

**APPROXIMATION OF THE BERGMAN NORM BY THE  
 NORMS OF THE DIRECT PRODUCT  
 OF TWO SZEGŐ SPACES**

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**ABSTRACT.** Let  $G$  be a bounded regular region in the plane. Let  $H_2^{1/2}(G)$  denote the Szegő space of  $G$  composed of analytic functions on  $G$  with finite norm

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} |f(z)|^2 |dz| \right\}^{1/2} < \infty.$$

We set  $f(z) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j(z) \psi_j(z)$  ( $\varphi_j, \psi_j \in H_2^{1/2}(G)$ ). Then, we determine a necessary and sufficient condition for  $f(z)$  to make the equality

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \iint_G |f(z)|^2 dx dy = \min \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} \varphi_j(z_1) \overline{\varphi_k(z_1)} |dz_1| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} \psi_j(z_2) \overline{\psi_k(z_2)} |dz_2| \right\}$$

hold. The minimum is taken here over all analytic functions  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j(z_1) \psi_j(z_2)$  on  $G \times G$  satisfying  $f(z) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j(z) \psi_j(z)$  on  $G$ .

**1. Introduction and statement of result.** Let  $G$  denote an  $N$ -ply connected bounded regular region in the plane with boundary contours  $\{C_r\}_{r=1}^N$ . Let  $B(G)$  and  $H_2^{1/2}(G)$  denote the Bergman space and the Szegő space of  $G$  composed of analytic functions on  $G$  with finite norms

$$\left\{ \iint_G |f(z)|^2 dx dy \right\}^{1/2} < \infty \quad (z = x + iy)$$

and

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} |f(z)|^2 |dz| \right\}^{1/2} < \infty,$$

respectively. In the latter case,  $f(z)$  means the Fatou boundary value of  $f$  at  $z \in \partial G$ . Let  $\{Z_r(z) dz\}_{r=1}^{N-1}$  be a basis of analytic differentials on  $\overline{G}$  which are real along  $\partial G$  such that

$$Z_r(z) = \int_{C_r} L(\xi, z) d\xi,$$

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$L(\zeta, z)$  is the adjoint  $L$ -kernel of the usual Bergman kernel  $K(\zeta, \bar{z})$  on  $G$ . Cf. [6, Chapter 4]. Let  $K^E(z, \bar{u})$  and  $\hat{K}(z, \bar{u})$  denote the exact Bergman kernel and the Szegő kernel of  $G$ , respectively. Then, we have the identity

$$4\pi\hat{K}(z, \bar{u})^2 = K^E(z, \bar{u}) + \sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} \sum_{\mu=1}^{N-1} C_{\nu,\mu} \overline{Z_\nu(u)} Z_\mu(z) \quad \text{on } G$$

for some uniquely determined constants  $\{C_{\nu,\mu}\}$ . D. A. Hejhal [2] established the positive definiteness of the real symmetric matrix  $\|C_{\nu,\mu}\|$  by means of the Riemann theta function. For an elementary proof and a general result for that positive definiteness, see [3].

In [4], we obtained the following theorem:

**THEOREM A** [4, THEOREM 2.1]. *Any  $f(z) \in B(G)$  can be represented by a series*

$$f(z) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j(z)\psi_j(z) \quad (\varphi_j, \psi_j \in H_2^{1/2}(G)) \tag{1.1}$$

and the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_G |f(z)|^2 dx dy \\ & < \min \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} \varphi_j(z_1) \overline{\varphi_k(z_1)} |dz_1| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} \psi_j(z_2) \overline{\psi_k(z_2)} |dz_2| \right\} \end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

is valid. The minimum is taken here over all analytic functions  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j(z_1)\psi_j(z_2)$  on  $G \times G$  satisfying (1.1).

Conversely, if the  $jk$  sum in (1.2) is finite, then the function  $f(z)$  defined by the series (1.1) belongs to the class  $B(G)$ .

In order to state a sense of the  $jk$  sum in (1.2), we introduce the direct product

$$H = H_2^{1/2}(G) \otimes H_2^{1/2}(G)$$

of the two Szegő spaces. Let  $\{\Phi_j(z)\}_{j=1}^{\infty}$  be a complete orthonormal system of  $H_2^{1/2}(G)$ . Then, the  $H$  is formed by functions on  $G \times G$  such that

$$f(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{j,k} \Phi_j(z_1)\Phi_k(z_2), \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |A_{j,k}|^2 < \infty \tag{1.3}$$

and the scalar product  $(\cdot, \cdot)_H$  of  $H$  is defined as follows:

$$(f(z_1, z_2), h(z_1, z_2))_H = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{j,k} \overline{B_{j,k}}, \tag{1.4}$$

where  $h(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} B_{j,k} \Phi_j(z_1)\Phi_k(z_2) \in H$ . The  $jk$  sum in (1.2) is the square of the norm of  $f(z_1, z_2)$  in  $H$ . Cf. [1].

