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Möbius invariant Besov spaces on the unit ball of \mathbb{C}^n

Dedicated to the memory of Professor Jan G. Krzyż

ABSTRACT. We give new characterizations of the analytic Besov spaces B_p on the unit ball \mathbb{B} of \mathbb{C}^n in terms of oscillations and integral means over some Euclidian balls contained in \mathbb{B} .

1. Introduction. Let $\mathbb{B} = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^n : |z| < 1\}$ denote the open unit ball in \mathbb{C}^n and $H(\mathbb{B})$ be the set of all holomorphic functions on \mathbb{B} . By $Aut(\mathbb{B})$ we mean the group of all automorphisms of \mathbb{B} . It is known that $Aut(\mathbb{B})$ is generated by the unitary operators and involutions of the form

$$\varphi_w(z) = \frac{w - P_w(z) - s_w Q_w(z)}{1 - \langle z, w \rangle},$$

where $w \in \mathbb{B}$, $s_w = (1 - |w|^2)^{1/2}$, P_w is the orthogonal projection of \mathbb{C}^n to the subspace spanned by w, i.e.

$$P_w(z) = \frac{\langle z, w \rangle}{|w|^2} w$$
 for $w \neq 0$, and $P_0(z) = 0$,

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and $Q_w = I - P_w$ (see, e.g. [13, 16] for definition and properties of the automorphism group of \mathbb{B}). The mapping φ_a is called the Möbius transformation. It is known that $\rho(z, w) = |\varphi_z(w)|$ is a metric on \mathbb{B} , the so-called pseudo-hyperbolic metric (see, e.g. [9, 15, 16]).

Let dv be the Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{B} normalized so that $v(\mathbb{B}) = 1$ and let $d\tau(z) = \frac{dv(z)}{(1-|z|^2)^{n+1}}$ be the invariant measure on \mathbb{B} .

For
$$f \in H(\mathbb{B})$$
, set

$$Q_f(z) = \sup_{0 \neq x \in \mathbb{C}^n} \frac{|\langle \nabla f(z), \overline{x} \rangle|}{H_z(x, x)^{1/2}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{B},$$

where $\nabla f(z) = (\partial f/\partial z_1, \partial f/\partial z_2, \dots, \partial f/\partial z_n)$ is the complex gradient of f and $H_z(x, x)$ is the Bergman metric on \mathbb{B} , that is

$$H_z(x,x) = \frac{n+1}{2} \frac{(1-|z|^2)|x|^2 + |\langle x,z\rangle|^2}{(1-|z|^2)^2}.$$

The Möbius invariant Besov space B_p , $1 , consists of all holomorphic functions on <math>\mathbb{B}$ for which $Q_f \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$. In the case $p = \infty$ the space B_∞ is the Bloch space \mathcal{B} ; so

$$\mathcal{B} = B_{\infty} = \{ f \in H(\mathbb{B}) : \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}} < \infty \},\$$

where

$$||f||_{\mathcal{B}} = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{B}} Q_f(z).$$

If $1 the space <math>B_p$ is the Banach space with the norm

$$||f||_{B_p} = |f(0)| + (p-1)||Q_f||_{L^p(d\tau)}.$$

Hahn and Youssfi [3] proved that for n > 1 the Besov space B_p is nontrivial and contains all polynomials if and only if p > 2n. Moreover, it is known that for $f \in H(\mathbb{B})$, the following conditions are equivalent

(i) $f \in B_p$, (ii) $|\nabla f(z)|(1-|z|^2) \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$, (iii) $|\widetilde{\nabla} f(z)| \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$ where $|\widetilde{\nabla} f(z)| = |\nabla (f \circ \varphi_z)(0)|$.

The proofs can be found in [3, 8, 16].

The following results for the space B_p are reminiscences of Holland and Walsh characterization of the Bloch space [6].

