

WEIGHTED DIFFERENTIATION COMPOSITION OPERATORS FROM THE α -BLOCH SPACE TO THE α -BLOCH-ORLICZ SPACE

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Abstract. The boundedness and the compactness of the weighted differentiation composition operators from the α -Bloch space \mathcal{B}_α to the α -Bloch-Orlicz space \mathcal{B}_α^ϕ with $\alpha > 0$ are investigated respectively in this paper.

1. Introduction

Let $S(\mathbb{D})$ be the collection of all analytic self-maps of the unit disk \mathbb{D} of the complex plane \mathbb{C} . The composition operator C_ϕ induced by $\phi \in S(\mathbb{D})$ is defined as $C_\phi f = f \circ \phi$ for each $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$, where $H(\mathbb{D})$ is the collection of all holomorphic functions on the unit disk. The n -th iterates of an analytic self-map $\phi \in S(\mathbb{D})$ are denoted by ϕ_n , where $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Specially, ϕ_0 stands for the identity self-map. For a given $\psi \in H(\mathbb{D})$, the pointwise multiplication operator can be defined by $M_\psi(f) = \psi \cdot f$, where $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$. By combining the composition operator C_ϕ and the multiplication operator M_ψ , the weighted composition operator ψC_ϕ is defined by $\psi C_\phi f(z) = \psi(z)f(\phi(z))$, where $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$. An extensive study on the theory of composition operators and the weighted composition operators has been established during the past several decades on various settings. We refer to some excellent papers [14][15][17][19][22] and the famous book [3] for properties on different classical spaces of holomorphic functions.

Let $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be a positive integer. The n -th differentiation operator D^n on $H(\mathbb{D})$ is defined by

$$D^n f(z) = f^{(n)}(z), z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

It deduces into the well-known differentiation operator $Df(z) = f'(z), z \in \mathbb{D}$ when $n = 1$. As a product of the multiplication operator, the composition operator and the n -th differentiation operator, the weighted differentiation composition operator was introduced by Zhu in [21], which is defined by

$$D_{\phi, \psi}^n f = \psi f^{(n)} \circ \phi, f \in H(\mathbb{D}).$$

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The one-to-one analytic self-maps that map \mathbb{D} onto itself, are called the *Möbius* transformation with the form $\lambda \varphi_a$, where $a \in \mathbb{D}$, $|\lambda| = 1$ and $\varphi_a(z) = \frac{a-z}{1-\bar{a}z}, z \in \mathbb{D}$.

We next recall that the Bloch space is a Banach space of analytic functions on the unit disk, which is defined as

$$\mathcal{B} = \{f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}} = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2) |f'(z)| < \infty\}.$$

The Bloch space \mathcal{B} is maximal among all *Möbius-invariant* Banach spaces of analytic functions on \mathbb{D} , which means that $\|f \circ \varphi\|_{\mathcal{B}} = \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}}$ holds for all $f \in \mathcal{B}$ and $\varphi \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ with the seminorm $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}}$. It is well-known that \mathcal{B} is a Banach space endowed with the norm $\|f\|_1 = |f(0)| + \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}}$.

For $0 < \alpha < \infty$, the α -Bloch space is defined by

$$\mathcal{B}_\alpha = \{f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha} = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f'(z)| < \infty\}.$$

It is a Banach space endowed with the norm $\|f\|_\alpha = |f(0)| + \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha}$.

The μ -Bloch space \mathcal{B}_μ is defined by

$$\mathcal{B}_\mu = \{f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\mu} = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu(z) |f'(z)| < \infty\}.$$

Also it is well-known that \mathcal{B}_μ is a Banach space endowed with the norm $\|f\|_\mu = |f(0)| + \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\mu}$.

Specifically, the α -Bloch space and the μ -Bloch space generalize the Bloch space in a natural way. In the past decades, basic questions including the boundedness and compactness of the composition operators on various spaces of holomorphic functions were studied by many authors (see, e.g., [5], [13], [16] and the references therein).

