ℓ^p -type Dirichlet Spaces

Abstract

In this paper we consider a class of Banach spaces B_p extending the classical Dirichlet space through the growth behaviour of the Taylor coefficients. We focus on the boundary behaviour of functions in B_p and of the sequence of partial sums of their Taylor series.

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1 Introduction and preliminaries

Let \mathbb{D} , \mathbb{T} and \mathbb{C} denote the open unit disc, its boundary and the complex plane, respectively. We will write $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$ for an analytic function in \mathbb{D} , so that we can represent

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k.$$

Given $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$, it is said to belong to the classical Dirichlet space D if its Dirichlet integral is finite, that is

$$D := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f'|^2 \, dm_2 < \infty \},$$

where dm_2 denotes integration with respect to the normalized Lebesgue area measure on \mathbb{D} . From $f'(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k a_k z^{k-1}$ it is easily seen that

$$\int_{\mathbb{D}} |f'|^2 \, dm_2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k |a_k|^2,$$

which implies, in particular, that D is a subspace of the Hardy space H^2 (see [11] for Hardy spaces). The Dirichlet space turns into a Banach space by considering the norm

$$||f||_D := \left(|f(0)|^2 + \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f'|^2 dm_2 \right)^{1/2} = \left(|a_0|^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k |a_k|^2 \right)^{1/2},$$

which is induced by the scalar product $\langle f,g\rangle := f(0)\overline{g(0)} + \int_{\mathbb{D}} f'\overline{g'} \, dm_2.$

The Dirichlet space has attracted much attention in the last decades. Recommended introductions are the monography [13] and the expository article [27]. It can be actually shown that D is contained in all Hardy spaces H^r , for $r < \infty$, and it turns out that the situation concerning the boundary behaviour of $f \in D$ and, accordingly, of the partial sums $S_n f$ of the Taylor series, is significantly more favourable than in the case of the Hardy spaces: By Beurling's theorem (see e.g. [13] or [27]), the non-tangential limit function of f exists quasi everywhere, that is, up to a set of vanishing (outer) logarithmic capacity, and, by Abel's theorem and Fejér's Tauberian theorem (see e.g. [22], [20, Remarks I.5.5]), the partial sums $S_n f$ converge exactly in the points ζ on the unit circle \mathbb{T} where the non-tangential limit exists. This implies, in particular, that the sequence $(S_n f)_n$ converges to the non-tangential limit function quasi everywhere.

Let now $1 . Several ways of extending the Hilbert space case D to more general <math>L^p$ -type Banach spaces cases are quite natural.

On the one hand, extending the definition via the area integral leads to the analytic Besov spaces

$$B^p := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \varphi f' \in L^p(\mathbb{D}, \tau) \},\$$

with $\varphi(z) := 1 - |z|^2$ and $d\tau := \varphi^{-2} dm_2$, completely normed by

$$||f||_{B^p} := \left(|f(0)|^p + ||\varphi f'||_{L^p(\mathbb{D},\tau)} \right)^{1/p}$$

(see e.g. [30], [33]). It can be shown that $f \in B^p$ if and only if $\varphi f'' \in L^p(\mathbb{D}, \varphi^{-1}m_2)$ (see e.g. [3, Example 5, p. 18]). With that in mind,

$$B^1 := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f''| \, dm_2 < \infty \}$$

extends the family $(B^p)_{p>1}$ in a natural way. According to [2], the Besov spaces B^p are increasing in p, with B^{∞} being the classical Bloch space.

On the other hand, extending the characterisation of the Dirichlet space via convergence of the series $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k |a_k|^2$ leads to considering, here for $1 \leq p \leq \infty$, the ℓ^p -type spaces

$$B_p := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : (ka_k)_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \in \ell^p(\mathbb{N}, \nu) \},\$$

where $\varphi(k) = k$ and $d\nu := \varphi^{-1}d\mu$ with μ denoting the counting measure on N. For $1 \le p < \infty$ we have

$$B_p = \{ f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{p-1} |a_k|^p < +\infty \}$$

with the complete norm

$$||f||_{B_p} := \left(|a_0|^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{p-1} |a_k|^p \right)^{1/p}$$

With these notations, $D = B^2 = B_2$. We also note that B_{∞} is the space of all $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$ with $a_k = O(1/k)$ (normed by $||f||_{B_{\infty}} := |a_0| + \sup_k k|a_k|$) and that B_1 is isomorphic to the analytic Wiener space.

For $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$, let $(S_n f)(z) := \sum_{k=0}^n a_k z^k$ denote the *n*-th partial sum of the Taylor series $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^\infty a_k z^k$. From the definition of $\|\cdot\|_{B_p}$ it follows that, for $f \in B_p$, the partial sums are norm-convergent to f for $1 \le p < \infty$. In particular, the polynomials are dense in B_p .