In the case n = 1 Stroethoff [14] proved that for 2 ,

$$f \in B_p \Leftrightarrow \int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left| \frac{f(z) - f(w)}{z - w} \right|^p (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} (1 - |w|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\tau(w) d\tau(z) < \infty.$$

This equivalence has been generalized to the unit ball case in [8], where the following result has been obtained. If 2n , then

$$f \in B_p \Leftrightarrow$$
(1)
$$\int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left(\frac{|f(z) - f(w)|}{|w - P_w(z) - s_w Q_w(z)|} \right)^p (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} (1 - |w|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\tau(w) d\tau(z) < \infty.$$

Let B(a, r) denote a Euclidian ball of radius r and centered at $a \in \mathbb{C}^n$. For $a \in \mathbb{B}$ and 0 < r < 1 let

$$E(a,r) = \{z \in \mathbb{B} : |\varphi_a(z)| < r\} = \varphi_a(B(0,r))$$

be the pseudo-hyperbolic (or Bergman) metric ball centered at z. Then E(a, r) is an elipsoid in \mathbb{C}^n . We will often use the following property of E(a, r).

There exists a positive constant C (dependent on r, but not on z and a) such that

(2)
$$C^{-1}(1-|z|^2) \le |1-\langle z,a\rangle| \le C(1-|a|^2)$$

for all $z \in E(a, r)$.

Using equivalence (1), we easily obtain the following

Theorem 1. Assume that $f \in H(\mathbb{B})$ and $2n . Then <math>f \in B_p$ if and only if

(3)
$$\int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left(\frac{|f(z) - f(w)|}{|1 - \langle z, w \rangle|} \right)^p (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} (1 - |w|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} d\tau(w) d\tau(z) < \infty.$$

Proof. Assume that for $f \in H(\mathbb{B})$ condition (3) is satisfied. Since

$$|\widetilde{\nabla}f(z)|^{p} \leq C \int_{E(z,r)} \frac{|f(w) - f(z)|^{p}}{|1 - \langle w, z \rangle|^{n+1}} dv(w), \quad (\text{see, e.g. [8]})$$

and for $w \in E(z, r)$,

(4)
$$1 - r^2 < 1 - |\varphi_z(w)|^2 = \frac{(1 - |z|^2)(1 - |w|^2)}{|1 - \langle w, z \rangle|^2},$$

we get, using (2),

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\mathbb{B}} |\widetilde{\nabla}f(z)|^{p} d\tau(z) \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{E(z,r)} \frac{|f(w) - f(z)|^{p}}{|1 - \langle w, z \rangle|^{n+1}} \frac{(1 - |z|^{2})^{p/2} (1 - |w|^{2})^{p/2}}{|1 - \langle w, z \rangle|^{p}} dv(w) d\tau(z) \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{E(z,r)} \frac{|f(w) - f(z)|^{p}}{(1 - |w|^{2})^{n+1}} \frac{(1 - |z|^{2})^{p/2} (1 - |w|^{2})^{p/2}}{|1 - \langle w, z \rangle|^{p}} dv(w) d\tau(z) \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{\mathbb{B}} \frac{|f(w) - f(z)|^{p} (1 - |z|^{2})^{p/2} (1 - |w|^{2})^{p/2}}{|1 - \langle w, z \rangle|^{p}} d\tau(w) d\tau(z). \end{split}$$

Hence (3) implies $f \in B_p$. The other implication follows from (1) and from the inequality

$$|w - P_w(z) - s_w Q_w(z)| \le |1 - \langle z, w \rangle|, \quad z, w \in \mathbb{B}.$$

For $\alpha > -1$ we define the weighted volume measure $dv_{\alpha}(z) = c_{\alpha}(1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha} dv(z)$, where c_{α} is a positive constant such that $v_{\alpha}(\mathbb{B}) = 1$.

We remark that condition (3) can be written in the form

$$\int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left(\frac{|f(z) - f(w)|}{|1 - \langle z, w \rangle|} \right)^p dv_{\alpha}(z) dv_{\alpha}(w) < \infty,$$

where $\alpha = -n - 1 + p/2$.

Moreover, the inequality

$$|w - P_w(z) - s_w Q_w(z)| \le |z - w|, \quad z, w \in \mathbb{B},$$

and equivalence (3) imply that if $f \in B_p$, then

(5)
$$\int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left(\frac{|f(z) - f(w)|}{|z - w|} \right)^p dv_{\alpha}(z) dv_{\alpha}(w) < \infty, \quad \alpha = -n - 1 + p/2.$$

We do not know if condition (5) is sufficient for f to belong to B_p . The sufficiency of (5) has been claimed in [4]. Unfortunately, the proof given there is not correct.

