

Corona Theorems for the Drury-Arveson space and other Besov-Sobolev spaces of holomorphic functions on the unit ball in \mathbb{C}^n

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We discuss the ideas behind the absence of a corona in the multiplier algebra of the Drury-Arveson space. Included are

- the Toeplitz corona theorem,
- the Koszul complex,
- Carpentier's solution operators to $\bar{\partial}$ equations, and
- the interplay with complex tangential vector fields.

These ideas extend to other Besov-Sobolev spaces of holomorphic functions on the ball having varying degrees of smoothness, as well as to vector-valued settings.

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 - ⑤ operator estimates on iterates of Charpentier's solution kernels, the *rogue terms*.

The Classical Corona Theorem

We discuss Carleson's Corona Theorem, Sibony's counterexample in higher dimensions, and our corona theorem.

The classical corona theorem

- In 1941, Kakutani asked if there was a corona in the maximal ideal space Δ of $H^\infty(\mathbb{D})$, i.e whether or not the disk \mathbb{D} was dense in Δ .



Carleson's Corona Theorem

- In 1962 Lennart Carleson



demonstrated in [9] the absence of a corona by showing that if $\{g_j\}_{j=1}^N$ is a finite set of functions in $H^\infty(\mathbb{D})$ satisfying

$$\sum_{j=1}^N |g_j(z)| \geq c > 0, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \quad (1)$$

then there are functions $\{f_j\}_{j=1}^N$ in $H^\infty(\mathbb{D})$ with

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- Cauchy's estimates yield

$$|h_k(z)| \leq \left(\frac{1}{e^{-V(z)}} \right)^k \sup_{|w| < e^{-V(z)}} |g(z, w)| \leq e^{kV(z)} \leq e^k, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Extension of bounded holomorphic functions

Thus for each $k \geq 1$ the function $h_k \in H^\infty(\mathbb{D})$ with $\|h_k\|_\infty \leq e^k$. But since

$$|h_k(a_n)| \leq e^{kV(a_n)} = 1,$$

Fatou's theorem implies that for almost every $e^{i\theta} \in \mathbb{T}$,

$$\left| h_k^*(e^{i\theta}) \right| = \lim_{a_n \rightarrow e^{i\theta} \text{ nontangentially}} |h_k(a_n)| \leq 1.$$

Thus we have the stronger bound $\|h_k\|_\infty \leq 1$, and it follows that the series in (3) converges for all (z, w) in the open unit polydisk \mathbb{D}^2 . Thus U is a domain of holomorphy that satisfies:

Lemma

Every $g \in H^\infty(U)$ extends uniquely to a function $\tilde{g} \in H^\infty(\mathbb{D}^2)$ with the same norm.

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- Sibony then embeds this domain in the boundary of a *smooth* domain $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}^3$ which is *strongly* pseudoconvex at all boundary points but one, and fails the three-generator Bezout equation.

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- The space $B_2^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)$ consists of those holomorphic functions f whose derivatives of order $\frac{n}{2} - \sigma$ lie in the classical Hardy space $H^2(\mathbb{B}_n) = B_2^{\frac{n}{2}}(\mathbb{B}_n)$, equivalently whose antiderivatives of order σ lie in the Dirichlet space:

$$\left\{ \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} \left| f^{(k)}(0) \right|^2 + \int_{\mathbb{B}_n} \left| \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^{m+\sigma} f^{(m)}(z) \right|^2 d\lambda_n(z) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty,$$

where $d\lambda_n(z) = \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^{-n-1} dV(z)$ is invariant measure.

The Drury-Arveson Hardy Space H_n^2 on the unit ball in \mathbb{C}^n

We discuss von Neumann's classical inequality and Drury's extension to multivariate operators. This introduces the Drury-Arveson Hardy Space H_n^2 and indicates its central role in operator theory.

The DA Hardy space

The first hint that the classical Hardy space $H^2(\mathbb{B}_n)$ (consisting of holomorphic functions on the ball with $L^2(\sigma)$ boundary values) may *not* be the correct generalization of the classical Hardy space on the disk came with the failure of von Neumann's inequality in higher dimensions. Recall the classical inequality:

Theorem

(von Neumann 1951 [17]) Let H be a Hilbert space and let f be a complex-valued polynomial. Then for any contraction T on H ,

$$\|f(T)\|_{H \rightarrow H} \leq \|f(S^*)\|_{H^2 \rightarrow H^2} = \|f\|_{H^\infty(\mathbb{D})},$$

where S^* is the backward shift operator on $H^2 = H^2(\mathbb{D})$.