While the Besov spaces B^p are quite well understood, less is known about the spaces B_p , for p > 1. The aim of this paper is to study the boundary behaviour of functions $f \in B_p$ and of the corresponding sequences of partial sums $(S_n f)_n$ on \mathbb{T} (see Sections 2 and 3). Before that, we investigate several basic properties of the spaces B_p .

Note that functions in B_1 extend continuously to $\overline{\mathbb{D}}$. On the other hand,

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k \log(k)} z^k \quad (z \in \mathbb{D})$$

belongs to B_p for all p > 1 and

$$\liminf_{r \to 1^-} f(r) \ge \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k \log(k)} = \infty.$$

In particular, f is unbounded in \mathbb{D} , that is, f does not belong to H^{∞} . According to the prime number theorem, the same holds for $f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} z^k / p_k$, where p_k denotes the k-th prime number.

Let in the sequel q always denote the conjugate exponent of p, that is

$$pq = p + q.$$

As a consequence of Hölder's inequality and the Hausdorff-Young theorem we get

Proposition 1.1. If $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \in B_p$, for some p, then $(a_k)_k \in \ell^s$ for all s > 1, and $f \in \bigcap_{r < \infty} H^r$.

Proof. We may assume that 1 . For any <math>p' > q (or, equivalently q' < p) we have that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|^{q'} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{q'/q} \frac{1}{k^{q'/q}} |a_k|^{q'} \le \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{p-1} |a_k|^p\right)^{q'/p} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k^{\frac{pq'}{q(p-q')}}}\right)^{\frac{p-q}{p}}$$

A calculation shows that the exponent of the second series being greater than 1 is equivalent to q' > 1, and so we obtain the convergence of the geometric series on the right hand side. Now, $f \in B_p$ implies the convergence of the series on the left hand side. With that, the Hausdorff-Young theorem ([12, Theorem A, p. 76]) allows us to conclude that $f \in H^r$ for all $r < \infty$.

As mentioned above, the Besov spaces are increasing in p. In contrast, the spaces B_p are neither increasing nor decreasing:

Remark 1.2. Let $1 . On the one hand, for <math>0 < \alpha < \infty$, the function

$$f_{\alpha}(z) = \sum_{k=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k \log^{\alpha}(k)} z^{k}$$

belongs to B_p if and only if $\alpha > 1/p$. If we choose $1/p' < \alpha < 1/p$, we obtain that $f_{\alpha} \in B_{p'}$ but $f_{\alpha} \notin B_p$. In particular, the spaces B_p are not decreasing in p. On the other hand, let $r, s \in \mathbb{N}$ be so that $q' \leq s/r < q$. A simple calculation yields that the function $f_{r,s}$ given by the lacunary series

$$f_{r,s}(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}),$$

where $a_k = 1/2^{j \cdot r}$ if $k = 2^{j \cdot s}$ for some $j \in \mathbb{N}$, and zero otherwise, belongs to B_p but not to $B_{p'}$. In particular, the spaces B_p are neither increasing in p. Moreover, if 1 , by choosing <math>p' = 2 it is seen that $f_{r,s}$ does not belong to B^t for any t < 2, since otherwise, by Theorems A and C from [32], we would have $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k |a_k|^t < \infty$, and thus $f_{r,s}$ would also belong to $\bigcap_{t \le u \le 2} B_u$. In particular, B_p is not included in $\bigcup_{1 < t < 2} B^t$.

The functions f_{α} also show that, for $1 , the space <math>B_p$ with pointwise multiplication of functions is not an algebra: By choosing $1/p < \alpha < (1+1/p)/2$ we have $(f_{\alpha})^2(z) = \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} c_k z^k$ where the coefficients c_k are given by

$$c_{k} = \sum_{j=2}^{k-2} \frac{1}{j \log^{\alpha}(j)(k-j) \log^{\alpha}(k-j)}$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{k \log^{\alpha}(k)} \sum_{j=2}^{k-2} \frac{1}{j \log^{\alpha}(j)} \geq \frac{1}{k \log^{\alpha}(k)} \cdot \frac{C}{\log^{\alpha-1}(k)} = \frac{C}{k \log^{2\alpha-1}(k)}.$$

Hence, we obtain that

$$\sum_{k=4}^{\infty} k^{p-1} |c_k|^p \ge C^p \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k \log^{p(2\alpha-1)}(k)} > \sum_{k=4}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k \log(k)} = \infty$$

For $f, g \in H(\mathbb{D})$ with $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ and $g(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$, the Hadamard product f * g is defined by

$$(f * g)(z) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k b_k z^k \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}).$$

With respect to the Hadamard product, B_p becomes an algebra. Actually, more generally we have that $f * g \in B_p$ if $f \in B_p$ and $(b_k)_k$ is bounded. Moreover, from the definition it turns out that

$$B_{2p} = \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : f * f' = (f * f)' \in B_p \}$$

for $p < \infty$.

Using results of Zhu for the Besov spaces we show:

Theorem 1.3. For $1 \le p \le 2$ the space B^p is continuously embedded in B_p and, conversely, for $2 \le p \le \infty$ the space B_p is continuously embedded in B^p .

