

## SHARP INEQUALITIES FOR HOLOMORPHIC FUNCTIONS

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### 1. Introduction

In a recent paper, Mateljević and Pavlović [6] gave new proofs for the isoperimetric inequality by using the boundary behaviors of holomorphic functions belonging to certain Hardy classes on the unit disk  $\Delta$ . These proofs are based on sharp norm inequalities for holomorphic functions which are of interest on their own right. For example, the following sharp inequality is proved in [6]. Let  $f \in H^1(\Delta)$ , then

$$4\pi \int_{\Delta} |f(z)|^2 dA(z) \leq \left\{ \int_{\partial\Delta} |f(z)| |dz| \right\}^2,$$

where  $dA$  denotes the area Lebesgue measure, and  $H^p(\Delta)$  ( $0 < p < \infty$ ) denotes Hardy class. Equality holds if and only if  $f$  is of the form  $f(z) = C(1 - z\bar{\zeta})^{-2}$ ,  $z \in \Delta$ , for some constant  $C$  and some point  $\zeta \in \Delta$ . Other sharp inequalities, similar to the one above, were proved by Aronszajn [1], Saitoh [9] and Burbea [3], [4]. The main purpose of this paper is to give an extension of these results to various situations which were not covered in [1], [3], [4], [6], [9]. The method of proof will be based on ingredients taken from a rather general theory expounded in [4] (see also [2], [3]).

### 2. Preliminaries and notation

For  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbf{C}^n$ ,  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  we use the standard multinomial notation

$$\alpha! = \alpha_1! \cdots \alpha_n!, \quad |\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n, \quad z^\alpha = z_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots z_n^{\alpha_n},$$

$$\|z\|_\infty = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} |z_j| \quad \text{and} \quad \|z\| = (|z_1|^2 + \cdots + |z_n|^2)^{1/2}.$$

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Moreover, if also  $\zeta = (\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n) \in \mathbf{C}^n$ , then we let

$$z \cdot \zeta = (z_1 \zeta_1, \dots, z_n \zeta_n) \in \mathbf{C}^n \quad \text{and} \quad \langle z, \zeta \rangle = z_1 \bar{\zeta}_1 + \dots + z_n \bar{\zeta}_n.$$

We also let

$$\Delta = \{\lambda \in \mathbf{C} : |\lambda| < 1\}, \\ T = \partial\Delta = \{\lambda \in \mathbf{C} : |\lambda| = 1\}, \quad \Delta^n = \{z \in \mathbf{C}^n : \|z\|_\infty < 1\}$$

and

$$B = \{z \in \mathbf{C}^n : \|z\| < 1\}, \quad S = \partial B = \{z \in \mathbf{C}^n : \|z\| = 1\}.$$

For a complex manifold  $D$ ,  $H(D)$  denotes the class of all holomorphic functions on  $D$ . An open set  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbf{C}^n$  is said to be a *complete Reinhardt domain* if  $z \in \Omega$  implies  $z \cdot \zeta \in \Omega$  for every  $\zeta \in \bar{\Delta}^n$ . In this case  $\Omega$  is a star shaped domain containing the origin. Moreover, for any  $f \in H(\Omega)$  there exists a unique power series

$$f(z) = \sum_{\alpha} a_{\alpha} z^{\alpha} \quad (z \in \Omega)$$

with normal convergence in  $\Omega$ , i.e., the power series converges absolutely and uniformly on compacta of  $\Omega$  to  $f$ , and with

$$a_{\alpha} = a_{\alpha}(f) = \{\partial^{\alpha} f\}(0)/\alpha! \quad (\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n).$$

Here, for  $z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbf{C}^n$  and  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$ ,

$$\partial^{\alpha} = \partial_n^{\alpha_n} \cdots \partial_1^{\alpha_1} \quad \text{where} \quad \partial_j = \partial/\partial z_j, \quad 1 \leq j \leq n.$$

For a subset  $\Lambda$  of  $\mathbf{Z}_+^n$ , we let

$$H(\Omega : \Lambda) = \{f \in H(\Omega) : \{\partial^{\alpha} f\}(0) = 0, \alpha \in \Lambda\}.$$

We fix a complete Reinhardt domain  $\Omega$  in  $\mathbf{C}^n$ . A function  $\phi$ , holomorphic on a neighborhood of  $0 \in \mathbf{C}^n$  with  $c_{\alpha} = a_{\alpha}(\phi)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$ , i.e.,

$$\phi(z) = \sum_{\alpha} c_{\alpha} z^{\alpha},$$

is said to belong to  $\mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  if  $c_{\alpha} \geq 0$  for every  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  and if  $\phi(z \cdot \bar{z}) < \infty$  for every  $z \in \Omega$ . It is said to belong to  $\mathcal{P}_{\infty}(\Omega)$  if  $\phi \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  and also  $\phi(z \cdot \bar{z}) = \infty$  for every  $z$  on the boundary  $\partial\Omega$  of  $\Omega$ . For  $\phi \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  we let  $\Lambda_{\phi} = \{\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n : c_{\alpha} = 0\}$  and  $\Gamma_{\phi} = \mathbf{Z}_+^n \setminus \Lambda_{\phi}$ , and define

$$k_{\phi}(z, \zeta) = \phi(z \cdot \bar{\zeta}) \quad (z, \zeta \in \Omega).$$

Evidently, for any  $\zeta \in \Omega$ ,  $k_\phi(\cdot, \zeta) \in H(\Omega : \Lambda_\phi)$ , and

$$\sum_{k,m=1}^N a_k \bar{a}_m k_\phi(z_k, z_m) \geq 0$$

for every  $z_1, \dots, z_N \in \Omega$  and every  $a_1, \dots, a_N \in \mathbb{C}$  ( $N = 1, 2, \dots$ ). It follows that  $k_\phi$  is a sesqui-holomorphic positive-definite kernel on  $\Omega \times \Omega$ . In particular,