A function $\varphi : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is called the Young's function if φ is a strictly increasing convex function satisfying $\varphi(0) = 0$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \varphi(t) = \infty$. Using the Young's function, the study of the Bloch-Orlicz space \mathcal{B}^φ in the recent years is motivated by the development of the Hardy-Orlicz space and the Bergman-Orlicz space (see, e.g., [2, 10, 12] and [6, 9, 11], respectively). The Bloch-Orlicz space is a generalization of the classical Bloch space on the unit disk, which was firstly defined by Julio C. Ramos Fernández in [4] as

$$\mathcal{B}^\varphi = \{f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2) \varphi(\lambda |f'(z)|) < \infty\},$$

where λ is a positive number depending of f and φ is the Young's function. On the one hand, we can further assume without loss of generality that φ^{-1} is differentiable. If φ^{-1} is not differentiable, by considering the function $\Psi(t) = \int_0^t \frac{\varphi(x)}{x} dx$ for $t \geq 0$, then we can obtain that Ψ and Ψ^{-1} are both differentiable on $[0, \infty)$. Since $\frac{\varphi(t)}{t}$ increases on $[0, \infty)$, a direct calculation $\varphi(t) \geq \Psi(t) \geq \int_{\frac{t}{2}}^t \frac{\varphi(x)}{x} dx \geq \varphi(\frac{t}{2})$ shows that $\mathcal{B}^\varphi = \mathcal{B}^\Psi$. On the other hand, since φ is convex on $[0, \infty)$, the Minkowski's functional $\|f\|_\varphi = \inf\{k > 0 : S_\varphi(\frac{f}{k}) \leq 1\}$ defines a semi-norm, where $S_\varphi(f) :=$

$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2) \varphi(|f(z)|)$. Moreover, \mathcal{B}^φ is a Banach space with the norm $\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}^\varphi} := |f(0)| + \|f\|_\varphi$.

Furthermore, motivated by the same spirit, for $0 < \alpha < \infty$, the α -Bloch-Orlicz space $\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$ on the unit disk was considered by Liang in [7] (also see [8]), which is defined by

$$\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi = \{f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \varphi(\lambda |f'(z)|) < \infty\}$$

for some $\lambda > 0$ depending of f , where φ also denotes the Young’s function. On the one hand, we can further assume without loss of generality that φ^{-1} is differentiable by the same arguments discussed above. On the other hand, the Minkowski’s functional $\|f\|_{\varphi, \alpha} = \inf\{k > 0 : S_{\varphi, \alpha}(\frac{f'}{k}) \leq 1\}$ defines a semi-norm for $\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$, where $S_{\varphi, \alpha}(f) := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \varphi(|f(z)|)$. To this end, $\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$ becomes a Banach space with the norm $\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi} := |f(0)| + \|f\|_{\varphi, \alpha}$.

The properties of the composition operators on the Bloch-Orlicz space were initiated by Julio C. Ramos Fernández in [4], where the boundedness and compactness of the composition operators on the Bloch-Orlicz space were investigated. In [7] Liang investigated the boundedness and compactness of the Volterra-type operators from the weighted Bergman-Orlicz space to the β -Zygmund-Orlicz and the γ -Bloch-Orlicz spaces, respectively. However, the boundedness and compactness of the weighted differentiation composition operators from the α -Bloch space to the α -Bloch-Orlicz space have not been studied yet.

We use the notation $A \preceq B$ for quantities A and B to mean that $A \leq CB$ for some constant C since variables indicating the dependency of constants throughout this paper will not be necessarily specified.

2. Auxiliary

In this section, we show some basic results on the α -Bloch-Orlicz space $\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$ with $\alpha > 0$ to be used later. Most of them are direct statements from [7] and hence we omit the details.

PROPOSITION 2.1. [7] For $\alpha > 0$,

$$S_{\varphi, \alpha}(\frac{f'}{\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi}}) \preceq S_{\varphi, \alpha}(\frac{f'}{\|f\|_{\varphi, \alpha}}) \leq 1$$

holds for each $f \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$.