Drury found the correct generalization to the multivariable setting.

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- Moreover, equality holds in (4) when A is the n -tuple (S_1^*, \dots, S_n^*) .

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- We note in passing that a number of operator-theoretic properties of the Hilbert space H_n^2 are developed by Arveson in [1], including some model theory, that point to its central position in multivariable operator theory.

The corona problem for multiplier spaces in C^n

We introduce the baby corona problem, the Toeplitz Corona Theorem, and our baby corona theorem.

The baby corona problem

- Let X be a Hilbert function space and let M_X be its multiplier algebra. The so-called *baby corona problem* for X is this: given $g_1, \dots, g_N \in M_X$ satisfying

$$|g_1(z)|^2 + \dots + |g_N(z)|^2 \geq c > 0, \quad z \in \Omega, \quad (5)$$

is there a constant $\delta > 0$ such that for each $h \in X$ there are $f_1, \dots, f_N \in X$ satisfying

$$\begin{aligned} \|f_1\|_X^2 + \dots + \|f_N\|_X^2 &\leq \frac{1}{\delta} \|h\|_X^2, \\ f_1(z)g_1(z) + \dots + f_N(z)g_N(z) &= h(z), \quad z \in \Omega? \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

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- More succinctly, (6) is equivalent to the operator lower bound

$$\mathcal{M}_g \mathcal{M}_g^* - \delta I_X \geq 0, \quad (7)$$

where $g \equiv (g_1, \dots, g_N)$, $\mathcal{M}_g : \bigoplus^N X \rightarrow X$ by $\mathcal{M}_g f = \sum_{\alpha=1}^N g_\alpha f_\alpha$, and $\mathcal{M}_g^* h = (\mathcal{M}_{g_\alpha}^* f)_{\alpha=1}^N$.

Toeplitz Corona Theorem

For $f = (f_\alpha)_{\alpha=1}^N \in \oplus^N X$ and $h \in X$, define $\mathbb{M}_f h = (f_\alpha h)_{\alpha=1}^N$ and

$$\|f\|_{Mult(X, \oplus^N X)} = \|\mathbb{M}_f\|_{X \rightarrow \oplus^N X} = \sup_{\|h\|_X \leq 1} \|\mathbb{M}_f h\|_{\oplus^N X}.$$

Note that $\max_{1 \leq \alpha \leq N} \|\mathcal{M}_{f_\alpha}\|_{M_X} \leq \|f\|_{Mult(X, \oplus^N X)} \leq \sqrt{\sum_{\alpha=1}^N \|\mathcal{M}_{f_\alpha}\|_{M_X}^2}.$

Theorem

(Toeplitz Corona Theorem) *Let X be a Hilbert function space in an open set Ω in \mathbb{C}^n with an irreducible complete Nevanlinna-Pick kernel. Let $\delta > 0$ and $N \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $g_1, \dots, g_N \in M_X$ satisfy the operator lower bound (7) with $\delta > 0$ if and only if there are $f_1, \dots, f_N \in M_X$ such that*

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{Mult(X, \oplus^N X)} &\leq 1, \\ f_1(z)g_1(z) + \dots + f_N(z)g_N(z) &= \sqrt{\delta}, \quad z \in \Omega. \end{aligned} \tag{8}$$

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- To handle $N = 2$ generators they exploit the fact that a 2×2 antisymmetric matrix consists of just one entry up to sign:

$$\bar{\partial} \left(\frac{\bar{g}}{|g|^2} \right) = \bar{\partial} \left(\frac{\frac{\bar{g}_1}{|g|^2}}{\frac{\bar{g}_2}{|g|^2}} \right) = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \omega \\ -\omega & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} g_1 \\ g_2 \end{pmatrix},$$
$$\omega = \frac{g_2 \partial g_1 - g_1 \partial g_2}{|g|^4} \text{ is a closed } (0, 1)\text{-form.}$$

Baby Corona Theorem ([12] 2008)

Theorem

Let $0 \leq \sigma < \infty$ and $1 < p < \infty$. Given $g_1, \dots, g_N \in M_{B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)}$ satisfying

$$\sum_{j=1}^N |g_j(z)|^2 \geq 1, \quad z \in \mathbb{B}_n,$$

there is a constant $C_{n,\sigma,N,p}$ such that for each $h \in B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)$ there are $f_1, \dots, f_N \in B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)$ satisfying

$$\sum_{j=1}^N \|f_j\|_{B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)}^p \leq C_{n,\sigma,N,p}(g) \|h\|_{B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)}^p, \quad (9)$$
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Corollary

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In particular the novel estimates include

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We introduce complex derivatives and differentials and describe how the Koszul complex reduces the corona problem to estimates.