$$\overline{k_\phi(z, \zeta)} = k_\phi(\zeta, z) \quad \text{and} \quad |k_\phi(z, \zeta)|^2 \leq k_\phi(z, z)k_\phi(\zeta, \zeta)$$

for every  $z, \zeta \in \Omega$ . From the general theory of reproducing kernels (see Aronszajn [1]) follows that there exists a unique functional Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}_\phi$  of functions  $f$  in  $H(\Omega : \Lambda_\phi)$  with  $k_\phi$  as its reproducing kernel. To identify this Hilbert space we introduce the quadratic norm (see [4])

$$\|f\|_\phi^2 = \sum_{\alpha \in \Gamma_\phi} c_\alpha^{-1} |a_\alpha|^2$$

for any  $f \in H(\Omega : \Lambda_\phi)$  with  $a_\alpha = a_\alpha(f)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ , and denote by  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_\phi$  the induced inner product. This gives

$$\mathcal{H}_\phi = \{ f \in H(\Omega : \Lambda_\phi) : \|f\|_\phi < \infty \}$$

and

$$f(\zeta) = \langle f, k_\phi(\cdot, \zeta) \rangle_\phi \quad (f \in \mathcal{H}_\phi, \zeta \in \Omega).$$

We shall need the following theorem. Its proof is found in [4] (see also [3]).

**THEOREM 2.1.** *Let  $\phi$  and  $\psi$  be in  $\mathcal{P}(\Omega)$ . Then  $\phi\psi \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  with*

$$\Gamma_{\phi\psi} = \{ \gamma \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n : \gamma = \alpha + \beta, \alpha \in \Gamma_\phi, \beta \in \Gamma_\psi \}.$$

Moreover, if  $f \in \mathcal{H}_\phi$  and  $g \in \mathcal{H}_\psi$  then  $fg \in \mathcal{H}_{\phi\psi}$  with

$$\|fg\|_{\phi\psi} \leq \|f\|_\phi \|g\|_\psi.$$

Equality holds if and only if either  $fg = 0$  or  $f$  and  $g$  are of the form

$$f = C_1 k_\phi(\cdot, \zeta), \quad g = C_2 k_\psi(\cdot, \bar{\zeta})$$

for some nonzero constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  and for some point  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C}^n$  with  $\phi(\zeta \cdot \bar{\zeta}) < \infty$  and  $\psi(\zeta \cdot \bar{\zeta}) < \infty$ . In particular, if also either  $\phi$  or  $\psi$  is in  $\mathcal{P}_\infty(\Omega)$  then the point  $\zeta$  must lie in  $\Omega$ .

We also note that for  $\phi \in \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  with  $c_\alpha = a_\alpha(\phi)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$ , the monomials  $\sqrt{c_\alpha} z^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha \in \Gamma_\phi$ , form an orthonormal basis for  $\mathcal{H}_\phi$ .

For  $q > 0$  and  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$ ,  $(q)_m$  stands for 1 if  $m = 0$  and

$$(q)_m = \Gamma(q + m) / \Gamma(q) = q(q + 1) \cdots (q + m - 1) \quad (m \geq 1).$$

### 3. Inequalities in the plane

In the one dimensional case ( $n = 1$ ) we take the unit disk  $\Delta$  as our fixed Reinhardt domain  $\Omega$ . On  $\Delta$  we consider the function  $\phi_q(z) = (1 - z)^{-q}$  where  $q > 0$ . Evidently,  $\phi_q \in \mathcal{P}_\infty(\Delta)$  with  $a_m(\phi_q) = (q)_m / m!$  for  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$  and with  $\Gamma_{\phi_q} = \mathbf{Z}_+$ . The corresponding Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}_{\phi_q}$ , norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\phi_q}$  and reproducing kernel  $k_{\phi_q}$  are denoted by  $\mathcal{H}_q(\Delta)$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_q$  and  $k_q$ , respectively. Thus

$$k_q(z, \zeta) = \phi_q(z\bar{\zeta}) = (1 - z\bar{\zeta})^{-q} \quad (z, \zeta \in \Delta)$$

and

$$\|f\|_q^2 = \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{m!}{(q)_m} |a_m|^2,$$

where  $f \in H(\Delta)$  with  $a_m = a_m(f)$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$ , and therefore  $\mathcal{H}_q(\Delta) = \{f \in H(\Delta) : \|f\|_q < \infty\}$ . As an immediate consequence of Theorem 2.1, we have:

**THEOREM 3.1.** *Let  $f_j \in \mathcal{H}_{q_j}(\Delta)$  where  $q_j > 0$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $m \geq 2$ . Then*

$$\prod_{j=1}^m f_j \in \mathcal{H}_{q_1 + \dots + q_m}(\Delta)$$

with

$$\left\| \prod_{j=1}^m f_j \right\|_{q_1 + \dots + q_m} \leq \prod_{j=1}^m \|f_j\|_{q_j}.$$

*Equality holds if and only if either  $\prod_{j=1}^m f_j = 0$  or each  $f_j$  is of the form  $f_j = C_j k_{q_j}(\cdot, \zeta)$  for some point  $\zeta \in \Delta$  and some nonzero constants  $C_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ).*

We let  $dA_0(z) = |dz|/2\pi$  be the normalized boundary measure on  $\partial\Delta$ , and we consider the family  $\{dA_q\}_{q>0}$  of probability measures on  $\bar{\Delta}$  given by

$$dA_q(z) = q\pi^{-1}(1 - |z|^2)^{q-1} dA(z) \quad (z \in \Delta).$$

As a measure on  $\bar{\Delta}$ ,  $dA_q \rightarrow dA_0$  as  $q \rightarrow 0^+$ . In particular, if  $f$  is a continuous

function on  $\bar{\Delta}$ , then

$$\int f dA_0 = \int_T f dA_0 = \lim_{q \rightarrow 0^+} \int_{\Delta} f dA_q.$$

On the other hand

$$\int f dA_q = \int_{\Delta} f dA_q \quad (q > 0)$$

if  $f$  is integrable with respect to  $dA_q$ .

