

## *On a Theorem of G. Benke and D.-C. Chang*

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### Abstract

Let  $B$  denote the unit ball in  $\mathbf{C}^n$ , and  $\nu$  the normalized Lebesgue measure on  $B$ . For  $\alpha > -1$ , define  $d\nu_\alpha(z) = (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha d\nu(z)$ ,  $z \in B$ . Let  $H(B)$  denote the space of all holomorphic functions in  $B$ . G. Benke and D.-C. Chang [1] have recently characterized the weighted Bergman spaces  $A^p(\nu_\alpha) \equiv L^p(\nu_\alpha) \cap H(B)$  as those functions in  $H(B)$  whose images under the action of a certain set of differential operators lie in  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . In the present paper we introduce some new operators and give another proof of their theorem.

### 1 Introduction

Let  $n \geq 1$  be a fixed integer. Let  $H(B)$  denote the space of all holomorphic functions in the open unit ball  $B$  of the complex  $n$ -dimensional Euclidean space  $\mathbf{C}^n$ . For each  $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$  and  $p \in (0, \infty)$ , we define the *weighted Bergman space*  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  by  $A^p(\nu_\alpha) \equiv L^p(\nu_\alpha) \cap H(B)$ , where  $\nu$  is the normalized Lebesgue measure on  $B$ ,  $d\nu_\alpha(z) = c_\alpha(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha d\nu(z)$ ,  $z \in B$ , and  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$  is the Lebesgue space with respect to the measure  $\nu_\alpha$ . Here  $c_\alpha = \Gamma(n + \alpha + 1) / \Gamma(n + 1)\Gamma(\alpha + 1)$ , and so  $\nu_\alpha(B) = 1$ . (cf. [5], pp.120-121.)

As usual  $\mathbf{Z}_+$  stands for the set of all non-negative integers. A multi-index  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$  is an element in the cartesian product  $\mathbf{Z}_+^n$ . For each  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_n) \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  and  $f \in H(B)$ , we define

$$(Q_I f)(z) = (1 - |z|^2)^{|I|} (D^I f)(z), \quad z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in B,$$

where  $|z|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j|^2$ ,  $|I| = \sum_{j=1}^n i_j$ ,  $D^I = D_1^{i_1} \cdots D_n^{i_n}$ ,  $D_1 = \partial / \partial z_1, \dots, D_n = \partial / \partial z_n$ . As a characterization of the weighted Bergman spaces, G. Benke and D.-C. Chang [1] have recently proved the following theorem:

**Theorem** (G. Benke and D.-C. Chang)

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Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $\alpha > -1$ ,  $N$  be a fixed positive integer, and  $f \in H(B)$ . Then  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  if and only if  $Q_I f \in L^p(\nu_\alpha)$  for all  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|I|=N$ . Moreover,

$$\|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \approx \left( \sum_{|I|=0}^{N-1} |(D^I f)(0)| + \sum_{|I|=N} \|Q_I f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \right).$$

It seems to me that their proof of the above theorem in [1] has some passages not easy to understand. The main purpose of this paper is to introduce some new operators and give another proof of the theorem of G. Benke and D.-C. Chang, in the case  $1 < p < \infty$ .

## 2 Preliminaries

For each  $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$ , we define two operators  $P_\alpha$  and  $P'_\alpha$  as follows:

$$(P_\alpha f)(z) = \int_B \frac{f(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1 - \langle z, w \rangle)^{n+\alpha+1}},$$

$$(P'_\alpha f)(z) = \int_B \frac{f(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{|(1 - \langle z, w \rangle)^{n+\alpha+1}|},$$

for any measurable function  $f$  in  $B$  and  $z \in B$ , provided that each integral exists. Here  $\langle z, w \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^n z_j \bar{w}_j$  for  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in B$ ,  $w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in B$ .

**Lemma 1** Let  $1 \leq p < \infty$ ,  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$  and  $-1 < \beta < \infty$ .

- (a)  $P_\alpha$  is a bounded operator on  $L^p(\nu_\beta)$  if and only if  $p(\alpha+1) > \beta+1$ . Moreover, in this case  $P_\alpha$  is a bounded projection of  $L^p(\nu_\beta)$  onto  $A^p(\nu_\beta)$ .
- (b) If  $p(\alpha+1) > \beta+1$ , then  $P'_\alpha$  is a bounded operator on  $L^p(\nu_\beta)$ .