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Charpentier's solution kernels

We describe Charpentier's solutions of the $\bar{\partial}$ -equation in the ball, which are superbly adapted to solving the corona problem. But first it is useful to compare the $\bar{\partial}$ -equation above with the more familiar gradient ∇ equation in real Euclidean space, and then to introduce the Cauchy-Leray form.

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is a closed form on $\mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n$. One then lifts the form μ via a section $s : \mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^n$ to give a closed form on $\mathbb{C}^n \times \mathbb{C}^n$:

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Now fix s to be the following section used by Charpentier:

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We compute that $s(w, z)(w - z) = \Delta(w, z)$ by (11).

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Explicit formulas for Charpentier kernels

Theorem

Let n be a positive integer and suppose that $0 \leq q \leq n-1$. Then

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Explicit formulas for kernels in two dimensions

We have the formulas

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and

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{C}_2^{0,1}(w, z) \\ = & \frac{(1 - |w|^2)}{\Delta(w, z)^2} [(\bar{w}_2 - \bar{z}_2)d\bar{z}_1 \wedge dw_1 \wedge dw_2 - (\bar{w}_1 - \bar{z}_1)d\bar{z}_2 \wedge dw_1 \wedge dw_2]. \end{aligned}$$

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Real variable spaces

We introduce real variable analogues of the holomorphic Besov-Sobolev spaces.

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- To rectify this, we define for $z \in \mathbb{B}_n$,

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$$\left((1 - |a|^2) \left(a_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1} + a_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2} \right), (1 - |a|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(-\overline{a_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1} + \overline{a_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2} \right) \right),$$

where at the point a , $\left(a_1 \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1} + a_2 \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2} \right) f(a) = f'(a) a$ is the complex radial derivative of f at a , and $\left(-\overline{a_2} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_1} + \overline{a_1} \frac{\partial}{\partial z_2} \right) f(a) = f'(a) a^\perp$ is the complex tangential derivative of f at a .

A tree seminorm

Lemma

Let $a, b \in \mathbb{B}_n$ satisfy $\beta(a, b) \leq C$. There is a positive constant C_m depending only on C and m such that

$$C_m^{-1} |D_b^m f(z)| \leq |D_a^m f(z)| \leq C_m |D_b^m f(z)|,$$

for all $f \in H(\mathbb{B}_n)$.

Definition

Suppose $\sigma \geq 0$, $1 < p < \infty$ and $m \geq 1$. We define a “tree semi-norm”

$\|\cdot\|_{B_{p,m}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)}^*$ by

$$\|f\|_{B_{p,m}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)}^* = \left(\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{T}_n} \int_{B_d(c_\alpha, C_2)} \left| \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^\sigma D_{c_\alpha}^m f(z) \right|^p d\lambda_n(z) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \quad (14)$$

Lemma

We have

$$\|f\|_{B_{p,m}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)}^* + \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \left| \nabla^j f(0) \right| \approx \|f\|_{B_{p,m}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)}.$$

Let $\varphi \in H^\infty(\mathbb{B}_n) \cap B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)$. If $m > \frac{n}{p} - \sigma$ and $0 \leq \sigma < \infty$, then φ is a pointwise multiplier on $B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)$ if and only if

$$\left| \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^{m+\sigma} \nabla^m \varphi(z) \right|^p d\lambda_n(z) \quad (15)$$

is a $B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)$ -Carleson measure on \mathbb{B}_n . If $m > 2\left(\frac{n}{p} - \sigma\right)$ and $0 \leq \sigma < \frac{n}{p} + 1$, then (15) can be replaced by

$$\left| \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^\sigma D^m \varphi(z) \right|^p d\lambda_n(z).$$

The real variable Besov space

Definition

We denote by \mathcal{X}^m the vector of all differential operators of the form $X_1 X_2 \dots X_m$ where each X_i is either the identity operator I , the operator \overline{D} , or the operator $(1 - |z|^2) R$. We calculate the products $X_1 X_2 \dots X_m$ by composing \overline{D}_a and $(1 - |a|^2) R$ and then setting $a = z$ at the end. Note that \overline{D}_a and $(1 - |a|^2) R$ commute since the first is an antiholomorphic derivative and the coefficient z in $R = z \cdot \nabla$ is holomorphic.

