

# A Weighted Version of Saitoh's Conjecture

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## Abstract

In this article, we prove a weighted version of Saitoh's conjecture. As an application, we prove a weighted version of Saitoh's conjecture for higher derivatives.

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## §1. Introduction

Let  $D$  be a planar regular region with  $n$  boundary components which are analytic Jordan curves (see [18, 22]). Let  $H_2^{(c)}(D)$  (see [18]) denote the analytic Hardy class on  $D$  defined as the set of all analytic functions  $f(z)$  on  $D$  such that the subharmonic functions  $|f(z)|^2$  have harmonic majorants  $U(z)$ :

$$|f(z)|^2 \leq U(z) \quad \text{on } D.$$

Then each function  $f(z) \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$  has Fatou's nontangential boundary value a.e. on  $\partial D$  belonging to  $L^2(\partial D)$  (see [5]).

Kernel functions associated with various norms have been shown to play a fundamental role in several branches of mathematical analysis (see [2, 16]). Let us recall two reproducing kernels on  $D$ .

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Let  $\lambda$  be a positive continuous function on  $\partial D$ . We call  $K_\lambda(z, \bar{w})$  (see [15]) the weighted Szegö kernel if

$$f(w) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D} f(z) \overline{K_\lambda(z, \bar{w})} \lambda(z) |dz|$$

holds for any  $f \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$ . Let  $G_D(p, t)$  be the Green function on  $D$ , and let  $\partial/\partial v_p$  denote the derivative along the outer normal unit vector  $v_p$ . For fixed  $t \in D$ ,  $\frac{\partial G_D(p, t)}{\partial v_p}$  is positive and continuous on  $\partial D$  because of the analyticity of the boundary (see [18, 8]). When  $\lambda(p) = (\frac{\partial G_D(p, t)}{\partial v_p})^{-1}$  on  $\partial D$ ,  $\widehat{K}_t(z, \bar{w})$  denotes  $K_\lambda(z, \bar{w})$ , which is the so-called conjugate Hardy  $H^2$  kernel on  $D$  (see [18]). When  $t = w$  and  $z = w$ ,  $\widehat{K}(z)$  denotes  $\widehat{K}_t(z, \bar{w})$  for simplicity.

Let  $\rho$  be a positive Lebesgue measurable function on  $D$ , which satisfies that there exists  $a_U > 0$  such that  $\rho^{-a_U} \in L^1(U)$  for any open subset  $U \Subset D \setminus Z$ , where  $Z$  is a discrete subset of  $D$ . We denote by  $B_\rho(z, \bar{w})$  the weighted Bergman kernel on  $D$  with the weight  $\rho$  (see [17]) if

$$f(w) = \int_D f(z) \overline{B_\rho(z, \bar{w})} \rho(z)$$

holds for any holomorphic function  $f$  on  $D$  satisfying  $\int_D |f(z)|^2 < +\infty$ . Denote

$$B_\rho(z) := B_\rho(z, \bar{z}).$$

When  $\rho \equiv 1$ ,  $B(z)$  denotes  $B_\rho(z)$  for simplicity.

Let  $c_\beta(z)$  be the logarithmic capacity which is defined by

$$c_\beta(z) := \exp \lim_{w \rightarrow z} (G_D(w, z) - \log |w - z|).$$

In [22], Yamada listed the following conjectures on  $c_\beta(z)$ ,  $B(z)$  and  $\widehat{K}(z)$ .

**Conjecture 1.1.** *If  $n > 1$ , then*

$$(1.1) \quad c_\beta(z)^2 < \pi B(z) < \widehat{K}(z).$$

The left part of inequality (1.1) is the so-called Suita conjecture (see [20]) and the right part of inequality (1.1) is the so-called Saitoh conjecture (see [18]).

The original form of the Suita conjecture (see [20]) was posed on open Riemann surfaces admitting nontrivial Green functions. Błocki [3] proved the “ $\leq$ ” part of the Suita conjecture on bounded planar domains. Guan–Zhou [13] proved the “ $\leq$ ” part of the Suita conjecture on open Riemann surfaces. In [14], Guan–Zhou proved a necessary and sufficient condition for  $c_\beta(z)^2 = \pi B(z)$  to hold on open Riemann surfaces, which completed the proof of the Suita conjecture.

In [8], Guan proved Saitoh's conjecture:

**Theorem 1.2** ([8]). *If  $n > 1$ , then  $\widehat{K}(z) > \pi B(z)$ .*

We recall some notation (see [7], see also [14, 11, 10]). Let  $p: \Delta \rightarrow D$  be the universal covering from the unit disc  $\Delta$  to  $D$ , and let  $z_0 \in D$ . We call the holomorphic function  $f$  on  $\Delta$  a multiplicative function, if there is a character  $\chi$ , which is the representation of the fundamental group of  $D$ , such that  $g^*f = \chi(g)f$ , where  $|\chi| = 1$  and  $g$  is an element of the fundamental group of  $D$ . Denote the set of such  $f$  by  $\mathcal{O}^\chi(D)$ .

It is known that for any function  $u$  on  $D$  with value  $[-\infty, +\infty)$  such that  $e^u$  is locally the modulus of a holomorphic function, there exist a character  $\chi_u$  and a multiplicative function  $f_u \in \mathcal{O}^{\chi_u}(D)$ , such that  $|f_u| = p^*(e^u)$ . If  $u_1 - u_2 = \log |f|$ , where  $f$  is a holomorphic function on  $\Omega$ , then  $\chi_{u_1} = \chi_{u_2}$ . For the Green function  $G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , denote  $\chi_{z_0} := \chi_{G_D(\cdot, z_0)}$  and  $f_{z_0} := f_{G_D(\cdot, z_0)}$ . Note that  $D$  is conformally equivalent to the unit disc (i.e.  $n = 1$ ) if and only if  $\chi_{z_0} \equiv 1$  (see [20]).

Let  $u$  be a harmonic function on  $D$ , and let  $\rho = e^{-2u}$ . Yamada [22] posed the following weighted version of the Suita conjecture, which is the so-called extended Suita conjecture.

**Conjecture 1.3.** *The inequality  $c_\beta^2(z_0) \leq \pi \rho(z_0) B_\rho(z_0)$  holds for any  $z_0 \in D$ , and equality holds if and only if  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u}$ .*

In [14], Guan–Zhou proved the extended Suita conjecture. More general weighted versions of Suita conjecture can be found in [9, 11], and a weighted version of the Suita conjecture for higher derivatives can be found in [10].

In the present article, we consider weighted versions of Saitoh's conjecture.