Proof. Consider the linear mapping $T: B^1 + B^2 = B^2 \to \ell^2(\mathbb{N}, \nu)$ given by $Tf = (a_k)_k$, where $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$. From Theorem C in [30] it follows that $B^1 \subset B_1$ with continuous inclusion map. Hence, $T|_{B^1}$ maps B^1 continuously into $\ell^1(\mathbb{N}, \nu)$. Since $B^2 = B_2$ with norm equivalence, an application of the complex interpolation theorem (see [33, Theorem 1.32] or [5]) together with Theorem 6.12 in [33] shows that $B^p \subset B_p$ for 1 , with continuous inclusion map.

Now, if $(b_k)_k \in \ell^{\infty}(\mathbb{N}, \nu)$, that is $(b_k)_k$ is bounded, we have

$$\left|\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k\right| \le \sup_k |b_k| \frac{1}{1-|z|}$$

and so $\varphi g \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{D}, \tau)$, where $g(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k$. Also, g belongs to the Bergman space

$$A^{2} = \{g \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \int_{\mathbb{D}} |g|^{2} dm_{2} < \infty\}$$

if and only if $(b_k)_k \in \ell^2(\mathbb{N}, \nu)$. This shows that $T((b_k)_k) := \varphi g$ defines a (bounded) linear mapping $T : \ell^2(\mathbb{N}, \nu) + \ell^\infty(\mathbb{N}, \nu) \to L^2(\mathbb{D}, \tau) + L^\infty(\mathbb{D}, \tau)$. An application of the Riesz-Thorin interpolation theorem shows that T maps $\ell^p(\mathbb{N}, \nu)$ boundedly to $L^p(\mathbb{D}, \tau)$ for $2 . Now, if <math>f \in B_p$, then $(b_k)_k = (ka_k)_k \in$ $\ell^p(\mathbb{N}, \nu)$, and so $\varphi f'$ belongs to $L^p(\mathbb{D}, \tau)$, which means that $f \in B^p$. \Box

2 Growth and boundary behaviour

Note that functions in B_{∞} belong to the Bloch space B^{∞} , which means that

$$f(z) = O\left(\log\left(\frac{1}{1-|z|}\right)\right) \quad (|z| \to 1^{-})$$

for $f \in B_{\infty}$. We shall prove that for functions in B_p the growth is restricted by $\log^{1/q}(1/(1-|z|^q))$ (cf. [13, Theorem 1.2.1] for the case p=2). To this aim, for each $w \in \mathbb{D}$, we compute the norm of the evaluation functional $\Lambda_w : B_p \to \mathbb{C}$ given by $\Lambda_w f := f(w)$.

Note first that

$$\langle f,g\rangle := a_0\overline{b_0} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} ka_k\overline{b_k},\tag{1}$$

where $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \in B_p$, $g(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k$, defines a linear-antilinear pairing for the spaces B_p and B_q . Indeed, by the Hölder-Young inequality, and writing $k = k^{1/p} k^{1/q}$, we obtain that

$$|a_0\overline{b_0}| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k|a_k\overline{b_k}| \le \left(|a_0|^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{p-1}|a_k|^p\right)^{1/p} \left(|b_0|^q + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{q-1}|b_k|^q\right)^{1/q}$$

Since $(kz^{k-1})_{k\in\mathbb{N}}$ is an orthonormal system in $L^2(\mathbb{D}, m_2)$, it is easily seen that

$$\langle f - a_0, g - b_0 \rangle = \int_{\mathbb{D}} f' \overline{g'} \, dm_2$$

(cf. [8, Proposition 6.4.2], [2]).

In particular, $\phi_g(f) := \langle f, g \rangle$ defines a bounded linear functional on B_p , that is, $\phi_g \in (B_p)'$, with $\|\phi_g\|_{(B_p)'} \leq \|g\|_{B_q}$. Actually, every functional of $(B_p)'$ admits such a representation:

Proposition 2.1. Let $1 . Then <math>g \mapsto \phi_g$ maps B_q isometrically isomorphic to $(B_p)'$.

Proof. According to the preliminary considerations, it suffices to show that each $\phi \in (B_p)'$ is of the form ϕ_g and that $\|g\|_{B_q} \leq \|\phi\|_{(B_p)'}$. So let $\phi \in (B_p)'$ be given and let $g(z) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k$ where $b_0 := \phi(1)$ and $b_k := \phi(z^k)/k$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Now, consider the sequence $(c_k)_k$ defined by

$$c_0 := |b_0|^{q-2}\overline{b_0},$$

$$c_k := k^{q-2}|b_k|^{q-2}\overline{b_k}, \quad (k \in \mathbb{N}).$$

Then, we have that $c_0b_0 = |b_0|^q$ and $c_kb_k = k^{q-2}|b_k|^q$ $(k \in \mathbb{N})$, while on the other hand $|c_0|^p = |b_0|^q$ and $k^{p-1}|c_k|^p = k^{q-1}|b_k|^q$ $(k \in \mathbb{N})$. If we fix an arbitrary $N \in \mathbb{N}$, from the boundedness of ϕ we obtain that

$$|b_0|^q + \sum_{k=1}^N k^{q-1} |b_k|^q = \phi\left(\sum_{k=0}^N c_k z^k\right) \le \|\phi\|_{(B_p)'} \left(|c_0|^p + \sum_{k=1}^N k^{p-1} |c_k|^p\right)^{1/p}.$$

