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# **BMO-TEICHMÜLLER SPACES**

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ABSTRACT. We show that the complex dilatation of the Douady-Earle extension of a strongly quasisymmetric homeomorphism produces a Carleson measure. As an application, we study the BMO-Teichmüller theory compatible with a Fuchsian group.

### 1. Introduction

Let G be a Fuchsian group, i.e., a group of Möbius transformations acting properly discontinuously on the unit disk  $\mathbb{D}$ . For such a group we define M(G)as

$$M(G) = \left\{ \mu \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{D}) : \ \left\| \mu \right\|_{\infty} < 1 \text{ and } \forall g \in G, \ \mu = \frac{\overline{g}'}{g'} \mu \circ g \right\}$$

If  $\mu \in M(G)$ , then there exists a unique quasiconformal self-mapping  $f^{\mu}$  of  $\mathbb{D}$  fixing 1, -1, i and satisfying

$$\frac{\partial f^{\mu}}{\partial \overline{z}} = \mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$$

in  $\mathbb{D}$ . Similarly there exists a unique quasiconformal homeomorphism of the plane  $f_{\mu}$  which is holomorphic outside  $\mathbb{D}$  with the normalization

$$f_{\mu}(z) = z + \frac{b_1}{z} + \cdots$$

at  $\infty$  and such that in  $\mathbb D$  we have again

$$\frac{\partial f_{\mu}}{\partial \overline{z}} = \mu \frac{\partial f}{\partial z}$$

These homeomorphisms conjugate G respectively to a new Fuchsian group and to a quasi-Fuchsian group, i.e., a Möbius group acting properly discontinuously on the quasidisk  $f_{\mu}(\mathbb{D})$ .

The mapping  $f^{\mu}$  has a geometric interpretation: If we denote by S the Riemann surface  $\mathbb{D}/G$ , then  $f^{\mu}$  is the lift (to the universal covering) of a

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quasiconformal mapping from the Riemann surface S onto  $S' = \mathbb{D}/G'$ , where  $G' = f^{\mu} \circ G \circ (f^{\mu})^{-1}$ . Conversely, if F is a quasiconformal homeomorphism from S to a Riemann surface S', it has a lift to a quasiconformal homeomorphism f of  $\mathbb{D}$  and, replacing if necessary F by  $\theta \circ F$ , where  $\theta : S' \to S''$  is a conformal isomorphism, we may assume that  $f = f^{\mu}$  for some  $\mu \in M(G)$ .

If  $\mu \in M(G)$ , then  $f^{\mu}$  has a well-defined boundary value which is a quasisymmetric homeomorphism of the unit circle. We define an equivalence relation on M(G) by  $\mu \sim \nu$  if  $f^{\mu} | \partial \mathbb{D} = f^{\nu} | \partial \mathbb{D}$ . Again this equivalence relation has a geometric interpretation: If F, G represent the quasiconformal mappings on S whose lifts are precisely  $f^{\mu}, f^{\nu}$ , then  $\mu \sim \nu$  is equivalent to saying that  $G \circ F^{-1}$  is homotopic to a conformal isomorphism between F(S) and G(S), the homotopy being constant on the (possibly empty) boundary of F(S).

The Teichmüller space  $T_S$  is the quotient space  $M(G)/\sim$ . We refer to [11] for details about this construction.

The preceding remarks imply that the mapping  $[\mu] \mapsto f^{\mu}$  is well defined and injective from  $T_S$  into QS(G), the set of quasisymmetric homeomorphisms h of the unit circle such that  $h \circ G \circ h^{-1}$  is a Möbius group (more precisely, the trace on the unit circle of a Möbius group). A deep theorem of Tukia [13] asserts that this mapping is also onto, so that one may identify  $T_S$  with QS(G).

There is a similar description of the Teichmüller space in terms of  $f_{\mu}$ . We call a quadratic differential for the group G a holomorphic mapping  $\varphi$  in  $\hat{\mathbb{C}} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$  such that

$$\forall g \in G, \ \varphi = \varphi \circ g(g')^2.$$

If  $\mu \in M(G)$ , it is easy to see that the Schwarzian derivative

$$S_{f_{\mu}}(z) = (\log f'_{\mu})'' - \frac{1}{2} (\log f_{\mu})'^2$$

is a quadratic differential for G. In [11] it is shown that the mapping  $[\mu] \mapsto S_{f_{\mu}}$ is well defined and injective on  $T_S$ . The image of this mapping is included in T(G), the space of Schwarzian derivatives of injective holomorphic functions in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$  having a quasiconformal extension to  $\mathbb{C}$  which are quadratic differentials for G. A theorem due to Lehto and Tukia [11] asserts that this mapping is a bijection onto T(G). This is the so-called Bers embedding; it allows us to identify the Teichmüller space  $T_S$  with T(G), a space of quadratic differentials.

Both theorems (the identification of  $T_S$  with QS(G) and with T(G)) have been given a simplified proof using the Douady-Earle extension theorem.

The aim of this paper is to follow the same idea, i.e., to use the Douady-Earle extension theorem to prove analogs of the above statements in the setting of the BMO-Teichmüller theory, introduced by Astala and the second author [3]. Before stating these results, we recall the basics of this non-standard Teichmüller theory.

### 2. BMO-Teichmüller theory

A positive measure m in the unit disk is called a Carleson measure if

$$\sup_{I \subset \partial \mathbb{D} \text{ interval}} m(C(I))/|I| < +\infty,$$

where  $C(I) = \{rz : z \in I, (1 - |I|/(2\pi) \le r \le 1\}$ . We will also need Carleson measures on  $\mathbb{C} - \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ ; the reader will easily guess their proper definition. We then define  $CM(\mathbb{D})$  as the set of measurable functions  $\mu$  in the unit disk such that

$$\frac{|\mu|^2(z)}{1-|z|}dxdy$$

is a Carleson measure.