### §1.1. Main result

Let  $D$  be a planar regular region with  $n$  boundary components which are analytic Jordan curves, and let  $z_0 \in D$ .

Let  $\psi$  be a Lebesgue measurable function on  $\bar{D}$ , which satisfies that  $\psi$  is subharmonic on  $D$ ,  $\psi|_{\partial D} \equiv 0$  and the Lelong number  $v(dd^c\psi, z_0) > 0$ , where  $d^c = \frac{\partial - \bar{\partial}}{2\pi\sqrt{-1}}$ . Assume that  $\psi \in C^1(U \cap \bar{D})$  for an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $\partial D$  and  $\partial\psi/\partial v_p$  is positive on  $\partial D$ , where  $\partial/\partial v_p$  denotes the derivative along the outer normal unit vector  $v_p$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a Lebesgue measurable function on  $\bar{D}$  satisfying that  $\varphi + 2\psi$  is subharmonic on  $D$ , the Lelong number

$$v(dd^c(\varphi + 2\psi), z_0) \geq 2$$

and  $\varphi$  is continuous at  $z$  for any  $z \in \partial D$ . Assume that one of the following two statements holds:

- (a)  $(\psi - p_0 G_D(\cdot, z_0))(z_0) > -\infty$ , where  $p_0 = v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (b)  $\varphi + 2a\psi$  is subharmonic near  $z_0$  for some  $a \in [0, 1)$ .

Let  $c$  be a positive Lebesgue measurable function on  $[0, +\infty)$  satisfying that  $c(t)e^{-t}$  is decreasing on  $[0, +\infty)$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0+0} c(t) = c(0) = 1$  and  $\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt < +\infty$ .

Denote

$$\rho := e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) \quad \text{and} \quad K_{\rho, \psi}(z) := K_{\rho(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_p})^{-1}}(z, \bar{z}),$$

and assume that  $\rho$  has a positive lower bound on any compact subset of  $D \setminus Z$ , where  $Z \subset \{\psi = -\infty\}$  is a discrete subset of  $D$ .

We present a weighted version of Saitoh’s conjecture as follows:

**Theorem 1.4.** *Assume that  $B_\rho(z_0) > 0$ . Then*

$$K_{\rho, \psi}(z_0) \geq \left( \int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt \right) \pi B_\rho(z_0)$$

*holds, and the equality holds if and only if the following statements hold:*

- (1)  $\varphi + 2\psi = 2G_D(\cdot, z_0) + 2u$ , where  $u$  is a harmonic function on  $D$ ;
- (2)  $\psi = p_0 G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , where  $p_0 = v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (3)  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u}$ , where  $\chi_{-u}$  and  $\chi_{z_0}$  are the characters associated to the functions  $-u$  and  $G_D(\cdot, z_0)$  respectively.

**Remark 1.5.** Let  $p$  be the universal covering from the unit disc  $\Delta$  to  $D$ . When statements (1)–(3) in Theorem 1.4 hold,

$$K_{\rho, \psi}(\cdot, \bar{z}_0) = \left( \int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt \right) \pi B_\rho(\cdot, \bar{z}_0) = c_1(p_*(f_{z_0}))' p_*(f_u),$$

where  $K_{\rho, \psi}(\cdot, \bar{z}_0)$  denotes  $K_{\rho(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_p})^{-1}}(\cdot, \bar{z}_0)$ ,  $c_1$  is a constant,  $f_u$  is a holomorphic function on  $\Delta$  such that  $|f_u| = p^*(e^u)$  and  $f_{z_0}$  is a holomorphic function on  $\Delta$  such that  $|f_{z_0}| = p^*(e^{G_D(\cdot, z_0)})$ . We prove the remark in Section 3.

**Remark 1.6.** For any  $z_0 \in D$ , there exists  $u \in C(\bar{D})$  such that  $u$  is harmonic on  $D$  and  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u}$ . In fact,  $u(z) := \log|z - z_0| - G_D(z, z_0)$  is harmonic on  $D$  and  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u}$ .

Let  $\lambda$  be any positive continuous function on  $\partial D$ . By solving the Dirichlet problem, there exists  $u \in C(\bar{D})$  satisfying that  $u|_{\partial D} = -\frac{1}{2} \log \lambda$  and  $u$  is harmonic on  $D$ . When  $\psi = G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ ,  $\hat{K}_\lambda(z_0)$  denotes  $K_{\lambda, \psi}(z_0)$ .

Theorem 1.4 implies the following corollary.

**Corollary 1.7.** *The inequality  $\widehat{K}_\lambda(z_0) \geq \pi B_{e^{-2u}}(z_0)$  holds for any  $z_0 \in D$ , and the equality holds if and only if  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u}$ .*

Note that  $\chi_{z_0} \equiv 1$  holds if and only if  $n = 1$  (see [20]); then the above corollary is Theorem 1.2 when  $\lambda \equiv 1$  and  $u \equiv 0$ .

**§1.2. Applications: The weighted version of Saitoh's conjecture for higher derivatives**

Let  $D$  be a planar regular region with  $n$  boundary components which are analytic Jordan curves, and let  $z_0 \in D$ .

Let  $\psi$  be a Lebesgue measurable function on  $\overline{D}$ , which satisfies that  $\psi$  is subharmonic on  $D$ ,  $\psi|_{\partial D} \equiv 0$  and the Lelong number  $v(\psi, z_0) > 0$ . Assume that  $\psi \in C^1(U \cap \overline{D})$  for an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $\partial D$  and  $\partial\psi/\partial v_p$  is positive on  $\partial D$ . Let  $\varphi$  be a Lebesgue measurable function on  $\overline{D}$  satisfying that  $\varphi + 2\psi$  is subharmonic on  $D$ , the Lelong number

$$v(dd^c(\varphi + 2\psi), z_0) \geq 2(k + 1)$$

and  $\varphi$  is continuous at  $z$  for any  $z \in \partial D$ . Assume that one of the following two statements holds:

- (a)  $(\psi - p_0 G_D(\cdot, z_0))(z_0) > -\infty$ , where  $p_0 = v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (b)  $\varphi + 2a\psi$  is subharmonic near  $z_0$  for some  $a \in [0, 1)$ .

Let  $k$  be a nonnegative integer. Let  $c$  be a positive Lebesgue measurable function on  $[0, +\infty)$  satisfying that  $c(t)e^{-t}$  is decreasing on  $[0, +\infty)$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0+0} c(t) = c(0) = 1$  and  $\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt < +\infty$ .

