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ABSTRACT

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We present several classical theorems on Hardy spaces that have in common the idea of duality. Thus, we prove the Rogosinski-Shapiro theorems on realizations of the distance to H_p , the Sarason Theorem on the algebra $\mathcal{C} + H_\infty$, V.M. Adamyan, D.Z. Arov, and M.G. Krein Theorem stating that if $F \in L_\infty$ and $\|F - H_\infty\|_\infty < 1$ then $F + H_\infty$ contains an element ω whose modulus is 1 almost everywhere, D. Marshall Theorem stating that the closed unit ball of H_∞ is the closed convex hull of the set of all Blaschke products, as well as G. Szegő Theorem providing a formula to calculate the distance in $L_p(\mu)$, where μ is a positive Borel measure on $[-\pi, \pi]$, of the function 1 to the algebra of polynomials vanishing at 0, in terms of the Radon-Nykodim derivative of μ with respect to the Lebesgue measure.

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Bu tezde, Hardy uzayları üzerinde duallik özelliğiyle ortak bir kaç klasik teorem sunulmuştur. Bunun için, H_p 'deki uzaklık bağlantısıyla Rogosinski-Shapiro teoreminin, $C + H_\infty$ cebiri üzerindeki Sarason teoreminin, V.M. Adamyan, D.Z. Arov, and M.G. Krein tarafından ispatlanan ve eğer, $F \in L_\infty$ ve $\|F - H_\infty\|_\infty < 1$ ise $F + H_\infty$ 'nin içinde modülüsü hemen hemen her yerde 1 olan bir ω elementi olduğunu belirten teoremin, H_∞ 'nin kapalı birim küresinin, Blaschke çarpımlarının kapalı konveks örtüsü olduğunu belirten D. Marshall teoreminin ve bize, μ 'nün $[-\pi, \pi]$ üzerinde pozitif Borel ölçümü olduğu, $L_p(\mu)$ içinde 1 fonksiyonunun sabit terimi olmayan polinomların cebirine olan uzaklığını μ 'nün Lebesgue ölçümüne göre Radon-Nykodim türevi cinsinden veren G. Szegő teoreminin ispatları verilmiştir.

Anahtar sözcükler: Hardy uzaylari.

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Chapter 1

Introduction

The theory of Hardy spaces H_p on the unit disk (or, the upper half-plane) is difficult to be circumvented to only one domain of analysis, because the techniques used are so diverse, from complex functions, to measure and integration, harmonic analysis, functional analysis and operator theory. The present work has the aim to present a few results from this theory, from the point of view of function theory and functional analysis, following our expositions in the Graduate Seminar on Functional Analysis and Operator Theory at the Department of Mathematics of Bilkent University, under the supervision of Aurelian Gheondea. Thus, we have chosen to present a few classical results that have in common the idea of duality of Hardy spaces. In order to outline the main topics, let us first recall that the Hardy spaces H_p have a duality theory close to that of the Lebesgue spaces L_p but with relevant differences in the sense that the duals of H_p are, in general, factor spaces in L_q , where p and q are conjugate numbers in the sense $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. Other dualities can be expressed in terms of factorizations of the algebra of continuous functions by disk type algebras (continuous functions that admit certain analytic continuations in the disk), cf. Section 3.1.

The first results that we present refer to distances of functions $F \in L_p$ to H_p and the possibility that these distances be actually minima (that is, the infima are attained), a collection of theorems that are attributed to W. Rogosinski and H.S. Shapiro [8], independently obtained by S. Havinson [4].

The second result that we present is a theorem of D. Sarason [9] stating that $\mathcal{C} + H_\infty$ is a (closed) algebra in L_∞ . We do this by two different approaches, the latter being an abstract version due to W. Rudin and based on an older idea of L. Zalcman.

Then we present a theorem that belongs to V.M. Adamyan, D.Z. Arov, and M.G. Krein stating that if $F \in L_\infty$ and $\|F - H_\infty\|_\infty < 1$ then $F + H_\infty$ contains an element ω whose modulus is 1 almost everywhere. The original proof of Adamyan, Arov, and Krein was operator theoretical, but the proof that we present here is functional theoretical and belongs to J. Garnett.

Further, we present the celebrated result of D. Marshall [7] stating that the closed unit ball of H_∞ is the closed convex hull of the set of all Blaschke products, in particular, that the set of Blaschke products is uniformly dense in H_∞ . The proof is based on two technical lemmas, one belonging to A. Bernard Lemma and the second of R.G. Douglas and W. Rudin [2].

Finally, given $1 \leq p < \infty$ and a positive measure μ on $[-\pi, \pi]$, there was a general problem of determining the distance in $L_p(\mu)$ of 1 to the algebra of complex polynomials vanishing at 0. We first prove a theorem due to A.N. Kolmogorov stating that in this problem only the absolutely continuous part of the measure μ with respect to the Lebesgue measure matters and then, we present the full answer due to G. Szegő that calculates this distance in terms of the Radon-Nykodim derivative of μ with respect to the Lebesgue measure.

All the above results make the contents of Chapter 3. In order to make the presentation understandable as much as possible and, in the same time, to keep it at a reasonable size, we have included in Chapter 2 a review of the basic definitions and results on Hardy spaces that we use: Poisson representations of harmonic functions in the disk, the Fatou Theorem on the nontangential limit of a harmonic function that is the Poisson transform of a finite signed measure μ on $[-\pi, \pi]$, the harmonic conjugate, the Theorem of F. and M. Riesz on absolute continuity of Borel measures on $[-\pi, \pi]$ in terms of the Fourier coefficients, Blaschke products, and inner/outer functions and factorizations.

In the preparation of our presentations we have used mainly the monograph of P. Koosis [6] on Hardy spaces, and partially those of P.L. Duren [3] and K. Hoffman [5]. For the prerequisites on functional analysis we refer to the textbook of J.B. Conway [1].

Chapter 2

Preliminaries

Before passing to the main chapter we have to give some basic definitions and results. We know any infinitely differentiable function satisfying Laplace equation is called harmonic function and for any function $U(z)$ harmonic in $|z| < R$ we know that there is an analytic function $F(z) = \sum_0^\infty a_n z^n$ such that

$$F(z) = U(z) + iV(z)$$

where $V(z)$ is *harmonic conjugate* of $U(z)$. So we have,

$$U(z) = \Re F(z)$$

and we have a series representation for U ;

$$U(re^{i\theta}) = \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_n r^{|n|} e^{in\theta} \quad (2.1)$$

which is uniformly convergent on compact subsets of $|z| < R$ and

$$\begin{cases} A_n = \frac{1}{2}a_n, & n > 0, \\ A_0 = \Re a_0 \\ A_n = \frac{1}{2}\bar{a}_{-n}, & n < 0. \end{cases}$$

Moreover we have Poisson's representation: If $U(z)$ is harmonic for $|z| < R$, $R > 1$, and if $0 \leq r < 1$, we have

$$U(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{(1-r^2)U(e^{it})}{1+r^2-2r\cos(\theta-t)} dt.$$

Now we can restrict ourselves such that $U(z)$ is harmonic in $|z| < 1$. Then we have some version of Poisson's representation:

Theorem 2.1. *Let $p > 1$, let $U(z)$ is harmonic in $|z| < 1$, and suppose that*

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |U(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta$$

called means are uniformly bounded in θ , for $r < 1$. Then there is an $F \in L_p(-\pi, \pi)$ with

$$U(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{(1-r^2)}{1+r^2-2r\cos(\theta-t)} F(t) dt.$$

for $r < 1$.

For $p = \infty$ we have almost the same result:

Theorem 2.2. *If $U(z)$ is harmonic and bounded in $|z| < 1$, there is an $F \in L_{\infty}(-\pi, \pi)$ with*

$$U(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{(1-r^2)}{1+r^2-2r\cos(\theta-t)} F(t) dt.$$

for $r < 1$.

Since $L_1(-\pi, \pi)$ is not a dual of anything things are different for $p = 1$. However using duality between the space of finite signed measures μ on $[-\pi, \pi]$ and the space of continuous functions on $[-\pi, \pi]$, we have

Theorem 2.3. *If $U(z)$ is harmonic in $|z| < 1$, and suppose that the means*

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |U(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

are uniformly bounded in θ , for $r < 1$. Then there is a finite signed measure μ on $[-\pi, \pi]$ with

$$U(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_r(\theta-t) d\mu(t), \quad 0 \leq r < 1.$$

where

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

is called Poisson's Kernel.

Now our aim is to discuss the pointwise behaviour of $U(z)$ as z tends to points $e^{i\theta}$ on the boundary of the unit circle. We know if $U(z)$ is harmonic in $|z| < 1$ then we have one of the representations given above. However all of them are subsumed in the second one since for if $F \in L_p$ we can take $d\mu\theta = F(\theta)d\theta$, then μ is a finite signed measure on $[-\pi, \pi]$. In dealing with this measure we introduce the function $\mu(\theta)$ of bounded variation on $[-\pi, \pi]$ given by

$$\mu(\theta) = \int_0^\theta d\mu(\theta).$$

Then we have:

Theorem 2.4 (Fatou). *Let $-\pi < \phi_0 < \pi$ and suppose that the derivative $\mu'(\phi_0)$ exists and is finite. Then*

$$U(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_r(\theta - t) d\mu(t)$$

tends to derivative $\mu'(\phi_0)$ for $re^{i\theta}$ tending to $e^{i\phi_0}$, from within any region of the form $|\theta - \phi_0| \leq c(1 - r)$.

This means $z = re^{i\theta}$ tends to $e^{i\phi_0}$ from within any sector of opening $< 180^\circ$ having vertex at $e^{i\phi_0}$. In this situation we say that $U(re^{i\theta}) \rightarrow \mu'(\phi_0)$ as $re^{i\theta}$ tends to $e^{i\phi_0}$ *non-tangentially*, and write

$$U(re^{i\theta}) \rightarrow \mu'(\phi_0) \text{ for } re^{i\theta} \xrightarrow{\angle} e^{i\phi_0}.$$

Now we can discuss the *harmonic conjugate* we mentioned at the beginning of this chapter. If a harmonic function $U(z)$ is the form (2.1) then harmonic conjugate of $U(z)$ is given by

$$\tilde{U}(re^{i\theta}) = - \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} i \operatorname{sgn} n A_n r^{|n|} e^{in\theta},$$

where $\operatorname{sgn} 0$ means 0. Similar to the *Poisson's Kernel* we have *conjugate Poisson Kernel* which is given by

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

and we have

Theorem 2.5. *If*

$$U(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1-r^2}{1+r^2-2r\cos(\theta-t)} d\mu(t).$$

with a measure μ then harmonic conjugate $\tilde{U}$ is given by

$$\tilde{U}(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{2r\sin(\theta-t)}{1+r^2-2r\cos(\theta-t)} d\mu(t).$$

Now let us change our direction and have the famous F. and M.Riesz theorem:

Theorem 2.6. *Let μ be a Borel measure on $[-\pi, \pi]$. If*

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{in\theta} d\mu(\theta) = 0 \text{ for } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots,$$

then μ is absolutely continuous with respect to Lebesgue measure.

