

# Contraction property of Fock type space of log-subharmonic functions in $\mathbb{R}^m$

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ABSTRACT. We prove a contraction property of Fock type spaces  $\mathcal{L}_\alpha^p$  of log-subharmonic functions in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . To prove the result, we demonstrate a certain monotonic property of measures of the superlevel set of the function  $u(x) = |f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}p|x|^2}$ , provided that  $f$  is a certain log-subharmonic function in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . The result recover a contraction property of holomorphic functions in the Fock space  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha^p$  proved by Carlen in [Car1991].

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## 1. Introduction

Let  $m \geq 1$  and let  $\mathbb{R}^m$  be the Euclidean space endowed with the Euclidean norm:  $|x| = \sqrt{\langle x, x \rangle}$ , where  $\langle x, y \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^m x_i y_i$ , and  $x = (x_1, \dots, x_m), y = (y_1, \dots, y_m) \in \mathbb{R}^m$ . If  $\alpha > 0$  and  $p > 0$  and  $m = 2n$  is an even integer, we define the Fock space or Segal-Bargmann space  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha^p$  (cf. [Bar62, Bar61, KZ2012]) of entire holomorphic functions  $f$  in  $\mathbb{C}^n = \mathbb{R}^{2n}$  so that:

$$\|f\|_{p,\alpha}^p := c_{p,\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}p|x|^2} dA(x) < \infty,$$

where

$$c_{p,\alpha} = \left( \frac{\alpha p}{2\pi} \right)^{\frac{m}{2}}, \tag{1.1}$$

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and  $dA(x)$  is Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}^m$ . Note that  $c_{p,\alpha} e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}p|x|^2} dA(x)$  is the Gaussian probability measure in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ .

Assume now that  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  is an arbitrary integer. We say that a real twice differentiable function  $f$  defined in a domain  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^m$  is subharmonic if  $\Delta f(x) \geq 0$  for  $x \in \Omega$ . Here,  $\Delta$  is the Laplacian. This definition can also be extended to not necessary double differentiable functions, by using the sub-mean value property ([HK1976]). We say that a mapping  $f$  is log-subharmonic, if  $\log |f(x)|$  is subharmonic in  $\Omega \setminus f^{-1}(0)$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{L}_\alpha^p$  the space of complex-valued, real-analytic functions whose absolute value is a log-subharmonic function, defined in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , with a finite  $\|f\|_{p,\alpha}$  norm as defined in (1). Here,  $m$  is an arbitrary positive integer. Observe that for  $m = 2n$  we have  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha^p \subset \mathcal{L}_\alpha^p$ : If  $f$  is holomorphic in  $\Omega$ , then  $|f(z)|$  is log-subharmonic. Indeed

$$\Delta \log |f(z)| = \sum_{k=1}^n \Delta_{z_k} \log |f(z)| = 0,$$

where  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n)$ , and

$$\Delta_{z_k} = \frac{\partial^2}{(\partial_{x_k})^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{(\partial_{y_k})^2},$$

$z_k = x_k + iy_k$  for  $k = 1, \dots, n$  and  $z \in \Omega \setminus f^{-1}(0)$ .

## 2. Motivation and main results

Carlen, in his paper [Car1991] proved the following result:

**Theorem 2.1.** *If  $0 < p < q < \infty$ , then  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha^p(\mathbb{C}^n) \subset \mathcal{F}_\alpha^q(\mathbb{C}^n)$  and the inclusion is proper and continuous. Moreover*

$$\|f\|_{q,\alpha} \leq \|f\|_{p,\alpha}.$$

Theorem 2.1 is applied in [Car1991] to the coherent state transform in a new proof of Wehrl's entropy conjecture [LIEB1978]. In this paper, among other results, we recover Theorem 2.1 and provide a proof that works for a more general class of mappings, namely real analytic complex mappings whose absolute value is a log-subharmonic function in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and belongs to the Fock-type space  $\mathcal{L}_\alpha^p$ .