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We define the *norm* $\|\cdot\|_{\Lambda_{p,m}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)}$ for f smooth on the ball \mathbb{B}_n by

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Lemma

$$\left| (\overline{z-w})^\alpha \frac{\partial^m}{\partial \overline{w}^\alpha} F(w) \right| \leq C \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(w, z)}}{1-|w|^2} \right)^m \left| \overline{D}^m F(w) \right|, \quad m = |\alpha|. \quad (17)$$

$$|D_z \Delta(w, z)| \leq C \left\{ (1-|z|^2) \Delta(w, z)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \Delta(w, z) \right\} \quad (18)$$

$$\left| (1-|z|^2) R \Delta(w, z) \right| \leq C (1-|z|^2) \sqrt{\Delta(w, z)},$$

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Integration by parts

We generalize the integration by parts formulas of Ortega and Fabrega. These formulas serve to relax the singularities of the kernel on the diagonal and boundary at the expense of differentiating the form.

A reproducing vector field

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$$\overline{\mathcal{D}}^m \eta(w) = \sum_{|J|=q} \overline{\mathcal{Z}}^m \left(\eta \lrcorner d\overline{w}^J \right) [\overline{\mathcal{Z}}](w) d\overline{z}^J.$$

Explanation of the derivative

The effect of $\overline{\mathcal{D}}^m$ on a basis element $\eta_I d\overline{w}^I$ is to replace a differential $d\overline{w}^I$ ($I = J \cup \{k\}$) with the factor $(-1)^{\mu(k,J)} (\overline{w}_k - \overline{z}_k)$ (and this is accomplished by acting a $(0,1)$ -form on $\overline{\mathcal{Z}}$), replace the remaining differential $d\overline{w}^J$ with $d\overline{z}^J$, and then to apply the differential operator $\overline{\mathcal{Z}}^m$ to the coefficient η_I . We will refer to the factor $(\overline{w}_k - \overline{z}_k)$ introduced above as a *rogue* factor since it is not associated with a derivative $\frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{w}_k}$ in the way that $(\overline{w} - \overline{z})^\alpha$ is associated with $\frac{\partial^m}{\partial \overline{w}^\alpha}$. The point of this distinction will be explained later when dealing with estimates for solution operators.

Relaxing diagonal singularities with covariant derivatives

The following lemma expresses $\mathcal{C}_n^{0,q}\eta(z)$ in terms of integrals involving $\overline{\mathcal{D}}^j\eta$ for $0 \leq j \leq m$. Note that the overall effect is to reduce the singularity of the kernel on the diagonal by m factors of $\sqrt{\Delta(w,z)}$, at the cost of increasing by m the number of derivatives hitting the form η . Let

$$\Phi_n^\ell(w,z) \equiv \frac{(1-w\bar{z})^{n-1-\ell} (1-|w|^2)^\ell}{\Delta(w,z)^n}.$$

Lemma

Let $q \geq 0$. For all $m \geq 0$ we have the formula,

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- Typically this lemma is applied with $\Psi(w) = \frac{1}{(1-\overline{w}z)^s} \psi(w, z)$, where z is a parameter in the ball \mathbb{B}_n and then $R\Psi(w) = \frac{1}{(1-\overline{w}z)^s} R\psi(w, z)$ since $\frac{1}{(1-\overline{w}z)^s}$ is antiholomorphic in w .

Exchanging boundary singularities for tamer ones

Lemma

Suppose that $s > n$ and $0 \leq q \leq n-1$. For all $m \geq 0$ and smooth $(0, q+1)$ -forms η in $\overline{\mathbb{B}}_n$ we have the formula,

$$\mathcal{C}_{n,s}^{0,q} \eta(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} c'_{k,n,s} \mathcal{S}_{n,s} \left(\overline{\mathcal{D}}^k \eta \right) [\overline{\mathcal{Z}}](z) + \sum_{\ell=0}^q c_{\ell,n,s} \Phi_{n,s}^{\ell} \left(\overline{\mathcal{D}}^m \eta \right) (z),$$

where the ameliorated operators $\mathcal{S}_{n,s}$ and $\Phi_{n,s}^{\ell}$ have kernels given by,

$$\mathcal{S}_{n,s}(w, z) = c_{n,s} \left(\frac{1 - |w|^2}{1 - \overline{w}z} \right)^{s-n-1} \frac{1}{(1 - \overline{w}z)^{n+1}},$$

$$\Phi_{n,s}^{\ell}(w, z) = \Phi_n^{\ell}(w, z) \left(\frac{1 - |w|^2}{1 - \overline{w}z} \right)^{s-n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-\ell-1} c_{j,n,s} \left(\frac{(1 - |w|^2)(1 - |z|^2)}{|1 - w\overline{z}|^2} \right)^j$$

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Schur's Test

Schur's test is surprisingly effective in dealing with boundedness of the ameliorated Charpentier solution operators on the real-variable Besov spaces.