Now we are going into H_p functions. However let us start first with H_1 .

Definition 2.7. $F(z)$, analytic for $|z| < 1$ is said to be in H_1 if

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |F(re^{i\theta})| d\theta \text{ is bounded for } r < 1.$$

For a function in H_1 we have the following Poisson representations:

Theorem 2.8. *Let $F \in H_1$.*

$$F(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{1-r^2}{1+r^2-2r\cos(\theta-t)} F(e^{it}) dt$$

where

$$F(e^{i\theta}) = \lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\theta}} F(z)$$

.

Also we have important result for functions in H_1 . This is called uniqueness theorem for H_1 functions:

Theorem 2.9. *Let $F(z) \in H_1$ and suppose, for a set E of positive measure, that $F(e^{i\theta}) = 0$ for $\theta \in E$. Then $F(z) \equiv 0$.*

Now we can define H_p functions and some properties:

Definition 2.10. Let $p > 0$, then H_p is the set of $F(z)$, analytic in $\{|z| < 1\}$ with

$$\sup_{0 \leq r < 1} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |F(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta < \infty.$$

Definition 2.11. If $F \in H_p$, we write

$$\|F\|_p = \sup_{r < 1} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |F(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \right)^{1/p}$$

for $p \geq 1$ and

$$\|F\|_p = \sup_{r < 1} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |F(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta$$

for $0 < p < 1$.

In this case $\|\cdot\|_p$ satisfies triangle inequality in all cases but it is positive homogenous, i.e it is a norm for only $p \geq 1$.

Now, to define norm in H_p we can have:

Theorem 2.12. If $p > 0$ and $F \in H_p$, for almost all $e^{i\theta}$, $\lim_{z \rightarrow \angle} F(z)$ for $z \rightarrow \angle$ exists and is finite, and if we call that limit $F(e^{i\theta})$, we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |F(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta = \|F\|_p^p, \quad 0 < p < 1,$$

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |F(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta = \|F\|_p^p, \quad p \geq 1.$$

We also have a theorem about the convergence in mean to boundary data function:

Theorem 2.13. If $f \in H_p$,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(re^{i\theta}) - f(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \rightarrow 0$$

as $r \rightarrow 1$, where $f(e^{i\theta})$ is the $\angle$ boundary value of $f(z)$ which exists a.e. by theorem 2.12.

Moreover as a last case we have:

Definition 2.14. We also have H_∞ which denotes the set of functions *analytic* and *bounded* in $\{|z| < 1\}$ with the norm

$$\|F\|_\infty = \sup\{|F(z)|; |z| < 1\}.$$

We will see factorization of H_p functions but before that we need more definitions:

Definition 2.15. A Blaschke product is an analytic function $B(z)$ of the form

$$B(z) = \prod_1^\infty \frac{|z_n|}{z_n} \cdot \frac{z_n - z}{1 - \bar{z}_n z}$$

which converges absolutely for $|z| < 1$ and $0 < |z_n| < 1$, for $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

Definition 2.16. An inner function is an analytic function g in the unit ball such that $|g(z)| \leq 1$ and $|g(z)| = 1$ a.e. on the unit circle. An outer function is an analytic function F in the unit disc of the form

$$F(z) = \lambda \exp \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} h(\theta) d\theta \right]$$

where h is a real-valued integrable function on the unit circle and λ is a complex number of modulus 1.

Now we can have some results.

Theorem 2.17. Let $F(z) \not\equiv 0$ belong to H_p . Then there is a Blaschke product $B(z)$ and a $G(z) \in H_p$ with $F(z) = B(z)G(z)$, $G(z)$ without zeros in $\{|z| < 1\}$.

Theorem 2.18. Let $F(z) \not\equiv 0$ belong to H_p . Let $B(z)$ be the Blaschke product consisting of the zeros of $F(z)$. Then there is a singular measure $\sigma \geq 0$ on $[-\pi, \pi]$ with

$$F(z) = B(z) \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} d\sigma(t) \right) e^{ic} \cdot \exp \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} \log |F(e^{it})| dt \right)$$

for $|z| < 1$, where c is a real constant.

This is called the *canonical representation* of the function $F \not\equiv 0$ in H_p . We call

$$I_F(z) = e^{ic}B(z) \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} d\sigma(t) \right\}$$

the *inner factor* and

$$O_F(z) = \exp \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} \log |F(e^{it})| dt \right\}$$

called the *outer factor* of $F(z)$.

Theorem 2.19. *Let F and G (both $\not\equiv 0$) belong to H_p spaces. If the ratio of their outer factors $k(z) = O_F(z)/O_G(z)$ has $k(e^{i\theta}) \in L_{p'}$ then $O_F(z)/O_G(z) \in H_{p'}$ where p' is a number greater than p .*

We also have an important result for H_p spaces from Beurling:

Theorem 2.20. *Let $F = I_F O_F \in H_p$, $p > 0$. Then the closure of $F(z)$. $\{\text{polynomials in } z\}$ in H_p is precisely $I_F H_p$.*

We now have a result on approximation of inner functions by Blaschke products:

Theorem 2.21 (Frostman). *Let $\omega(z)$ be any inner function. Then given any $\epsilon > 0$, there is a Blaschke product $B(z)$ and a real c with*

$$\|\omega - e^{ic}B\|_{\infty} < \epsilon.$$

Up to now we talked about H_p functions for *unit ball*. We should also talk about H_p functions for upper half plane. In order to study this we should use the conformal mapping

$$z \mapsto w = \frac{i - z}{i + z}$$

onto the unit ball $\{|w| < 1\}$ and we will apply the above results. Let us start with Poisson's formula:

Theorem 2.22. *Let $V(z)$ be harmonic and bounded for $\Im z > 0$. Then the limit $V(t) = \lim_{z \searrow t} V(z)$ exists a.e. for t on $\mathbb{R}$, and for $z = x + iy$ and $\Im z > 0$*

$$V(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y}{(x-t)^2 + y^2} V(t) dt.$$

Theorem 2.23. *Let $V(z)$ be harmonic and ≥ 0 for $\Im z > 0$. Then there is a constant $\alpha \geq 0$ and a measure $\mu \geq 0$ on $\mathbb{R}$ with*

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{d\mu(t)}{1+t^2} < \infty,$$

such that, for $\Im z > 0$,

$$V(z) = \alpha y + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y d\mu(t)}{(x-t)^2 + y^2}.$$

Now let us give the result for harmonic conjugate:

Theorem 2.24. *Let,*

$$V(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y}{(x-t)^2 + y^2} V(t) dt.$$

then we have the following two choices of harmonic conjugate :

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x-t}{(x-t)^2 + y^2} d\mu(t) \quad \text{and} \\ & \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{x-t}{(x-t)^2 + y^2} + \frac{t}{t^2 + 1} \right) d\mu(t) \end{aligned}$$

For the boundary behaviour we have :

Theorem 2.25. *Let,*

$$V(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{y}{(x-t)^2 + y^2} V(t) dt.$$

where μ is a signed measure on $\mathbb{R}$ with

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{|d\mu(t)|}{1+t^2} < \infty.$$

Then, at any t_0 where $\mu'(t_0)$ exists and is finite, $V(z) \rightarrow \mu'(t_0)$ as $z \searrow t_0$.

Now we can define H_p spaces for upper half plane:

Definition 2.26. $F(z)$, analytic for $\Im z > 0$, is said to belong to $H_p(\Im z > 0)$, if there is a constant $C < \infty$ such that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |F(x+iy)|^p dx \leq C$$

for all $y > 0$. This definition is used for all $p > 0$.

Now we can pass to our main chapter to see dual spaces of H_p spaces and their applications.

Chapter 3

Applications of Duality For H_p Spaces

3.1 H_p Spaces and Their Duals. Sarason's Theorem

3.1.1 Various Spaces and Their Duals

We will first consider the unit circle. If we look at the boundary values $f(e^{i\theta}) \in H_p$, we see that H_p can be considered as a $\|\cdot\|_p$ -closed subspace of $L_p(-\pi, \pi)$.

In order to describe dual spaces of H_p we first recall some definitions. Firstly, let

$$\mathcal{C} = \{f \text{ continuous on } [-\pi, \pi]; f(-\pi) = f(\pi)\},$$

and then let $\mathcal{A} = \mathcal{C} \cap H_\infty$ be the set of functions in $\mathcal{C}$ which have analytic extensions to the *open disk* $\{z < 1\}$ and that give continuous functions on the *closed unit disc*.

Both spaces $\mathcal{A}$ and $\mathcal{C}$ are equipped with the sup-norm $\|\cdot\|_\infty$.

Moreover, let $\mathcal{M}$ be the set of all finite complex-valued Radon measures on the *unit circle* $\{|\zeta| = 1\}$ equipped with the norm

$$\|\mu\| = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |d\mu(e^{i\theta})|.$$

Note that by the classical F. Riesz's Theorem, $\mathcal{M}$ is the dual space of $\mathcal{C}$.

Finally we denote

$$H_p(0) = \{f \in H_p; \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{i\theta})d\theta = 0\} = zH_p.$$

Theorem 3.1. *If $1 < p < \infty$ and $(1/p) + (1/q) = 1$, then:*

(a) *The dual of L_q/H_q is $H_p(0)$.*

(b) *The dual of H_p is $L_q/H_q(0)$.*

Proof. (a) Let Λ be a bounded linear functional on L_q/H_q . Then, by composing Λ with the canonical projection of L_q onto L_q/H_q , Λ gives a linear functional on L_q with the same norm as on L_q/H_q so, for any $f \in L_q$, we have

$$\Lambda(f) = \Lambda(f + H_q) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{i\theta})G(e^{i\theta})d\theta, \quad (3.1)$$

where G is some function in L_p with $\|G\|_p$ equal to the norm of Λ , by the Riesz's Representation Theorem. We have $\Lambda(h) = 0$ for all $h \in H_q$, in particular,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{in\theta} G(e^{i\theta})d\theta = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

so $G(e^{i\theta})$ has a Fourier series of the form

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n e^{in\theta},$$

and, since $G(e^{i\theta}) \in L_p$, $G(e^{i\theta}) \in e^{i\theta} H_p = H_p(0)$.

Conversely, any function $G(e^{i\theta})$ of this form gives rise to a linear functional Λ on L_q/H_q by formula (3.1).