For $p = \infty$, condition (5) is understood as

$$\|f\|_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}} = \sup_{z,w \in \mathbb{B}, z \neq w} \frac{|f(z) - f(w)|}{|z - w|} (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - |w|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty$$

and is necessary and sufficient for containment in the Bloch space \mathcal{B} as shown in [12]. For the proof of the last result the authors [12] used the so-called conformal Möbius transformation. We also will discuss this transformation in the next section.

Recently, M. Pavlović [10, 11] considered a more general space of C^1 functions in the unit ball for which two Bloch norms can be defined as follows

(6)
$$||f||_{\mathcal{B}_1} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{B}} (1 - |x|^2) ||df(x)||,$$

(7)
$$||f||_{\mathcal{B}_2} = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{B}} ||\tilde{d}f(x)||,$$

where ||df(x)|| is the norm of the differential of f at x and $||df(x)|| = ||d(f \circ \varphi_x)(0)||$. It is proved in [10, 11] that

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_1} = \|f\|_{\tilde{\mathcal{B}}}$$

and

$$||f||_{\mathcal{B}_2} = \sup_{z,w \in \mathbb{B}, z \neq w} \frac{|f(z) - f(w)|}{|w - P_w(z) - s_w Q_w(z)|} (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - |w|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Here we get one more criterion for containment in the Bloch space. Namely, if $f \in H(\mathbb{B})$, then

$$f \in \mathcal{B} \Leftrightarrow \sup_{z,w \in \mathbb{B}, z \neq w} \frac{|f(z) - f(w)|}{|1 - \langle z, w \rangle|} (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - |w|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty.$$

Finally, it is worth noting that characterizations of weighted Bergman spaces on the unit ball in terms of double integrals of the functions $|f(z) - f(w)|/|1 - \langle z, w \rangle|$ and |f(z) - f(w)|/|z - w| have been recently obtained in [5] and [7].

2. Characterizations in terms of oscillation and integral means. For $f \in H(\mathbb{B})$, $z \in \mathbb{B}$ and 0 < r < 1 we put

$$\omega_r(f)(z) = \sup\{|f(z) - f(w)|: w \in E(z, r)\}$$

and

$$MO_r(f)(z) = \frac{1}{v(E(z,r))} \int_{E(z,r)} |f(w) - f_{z,r}| dv(w),$$

where

$$f_{z,r} = \frac{1}{v(E(z,r))} \int_{E(z,r)} f(u) dv(u).$$

 $\omega_r(f)$ and $MO_r(f)$ are, respectively, the oscillation and the mean oscillation of f in the Bergman metric at the point z.

The following characterizations of the space B_p in terms of $\omega_r(f)$ and $MO_r(f)$ can be found in [16].

Theorem A. Let $f \in H(\mathbb{B})$ and 2n < p, and 0 < r < 1. Then the following conditions are equivalent

(i) $f \in B_p$, (ii) $\omega_r(f) \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$, (iii) $MO_r(f) \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$.

We will prove similar characterizations of B_p in terms of oscillations, but in a different metric. The metric will be connected with the conformal Möbius transformation on \mathbb{B} given by

$$\varphi_a^c(z) = \frac{|z-a|^2a - (1-|a|^2)(z-a)}{||a|z - a'|^2},$$

where $a \in \mathbb{B}$, $a' = \frac{a}{|a|}$ for $a \neq 0$ and a' = (1, 0, ..., 0), when a = 0. The mapping φ_a^c is an involution automorphism of \mathbb{B} such that $\varphi_a^c(0) = a$ and $\varphi_a^c(a) = 0$. Moreover,

 $|\varphi_a(z)| \le |\varphi_a^c(z)|, \quad a, z \in \mathbb{B}.$

Also, it is easy to check that

(8)
$$\frac{1 - |\varphi_a^c(z)|^2}{|\varphi_a^c(z)|^2} = \frac{(1 - |z|^2)(1 - |a|^2)}{|z - a|^2}.$$

We refer the reader to [1] and [12] for further properties of φ_a^c .