Schur's Test

Here we characterize boundedness of the positive operators that arise as majorants of the solution operators below. The case $c = 0$ of the following lemma is Theorem 2.10 in Zhu [27]. Note the balance of powers in numerator and denominator.

Lemma

Let $a, b, c, t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then the operator

$$T_{a,b,c} f(z) = \int_{\mathbb{B}_n} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^a (1 - |w|^2)^b \left(\sqrt{\Delta(w, z)} \right)^c}{|1 - w\bar{z}|^{n+1+a+b+c}} f(w) dV(w)$$

is bounded on $L^p \left(\mathbb{B}_n; (1 - |w|^2)^t dV(w) \right)$ if and only if $c > -2n$ and

$$-pa < t + 1 < p(b + 1). \quad (22)$$

Operator estimates on iterates of Charpentier's solution kernels

We describe how to use integration by parts, the crucial inequalities, and Schur estimates to prove the baby corona theorem. The *rogue* terms are discussed.

The main estimate in two dimensions

From the Koszul complex we must show that $f = \Omega_0^1 h - \Lambda_g \Gamma_0^2 \in B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_n)$ where

$$\begin{aligned} f &= \Omega_0^1 h - \Lambda_g \Gamma_0^2 \\ &= \Omega_0^1 h - \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{2,s_1}^{0,0} (\Omega_1^2 h - \Lambda_g \Gamma_1^3) \\ &= \Omega_0^1 h - \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \Omega_1^2 h + \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{2,s_2}^{0,1} \Omega_2^3 h \\ &\equiv \mathcal{F}^0 - \mathcal{F}^1 + \mathcal{F}^2. \end{aligned}$$

The goal is to establish

$$\|f\|_{B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2)} \leq C(g) \|h\|_{\Lambda_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2)},$$

which we accomplish by showing that

$$\|\mathcal{F}^\mu\|_{B_{p,m_1}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2)} \leq C(g) \|h\|_{\Lambda_{p,m_\mu}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2)}, \quad 0 \leq \mu \leq 2, \quad (23)$$

for a choice of integers m_μ satisfying

$$\frac{2}{p} - \sigma < m_1 < m_2.$$

Recall that we defined both of the norms $\|F\|_{B_{p,m_\mu}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2)}$ and $\|F\|_{\Lambda_{p,m_\mu}^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2)}$ for smooth functions F in the ball \mathbb{B}_2 .

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- We will use the facts that

$$\|h\|_{B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2)}^p \approx \int_{\mathbb{B}_2} \left| \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^\sigma \mathcal{X}^m h(z) \right|^p d\lambda_2(z),$$

$$\|g\|_{M_{B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2)}}^p \approx \|g\|_\infty^p + \left\| \left| \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^\sigma \mathcal{X}^m g(z) \right|^p d\lambda_n(z) \right\|_{B_p^\sigma(\mathbb{B}_2) - \text{Carle}}$$

for $0 \leq \sigma < \frac{2}{p} + 1$ and $m > 2 \left(\frac{2}{p} - \sigma \right)$.

The iterations

- Fix attention for the moment on the function $\mathcal{F}^2 = \mathcal{F}_0^2$ and write

$$\mathcal{F}_0^2 = \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \left\{ \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{2,s_2}^{0,1} \Omega_2^3 h \right\} = \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \left\{ \mathcal{F}_1^2 \right\},$$

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$$\mathcal{F}_2^2 = \Omega_2^3 h,$$

so that $\mathcal{F}_q^2 = \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{2,s_{q+1}}^{0,q} \left\{ \mathcal{F}_{q+1}^2 \right\}$ where \mathcal{F}_q^2 is a $(0, q)$ -form.

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$$\mathcal{F}_0^2 = \Lambda_g C_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \left\{ \Lambda_g C_{2,s_2}^{0,1} \Omega_2^3 h \right\} = \Lambda_g C_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \left\{ \mathcal{F}_1^2 \right\},$$

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so that $\mathcal{F}_q^2 = \Lambda_g C_{2,s_{q+1}}^{0,q} \left\{ \mathcal{F}_{q+1}^2 \right\}$ where \mathcal{F}_q^2 is a $(0, q)$ -form.