(b) If $G(e^{i\theta}) \in L_q$ and $f \in H_q(0)$ is arbitrary, then the linear form

$$\Lambda h = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (G(e^{i\theta}) + f(e^{i\theta})) h(e^{i\theta}) d\theta,$$

defined for all $h \in H_p$, does not depend on $f \in H_q(0)$. So $G + H_q(0)$ is a bounded linear functional on H_p

Conversely, take any linear functional Λ on H_p . By Hahn-Banach Theorem and the duality of L_p and L_q spaces, we can extend Λ to all of L_p and get a function $L \in L_q$ with

$$\Lambda h = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} L(e^{i\theta}) h(e^{i\theta}) d\theta, \quad h \in L_p.$$

If we restrict this function back to H_p , then Λ is given by the coset $L + H_q(0)$, by argument as above. $\square$

By similar arguments in the proof of above theorem we have:

Theorem 3.2. *The dual of*

$$L_1/H_1 \quad \text{is} \quad H_{\infty}(0)$$

, *and the dual of*

$$H_1 \quad \text{is} \quad L_{\infty}/H_{\infty}(0).$$

Now, we have

Theorem 3.3. *The dual of*

$$\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A} \quad \text{is} \quad H_1(0).$$

Proof. Since $\mathcal{M}$ is the dual of $\mathcal{C}$ the dual of $\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}$ is

$$\{\mu \in \mathcal{M}; \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) d\mu(\theta) = 0. \text{ for } f \in \mathcal{A}\}$$

In particular, for μ to be in the dual of $\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}$, we must have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{in\theta} d\mu(\theta) = 0, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Therefore, by the theorem of brothers Riesz, $d\mu(\theta) = g(e^{i\theta})d\theta$ for some $g \in L_1(-\pi, \pi)$. For the case when $n = 0$ we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} d\mu(\theta) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(e^{i\theta})d\theta = 0$$

which implies $g \in H_1(0)$.

Conversely, any $g \in H_1(0)$ defines a functional Λ on $\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}$ by putting, for $\phi \in \mathcal{C}$,

$$\Lambda(\phi + \mathcal{A}) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(e^{i\theta})\phi(e^{i\theta})d\theta$$

□

Remark 3.4. If we define the space $\mathcal{A}(0) = \{e^{i\theta}f(e^{i\theta}); f \in \mathcal{A}\}$, then by the same arguments used in the above proof, we see that $\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}(0)$ has dual H_1 . To sum up, we have

$\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}(0)$ has dual H_1 which has dual $L_\infty/H_\infty(0)$

Now we can have our table summarizing these results for the *unit circle*:

For Unit Circle

Space	Dual
$H_p, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$	$L_q/H_q(0), \quad \frac{1}{q} = 1 - \frac{1}{p}$
$H_p(0), \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$	$L_q/H_q, \quad \frac{1}{q} = 1 - \frac{1}{p}$
$L_p/H_p, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$	$H_q(0), \quad \frac{1}{q} = 1 - \frac{1}{p}$
$L_p/H_p(0), \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$	$H_q, \quad \frac{1}{q} = 1 - \frac{1}{p}$
$\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}$	$H_1(0)$
$\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}(0)$	H_1

Very similar results holds for the H_p spaces for the upper half plane. However letting

$$\mathcal{C}_0 = \{f \text{ continuous on } \mathbb{R}; F(x) \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } x \rightarrow \mp\infty\}$$

$$\mathcal{A}_0 = \mathcal{C}_0 \cap H_\infty(\Im z > 0)$$

instead of $\mathcal{C}$ and $\mathcal{A}$. Both $\mathcal{C}_0$ and $\mathcal{A}_0$ are equipped with sup norm. With similar proofs we had for the results for the unit circle we have:

For Upper Half Plane

Space	Dual
$H_p, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$	$L_q/H_q, \quad \frac{1}{q} = 1 - \frac{1}{p}$
$L_p/H_p, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty$	$H_q, \quad \frac{1}{q} = 1 - \frac{1}{p}$
$\mathcal{C}_0/\mathcal{A}_0$	H_1

3.1.2 Duality method of Havinson and Rogosinski-Shapiro

In this subsection we will have some theorems about approximation of H_p functions based on duality results given above.

Theorem 3.5. *Let $F \in L_p(-\pi, \pi)$, $1 < p < \infty$, and denote*

$$\|F - H_p\|_p = \inf \{\|F - h\|_p; \quad h \in H_p\}$$

. Then, with $1/q = 1 - (1/p)$, we have

(i) $\|F - H_p\|_p = \sup \left\{ \left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta})g(e^{i\theta})d\theta \right|; \quad g \in H_q(0) \text{ and } \|g\|_q = 1 \right\}.$

(ii) *There is an $h_0 \in H_p$ with $\|F - H_p\|_p = \|F - h_0\|_p$.*

(iii) *There is a $g_0 \in H_q(0)$, $\|g_0\|_q = 1$ with*

$$\|F - H_p\|_p = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta})g_0(e^{i\theta})d\theta.$$

Proof. (i) This is a restatement of the duality between L_p/H_p and $H_q(0)$.

(ii) Let $h_n \in H_p$ with $\|F - h_n\|_p \xrightarrow{n} \|F - H_p\|_p$. Then $\|h_n\|_p$ is bounded since

$$\|h_n\|_p = \|h_n + F - F\|_p \leq \|F - h_n\|_p + \|F\|_p$$

so there is a *subsequence* $\{h_{n_j}\}$ converging weakly to a limit $h_0 \in H_p$. Then $F - h_{n_j} \xrightarrow{j} F - h_0$ (weakly). It follows that

$$\|F - h_0\|_p \leq \liminf_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|F - h_{n_j}\|_p = \|F - H_p\|_p,$$

so $\|F - h_0\|_p = \|F - H_p\|_p$.

(iii) We consider the coset $F + H_p$ in L_p/H_p and by the definition of the quotient norm in L_p/H_p and the Hahn-Banach Theorem, there is a linear functional Λ with norm equal to 1 on L_p/H_p such that $\Lambda(F + H_p) = \|F - H_p\|_p$. By (ii) we have

$$\Lambda(f + H_p) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

for all $f \in L_p$ and some $g_0 \in H_q(0)$ of q -norm 1. □

Theorem 3.6. *Let $F \in L_1(-\pi, \pi)$ Then there is an $h_0 \in H_1$ with*

$$\|F - H_1\|_1 = \|F - h_0\|_1$$

and there is an $g_0 \in H_\infty(0)$ with $\|g_0\|_\infty = 1$ and

$$(F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})) g_0(e^{i\theta}) = |F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})| \quad \text{a.e. } \theta \in [-\pi, \pi]$$

where

$$\|F - H_1\|_1 = \inf\{\|F - h\|, \quad h \in H_1\}$$

Proof. For the first part of the statement, it suffices to use the w^* -compactness of unit ball with respect to duality in remark 3.4 in H_1 and the proof of the second part of the previous theorem, to show the existence of such an h_0 .

Also, as in the proof of the third part in the previous theorem we can get a $g_o \in H_\infty$ with $\|g_o\|_\infty = 1$ and

$$\|F - H_1\|_1 = \|F - h_0\|_1 = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta}) g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta.$$

$$= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})) g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Since $|g_0(e^{i\theta})| \leq 1$ equality of

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})) g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

shows that $g_0(e^{i\theta})$ has the properties. □

Theorem 3.7. *Let $F \in \mathcal{C}$. Then:*

(i) $\|F - \mathcal{A}\|_{\infty} = \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty} = \sup \left\{ \left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta}) g(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| ; \quad g \in H_1(0) \text{ and } \|g\|_1 = 1 \right\}$

(ii) *There is a $g_0 \in H_1(0)$, $\|g_0\|_1 = 1$ with*

$$\|F - \mathcal{A}\|_{\infty} = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta}) g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta.$$

(iii) *There is an $h_0 \in H_{\infty}$ with*

$$|F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})| = \|F - \mathcal{A}\|_{\infty} \quad \text{a.e. } \theta \in [-\pi, \pi].$$

Proof. Since $H_{\infty} \supset \mathcal{A}$ so we have $\|F - \mathcal{A}\|_{\infty} \geq \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty}$. Since $H_1(0)$ is the dual of $\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}$, we get a $g_0 \in H_1(0)$, $\|g_0\|_1 = 1$ so that (ii) holds. However

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} h(e^{i\theta}) g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = 0$$

for all $h \in H_{\infty}$, so we have

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta}) g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| \leq \|g_0\|_1 \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty}.$$

Therefore by the choice of g_0 , we have that $\|F - \mathcal{A}\|_{\infty} \leq \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty}$ proving (i).

Now by duality results we have H_{∞} is the dual of $L_1/H_1(0)$ and, using the w^* -compactness of H_{∞} , there is an $h_0 \in H_{\infty}$ with $\|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty} = \|F - h_0\|_{\infty}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|F - h_0\|_{\infty} &= \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty} = \|F - \mathcal{A}\|_{\infty} \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta}) g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})] g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \end{aligned}$$

and, since

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_0(e^{i\theta})| d\theta = 1,$$

we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})] g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = \|F - h_0\|_{\infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_0(e^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

So $|F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})| = \|F - h_0\|_{\infty}$ a.e on the support of g_0 . By theorem 2.9 from preliminaries, $|g_0(e^{i\theta})| > 0$ a.e so we have $|F(e^{i\theta}) - h_0(e^{i\theta})| = \|F - h_0\|_{\infty}$ a.e. $\square$

Remark 3.8. If $F \in \mathcal{C}$, then there is only one $h \in H_{\infty}$ with $\|F - h\|_{\infty} = \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty}$

Indeed, suppose there were two, say, h_1 and h_2 . Take the $g_0 \in H_1(0)$ as in the theorem 3.7. Then as we get in the proof of theorem 3.7.

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} [F(e^{i\theta}) - h_k(e^{i\theta})] g_0(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = \|F - h_k\|_{\infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |g_0(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2.$$

and since $|g_0(e^{i\theta})| > 0$ a.e. we must have

$$F(e^{i\theta}) - h_1(e^{i\theta}) = \|F - h_1\|_{\infty} \frac{|g_0(e^{i\theta})|}{g_0(e^{i\theta})} \quad \text{a.e.}$$

$$F(e^{i\theta}) - h_2(e^{i\theta}) = \|F - h_2\|_{\infty} \frac{|g_0(e^{i\theta})|}{g_0(e^{i\theta})} \quad \text{a.e.}$$

or, since $\|F - h_1\|_{\infty} = \|F - h_2\|_{\infty} = \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty}$ we have

$$h_1(e^{i\theta}) = F(e^{i\theta}) - \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty} \frac{|g_0(e^{i\theta})|}{g_0(e^{i\theta})} = h_2(e^{i\theta}) \quad \text{a.e.}$$

Remark 3.9. Suppose $F \in L_{\infty}$ but $F \notin \mathcal{C}$. Using w^* -compactness of H_{∞} and above results we can get an $h_0 \in H_{\infty}$ with

$$\|F - h_0\|_{\infty} = \|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty} = \sup \left\{ \left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta}) g(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| ; \quad g \in H_1(0) \text{ and } \|g\|_1 = 1 \right\}.$$

3.1.3 Sarason's Theorem

In the first subsection we have proved that

$\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}(0)$ has dual H_1 which has dual $L_{\infty}/H_{\infty}(0)$.