For the proof see [2], pp.33-36 and pp.128-136. See also [4], Theorem 1.4 and [6], Theorem 4.2.3.

**Lemma 2** Let  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$  and  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . Then  $(A^p(\nu_\alpha))^* \cong A^q(\nu_\alpha)$  under the usual integral pairing  $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_B f \bar{g} d\nu_\alpha$ .

For the proof see [2], p.44, Theorem 2.4. See also [4], Theorem 2.1 and [3], Theorem 2.

**Proposition 1** Let  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$  and  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$ . Then  $Q_I$  is a bounded operator of  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  into  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .

*Proof.* (cf. [1], Lemma 1.4.) Since  $p(\alpha+1) > \alpha+1$ , it follows from Lemma 1 that  $P_\alpha$  is a bounded projection of  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$  onto  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . Let  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  be fixed. For  $z \in B$ ,

$$f(z) = (P_\alpha f)(z) = \int_B \frac{f(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1 - \langle z, w \rangle)^{n+\alpha+1}}.$$

By the differentiation under the sign of integral,

$$(Q_I f)(z) = (n+1+\alpha) \cdots (n+|I|+\alpha) (1-|z|^2)^{|I|} \int_B \frac{\bar{w}^I f(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+|I|+\alpha}}, \quad (1)$$

where  $I = (i_1, \dots, i_n)$  and  $\bar{w}^I = \bar{w}_1^{i_1} \cdots \bar{w}_n^{i_n}$  for  $w = (w_1, \dots, w_n) \in B$ .

Let  $q$  be the exponent conjugate to  $p$ . Then  $q(\alpha+1+|I|) \geq q(\alpha+1) > \alpha+1$ . By Lemma 1,  $P_{\alpha+|I|}$  is a bounded operator on  $L^q(\nu_\alpha)$ . It follows from the duality that the adjoint  $P_{\alpha+|I|}^*$  is a bounded operator on  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . For  $g \in L^q(\nu_\alpha)$ ,  $z \in B$ ,

$$(P_{\alpha+|I|} g)(z) = \int_B \frac{g(w) d\nu_{\alpha+|I|}(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+\alpha+|I|+1}} = \frac{c_{\alpha+|I|}}{c_\alpha} \int_B \frac{(1-|w|^2)^{|I|} g(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+|I|+\alpha}}.$$

Hence we have, for  $g \in L^q(\nu_\alpha)$  and  $z \in B$ ,

$$(P_{\alpha+|I|}^* g)(z) = \frac{c_{\alpha+|I|}}{c_\alpha} \int_B \frac{(1-|z|^2)^{|I|} g(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+|I|+\alpha}}. \quad (2)$$

(see e.g. [6], pp.4-5.) By (1) and (2),

$$Q_I f = \frac{\Gamma(|I|+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} P_{\alpha+|I|}^* F$$

in  $B$ , where  $F(w) = \bar{w}^I f(w)$ ,  $w \in B$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|Q_I f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} &\leq \frac{\Gamma(|I|+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \|P_{\alpha+|I|}^*\| \cdot \|F\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \\ &\leq \frac{\Gamma(|I|+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \|P_{\alpha+|I|}^*\| \cdot \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}. \end{aligned}$$

This means that  $Q_I$  is a bounded operator of  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  into  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .

**Proposition 2** *Let  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$  and  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$ . Then  $Q_I$  is a bounded operator of  $A^1(\nu_\alpha)$  into  $L^1(\nu_\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* (cf. [1], Lemma 1.5.) Choose  $\beta \in \mathbf{R}$  so that  $-1 < \alpha < \beta$ . Since  $1(\beta+1) = \beta+1 > \alpha+1$ , by Lemma 1,  $P_\beta$  is a bounded projection of  $L^1(\nu_\alpha)$  onto  $A^1(\nu_\alpha)$ . Let  $f \in A^1(\nu_\alpha)$  be fixed. For  $z \in B$ ,

$$f(z) = (P_\beta f)(z) = \int_B \frac{f(w) d\nu_\beta(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+\beta+1}},$$

and so,

$$(Q_I f)(z) = (n+1+\beta) \cdots (n+|I|+\beta) (1-|z|^2)^{|I|} \int_B \frac{\bar{w}^I f(w) d\nu_\beta(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+|I|+\beta}}.$$