Proof. The proof is similar with Lemma 2 in [4]. \square

REMARK 2.2. Observe that for each $\alpha > 0$,

$$|f'(z)| \leq \varphi^{-1}(\frac{1}{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha}) \|f\|_{\varphi, \alpha} \tag{2.1}$$

holds for all $f \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$ and $z \in \mathbb{D}$ by Proposition 2.1. In fact, a simple estimation shows that

$$|f(z)| \leq |f(0)| + \int_{[0,s]} |f'(s)||ds| \leq (1 + |z|\varphi^{-1}(\frac{1}{(1-|z|^2)^\alpha}))\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi} \tag{2.2}$$

since $|s| \leq |z|$ for all $s \in [0, z]$ and φ^{-1} is an increasing function on $[0, +\infty)$, which also implies that the evaluation functional defined by $e_z(f) = f(z)$ is continuous on $\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$, where $z \in \mathbb{D}$ is fixed.

For $\alpha > 0$, the proposition below shows that the α -Bloch-Orlicz space is isometrically equal to a special μ -Bloch space.

PROPOSITION 2.3. ([7], Lemma 1.3) *For $\alpha > 0$, the α -Bloch-Orlicz space is isometrically equal to a μ_α -Bloch space, where*

$$\mu_\alpha(z) = \frac{1}{\varphi^{-1}(\frac{1}{(1-|z|^2)^\alpha})}$$

In other words,

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi} = |f(0)| + \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z)|f'(z)|$$

holds for each $f \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$.

REMARK 2.4. From Proposition 2.3, it follows that for $\alpha > 0$, the α -Bloch-Orlicz space $\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$ coincides with the $\frac{\alpha}{p}$ -Bloch space if $\varphi(t) = t^p$, $p > 1$.

The equivalent condition below is first appeared in [7]. However, there was a little mistake and hence it is modified as follows.

COROLLARY 2.5. *For $\alpha > 0$, the equivalent condition*

$$S_{\varphi,\alpha}(f) \leq 1 \Leftrightarrow \|f\|_{\varphi,\alpha} \leq 1$$

holds for each $f \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$.

3. The boundedness of the weighted differentiation composition operator from \mathcal{B}_α to $\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\varphi$ with $\alpha > 0$

In this section we investigate the boundedness of the weighted differentiation composition operators from the α -Bloch space to the α -Bloch-Orlicz space, where $\alpha > 0$. The method used in the proof of the boundedness is standard (see, e.g., [1]).

We first introduce a well-known result of the α -Bloch space with $\alpha > 0$ (see, e.g., [23]).

LEMMA 3.1. For $\alpha > 0$ and $f \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$, there exists a constant C_k dependent of $k \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$|f^{(k)}(z)| \leq \frac{C_k \|f\|_\alpha}{(1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha+k-1}}.$$

THEOREM 3.2. For $\alpha > 0$, the differentiation weighted composition operator $D_{\phi, \psi}^n$ is bounded from \mathcal{B}_α to \mathcal{B}_α^ϕ if and only if

$$A_n := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} < \infty$$

and

$$B_n := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)\phi'(z)|}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} < \infty.$$

Proof. Suppose that $A_n < \infty$ and $B_n < \infty$. For each $f \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha \setminus \{0\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) |(D_{\phi, \psi}^n f)'(z)| \\ & \leq \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) (|\psi'(z)f^{(n)}(\phi(z))| + |\psi(z)f^{(n+1)}(\phi(z))\phi'(z)|) \\ & \leq \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) (|\psi'(z)| \frac{C_n \|f\|_\alpha}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} + |\psi(z)\phi'(z)| \frac{C_{n+1} \|f\|_\alpha}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}}) \\ & \leq A_n C_n \|f\|_\alpha + B_n C_{n+1} \|f\|_\alpha \leq \tilde{C}(A_n + B_n) \|f\|_\alpha, \end{aligned}$$