Putting all together we obtain that

$$\left(|b_0|^q + \sum_{k=1}^N k^{q-1} |b_k|^q\right)^{1/q} \le \|\phi\|_{(B_p)'}.$$

Finally, letting $N \to \infty$ gives us $\|g\|_{B_q} \leq \|\phi\|_{(B_p)'}$, and from the definition of $(b_k)_k$ we have $\phi = \phi_g$.

Now, for $w \in \mathbb{D}$ we consider the function $k_w \in H(|w|^{-1}\mathbb{D})$ given by

$$k_w(z) := 1 + \log\left(\frac{1}{1 - \overline{w}z}\right) = 1 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\overline{w}^k}{k} z^k.$$

Then

$$||k_w||_{B_q}^q = 1 + \log\left(\frac{1}{1-|w|^q}\right) = \log\left(\frac{e}{1-|w|^q}\right),$$

and for $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$ we have

$$\Lambda_w f = a_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k a_k \frac{w^k}{k} = \langle f, k_w \rangle.$$

So, we can view the functions $k_w \in B_q$ as a kind of reproducing kernel in B_p . From Proposition 2.1 we obtain

$$\|\Lambda_w\|_{(B_p)'} = \|k_w\|_{B_q} = \log^{1/q} \left(\frac{e}{1-|w|^q}\right),$$

and as a consequence, we have:

Theorem 2.2. If $1 and <math>f \in B_p$, then

$$|f(z)| \le \log^{1/q} \left(\frac{e}{1-|z|^q}\right) ||f||_{B_p} \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}).$$

Remark 2.3. Let $\varepsilon : \mathbb{D} \to (0, \infty)$ be a function such that $\liminf_{|z| \to 1^-} \varepsilon(z) = 0$. Then, there exists $f \in B_p$ such that

$$f(z) \neq O\left(\varepsilon(z)\log^{1/q}\left(\frac{e}{1-|z|^q}\right)\right) \quad (|z| \to 1^-).$$

Indeed: Let $(w_n)_n$ be a sequence in \mathbb{D} with $\varepsilon(w_n) \to 0$. Consider the sequence of functions $(g_n)_n$ in B_q given by

$$g_n(z) := \varepsilon(w_n)^{-1} \log^{-1/q} \left(\frac{e}{1 - |w_n|^q}\right) k_{w_n}(z) \quad (z \in \mathbb{D}).$$

Since

$$||g_n||_{B_q} = \varepsilon(w_n)^{-1} \log^{-1/q} \left(\frac{e}{1-|w_n|^q}\right) ||k_{w_n}||_{B_q} = \varepsilon(w_n)^{-1} \to \infty$$

as $n \to \infty$, the sequence $(g_n)_n$ is unbounded in B_q . By the Banach-Steinhaus theorem, there exists $f \in B_p$ such that $\sup_{n \ge 1} |\langle f, g_n \rangle| = \infty$.

In the sequel we investigate the boundary functions and the behaviour of the partial sums $S_n f$ of B_p -functions. We start with an extension of Fejér's Tauberian theorem mentioned in the introduction. It is formulated in [20, Remark 5.5] with the comment that the proof follows along the same lines as the proof of Fejér's theorem. Since it is basic for our purposes, we include a proof. For $p = \infty$ the result also holds, and is the classical Littlewood's theorem (see [34, Vol I, Theorem III 1.38]).

Proposition 2.4. Let $f \in B_p$, where $1 . Then, the sequence of partial sums of the Taylor series <math>(S_n f(\zeta))_n$ converges at every point $\zeta \in \mathbb{T}$ at which the radial limit of f exists.

Proof. Let $p < \infty$ and $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$. We put $\varepsilon_n := \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^{p-1} |a_k|^p$ and take $n \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $r_n := 1 - \varepsilon_n^{1/p}/n > 0$. Then, for all $\zeta \in \mathbb{T}$, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k \zeta^k - f(r_n \zeta) \right| &= \left| \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} a_k \zeta^k (1 - r_n^k) - \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} a_k r_n^k \zeta^k \right| \\ &\leq (1 - r_n) \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} k |a_k| + \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |a_k| r_n^k \end{aligned}$$