For  $q \geq 0$  and  $0 < p < \infty$ , we let  $A_q^p(\Delta)$  stand for the space of all functions  $f \in H(\Delta)$  such that  $\|f\|_{p,q} < \infty$ , where

$$\|f\|_{p,q} = \left\{ \int |f|^p dA_q \right\}^{1/p},$$

and where for  $q = 0$  the integration is carried over the nontangential boundary values of  $f \in A_0^p(\Delta)$ . It follows that  $A_0^p(\Delta)$  is the *Hardy space*  $H^p(\Delta)$ , that  $A_q^p(\Delta)$ ,  $q > 0$ , is a *weighted Bergman space* and that  $A_1^p(\Delta)$  is the ordinary *Bergman space*  $A^p(\Delta)$ . Moreover, it also follows that the space  $A_q^2(\Delta)$  is identical with the space  $\mathcal{H}_{1+q}(\Delta)$  and that  $\|\cdot\|_{2,q} = \|\cdot\|_{1+q}$  for  $q \geq 0$ . Note also, that for  $0 < p < \infty$ , the Hardy space  $H^p(\Delta) = A_0^p(\Delta)$  is a projective limit, as  $q \rightarrow 0^+$ , of the weighted Bergman spaces  $A_q^p(\Delta)$ ,  $q > 0$ .

Another functional Hilbert space of interest is the *Dirichlet space*

$$\mathcal{D}(\Delta) = \{ f \in H(\Delta : \{0\}) : \|f'\|_{2,1} < \infty \}.$$

This space can be generated by  $\phi_0(z) = -\log(1 - z)$ , and thus its reproducing kernel  $k_0$  is given by

$$k_0(z, \zeta) = \phi_0(z\bar{\zeta}) = -\log(1 - z\bar{\zeta}) \quad (z, \zeta \in \Delta).$$

Moreover, for any  $f \in H(\Delta : \{0\})$  with  $a_m = a_m(f)$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$ , the quadratic form  $\|f\|_0^2$  of  $\mathcal{D}(\Delta)$  is given by

$$\|f\|_0^2 = \|f'\|_1^2 = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m |a_m|^2.$$

Note also that  $(k_q - 1)/q \rightarrow k_0$  and that  $q\|f\|_q^2 \rightarrow \|f\|_0^2$  ( $f \in H(\Delta : \{0\})$ ) as  $q \rightarrow 0^+$ , and thus  $\mathcal{D}(\Delta)$  may be viewed as a projective limit of the space  $\sqrt{q} \cdot \{ f \in \mathcal{H}_q(\Delta) : f(0) = 0 \}$  when  $q \rightarrow 0^+$ .

**THEOREM 3.2.** *Let  $f$  and  $g$  be in  $\mathcal{D}(\Delta)$ . Then  $fg \in A_0^2(\Delta) = H^2(\Delta)$  with*

$$\|fg\|_{2,0} \leq \|f\|_0 \|g\|_0.$$

*Equivalently,*

$$\pi \int_{\partial\Delta} |fg|^2 ds \leq 2 \left\{ \int_{\Delta} |f'|^2 dA \right\} \cdot \left\{ \int_{\Delta} |g'|^2 dA \right\},$$

where  $ds(z) = |dz|$ ,  $z \in \partial\Delta$ . Equality holds if and only if either  $fg = 0$  or  $f$  and  $g$  are of the form  $f(z) = C_1 z$ ,  $g(z) = C_2 z$  for some nonzero constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ .

*Proof.* Let  $a_m = a_m(f)$ ,  $b_m = a_m(g)$  and  $c_m = a_m(fg)$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$ . It follows that  $a_0 = b_0 = c_0 = 0$ ,  $c_1 = 0$  and

$$c_m = \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} a_k b_{m-k} \quad (m = 2, 3, \dots).$$

This and the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality give

$$\|fg\|_{2,0}^2 = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{k=1}^m a_k b_{m+1-k} \right|^2 \leq \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m \sum_{k=1}^m |a_k|^2 |b_{m+1-k}|^2.$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} \|f\|_0^2 \|g\|_0^2 &= \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m |a_m|^2 \right\} \cdot \left\{ \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} m |b_m|^2 \right\} \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^m k |a_k|^2 (m+1-k) |b_{m+1-k}|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $k(m+1-k) - m = (m-k)(k-1)$  is non-negative for every  $1 \leq k \leq m$ ,  $m = 1, 2, \dots$ , the desired inequality follows. If equality holds then for every  $m = 1, 2, \dots$ , there exists a scalar  $\lambda_m \in \mathbf{C}$  so that  $\lambda_m = a_k b_{m+1-k}$  and  $(m-k)(k-1) |a_k|^2 |b_{m+1-k}|^2 = 0$  for every  $1 \leq k \leq m$ . It follows that  $\lambda_m = 0$  for every  $m \geq 2$  and  $\{fg\}(z) = \lambda_1 z^2$ . This gives the equality statement of the theorem, and the proof is complete.

**THEOREM 3.3.** *Let  $f_j \in H^{p_j}(\Delta)$  with  $0 < p_j < \infty$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m$ ,  $m \geq 2$ . Then*

$$\int_{\Delta} |f_1|^{p_1} \cdots |f_m|^{p_m} dA_{m-1} \leq \prod_{j=1}^m \int_{\partial\Delta} |f_j|^{p_j} dA_0.$$

Equality holds if and only if either  $\prod_{j=1}^m f_j = 0$  or each  $f_j$  is of the form

$$f_j = C_j k_{2/p_j}(\cdot, \zeta),$$

i.e.,

$$f_j(z) = C_j(1 - z\bar{\zeta})^{-2/p_j},$$

for some point  $\zeta \in \Delta$  and some nonzero constants  $C_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ).