Analogously to the Möbius transformations case, the formula $\rho^c(a, z) = |\varphi_a^c(z)|$ defines a metric on \mathbb{B} . We give the proof of this fact, probably known, because we do not know a reference. By the definition of φ_a^c , we get

$$|\varphi_a^c(z)| = \frac{|z-a|}{||a|z-a'|} = \frac{|a-z|}{||z|a-z'|} = |\varphi_z^c(a)|.$$

It is also obvious that

$$|\varphi_a^c(z)| = 0 \iff z = a.$$

The invariance of $\rho^c(a, z)$ under the conformal Möbius transformations follows immediately from formula (38) in [1]. So, we have

$$\rho^c(a,z) = |\varphi^c_a(z)| = |\varphi^c_{\varphi^c_w(a)}(\varphi^c_w(z))| = \rho^c(\varphi^c_w(a),\varphi^c_w(z)).$$

In view of this, it is enough to show that

(9) $\rho^c(a,z) \le |a| + |z|.$

Using the inequality

$$1 - (x + y)^{2} \le \frac{(1 - x^{2})(1 - y^{2})}{(1 + xy)^{2}},$$

for $x, y \in [0, 1]$, (see, e.g. [15]), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - (|a| + |z|)^2 &\leq \frac{\left(1 - |a|^2\right)\left(1 - |z|^2\right)}{\left(1 + |a||z|\right)^2} \\ &\leq \frac{\left(1 - |a|^2\right)\left(1 - |z|^2\right)}{\left||a|z - a'|^2} = 1 - |\varphi_a^c(z)|^2, \end{aligned}$$

which proves (9).

For $a \in \mathbb{B}$ and 0 < r < 1 let

$$E^{c}(a,r) = \{ z \in \mathbb{B} : |\varphi_{a}^{c}(z)| < r \} = \varphi_{a}^{c}(B(0,r)).$$

The set $E^c(a,r)$ is a Euclidian ball in \mathbb{R}^{2n} centered at $\frac{(1-r^2)a}{1-r^2|a|^2}$ and of the radius $\frac{(1-|a|^2)r}{1-r^2|a|^2}$. Note that if $z \in B(a, \frac{r}{2}(1-|a|^2))$, then

$$|\varphi_a^c(z)| = \frac{|z-a|}{||a|z-a'|} \le \frac{|z-a|}{|a'|-|a||z|} \le \frac{|z-a|}{1-|a|} \le \frac{2|z-a|}{1-|a|^2} < r.$$

It follows immediately that

(10)
$$B\left(a,\frac{r}{2}(1-|a|^2)\right) \subset E^c(a,r) \subset E(a,r).$$

Now, for $f \in H(\mathbb{B})$ and $z \in \mathbb{B}$, we define

$$\omega_r^c(f)(z) = \sup\{|f(z) - f(w)|: w \in E^c(z, r)\}$$

and

$$MO_r^c(f)(z) = \frac{1}{v(E^c(z,r))} \int_{E^c(z,r)} |f(w) - f_{z,r}^c| dv(w),$$

where

$$f_{z,r}^{c} = \frac{1}{v(E^{c}(z,r))} \int_{E^{c}(z,r)} f(u) dv(u).$$

We get the following analogue of Theorem A.

Theorem 2. Let 2n and <math>0 < r < 1. Then the following statements are equivalent

(i) $f \in B_p$, (ii) $\omega_r^c(f) \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$, (iii) $MO_r^c(f) \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$.

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) If $f \in B_p$, then inclusion (10) and Theorem A imply that $\omega_r^c(f) \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$. (ii) \Rightarrow (iii) Since

$$f(w) - f_{z,r}^c = f(w) - f(z) - (f_{z,r}^c - f(z))$$

and

$$f_{z,r}^c - f(z) = \frac{1}{v(E^c(z,r))} \int_{E^c(z,r)} (f(w) - f(z)) dv(w),$$

we get

$$MO_{r}^{c}(f)(z) \leq \frac{2}{v(E^{c}(z,r))} \int_{E^{c}(z,r)} |f(w) - f(z)| dv(w) \leq 2\omega_{r}^{c}(f)(z).$$