Hence we have

$$\int_B |Q_I f| d\nu_\alpha \leq c_\alpha C_1 \int_B (1-|w|^2)^\beta |f(w)| d\nu(w) \int_B \frac{(1-|z|^2)^{|I|+\alpha} d\nu(z)}{|1-\langle z, w \rangle|^{n+1+|I|+\beta}}, \quad (3)$$

where  $C_1 = c_\beta (n+1+\beta) \cdots (n+|I|+\beta)$ . By [5], Proposition 1.4.10, for  $w \in B$

$$\int_B \frac{(1-|z|^2)^{|I|+\alpha} d\nu(z)}{|1-\langle z, w \rangle|^{n+1+|I|+\beta}} \leq C_2 (1-|w|^2)^{\alpha-\beta}, \quad (4)$$

where  $C_2 < \infty$  is a constant. By (3) and (4), we have

$$\|Q_I f\|_{L^1(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C_1 C_2 \|f\|_{L^1(\nu_\alpha)}.$$

This completes the proof.

**Proposition 3** *Let  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$ . Then there exists a constant  $C = C(n, \alpha, I) < \infty$  such that  $|(D^I f)(0)| \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}$  for  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* (cf. [1], Corollary 1.6.) Choose  $\beta \in \mathbf{R}$  so that  $-1 < \alpha < \beta$ . Let  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  be fixed. Then  $f \in A^1(\nu_\alpha)$ . As in the proof of Proposition 2,  $f = P_\beta f$  in  $B$ , and so, for  $z \in B$ ,

$$(D^I f)(z) = (n+1+\beta) \cdots (n+|I|+\beta) \int_B \frac{\bar{w}^I f(w) d\nu_\beta(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+|I|+\beta}}.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |(D^I f)(0)| &= C_1 \left| \int_B \bar{w}^I f(w) d\nu_\beta(w) \right| \leq \frac{C_1 C_\beta}{C_\alpha} \int_B (1-|w|^2)^{\beta-\alpha} |f(w)| d\nu_\alpha(w) \\ &\leq \frac{C_1 C_\beta}{C_\alpha} \|f\|_{L^1(\nu_\alpha)} \leq \frac{C_1 C_\beta}{C_\alpha} \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_1 = (n+1+\beta) \cdots (n+|I|+\beta)$ .

**Proposition 4** *Let  $j$  be an integer with  $1 \leq j \leq n$ . For  $f \in H(B)$ , we define the function  $R_j f$  by*

$$(R_j f)(z) = \int_0^1 (D_j f)(tz) dt, \quad z \in B.$$

(a)  $R_j$  is a linear mapping on  $H(B)$  and for  $f \in H(B)$  and  $z \in B$ ,

$$f(z) - f(0) = \sum_{j=1}^n z_j (R_j f)(z).$$

(b) If  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , then  $R_j$  is a bounded linear operator on  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .

*Proof.* (a) is trivial. Let  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . Choose  $\beta \in \mathbf{R}$  so that  $-1 + \frac{\alpha+1}{p} < \beta$ . Then  $-1 < \beta < \infty$  and  $\alpha+1 < p(\beta+1)$ . By Lemma 1,  $P_\beta$  is a bounded projection of  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$  onto  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . Let  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  be fixed. For  $z \in B$ ,

$$f(z) = (P_\beta f)(z) = \int_B \frac{f(w) d\nu_\beta(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+\beta+1}},$$

and so,

$$(D_j f)(z) = (n+1+\beta) \int_B \frac{\bar{w}_j f(w) d\nu_\beta(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+2+\beta}}.$$

Then

$$(R_j f)(z) = (n+1+\beta) \int_0^1 dt \int_B \frac{\bar{w}_j f(w) d\nu_\beta(w)}{(1-t\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+2+\beta}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= (n+1+\beta) \int_B \bar{w}_j f(w) d\nu_\beta(w) \int_0^1 \frac{dt}{(1-t\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+2+\beta}} \\ &= \int_B \frac{\bar{w}_j f(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+\beta}} \frac{1-(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+\beta}}{\langle z, w \rangle} d\nu_\beta(w). \end{aligned}$$