*Proof.* For  $1 \leq j \leq m$  we let  $\mathcal{B}_j$  be a Blaschke product formed from the zeros in  $\Delta$ , if any, of  $f_j$ , and define  $g_j = (f_j/\mathcal{B}_j)^{p_j/2}$ . Then  $g_j \in \mathcal{H}_1(\Delta)$  ( $= H^2(\Delta)$ ) for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ , and, by Theorem 3.1,  $\prod_{j=1}^m g_j \in \mathcal{H}_m$  with

$$(3.1) \quad \left\| \prod_{j=1}^m g_j \right\|_m \leq \prod_{j=1}^m \|g_j\|_1.$$

Equality holds if and only if each  $g_j$  is of the form  $g_j = \tilde{C}_j k_1(\cdot, \zeta)$  for some  $\zeta \in \Delta$  and some nonzero constants  $\tilde{C}_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ). We are assuming without loss, of course, that  $\prod_{j=1}^m f_j \neq 0$  and hence also  $\prod_{j=1}^m g_j \neq 0$ . Now, inequality (3.1) is, by definition, equivalent to the inequality

$$\int_{\Delta} |\mathcal{B}_1|^{-p_1} \dots |\mathcal{B}_m|^{-p_m} |f_1|^{p_1} \dots |f_m|^{p_m} dA_{m-1} \leq \prod_{j=1}^m \int_{\partial\Delta} |f_j|^{p_j} dA_0,$$

and hence, since  $|\mathcal{B}_j| \leq 1$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ) on  $\Delta$ , the desired inequality follows. If equality holds then each  $\mathcal{B}_j$  must be a constant  $\lambda_j$  with  $|\lambda_j| = 1$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ) and each  $g_j$  is of the above mentioned form. It follows that each  $f_j$  is of the form

$$f_j = \lambda_j \tilde{C}_j^{2/p_j} [k_1(\cdot, \zeta)]^{2/p_j} \quad \text{or} \quad f_j = C_j k_{2/p_j}(\cdot, \zeta)$$

where  $C_j = \lambda_j \tilde{C}_j^{2/p_j}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ). This concludes the proof

A special case of this theorem, namely when  $m = 2$ , was also obtained by Mateljević and Pavlović [6], by using different methods.

**COROLLARY 3.4.** *Let  $f \in H^p(\Delta)$  with  $0 < p < \infty$ . Then for any integer  $m \geq 2$ ,  $f \in A_{m-1}^{mp}(\Delta)$  with*

$$\|f\|_{mp, m-1} \leq \|f\|_{p, 0}.$$

*Equivalently*

$$\int_{\Delta} |f|^{mp} dA_{m-1} \leq \left\{ \int_{\partial\Delta} |f|^p dA_0 \right\}^m.$$

Equality holds if and only if  $f$  is of the form  $f(z) = C(1 - z\bar{\zeta})^{-2/p}$ ,  $z \in \Delta$ , for some constant  $C$  and some point  $\zeta \in \Delta$ .

Putting  $m = 2$  and  $p = 1$  in this corollary we obtain the result, mentioned in the introduction, of Mateljević and Pavlović [6].

Let  $D$  be a hyperbolic simply connected plane domain and let  $\lambda_D$  be its Poincaré metric. The latter is defined by

$$\lambda_D(z) = k_1(\phi(z), \phi(z))|\phi'(z)| \quad (z \in D),$$

where  $\phi$  is a Riemann mapping of  $D$  onto  $\Delta$ , and is independent of the particular choice of  $\phi$ . According to a theorem of Warschawski [10], if  $\partial D$  is of class  $C^1$  with a Dini-continuous normal, in particular if  $\partial D \in C^{1,\varepsilon}$  ( $0 < \varepsilon < 1$ ), then the conformal mapping  $\phi: D \rightarrow \Delta$  extends to a  $C^1$ -diffeomorphism of  $\bar{D}$  onto  $\bar{\Delta}$  and there exist positive constants  $a$  and  $b$  such that

$$0 < a \leq |\phi'(z)| \leq b < \infty \quad (z \in \bar{D}).$$

It follows that for any  $0 < p < \infty$  the Hardy space  $H^p(D)$  coincides with the Smirnov class  $E^p(D)$  (see [5, p. 169]), and that the "norm" in  $H^p(D)$  may be given by

$$\|f\|_{p,D} = \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial D} |f(z)|^p |dz| \right\}^{1/p} < \infty,$$

where the integration is carried over the nontangential boundary values of  $f \in H^p(D)$ . In particular,  $\{\phi^m \cdot (\phi')^{1/2}\}_{m \geq 0}$  forms an orthonormal basis for  $H^2(D)$  and

$$K_{0,D}(z, \zeta) = k_1(\phi(z), \phi(\zeta)) \left\{ \phi'(z) \overline{\phi'(\zeta)} \right\}^{1/2} \quad (z, \zeta \in D)$$

is the Szegő reproducing kernel of  $H^2(D)$ .

Let  $0 < p < \infty$ . For  $q > 0$ , we let  $L_q^p(D)$  be the  $L^p$ -space with respect to the measure  $(q/\pi)\lambda_D^{1-q} dA$ , and we let  $A_q^p(D) = H(D) \cap L_q^p(D)$ . It follows that  $A_q^p(D)$  is a closed subspace of  $L_q^p(D)$ . It is natural to extend these definitions to  $q = 0$  by letting  $L_0^p(D)$  stand for the  $L^p$ -space with respect to the boundary measure  $|dz|/2\pi$  on  $\partial D$ , and by defining  $A_0^p(D)$  to be  $H^p(D)$  as above. In this case we adopt the usual convention of identifying Hardy classes  $A_0^p(D) = H^p(D)$  with closed subspaces of  $L_0^p(D)$ . We now observe that if  $\psi$  is any biholomorphic mapping of  $D$  onto another domain  $D^*$  such that  $\partial D^*$  is of class  $C^1$  with a Dini-continuous normal, then the mapping

$$f \mapsto (f \circ \psi) \cdot (\psi')^{(q+1)/p}$$

constitutes a linear isometry of  $L_q^p(D^*)$  and  $A_q^p(D^*)$  onto  $L_q^p(D)$  and