- The same can be done for $\mathcal{F}^1 = \mathcal{F}_0^1$:

$$\mathcal{F}_0^1 = \Lambda_g C_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \left\{ \Omega_1^2 h \right\} = \Lambda_g C_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \left\{ \mathcal{F}_1^1 \right\},$$

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Integration by parts in each factor

We perform integration by parts in $\mathcal{F}_q^\mu = \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{n,s_{q+1}}^{0,q} \left\{ \mathcal{F}_{q+1}^\mu \right\}$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_q^\mu &= \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{n,s_{q+1}}^{0,q} \mathcal{F}_{q+1}^\mu \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^{m'_{q+1}-1} c'_{j,n,s_{q+1}} \Lambda_g \mathcal{S}_{n,s_{q+1}} \left(\overline{\mathcal{D}}^j \mathcal{F}_{q+1}^\mu \right) (z) \\ &\quad + \sum_{\ell=0}^{\mu} c_{\ell,n,s_{q+1}} \Lambda_g \Phi_{n,s_{q+1}}^\ell \left(\overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m'_{q+1}} \mathcal{F}_{q+1}^\mu \right) (z). \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

The main terms

Now we compose these formulas for \mathcal{F}_k^μ to obtain an expression for \mathcal{F}^μ that is a complicated sum of compositions of the individual operators in (25) above. For now we will concentrate on the main terms

$\Lambda_g \Phi_{n,s_{k+1}}^\mu \left(\overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m'_{k+1}} \mathcal{F}_{k+1}^\mu \right)$ that arise in the second sum above when $\ell = \mu$. The composition of these main terms is

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\Lambda_g \Phi_{n,s_1}^\mu \overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m'_1} \right) \mathcal{F}_1^\mu \\ = & \left(\Lambda_g \Phi_{n,s_1}^\mu \overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m'_1} \right) \left(\Lambda_g \Phi_{n,s_2}^\mu \overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m'_2} \right) \mathcal{F}_2^\mu \\ = & \left(\Lambda_g \Phi_{n,s_1}^\mu \overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m'_1} \right) \left(\Lambda_g \Phi_{n,s_2}^\mu \overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m'_2} \right) \dots \left(\Lambda_g \Phi_{n,s_\mu}^\mu \overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m'_\mu} \right) \Omega_\mu^{\mu+1} h. \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

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- The problem is that the factor $\overline{(w_k - z_k)}$ has no derivative $\frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{w}_k}$ naturally associated with it, as do the other factors in $\overline{(w - z)}^\alpha$. We refer to the factor $\overline{(w_k - z_k)}$ as a *rogue factor*, as it requires special treatment in order to apply (17). Note that we cannot simply estimate $\overline{(w_k - z_k)}$ by $|w - z|$ because this is much larger in general than the estimate $\sqrt{\Delta(w, z)}$ obtained in (17).

An illustrative case in two dimensions

When $n = 2$ and $\mu = 2$, we show that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\mathbb{B}_2} \left| \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^{m_1 + \sigma} R^{m_1} \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{n,s_1}^{0,0} \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{n,s_2}^{0,1} \Omega_2^3 h \right|^p d\lambda_2(z) \quad (27) \\ & \leq C \int_{\mathbb{B}_2} \left| \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^{\sigma} \left(1 - |z|^2\right)^{m_3''} R^{m_3''} \overline{D}^{m_3' + 2} \Omega_2^3 h(z) \right|^p d\lambda_2(z). \end{aligned}$$

We will have to deal with a *rogue* term $(\overline{z_2} - \overline{\zeta_2})$ where there is no derivative $\frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{\zeta_2}}$ to associate to the factor $(\overline{z_2} - \overline{\zeta_2})$. We perform integration by parts m_2' times in the first iterated integral in $\mathcal{C}_{n,s_1}^{0,0} \Lambda_g \mathcal{C}_{n,s_2}^{0,1} \Omega_2^3$, and m_3' times in the second iterated integral. We also perform integration by parts in the *radial* derivative m_2'' times in the *first* iterated integral, so that the additional factor $\left(1 - |\zeta|^2\right)^{m_2''}$ can be used crucially in the second iterated integral, and also m_3'' times in the *second* iterated integral for use in acting on Ω_2^3 .