Define for  $\lambda \in \mathbf{D} \setminus \{0\}$ ,

$$\psi(\lambda) = \frac{1-(1-\lambda)^{n+1+\beta}}{\lambda},$$

where  $\mathbf{D} = \{\lambda \in \mathbf{C} : |\lambda| < 1\}$ . Then  $\psi \in H(\mathbf{D})$ . A simple computation shows that  $|\psi(\lambda)| \leq 2(1+2^{n+1+\beta})$  for  $\lambda \in \mathbf{D}$ . Hence we have

$$|(R_j f)(z)| \leq C \int_B \frac{|f(w)| d\nu_\beta(w)}{|1-\langle z, w \rangle|^{n+1+\beta}} = CP'_\beta(|f|)(z),$$

where  $C = 2(1+2^{n+1+\beta})$ . By Lemma 1,  $P'_\beta$  is a bounded operator on  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . We therefore have

$$\|R_j f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C \|P'_\beta(|f|)\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C \|P'_\beta\| \cdot \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}.$$

This shows that  $R_j$  is a bounded linear operator on  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .

**Proposition 5** (a) *To each  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$  corresponds an linear operator  $R_I$  on  $H(B)$  such that*

$$f(z) - \sum_{J \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n, |J| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{J!} (D^J f)(0) z^J = \sum_{K \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n, |K|=m} z^K (R_K f)(z)$$

for  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ ,  $f \in H(B)$  and  $z \in B$ .

(b) *If  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$ ,  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$ , then  $R_I$  is a bounded linear operator on  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* We prove (a) and (b) by induction on the length  $|I| = m \in \mathbf{N}$  of  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$ . By Proposition 4, the claim is true in the case  $m=1$ . Now we take  $m \in \mathbf{N}$  with  $m > 1$  and make the following induction hypothesis: If  $J \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $|J| \leq m-1$ , then (a) and (b) are true for  $J$ .

Let  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$  with  $|I| = m$ . For  $f \in H(B)$ , we define

$$f_m(z) = f(z) - \sum_{J \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n, |J| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{J!} (D^J f)(0) z^J, \quad z \in B. \tag{5}$$

Then  $f_m \in H(B)$ ,  $(D^J f_m)(0) = 0$  for  $J \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|J| \leq m-1$  and  $(R_K f_m)(0) = \frac{1}{K!} (D^K f_m)(0) = 0$  for  $K \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|K| = m-1$ . Define  $\Lambda_I = \{k \in \mathbf{N} : 1 \leq k \leq n, i_k \geq 1\}$ , and

$$R_I f = \sum_{k \in \Lambda_I} R_{e_k} (R_{I-e_k} f_m),$$

where  $e_1 = (1, 0, \dots, 0), \dots, e_n = (0, \dots, 0, 1)$ ,  $R_{e_1} = R_1, \dots, R_{e_n} = R_n$ . Clearly,  $R_I$  is a linear operator on  $H(B)$ . Using the induction hypothesis and Proposition 4, we have for  $z \in B$

$$\begin{aligned}
f(z) &= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{j!} (D^j f)(0) z^j \\
&= f_m(z) = f_m(z) - \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j| \leq m-2} \frac{1}{j!} (D^j f_m)(0) z^j \\
&= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j|=m-1} z^j (R_j f_m)(z) \\
&= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j|=m-1} z^j \{(R_j f_m)(z) - (R_j f_m)(0)\} \\
&= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j|=m-1} z^j \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n z_k (R_{e_k} (R_j f_m))(z) \right\} \\
&= \sum_{I \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |I|=m} z^I \left\{ \sum_{k \in \Lambda_I} (R_{e_k} (R_{I-e_k} f_m))(z) \right\} \\
&= \sum_{I \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |I|=m} z^I (R_I f)(z).
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $-1 < \alpha < \infty$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . If  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ , then, by (5), we have  $f_m \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  and for  $I \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  with  $|I|=m$ ,

$$\|R_I f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} = \left\| \sum_{k \in \Lambda_I} R_{e_k} (R_{I-e_k} f_m) \right\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq \sum_{k \in \Lambda_I} \|R_{e_k}\| \cdot \|R_{I-e_k}\| \cdot \|f_m\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}.$$

By (5) and Proposition 3,

$$\|f_m\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{j!} |(D^j f)(0)| \leq C \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)},$$

where  $C = C(n, \alpha, m) < \infty$  is a constant. Put  $C_I = C \sum_{k \in \Lambda_I} \|R_{e_k}\| \cdot \|R_{I-e_k}\|$ . Then by the induction hypothesis  $C_I < \infty$  and  $\|R_I f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C_I \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}$  for  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . Hence  $R_I$  is a bounded operator on  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . This completes the proof.