Applying the Hölder inequality and $k = k^{1/p} k^{1/q}$ gives

$$(1-r_n)\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} k|a_k| \leq (1-r_n) \left(\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} k^{p-1}|a_k|^p\right)^{1/p} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} k^{q/p}\right)^{1/q} \leq (1-r_n)\varepsilon_0^{1/p} n = \varepsilon_0^{1/p}\varepsilon_n^{1/p} \to 0 \quad (n \to \infty)$$

and

$$\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |a_k| r_n^k \leq \frac{1}{n^{1/q}} \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^{1/q} |a_k| r_n^k \leq \frac{1}{n^{1/q}} \left(\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^{p-1} |a_k|^p \right)^{1/p} \left(\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} r_n^{kq} \right)^{1/q}$$
$$\leq \frac{1}{n^{1/q}} \varepsilon_n^{1/p} \frac{1}{(1-r_n)^{1/q}} = \varepsilon_n^{1/p^2} \to 0 \quad (n \to \infty)$$

In combination with Abel's limit theorem, the above Tauberian result shows that, for functions in B_p , convergence of the partials sum $(S_n f)(\zeta)$ and existence of a radial limit of f at ζ are equivalent. In order to get information about sets of convergence on \mathbb{T} we relate the spaces B_p (and B^p) to other Banach spaces of holomorphic functions in the disc.

It is well-known that, for $1 , functions in <math>H^p$ are the Cauchy integral of their boundary function belonging to $L^p(\mathbb{T}, m_1)$, with m_1 denoting the arc length measure on \mathbb{T} . For p > 1 and $0 < \beta < 1$, the space H^p_β is the space of all $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$ for which there exists $F \in L^p(\mathbb{T}, m_1)$ such that

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \frac{F(\zeta)}{(1 - z\overline{\zeta})^{1-\beta}} \, dm_1(\zeta), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

The boundary behaviour of functions in the latter spaces was studied in [19] and [26]. By considering an arbitrary exponent α of the weight function φ , the class B^p can be extended into the more general Dirichlet-type spaces D^p_{α} , defined by

$$D^p_{\alpha} := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \int_{\mathbb{D}} \varphi^{\alpha} |f'|^p \, dm_2 < \infty \}$$

for p > 1 and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. In particular, we have $B^p = D_{p-2}^p$ for $1 . The spaces <math>D_{\alpha}^p$ were studied e.g. in [14], [28], [29]. The approach in these papers is to represent functions in D_{α}^p through the class H_{β}^p . Among others, Girela and Peláez ([14]) showed that the inclusion

$$D^p_{\alpha} \subset H^p_{(p-\alpha-1)/p}$$

holds true whenever $-1 < \alpha < p-1$ and $1 , and the converse inclusion was proved by Twomey (see [28]) if <math>p \ge 2$. So, in particular, $B^p \subset H^p_{1/p}$ for $1 . In [29] also the spaces <math>B_p$ are considered. It is shown that $B_p \subset H^q_{1/q}$ for $1 , while <math>B_p \subset H^p_{1/p}$ for $p \ge 2$.

Let $C_{\alpha,p}$ denote the Bessel capacity (see [23], [1]; cf. [29]). The capacities $C_{1/p,p}$ are ordered in the sense that $C_{1/r,r}(E) = 0$ implies $C_{1/s,s}(E) = 0$ for $1 < r < s < \infty$ (see [23], cf. [29]). Moreover, $C_{1/2,2}$ -capacity is equivalent to logarithmic capacity in the sense that $C_{1/2,2}(E) = 0$ if and only if the logarithmic capacity of E vanishes. Thus, in particular, if $C_{1/r,r}(E) = 0$ for some 1 < r < 2, then the logarithmic capacity of E vanishes.

Remark 2.5. As a consequence of [29, Theorem 1 and Lemma], it follows that, for $1 and for any <math>f \in B_p$, the sequence $(S_n f)_n$ converges $C_{1/q,q}$ quasi everywhere on \mathbb{T} , and, for any $f \in B^p$, convergence holds $C_{1/p,p}$ -quasi everywhere. Moreover, if $p \geq 2$, then $C_{1/p,p}$ -quasi everywhere convergence of the sequence $(S_n f)_n$ holds for all $f \in B_p$.

From Theorem 2.4 and the fact that Cesaro summability at $\zeta \in \mathbb{T}$ implies the existence of the non-tangential limit at ζ (see [34, Vol I, Theorem III 1.34]) we finally obtain: **Theorem 2.6.** For $1 , <math>f \in B_p$ and $\zeta \in \mathbb{T}$ the following statements are equivalent:

- 1. $(S_n f(\zeta))_n$ converges.
- 2. $(S_n f(\zeta))_n$ is Cesaro summable.
- 3. f has a non-tangential limit at ζ .
- 4. f has a radial limit at ζ .

The conditions hold $C_{1/q,q}$ -quasi everywhere for $1 and <math>C_{1/p,p}$ -quasi everywhere for 2 .