where \tilde{C} is chosen in accordance with $C_n + C_{n+1} \leq \tilde{C}$ and the second inequality is calculated by Lemma 3.1. Then the boundedness of the weighted differentiation composition operator $D_{\phi, \psi}^n$ on \mathcal{B}_α^ϕ is guaranteed by

$$\|D_{\phi, \psi}^n f\|_{\varphi, \alpha} = \|D_{\phi, \psi}^n f\|_{\mu_\alpha} \lesssim \|f\|_\alpha$$

and

$$|D_{\phi, \psi}^n f(0)| \lesssim \|f\|_\alpha.$$

Conversely, if $D_{\phi, \psi}^n : \mathcal{B}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\phi$ is bounded, then there exists a constant $C \geq 0$ such that $\|D_{\phi, \psi}^n f\|_{\varphi, \alpha} \leq C \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha}$ for each $0 \neq f \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$.

Taking $h_n(z) = \frac{z^n}{n!} \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$, it follows by the boundedness of $D_{\phi, \psi}^n$ that

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)| = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) |(D_{\phi, \psi}^n h_n)'(z)| \leq C \|h_n\|_\alpha. \tag{3.1}$$

Further taking $h_{n+1}(z) = \frac{z^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$, it follows by the boundedness of $D_{\phi, \psi}^n$ again that

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)\phi(z) + \psi(z)\phi'(z)| = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) |(D_{\phi, \psi}^n h_{n+1})'(z)| \leq C \|h_{n+1}\|_\alpha.$$

Then we have that by (3.1)

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)\phi'(z)| \leq C \|h_{n+1}\|_\alpha. \tag{3.2}$$

Consider the function

$$f_{a,k}(z) = \frac{(1 - |a|^2)^{k+1}}{(1 - \bar{a}z)^{\alpha+k}},$$

where $a \in \mathbb{D}$, $z \in \mathbb{D}$ and $k \in \mathbb{N}$. A simple calculation shows that

$$f'_{a,k}(z) = \frac{(\alpha + k)\bar{a}(1 - |a|^2)^{k+1}}{(1 - \bar{a}z)^{\alpha+k+1}}$$

and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{a \in \mathbb{D}} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f'_{a,k}(z)| &= (\alpha + k) \sup_{a \in \mathbb{D}} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \frac{|\bar{a}|(1 - |a|^2)^{k+1}}{|1 - \bar{a}z|^{\alpha+k+1}} \\ &\leq (\alpha + k) \sup_{a \in \mathbb{D}} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha (1 - |a|^2)^{k+1}}{(1 - |z|)^\alpha (1 - |a|)^{k+1}} \leq (\alpha + k) 2^{\alpha+k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\sup_{a \in \mathbb{D}} \|f_{a,k}\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha} < \infty,$$

which yields to $f_{a,k} \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$.

On the one hand, for each $a \in \mathbb{D}$, we define

$$F(z) = \frac{(\alpha + n + 2)\alpha!}{(\alpha + n)!} f_{\phi(a),1}(z) - \frac{(\alpha + 1)!}{(\alpha + n)!} f_{\phi(a),2}(z), z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Obviously, $F \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$. A simple calculation shows that

$$F^{(n)}(z) = (\alpha + n + 2) \frac{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^2 \overline{\phi(a)}^n}{(1 - \overline{\phi(a)}z)^{\alpha+n+1}} - (\alpha + n + 1) \frac{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^3 \overline{\phi(a)}^n}{(1 - \overline{\phi(a)}z)^{\alpha+n+2}}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} F^{(n+1)}(z) &= (\alpha + n + 1)(\alpha + n + 2) \frac{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^2 \overline{\phi(a)}^{n+1}}{(1 - \overline{\phi(a)}z)^{\alpha+n+2}} \\ &\quad - (\alpha + n + 1)(\alpha + n + 2) \frac{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^3 \overline{\phi(a)}^{n+1}}{(1 - \overline{\phi(a)}z)^{\alpha+n+3}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have that $F^{(n)}(\phi(a)) = \frac{\overline{\phi(a)}^n}{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}}$ and $F^{(n+1)}(\phi(a)) = 0$. Note that for each $z \in \mathbb{D}$,

$$\frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)| |\overline{\phi(z)}|^n}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} = \mu_\alpha(z) |(D_{\phi,\psi}^n F)'(z)| \leq C \|F\|_\alpha,$$

which yields to

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)| |\phi(z)|^n}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} \lesssim \|F\|_\alpha.$$