For  $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$ ,  $p \in [1, \infty)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $f \in H(B)$ , we define

$$\|f\|_{m,p,\alpha} = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j| \leq m-1} |(D^j f)(0)| + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j|=m} \|Q_j f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}.$$

**Proposition 6** *Let  $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$ ,  $p \in (1, \infty)$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then there exists a constant  $C = C(n, \alpha, p, m) < \infty$  such that  $\|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C \|f\|_{m,p,\alpha}$  for  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $q$  be the exponent conjugate to  $p$ . Then  $1 < q < \infty$  and  $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ . By Lemma 2,  $A^p(\nu_\alpha) \cong (A^q(\nu_\alpha))^*$  and

$$\|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C_1 \sup \left\{ \left| \int_B g \bar{f} d\nu_\alpha \right| : g \in A^q(\nu_\alpha), \|g\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)} = 1 \right\} \quad (6)$$

for  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ , where  $C_1 = C_1(n, \alpha, p) < \infty$  is a constant.

Let  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  and  $g \in A^q(\nu_\alpha)$  with  $\|g\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)} = 1$ . By Proposition 5,

$$\begin{aligned}
f(z) &= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{j!} (D^j f)(0) z^j + \sum_{I \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |I|=m} z^I (R_I f)(z), \\
g(z) &= \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |j| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{j!} (D^j g)(0) z^j + \sum_{I \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n, |I|=m} z^I (R_I g)(z),
\end{aligned}$$

for  $z \in B$ . It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
\overline{\int_B g \bar{f} d\nu_\alpha} &= \int_B f \bar{g} d\nu_\alpha \\
&= \sum_{|I| \leq m-1} \sum_{|K| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{J!} \frac{1}{K!} (D^K f)(0) \overline{(D^J g)(0)} \int_B z^K \bar{z}^J d\nu_\alpha(z) \\
&+ \sum_{|I| \leq m-1} \sum_{|I|=m} \frac{1}{J!} \overline{(D^J g)(0)} \int_B z^I (R_I f)(z) \bar{z}^J d\nu_\alpha(z) \\
&+ \sum_{|I|=m} \int_B f(z) \overline{z^I (R_I g)(z)} d\nu_\alpha(z). \tag{7}
\end{aligned}$$

By [5], Propositions 1.4.8 and 1.4.9,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\sum_{|I| \leq m-1} \sum_{|K| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{J!} \frac{1}{K!} (D^K f)(0) \overline{(D^J g)(0)} \int_B z^K \bar{z}^J d\nu_\alpha(z) \\
&= \sum_{|I| \leq m-1} \sum_{|K| \leq m-1} \left\{ \frac{1}{J!} \frac{1}{K!} (D^K f)(0) \overline{(D^J g)(0)} \right. \\
&\quad \times \left. 2nc_\alpha \int_0^1 r^{2n-1+|I|+|K|} (1-r^2)^\alpha dr \int_S \zeta^K \bar{\zeta}^J d\sigma(\zeta) \right\} \\
&= \sum_{|I| \leq m-1} \left( \frac{1}{J!} \right)^2 (D^J f)(0) \overline{(D^J g)(0)} \\
&\quad \times 2nc_\alpha \frac{(n-1)! J!}{(n-1+|J|)!} \int_0^1 r^{2n-1+2|J|} (1-r^2)^\alpha dr \\
&= \sum_{|I| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{J!} (D^J f)(0) \overline{(D^J g)(0)} \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(n+|J|+\alpha+1)}. \tag{8}
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $\{I, J\} \subset \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|I|=m$  and  $|J| \leq m-1$ . By Proposition 5,  $R_I f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . Define  $f_I(z) = z^I (R_I f)(z)$ ,  $z \in B$ . Then clearly  $f_I \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . Since  $|I|=m > m-1 \geq |J|$ , we have  $(D^J f_I)(0) = 0$ . Since  $p(1+\alpha) > 1+\alpha$ , Lemma 1 yields that

$$f_I(z) = (P_\alpha f_I)(z) = \int_B \frac{f_I(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+\alpha}}, \quad z \in B.$$