Let  $f$  be a real analytic complex-valued function defined in the Euclidean space  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , such that  $v = |f|$  is a log-subharmonic function in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and such that  $u(x) = v(x)^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|x|^2}$  is bounded and goes to 0 uniformly as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ . Then the superlevel sets  $A_t = \{x : u(x) > t\}$  for  $t > 0$  are compactly embedded in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  and thus have finite Lebesgue measure  $\mu(t) = |A_t|$ .

Those are the main results:

**Theorem 2.2.** *Let  $\alpha > 0$  and  $p > 0$  and assume that  $f$  is a real analytic complex valued function such that  $v = |f| : \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow [0, +\infty)$  is a log-subharmonic function. Assume further that the function  $u(x) = |f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|x|^2}$  is bounded and*

$u(x)$  tends to 0 uniformly as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ . Then the function

$$g(t) = t \exp \left[ \frac{\alpha p (\Gamma(m/2))^{2/m}}{2\pi} \mu^{2/m}(t) \right],$$

is decreasing on the interval  $(0, t_0)$ , where  $t_0 = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^m} u(x)$ .

If  $f(x) \equiv 1$ , the function  $g$  turns out to be constant and this is an important property of  $g$ .

The proof of this theorem is mostly based on the methods developed by Nicola and Tilli in [NT2022] (see also the subsequent papers where similar methods are used: [KU2022], [KA2024], [RT2023], [KNOT2022], and [Fr2023]).

By using Theorem 2.2, we will prove the following theorem:

**Theorem 2.3.** Let  $p > 0$  and  $\alpha > 0$ . Let  $G : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a convex function. Then the maximum value of

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^m} G(|f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} p |x|^2}) dA(x) \tag{2.1}$$

is attained for

$$f_a(x) = e^{\alpha \langle a, x \rangle - \frac{\alpha}{2} |a|^2},$$

where  $a \in \mathbb{C}^n$  is arbitrary, subject to the condition that  $f \in \mathcal{L}_\alpha^p$  and  $\|f\|_{p,\alpha} = 1$ .

Applying Theorem 2.3 to the convex and increasing function  $G(t) = t^{q/p}$ , we get the extension of theorem [Car1991, Theorem 2] by proving:

**Theorem 2.4.** For all  $0 < p < q < \infty$  and  $0 < \alpha$  and for  $f \in \mathcal{L}_\alpha^p(\mathbb{R}^m)$ , we have  $f \in \mathcal{L}_\alpha^q(\mathbb{R}^m)$  and

$$\|f\|_{q,\alpha} \leq \|f\|_{p,\alpha}$$

with equality for  $f_a(x) = e^{\alpha \langle a, x \rangle - \frac{\alpha}{2} |a|^2}$ , where  $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is arbitrary.

**Proof of Theorem 2.4.** For  $\|f\|_{p,\alpha} = N$ ,  $\|f/N\|_{p,\alpha} = 1$  and from Theorem 2.3 we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |f(x)/N|^q e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} q |x|^2} dA(x) \leq \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} q |x|^2} dA(x) = 1/c_{q,\alpha}.$$

Thus,

$$c_{q,\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |f(x)|^q e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} q |x|^2} dA(x) \leq N^q,$$

or what is the same

$$\|f\|_{q,\alpha} \leq \|f\|_{p,\alpha}.$$

The equality statement follows from the equality statement of Theorem 2.4, but can be proved by using the same approach as in the monograph of Zhu [KZ2012, Lemma 2.33]. □

**Remark 2.5.** *The last theorem is an extension of Theorem 2.1. Moreover, its proof is different from the proof in [Car1991] and seems to be simpler. We refer to the paper [GKL2010] for some related inequalities for log-subharmonic functions in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .*

Theorem 2.4 is a counterpart of a similar contraction property of Bergman spaces  $\mathbf{B}_\alpha^p$  ([HKZ2000, p. 2]), proved by Kulikov in [KU2022] for holomorphic functions in the unit disk and for  $\mathcal{M}$ -log-subharmonic functions in the unit ball in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  by the author in [KA2024]. It is known that

$$\mathbf{B}_\alpha^p \subset \mathbf{B}_\beta^q, \quad \frac{p}{\alpha} = \frac{q}{\beta} = r, \quad p < q.$$