Thus, if B is the Banach Space $\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}(0)$, then B^{**} is $L_\infty/H_\infty(0)$. B has a canonical isometric image in B^{**} obtained by identifying linear functionals over B^* . In this case, the element of $L_\infty/H_\infty(0)$ corresponding to $F \in \mathcal{C}$, is the coset $\Phi + H_\infty(0)$, where $\Phi \in L_\infty$ is determined by

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} F(e^{i\theta})g(e^{i\theta})d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} g(e^{i\theta})\Phi(e^{i\theta})d\theta$$

for all $g \in H_1$. This holds iff $\Phi \in F + H_\infty(0)$, i.e in the canonical embedding of $\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}(0)$ in $L_\infty/H_\infty(0)$, $F + \mathcal{A}(0)$, $F \in \mathcal{C}$ corresponds to $F + H_\infty(0)$. Therefore, the image of $\mathcal{C}/\mathcal{A}(0)$ in $L_\infty/H_\infty(0)$ under this embedding is

$$\Xi = \{F + H_\infty(0); F \in \mathcal{C}\}$$

In particular Ξ is $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ -closed in the quotient space $L_\infty/H_\infty(0)$.

Since the canonical homomorphism $\Theta : L_\infty \mapsto L_\infty/H_\infty(0)$ is continuous we have $\Theta^{-1}(\Xi)$ is $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ -closed in L_∞ . But $\Theta^{-1}(\xi) = \mathcal{C} + H_\infty(0) = \mathcal{C} + H_\infty$, since $1 \in \mathcal{C}$. Therefore we have

Theorem 3.10 (Sarason). $\mathcal{C} + H_\infty$ is $\|\cdot\|_\infty$ -closed.

Now we can prove:

Theorem 3.11 (Sarason). If F and $G \in \mathcal{C} + H_\infty$ then $FG \in \mathcal{C} + H_\infty$ i.e, $\mathcal{C} + H_\infty$ is an algebra.

Proof. It is enough to show that if $F \in \mathcal{C}$ and $G \in H_\infty$, then $FG \in \mathcal{C} + H_\infty$. Since $F \in \mathcal{C}$ by the Weierstrass theorem we can find $F_N(e^{i\theta})$ of the form

$$\sum_{-N}^N A_k(N)e^{ik\theta}$$

such that $F_N \rightarrow F$ uniformly. Then $F_N G \rightarrow FG$ uniformly so if we can show that each $F_N G \in \mathcal{C} + H_\infty$, then $FG \in \mathcal{C} + H_\infty$ by theorem 3.10 .

Let

$$G(z) = \sum_0^\infty a_n z^n \in H_\infty$$

and define

$$G_N(z) = \sum_N^\infty a_n z^n \in H_\infty.$$

Clearly $G_N(z) \in H_\infty$ and

$$F_N(e^{i\theta})G_N(e^{i\theta}) = \sum_{-N}^N A_n(N)e^{in\theta}G_N(e^{i\theta}).$$

Since $e^{in\theta}G_N(e^{i\theta}) \in H_\infty$ for $n = -N, -N+1, \dots$ we get $F_N(e^{i\theta})G_N(e^{i\theta}) \in H_\infty$.

Also we have $F_N(G - G_N) \in \mathcal{C}$ since

$$F_N(G - G_N) = \left(\sum_{-N}^N A_n(N)e^{in\theta} \right) \left(\sum_0^N a_n e^{in\theta} \right)$$

is clearly a trigonometric polynomial. So we have $F_N G = F_N(G - G_N) + F_N G \in \mathcal{C} + H_\infty$. $\square$

In the following we describe an abstract and operator theoretical approach to theorem 3.10

Theorem 3.12. *Let $(B, \|\cdot\|)$ be a Banach space with E and F norm-closed subspaces of B . Suppose there is a family $\mathcal{F}$ of linear operators on B with the following properties:*

- (i) $\|T\| \leq M < \infty$ for all $T \in \mathcal{F}$.
- (ii) $TB \subseteq E$ for each $T \in \mathcal{F}$.
- (iii) $TF \subseteq F$ for each $T \in \mathcal{F}$.
- (iv) If $u \in E$ and $\epsilon > 0$, there is a $T \in \mathcal{F}$ with $\|Tu - u\| < \epsilon$.

Then $E+F$ is norm-closed in B .

Proof. Let x be in the norm closure of $E + F$. Then we can find $u_n \in E, v_n \in F$, with $\|u_n + v_n\| \leq 2^{-n}$ for $n \geq 2$ and

$$x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (u_n + v_n).$$

Write $x_n = u_n + v_n$. Then $x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n$, and we have

$$x_n = (u_n - T_n u_n + T_n x_n) + (v_n - T_n v_n)$$

where for each n , $T_n \in \mathcal{F}$ is chosen so that $\|u_n - T_n u_n\| < 2^{-n}$. Now, define $\tilde{u}_n = u_n - T_n u_n + T_n x_n$. Since $T_n u_n, T_n x_n \in E$ by condition (ii) we get $\tilde{u}_n \in E$ and we have $\|\tilde{u}_n\| \leq 2^{-n} + \|T_n x_n\| \leq 2^{-n}(1 + M)$ for $n \geq 2$ by (i) and $\|x_n\| \leq 2^{-n}$ for $n \geq 2$. Similarly since $T_n v_n \in F$ by (iii) so $\tilde{v}_n \in F$ and $\|\tilde{v}_n\| \leq \|\tilde{u}_n\| + \|x_n\| \leq 2^{-n}(2 + M)$ for $n \geq 2$. Therefore $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{u}_n$ converges, to, say $u \in E$ because E is closed, and $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \tilde{v}_n$ converges to $v \in F$ since F is closed. So we have,

$$x = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} x_n = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (\tilde{u}_n + \tilde{v}_n) = u + v \in E + F. \quad \square$$

Now we can state the theorem 3.10 of this subsection as a corollary of this theorem:

Corollary 3.13. $\mathcal{C} + H_{\infty}$ is $\|\cdot\|_{\infty}$ -closed.

Proof. Take $B = L_{\infty}$, $E = \mathcal{C}$, $F = H_{\infty}$, and let $\mathcal{F} = \{T_N; N = 1, 2, \dots\}$ where, if $F \in L_{\infty}$ and $f(e^{i\theta}) \sim \sum_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_n e^{in\theta}$, we have

$$(T_N F)(e^{i\theta}) = \sum_{-N}^N \left(1 - \frac{|n|}{N}\right) A_n e^{in\theta}.$$

Then $\|T_N\| \leq 1$ and for each $F \in \mathcal{C}$, $\|T_N F - F\|_{\infty} \xrightarrow{n} 0$. Also we have $T_N L_{\infty} \subseteq \mathcal{C}$ and $T_N H_{\infty} \subseteq H_{\infty}$. So by the previous theorem $E + F = \mathcal{C} + H_{\infty}$ is *norm-closed* in $B = L_{\infty}$. $\square$

3.2 Marshall's Theorem

3.2.1 A result of Adamyan, Arov and Krein

In the previous section we have seen that given $F \in L_{\infty}$, the coset $F + H_{\infty}$ contains an element of constant modulus equal to $\|F - H_{\infty}\|_{\infty}$ under certain circumstances.

Now we are interested which elements of constant modulus occur in $F + H_\infty$.

Theorem 3.14. *If $F \in L_\infty$ and $\|F - H_\infty\|_\infty < 1$, then $F + H_\infty$ contains an element ω with $|\omega(e^{i\theta})| \equiv 1$ a.e.*

Proof. We will look for the $\omega \in F + H_\infty$ with $\|\omega\|_\infty \leq 1$ which maximizes

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right|$$

and we will show such ω does the job.

Now let,

$$a = \sup \left\{ \left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| ; \omega \in F + H_\infty, \|\omega\|_\infty \leq 1 \right\}$$

There is indeed an $\omega \in F + H_\infty$, $\|\omega\|_\infty \leq 1$ with

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| = a.$$

For, if we take $\omega_n \in F + H_\infty$, $\|\omega_n\|_\infty \leq 1$ with

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega_n(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| \xrightarrow{n} a,$$

we can let ω be a w^* -limit (in L_∞) of some w^* -convergent subsequence of the ω_n , and then $\|\omega\|_\infty \leq 1$, while

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| = a$$

since $1 \in L_\infty$.

Therefore, we can suppose that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = a$$

since we can attain this by working with $e^{i\gamma}F$ instead of F where γ is a real constant.

Now, firstly let us show $\|\omega\|_\infty = 1$. Assume that $\|\omega\|_\infty = 1 - \epsilon$ with $\epsilon > 0$. Then we have $\omega + \epsilon \in \omega + H_\infty = F + H_\infty$, $\|\omega + \epsilon\|_\infty \leq 1$ and

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\omega(e^{i\theta}) + \epsilon) d\theta = a + 2\pi\epsilon > a,$$

which is a contradiction to the choice of ω .

Secondly, let us show that $\|\omega - H_\infty(0)\|_\infty = 1$. For, otherwise, $\|\omega - H_\infty(0)\|_\infty < 1$, and then there is an $h \in H_\infty(0)$ with $\|\omega - h\|_\infty = 1 - \epsilon$, $\epsilon > 0$. Then $-h + \epsilon \in H_\infty$ so

$$\omega - h + \epsilon \in F + H_\infty, \quad \|\omega - h + \epsilon\| \leq 1,$$

and since $h \in H_\infty(0)$,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (\omega(e^{i\theta}) - h(e^{i\theta}) + \epsilon) d\theta = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) d\theta + 2\pi\epsilon = a + 2\pi\epsilon > a$$

again contradiction with the choice of $\omega \in F + H_\infty$.