Hence,

$$\sup_{|\phi(z)| > \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{n-1}} \leq \sup_{|\phi(z)| > \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)| |2\phi(z)|^n}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} \leq 2^n \|F\|_\alpha < \infty.$$

Furthermore, observe that by (3.1)

$$\sup_{|\phi(z)| \leq \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{n-1}} \lesssim \sup_{|\phi(z)| \leq \frac{1}{2}} \mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)| < \infty.$$

Then we conclude that

$$A_n = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} < \infty.$$

On the other hand, for each $a \in \mathbb{D}$, we define

$$G(z) = -\frac{\alpha!}{(\alpha+n)!} f_{\phi(a),1}(z) + \frac{(\alpha+1)!}{(\alpha+n+1)!} f_{\phi(a),2}(z), z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Obviously, $G \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$. A simple calculation shows that

$$G^{(n)}(z) = -\frac{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^2 \overline{\phi(a)}^n}{(1 - \overline{\phi(a)}z)^{\alpha+n+1}} + \frac{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^3 \overline{\phi(a)}^n}{(1 - \overline{\phi(a)}z)^{\alpha+n+2}}$$

and

$$G^{(n+1)}(z) = (\alpha+n+2) \frac{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^2 \overline{\phi(a)}^{n+1}}{(1 - \overline{\phi(a)}z)^{\alpha+n+2}} - (\alpha+n+1) \frac{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^3 \overline{\phi(a)}^{n+1}}{(1 - \overline{\phi(a)}z)^{\alpha+n+3}}.$$

Thus we have that $G^{(n+1)}(\phi(a)) = \frac{\overline{\phi(a)}^{n+1}}{(1 - |\phi(a)|^2)^{\alpha+n}}$ and $G^{(n)}(\phi(a)) = 0$. Note that for each $z \in \mathbb{D}$,

$$\frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)| |\phi'(z)| |\overline{\phi(z)}|^{n+1}}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} = \mu_\alpha(z) |(D_{\phi,\psi}^n G)'(z)| \leq C \|G\|_\alpha,$$

which yields to

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)| |\phi'(z)| |\phi(z)|^{n+1}}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} \lesssim C \|G\|_\alpha.$$

Hence,

$$\sup_{|\phi(z)| > \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)| |\phi'(z)|}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} \leq \sup_{|\phi(z)| > \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)| |\phi'(z)| |2\phi(z)|^{n+1}}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} \leq 2^{n+1} C \|G\|_\alpha < \infty.$$

Furthermore, observe that by (3.2) and the fact $\|\phi\|_\infty \leq 1$,

$$\sup_{|\phi(z)| \leq \frac{1}{2}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z)|\psi(z)||\phi'(z)|}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} \lesssim \sup_{|\phi(z)| \leq \frac{1}{2}} \mu_\alpha(z)|\psi(z)||\phi'(z)| < \infty.$$

Then we conclude that

$$B_n = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z)|\psi(z)||\phi'(z)|}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} < \infty.$$

This completes the proof. \square

4. The compactness of the weighted differentiation composition operator from \mathcal{B}_α to \mathcal{B}_α^ϕ with $\alpha > 0$

In this section we investigate the compactness of the weighted differentiation composition operators from the α -Bloch space to the α -Bloch-Orlicz space with $\alpha > 0$, where the method we used in the proof is also standard (see, e.g., [1]).