(iii) \Rightarrow (i) It follows from the subharmonicity of $|F|^p$, $F \in H(\mathbb{B})$, that for any $0 < s < 1, 0 < p < \infty$ and $B(z, s) \subset \mathbb{B}$,

(11)
$$|\nabla F(z)|^p s^p \le C s^{-2n} \int_{B(z,s)} |F(w)|^p dv(w), \quad z \in \mathbb{B}.$$

Applying inequality (11) with $s = \frac{r}{2}(1 - |z|^2)$ to the function $F(w) = f(z + w) - f_{z,r}^c$ and using inclusion (10), we see that

$$|\nabla f(z)|(1-|z|^2) \le C \int_{E^c(z,r)} |f(w) - f_{z,r}^c| \frac{dv(w)}{(1-|w|^2)^{2n}} \le CMO_r^c(f)(z)$$

and the proof is complete.

Moreover, we have

Theorem 3. Assume that $f \in H(\mathbb{B})$, $2n , <math>r \in (0, 1)$. Then

$$f \in B_p \iff \int_{E^c(a,r)} |\nabla f(z)| \frac{dv(z)}{(1-|z|^2)^{2n-1}} = (\mathcal{M}f)(a) \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau).$$

Proof. By subharmonicity of $\left|\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i}\right|$ we have

$$\left|\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i}(z)\right| \le \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left|\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i}(z+\delta w)\right| dv(w) = \frac{1}{\delta^{2n}} \int_{B(z,\delta)} \left|\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i}(w)\right| dv(w)$$

for $z \in \mathbb{B}$ and $0 \le \delta < 1 - |z|$. Thus for $r \in (0, 1)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i}(z) \right| &\leq \frac{2^{2n}}{r^{2n}(1-|z|^2)^{2n}} \int_{B(z,\frac{r}{2}(1-|z|^2))} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i}(w) \right| dv(w) \\ &\leq C \int_{B(z,\frac{r}{2}(1-|z|^2))} \left| \frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i}(w) \right| \frac{dv(w)}{(1-|w|^2)^{2n}}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$|\nabla f(z)|(1-|z|^2) \le C \int_{B(z,\frac{r}{2}(1-|z|^2))} |\nabla f(w)| \frac{dv(w)}{(1-|w|^2)^{2n-1}},$$

which proves the implication " \Rightarrow ".

Now, let $f \in B_p$. Then $\omega_r(f) \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$ by Theorem A. It follows from the proof of Theorem 2 that

$$|\nabla f(z)|(1-|z|^2) \le C\omega_r^c(f)(z) \le C\omega_r(f)(z).$$

Hence

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\mathbb{B}} (\mathcal{M}f)^p(a) d\tau(a) \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left(\int_{E^c(a,r)} |\nabla f(z)| (1-|z|^2) \frac{dv(z)}{(1-|z|^2)^{2n}} \right)^p d\tau(a) \\ &\leq C \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left(\int_{E^c(a,r)} \omega_r(f)(z) \frac{dv(z)}{(1-|z|^2)^{2n}} \right)^p d\tau(a) \\ &= C \int_{\mathbb{B}} \left(\int_{E^c(a,r)} \left(\sup_{w \in E(z,r)} |f(z) - f(w)| \right) \frac{dv(z)}{(1-|z|^2)^{2n}} \right)^p d\tau(a). \end{split}$$

To complete the proof, we apply the following triangle inequalities for the pseudo-hyperbolic metric $\rho(z, a) = |\varphi_a(z)|$ (see, e.g. [2])

(12)
$$\frac{|\rho(z,a) - \rho(a,w)|}{1 - \rho(z,a)\rho(a,w)} \le \rho(z,w) \le \frac{\rho(z,a) + \rho(a,w)}{1 + \rho(z,a)\rho(a,w)}, \quad z,w,a \in \mathbb{B}.$$