By the differentiation under the sign of integral,

$$(D^J f_I)(z) = (n+\alpha+1) \cdots (n+\alpha+|J|) \int_B \frac{\bar{w}^J f_I(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+\alpha+|J|}}, \quad z \in B.$$

Hence

$$\int_B z^I (R_I f)(z) \bar{z}^J d\nu_\alpha(z) = \int_B f_I(w) \bar{w}^J d\nu_\alpha(w) = \frac{(D^J f_I)(0)}{(n+\alpha+1) \cdots (n+\alpha+|J|)} = 0. \tag{9}$$

Since  $g \in A^q(\nu_\alpha)$ , by Proposition 5  $R_I g \in A^q(\nu_\alpha)$ . Since  $q(m+\alpha+1) > m+\alpha+1 > \alpha+1$ , by Lemma 1  $P_{m+\alpha}$  is a bounded projection of  $L^q(\nu_\alpha)$  onto  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . We therefore have

$$(R_I g)(z) = (P_{m+\alpha}(R_I g))(z) = \int_B \frac{(R_I g)(w) d\nu_{m+\alpha}(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}}, \quad z \in B.$$

It follows that

$$\int_B f(z) \overline{z^I (R_I g)(z)} d\nu_\alpha(z) = \int_B \bar{z}^I f(z) d\nu_\alpha(z) \int_B \frac{\overline{(R_I g)(w)} d\nu_{m+\alpha}(w)}{(1-\langle w, z \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}}. \tag{10}$$

Since  $q(m+\alpha+1) > \alpha+1$ , by Lemma 1  $P'_{m+\alpha}$  is a bounded operator on  $L^q(\nu_\alpha)$ . By this and Proposition 5,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_B |\bar{z}^l f(z)| d\nu_\alpha(z) \int_B \frac{|\overline{(R_l g)(w)}| d\nu_{m+\alpha}(w)}{|(1-\langle w, z \rangle)|^{n+1+m+\alpha}} \leq \int_B |f(z)| P'_{m+\alpha}(|R_l g|)(z) d\nu_\alpha(z) \\ & \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \cdot \|P'_{m+\alpha}(|R_l g|)\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)} \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \cdot \|P'_{m+\alpha}\| \cdot \|R_l g\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)} \\ & \leq \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \cdot \|P'_{m+\alpha}\| \cdot \|R_l\| \cdot \|g\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we can apply the Fubini theorem to (10):

$$\int_B f(z) \overline{z^l (R_l g)(z)} d\nu_\alpha(z) = \int_B \overline{(R_l g)(w)} d\nu_{m+\alpha}(w) \int_B \frac{\bar{z}^l f(z) d\nu_\alpha(z)}{(1-\langle w, z \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}}. \quad (11)$$

Since  $P_{m+\alpha}$  is a bounded operator on  $L^q(\nu_\alpha)$ , the adjoint  $P_{m+\alpha}^*$  is a bounded operator on  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . For  $h \in L^q(\nu_\alpha)$  and  $z \in B$ ,

$$(P_{m+\alpha} h)(z) = \int_B \frac{h(w) d\nu_{m+\alpha}(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}} = \frac{c_{m+\alpha}}{c_\alpha} \int_B \frac{(1-|w|^2)^m h(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}}.$$

Hence, for  $h \in L^p(\nu_\alpha)$  and  $z \in B$ ,

$$(P_{m+\alpha}^* h)(z) = \frac{c_{m+\alpha}}{c_\alpha} \int_B \frac{(1-|z|^2)^m h(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}}. \quad (12)$$

Put  $F(z) = \bar{z}^l f(z)$ ,  $z \in B$ . Then  $F \in L^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . By (11) and (12),

