases (13) follows.

The next result is an analogue and consequence of Theorem 1.

Theorem 5. Let $\alpha > -1$, $0 < q \le p < \infty$, $f \in H(B)$. Then

$$|f(0)|^p + \int_B |f(z)|^{p-q} |\mathcal{R}f(z)|^q (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z) \approx ||f||_{p,\alpha}^p. \tag{22}$$

Proof. For n = 1, Theorem 1 asserts that

$$\int_{U} |f(z)|^{p} (1-|z|)^{\alpha} dm(z) \approx |f(0)|^{p} + \int_{U} |f(z)|^{p-q} |f'(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dm(z).$$

Apply it to the slice function $f_{\zeta}(z) = f(z\zeta), z \in U, \zeta \in S$,

$$\int_{U} |f_{\zeta}(z)|^{p} (1-|z|)^{\alpha} dm(z) \approx |f(0)|^{p} + \int_{U} |f_{\zeta}(z)|^{p-q} |f'_{\zeta}(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dm(z).$$
(23)

Using (16) and (17) we integrate (23) over the sphere and obtain (22).

From Theorems 1 and 5 the following corollary follows.

Corollary 1. Suppose $\alpha > -1$, $0 < q \le p < \infty$ and $f \in H(B)$. Then

$$\begin{split} \|f\|_{p,\alpha}^p & \asymp & |f(0)|^p + \int_B |f(z)|^{p-q} |\mathcal{R}f(z)|^q (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z) \\ & \asymp & |f(0)|^p + \int_B |f(z)|^{p-q} |\nabla f(z)|^q (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z). \end{split}$$

Corollary 2. Suppose $0 < q \le p < \infty$, $\alpha > -1$ and $f \in H(B)$, then the following relationship holds

$$||f||_{p,\alpha}^p \approx |f(0)|^p + \int_0^1 M_p^{p-q}(f,r) M_p^q(\mathcal{R}f,r) (1-r)^{\alpha+q} dr.$$

Proof. The case p = q follows from Theorem 5. Hence assume that q < p. From the proof of Theorem 2 for $g = \mathcal{R}f$ and Theorem 5, we obtain that

$$||f||_{p,\alpha}^{p} \leq C\left(|f(0)|^{p} + \int_{B} |f(z)|^{p-q} |\mathcal{R}f(z)|^{q} (1-|z|)^{\alpha+q} dV(z)\right)$$

$$\leq C\left(|f(0)|^{p} + \int_{0}^{1} M_{p}^{p-q}(f,r) M_{p}^{q}(\mathcal{R}f,r) (1-r)^{\alpha+q} dr\right).$$

The reverse inequality, follows by applying Hölder's inequality with exponents p/(p-q) and p/q to the last integral, and by Theorem 5 for p=q.

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