Denote

$$\rho := e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi),$$

and assume that  $\rho$  has a positive lower bound on any compact subset of  $D \setminus Z$ , where  $Z \subset \{\psi = -\infty\}$  is a discrete subset of  $D$ .

Let us consider two kernel functions for higher derivatives. Denote

$$B_\rho^{(k)}(z_0) := \sup\left\{ \left| \frac{f^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!} \right|^2 : f \in \mathcal{O}(D), \int_D |f|^2 \rho \leq 1 \right. \\ \left. \text{and } f(z_0) = \dots = f^{(k-1)}(z_0) = 0 \right\}.$$

When  $\rho \equiv 1$ ,  $B_\rho^{(k)}(z_0)$  is the Bergman kernel for higher derivatives (see [2, 4]). When  $k = 0$ ,  $B_\rho^{(k)}(z_0)$  is the weighted Bergman kernel  $B_\rho(z_0)$  (see Section 1.1). Denote

$$K_{\rho, \psi}^{(k)}(z_0) := \sup\left\{ \left| \frac{f^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!} \right|^2 : f \in H_2^{(c)}(D), \int_{\partial D} |f|^2 \rho \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz| \leq 1 \right. \\ \left. \text{and } f(z_0) = \dots = f^{(k-1)}(z_0) = 0 \right\}.$$

In particular, when  $k = 0$ ,  $K_{\rho,\psi}^{(k)}(z_0)$  is the weighted Szegő kernel  $K_{\rho,\psi}(z_0)$  (see Section 1.1).

We present a weighted version of Saitoh’s conjecture for higher derivatives as follows:

**Corollary 1.8.** *Assume that  $B_\rho^{(k)}(z_0) > 0$ . Then*

$$K_\rho^{(k)}(z_0) \geq \left( \int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt \right) \pi B_\rho^{(k)}(z_0)$$

holds, and the equality holds if and only if the following statements hold:

- (1)  $\varphi + 2\psi = 2(k + 1)G_D(\cdot, z_0) + 2u$ , where  $u$  is a harmonic function on  $D$ ;
- (2)  $\psi = p_0G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , where  $p_0 = v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (3)  $\chi_{z_0}^{k+1} = \chi_{-u}$ , where  $\chi_{-u}$  and  $\chi_{z_0}$  are the characters associated to the functions  $-u$  and  $G_D(\cdot, z_0)$  respectively.

Let  $\lambda$  be an arbitrary positive continuous function on  $\partial D$ . By solving the Dirichlet problem, there exists  $u \in C(\bar{D})$  satisfying that  $u|_{\partial D} = -\frac{1}{2} \log \lambda$  and  $u$  is harmonic on  $D$ . When  $\psi = (k + 1)G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ ,  $\widehat{K}_\lambda^{(k)}(z_0)$  denotes  $K_{\lambda,\psi}^{(k)}(z_0)$ .

Corollary 1.8 implies the following corollary:

**Corollary 1.9.** *The inequality  $\widehat{K}_\lambda^{(k)}(z_0) \geq \pi B_{e^{-2u}}^{(k)}(z_0)$  holds for any  $z_0 \in D$ , and the equality holds if and only if  $\chi_{z_0}^{k+1} = \chi_{-u}$ .*

## §2. Preparations

In this section, we make some preparations.

### §2.1. A sufficient condition for $f \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$

Let  $D$  be a planar regular region with  $n$  boundary components which are analytic Jordan curves, and let  $z_0 \in D$ . Let  $\psi$  be as in Theorem 1.4. Let  $f$  be a holomorphic function on  $D$ . In this section we give a sufficient condition for  $f \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$  (i.e. Lemma 2.4).

We recall the following basic formula, and we give a proof for the convenience of readers.

**Lemma 2.1.** *The equality  $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z} = ((\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x})^2 + (\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y})^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$  holds on  $\partial D$ , where  $\partial/\partial v_z$  denotes the derivative along the outer normal unit vector  $v_z$ .*

*Proof.* For fixed  $z_1 \in \partial D$ , as  $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z}$  is positive on  $D$ , we can assume that  $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \neq 0$  without loss of generality. Then there exists a neighborhood  $U_1$  of  $z_1$  with coordinates

$(u, v) = (x, \psi(x + \sqrt{-1}y))$ . It is clear that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y},$$

which implies that

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial u} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = -\frac{\partial \psi / \partial x}{\partial \psi / \partial y}, \quad \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} = \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}\right)^{-1}.$$

It is clear that

$$v_z = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}\right)}{\left(\left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}\right)^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}},$$

and thus we have  $\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z} = \left(\left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y}\right)^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ . □

We give a relationship between the superlevel sets of  $\psi$  and  $G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ .

**Lemma 2.2.** *There exist  $t_0 > 0$  and  $C > 1$  such that*

$$\{z \in D : G_D(z, z_0) \geq -t\} \subset \{z \in D : \psi(z) \geq -Ct\}$$

for any  $t \in (0, t_0)$ .

*Proof.* As  $\partial D$  is compact, it suffices to prove that for any  $z_1 \in \partial D$ , there exist a neighborhood  $U$  of  $z_1$ ,  $t_0 > 0$  and  $C > 1$  such that  $\{z \in D \cap U : G_D(z, z_0) \geq -t\} \subset \{z \in D \cap U : \psi(z) \geq -Ct\}$  for any  $t \in (0, t_0)$ .

For fixed  $z_1 \in \partial D$ , as  $\frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial v_z}$  is positive on  $D$ , we can assume that  $\frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial y} \neq 0$  and  $z_1$  is the origin  $o$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  without loss of generality. Then there exists a neighborhood  $U_1$  of  $z_1$  with coordinates  $(u, v) = (x, G_D(x + \sqrt{-1}y, z_0))$ . It is clear that

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} G_D(z, z_0) \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_D(z, z_0),$$

which implies that

$$\frac{\partial x}{\partial u} = 1, \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} = -\frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x} G_D(z, z_0)}{\frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_D(z, z_0)}, \quad \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial y}{\partial v} = \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial y} G_D(z, z_0)\right)^{-1}.$$