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_B f(z) \overline{z^l (R_l g)(z)} d\nu_\alpha(z) \\ & = c_{m+\alpha} \int_B (1-|w|^2)^\alpha \overline{(R_l g)(w)} d\nu(w) \int_B \frac{(1-|w|^2)^m F(z) d\nu_\alpha(z)}{(1-\langle w, z \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}} \\ & = c_{m+\alpha} \frac{c_\alpha}{c_{m+\alpha}} \int_B (1-|w|^2)^\alpha \overline{(R_l g)(w)} (P_{m+\alpha}^* F)(w) d\nu(w) \\ & = \int_B \overline{(R_l g)(w)} (P_{m+\alpha}^* F)(w) d\nu_\alpha(w). \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

On the other hand, since  $p(\alpha+1) > \alpha+1$ , by Lemma 1,  $P_\alpha$  is a bounded projection of  $L^p(\nu_\alpha)$  onto  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . Since  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ , we have for  $z \in B$ ,

$$f(z) = (P_\alpha f)(z) = \int_B \frac{f(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+\alpha}},$$

and so,

$$\begin{aligned} & (Q_l f)(z) = (1-|z|^2)^m (D^l f)(z) \\ & = (1-|z|^2)^m (n+\alpha+1) \cdots (n+\alpha+m) \int_B \frac{\bar{w}^l f(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}} \\ & = \frac{c_\alpha}{c_{m+\alpha}} (n+\alpha+1) \cdots (n+\alpha+m) \frac{c_{m+\alpha}}{c_\alpha} \int_B \frac{(1-|z|^2)^m F(w) d\nu_\alpha(w)}{(1-\langle z, w \rangle)^{n+1+m+\alpha}} \\ & = \frac{c_\alpha}{c_{m+\alpha}} (n+\alpha+1) \cdots (n+\alpha+m) (P_{m+\alpha}^* F)(z) \\ & = \frac{\Gamma(m+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} (P_{m+\alpha}^* F)(z). \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$



By (13) and (14), we have

$$\int_B f(z) \overline{z^J (R_I g)(z)} d\nu_\alpha(z) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(m+\alpha+1)} \int_B (Q_I f) \overline{(R_I g)} d\nu_\alpha. \quad (15)$$

By (7), (8), (9) and (15),

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_B g \bar{f} d\nu_\alpha \right| &= \left| \sum_{|J| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{J!} \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(n+|J|+\alpha+1)} (D^J f)(0) \overline{(D^J g)(0)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(m+\alpha+1)} \sum_{|I|=m} \int_B (Q_I f) \overline{(R_I g)} d\nu_\alpha \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{|J| \leq m-1} \frac{1}{J!} \frac{\Gamma(n+\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(n+|J|+\alpha+1)} |(D^J f)(0)| |(D^J g)(0)| \\ &\quad + \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)}{\Gamma(m+\alpha+1)} \sum_{|I|=m} \|Q_I f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \cdot \|R_I g\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)}. \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

By Proposition 3, for  $J \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|J| \leq m-1$ ,

$$|(D^J g)(0)| \leq C_2 \|g\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)} = C_2 \quad (17)$$

where  $C_2 = C_2(n, \alpha, p, m) < \infty$  is a constant. By Proposition 5, for  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|I|=m$ ,

$$\|R_I g\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C_3 \|g\|_{L^q(\nu_\alpha)} = C_3 \quad (18)$$

where  $C_3 = C_3(n, \alpha, p, m) < \infty$  is a constant. By (16), (17) and (18),

$$\left| \int_B g \bar{f} d\nu_\alpha \right| \leq C_4 \left\{ \sum_{|J| \leq m-1} |(D^J f)(0)| + \sum_{|I|=m} \|Q_I f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \right\} = C_4 \|f\|_{m,p,\alpha} \quad (19)$$

where  $C_4 = C_4(n, \alpha, p, m) < \infty$  is a constant. By (6) and (19), we have

$$\|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C \|f\|_{m,p,\alpha}$$

where  $C = C(n, \alpha, p, m) < \infty$  is a constant. This completes the proof.