Now, since $\|\omega - H_\infty(0)\|_\infty = 1$, and using duality results we have proven, there is a sequence of $f_n \in H_1$, $\|f_n\| = 1$, with

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) f_n(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \xrightarrow{n} 1$$

We must have $|f_n(0)| \geq c$ for some $c > 0$. Indeed, otherwise without loss of generality, let us assume $f_n(0) = c_n$ with $c_n \xrightarrow{n} 0$. Then $f_n - c_n \in H_1(0)$, $\|f_n - c_n\|_1 \xrightarrow{n} 1$, whilst

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) (f_n(e^{i\theta}) - c_n) d\theta \xrightarrow{n} 1.$$

Therefore $\|\omega - H_\infty\|_\infty \geq 1$ because of the duality. So we have $\|F - H_\infty\|_\infty \geq 1$ since $\omega \in F + H_\infty$, which contradicts with the hypothesis $\|F - H_\infty\|_\infty < 1$, i.e. we have $|f_n(0)| \geq c > 0$

Now using this inequality we can show that $|\omega(e^{i\theta})| \equiv 1$ a.e. Assume the contrary. Then, for some $\lambda < 1$ there is a measurable set E , $|E| > 0$, with $|\omega(e^{i\theta})| \leq \lambda$ on E . Without loss of generality assume $|E| < 2\pi$ so that $|E^c| > 0$. Since, in any case, $|\omega(e^{i\theta})| \leq 1$ and $\|f_n\|_1 = 1$ we have

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \omega(e^{i\theta}) f_n(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| \leq \lambda \int_E |f_n(e^{i\theta})| d\theta + \left(1 - \int_E |f_n(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \right),$$

and since the left side tends to 1 as n approaches infinity, we must have

$$\int_E |f_n(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \xrightarrow{n} 0.$$

Therefore

$$\frac{1}{|E|} \int_E \log |f_n(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \leq \log \left(\int_E \log |f_n(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \right) \xrightarrow{n} -\infty.$$

At the same time we have

$$\frac{1}{|E^c|} \int_{E^c} \log |f_n(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \leq \log \left(\frac{\|f_n\|_1}{|E^c|} \right) = \log \left(\frac{1}{|E^c|} \right) < \infty,$$

so finally

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log |f_n(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \xrightarrow{n} -\infty$$

Therefore the sequence of the *outer factors* of f_n already tend to 0 at the origin, so surely $|f_n(0)| \xrightarrow{n} 0$. However, this is a contradiction with the fact that $|f_n(0)| \geq c > 0$. So we have $|\omega(e^{i\theta})| \equiv 1$ a.e. $\square$

Corollary 3.15. *Let $f \in H_\infty$, let $\|f\|_\infty < 1$, and let Ω be any inner function. Then there is another inner function $\omega \in f + \Omega H_\infty$.*

Proof. Apply theorem 3.14 with $F(e^{i\theta}) = f(e^{i\theta})/\Omega(e^{i\theta})$. Then $\|F\|_\infty < 1$, so $\|F - H_\infty\|_\infty < 1$, and there is an $h \in H_\infty$ with $|F + h| \equiv 1$ a.e. Then $f + \Omega h \in H_\infty$ and $|f + \Omega h| \equiv 1$ a.e. So $f + \Omega h$ is also an inner function. $\square$

3.2.2 Marshall's Theorem

In this subsection we will investigate the approximation of H_∞ functions by *Blaschke products*. There is a theorem related to this given by D. Marshall. Before Marshall's theorem let us present an analogous proposition about L_∞

Theorem 3.16. *Let $f \in L_\infty(-\pi, \pi)$ and $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1$. Then given any $\epsilon > 0$ we can find $u_1, \dots, u_n \in L_\infty$ with $|u_k(\theta)| \equiv 1$ a.e and numbers $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \geq 0$, $\sum_k \lambda_k = 1$, with*

$$\left\| f - \sum_k \lambda_k u_k \right\|_\infty < \epsilon.$$

This means that the *norm-closed convex hull* of the set of unimodular functions in L_∞ is the unit ball of L_∞ .

Proof. Without loss of generality, we can assume $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1 - (\epsilon/2)$, otherwise we work with $(1 - (\epsilon/2))f$ instead of f and observe that $\|f - (1 - (\epsilon/2))f\|_\infty \leq (\epsilon/2)$. Then we may assume $|f(\theta)| \leq 1 - (\epsilon/2)$ everywhere, so by Cauchy theorem,

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{it} + f(\theta)}{1 + \overline{f(\theta)}e^{it}} dt.$$

Now each of the functions

$$u_t = \frac{e^{it} + f(\theta)}{1 + \overline{f(\theta)}e^{it}}$$

is in L_∞ and clearly $|u_t(\theta)| \equiv 1$. Also, since $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1 - (\epsilon/2)$, we have

$$\|u_t - u_{t'}\|_\infty < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

if $|t - t'| < \delta$, δ depending on ϵ . So for large N ,

$$\left\| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} u_t dt - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N u_{2\pi k/N} \right\|_\infty < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Therefore

$$\left\| f - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N u_{2\pi k/N} \right\|_\infty < \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

□

This is the analogous result of Marshall's conjecture that the *norm-closed convex hull* of the set of inner functions is the unit ball of H_∞ . Before getting into the theorem we have a lemma.

Lemma 3.17. *Let $u \in L_\infty$, $|u(\zeta)| \equiv 1$ a.e for $|\zeta| = 1$. Then there are inner functions ω and Ω in H_∞ with*

$$\left| u(\zeta) - \frac{\omega(\zeta)}{\Omega(\zeta)} \right| < \epsilon \quad \text{a.e, } |\zeta| = 1.$$

Proof. Let E_k denote the set

$$\frac{2\pi}{N}(k-1) \leq \arg u(\zeta) < \frac{2\pi}{N}k, \quad k = 1, \dots, N$$

Then E'_k s are clearly subsets of $|\zeta| = 1$, they are disjoint and add up to the unit circumference. Put

$$u_k(\zeta) = \begin{cases} e^{2ki\pi/N}, & \zeta \in E_k, \\ 1, & \zeta \notin E_k. \end{cases}$$

Then clearly each u_k is unimodular, takes only two values and

$$\|u - u_1 \cdot u_2 \cdots u_N\|_\infty \leq \frac{2\pi}{N}.$$

Since product of inner functions is also an inner function it is enough to establish the result for each u_k .

Now let u be the unimodular function taking only two values say 1 and γ , $|\gamma| = 1, \gamma \neq 1$, with

$$\begin{aligned} u(\zeta) &= 1, & \zeta \in E, \\ u(\zeta) &= \gamma, & \zeta \in E^c. \end{aligned}$$

Using the Poisson's formula construct $V(z)$ bounded and harmonic in $\{|z| < 1\}$ having nontangential boundary values

$$\begin{aligned} V(\zeta) &= 0 \text{ a.e on } E, \\ V(\zeta) &= -K, \text{ a.e on } E^c. \end{aligned}$$

Then define $h = \exp(V + i\tilde{V})$. Clearly h is analytic and bounded in $|z| < 1$, and takes values in the open ring $e^{-K} < |h| < 1$. On E , $|h| = 1$ a.e and on E^c $|h| = e^{-K}$ a.e.

Now let Φ_K be a conformal mapping of the ring $e^{-K} < |w| < 1$ onto the infinite domain obtained from $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$ by removing therefrom two segments $[-\epsilon, 0]$ and $[l, l']$ with

$$l = i \frac{1 - \gamma}{1 + \gamma}$$

and $l' > l$. We furthermore want Φ_K so as to map $|w| = 1$ onto $[-\epsilon, 0]$ and map $|w| = e^{-K}$ onto $[l, l']$.

In this mapping we can choose ϵ as small as we want but $l' > l$ depends on the radius e^{-K} . However, it is clear that l tends to l' as K approaches infinity, i.e. Φ_K tends to conformal mapping of $\{|w| < 1\}$ onto $(\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}) \setminus [-\epsilon, 0]$ which takes 0 to l . So, given $\epsilon > 0$ let us fix K so large that $l' < l + \epsilon$.

Put

$$\Psi(w) = \frac{i - \Phi_K(w)}{i + \Phi_K(w)}$$

for $e^{-K} \leq |w| \leq 1$. Ψ takes the ring $e^{-K} < |w| < 1$ conformally on to the complement, in $\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$, of the two arcs

$$\frac{i + \epsilon}{i - \epsilon}, 1 \text{ and } \gamma, \gamma'$$

lying on the unit circle. Here we have $\gamma' = (i - l')/(i + l')$ and $\gamma = (i - l)/i + l$. Also clearly these two arcs have diameters less than 2ϵ .

Now let us go back to function h constructed above. We have $\Psi(h(\zeta))$ lies on the arc

$$\frac{i + \epsilon}{i - \epsilon}, 1$$

for almost all $\zeta \in E$, and on the arc

$$\gamma, \gamma'$$

for almost all ζ in E^c . Therefore, $|\Psi(h(\zeta)) - u(\zeta)| < 2\epsilon$ a.e on $|\zeta| = 1$, and $|\Psi(h(\zeta))| = 1$ a.e., so it is unimodular.

Moreover, $\Psi(h(\zeta))$ is meromorphic for $|z| < 1$. Indeed, Ψ is conformal and there is only one point c , $e^{-K} < |c| < 1$ with $\Psi(c) = \infty$, and it has a simple pole at c . Ψ is regular elsewhere. So, it is regular at the points z , $|z| < 1$, where $h(z) \neq c$ and has a pole at z , $h(z) = c$. The order of the pole is equal to the order of zero that $h(z) - c$ has there.

However $h(z) - c$ is in H_∞ . By theorem 2.18 we can write

$$h(z) - c = \Omega(z)O(z)$$

with $\Omega(z)$ is inner and $O(z)$ is an outer factor and we have:

$$|O(\zeta)| = |h(\zeta) - c| \geq 1 - |c| > 0 \quad \text{a.e for } \zeta \text{ in } E$$

$$|O(\zeta)| = |h(\zeta) - c| \geq |c| - e^{-K} > 0 \quad \text{a.e for } \zeta \text{ in } E^c.$$

Thus $|O(\zeta)|$ is bounded below a.e. on $|\zeta| = 1$. So by theorem 2.19 $1/O(\zeta) \in H_\infty$ meaning $|\Omega(z)/(h(z) - c)|$ is bounded above in $|z| < 1$.

Now let $\omega(z) = \Omega(z)\Psi(h(z))$. This function is analytic in $|z| < 1$ because any poles of $\Psi(h(z))$ is cancelled by corresponding zeros of $\Omega(z)$, i.e inner factor

of $h(z) - c$. It is also bounded in $|z| < 1$. Indeed, take any small $\delta > 0$, if $e^{-K} < |w| < 1$ and $|w - c| \geq \delta$, $\Psi(w)$ is bounded, hence $\Psi(h(z))$ and therefore $\Omega(z)\Psi(h(z))$ is bounded on the set z , $|h(z) - c| \geq \delta$. If $|w - c| < \delta$ we have $|\Psi(w)| \leq A/|w - c|$, so if $|h(z) - c| < \delta$

$$|\Omega(z)\Psi(h(z))| \leq A|\Omega_z/(h(z) - c)|.$$

However, we have just seen that the expression on the right side is bounded in $|z| < 1$. Therefore $\omega(z)$ is bounded above, hence it is in H_∞ .