It is clear that

$$v_z = \frac{\left(\frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial y}\right)}{\left(\left(\frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial y}\right)^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}$$

on  $\partial D$ . Thus, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial u} \cdot \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v} \cdot |\nabla G_D(z, z_0)|^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial u} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial u}\right) \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial x} + \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial x}{\partial v} + \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial y}{\partial v}\right) |\nabla G_D(z, z_0)|^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left( \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\frac{\partial}{\partial x}G(z, z_0)}{\frac{\partial}{\partial y}G_D(z, z_0)} \right) \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial x} \\
 &\quad + \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial y} \cdot \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y}G_D(z, z_0) \right)^{-1} \cdot \left( \left( \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right) \\
 &= \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial y} \cdot \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial x} \cdot \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial x} \\
 &= \frac{\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_z}}{\left( \left( \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} > 0
 \end{aligned}$$

on  $\partial D$ . Note that  $|\nabla G_D(z, z_0)|^2 > 0$  on  $\partial D$ . There exist  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $m > 0$ ,  $r_0 > 0$  and  $b > 0$  such that

$$(2.1) \quad m < a \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial u} + b \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v} < \frac{1}{m}$$

on an open parallelogram  $U_2 := \{(u, v) : -r_0 < v < r_0, \frac{a}{b}v - r_0 < u < \frac{a}{b}v + r_0\} \Subset U_1$ . Note that  $\psi|_{\{v=0\}} = \psi|_{\partial D} \equiv 0$ . For any  $(u, v) \in U_2$ , we have  $(u - \frac{a}{b}v + ta, tb) \in U_2$  for any  $t \in [0, \frac{v}{b}]$  and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi(u, v) &= \psi(u, v) - \psi\left(u - \frac{a}{b}v, 0\right) \\
 &= \psi\left(u - \frac{a}{b}v + ta, tb\right) \Big|_{t=0}^{t=v/b} \\
 (2.2) \quad &= \int_0^{v/b} \left( a \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial u} + b \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v} \right) \left( u - \frac{a}{b}v + ta, tb \right) dt.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, for any  $t \in (0, r_0)$ , if  $G(z, z_0) = v \geq -t$ , it follows from inequality (2.1) and equality (2.2) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \psi(u, v) &= - \int_{v/b}^0 \left( a \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial u} + b \frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v} \right) \left( u - \frac{a}{b}v + ta, tb \right) dt \\
 &\geq \frac{v}{mb} \\
 &\geq -\frac{t}{mb},
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $\{z \in D \cap U_2 : G_D(z, z_0) \geq -t\} \subset \{z \in D \cap U_2 : \psi(z) \geq -\frac{1}{mb}t\}$  for any  $t \in (0, r_0)$ .

Thus, Lemma 2.2 holds. □

We recall the following coarea formula.



**Lemma 2.3** (See [6]). *Suppose that  $\Omega$  is an open set in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and  $u \in C^1(\Omega)$ . Then for any  $g \in L^1(\Omega)$ ,*

$$\int_{\Omega} g(x)|\nabla u(x)| dx = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \int_{u^{-1}(t)} g(x) dH_{n-1}(x) \right) dt,$$

where  $H_{n-1}$  is the  $(n - 1)$ -dimensional Hausdorff measure.

The following lemma gives a sufficient condition for  $f \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$ .

**Lemma 2.4.** *Let  $f$  be a holomorphic function on  $D$ . Assume that*

$$(2.3) \quad \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: \psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |f(z)|^2}{1 - r} < +\infty;$$

then we have  $f \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$ .

*Proof.* It follows from Lemma 2.2 and inequality (2.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} & \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: e^{G_D(z, z_0)} \geq r\}} |f(z)|^2}{1 - r} \\ & \leq \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: \psi(z) \geq C \log r\}} |f(z)|^2}{1 - r} \\ & = \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: \psi(z) \geq C \log r\}} |f(z)|^2}{1 - r^C} \times \frac{1 - r^C}{1 - r} \\ (2.4) \quad & < +\infty. \end{aligned}$$

Denote

$$D_r := \{z \in D : e^{G_D(z, z_0)} < r\},$$

where  $r \in (0, 1)$ . It is well known that  $G_D(\cdot, z_0) - \log r$  is the Green function on  $D_r$ . By the analyticity of the boundary of  $D$ , we have that  $G_D(z, w)$  has an analytic extension on  $U \times V \setminus \{z = w\}$  and  $\frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial v_z}$  is positive and smooth on  $\partial D$ , where  $U$  is a neighborhood of  $\bar{D}$  and  $V \Subset D$ . Then there exist  $r_0 \in (0, 1)$  and  $C_1 > 0$  such that  $\frac{1}{C_1} \leq |\nabla G_D(\cdot, z_0)| \leq C_1$  on  $\{z \in D : G_D(z, z_0) > \log r_0\}$ , which implies

$$(2.5) \quad \frac{1}{C_1} \leq \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial v_z} \leq C_1$$

holds on  $\{z \in D : G_D(z, z_0) > \log r_0\}$  (by using Lemma 2.1).

Denote

$$v_r(w) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D_r} |f|^2 \frac{\partial G_{D_r}(z, w)}{\partial v_z} |dz|,$$

a harmonic function on  $D_r$ , where  $r \in (r_0, 1)$ . As  $G_{D_r}(z, z_0) = G_D(z, z_0) - \log r$ , we have

$$(2.6) \quad v_r(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D_r} |f|^2 \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial v_z} |dz|.$$

For fixed  $r_1 \in (r_0, 1)$ , inequality (2.5) implies that

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} v_{r_1}(z_0) &\leq v_r(z_0) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D_r} |f|^2 \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial v_z} |dz| \\ &\leq C_2 \int_{\partial D_r} |f|^2 \left( \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz| \end{aligned}$$

holds for any  $r \in (r_1, 1)$ , where  $C_2$  is a positive constant independent of  $r_1$  and  $r$ . Using Lemmas 2.1, 2.3 and inequality (2.4), we have

$$(2.8) \quad \begin{aligned} v_{r_1}(z_0) &\leq \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{C_2 \int_r^1 \left( \int_{\partial D_s} |f|^2 \left( \frac{\partial G_D(z, z_0)}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz| \right) ds}{1-r} \\ &= \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{C_2 \int_r^1 \left( \int_{\{e^{G_D(\cdot, z_0)}=s\}} |f|^2 e^{G_D(z, z_0)} |\nabla e^{G_D(z, z_0)}|^{-1} |dz| \right) ds}{1-r} \\ &= \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{C_2 \int_{\{z \in D: e^{G_D(z, z_0)} > r\}} |f|^2 e^{G_D(z, z_0)}}{1-r} \\ &\leq C_3, \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_3$  is a positive constant independent of  $r_1$ . As  $|f|^2$  is subharmonic, we have  $|f|^2 \leq v_r$  on  $D_r$  and  $\{v_r\}$  is increasing with respect to  $r$ . By Harnack’s principle (see [1]), the sequence  $\{v_r\}$  converges to a harmonic function  $v$  on  $D$ , which satisfies  $|f(z)|^2 \leq v(z)$  for any  $z \in D$ . Thus,  $f \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$ . □

### §2.2. Concavity property of minimal $L^2$ integrals

In this section we recall the concavity property of minimal  $L^2$  integrals on open Riemann surfaces and a characterization for the concavity degenerating to linearity ([11], see also [10, 12]).