**Proposition 7** *Let  $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$ ,  $p \in (1, \infty)$  and  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ . If  $f \in H(B)$  and  $\|f\|_{m,p,\alpha} < \infty$ , then  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .*

*Proof.* Suppose  $f \in H(B)$  and  $\|f\|_{m,p,\alpha} < \infty$ . Put  $tB = \{z \in \mathbf{C}^n : |z| < t\}$  for  $t \in (0, \infty)$ . For  $r \in (0, 1)$  and  $z \in r^{-1}B$ , we define  $f_r(z) = f(rz)$ . Then  $f_r \in H(r^{-1}B)$  and  $r^{-1}B$  is an open neighborhood of the closure  $\bar{B}$  of  $B$ . Hence  $\{f_r\}_{0 < r < 1} \subset A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ . By Proposition 6,

$$\|f_r\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C \|f_r\|_{m,p,\alpha} \quad (0 < r < 1) \quad (20)$$

where  $C = C(n, \alpha, p, m) < \infty$  is a constant.

Noting that  $mp + \alpha > mp - 1 \geq p - 1 > 0$ , we have, for  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|I|=m$  and  $r \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|Q_I f_r\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}^p &= \int_B |Q_I f_r|^p d\nu_\alpha \\ &= c_\alpha \int_B (1 - |z|^2)^{mp+\alpha} r^{mp} |(D^I f)(rz)|^p d\nu_\alpha(z) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= C_\alpha r^{-mp-2n-2\alpha} \int_{rB} (\gamma^2 - |w|^2)^{mp+\alpha} |(D^J f)(w)|^p d\nu(w) \\
&\leq C_\alpha r^{-mp-2n-2\alpha} \int_{rB} (1 - |w|^2)^{mp+\alpha} |(D^J f)(w)|^p d\nu(w) \\
&\leq C_\alpha r^{-mp-2n-2\alpha} \int_B (1 - |w|^2)^{mp+\alpha} |(D^J f)(w)|^p d\nu(w) \\
&= \gamma^{-mp-2n-2\alpha} \|Q_I f_r\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}^p.
\end{aligned}$$

Hence, for  $r \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\sum_{I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n, |I|=m} \|Q_I f_r\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq \gamma^{-m-2p-1(n+\alpha)} \sum_{I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n, |I|=m} \|Q_I f_r\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}. \quad (21)$$

Moreover, using (21), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\|f_r\|_{m,p,\alpha} &= \sum_{J \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n, |J| \leq m-1} |(D^J f_r)(0)| + \sum_{I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n, |I|=m} \|Q_I f_r\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \\
&\leq \sum_{|I| \leq m-1} \gamma^{|I|} |(D^J f)(0)| + \gamma^{-m-2p-1(n+\alpha)} \sum_{|I|=m} \|Q_I f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \\
&\leq \gamma^{-m-2p-1(n+\alpha)} \|f\|_{m,p,\alpha}.
\end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

By (20) and (22),

$$\|f_r\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq C \gamma^{-m-2p-1(n+\alpha)} \|f\|_{m,p,\alpha} \quad (0 < r < 1). \quad (23)$$

It follows from Fatou's lemma and (23) that

$$\begin{aligned}
\|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}^p &= \int_B |f|^p d\nu_\alpha = \int_B \lim_{r \downarrow 1} |f_r|^p d\nu_\alpha \\
&\leq \liminf_{r \downarrow 1} \int_B |f_r|^p d\nu_\alpha = \liminf_{r \downarrow 1} \|f_r\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}^p \\
&\leq \liminf_{r \downarrow 1} \{C \gamma^{-m-2p-1(n+\alpha)} \|f\|_{m,p,\alpha}\}^p = (C \|f\|_{m,p,\alpha})^p < \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

This means that  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .

### 3 Theorem of G.Benke and D.-C. Chang

**Theorem** Let  $\alpha \in (-1, \infty)$ ,  $p \in (1, \infty)$  and  $m \in \mathbf{N}$ .

(a) For  $f \in H(B)$ , it holds that

$f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  if and only if  $Q_I f \in L^p(\nu_\alpha)$  for all  $I \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|I|=m$ .

(b)  $\|\cdot\|_{m,p,\alpha}$  is a norm on  $A^p(\nu_\alpha)$  which is equivalent to the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}$ . Precisely, there are two constants  $C_j = C_j(n, \alpha, p, m) < \infty (j=1, 2)$  such that

$$C_1 \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)} \leq \|f\|_{m,p,\alpha} \leq C_2 \|f\|_{L^p(\nu_\alpha)}$$

for all  $f \in A^p(\nu_\alpha)$ .

*Proof.* (a) is an immediate consequence of Propositions 1,3 and 7.

(b) follows from (a), Propositions 1,3 and 6.

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