$A_q^p(D)$ , respectively, for any  $q \geq 0$  and  $0 < p < \infty$ . In particular,

$$\left\{ \sqrt{(q+1)_m/m!} \phi^m \cdot (\phi')^{(q+1)/2} \right\}_{m \geq 0}$$

forms an orthonormal basis for  $A_q^2(D)$  and  $K_{q,D}(z, \zeta) = \{K_{0,D}(z, \zeta)\}^{q+1}$  ( $z, \zeta \in D$ ) is the reproducing kernel of  $A_q^2(D)$  ( $q \geq 0$ ). Note also that  $A_1^p(D)$  is the ordinary Bergman space and that  $A_0^p(D)$  is the projective limit of  $A_q^p(D)$  as  $q \rightarrow 0^+$  ( $0 < p < \infty$ ).

In view of the above discussion, the following theorem may be regarded as a corollary of Theorem 3.3. Once again, a special case of this theorem, namely when  $m = 2$  and  $D$  is a simply connected plane domain whose boundary is analytic is due to Mateljević and Pavlović [6]. (Note, however, that the corresponding equality statement in [6] contains a trivial error.)

**THEOREM 3.5.** *Let  $D$  be a simply connected plane domain whose boundary  $\partial D$  is of class  $C^1$  with a Dini-continuous normal. Let  $f_j \in H^{p_j}(D)$  with  $0 < p_j < \infty$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, m, m \geq 2$ . Then  $\prod_{j=1}^m |f_j|^{p_j} \in L_{m-1}^1(D)$  with*

$$\frac{m-1}{\pi} \int_D \left( \prod_{j=1}^m |f_j|^{p_j} \right) \cdot \lambda_D^{2-m} dA \leq \prod_{j=1}^m \|f_j\|_{p_j, D}^{p_j}.$$

Equality holds if and only if either  $\prod_{j=1}^m f_j = 0$  or each  $f_j$  is of the form

$$f_j = C_j \cdot (\phi')^{1/p_j}$$

where  $\phi$  is a Riemann mapping of  $D$  onto  $\Delta$  and  $C_j$  are nonzero constants ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ).

*Proof.* Let  $\psi$  be any biholomorphic mapping of  $\Delta$  onto  $D$ , and define

$$g_j = (f_j \circ \psi) \cdot (\psi')^{1/p_j} \quad (1 \leq j \leq m).$$

Since  $g_j \in H^{p_j}(\Delta)$  we may apply Theorem 3.3 with  $g_j$  in place of  $f_j$ . This gives the present inequality statement. Equality holds if and only if either  $\prod_{j=1}^m g_j = 0$  or each  $g_j$  is of the form  $g_j = C'_j k_{2/p_j}(\cdot, \tau)$  for some point  $\tau \in \Delta$  and some nonzero constants  $C'_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ). Equivalently, either  $\prod_{j=1}^m f_j = 0$  or each  $f_j$  is of the form

$$f_j = C'_j \left[ \overline{\psi'(\tau)} \right]^{1/p_j} [K_{1,D}(\cdot, \psi(\tau))]^{1/p_j}.$$

Letting  $\phi$  be a Riemann mapping of  $D$  onto  $\Delta$  with  $\phi[\psi(\tau)] = 0$ , and then letting  $C_j = C'_j \left\{ \overline{\psi'(\tau) \phi'(\psi(\tau))} \right\}^{1/p_j}$ , we obtain the desired result.

**COROLLARY 3.6.** *Let  $D$  be a simply connected plane domain whose boundary  $\partial D$  is of class  $C^1$  with a Dini-continuous normal, and let  $f \in H^p(D)$  with  $0 < p < \infty$ . Then for any integer  $m \geq 2$ ,  $f \in A_{m-1}^{m,p}(D)$  with*

$$\frac{m-1}{\pi} \int_D |f|^{m,p} \lambda_D^{2-m} dA \leq \|f\|_{p,D}^{m,p}.$$

*Equality holds if and only if  $f$  is of the form  $f = C(\phi')^{1/p}$  for some Riemann mapping  $\phi$  of  $D$  onto  $\Delta$  and some constant  $C$ .*

#### 4. Inequalities on the polydisk

We take the unit polydisk  $\Delta^n$  as our fixed Riemann domain  $\Omega$ . On  $\Delta^n$  we consider the function

$$\phi_{\mathbf{q}}(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - z_j)^{-q_j} \quad (z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \Delta^n)$$

where  $\mathbf{q} = (q_1, \dots, q_n) \in \mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$ . Obviously,  $\phi_{\mathbf{q}} \in \mathcal{P}_{\infty}(\Delta^n)$  with  $a_{\alpha}(\phi_{\mathbf{q}}) = (\mathbf{q})_{\alpha} / \alpha!$  for  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  and with  $\Gamma_{\phi_{\mathbf{q}}} = \mathbf{Z}_+^n$ , where

$$(\mathbf{q})_{\alpha} = (q_1)_{\alpha_1} \cdots (q_n)_{\alpha_n} \quad (\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n).$$

The corresponding Hilbert space, norm and reproducing kernel are denoted by  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbf{q}}$  and  $k_{\mathbf{q}}$ , respectively. Thus

$$k_{\mathbf{q}}(z, \zeta) = \phi_{\mathbf{q}}(z \cdot \bar{\zeta}) = \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - z_j \bar{\zeta}_j)^{-q_j} \quad (z, \zeta \in \Delta^n)$$

and

$$\|f\|_{\mathbf{q}}^2 = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\alpha!}{(\mathbf{q})_{\alpha}} |a_{\alpha}|^2,$$

where  $f \in H(\Delta^n)$  with  $a_{\alpha} = a_{\alpha}(f)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$ , and therefore

$$\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n) = \{f \in H(\Delta^n) : \|f\|_{\mathbf{q}} < \infty\}.$$

Theorem 2.1 has now the following form:

**THEOREM 4.1.** *Let  $f_j \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}_j}(\Delta^n)$  where  $\mathbf{q}_j \in \mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $m \geq 2$ . Then*

$$\prod_{j=1}^m f_j \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{q}_m}(\Delta^n)$$

with

$$\left\| \prod_{j=1}^m f_j \right\|_{\mathbf{q}_1 + \dots + \mathbf{q}_m} \leq \prod_{j=1}^m \|f_j\|_{\mathbf{q}_j}.$$

Equality holds if and only if either  $\prod_{j=1}^m f_j = 0$  or each  $f_j$  is of the form

$$f_j = C_j k_{\mathbf{q}}(\cdot, \zeta)$$

for some  $\zeta \in \Delta^n$  and some nonzero constants  $C_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ).