Also, for almost all ζ we have

$$|\omega(\zeta)| = |\Omega(\zeta)||\Psi(h(\zeta))| = 1.$$

Therefore ω is an inner function and since $\Psi(h(z)) = \omega(z)/\Omega(z)$ we have

$$\left| u(\zeta) - \frac{|\omega(\zeta)|}{|\Omega(\zeta)|} \right| = |u(\zeta) - \Psi(h(\zeta))| < 2\epsilon \quad \text{a.e., } |\zeta| = 1.$$

Therefore, we established the result for each factor u_k with 2ϵ instead of ϵ , but this means the lemma is proved. $\square$

Remembering Theorem 3.16 and using this lemma we get

Corollary 3.18. *Let $f \in L_\infty$, $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1$ and let $\epsilon > 0$. Then we can find inner functions $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n$, $\Omega_1, \dots, \Omega_n$ and numbers $\lambda_k > 0$, $\sum_1^n \lambda_k = 1$ with*

$$\left| f(\zeta) - \sum_1^n \lambda_k \omega_k(\zeta)/\Omega_k(\zeta) \right| < \epsilon \quad \text{a.e., } |\zeta| = 1.$$

Remark 3.19. Since product of inner functions is also an inner function we can take all Ω_k equal, in order to get a common denominator.

Now we have another lemma

Lemma 3.20. *Let $f \in H_\infty$. Then we can find inner functions $\Omega, \omega, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_n$ and real constants $a, a_1, \dots, a_n$ such that*

(i) $g = (a\omega + a_1\omega_1 + \dots + \omega_n)/\Omega$ is in H_∞ ;

(ii) $\|f - g\|_\infty < 2\epsilon$.

Proof. Without loss of generality, $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1$. Then by Corollary 3.18 and Remark 3.19 we get inner functions $\omega_1, \dots, \omega_n, \Omega$ and numbers $\lambda_k > 0$ with

$$\left| f(\zeta) - \sum_1^n \lambda_k \omega_k(\zeta) / \Omega_k(\zeta) \right| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} \quad \text{a.e for } |\zeta| = 1 \quad (3.2)$$

Call

$$F(\zeta) = \sum_1^n \lambda_k \omega_k(\zeta) / \Omega_k(\zeta)$$

Since $f \in H_\infty$, (3.2) shows that $\|F - f\|_\infty < \epsilon$. Therefore, by Theorem 3.14 there is a $g \in H_\infty$ with $|g(\zeta) - F(\zeta)| \equiv \epsilon$ a.e. So, we have

$$\|f - g\|_\infty \leq \|f - F\|_\infty + \|F - g\|_\infty < 2\epsilon.$$

Also,

$$\Omega(\zeta)g(\zeta) - \Omega(\zeta)F(\zeta) \in H_\infty,$$

because

$$\Omega F = \sum_k \lambda_k \omega_k \in H_\infty,$$

and since $|\Omega(\zeta)| \equiv 1$ a.e for $|\zeta| = 1$, $\Omega(\zeta)g(\zeta) - \Omega(\zeta)F(\zeta)$ must be equal to $\epsilon\omega(\zeta)$, with an inner function ω , being in H_∞ and of constant modulus ϵ a.e. on $|\zeta| = 1$. Therefore

$$g(\zeta) = \epsilon \frac{\omega(\zeta)}{\Omega(\zeta)} + \sum_1^n \lambda_k \frac{\omega_k(\zeta)}{\Omega_k(\zeta)} \quad \square$$

Theorem 3.21 (Marshall). *Let $f \in H_\infty$ and $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1$. Given $\epsilon > 0$, we can find inner functions, $u_1, \dots, u_n$ and positive numbers $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n$, $\sum_1^n \lambda_k = 1$ with*

$$\left\| f - \sum_k \lambda_k u_k \right\|_\infty < 4\epsilon.$$

Proof. Without loss of generality, we may suppose $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1 - 2\epsilon$, otherwise we may work with $(1 - 2\epsilon)f$ instead of f . By Lemma 3.20 we can find a $g \in H_\infty$ of the form

$$\sum_k a_k \omega_k / \Omega,$$

with real constants a_k and inner functions ω_k, Ω , such that $\|f - g\|_\infty < \epsilon$. In particular, $\|g\|_\infty < 1 - \epsilon$. Now, since for $|\zeta| = 1$ we have $|\omega_k(\zeta)| \equiv 1$ and $|\Omega(\zeta)| \equiv 1$ a.e we have

$$\overline{g(\zeta)} = \sum_k a_k \frac{\Omega(\zeta)}{\omega_k(\zeta)} \quad \text{a.e.}$$

Let Ω_1 be the product of ω_k 's so it is a inner function. So we have $\Omega_1(\zeta)\overline{g(\zeta)}$ in H_∞ .

We have $g \in H_\infty$ and since $|g(\zeta)| \leq 1 - \epsilon$ a.e we can apply Cauchy's theorem to have

$$g(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\gamma e^{it} + g(\zeta)}{1 + \overline{g(\zeta)}\gamma e^{it}} dt,$$

γ being any number of modulus 1. Take $\gamma = \Omega_1(\zeta)$ to get

$$g(\zeta) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{\Omega_1(\zeta)e^{it} + g(\zeta)}{1 + \overline{g(\zeta)}\Omega_1(\zeta)e^{it}} dt.$$

Denote by

$$u_t(\zeta) = \frac{\Omega_1(\zeta)e^{it} + g(\zeta)}{1 + \overline{g(\zeta)}\Omega_1(\zeta)e^{it}}.$$

Each function $u_t \in H_\infty$, because all of Ω_1 , g and $\Omega_1\bar{g}$ are in H_∞ , and because $\|\Omega_1\bar{g}\|_\infty \leq 1 - \epsilon < 1$. Also, since $|\Omega_1| = 1$ a.e for $|\zeta| = 1$, we have $|u_t(\zeta)| = 1$ a.e for $|\zeta| = 1$, meaning that u_t 's are inner.

By the same arguments we have used to prove Theorem 3.16, we get

$$\left\| g - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N u_{2\pi k/N} \right\|_\infty < \epsilon,$$

if N is large.

Therefore,

$$\left\| f - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N u_{2\pi k/N} \right\|_\infty < 2\epsilon$$

for the function f with $\|f\|_\infty < 1 - 2\epsilon$, but if $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1$ we get the result with 4ϵ . $\square$

Recall from preliminaries that any inner function can be approximated by Blaschke products. Combining this result with above theorem we have Marshall's Theorem:

Theorem 3.22. *Let $f \in H_\infty$, $\|f\|_\infty \leq 1$. Then there are Blaschke products $B_1, \dots, B_n$ and positive numbers λ_k , $\sum_1^n \lambda_k = 1$, such that for any $\epsilon > 0$*

$$\left\| f - \sum_k \lambda_k B_k \right\|_\infty < \epsilon$$

Thus, the *unit ball* in H_∞ is the *norm-closed convex hull* of the set of Blaschke products.

3.3 Szegö's Theorem

In this section we will investigate how small we can make

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p d\mu(\theta) \quad \text{for } P \in \mathbb{P}(0),$$

for $1 \leq p < \infty$, where μ is a finite positive measure on $[-\pi, \pi]$ and $\mathbb{P}(0)$ denotes the class of polynomials without constant term, i.e. $P(z)$ with $P(0) = 0$.

Theorem 3.23. *If σ is a positive finite singular measure, then*

$$\inf \left\{ \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p d\sigma(\theta) \mid P \in \mathbb{P}(0) \right\} = 0$$

Proof. Assume the infimum is strictly positive. Then, for

$$\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1,$$

there is a $G \in L_q(d\sigma)$ with

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} G(e^{i\theta}) e^{in\theta} d\sigma(\theta) = 0, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots, \quad (3.3)$$

but

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} G(e^{i\theta}) 1 d\sigma(\theta) > 0.$$

By Hölder Inequality, $G \in L_1(d\sigma)$, so $ds(\theta) = G(e^{i\theta})d\sigma(\theta)$ is a finite Radon measure on $[-\pi, \pi]$ whose support is contained in a set of Lebesgue measure zero, i.e $ds(\theta)$ is singular. Then (3.3) becomes

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{in\theta} ds(\theta) = 0, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

Therefore, by brothers Riesz's theorem we have $ds(\theta)$ is absolutely continuous. This implies $ds(\theta) = 0$. However, on the other hand

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 1 \cdot ds(\theta) > 0,$$

and we have a contradiction. $\square$

Theorem 3.24 (Kolmogorov). *Let $d\mu(\theta) = w(\theta)d\theta + d\sigma(\theta)$, with $w \in L_1$, $w \geq 0$, $d\sigma \geq 0$ and σ is singular. Let $1 \leq p < \infty$. Then*

$$\inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta) = \inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p d\mu(\theta).$$

This means that only the absolutely continuous part of μ matters.

Proof. It is clear that

$$\inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta) \leq \inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p d\mu(\theta).$$

So we need to prove only the inverse inequality.

Let

$$K = \inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta).$$

Then, there is a $P \in \mathbb{P}(0)$ with

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta) < K + \epsilon.$$

It suffices to find a $Q \in \mathbb{P}(0)$ with

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - Q(e^{i\theta})|^p (w(\theta)d(\theta) + d\sigma(\theta)) < K + 4\epsilon.$$

First of all, by Theorem 3.23 we can find $P_1 \in \mathbb{P}(0)$ with

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P_1(e^{i\theta})|^p d\sigma(\theta) < \epsilon.$$

Let $P_2(e^{i\theta}) = P_1(e^{i\theta}) - P(e^{i\theta})$; then $P_2(0) = 0$, i.e it is in $\mathbb{P}(0)$ and

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta}) - P_2(e^{i\theta})|^p d\sigma(\theta) < \epsilon.$$

Now we will take a closed set $E \subseteq \text{supp}(\sigma)$, with

$$\int_{E^c} (1 + |P(e^{i\theta})| + |P_2(e^{i\theta})|)^p d\sigma(\theta) < \epsilon.$$

This is possible because $d\sigma$ is singular, $|E| = 0$. Therefore, we can find $h \in \mathcal{A}$ with $h(e^{i\theta}) \equiv 1$ for $e^{i\theta} \in E$ and $|h(e^{i\theta})| < 1$ if $e^{i\theta} \notin E$. So, for $n = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$\int_E |1 - P(e^{i\theta}) - [h(e^{i\theta})]^n P_2(e^{i\theta})|^p d\sigma(\theta) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta}) - P_2(e^{i\theta})|^p d\sigma < \epsilon.$$

In any case we have $|h(e^{i\theta})| \leq 1$ so by the choice of E , we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta}) - [h(e^{i\theta})]^n P_2(e^{i\theta})|^p d\sigma(\theta) \leq \epsilon + \int_{E^c} (1 + |P(e^{i\theta})| + |P_2(e^{i\theta})|)^p d\sigma < 2\epsilon.$$

Since $|h(e^{i\theta})| < 1$ outside E , hence a.e.

$$1 - P(e^{i\theta}) - (h(e^{i\theta}))^n P_2(e^{i\theta}) \xrightarrow[n]{} 1 - P(e^{i\theta}) \quad \text{a.e.},$$

whence, since $w(\theta) \in L_1$, by Lebesgue Dominated Convergence Theorem we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta}) - (h(e^{i\theta}))^n P_2(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta) \xrightarrow[n]{} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta) < K + \epsilon.$$