Let  $D$  be a planar regular region with  $n$  boundary components which are analytic Jordan curves. Let  $\psi$  be a negative subharmonic function on  $D$ , and let  $\varphi$  be a Lebesgue measurable function on  $D$ , such that  $\varphi + \psi$  is a plurisubharmonic function on  $D$ .

Let  $z_0 \in D$  be such that  $\mathcal{I}(\varphi + \psi)_{z_0} \neq \mathcal{O}_{z_0}$ , where  $\mathcal{I}(\varphi + \psi)$  is the multiplier ideal sheaf, which is the sheaf of germs of holomorphic functions  $h$  such that

$|h|^2 e^{-\varphi-\psi}$  is locally integrable. Let  $f$  be a holomorphic function on a neighborhood of  $z_0$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}_{z_0} \supseteq \mathcal{I}(\varphi + \psi)_{z_0}$  be an ideal of  $\mathcal{O}_{z_0}$ .

Denote

$$\inf \left\{ \int_{\{\psi < -t\}} |\tilde{f}|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi) : (\tilde{f} - f, z_0) \in \mathcal{F}_{z_0} \text{ and } \tilde{f} \in \mathcal{O}(\{\psi < -t\}) \right\}$$

by  $G(t; c)$  (without misunderstanding, we denote  $G(t; c)$  by  $G(t)$ ), where  $t \in [0, +\infty)$  and  $c$  is a nonnegative measurable function on  $(0, +\infty)$ .

Let  $c$  be a positive measurable function  $c$  on  $(0, +\infty)$ , which satisfies that  $c(t)e^{-t}$  is decreasing with respect to  $t$ ,  $\int_0^{+\infty} c(s)e^{-s} ds < +\infty$  and  $e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi)$  has a positive lower bound on any compact subset of  $D \setminus Z$ , where  $Z \subset \{\psi = -\infty\}$  is a discrete subset of  $M$ .

We recall some results about the concavity of  $G(t)$ , which will be used in the proof of Theorem 1.4.

**Theorem 2.5** ([11]). *Let  $h(t) = \int_t^{+\infty} c(s)e^{-s} ds$ . Then  $G(h^{-1}(r))$  is concave with respect to  $r \in (0, \int_0^{+\infty} c(s)e^{-s} ds)$ ,  $\lim_{t \rightarrow T+0} G(t) = G(0)$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow +\infty} G(t) = 0$ .*

**Lemma 2.6** ([11]). *There exists a unique holomorphic function  $F$  on  $\{\psi < -t\}$  satisfying  $(F - f, z_0) \in \mathcal{F}_{z_0}$  and  $G(t; c) = \int_{\{\psi < -t\}} |F|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi)$ . Furthermore, for any holomorphic function  $\widehat{F}$  on  $\{\psi < -t\}$  satisfying  $(\widehat{F} - f, z_0) \in \mathcal{F}_{z_0}$  and  $\int_{\{\psi < -t\}} |\widehat{F}|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi) < +\infty$ , we have the equality*

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\{\psi < -t\}} |F_t|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi) + \int_{\{\psi < -t\}} |\widehat{F} - F_t|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi) \\ &= \int_{\{\psi < -t\}} |\widehat{F}|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi). \end{aligned}$$

We recall a necessary condition and a characterization of the concavity degenerating to linearity.

**Corollary 2.7** ([11]). *If  $G(h^{-1}(r))$  is linear with respect to  $r \in [0, \int_0^{+\infty} c(s)e^{-s} ds)$ , where  $h(t) = \int_t^{+\infty} c(s)e^{-s} ds$ , then there is a unique holomorphic function  $F$  on  $D$  satisfying  $(F - f, z_0) \in \mathcal{F}_{z_0}$  and  $G(t; c) = \int_{\{\psi < -t\}} |F|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi)$  for any  $t \geq 0$ . Furthermore,*

$$(2.9) \quad \int_{\{-t_1 \leq \psi < -t_2\}} |F|^2 e^{-\varphi} a(-\psi) = \frac{G(0; c)}{\int_0^{+\infty} c(s)e^{-s} ds} \int_{t_2}^{t_1} a(t)e^{-t} dt$$

for any nonnegative measurable function  $a$  on  $(0, +\infty)$ , where  $+\infty \geq t_1 > t_2 \geq 0$ .

**Theorem 2.8** ([11], see also [12]). *Assume that one of the following two statements holds:*

- (a)  $(\psi - 2p_0G_D(\cdot, z_0))(z_0) > -\infty$ , where  $p_0 = \frac{1}{2}v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (b)  $\varphi + a\psi$  is subharmonic near  $z_0$  for some  $a \in [0, 1)$ .

Then  $G(h^{-1}(r))$  is linear with respect to  $r$  if and only if the following statements hold:

- (1)  $\psi = 2p_0G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , where  $p_0 = \frac{1}{2}v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (2)  $\varphi + \psi = 2\log|g| + 2G_D(\cdot, z_0) + 2u$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{z_0} = \mathcal{I}(\varphi + \psi)_{z_0}$ , where  $g$  is a holomorphic function on  $D$  such that  $\text{ord}_{z_0}(g) = \text{ord}_{z_0}(f)$  and  $u$  is a harmonic function on  $D$ ;
- (3)  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u}$ , where  $\chi_{-u}$  and  $\chi_{z_0}$  are the characters associated to the functions  $-u$  and  $G_D(\cdot, z_0)$  respectively.

**Remark 2.9** ([12]). Assume statements (1)–(3) in Theorem 2.8 hold. Let  $p$  be the universal covering from unit disc  $\Delta$  to  $D$ . Let  $f_u$  be a holomorphic function on  $\Delta$  such that  $|f_u| = p^*(e^u)$ , and let  $f_{z_0}$  be a holomorphic function on  $\Delta$  such that  $|f_{z_0}| = p^*(e^{G_D(\cdot, z_0)})$ . Denote  $c_0 := \lim_{z \rightarrow z_0} \frac{f}{p_0gp_*(f_u)(p_*(f_{z_0}))'}$ . Then

$$c_0p_0gp_*(f_u)(p_*(f_{z_0}))'$$

is the unique holomorphic function  $F$  on  $D$  such that  $(F - f, z_0) \in \mathcal{F}_{z_0}$  and  $G(t) = \int_{\{\psi < -t\}} |F|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-\psi)$  for any  $t \geq 0$ .