3 Sets of universality

In the last decades, universality properties of various forms have been investigated. We consider universality of the sequence of partial sums $S_n f$. For fholomorphic in \mathbb{D} , Λ an infinite subset of \mathbb{N}_0 and E a closed subset of \mathbb{T} we say that the sequence of partial sums $(S_n f)_{n \in \Lambda}$ is universal, if $\{S_n f : n \in \Lambda\}$ is a dense set in C(E) (here C(E) denotes the space of all continuous functions on E endowed with the uniform topology). For X a Banach space of functions holomorphic in \mathbb{D} , we call the closed set $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ a set of universality for X if for all infinite sets $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{N}_0$ a residual set of functions in X exists with the property that $(S_n f)_{n \in \Lambda}$ is universal on E.

In [4] it was proved that each closed set of vanishing arc length measure is a set of universality for all Hardy spaces H^p , where $p < \infty$. According to Twomey's results (Remark 2.5), this cannot be the case for any of the spaces B_p , where $p < \infty$, or B^p with $p \leq 2$. Khrushchev ([17, Theorem 3.2]) recently showed that, for each closed $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ with $\operatorname{cap}_p(E) = 0$, where the capacity cap_p is determined by an appropriate Besov space norm (see also [18, p. 124]), there are functions in the Besov space B^p so that $(S_n f)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is universal on E. Since $\operatorname{cap}_p(E) = 0$ if and only if the logarithmic capacity of E vanishes, this shows in particular that functions in the Dirichlet space D with universal Taylor series on E exist.

The universality result turns out to be a consequence of a result on simultaneous approximation by polynomials. We will show that a similar approximation result holds for B_p on appropriate small closed sets $E \subset \mathbb{T}$, and with that we also prove the existence of universal Taylor series.

Remark 3.1. If $F, G \subset \mathbb{T}$ are closed sets, then the product set $F \cdot G := \{z_1 \cdot z_2 : z_1 \in F, z_2 \in G\}$ is easily seen to be also closed in \mathbb{T} . In particular, if $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ is closed, then the product set $E^d := \{z_1 \cdots z_d : z_1, \dots, z_d \in E\}$ $(d \in \mathbb{N})$ of E is

also closed in \mathbb{T} . On the other hand, if $F, G \subset \mathbb{T}$ are closed sets with logarithmic capacity zero, this does not imply that the product set $F \cdot G$ has also logarithmic capacity zero (see [24, Section 6]).

We write $p_0 := \infty$ and $p_d := 2d/(2d-1)$ for $d \in \mathbb{N}$.

Theorem 3.2. Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$ and $p_d \leq p < p_{d-1}$. Then, each closed set $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ so that E^d has logarithmic capacity zero is a set of universality for B_p .

As a consequence of Theorem 3.2 and the Tauberian theorem 2.4, we obtain the following extension of the converse of Beurling's theorem for the Dirichlet space due to Carleson (see e.g. [7], [27, Theorem 5.4], and [13, Theorem 3.4.1] for a strengthened version).

Corollary 3.3. Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$ and $p_d \leq p < p_{d-1}$. If $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ is closed and so that E^d has logarithmic capacity zero, then for a residual set of functions $f \in B_p$ radial limits do not exist in any point of E.

As formulated in [10, Lemma 2.5] (cf. also the proof of Theorem 1.1 in [4]), an application of the Universality Criterion (see [15] or [16]) shows that, for Theorem 3.2, it suffices to prove the following result on simultaneous approximation by polynomials in B_{p_d} and C(E), where C(E) is endowed with the uniform norm $\|\cdot\|_E$).

Theorem 3.4. Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$ and $p_d \leq p < p_{d-1}$. If $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ is a closed set such that E^d has logarithmic capacity zero, then for all $(f,g) \in B_p \times C(E)$ and all $\varepsilon > 0$, there is a polynomial P such that $||f - P||_{B_p} < \varepsilon$ and $||g - P||_{C(E)} < \varepsilon$.

Remark 3.5. For the Besov spaces B^p a similar result on simultaneous approximation holds for sets with $\operatorname{cap}_p(E) = 0$ (see [17, proof of Theorem 3.2]). Note, however, that, due to the lack of a corresponding Tauberian theorem, in contrast to the case of functions B_p this does not give information on the non-existence of radial limits on sets E with $\operatorname{cap}_p(E) = 0$. For the disc algebra it turns out that E is a set of universality if and only if E is finite (see [6]). Note that here unrestricted limits exist in all points of \mathbb{T} . Also, this shows that a simultaneous approximation property as above is not necessary for having universality.

We turn to the proof of the central Theorem 3.4, and start with several notions and preliminary results.