THEOREM 4.1. *For $\alpha > 0$, the weighted differentiation composition operator $D_{\phi,\psi}^n$ is compact from \mathcal{B}_α to \mathcal{B}_α^ϕ if and only if $\psi \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\phi$,*

$$J := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z)|\psi(z)\phi'(z)| < \infty, \tag{4.1}$$

$$\lim_{|\phi(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z)|\psi'(z)|}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} = 0 \tag{4.2}$$

and

$$\lim_{|\phi(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z)|\psi(z)\phi'(z)|}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} = 0. \tag{4.3}$$

Proof. Suppose that $\psi \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\phi$, (4.1), (4.2) and (4.3) hold. We firstly prove that $D_{\phi,\psi}^n : \mathcal{B}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\phi$ is bounded. For every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a $0 < r < 1$ such that for $|\phi(z)| > r$,

$$\frac{\mu_\alpha(z)|\psi'(z)|}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

and

$$\frac{\mu_\alpha(z)|\psi(z)\phi'(z)|}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

hold. It follows that by the conditions $\psi \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha^\phi$ and (4.1),

$$A_n = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z)|\psi'(z)|}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\|\psi\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^\phi}}{(1-r^2)^{\alpha+n-1}}$$

and

$$B_n = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)\phi'(z)|}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{J}{(1 - r^2)^{\alpha+n-1}}.$$

Then we conclude that $D_{\phi,\psi}^n : \mathcal{B}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_\alpha^0$ is bounded.

For a chosen sequence $\{f_j\}_j \subset \mathcal{B}_\alpha$ which satisfies that $\sup_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|f_j\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha} \leq K$ and $\{f_j\}$ converges to zero uniformly on any compact subsets of the unit disk as $j \rightarrow \infty$, where K is a fixed constant, we are only supposed to check that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^0} = 0$ to establish the compactness of $D_{\phi,\psi}^n$. Note that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} f_j(0) = 0$ implies that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} f_j^{(k)}(0) = 0$ for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$ uniformly on any compact subsets of the unit disk.

It follows by Proposition 2.3 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \|D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^0} = \|D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j\|_{\mu_\alpha} \\ & \leq |D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j(0)| + \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \mu_\alpha(z) (|\psi'(z) f_j^{(n)}(\phi(z))| + |\psi(z)\phi'(z) f_j^{(n+1)}(\phi(z))|) \\ & \leq |D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j(0)| + \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |\phi(z)| \leq r\}} \mu_\alpha(z) (|\psi'(z) f_j^{(n)}(\phi(z))| + |\psi(z)\phi'(z) f_j^{(n+1)}(\phi(z))|) \\ & \quad + \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |\phi(z)| > r\}} \mu_\alpha(z) (|\psi'(z) f_j^{(n)}(\phi(z))| + |\psi(z)\phi'(z) f_j^{(n+1)}(\phi(z))|) \\ & \leq |D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j(0)| + \|\psi\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^0} \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |z| \leq r\}} |f_j^{(n)}(z)| + J \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |z| \leq r\}} |f_j^{(n+1)}(z)| \\ & \quad + \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |\phi(z)| > r\}} \mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z) f_j^{(n)}(\phi(z))| + \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |\phi(z)| > r\}} \mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)\phi'(z) f_j^{(n+1)}(\phi(z))| \\ & \leq |D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j(0)| + \|\psi\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^0} \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |z| \leq r\}} |f_j^{(n)}(z)| + J \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |z| \leq r\}} |f_j^{(n+1)}(z)| \\ & \quad + \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |\phi(z)| > r\}} \mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)| \frac{C_n \|f_j\|_\alpha}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} \\ & \quad + \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |\phi(z)| > r\}} \mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)\phi'(z)| \frac{C_{n+1} \|f_j\|_\alpha}{(1 - |\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} \\ & \leq |D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j(0)| + \|\psi\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^0} \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |z| \leq r\}} |f_j^{(n)}(z)| + J \sup_{\{z \in \mathbb{D}: |z| \leq r\}} |f_j^{(n+1)}(z)| + K\tilde{C}\varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

where \tilde{C} is chosen in accordance with $C_n + C_{n+1} \leq \tilde{C}$ and the third inequality from the bottom is calculated by Lemma 3.1. It follows that $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|D_{\phi,\psi}^n f_j\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^0} = 0$. Then we conclude that $D_{\phi,\psi}^n : \mathcal{B}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_\alpha^0$ is compact.