### §2.3. Some other required results

Let  $D$  be a planar regular region with  $n$  boundary components which are analytic Jordan curves, and let  $z_0 \in D$ .

**Lemma 2.10** (See [19]; see also [21]). *The Green function*

$$G_D(z, z_0) = \sup_{v \in \Delta_D^*(z_0)} v(z),$$

where  $\Delta_D^*(z_0)$  is the set of negative subharmonic functions on  $D$  such that  $v(z) - \log|z - z_0|$  has a locally finite upper bound near  $z_0$ . Moreover,  $G_D(z, z_0) - \log|z - z_0|$  is harmonic on  $D$ .

The following two properties of the weighted Szegő kernel can be found in [15].

**Lemma 2.11** ([15]). *Let  $\lambda$  be a positive continuous function on  $\partial D$ . There exists an analytic function  $K_\lambda(z, \bar{w})$  with the following properties:  $K_\lambda(z, \bar{w})$  is holomorphic on  $D \times D$ ;  $|K_\lambda(z, \bar{w})|$  is continuous on  $\bar{D}$  for fixed  $w \in D$ ;*

$$\int_{\partial D} f(z) \overline{K_\lambda(z, \bar{w})} \lambda(z) |dz| = f(w)$$

holds for any  $f \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$ .

**Lemma 2.12** ([15]). *Let  $\lambda$  be a positive continuous function on  $\partial D$ , and let  $f \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$  satisfy  $f(z_0) = 1$ . Then we have*

$$(2.10) \quad \int_{\partial D} |M(z)|^2 \lambda(z) |dz| \leq \int_{\partial D} |f(z)|^2 \lambda(z) |dz|,$$

where  $M(z) := \frac{K_\lambda(z, \bar{z}_0)}{K_\lambda(z_0, \bar{z}_0)}$ . Equality in (2.10) holds if and only if  $f(z) \equiv M(z)$ .

### §3. Proofs of Theorem 1.4 and Remark 1.5

In this section we prove Theorem 1.4 and Remark 1.5.

*Proof of Theorem 1.4.* We prove Theorem 1.4 in three steps: Firstly, we prove that “ $\geq$ ” holds, secondly we prove the necessity of the characterization and finally we prove the sufficiency of the characterization.

*Step 1.* Denote

$$\inf \left\{ \int_{\{2\psi < -t\}} |\tilde{f}|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) : \tilde{f}(z_0) = 1 \text{ and } \tilde{f} \in \mathcal{O}(\{2\psi < -t\}) \right\}$$

by  $G(t)$  for  $t \geq 0$ ; then we have

$$G(0) = \frac{1}{B_\rho(z_0)},$$

where  $\rho = e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)$ . Lemma 2.6 tells us that there exists a holomorphic function  $F_0$  on  $D$  such that  $F_0(z_0) = 1$  and  $G(0) = \int_D |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)$ . Theorem 2.5 shows that  $G(h^{-1}(r))$  is concave, where  $h(t) = \int_t^{+\infty} c(s) e^{-s} ds$ . Note that

$$G(-\log r) \leq \int_{\{2\psi < \log r\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)$$

for  $r \in (0, 1]$ ; then we have

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{\int_{\{z \in D : 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0(z)|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)}{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt} \leq \frac{G(0) - G(-\log r)}{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt} \leq \frac{G(0)}{\int_0^{+\infty} c(t) e^{-t} dt}.$$

There exists  $r_0 \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\inf \{e^{-\varphi(z)} c(-\psi(z)) : z \in D \text{ and } 2G_D(z, z_0) \geq \log r_0\} > 0$ . As  $v(dd^c \psi, z_0) > 0$ , it follows from Lemma 2.10 that there exists  $r_1 \in (0, 1)$  such that  $\{z \in D : 2\psi(z) \geq \log r_1\} \subset \{z \in D : 2G_D(z, z_0) \geq \log r_0\}$ .

Note that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow 0+0} c(t) = 1$ . Then inequality (3.1) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0(z)|^2}{1-r} \\ & \leq C_1 \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0(z)|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)}{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt} \times \frac{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt}{1-r} \\ & \leq C_1 \frac{G(0)}{\int_0^{+\infty} c(t) e^{-t} dt} \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt}{1-r} \\ & < +\infty. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 2.4, we have  $F_0 \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$ .

Note that  $F_0$  has Fatou’s nontangential boundary value and  $|F_0| \in L^2(\partial D)$ . It follows from Fatou’s lemma and Lemmas 2.1 and 2.3 that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) \left(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz| \\ & = \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) |\nabla\psi|^{-1} |dz| \\ & \leq \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\frac{1}{2} \log r}^0 \left(\int_{\{z \in D: \psi(z) = s\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) |\nabla\psi|^{-1} |dz|\right) ds}{-\frac{1}{2} \log r} \\ & = \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)}{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt} \times \frac{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt}{-\frac{1}{2} \log r} \\ (3.2) \quad & = 2 \liminf_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)}{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt}. \end{aligned}$$

As  $F_0 \in H_2^{(c)}(D)$ , we have

$$1 = F_0(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D} F_0(z) \overline{K_{\rho(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_z})^{-1}}(z, \bar{z}_0)} \rho\left(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz|.$$

By the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} & 1 \leq \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \left( \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 \rho\left(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz| \right) \\ & \quad \times \left( \int_{\partial D} |K_{\rho(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_z})^{-1}}(z, \bar{z}_0)|^2 \rho\left(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz| \right) \\ (3.3) \quad & = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 \rho\left(\frac{\partial\psi}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz| \right) \times K_{\rho, \psi}(z_0). \end{aligned}$$

Combining inequalities (3.1), (3.2) and (3.3), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left(\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt\right)B_\rho(z_0) &= \frac{\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt}{G(0)} \\
 &\leq \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t)e^{-t} dt}{\int_{\{z \in D: 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)} \\
 &\leq 2 \left(\int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz|\right)^{-1} \\
 (3.4) \qquad \qquad \qquad &\leq \frac{1}{\pi} K_{\rho, \psi}(z_0).
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have proved the inequality part of Theorem 1.4.