For  $n = 2$ , it was asked whether these embeddings are contractions; that is, whether the norm  $\|f\|_{\mathbf{B}_\alpha^p}$  is decreasing in  $\alpha$ . In the case of Bergman spaces, this question was asked by Lieb and Solovej [LiSo2021]. They proved that such contractivity implies their Wehrl-type entropy conjecture for the  $SU(1, 1)$  group. In the case of contractions from the Hardy spaces to the Bergman spaces, it was asked by Pavlović in [MP2014] and by Brevig, Ortega-Cerdà, Seip, and Zhao [BOSZ2018] concerning the estimates for analytic functions. The mentioned contraction property proved by Kulikov confirms these conjectures. An interesting application of Kulikov result has been given by Melentijević in [PM2023].

We end this paper with the construction of a new normed Fock type space:

**Definition 2.6** (Fock limit space). *Let  $f$  be a holomorphic function in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Then for  $\alpha > 0$  we say  $f \in \mathcal{F}_\alpha$  if  $f \in \bigcap_{p>0} \mathcal{F}_\alpha^p$ . Then we define*

$$\|f\|_\alpha := \inf_{p>0} \|f\|_{p,\alpha}.$$

For  $\alpha > 0$  define as in [KZ2012, eq. 2.2] the following Banach norm

$$\|f\|_{\infty,\alpha} := \operatorname{esssup}\{|f(z)|e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}|z|^2}, z \in \mathbb{C}^n\}.$$

Then, we prove

**Theorem 2.7.** *For every  $\alpha > 0$  we have*

$$\|f\|_\alpha = \|f\|_{\infty,\alpha}.$$

*In particular  $(\mathcal{F}_\alpha, \|\cdot\|_\alpha)$  is a normed subspace of Banach space  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha^\infty$ .*

### 3. Proof of Theorem 2.2

**Proof of Theorem 2.2.** We start with the formula

$$\mu(t) = |A_t| = \int_{A_t} dx = \int_t^{\max u} \int_{|u(x)|=\kappa} d\mathcal{H}^{m-1}(x) d\kappa.$$

Then we get

$$-\mu'(t) = \int_{u=t} |\nabla u|^{-1} d\mathcal{H}^{m-1}(x) \tag{3.1}$$

along with the claim that  $\{x : u(x) = t\} = \partial A_t$  and that this set is a smooth hypersurface for almost all  $t \in (0, t_0)$ . Here,  $dS = d\mathcal{H}^{m-1}$  is  $m - 1$  dimensional Hausdorff measure. These assertions follow the proof of [NT2022, Lemma 3.2]. We point out that, since  $u$  is real analytic, then it is a well-known fact from measure theory that the level set  $\{x : u(x) = t\}$  has a zero measure ([MI2020]), and this is equivalent to the fact that the  $\mu$  is continuous.

Following the approach from [NT2022], our next step is to apply the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality to the  $m - 1$  dimensional measure of  $\partial A_t$ :

$$|\partial A_t|^2 = \left( \int_{\partial A_t} dS \right)^2 \leq \int_{\partial A_t} |\nabla u|^{-1} dS \int_{\partial A_t} |\nabla u| dS. \tag{3.2}$$

Let  $\nu = \nu(x)$  be the outward unit normal to  $\partial A_t$  at a point  $x$ . Note that,  $\nabla u$  is parallel to  $\nu$ , but directed in the opposite direction. Thus, we have  $|\nabla u| = -\langle \nabla u, \nu \rangle$ . Also, we note that since for  $x \in \partial A_t$  we have  $u(x) = t$ , we obtain for  $x \in \partial A_t$  that

$$\frac{|\nabla u(x)|}{t} = \frac{|\nabla u(x)|}{u} = \langle \nabla \log u(x), \nu \rangle.$$

Now the second integral on the right-hand side of (3.2) can be evaluated by Gauss's divergence theorem:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\partial A_t} |\nabla u| dS &= -t \int_{A_t} \operatorname{div}(\nabla \log u(x)) dA(x) \\ &= -t \int_{A_t} \Delta \log u(x) dA(x). \end{aligned}$$