When  $\mathbf{q} \geq \mathbf{1} = (1, \dots, 1)$  the quadratic norm  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathbf{q}}$  admits an integral representation. To see this we consider the probability measure

$$d\mu_{\mathbf{q}}(z) = dA_{q_1-1}(z_1) \cdots dA_{q_n-1}(z_n) \quad \text{for } z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \bar{\Delta}^n.$$

As in the unit disk  $\Delta$ ,  $d\mu_{\mathbf{q}} \rightarrow d\mu_{\mathbf{1}}$  as  $\mathbf{q} \rightarrow \mathbf{1}^+$ , and

$$\|f\|_{\mathbf{q}}^2 = \int |f|^2 d\mu_{\mathbf{q}} \quad (f \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n), \mathbf{q} \geq \mathbf{1}).$$

Here, the integration is carried over  $\Delta^n$  if  $\mathbf{q} > \mathbf{1}$  and over the distinguished boundary  $T^n$  if  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{1}$ . In the latter case,  $f$  in the integral represents the nontangential (distinguished) boundary values of  $f$ . In a similar and obvious manner one may describe the intermediate situation where some, but not all, of the components  $q_j$  of  $\mathbf{q} = (q_1, \dots, q_n) \geq \mathbf{1}$  are equal to 1. It follows that  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{1}}(\Delta^n)$  is the Hardy space  $H^2(\Delta^n)$  and that  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  for  $\mathbf{q} > \mathbf{1}$  is the weighted Bergman space  $A_{\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{1}}^2(\Delta^n)$  with  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{2}}(\Delta^n) = A_{\mathbf{1}}^2(\Delta^n)$  as the ordinary Bergman space. Moreover, any space  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}_0}(\Delta)$  with  $\mathbf{q}_0 \geq \mathbf{1}$  may be viewed as a projective limit of weighted Bergman spaces  $A_{\mathbf{q}-\mathbf{1}}^2(\Delta^n)$ ,  $\mathbf{q} > \mathbf{1}$ , as  $\mathbf{q} \rightarrow \mathbf{q}_0^+$ .

Let  $R : H(\Delta^n) \rightarrow H(\Delta)$  be the diagonal restriction mapping defined by

$$\{Rf\}(\omega) = f(\omega, \dots, \omega).$$

Since the diagonal restriction of  $k_{\mathbf{q}}$  ( $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$ ), the reproducing kernel of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$ , is the reproducing kernel  $k_{|\mathbf{q}|}$  of  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$ , where  $|\mathbf{q}| = q_1 + \dots + q_n$ , we deduce from the general theory of reproducing kernels [1] (see also [2]) that  $R$  is a contractive linear transformation of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  onto  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$ . Moreover, it also follows that  $R^*$ , the adjoint of  $R$ , is a linear isometry of  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  onto  $N(R)^\perp$ , the orthogonal complement of the null-space  $N(R) = \{f \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n) : Rf = 0\}$  in  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$ , with  $RR^*$  as the identity operator on  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  and  $R^*R$  as the orthogonal projector of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  onto  $N(R)^\perp$ , and thus  $\|R\| = \|R^*\| = 1$ . In particular,  $R$  maps the Hardy space  $H^2(\Delta^n)$  onto the weighted Bergman space  $A_{n-1}^2(\Delta)$ . For these and related results we refer the reader to Beatrous and Burbea [2].

A somewhat more precise formulation may be given by considering certain power expansions. For  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$ , we consider the homogeneous polynomial of degree  $m$ ,

$$(4.1) \quad \phi_{\mathbf{q}, m}(z) = \sum_{|\alpha|=m} \frac{(\mathbf{q})_\alpha}{\alpha!} z^\alpha \quad (z \in \mathbf{C}^n).$$

Since  $\phi_{\mathbf{q}, m}$  is the  $m$ -th coefficient in the expansion of  $\phi_{\mathbf{q}}(\omega \cdot z) = \prod_{j=1}^n (1 - \omega z_j)^{-q_j}$  in powers of  $\omega$ , where  $\omega = (\omega, \dots, \omega)$ , we deduce that

$$(4.2) \quad \phi_{\mathbf{q}, m}(\mathbf{1}) = \sum_{|\alpha|=m} \frac{(\mathbf{q})_\alpha}{\alpha!} = \frac{1}{m!} (|\mathbf{q}|)_m,$$

and hence

$$\phi_{\mathbf{1}, m}(\mathbf{1}) = \sum_{|\alpha|=m} 1 = \binom{m+n-1}{m}.$$

Let  $f \in H(\Delta^n)$  with  $a_\alpha = a_\alpha(f)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{z}_+^n$ . Then

$$(4.3) \quad \{Rf\}(\omega) = \sum_{m=0}^\infty \left( \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha \right) \omega^m \quad (\omega \in \Delta),$$

and so

$$N(R) = \left\{ f \in H(\Delta^n) : \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha(f) = 0, m = 0, 1, \dots \right\}.$$