*Step 2.* Assume that the equality

$$(3.5) \qquad K_{\rho, \psi}(z_0) = \left(\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt\right)\pi B_\rho(z_0)$$

holds. Then inequality (3.4) becomes an equality, which shows that

$$\frac{\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt}{G(0)} = \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t)e^{-t} dt}{\int_{\{z \in D: 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)}.$$

Following from the concavity of  $G(h^{-1}(r))$ , we obtain that  $G(h^{-1}(r))$  is linear with respect to  $r \in (0, \int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt)$ . Theorem 2.8 shows that the following statements hold:

- (1)  $\psi = p_0 G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , where  $p_0 = v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (2)  $\varphi + 2\psi = 2 \log |g| + 2G_D(\cdot, z_0) + 2u_1$ , where  $g$  is a holomorphic function on  $D$  such that  $\text{ord}_{z_0}(g) = 0$  and  $u_1$  is a harmonic function on  $D$ ;
- (3)  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u_1}$ .

In the following, we will prove that  $2 \log |g|$  is harmonic on  $D$ , a.e.,  $g(z) \neq 0$  holds for any  $z \in D$ .

Denote  $h := \varphi + 2\psi - 2G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , a function on  $\bar{D}$ ; thus  $h$  is subharmonic on  $D$  and  $h$  is continuous at  $z$  for any  $z \in \partial D$ . By the analyticity of  $\partial D$ , there exists  $\tilde{h} \in C(\bar{D})$  such that  $\tilde{h}|_{\partial D} = h|_{\partial D}$  and  $\tilde{h}$  is harmonic on  $D$ . As  $h$  is subharmonic on  $D$ , we have

$$h \leq \tilde{h}$$

on  $D$ . Denote

$$\tilde{\varphi} := \varphi + \tilde{h} - h.$$

Then we have  $\tilde{\varphi}|_{\partial D} = \varphi|_{\partial D}$  and  $\tilde{\varphi} + 2\psi = 2G_D(\cdot, z_0) + \tilde{h}$ . Denote  $\tilde{\rho} := e^{-\tilde{\varphi}}c(-2\psi)$ . It is clear that

$$K_{\tilde{\rho},\psi}(z_0) = K_{\rho,\psi}(z_0) \quad \text{and} \quad B_{\tilde{\rho}}(z_0) \geq B_{\rho}(z_0).$$

Following equality (3.5) and the result in Step 1, we have

$$\frac{K_{\rho,\psi}(z_0)}{\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt} = \pi B_{\rho}(z_0) \leq \pi B_{\tilde{\rho}}(z_0) \leq \frac{K_{\tilde{\rho},\psi}(z_0)}{\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt} = \frac{K_{\rho,\psi}(z_0)}{\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt},$$

which implies that

$$B_{\rho}(z_0) = B_{\tilde{\rho}}(z_0).$$

Then we have  $\tilde{\rho} = \rho$ , i.e.  $\tilde{h} = h$ , which implies that  $2 \log |g|$  is harmonic on  $D$ . Denote

$$u = \log |g| + u_1,$$

a harmonic function on  $D$ . Then we have  $\varphi + 2\psi = 2G_D(\cdot, z_0) + 2u$  and  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u_1} = \chi_{-u}$ .

*Step 3.* Assume that statements (1)–(3) hold.

It follows from Theorem 2.8 that  $G(h^{-1}(r))$  is linear with respect to  $r \in (0, \int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt)$ . By Corollary 2.7 and Remark 2.9, we get that

$$(3.6) \quad G(t) = \int_{\{2\psi < -t\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)$$

holds for any  $t \geq 0$  and

$$F_0 = c_0(p_*(f_{z_0}))'p_*(f_u),$$

where  $c_0$  is a constant,  $p$  is the universal covering from unit disc  $\Delta$  to  $D$ ,  $f_u$  is a holomorphic function on  $\Delta$  such that  $|f_u| = p^*(e^u)$ , and  $f_{z_0}$  is a holomorphic function on  $\Delta$  such that  $|f_{z_0}| = p^*(e^{G_D(\cdot, z_0)})$ . It follows from equality (3.6) that

$$(3.7) \quad \frac{\int_0^{+\infty} c(t)e^{-t} dt}{G(0)} = \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t)e^{-t} dt}{\int_{\{z \in D: 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)}.$$

As  $u = \frac{\varphi}{2} + \psi - G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , we have  $u \in C(\bar{D})$ , which implies that  $p_*(|f_u|) \in C(\bar{D})$ . As  $G_D(\cdot, z_0)$  can be extended to a harmonic function on a  $U \setminus \{z_0\}$ , where  $U$  is a neighborhood of  $\bar{D}$ , we have  $|(p_*(f_{z_0}))'| \in C(\bar{D})$ . Thus, we have

$$|F_0| \in C(\bar{D}).$$



Following from the dominated convergence theorem and Lemma 2.3, we obtain

$$(3.8) \quad \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1-0} \frac{\int_{\{z \in D: 2\psi(z) \geq \log r\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi)}{\int_0^{-\log r} c(t) e^{-t} dt} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) \left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz|.$$

Denote  $M(z) := \frac{K_\lambda(z, \bar{z}_0)}{K_\lambda(z_0, \bar{z}_0)}$ , where  $\lambda = \rho\left(\frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1}$ . Note that  $\int_D |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) < +\infty$  implies that  $\int_D e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) < +\infty$ . Lemma 2.11 shows that  $|M(z)| \in C(\bar{D})$ ; then we have

$$\int_D |M|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) < +\infty.$$

Note that  $M(z_0) = 1$ . By using Lemma 2.6 and inequality (3.6), we have

$$\int_{\{2\psi < -t\}} |M|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) = \int_{\{2\psi < -t\}} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) + \int_{\{2\psi < -t\}} |M - F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi),$$

which implies that

$$(3.9) \quad \int_{\{2\psi < -t\}} F_0 \overline{F_0 - M} e^{-\varphi} c(-2\psi) = 0$$

holds for any  $t \geq 0$ . Note that  $\psi = p_0 G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ . It follows from Lemma 2.3 and equality (3.9) that there exists  $r_1 > 0$  such that

$$(3.10) \quad \int_{\{z \in D: G_D(z, z_0) = r\}} F_0 \overline{F_0 - M} e^{-\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz| = 0$$

holds for any  $r \in (0, r_1)$ . Note that  $|F_0| \in C(\bar{D})$  and  $|M| \in C(\bar{D})$ ; then it follows from the dominated convergence theorem and equality (3.10) that

$$\int_{\partial D} F_0 \overline{F_0 - M} e^{-\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz| = 0,$$

which implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\partial D} |M|^2 e^{-\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz| \\ &= \int_{\partial D} |M - F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz| \\ &+ \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} \left(\frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z}\right)^{-1} |dz|. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.12 tells us that

$$\int_{\partial D} |M|^2 e^{-\varphi} \left( \frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz| \leq \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} \left( \frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz|.$$