Now we plug  $u = |f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} p|x|^2}$ , and calculate

$$-t \Delta \log(|f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} p|x|^2}) = -(pt \Delta \log v - t \frac{\alpha}{2} p \Delta |x|^2) \leq 0 + m\alpha p.$$

By using (3.1) and (3.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial A_t|^2 &\leq (-\mu'(t)) \int_{\partial A_t} |\nabla u| dS \\ &\leq -m\alpha p \mu'(t) \mu(t). \end{aligned}$$

Now we use the isoperimetric inequality for the space:

$$|\partial A_t|^2 \geq \pi m^2 |A_t|^{\frac{2(m-1)}{m}} (\Gamma(m/2))^{-\frac{2}{m}},$$

which implies that

$$m\alpha p \mu'(t) \mu(t) + m^2 \pi \mu(t)^{\frac{2(m-1)}{m}} (\Gamma(m/2))^{-\frac{2}{m}} \leq 0 \tag{3.3}$$

with equality in (3.3) if and only if  $v(x) = e^{\alpha(x,a) - \frac{\alpha}{2}|a|^2}$  because in that case  $A_t$  is a ball centered at  $a$ . So,

$$M(t) := \alpha p \mu'(t) \mu(t)^{\frac{2-m}{m}} + \frac{m\pi (\Gamma(m/2))^{-\frac{2}{m}}}{t} \leq 0. \tag{3.4}$$

Since  $\mu(t^\circ) = 0$ , we obtain that

$$G(t) = \int_{t^\circ}^t M(t)dt = m\pi(\Gamma(m/2))^{-2/m} \log \frac{t}{t^\circ} + \frac{m}{2} \alpha p \mu_m^{\frac{2}{m}}(t)$$

is a non-increasing function for  $0 \leq t < t^\circ$ .

In the case  $v(x) \equiv e^{\alpha(a,x) - \frac{\alpha}{2}|a|^2}$ ,  $t^\circ = 1$  and  $\mu(t^\circ) = 0$ . Moreover,

$$g(t) := \exp(G(t)) = t \exp \left[ \frac{\alpha p (\Gamma(m/2))^{2/m}}{2\pi} \mu^{2/m}(t) \right]$$

is non-increasing for  $0 \leq t < t^\circ$ . □

**Remark 3.1.** Note that for the function  $f(x) \equiv 1$  or

$$f(x) = e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}|a|^2} e^{\alpha(a,x)},$$

for a fixed  $a$ , everywhere in the proof above we have equalities for all values of  $p$  and  $\alpha$ . Moreover in this case the maximum of  $u(x)$  is equal to 1 and achieved for  $x = a$ .

#### 4. Proof of Theorem 2.3

We need the following lemma:

**Lemma 4.1.** [KA2024] Assume that  $\Phi, \Psi$  are positive increasing functions and  $g$  positive non-increasing such that

$$\int_0^{t^\circ} \Phi(g(t)/t) dt = \int_0^{t^\circ} \Phi(1/t) dt = c.$$

Then

$$\int_0^{t^\circ} \Phi(g(t)/t) \Psi(t) dt \leq \int_0^{t^\circ} \Phi(1/t) \Psi(t) dt.$$

As in [KU2022, KA2024] where is treated Bergman version of this theorem, we restrict ourselves to the only nontrivial case  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0^+} G(t) = 0$ . Let  $\mu(t) = \mu(\{x : u(x) > t\})$  be the Lebesgue measure in  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , where  $u(x) = |f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|x|^2}$ . Applying Theorem 2.2 to  $f$ , we get that the function

$$g(t) = t \exp \left[ \frac{\alpha (\Gamma(m/2))^{2/m}}{2\pi} \mu^{2/m}(t) \right],$$

is decreasing on  $(0, t^\circ)$  with  $t^\circ = \max_{x \in \mathbb{R}^m} u(x)$ . Proposition 5.1 below ensures the existence of  $t^\circ$ .

For  $f \equiv 1$ ,  $g$  is a constant function equal to 1.