This inequality implies that if $w \in E(a, r)$ and $a \in E(z, r)$, then $w \in E(z, 2r/(1+r^2))$. Consequently, using inclusion (10),

$$\begin{split} \int_{E^{c}(a,r)} \left(\sup_{w \in E(z,r)} |f(z) - f(w)| \right) \frac{dv(z)}{(1 - |z|^{2})^{2n}} \\ &\leq C \sup_{z \in E^{c}(a,r)} \left(\sup_{w \in E(z,r)} (|f(z) - f(a)| + |f(w) - f(a)|) \right) \\ &\leq C \sup_{z \in E(a, \frac{2r}{1 + r^{2}})} |f(z) - f(a)| + \sup_{w \in E(a, \frac{2r}{1 + r^{2}})} |f(a) - f(w)| \\ &\leq 2C \sup_{w \in E(a, \frac{2r}{1 + r^{2}})} |f(a) - f(w)| \\ &= 2C\omega \frac{2r}{1 + r^{2}} (f)(a) \in L^{p}(\mathbb{B}, d\tau). \end{split}$$

We remark that the last theorem is equivalent to the statement that a function f holomorphic on \mathbb{B} is in B_p if and only if the integral mean of f at a given by

$$(Mf)(a) = \frac{1}{v(E^c(a,r))} \int_{E^c(a,r)} |\nabla f(z)| (1-|z|^2) dv(z)$$

is in $L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau)$.

Let us define

$$(\mathcal{H}f)(a) = \int_{E^c(a,r)} \frac{|f(z) - f(a)|}{|z - a|} (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - |a|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dv(z)}{(1 - |z|^2)^{2n}}.$$

Our last theorem refers to Holland–Walsh characterization of the Bloch space.

Theorem 4. Let f be a holomorphic function in \mathbb{B} and $r \in (0,1)$. Then the following statements are equivalent

$$\begin{array}{ll} (\mathrm{i}) & f \in B_p, \\ (\mathrm{ii}) & \mathcal{H}f \in L^p(\mathbb{B}, d\tau), \\ (\mathrm{iii}) & \int_{\mathbb{B}} \int_{E^c(a,r)} \frac{|f(z) - f(a)|^p}{|z - a|^p} (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} (1 - |a|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} \frac{dv(z)}{(1 - |z|^2)^{2n}} d\tau(a) < \infty. \end{array}$$

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (ii) Suppose $f \in B_p$. Using the invariance of the measure $\frac{dv(z)}{(1-|z|^2)^{2n}}$ under the map $\varphi_a^c(z)$, we obtain

$$\begin{split} &\int_{E^{c}(a,r)} \frac{|f(z) - f(a)|}{|z - a|} (1 - |z|^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - |a|^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{dv(z)}{(1 - |z|^{2})^{2n}} \\ &\leq \int_{E^{c}(a,r)} \left(\sup_{z \in E^{c}(a,r)} |f(z) - f(a)| \right) \frac{(1 - |z|^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - |a|^{2})^{\frac{1}{2}}}{|z - a|} \frac{dv(z)}{(1 - |z|^{2})^{2n}} \\ &= \omega_{r}^{c}(f)(a) \int_{E^{c}(a,r)} \frac{\sqrt{1 - |\varphi_{a}^{c}(z)|^{2}}}{|\varphi_{a}^{c}(z)|} \frac{dv(z)}{(1 - |z|^{2})^{2n}} \\ &= \omega_{r}^{c}(f)(a) \int_{E^{c}(0,r)} \frac{\sqrt{1 - |z|^{2}}}{|z|} \frac{dv(z)}{(1 - |z|^{2})^{2n}} = C\omega_{r}^{c}(f)(a) \in L^{p}(\mathbb{B}, d\tau). \end{split}$$

(ii) \Rightarrow (iii) It is enough to apply the Jensen inequality. (iii) \Rightarrow (i) From (8) we see that if $|\varphi_a^c(z)| < r$, then

$$\frac{(1-|z|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}(1-|a|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}}{|z-a|} = \frac{\sqrt{1-|\varphi_a^c(z)|^2}}{|\varphi_a^c(z)|} \ge \frac{\sqrt{1-r^2}}{r}.$$

This and (11) imply

$$\begin{aligned} |\nabla f(a)|^p (1-|a|^2)^p \\ &\leq C \int_{E^c(a,r)} \frac{|f(z)-f(a)|^p}{|z-a|^p} (1-|z|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} (1-|a|^2)^{\frac{p}{2}} \frac{dv(z)}{(1-|z|^2)^{2n}}, \end{aligned}$$

which proves the implication.

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