Then we have

$$\int_{\partial D} |M|^2 e^{-\varphi} \left( \frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz| = \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 e^{-\varphi} \left( \frac{\partial G_D(\cdot, z_0)}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz|.$$

It follows from Lemma 2.12 that

$$(3.11) \quad F_0 \equiv M.$$

Thus, inequality (3.3) becomes an equality, i.e.

$$(3.12) \quad 1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left( \int_{\partial D} |F_0|^2 \rho \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz| \right) \times K_{\rho, \psi}(z_0).$$

Combining equalities (3.7), (3.8) and (3.12), we know that inequality (3.4) becomes an equality, i.e.

$$\left( \int_0^{+\infty} c(t) e^{-t} dt \right) B_{\rho}(z_0) = \frac{1}{\pi} K_{\rho, \psi}(z_0).$$

Then Theorem 1.4 has been proved. □

*Proof of Remark 1.5.* Assume that statements (1)–(3) in Theorem 1.4 hold. Following the discussions in Step 3 in the proof of Theorem 1.4, we obtain

$$F_0 = c_0(p_*(f_{z_0}))' p_*(f_u), \quad F_0 \equiv M \quad \text{and} \quad M(z) = \frac{K_{\lambda}(z, \bar{z}_0)}{K_{\lambda}(z_0, \bar{z}_0)},$$

where  $\lambda = \rho \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1}$ . Thus, we have

$$K_{\rho, \psi}(\cdot, \bar{z}_0) = K_{\rho, \psi}(z_0, \bar{z}_0) F_0 = c_1(p_*(f_{z_0}))' p_*(f_u),$$

where  $c_1$  is a constant. As

$$\int_D \left| \frac{B_{\rho}(\cdot, \bar{z}_0)}{B_{\rho}(z_0, \bar{z}_0)} \right|^2 \rho = \frac{1}{B_{\rho}(z_0, \bar{z}_0)} = G(0),$$

it follows from Lemma 2.6 that

$$\frac{B_{\rho}(\cdot, \bar{z}_0)}{B_{\rho}(z_0, \bar{z}_0)} = F_0.$$

Theorem 1.4 shows that  $K_{\rho, \psi}(z_0, \bar{z}_0) = \left( \int_0^{+\infty} c(t) e^{-t} dt \right) \pi B_{\rho}(z_0, \bar{z}_0)$ , and thus we obtain

$$K_{\rho, \psi}(\cdot, \bar{z}_0) = \left( \int_0^{+\infty} c(t) e^{-t} dt \right) \pi B_{\rho}(\cdot, \bar{z}_0). \quad \square$$

§4. Proof of Corollary 1.8

In this section we prove Corollary 1.8 by using Theorem 1.4.

Let  $\tilde{\varphi} = \varphi - 2k \log |z - z_0|$ ; then it is clear that  $\tilde{\varphi} + 2\psi$  is subharmonic on  $D$  and  $v(dd^c(\tilde{\varphi} + 2\psi), z_0) \geq 2$ . Denote  $\tilde{\rho} := e^{-\tilde{\varphi}} c(-2\psi) = |z - z_0|^{2k} \rho$ . Note that

$$\begin{aligned} B_{\tilde{\rho}}^{(k)}(z_0) &= \sup\left\{ \left| \frac{f^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!} \right|^2 : f \in \mathcal{O}(D), \int_D |f|^2 \rho \leq 1 \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{and } f(z_0) = \dots = f^{(k-1)}(z_0) = 0 \right\} \\ &= \sup\{ |g(z_0)|^2 : g \in \mathcal{O}(D) \text{ and } \int_D |g|^2 \tilde{\rho} \leq 1 \} \\ &= B_{\tilde{\rho}}(z_0), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} K_{\rho, \psi}^{(k)}(z_0) &= \sup\left\{ \left| \frac{f^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!} \right|^2 : f \in H_2^{(c)}(D), \int_{\partial D} |f|^2 \rho \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz| \leq 1 \right. \\ &\quad \left. \text{and } f(z_0) = \dots = f^{(k-1)}(z_0) = 0 \right\} \\ &= \sup\{ |g(z_0)|^2 : g \in H_2^{(c)}(D) \text{ and } \int_{\partial D} |g|^2 \tilde{\rho} \left( \frac{\partial \psi}{\partial v_z} \right)^{-1} |dz| \leq 1 \} \\ &= K_{\tilde{\rho}, \psi}(z_0). \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 1.4 tell us that

$$(4.1) \quad K_{\tilde{\rho}, \psi}(z_0) \geq \left( \int_0^{+\infty} c(t) e^{-t} dt \right) \pi B_{\tilde{\rho}}(z_0)$$

holds and the equality holds if and only if the following statements hold:

- (1)  $\tilde{\varphi} + 2\psi = 2G_D(\cdot, z_0) + 2u_1$ , where  $u_1$  is a harmonic function on  $D$ ;
- (2)  $\psi = p_0 G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , where  $p_0 = v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (3)  $\chi_{z_0} = \chi_{-u_1}$ .

Then inequality (4.1) implies that

$$(4.2) \quad K_{\rho, \psi}^{(k)}(z_0) \geq \left( \int_0^{+\infty} c(t) e^{-t} dt \right) \pi B_{\rho}^{(k)}(z_0)$$

holds. Let  $u(z) = u_1(z) + k(\log |z - z_0| - G_D(z, z_0))$  on  $D$ ; then it follows from Lemma 2.10 that  $u$  is harmonic on  $D$  if and only if  $u_1$  is harmonic on  $D$ . It is clear that  $\chi_{-u} \chi_{z_0}^k = \chi_{-u_1}$  when  $u$  is harmonic on  $D$ . Thus, the equality in (4.2) holds if and only if the following statements hold:

- (1)  $\varphi + 2\psi = 2(k + 1)G_D(\cdot, z_0) + 2u$ , where  $u$  is a harmonic function on  $D$ ;
- (2)  $\psi = p_0 G_D(\cdot, z_0)$ , where  $p_0 = v(dd^c(\psi), z_0) > 0$ ;
- (3)  $\chi_{z_0}^{k+1} = \chi_{-u}$ .

Thus, Corollary 1.8 holds.

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