Then,

$$\mu(t) = \left( \frac{2\pi}{\alpha (\Gamma(m/2))^{2/m}} \log \frac{g(t)}{t} \right)^{\frac{m}{2}}.$$

We assume that  $\|f\|_{p,\alpha} = 1$ , that is

$$I_1 = c_{p,\alpha} \int_0^{t_0} \mu(t) dt = c_{p,\alpha} \int_0^{t_0} \left( \frac{2\pi}{\alpha(\Gamma(m/2))^{2/m}} \log \frac{g(t)}{t} \right)^{m/2} dt = 1.$$

Now the integral in (2.1) can be rewritten as

$$I_2 = c_{p,\alpha} \int_0^{t_0} \left( \frac{2\pi}{\alpha(\Gamma(m/2))^{2/m}} \log \frac{g(t)}{t} \right)^{m/2} G'(t) dt.$$

Then, by Lemma 4.1, by taking  $\Phi(s) = c_{p,\alpha} \left( \frac{2\pi}{\alpha(\Gamma(m/2))^{2/m}} \log s \right)^{\frac{m}{2}}$  and  $\Psi(t) = G'(t)$ , the maximum of  $I_2$  under  $I_1 = 1$  is attained for  $g \equiv 1$ .

### 5. Additional properties of Fock space and proof of Theorem 2.7

Now we prove the following proposition used in the proof of our main result.

**Proposition 5.1.** *Assume that  $f$  is a real-analytic log-subharmonic function in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  belonging to the Fock type space. Then for every  $x$ ,*

$$|f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|x|^2} \leq c_{p,\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |f(y)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|y|^2} dA(y). \tag{5.1}$$

Moreover,

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} |f(x)| e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}|x|^2} = 0. \tag{5.2}$$

Notice that (5.1) extends [KZ2012, Theorem 2.7] and the relation (5.2) extends corresponding relation in [KZ2012, p. 38].

**Proof.** Let  $g(y) = |f(x + y)|^p e^{-\alpha p \langle y+x, x \rangle}$ . Now use the mean value property to the log-subharmonic function  $g$  (it is also subharmonic).

$$|g(0)| \leq c_{p,\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |g(y)| e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|y|^2} dA(y).$$

Then, we have

$$g(0) = |f(x)|^p e^{-\alpha p|x|^2} \leq c_{p,\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |f(y+x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}p \langle (x+y), x \rangle} e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|y|^2} dA(y).$$

Therefore,

$$|f(x)|^p e^{-\alpha p|x|^2} \leq c_{p,\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |f(y)|^p e^{-\alpha p \langle y, x \rangle} e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|y-x|^2} dA(y).$$

So,

$$|f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|x|^2} \leq c_{p,\alpha} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} |f(y)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}|y|^2} dA(y).$$

Now, to prove (5.2), we use the following inequality, which is also a consequence of the sub-mean value property of subharmonic functions. Let  $B_1(x) = \{y \in \mathbb{R}^m : |y - x| < 1\}$ . Then for every subharmonic function  $g$ , we have

$$|g(0)| \leq \frac{n}{\omega_n} \int_{B_1(0)} |g(y)| dA(y).$$

Thus,

$$|g(0)| e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}} \leq \frac{n}{\omega_n} \int_{B_1(0)} |g(y)| e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2} |y|^2} dA(y). \quad (5.3)$$

By applying the previous inequality for  $g(y) = |f(x + y)|^p e^{-\alpha p \langle (y+x), x \rangle}$ , we obtain from (5.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)|^p e^{-\alpha p |x|^2} e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}} &\leq \frac{n}{\omega_n} \int_{B_1(0)} |f(x + y)|^p e^{-\alpha p \langle (y+x), x \rangle} e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2} |y|^2} dA(y) \\ &= \frac{n}{\omega_n} \int_{B_1(x)} |f(y)|^p e^{-\alpha p \langle y, x \rangle} e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2} |y-x|^2} dA(y) \\ &= \frac{n}{\omega_n} e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2} |x|^2} \int_{B_1(x)} |f(y)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2} |y|^2} dA(y). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$|f(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2} |x|^2} e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2}} \leq \frac{n}{\omega_n} \int_{B_1(x)} |f(y)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2} |y|^2} dA(y).$$