A typical part of the resulting kernel of the operator $\mathcal{C}_{2,s_1}^{0,0} \mathcal{C}_{2,s_2}^{0,1} \Omega_2^3(z)$ is

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\tilde{\zeta} \in \mathbb{B}_2} \frac{(1 - \tilde{\zeta} \bar{z})}{\Delta(\tilde{\zeta}, z)^n} \left(\frac{1 - |\tilde{\zeta}|^2}{1 - \tilde{\zeta} \bar{z}} \right)^{s_1 - n} (\bar{z}_2 - \bar{\tilde{\zeta}}_2) \\ & \times \left(1 - |\tilde{\zeta}|^2 \right)^{m'_2} R^{m'_2} \bar{\mathcal{D}}^{m''_2} \int_{w \in \mathbb{B}_2} \frac{(1 - |w|^2)}{\Delta(w, \tilde{\zeta})^n} \left(\frac{1 - |w|^2}{1 - w \bar{\tilde{\zeta}}} \right)^{s_2 - n} \\ & \times (\bar{w}_1 - \bar{\tilde{\zeta}}_1) \left(1 - |w|^2 \right)^{m'_3} R^{m'_3} \bar{\mathcal{D}}^{m''_3} \Omega_2^3 h(w) dV(w) dV(\tilde{\zeta}), \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where we have chosen $(\bar{z}_2 - \bar{\tilde{\zeta}}_2)$ and $(\bar{w}_1 - \bar{\tilde{\zeta}}_1)$ as the *rogue* factors. Now we recall that $\Omega_2^3 h(w)$ must have both derivatives $\frac{\partial g}{\partial \bar{w}_1}$ and $\frac{\partial g}{\partial \bar{w}_2}$ occurring in it along with other harmless powers of g that we ignore. We set $h \equiv 1$ for simplicity.

So with

$$\overline{z_2} - \overline{\xi_2} = (\overline{z_2} - \overline{w_2}) - (\overline{\xi_2} - \overline{w_2})$$

we write the above iterated integral as

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\xi \in \mathbb{B}_2} \frac{(1 - \xi \overline{z})}{\Delta(\xi, z)^2} \left(\frac{1 - |\xi|^2}{1 - \xi \overline{z}} \right)^{s_1 - 2} \\ & \times \int_{w \in \mathbb{B}_2} \left(1 - |\xi|^2 \right)^{m_2''} R^{m_2''} \overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m_2'} \left\{ \frac{(1 - |w|^2)}{\Delta(w, \xi)^2} \left(\frac{1 - |w|^2}{1 - w \overline{\xi}} \right)^{s_2 - 2} \right\} \\ & \times \left[\left(1 - |w|^2 \right)^{m_3''} R^{m_3''} (\overline{\xi_2} - \overline{w_2}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{w_2}} \overline{\mathcal{D}}^{m_3' - \ell} g \right] \\ & \times \left[\left(1 - |w|^2 \right)^{m_3''} R^{m_3''} (\overline{\xi_1} - \overline{w_1}) \frac{\partial}{\partial \overline{w_1}} \overline{\mathcal{D}}^\ell g \right] dV(w) dV(\xi) \end{aligned}$$

minus

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\tilde{\zeta} \in \mathbb{B}_2} \frac{(1 - \tilde{\zeta} \bar{z})}{\Delta(\tilde{\zeta}, z)^n} \left(\frac{1 - |\tilde{\zeta}|^2}{1 - \tilde{\zeta} \bar{z}} \right)^{s_1 - n} \\
 & \times \int_{w \in \mathbb{B}_2} \left(1 - |\tilde{\zeta}|^2 \right)^{m_2''} R^{m_2''} \bar{\mathcal{D}}^{m_2'} \left\{ \frac{(1 - |w|^2)}{\Delta(w, \tilde{\zeta})^n} \left(\frac{1 - |w|^2}{1 - w \bar{\tilde{\zeta}}} \right)^{s_2 - n} \right\} \\
 & \times \left[\left(1 - |w|^2 \right)^{m_3''} R^{m_3''} (\bar{z}_2 - \bar{w}_2) \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}_2} \bar{\mathcal{D}}^{m_3' - \ell} g \right] \\
 & \times \left[\left(1 - |w|^2 \right)^{m_3''} R^{m_3''} (\bar{\zeta}_1 - \bar{w}_1) \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{w}_1} \bar{\mathcal{D}}^\ell g \right] dV(w) dV(\tilde{\zeta}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now we apply $(1 - |z|^2)^\sigma (1 - |z|^2)^{m_1'} R^{m_1''} D^{m_1'}$ to these operators. Using the crucial inequalities, the result of this application on the above integrals is dominated respectively by these two iterated integrals:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int_{\xi \in \mathbb{B}_2} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\sigma |1 - \xi \bar{z}|}{\Delta(\xi, z)^{m'_1 + m''_1 + 2}} \left[(1 - |z|^2) \sqrt{\Delta(\xi, z)} \right]^{m''_1} \\
& \times \left\{ \left[(1 - |z|^2) \sqrt{\Delta(\xi, z)} \right]^{m'_1} + \Delta(\xi, z)^{m'_1} \right\} \left| \frac{1 - |\xi|^2}{1 - \xi \bar{z}} \right|^{s_1 - 2} \\
& \times \int_{w \in \mathbb{B}_2} \frac{(1 - |\xi|^2)^{m''_2} (1 - |w|^2)}{\Delta(w, \xi)^{m'_2 + m''_2 + 2}} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(\xi, z)}}{1 - |\xi|^2} \right)^{m'_2} \left[(1 - |\xi|^2) \sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)} \right]^{m''_2} \\
& \times \left\{ \left[(1 - |\xi|^2) \sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)} \right]^{m'_2} + \Delta(w, \xi)^{m'_2} \right\} \left| \frac{1 - |w|^2}{1 - w \bar{\xi}} \right|^{s_2 - 2} \\
& \times \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)}}{1 - |w|^2} \right)^{m'_3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)}}{1 - |w|^2} \right)^2 \\
& \times \left| (1 - |w|^2)^{m''_3} R^{m''_3} \overline{D^{m'_3 + 2}} g(w) \right| dV(w) dV(\xi);
\end{aligned}$$

