

Spaces related to the Dirichlet space

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Bilinear Forms on the Dirichlet Space, *Analysis and PDEs* 2010

Function spaces related to the Dirichlet space, *J. London Math. Soc.* 2011

See also the expository:

The Dirichlet space: a survey, *NYJM* 2011

The Dirichlet space, book 20??

- Spaces related to the Hardy space H^2 .
- What's the picture for the Dirichlet space?
- Directions for the future?

The Hardy space H^2

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad z \in \Delta \implies$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{H^2}^2 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(e^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta \\ &= |f(0)|^2 + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Delta} |f'(z)|^2 \log(1/|z|^2) dx dy \\ &\approx |f(0)|^2 + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Delta} |f'(z)|^2 (1 - |z|^2) dx dy \\ &= |f(0)|^2 + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Delta} |f'(z)|^2 (1 - |z|^2)^a dx dy, \quad a = 1 \end{aligned}$$

H^2 is a space of functions with reproducing kernel:

$$K_z^H(w) = \frac{1}{1 - \bar{z}w}, \quad z, w \in \Delta \quad \implies \quad \langle f, K_z^H \rangle_{H^2} = f(z).$$

Equivalently: $f \mapsto f(z) = \eta_z(f)$ is bounded on H^2 :

$$\|\eta_z\|_{B(H^2)}^2 = \frac{1}{1 - |z|^2}.$$

Message

The H^2 observers can see points (in Δ)!

Can they see points on $\partial\Delta$?

Up to a point.

Definition

$\mu \geq 0$ on $\bar{\Delta}$ is in $CM(H^2)$ if

$$\int_{\bar{\Delta}} |f|^2 d\mu \leq [\mu]_{CM(H^2)} \|f\|_{H^2}^2.$$

Theorem

Carleson, 1962

$$[\mu]_{CM(H^2)} \approx \sup_I \frac{\mu(S(I))}{|I|}.$$

$z \in S(I)$ if $z/|z| \in I$ and $0 \leq 1 - |z| \leq |I|/2\pi$.

Message

They see points on $\partial\Delta$ almost everywhere (Fatou, 1906).

$S = M_z : f \mapsto zf$: why should we care?

- It generates translations on \mathbb{Z} .
- It is universal among Hilbert space contractions in several ways.

von Neumann inequality '57

$$A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}), \|A\| \leq 1, p \in \mathbb{C}[z] \implies \|p(A)\|_{\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \leq \|p(S)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H^2)}.$$

What is the right higher-dimensional version of H^2 ?

Drury-Arveson space

$$f(z) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^d} a_n z^n, |z| < 1 \text{ in } \mathbb{C}^d \implies \|f\|_{DA_d}^2 = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}^d} \frac{n!}{|n|!} |a_n|^2.$$

- It's smaller than the higher dimensional Hardy space.
- (It's best seen as a weighted Dirichlet space).
- It has many universal properties of H^2 .

Drury's inequality '78

Multioperator $A = (A_1, \dots, A_d)$:

$$A_j \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H}), A_j A_k = A_k A_j, \sum_{j=1}^d |A_j h|^2 \leq |h|^2.$$

$$p \in \mathbb{C}[z_1, \dots, z_d] \implies \|p(A)\|_{\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})} \leq \|p\|_{M(DA_d)},$$

and the inequality is best possible.

Multipliers and Corona Theorem

- $p(S) = p(M_z) = M_{p(z)}$
- $\|p(S)\|_{\mathcal{B}(H^2)} = \|f \mapsto pf\|_{\mathcal{B}(H^2)} = \|p\|_{H^\infty}$.

$\|p\|_{H^\infty}$ is the **multiplier norm** of p ,

$\|p\|_{\mathcal{M}(H^2)} := \|f \mapsto pf\|_{\mathcal{B}(H^2)}$.

- H^∞ is a Banach algebra.
- $\mathcal{M}_z = \{\varphi : \varphi(z) = 0\}$ is a maximal ideal in H^∞ , for each z in Δ .