Since  $f \in \mathcal{L}_\alpha^p$ , it follows that

$$\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\omega_n} \int_{B_1(x)} |f(y)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha p}{2} |y|^2} dA(y) = 0.$$

This implies (5.2).  $\square$

It follows from the following lemma that  $\|f\|_\alpha$  is a norm on  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha$ . Theorem 2.7 is a direct application of the following lemma

**Lemma 5.2.** a) If  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_\alpha$ , then  $\|f + g\|_\alpha \leq \|f\|_\alpha + \|g\|_\alpha$ .

b) For every  $\alpha > 0$  and  $f \in \mathcal{F}_\alpha$  and  $x \in \mathbb{C}^m$  we have  $|f(x)| e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} |x|^2} \leq \|f\|_\alpha$ .

c) For every  $\alpha > 0$  and  $f \in \mathcal{F}_\alpha$ ,  $\|f\|_\alpha = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{C}^n} \left( |f(x)| e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2} |x|^2} \right)$ .

**Proof.** Let us restrict ourselves to the case  $n = 1$ . The general case is a trivial modification of this case.

a) Let  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_\alpha$ . Then for every  $\alpha > 0$ ,  $f, g \in \mathcal{F}_\alpha^p$  and by the triangle inequality for the norm in  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha^p$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|f + g\|_\alpha &= \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|f + g\|_{p, \alpha} \\ &\leq \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|f\|_{p, \alpha} + \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|g\|_{p, \alpha} \\ &= \|f\|_\alpha + \|g\|_\alpha. \end{aligned}$$

- b) This follows from Proposition 5.1.
- c) It follows from (5.1) that

$$|f(x)|e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}|x|^2} \leq \|f\|_{p,\alpha}.$$

By letting  $p \rightarrow \infty$  we obtain

$$|f(x)|e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}|x|^2} \leq \|f\|_\alpha.$$

Thus,

$$\text{ess sup } |f(x)|e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}|x|^2} \leq \|f\|_\alpha.$$

To prove the converse, fix an  $R > 0$  and assume first that  $f = P$  is a polynomial. Then

$$\|P\|_{p,\alpha}^p = \int_{|x| \leq R} |P(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}p|x|^2} dx + \int_{|x| > R} |P(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}p|x|^2} dx.$$

Moreover, for sufficiently large  $R$

$$I(R) := \int_{|x| > R} |P(x)|^p e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}p|x|^2} dx \leq c_p \int_{|x| > R} |z|^{n_p p} e^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}p|x|^2} dx$$

and the last expression is smaller than  $\|P\|_{\infty,\alpha}^p$ . In fact, the last expression tends to zero as  $R \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore,

$$\|P\|_{p,\alpha} \leq (\|P\|_{\infty,\alpha}^p R^n \omega_n + \|P\|_{\infty,\alpha}^p)^{1/p},$$

where  $\omega_n$  is the measure of the unit sphere. Thus,

$$\|P\|_\alpha = \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|P\|_{p,\alpha} \leq \|P\|_{\infty,\alpha}.$$

Thus, if  $f$  is a polynomial, then

$$\|f\|_\alpha = \|f\|_{\infty,\alpha}. \tag{5.4}$$

Further, if  $f$  is not a polynomial and  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, then for  $p = 2$ , there exists a polynomial  $P$  so that  $\|P - f\|_{p,\alpha} < \epsilon$ . Moreover,

$$\|f\|_\alpha \leq \|P\|_\alpha + \|f - P\|_\alpha = \|P\|_{\infty,\alpha} + \|f - P\|_\alpha \leq \|P\|_\alpha + \epsilon.$$

Since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary, we conclude that (5.4) hold for every function  $f \in \mathcal{F}_\alpha$ . □

**Remark 5.3.** One can ask, given a holomorphic function  $f$ , when this

$$\lim_{p \rightarrow 0} \|f\|_{\alpha,p}$$

exists. The answer is that limit is infinity except for the case when  $f \equiv \text{const}$ , so we cannot produce a Hardy type space for holomorphic mappings in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ .

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