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& \times \left\{ \left[(1 - |\xi|^2) \sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)} \right]^m + \Delta(w, \xi)^{m'_2} \right\} \left| \frac{1 - |w|^2}{1 - w \bar{\xi}} \right|^{s_2 - 2} \\
& \times \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)}}{1 - |w|^2} \right)^{m'_3} \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(w, z)}}{1 - |w|^2} \right) \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)}}{1 - |w|^2} \right) \\
& \times \left| (1 - |w|^2)^{m''_3} R^{m''_3} \overline{D^{m'_3 + 2}} g(w) \right| dV(w) dV(\xi).
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- Now for the iterated integral in (29), we can separate it into the composition of two operators. One factor is the operator

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \int_{\xi \in \mathbb{B}_2} \frac{(1-|z|^2)^\sigma |1-\xi\bar{z}|}{\Delta(\xi, z)^{m'_1+m''_1+2}} \left[(1-|z|^2) \sqrt{\Delta(\xi, z)} \right]^{m''_1} \\
 & \times \left\{ \left[(1-|z|^2) \sqrt{\Delta(\xi, z)} \right]^{m'_1} + \Delta(\xi, z)^{m'_1} \right\} \\
 & \times \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(\xi, z)}}{1-|\xi|^2} \right)^{m'_2} \left| \frac{1-|\xi|^2}{1-\xi\bar{z}} \right|^{s_1-2} (1-|\xi|^2)^{-\sigma} F(\xi) dV(\xi),
 \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

- and the other factor is the operator

$$\begin{aligned}
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 &\times \left(\frac{\sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)}}{1 - |w|^2} \right)^{m'_3 + 2} (1 - |w|^2)^{-\sigma} f(w) dV(w),
 \end{aligned} \tag{32}$$

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- We can apply Lemma 18 to each of these operators to obtain the appropriate boundedness.

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- For this we use the fact that

$$\sqrt{\Delta(w, z)} = |1 - w\bar{z}| |\varphi_z(w)| = \delta(w, z)^2 \rho(w, z),$$

where $\rho(w, z) = |\varphi_z(w)|$ is the invariant pseudohyperbolic metric on the ball and where $\delta(w, z) = |1 - w\bar{z}|^{\frac{1}{2}}$ satisfies the triangle inequality on the ball.

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- and so also

$$\begin{aligned}\sqrt{\Delta(w, z)} &\leq 2 \left[\delta(\xi, z)^2 + \delta(w, \xi)^2 \right] \left(|\varphi_z(\xi)| + |\varphi_\xi(w)| \right) \\ &= 2 \left(1 + \frac{|1 - w\bar{\xi}|}{|1 - \xi\bar{z}|} \right) \sqrt{\Delta(\xi, z)} \\ &\quad + 2 \left(1 + \frac{|1 - \xi\bar{z}|}{|1 - w\bar{\xi}|} \right) \sqrt{\Delta(w, \xi)}.\end{aligned}$$

- Thus we can write

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- All of the terms on the right hand side of (33) are of an appropriate form to distribute throughout the iterated integral, and again Lemma 18 applies to obtain the appropriate boundedness, but with $c = \pm 1$ this time as the remaining parameters have already been chosen.

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