Therefore, for sufficiently large n we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta}) - (h(e^{i\theta}))^n P_2(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta) < K + 2\epsilon.$$

Thence

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta}) - (h(e^{i\theta}))^n P_2(e^{i\theta})|^p d\mu(\theta) < K + 2\epsilon + 2\epsilon = K + 4\epsilon.$$

Now, since $h \in \mathcal{A}$ we can approximate it uniformly by polynomials

$$\sum_0^N a_k e^{ik\theta}$$

as closely as we want. We have $\left(\sum_0^N a_k e^{ik\theta}\right)^n P_2(e^{i\theta}) \in \mathbb{P}(0)$ since $P_2 \in \mathbb{P}(0)$, and if $\sum_0^N a_k e^{ik\theta}$ is close enough to h we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - Q(e^{i\theta})|^p d\mu(\theta) < K + 4\epsilon,$$

with $Q \in \mathbb{P}(0)$, since

$$Q(e^{i\theta}) = P(e^{i\theta}) + \left(\sum_0^N a_k e^{ik\theta}\right)^n P_2(e^{i\theta})$$

and $P, P_2 \in \mathbb{P}(0)$. □

Now our study reduces to determine

$$\inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta)$$

with $w \in L_1(-\pi, \pi)$, $w \geq 0$. This is solved by a theorem by Szegő:

Theorem 3.25. *If $1 \leq p < \infty$*

$$\inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d(\theta) = \exp \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(\theta) d\theta \right).$$

Proof. Firstly suppose that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^- w(\theta) d\theta < \infty,$$

so that $\log w(\theta) \in L_1(-\pi, \pi)$, because, since $w \in L_1$ it is clear that $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^+ w(\theta) d\theta < \infty$. We will work with

$$w_1(\theta) = w(\theta) \cdot \exp \left(-\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(t) dt \right)$$

and let

$$K = \exp \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(t) dt \right)$$

to have $w(\theta) = Kw_1(\theta)$ with

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w_1(\theta) d\theta = 0 .$$

Now we have to show that

$$\inf_{p \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w_1(\theta) d(\theta) = 2\pi .$$

Since $\log w_1(\theta) \in L_1(-\pi, \pi)$, we can form an analytic function

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} \log w_1(t) dt, \quad |z| < 1;$$

so we have

$$f(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w_1(t) dt = 0 .$$

Actually we have $e^{f(z)} \in H_1$ indeed, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |e^{f(z)}| &= e^{\Re f(z)} = \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \Re \left\{ \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} \right\} \log w_1(t) dt \right\} \\ &= \exp \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_r(\theta - t) \log w_1(t) dt \right\} . \end{aligned}$$

we know Poisson's Kernel $P_r(\theta - t)$ is non-negative and $\frac{1}{2\pi} P_r(\theta - t) dt$ is a positive measure of mass 1. Therefore we have:

$$|e^{f(z)}| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P_r(\theta - t) w_1(t) dt$$

i.e.

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |e^{f(z)}| d\theta \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} w_1(t) dt$$

resulting $e^{f(z)} \in H_1$ since $w_1 \in L_1$. Hence we have $\exp(f(z)/p) \in H_p$ and it is outer by definition. Also since $e^{f(z)} \in H_1$ and outer we have

$$|e^{f(e^{i\theta})}| = w_1(\theta) \quad \text{a.e.}$$

equivalently

$$|\exp(f(e^{i\theta})/p)| = (w_1(\theta))^{1/p} \quad \text{a.e.}$$

If $P \in \mathbb{P}(0)$, $G(z) = (1 - P(z)) \exp(f(z)/p)$ is also in H_p , and $G(0) = 1$ since $f(0) = 0$. So, for $r < 1$,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |G(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \geq 1.$$

Since $G(re^{i\theta}) \rightarrow G(e^{i\theta})$ in the L_p norm as $r \rightarrow 1$, we get

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |G(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \geq 1,$$

implying,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w_1(\theta) d(\theta) \geq 2\pi$$

for any $P \in \mathbb{P}$. So the infimum is greater than 2π .

To show the reverse inequality, since $\exp(f(z)/p)$ is outer, by Beurling's Theorem, there is a sequence of polynomials $Q_n(z)$ with

$$Q_n(z) \exp(f(z)/p) \xrightarrow{n} 1$$

in the H_p norm and, since $\exp(f(0)/p) = 1$, we must have $Q_n(0) \xrightarrow{n} 1$, so we have

$$\frac{Q_n(z)}{Q_n(0)} \exp \frac{f(z)}{p} \xrightarrow{n} 1$$

in the H_p norm. We can write $Q_n(z)/Q_n(0) = 1 - P_n(z)$ with $P_n \in \mathbb{P}(0)$, i.e.

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P_n(e^{i\theta})|^p w_1(\theta) d(\theta) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P_n(e^{i\theta})|^p |e^{f(e^{i\theta})/p}| d(\theta) \xrightarrow{n} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 1^p d(\theta) = 2\pi,$$

implying the infimum is less than 2π .

So, the theorem is proved for

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log^- w(\theta) d\theta < \infty .$$

If now

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(\theta) d\theta = -\infty,$$

let us take

$$w_n(\theta) = \max(w(\theta), 1/n) .$$

Then for each n $\log w_n \in L_1$. We have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w_n(\theta) d\theta \xrightarrow{n} -\infty .$$

For each n , $w_n(\theta) \geq w(\theta)$, so that

$$\begin{aligned} \inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d\theta &\leq \inf_{P \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w_n(\theta) d\theta \\ &= 2\pi \exp \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w_n(\theta) d\theta \right) . \end{aligned}$$

This is true for all n so letting $n \rightarrow \infty$ we get

$$\inf_{p \in \mathbb{P}(0)} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P(e^{i\theta})|^p w(\theta) d\theta = 0 .$$

But, in this case, this equals to

$$2\pi \exp \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(\theta) d\theta \right) .$$

□

3.4 The Helson-Szegö Theorem

In this section we will see the characterization of a finite positive measure μ on $[-\pi, \pi]$ having the property that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\tilde{T}(\theta)|^2 d\mu(\theta) \leq \text{const.} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |T(\theta)|^2 d\mu(\theta)$$

where $T(\theta)$ is a trigonometric polynomial and $\tilde{T}(\theta)$ is its harmonic conjugate.

Definition 3.26. A positive measure μ is called Helson-Szegö measure if

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\tilde{T}(\theta)|^2 d\mu(\theta) \leq \text{const.} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |T(\theta)|^2 d\mu(\theta)$$

for all trigonometric polynomials T .

Theorem 3.27. A Helson-Szegö measure is absolutely continuous.

Proof. Suppose E is closed, $|E| = 0$, but $\mu(E) > 0$. As we used in the proof Theorem 3.24 there exist $h \in \mathcal{A}$ with $h(e^{i\theta}) \equiv 1$ on E and $h(e^{i\theta}) < 1$ elsewhere. We have $h(0) = a$ with $|a| < 1$. Put $F_n(z) = (h(z))^n - a^n$. Then $F_n \in \mathcal{A}$ and $F_n(0) = 0$ so $\Re F_n = -\Im \widetilde{F_n}$. If μ is Helson-Szegö, we have

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |(\Re F_n)(e^{i\theta})|^2 d\mu(\theta) \leq C \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |(\Im F_n)(e^{i\theta})|^2 d\mu(\theta) \quad (3.4)$$

because $F_n \in \mathcal{A}$, so for each n there is a sequence of trigonometric polynomials T_m with $T_m \xrightarrow{m} (\Im F_n)(e^{i\theta})$ uniformly and $\widetilde{T_m} \xrightarrow{m} -(\Re F_n)(e^{i\theta})$ uniformly.

Now on the set E we have,

$$(\Re F_n)(e^{i\theta}) = 1 - \Re a^n \xrightarrow{n} 1$$

so,

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |(\Re F_n)(e^{i\theta})|^2 d\mu(\theta) \geq \mu(E) > 0.$$

However,

$$|(\Im F_n)(e^{i\theta})| \leq 1 + |a|^n < 2,$$

whilst, for $e^{i\theta} \in E$,

$$(\Im F_n)(e^{i\theta}) = -\Im a^n \xrightarrow{n} 0,$$

and for $e^{i\theta} \notin E$,

$$|(\Im F_n)(e^{i\theta})| \leq |h(e^{i\theta})|^n + |\Im a^n| \xrightarrow{n} 0.$$

Therefore $(\Im F_n)(e^{i\theta}) \xrightarrow{n} 0$ boundedly and everywhere, hence

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |(\Im F_n)(e^{i\theta})|^2 d\mu(\theta) \xrightarrow{n} 0.$$

This contradicts with (3.4). □

Theorem 3.28. *A nonzero Helson-Szegö measure is necessarily of the form $d\mu(\theta) = w(\theta)d\theta$ with $w \geq 0$ in $L_1(-\pi, \pi)$ and $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(\theta)d\theta > -\infty$.*

Proof. By theorem we have $d\mu(\theta) = w(\theta)d\theta$ with $w \geq 0$ and $w \in L_1$. Suppose

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(\theta)d\theta = -\infty;$$

then we have sequence of trigonometric polynomials $P_n \in \mathbb{P}(0)$ such that,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |1 - P_n(\theta)|^2 w(\theta) d\theta \xrightarrow{n} 0.$$

Put $T_n(\theta) = 1 - P_n(\theta)$. Then $P_n = \widetilde{\widetilde{T}}_n$, so if $w(\theta)d\theta$ is a Helson-Szegö measure,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |P_n(\theta)|^2 w(\theta) d\theta &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\widetilde{\widetilde{T}}_n(\theta)|^2 w(\theta) d\theta \leq C \cdot \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\widetilde{T}_n(\theta)|^2 w(\theta) d\theta \\ &\leq C^2 \cdot \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |T_n(\theta)|^2 w(\theta) d\theta \xrightarrow{n} 0. \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |P_n(\theta)|^2 w(\theta) d\theta \xrightarrow{n} 0,$$

and finally,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} 1^2 w(\theta) d\theta = 0.$$

or $w(\theta) = 0$ a.e. So we get a contradiction using Szegö's theorem. $\square$

Therefore, our study reduces to investigate measures of the form $w(\theta)d\theta$ with $w \geq 0$ and in L_1 having property $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(\theta) d\theta > -\infty$. Now we have a definition:

Definition 3.29. If $T(\theta) = \sum_n a_n e^{in\theta}$ is a trigonometric polynomial, call

$$(\Pi T)(\theta) = \sum_{n>0} a_n e^{in\theta}.$$

Also we have following notations:

$$\langle f, g \rangle_w = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \overline{g(\theta)} w(\theta) d\theta,$$

$$\|f\|_w = \sqrt{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(\theta)|^2 w(\theta) d\theta}.$$

Now we have two lemmas;

Lemma 3.30.

$$\|\widetilde{T}\|_w \leq K \|T\|_w$$

for all trigonometric polynomials T and some K iff

$$\|\Pi T\|_w \leq C \|T\|_w$$

for all such T and some C .