Are the \mathcal{M}_z 's ($z \in \Delta$) dense in the maximal ideal space \mathcal{M} of H^∞ , with respect to Gelfand's topology?

Corona Theorem

Carleson '62: YES. There is no "corona" in \mathcal{M} .

Inner/Outer

For each f in H^2 , we can write uniquely $f = \Theta g$, where

- Θ is **inner**: $|\Theta| = 1$ a.e. on $\partial\Delta$.
- g is **outer**: $\text{Span}(S^n g : n \geq 0) = H^2$ ($\implies g$ is zero-free).

Important in connection to Operator Theory.

Invariant subspaces, Beurling '49

$E \neq H^2$: closed subspace of H^2 . $SE \subset E$ iff $E = \Theta H^2$ for some inner function Θ .

A simple consequence of inner/outer:

$$H^1 = H^2 \cdot H^2$$

Each f in H^1 can be written as $f = gh$ with $g, h \in H^2$.

Fefferman's duality Theorem 1972

$$(H^1)^* = BMO(A)$$

- $\|f\|_{BMO}^2 = \sup_I \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I |f(e^{i\theta}) - f(I)|^2 d\theta + |f(0)|^2$
- It was introduced by F. John to deal with a problem in Elasticity Theory.
- $\|f\|_{BMO} \approx [\int_{CM(H^2)} |f'(z)|^2 (1 - |z|^2) dx dy]^{1/2}$.
- John-Nirenberg: $\frac{1}{|I|} \int_I e^{\mu|f-f(I)|} / \|f\|_{BMO} d\theta \leq C$ for $\mu > 0$ small enough.

Hankel bilinear forms

Hankel form with symbol b :

$$T_b^{H^2}(f, g) := \langle fg, b \rangle_{H^2}$$

has norm

$$\|T_b^{H^2}\|_{H^2 \times H^2} := \sup_{\|f\|_{H^2}, \|g\|_{H^2}=1} |T_b^{H^2}(f, g)|.$$

Nehari's Theorem 1957

$$\|T_b^{H^2}\|_{H^2 \times H^2} \approx \|b\|_{(H^1)^*}.$$

Some Function Spaces related to H^2

$$\begin{aligned} H^1 &= H^2 \cdot H^2 \\ &\leftrightarrow \mathbf{H}^2 \leftrightarrow \\ \text{Hankel}(H^2) &= (H^2 \cdot H^2)^* = BMO = (H^1)^* \\ &\leftrightarrow H^\infty = \text{Mult}(H^2) \end{aligned}$$

Hiding in the background: Carleson measures.

- Characterization of BMO .
- Boundary values.
- Multipliers? $M(H^2) = H^\infty \cap BMOA$. Not very clever to write!

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n, \quad z \in \Delta \implies$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_{\mathcal{D}}^2 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1) |a_n|^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Delta} |f'(z)|^2 dx dy + \|f\|_{H^2}^2. \end{aligned}$$

Reproducing kernel:

$$K_z(w) = \frac{1}{\bar{z}w} \log \frac{1}{1 - \bar{z}w}, \quad z, w \in \Delta \implies \langle f, K_z \rangle_{\mathcal{D}} = f(z).$$

How finely can Dirichlet observers see points on $\partial\Delta$?

Definition

$\mu \geq 0$ on $\bar{\Delta}$ is in $CM(\mathcal{D})$ if

$$\int_{\Delta} |f|^2 d\mu \leq [\mu]_{CM(\mathcal{D})} \|f\|_{\mathcal{D}}^2.$$

Theorem

Stegenga, 1980

$$[\mu]_{CM(\mathcal{D})} \approx \sup_E \frac{\mu(S(E))}{Cap(E)}.$$

Message

They see points on $\partial\Delta$ nearly everywhere (Beurling, 1940).

Multipliers and Corona Theorem

The **multiplier norm** of p , $\|p\|_{M(\mathcal{D})}$ is $\|f \mapsto pf\|_{\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{D})}$.