**THEOREM 4.2.** *Let  $\mathbf{q} \in \mathbf{R}_+^n \setminus \{0\}$ . Then:*

(i)  *$R$  maps  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  into  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  and  $\|Rf\|_{|\mathbf{q}|} \leq \|f\|_{\mathbf{q}}$  for every  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$ , with equality holding if and only if there is a sequence  $\{\lambda_m\}$  of complex numbers such that*

$$\sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{1}{m!} (|\mathbf{q}|)_m |\lambda_m|^2 < \infty$$

*and such that  $a_\alpha(f) = \lambda_{|\alpha|}(\mathbf{q})_\alpha / \alpha!$  for every  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  or, equivalently*

$$f = \sum_{m=0}^\infty \lambda_m \phi_{\mathbf{q}, m};$$

(ii) *For  $g \in \mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  with  $b_m = a_m(g)$ ,  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$  we have*

$$\{R^*g\}(z) = \sum_{m=0}^\infty b_m \frac{m!}{(|\mathbf{q}|)_m} \phi_{\mathbf{q}, m}(z) \quad (z \in \Delta^n);$$

(iii)  $RR^*$  is the identity operator on  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  and  $R^*$  is a linear isometry of  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  onto  $N(R)^\perp$ . Moreover,  $N(R)^\perp$  is the closure in  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  of the linear span of  $\{\phi_{\mathbf{q}, m}\}_{m \geq 0}$ ;

(iv)  $R$  is a linear transformation of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  onto  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  with  $\|R\| = 1$ , and  $R^*R$  is the orthogonal projector of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  onto  $N(R)^\perp$ .

*Proof.* To prove (i) we assume that  $f \in \mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  with  $a_\alpha = a_\alpha(f)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  and use (4.3). Then, by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and (4.2),

$$\begin{aligned} \|Rf\|_{|\mathbf{q}|}^2 &= \sum_{m=0}^\infty \frac{m!}{(|\mathbf{q}|)_m} \left| \sum_{|\alpha|=m} a_\alpha \right|^2 \\ &\leq \sum_{m=0}^\infty \left( \sum_{|\alpha|=m} \frac{\alpha!}{(\mathbf{q})_\alpha} |a_\alpha|^2 \right) \\ &= \|f\|_{\mathbf{q}}^2, \end{aligned}$$

and the desired inequality follows. Equality holds if and only if for every  $m \in \mathbf{Z}_+$  there exists a number  $\lambda_m \in \mathbf{C}$  so that  $a_\alpha(\alpha! / (\mathbf{q})_\alpha)^{1/2} = \lambda_m((\mathbf{q})_\alpha / \alpha!)^{1/2}$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{Z}_+^n$  with  $|\alpha| = m$ . This, together with (4.1) and (4.2), concludes the proof of (i). Item (ii) follows from (i) by a direct calculation based on (4.1) and (4.3). We now prove (iii). That  $RR^*$  is the identity operator on  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  is a straightforward consequence of (ii), (4.1) and (4.3). From this it follows easily that  $R^*$  is a linear isometry of  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  onto  $R^*(\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta))$ , and the latter is a closed subspace of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$ . In particular,  $R^*(\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)) = N(R)^\perp$  and the first part of (iii) follows. The second part follows from this and (ii), and (iii) is proved. To prove (iv), we first observe that by (i),  $R$  is a linear transformation of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  into  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  with  $\|R\| \leq 1$ . We then use (iii) to conclude that  $R$  is onto  $\mathcal{H}_{|\mathbf{q}|}(\Delta)$  and that  $\|R\| = \|R^*\| = 1$ . Finally, we let  $P = R^*R$ , and note that, by the last observation and (iii),  $P$  is a linear transformation of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  onto  $N(R)^\perp$ . Since  $P^* = P$  and, by (iii),  $P^2 = R^*RR^*R = R^*R = P$ , we conclude that  $P$  is the orthogonal projector of  $\mathcal{H}_{\mathbf{q}}(\Delta^n)$  onto  $N(R)^\perp$ . The proof is now complete.

A special case of part (i) of this theorem, namely when  $n = 2$  and  $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{1} = (1, 1)$  was also observed in Mateljević and Pavlović [6]. In this case, by (4.1),

$$\phi_{1, m}(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 = m} z_1^{\alpha_1} z_2^{\alpha_2} = \frac{z_1^{m+1} - z_2^{m+1}}{z_1 - z_2} \quad (n = 2),$$

and thus, as a corollary, we obtain:

COROLLARY 4.3. *Let  $f \in H^2(\Delta^2) = \mathcal{H}_1(\Delta^2)$ . Then  $Rf \in A^2(\Delta)$  and*

$$\int_{\Delta} |f(\omega, \omega)|^2 dA_1(\omega) \leq \int_{T^2} |f(z_1, z_2)|^2 dA_0(z_1) dA_0(z_2).$$

*Equality holds if and only if  $f$  is of the form*

$$f(z_1, z_2) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \lambda_m (z_1 - z_2)^{-1} (z_1^{m+1} - z_2^{m+1}),$$

where

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} (m + 1) |\lambda_m|^2 < \infty.$$

The last condition on  $\{\lambda_m\}$  is implicit, but not mentioned explicitly, in [6]. For other approaches to the problem of diagonal restrictions on polydisks we refer to Rudin [7, p. 53] (see also the references in [2]).