Proof. First of all observe that for all trigonometric polynomial $T(\theta) = \sum_n a_n e^{in\theta}$ we have,

$$\overline{T(\theta)} = \sum_n \overline{a_{-n}} e^{in\theta},$$

so,

$$\overline{(\Pi T)(\theta)} = \sum_{n < 0} a_n e^{in\theta},$$

and finally,

$$\tilde{T} = -i\Pi T + i\overline{(\Pi T)}.$$

and clearly we have $\|\tilde{T}\|_w = \|T\|_w$, so if $\|\Pi T\|_w \leq C\|T\|_w$,

$$\|\tilde{T}\|_w \leq \|\Pi T\|_w + \|\Pi \overline{T}\|_w \leq C\|T\|_w + C\|T\|_w = 2C\|T\|_w.$$

Now observe that, for all T we have $2\Pi T = -\tilde{\tilde{T}} + i\tilde{T}$, so if $\|\tilde{T}\|_w \leq K\|T\|_w$,

$$\|\Pi T\|_w \leq \frac{K^2 + K}{2} \|T\|_w. \quad \square$$

Lemma 3.31. $w(\theta)d\theta$ is a Helson-Szegö measure iff there is a $\rho < 1$ such that, whenever $P, Q \in \mathbb{P}(0)$,

$$\left| \Re \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P(e^{i\theta}) \cdot e^{-i\theta} Q(e^{i\theta}) w(\theta) d\theta \right| \leq \rho \|P\|_w \|Q\|_w. \quad (3.5)$$

Proof. By Lemma 3.30, $w(\theta)d\theta$ is a Helson-Szegö iff $\|\Pi T\|_w \leq C\|T\|_w$ for each trigonometric polynomial T . Any such T can be written as $P(\theta) + e^{i\theta} \overline{Q(e^{i\theta})}$ where $P, Q \in \mathbb{P}(0)$ and $P = \Pi T$. For such T we have

$$\|T\|_w^2 = \|P\|_w^2 + \|Q\|_w^2 + 2\Re \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P(e^{i\theta}) e^{-i\theta} Q(e^{i\theta}) w(\theta) d\theta. \quad (3.6)$$

If the inequality (3.5) holds then (3.6) is,

$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \|P\|_w^2 + \|Q\|_w^2 - 2\rho \|P\|_w^2 \|Q\|_w^2 = (1 - \rho^2) \|P\|_w^2 + (\rho \|P\|_w^2 - \|Q\|_w^2)^2 \\ &\geq (1 - \rho^2) \|P\|_w^2 = (1 - \rho^2) \|\Pi T\|_w^2, \end{aligned}$$

proving

$$\|\Pi T\|_w^2 \leq \frac{1}{1 - \rho^2} \|T\|_w^2.$$

Conversely, if $w(\theta)d\theta$ is a Helson-Szegö measure i.e $\|P\|_w^2 \leq C^2\|T\|_w^2$ where we can assume C is greater than 1, when $\|P\|_w^2 = \|Q\|_w^2 = 1$, we have $\|T\|_w^2 \geq 1/C^2$. So using (3.6) we get,

$$\|T\|_w^2 = 1 + 1 + 2\Re \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P(e^{i\theta})e^{-i\theta}Q(e^{i\theta})w(\theta)d\theta \geq \frac{1}{C^2},$$

$$\Re \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P(e^{i\theta})e^{-i\theta}Q(e^{i\theta})w(\theta)d\theta \geq -\left(1 - \frac{1}{2C^2}\right).$$

Repeating same argument with $-P$ instead of P we get,

$$\Re \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} P(e^{i\theta})e^{-i\theta}Q(e^{i\theta})w(\theta)d\theta \leq 1 - \frac{1}{2C^2},$$

this proves (3.5) with $\rho = 1 - 1/2C^2$. □

Now we can have Helson-Szegö's result:

Theorem 3.32 (Helson-Szegö). *A measure $d\mu$ such that*

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |\tilde{T}(\theta)|^2 d\mu(\theta) \leq C \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |T(\theta)|^2 d\mu(\theta)$$

for all trigonometric polynomials T is necessarily of the form

$$d\mu(\theta) = e^{u(\theta)+\tilde{v}(\theta)}d\theta$$

where u and v are real valued, $|u(\theta)|$ is bounded, and

$$|v(\theta)| \leq \frac{\pi}{2} - \epsilon, \quad \epsilon > 0$$

Conversely, if $d\mu(\theta) = e^{u(\theta)+\tilde{v}(\theta)}d\theta$ as given above, then the above inequality holds for some C .

Proof. By theorems 3.4 and 3.28 we can restrict to examine $d\mu(\theta) = w(\theta)d\theta$ with $w \in L_1$, and

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(\theta)d\theta > -\infty.$$

Take any such w and form

$$\phi(z) = \exp \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{it} + z}{e^{it} - z} \log \sqrt{w(t)} dt \right);$$

clearly ϕ is an outer function and it is in H_2 because $w \in L_1$, and by boundary behaviour of harmonic functions

$$|\phi(e^{i\theta})| = w(\theta) \quad \text{a.e.}$$

Call

$$\frac{w(\theta)}{(\phi(e^{i\theta}))^2} = e^{iv(\theta)}.$$

By Lemma 3.31, $w(\theta)d\theta$ is Helson-Szegö iff, for some $\rho < 1$, $P, Q \in \mathbb{P}(0)$ and $\|P\|_w \leq 1$, $\|Q\|_w \leq 1$ imply

$$\left| \Re \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi(e^{i\theta})P(e^{i\theta}).\phi(e^{i\theta})e^{-i\theta}Q(e^{i\theta})e^{iv(\theta)}d\theta \right| \leq \rho.$$

By replacing P with $e^{i\gamma}$ and varying γ through real values, we get

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \phi(e^{i\theta})P(e^{i\theta}).\phi(e^{i\theta})e^{-i\theta}Q(e^{i\theta})e^{iv(\theta)}d\theta \right| \leq \rho\|\phi P\|_2\|\phi Q\|_2$$

for all $P, Q \in \mathbb{P}(0)$. Now by Beurling's Theorem $\phi\mathbb{P}(0)$ is dense in $H_2(0)$ and $e^{-i\theta}\phi(e^{i\theta}).\mathbb{P}(0)$ is dense in H_2 . So above condition is equivalent to

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{iv(\theta)}F(e^{i\theta})G(e^{i\theta})d\theta \right| \leq \rho\|F\|_2\|G\|_2$$

for all $F \in H_2(0)$ and $G \in H_2$.

We can have any $f \in H_1(0)$ can be written as FG with $F \in H_2(0)$, $G \in H_2$ and $\|F\|_2 = \|G\|_2 = \sqrt{\|f\|_1}$.

So, finally $w(\theta)d\theta$ is a Helson-Szegö measure iff, for some $\rho < 1$

$$\left| \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{iv(\theta)}f(\theta)d\theta \right| \leq \rho\|f\|_1, \quad f \in H_1(0).$$

By subsection (3.1.2) this equivalent to

$$\|e^{iv(\theta)} - H_\infty\|_\infty \leq \rho < 1. \tag{3.7}$$

Suppose now that $w_0(\theta) = e^{\tilde{v}(\theta)}$ with

$$|v(\theta)| \leq \frac{\pi}{2} - \epsilon, \quad \epsilon > 0.$$

Then, as we constructed in the beginning of the proof the corresponding outer function $\phi_0(e^{i\theta})$ satisfies $(\phi_0(e^{i\theta}))^2 = e^{\tilde{v}(\theta) - iv(\theta)}$, so $w_0(\theta)/\phi_0(e^{i\theta})^2 = e^{iv(\theta)}$.

Since $|v(\theta)| \leq (\pi/2) - \epsilon$, we have

$$|e^{iv(\theta)} - \sin \epsilon| \leq \cos \epsilon < 1,$$

and the constant $\sin \epsilon$ is in H_∞ , so (3.7) is fulfilled with $\rho = \cos \epsilon < 1$. Then, $\|\tilde{T}\|_{w_0} \leq K_0 \|T\|_{w_0}$. If now $w(\theta) = e^{u(\theta)} w_0(\theta)$, and $-c \leq u(\theta) \leq c$, we still have

$$\|\tilde{T}\|_w \leq e^{2c} \|T\|_w.$$

So our condition is sufficient.

For if the (3.7) holds we get an $h \in H_\infty$ with

$$\left| \frac{w(\theta)}{(\phi(e^{i\theta}))^2} - h(e^{i\theta}) \right| = |e^{iv(\theta)} - h(e^{i\theta})| \leq \rho < 1.$$

Multiplying by $|\phi(e^{i\theta})|^2 = w(e^{i\theta})$, we almost everywhere get,

$$|(\phi(e^{i\theta}))^2 h(e^{i\theta}) - w(\theta)| \leq \rho w(\theta).$$

where $w(\theta) > 0$ a.e. because $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \log w(\theta) d\theta > -\infty$. So the boundary values $(\phi(e^{i\theta}))^2 h(e^{i\theta})$ of the H_1 function $\phi^2 h$ belongs almost everywhere to the sector $|\arg W| \leq \arcsin \rho < (\pi/2)$, and by Poisson formula for H_1 functions given in Theorem 2.8, the values $(\phi(z))^2 h(z)$ also belong to that sector for $|z| < 1$. In particular, $\Re \phi^2 h \geq 0$ meaning $\phi^2 h \geq 0$ is outer. So it is of the form $e^{i\gamma} e^{u+i\tilde{u}}$ where γ is real. We now have $|\tilde{u}(e^{i\theta} + \gamma)| \leq \arcsin \rho$, so by we can take harmonic conjugate

$$\widetilde{\tilde{u} + \gamma} = -u + u(0).$$

Call $-\tilde{u}(e^{i\theta} - \gamma) = v_1(\theta)$. Then $|v_1(\theta)| \leq \arcsin \rho$ and $u(e^{i\theta}) \tilde{v}_1(\theta) + c$, c real constant, so

$$|h(e^{i\theta})| |\phi(e^{i\theta})|^2 = e^{\tilde{v}_1(\theta) + c}.$$

Finally,

$$|e^{v(\theta)} - h(e^{i\theta})| \leq \rho < 1$$

makes

$$\frac{1}{1 + \rho} \leq \frac{1}{|h(e^{i\theta})|} \leq \frac{1}{1 - \rho},$$

so we can call

$$\frac{e^c}{|h(e^{i\theta})|} = e^{u_1(\theta)}$$

with a bounded real u_1 . Then

$$w(\theta) = |\phi(e^{i\theta})|^2 = e^{u_1(\theta) + \tilde{v}_1(\theta)}$$

with $|v_1(\theta)| \leq \arcsin \rho < \pi/2$.

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