Let $X = (X, || \cdot ||_X)$ be a Banach space of holomorphic functions on \mathbb{D} or of continuous functions on a subset of \mathbb{T} so that the polynomials are dense in X, and that

$$r_X := \limsup_{n \to \infty} ||P_n||_X^{1/n} < \infty$$

with $P_n(z) := z^n$. In this case we will say that X is regular. In particular, regular spaces are separable since the polynomials with (Gaußian) rational coefficients also form a dense subset. By X' we denote the norm dual of X,

that is, the space of bounded linear functionals on X, and by H(0) the linear space of germs of functions holomorphic at 0. Then, the Cauchy transform $C_X: X' \to H(0)$ with respect to X is defined by

$$(C\phi)(w) := (C_X\phi)(w) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \phi(P_k)w^k$$

for $|w| < 1/r_X$ and $\phi \in X'$. Since the polynomials form a dense set in X, the Hahn-Banach theorem implies that C_X is injective. By definition, the range R_X of C_X is the Cauchy dual of X. For closed $E \subset \mathbb{T}$, the norm dual of C(E) is the space of Borel measures supported on E (with the total variation norm), and the Cauchy dual is the set of all restrictions to \mathbb{D} of Cauchy integrals

$$\widehat{\mu}(w) := \int \frac{1}{1 - w\overline{\zeta}} d\mu(\zeta) \qquad (w \in \mathbb{C} \setminus E)$$

of a complex Borel measure with support in E.

The following consequence of the Hahn-Banach theorem (see [18, Theorem 1.2], [10, Lemma 2.7]) is the basis for our subsequent considerations.

Lemma 3.6. Let X and Y be regular. Then, $R_X \cap R_Y = \{0\}$ if and only if the pairs (P, P), where P ranges over the set of polynomials, form a dense set in the sum $X \oplus Y$.

Remark 3.7. Using Lemma 3.6, the statement on simultaneous approximation from Theorem 3.4 can be transformed into an equivalent one saying that no non-zero function in the Cauchy dual of B_{p_d} can coincide on \mathbb{D} with some Cauchy transform $\hat{\mu}$ for a measure μ supported on E (cf. [4, Lemma 2.1]).

We consider the two parameter family of spaces $B_{p,\gamma}$, for p > 1 and $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$, given by

$$B_{p,\gamma} := \{f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \in H(\mathbb{D}) \ : \ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{\gamma} |a_k|^p < +\infty\},$$

which become Banach spaces when endowed with the norm

$$||f||_{B_{p,\gamma}} := \left(|a_0|^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k^{\gamma} |a_k|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

In particular, $B_{2,-1}$ is the classical Bergman space A^2 .

Proposition 3.8. Let $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ and $1 . Then, the Cauchy dual of <math>B_{p,\gamma}$ equals $B_{1,-\gamma q/p}$ with $||\phi||_{(B_{p,\gamma})'} = ||C\phi||_{B_{q,-\gamma q/p}}$ for each $\phi \in (B_{p,\gamma})'$. In particular, the Cauchy dual of B_p is $B_{q,-1}$.

Proof. Given $g(w) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k w^k \in B_{q,-\gamma q/p}$ and $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \in B_{p,\gamma}$, Hölder's inequality yields

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k b_k| = |a_0 b_0| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |k^{\gamma/p} a_k k^{-\gamma/p} b_k| \le ||f||_{B_{p,\gamma}} ||g||_{B_{q,-\gamma q/p}}.$$

Hence, $\phi_g(f) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k b_k$ defines a bounded linear functional on $B_{p,\gamma}$ with $\|\phi_g\|_{(B_{p,\gamma})'} \leq \|g\|_{B_{q,-\gamma q/p}}$, and $C\phi_g = g$.

On the other hand, for $\phi \in (B_{p,\gamma})'$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$, let $g := C\phi$ be the Cauchy transform of ϕ , and $b_k := \phi(P_k)$. By considering the sequence $(c_k)_k$ defined by $c_0 := |b_0|^{q-2}b_0$ and $c_k := k^{-\gamma q/p}|b_k|^{q-2}b_k$ for $k \in \mathbb{N}$, in a similar way as in the proof of Proposition 2.1 it can be shown that $\|g\|_{B_{q,-\gamma q/p}} \leq \|\phi\|_{(B_{p,\gamma})'}$.

If $f \in H(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus E_1)$ and $g \in H(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus E_2)$ with E_1, E_2 compact subsets of \mathbb{T} and \mathbb{C}_{∞} the extended plane, then $E_1 \cdot E_2$ is compact, and if $E_1 \cdot E_2 \neq \mathbb{T}$, the Hadamard multiplication theorem implies that $f * g \in H(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus (E_1 \cdot E_2))$ with

$$(f * g)(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{-k} b_{-k} / z^{k+1}$$

in $\mathbb{D}_e = \mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ if $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{-k}/z^{k+1}$ and $g(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_{-k}/z^{k+1}$ in \mathbb{D}_e (see [25, Theorem 2.7, Example 2.8]).

Let $d \in \mathbb{N}$, $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$ with $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$. We write f^{*d} for the *d*-times iterated Hadamard product

$$f^{*d}(z) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k^d z^k.$$

With that we have

$$B_{2d,-1} = \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : f^{*d} \in A^2 \}.$$

So far we have worked with the spaces $B_{p,\gamma}$ on the unit disc. We need to take into consideration the analogous spaces on the complement of the closed unit disc with respect to \mathbb{C}_{∞} .