### 5. Inequalities on the ball

We now take the unit ball  $B$  as our fixed Reinhardt domain  $\Omega$  and consider the function

$$\psi_q(z) = (1 - \langle z, \mathbf{1} \rangle)^{-q} \quad (z \in \mathbb{C}^n)$$

where  $q > 0$ . Clearly,  $\psi_q \in \mathcal{P}_{\infty}(B)$  with  $a_{\alpha}(\psi_q) = (q)_{|\alpha|} / \alpha!$  for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$  and with  $\Gamma_{\psi_q} = \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ . The corresponding Hilbert space, norm and reproducing kernel are denoted by  $\mathcal{H}_q(B)$ ,  $\|\cdot\|_q$  and  $K_q$ , respectively. Thus

$$K_q(z, \zeta) = \psi_q(z \cdot \bar{\zeta}) = (1 - \langle z, \zeta \rangle)^{-q} \quad (z, \zeta \in B)$$

and

$$\|f\|_q^2 = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{\alpha!}{(q)_{|\alpha|}} |a_{\alpha}|^2$$

where  $f \in H(B)$  with  $a_{\alpha} = a_{\alpha}(f)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ , and hence  $\mathcal{H}_q(B) = \{f \in H(B) : \|f\|_q < \infty\}$ . Theorem 2.1 has now the following form:

**THEOREM 5.1.** *Let  $f_j \in \mathcal{H}_{q_j}(B)$  where  $q_j > 0$  for  $j = 1, \dots, m$ ,  $m \geq 2$ . Then*

$$\prod_{j=1}^m f_j \in \mathcal{H}_{q_1 + \dots + q_m}(B)$$

with

$$\| \prod_{j=1}^m f_j \|_{q_1 + \dots + q_m} \leq \prod_{j=1}^m \| f_j \|_{q_j}.$$

Equality holds if and only if either  $\prod_{j=1}^m f_j = 0$  or each  $f_j$  is of the form  $f_j = C_j K_{q_j}(\cdot, \zeta)$  for some  $\zeta \in B$  and some nonzero constants  $C_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq m$ ).

When  $q \geq n$  the quadratic norm  $\| \cdot \|_q$  admits an integral representation. To see this we let  $dv$  stand for the Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and  $d\sigma$  for the surface measure on  $S = \partial B$ , normalized so that  $\sigma(B) = 1$ . For  $s \geq 0$  we consider the probability measure  $dv_s$  on  $\bar{B}$ , defined by  $dv_0 = d\sigma$  when  $s = 0$  and by

$$dv_s(z) = \pi^{-n}(s)(1 - \|z\|^2)^{s-1} dv(z)$$

when  $s > 0$ . As a measure on  $\bar{B}$ ,  $dv_s \rightarrow dv_0$  as  $s \rightarrow 0^+$ , and

$$\| f \|_{n+q}^2 = \int |f|^2 dv_q \quad (f \in \mathcal{H}_{n+q}(B), q \geq 0).$$

Here, the integration is carried over  $B$  when  $q > 0$  and over  $S = \partial B$  when  $q = 0$ . In the latter case,  $f$  in the integral represents the nontangential boundary values of  $f$ . It follows that  $\mathcal{H}_n(B)$  is the Hardy space  $H^2(B)$  and that  $\mathcal{H}_{n+q}(B)$  for  $q > 0$  is the weighted Bergman space  $A_q^2(B)$  with  $\mathcal{H}_{n+1}(B) = A_1^2(B)$  as the ordinary Bergman space. It also follows that  $H^2(B)$  is a projective limit of  $A_q^2(B)$  as  $q \rightarrow 0^+$ .

Let  $R_n : H(B) \rightarrow H(\Delta)$  be the  $n$ -diagonal restriction mapping defined by

$$\{ R_n f \}(\omega) = f(n^{-1/2}\omega, \dots, n^{-1/2}\omega).$$

As in the case of the polydisk, the  $n$ -diagonal restriction of  $K_q$ , the reproducing kernel of  $\mathcal{H}_q(B)$ ,  $q > 0$ , is the reproducing kernel  $k_q$  of  $\mathcal{H}_q(\Delta)$ . This observation leads to the following theorem. Its proof follows either from the general theory of reproducing kernels [1], [2] or from arguments similar to those given in the proof of Theorem 4.2.

**THEOREM 5.2.** *Let  $q > 0$ . Then:*

(i)  $R_n$  maps  $\mathcal{H}_q(B)$  into  $\mathcal{H}_q(\Delta)$  with  $\| R_n f \|_q \leq \| f \|_q$  for every  $f \in \mathcal{H}_q(B)$ . Equality holds if and only if  $f$  is of the form

$$f = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \lambda_m P_m$$

where

$$P_m(z) = (z_1 + \dots + z_n)^m \quad (z = (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n).$$

and  $\lambda_m \in \mathbb{C}$  with

$$\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{m!}{(q)_m} n^m |\lambda_m|^2 < \infty;$$

(ii) For  $g \in \mathcal{H}_q(\Delta)$  with  $b_m = a_m(g)$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , we have

$$R_n^*g = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} b_m n^{-m/2} P_m;$$

(iii)  $R_n R_n^*$  is the identity operator on  $\mathcal{H}_q(\Delta)$  and  $R_n^*$  is a linear isometry of  $\mathcal{H}_q(\Delta)$  onto  $N(R_n)^\perp$ . Here  $N(R_n)$  is the null-space in  $\mathcal{H}_q(B)$  of  $R_n$  and  $N(R_n)^\perp$  is its orthogonal complement in  $\mathcal{H}_q(B)$ . Moreover,  $N(R_n)^\perp$  is the closure in  $\mathcal{H}_q(B)$  of the linear span of  $\{P_m\}_{m \geq 0}$ ;

(iv)  $R_n$  is a linear transformation of  $\mathcal{H}_q(B)$  onto  $\mathcal{H}_q(\Delta)$  with  $\|R_n\| = 1$ , and  $R_n^* R_n$  is the orthogonal projector of  $\mathcal{H}_q(B)$  onto  $N(R_n)^\perp$ .

The following corollary is a special case of part (i) of Theorem 5.2 (compare Rudin [8, p. 127]).

COROLLARY 5.3. Let  $f \in H^2(B)$ . Then  $R_n f \in A_{n-1}^2(\Delta)$  and

$$\int_{\Delta} |R_n f|^2 dA_{n-1} \leq \int_S |f|^2 d\sigma.$$

Equality holds if and only if  $f$  is of the form

$$f = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \lambda_m P_m \quad \text{with} \quad \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} m! n^m |\lambda_m|^2 / (n)_m < \infty.$$

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