Conversely, suppose that $D_{\phi,\psi}^n : \mathcal{B}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_\alpha^0$ is compact and hence $D_{\phi,\psi}^n : \mathcal{B}_\alpha \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_\alpha^0$ is bounded. By (3.1) and (3.2), $\psi \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha^0$ and $J < \infty$ hold. We prove (4.2) and (4.3) hold as follows. Set $\{z_j\}_j$ be a sequence in the unit disk satisfying $\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} |\phi(z_j)| = 1$. If such sequence does not exist, then the proof is completed.

On the one hand, we define the function

$$F_{\phi(z_j)}(z) = \frac{(\alpha + n + 2)\alpha!}{(\alpha + n)!} \frac{(1 - |\phi(z_j)|^2)^2}{(1 - \overline{\phi(z_j)}z)^{\alpha+1}} - \frac{(\alpha + 1)!}{(\alpha + n)!} \frac{(1 - |\phi(z_j)|^2)^3}{(1 - \overline{\phi(z_j)}z)^{\alpha+2}},$$

where $j \in \mathbb{N}$ and $z \in \mathbb{D}$. Obviously, $F_{\phi(z_j)} \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$ and $F_{\phi(z_j)} \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on any compact subset of the unit disk as $j \rightarrow \infty$. By the compactness of $D_{\phi, \psi}^n$, it follows that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|D_{\phi, \psi}^n F_{\phi(z_j)}\|_{\mu_\alpha} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|D_{\phi, \psi}^n F_{\phi(z_j)}\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^0} = 0.$$

Note that $F_{\phi(z_j)}^{(n)}(\phi(z_j)) = \frac{\overline{\phi(z_j)}^n}{(1-|\phi(z_j)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}}$ and $F_{\phi(z_j)}^{(n+1)}(0) = 0$. Thus we have

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z_j) |\psi'(z_j)|}{(1-|\phi(z_j)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} = 0,$$

which yields to

$$\lim_{|\phi(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi'(z)|}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n-1}} = 0.$$

On the other hand, we define the function

$$G_{\phi(z_j)}(z) = -\frac{\alpha!}{(\alpha+n)!} \frac{(1-|\phi(z_j)|^2)^2}{(1-\overline{\phi(z_j)}z)^{\alpha+1}} - \frac{(\alpha+1)!}{(\alpha+n+1)!} \frac{(1-|\phi(z_j)|^2)^3}{(1-\overline{\phi(z_j)}z)^{\alpha+2}},$$

where $j \in \mathbb{N}$ and $z \in \mathbb{D}$. Obviously, $F_{\phi(z_j)} \in \mathcal{B}_\alpha$ and $F_{\phi(z_j)} \rightarrow 0$ uniformly on any compact subset of the unit disk as $j \rightarrow \infty$. By the compactness of $D_{\phi, \psi}^n$, it follows that

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|D_{\phi, \psi}^n F_{\phi(z_j)}\|_{\mu_\alpha} = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|D_{\phi, \psi}^n F_{\phi(z_j)}\|_{\mathcal{B}_\alpha^0} = 0.$$

Note that $G_{\phi(z_j)}^{(n+1)}(\phi(z_j)) = \frac{\overline{\phi(z_j)}^n}{(1-|\phi(z_j)|^2)^{\alpha+n}}$ and $G_{\phi(z_j)}^{(n)}(0) = 0$. Thus we have

$$\lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z_j) |\psi(z_j)| |\phi'(z_j)|}{(1-|\phi(z_j)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} = 0,$$

which yields to

$$\lim_{|\phi(z)| \rightarrow 1^-} \frac{\mu_\alpha(z) |\psi(z)| \phi'(z)}{(1-|\phi(z)|^2)^{\alpha+n}} = 0.$$

This completes the proof. \square

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