Definition 3.1. Let $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ and $1 . We write <math>\mathbb{D}_e = \mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ and define $B_{p,\gamma,e}$ as the space of all functions $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k/z^{k+1} \in H(\mathbb{D}_e)$ such that

$$\|f\|_{B_{p,\gamma,e}}^p := \sum_{k=1}^\infty k^\gamma |b_k|^p < \infty.$$

Moreover, for closed subsets E of \mathbb{T} we write

$$B_{p,\gamma}(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus E) := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus E) : f|_{\mathbb{D}_e} \in B_{p,\gamma,e}, \ f|_{\mathbb{D}} \in B_{p,\gamma} \}.$$

Remark 3.9. A classical theorem on removable singularities for functions in Bergman spaces (see, e.g. [13, p. 178] or [9]) says that $B_{2,-1}(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus E)$ reduces to the zero space if E is a closed subset of \mathbb{T} of vanishing logarithmic capacity. Now, if $d \in \mathbb{N}$, according to the Hadamard multiplication theorem, for $f \in B_{2d,-1}(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus E)$ we have $f^{*d} \in B_{2,-1}(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus E^{*d})$. So, if E is a closed subset of \mathbb{T} so that E^d is of logarithmic capacity zero, then

$$B_{2d,-1}(\mathbb{C}_{\infty}\backslash E) = \{0\}.$$

We finally highlight a remarkable result of Khrushchev and Peller (Remark after Corollary 3.8 in [18]; see also [21] for a very nice and simple proof).

Lemma 3.10. Let μ be a complex measure supported on \mathbb{T} and let $d \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $\widehat{\mu}|_{\mathbb{D}} \in B_{2d,-1}$ implies $\widehat{\mu} \in B_{2d,-1}(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus \mathbb{T})$

With that we are in a position to give the proof of Theorem 3.4, and with that in particular of Theorem 3.2:

Proof of Theorem 3.4. For $p_d \leq p < p_{d-1}$ we have $2d - 2 < q \leq 2d$. Let

$$f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \in B_{q,-1}$$

be so that $f = \hat{\mu}$ for some complex measure μ supported on E. Then,

$$a_k = \int \overline{\zeta}^k \, d\mu(\zeta)$$

for $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ and with that $|a_k| \leq |\mu|(F)$ for all k. Since $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|^q/(k+1) < \infty$, the boundedness of $(a_k)_k$ implies that also $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|^{2d}/(k+1) < \infty$. Now, Lemma 3.10 shows that $\hat{\mu}$ belongs to $B_{2d,-1}(\mathbb{C}_{\infty} \setminus E)$. But then Remark 3.9 implies that f = 0. As an application of Lemma 3.6 with $X = B_p$ and Y = C(E), the statement of Theorem 3.4 holds.

Remark 3.11. Let $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ be closed set having positive logarithmic capacity. Then Beurling's Theorem implies that simultaneous approximation as in Theorem 3.4 does not hold for $D = B_2$, and thus Lemma 3.6 implies the existence of a non-zero function $f \in A^2$ that coincides with the Cauchy transform $\hat{\mu}$ of some complex measure μ supported on E. The proof of Theorem 3.4 yields then that f also belongs to $B_{q,-1}$, for all $q \geq 2$. Lemma 3.6 now shows that simultaneous approximation as in Theorem 3.4 does not hold for any of the spaces B_p , where 1 .

Let $A(\mathbb{D})$ denote the disc algebra, and let $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ be closed. The Rudin-Carleson theorem states that for every $f \in C(E)$ there exists $g \in A(\mathbb{D})$ such that f = g on E if E has arc length measure zero. Khrushchev and Peller proved that a similar result holds for $A(\mathbb{D}) \cap D$ if the logarithmic capacity of E vanishes and, more generally, for $A(\mathbb{D}) \cap B^p$ if $\operatorname{cap}_p(E) = 0$ (see [18, Theorem 3.17], [21], cf. [13, Section 4.3]). According to results of Wallin and Sjödin, the corresponding conditions turn out to be also necessary (see [18], [21]).

The main ingredient for the proof of the Khrushchev-Peller theorem is Theorem 3.8 from [18], which has Lemma 3.10 as corollary. A second important fact is that for complex measures on \mathbb{T} with finite *p*-energy and closed sets $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ with cap_p(E) = 0 the measure μ vanishes on all closed subsets of E (see [18, Lemma 3.7], cf. [21, Lemma 1]). By observing that μ vanishes on all closed subsets F of E if the *d*-fold convolution μ^{*d} vanishes on all F^d , and by following and adapting the proof of [18, Theorem 3.17] (or again [21]) one can deduce:

Theorem 3.12. Let $E \subset \mathbb{T}$ be a closed set such that E^d has logarithmic capacity zero. Then, for all $d \in \mathbb{N}$ the restrictions to E^d of the functions in $A(\mathbb{D}) \cap B_{p_d}$ fill out C(E).

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