Next, we introduce the Hilbert space  $H_R$  which is formed by restricting the functions in  $H$  to the diagonal set  $D$  of  $G \times G$  formed by all the elements

$\{(z, z); z \in G\}$ . Here, for any such restriction  $f \in H_R$ , the norm  $\|f\|_R$  is defined by  $\min\|h\|_H$  for all  $h \in H$ , the restriction of which to  $D$  is  $f$ . Of course,  $\|\cdot\|_H$  denotes the norm of  $H$ . Cf. [1, Theorem II, p. 361]. Hence, the minimum in (1.2) is the square of the norm of  $f$  in  $H_R$ . As a result of the general theory, we obtained the following:

**THEOREM B [4, THEOREM 3.1, THE FIRST PART].** *In (1.2), equality holds for  $f(z) \in B(G)$  if and only if*

$$(f(z), g(z))_R = 0 \quad \text{for all } g(z) \in B_{\text{real}}(G). \quad (1.5)$$

Here  $(\cdot, \cdot)_R$  denotes the scalar product of  $H_R$  and  $B_{\text{real}}(G)$  the vector space generated by  $\{Z_\nu(z)\}_{\nu=1}^{N-1}$ .

In this paper, we show that

**THEOREM 1.1.** *In (1.2), equality holds for  $f(z) \in B(G)$  if and only if  $f(z) dz$  is exact.*

Therefore this paper also gives supplementary remarks to [4]. In the proof of this theorem, the following theorem is important:

**THEOREM C [5, THEOREM 2.1].** *For any*

$$f(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_{j,k} \Phi_j(z_1) \Phi_k(z_2) \in H,$$

the restriction  $f(z, z)$  to  $D$  can be uniquely decomposed as follows:

$$f(z, z) = h'(z) + \sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} d_\nu Z_\nu(z) \quad \text{on } G, \quad (1.6)$$

$h'(z) \in B(G)$  and  $\{d_\nu\}$  are constants and the inequality

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |A_{j,k}|^2 \\ & > \min \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} \varphi_j(z_1) \overline{\varphi_k(z_1)} |dz_1| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} \psi_j(z_2) \overline{\psi_k(z_2)} |dz_2| \right\} \\ & = \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_G |h'(z)|^2 dx dy + \sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} \sum_{\mu=1}^{N-1} D_{\nu,\mu} d_\nu \overline{d_\mu}, \end{aligned} \quad (1.7)$$

$\|D_{\nu,\mu}\|$  is the inverse of  $\|C_{\nu,\mu}\|$

is valid. The minimum is taken here over all analytic functions  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j(z_1) \psi_j(z_2)$  on  $G \times G$  satisfying

$$f(z, z) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j(z) \psi_j(z) \quad \text{on } G, \quad \varphi_j, \psi_j \in H_2^{1/2}(G). \quad (1.8)$$

**2. Proof of Theorem.** For any  $f(z) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \varphi_j(z) \psi_j(z) = h'(z) + \sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} d_\nu Z_\nu(z) \in B(G)$  ( $\varphi_j, \psi_j \in H_2^{1/2}(bG)$ ), from Theorem A and Theorem B,

we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_G |f(z)|^2 dx dy \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_G \left| h'(z) + \sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} d_\nu Z_\nu(z) \right|^2 dx dy \\ &< \min \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} \varphi_j(z_1) \overline{\varphi_k(z_1)} |dz_1| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial G} \psi_j(z_2) \overline{\psi_k(z_2)} |dz_2| \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_G |h'(z)|^2 dx dy + \sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} \sum_{\mu=1}^{N-1} D_{\nu,\mu} d_\nu \overline{d_\mu}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.1}$$

Since

$$\iint_G h'(z) \overline{Z_\nu(z)} dx dy = 0 \quad \text{for } \nu = 1, 2, \dots, N - 1, \tag{2.2}$$

(cf. [6, Chapter 4]), we thus have

$$\sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} \sum_{\mu=1}^{N-1} \left( D_{\nu,\mu} - \iint_G Z_\nu(z) \overline{Z_\mu(z)} dx dy \right) d_\nu \overline{d_\mu} > 0. \tag{2.3}$$

Suppose that for  $f(z) \in B(G)$ , equality holds in (1.2) and so in (2.1), then from Theorem B and Theorem C, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (f(z), g(z))_R &= \left( h'(z) + \sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} d_\nu Z_\nu(z), g(z) \right)_R \\ &= \left( \sum_{\nu=1}^{N-1} d_\nu Z_\nu(z), g(z) \right)_R \\ &= 0 \quad \text{for all } g(z) \in B_{\text{real}}(G). \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

Hence all the  $d_\nu$  are zero and so we have the desired result.

In particular, in the above proof, we obtained the following theorem. Cf. [2, Theorem 39, p. 107]:

**THEOREM 2.1.** *The matrix*

$$\left\| D_{\nu,\mu} - \iint_G Z_\nu(z) \overline{Z_\mu(z)} dx dy \right\|^{(N-1)(N-1)}$$

*is positive definite.*

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