Fact

$$\|p\|_{M(\mathcal{D})} \approx [\int_{\mathcal{D}} |p'(z)|^2 dx dy]_{CM(\mathcal{D})}^{1/2} + \|p\|_{H^\infty}.$$

- $M(\mathcal{D})$ is a Banach algebra.
- $\mathcal{M}_z = \{\varphi : \varphi(z) = 0\}$ is a maximal ideal in $M(\mathcal{D})$, for each z in Δ .

Corona Theorem, T.T. Trent 2004

The \mathcal{M}_z 's ($z \in \Delta$) are dense in the maximal ideal space \mathcal{M} of $M(\mathcal{D})$, with respect to Gelfand's topology.

χ

$$\|b\|_{\chi} := [|b'(z)|^2 dx dy]_{CM(\mathcal{D})}^{1/2} + |b(0)|.$$

- χ mimics, in Dirichlet theory, a definition of *BMOA*.
- $M(\mathcal{D}) = \chi \cap H^{\infty}$, by Stegenga's Theorem.

Hankel bilinear forms

Hankel-type form with symbol b :

$$T_b^{\mathcal{D}}(f, g) := \langle fg, b \rangle_{\mathcal{D}}$$

has norm

$$\|T_b^{\mathcal{D}}\|_{\mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D}} := \sup_{\|f\|_{\mathcal{D}}, \|g\|_{\mathcal{D}}=1} |T_b^{\mathcal{D}}(f, g)|.$$

A., Rochberg, Sawyer, Wick, 2010

$$\|T_b^{\mathcal{D}}\|_{\mathcal{D} \times \mathcal{D}} \approx \|b\|_{\mathcal{X}}.$$

This is a version of Nehari+Fefferman (more on the Nehari side).

To reinforce the analogy on the Fefferman side:

ARSW, 2010

$$\chi = (\mathcal{D} \odot \mathcal{D})^*$$

Here,

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{D} \odot \mathcal{D}} = \inf \left\{ \sum_j \|a_j\|_{\mathcal{D}} \cdot \|b_j\|_{\mathcal{D}} : \sum_j a_j b_j = f \right\}.$$

Exercise: $H^2 \odot H^2 = H^2 \cdot H^2 = H^1$.

Some Function Spaces related to \mathcal{D}

$$\mathcal{D} \odot \mathcal{D}$$

$$\leftrightarrow \mathcal{D} \leftrightarrow$$

$$\text{Hankel}(\mathcal{D}) = (\mathcal{D} \odot \mathcal{D})^* = \chi$$

$$\leftrightarrow H^\infty \cap \chi = \text{Mult}(\mathcal{D})$$

Hiding in the background: Carleson measures.

- Definition of χ .
- Boundary values.
- Multipliers? $M(\mathcal{D}) = H^\infty \cap \chi$. This time it is meaningful.

Some related problems

- The Dirichlet space: is it good for something? (Operator Theory, Universal Properties...).
- Nice feature: $\int_{\Delta} |f'(z)|^2 dx dy = Area(f(\Delta))$ (conformal invariance follows).
- Richter, Sundberg, Ross, Ransford: Operator Theory on \mathcal{D} .
- Do we have better characterizations of $\mathcal{D} \odot \mathcal{D}$ and χ ?
- Is there a “John-Nirenberg” inequality for χ ?
- \mathcal{D} lies at Moser’s edge of Sobolev:

$$\int_{\partial\Delta} e^{c|f(e^{i\theta})|^2/\|f\|_{\mathcal{D}}^2} d\theta \leq C.$$

- For a JN inequality we expect something like

$$\int_{\partial\Delta} e^{c_1 e^{c_2|f(e^{i\theta})|^2/\|f\|_{\chi}^2}} d\theta \leq C.$$

- Interpolating spaces between $\mathcal{D} \odot \mathcal{D}$ and χ : who are they?

That was all, thanks!