An homeomorphism of the unit circle is called strongly quasisymmetric if it is absolutely continuous at every scale, i.e., if

 $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0; \forall I \text{ interval}, \forall E \subset I \text{ Borel}, |E| \leq \delta |I| \Rightarrow |h(E)| \leq \epsilon |h(I)|.$ 

We denote by SQS the set of strongly quasisymmetric homeomorphisms of the circle. SQS is a group; more precisely, it is the group of homeomorphisms h such that  $V_h : b \mapsto b \circ h$  is an isomorphism of the space BMO( $\partial \mathbb{D}$ ); see [5], [10]. We recall the definition of this space:

$$BMO(\partial \mathbb{D}) = \{ b \in L^2(\partial \mathbb{D}); \sup_I V_I(b) < +\infty \},\$$

where  $V_I(b)$  is the variance of b on the interval I.

Naturally a strongly quasisymmetric homeomorphism is quasisymmetric, but the converse is far from being true since a quasisymmetry may be totally singular.

Let us denote by M(1), T(1) the spaces M(G), T(G) for  $G = \{I\}$ . The following theorem holds:

THEOREM 1. The following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mu \in M(1) \cap CM(\mathbb{D}).$
- (2)  $f^{\mu} \in SQS(\partial \mathbb{D}).$
- (3)  $S_{f_{\mu}} \in T(1)$  and  $|S_{f_{\mu}}|^2 (|z|-1)^3 dxdy$  is a Carleson measure in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ .

The equivalence  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (2)$  is essentially due to Fefferman, Kenig and Pipher [8], while  $(1) \Leftrightarrow (3)$  is due to Astala and Zinsmeister [3]. The implication  $(2) \Rightarrow (1)$  must be interpreted as follows: If  $h \in SQS$  then it has a quasiconformal extension to the unit disk whose complex dilatation satisfies (1). It should be noticed that a slight modification of the Beurling-Ahlfors extension does the job [8]. Similarly, the implication  $(3) \Rightarrow (1)$  must be understood as follows: If f is holomorphic and injective in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$  with a qc extension to  $\mathbb{C}$ and such that  $|S_f|(z)^2(|z|-1)^3 dx dy$  is a Carleson measure in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ , then it has a qc extension whose complex dilatation belongs to  $M(1) \cap CM(\mathbb{D})$ . Let us now consider a Fuchsian group G. Define  $\mathcal{M}(G) = M(G) \cap CM(\mathbb{D})$ ,  $SQS(G) = QS(G) \cap SQS(\partial \mathbb{D}), \ \mathcal{T}(G) = \{\varphi \in T(G); |\varphi|^2(z)(|z|-1)^3 dxdy$ is a Carleson measure on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}\}$ . The same equivalence relation as in the classical case may be defined on  $\mathcal{M}(G)$  and we denote by  $\mathcal{T}_S$  the quotient space  $(S = \mathbb{D}/G)$ . As a byproduct of the main result of this paper we will prove the following theorem.

THEOREM 2. The mapping  $[\mu] \mapsto f^{\mu}$  is a bijection from  $\mathcal{T}_S$  onto SQS(G)while  $[\mu] \mapsto S_{f_{\mu}}$  is bijective from  $\mathcal{T}_S$  onto  $\mathcal{T}(G)$ .

In the next section we introduce the Douady-Earle extension and use it to give a proof of this theorem.

We end this section with two comments:

**2.1. Motivation for the BMO-Teichmüller theory.** The whole Teichmüller theory as just described can be viewed geometrically as follows. In this section we take  $G = \{I\}$ , so that  $S = \mathbb{D}$ , and we put  $T = T_{\mathbb{D}}$ . If  $[\mu] \in T$  then  $f_{\mu}$  is a Riemann mapping (defined on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$ ) on a domain which is a quasiconformal image of the disk and  $f^{\mu}$  is then the conformal welding of the boundary of this domain, i.e.,  $f^{\mu} = \psi^{-1} o f_{\mu}$ , where  $\psi$  is a Riemann mapping from the disk. Very loosely speaking, the theory of the universal Teichmüller space is the theory dealing with quasiconformal geometry. The situation for the BMO-Teichmüller theory is not so clear, but its starting point is the following theorem:

THEOREM 3. The following are equivalent for  $\mu \in M(1)$ :

- (1)  $\exists \nu \in [\mu] \in CM(\mathbb{D})$  with a small norm.
- (2)  $\log(f^{\mu})' \in BMO(\partial \mathbb{D})$  with a small norm.
- (3)  $(|\zeta|-1)^3 |S_{f_u}|^2 d\zeta d\overline{\zeta}$  is a Carleson measure with small norm.

These three conditions are equivalent to the fact that if  $f_{\mu}(\partial \mathbb{D})$  passes through  $\infty$  (which we may of course assume), it is the image of a line under a bilipschitz homeomorhism of the plane with constant close to 1. So at least in a neighborhood of the origin BMO-Teichmüller theory deals with bilipschitz geometry.

But this fact ceases to hold in general. In fact, Bishop and Jones [4] have characterized domains arising in Theorem 3 and the corresponding Jordan curves need not be rectifiable. The following question is still open. Let  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}(1)$  be such that  $f_{\mu}(\partial \mathbb{D})$  is the bilipschitz image of a circle or a line. Is the same true for  $f_{t\mu}(\partial \mathbb{D})$ , 0 < t < 1?

**2.2.** Groups of convergence type. In contrast to the classical Teichmüller spaces,  $\mathcal{T}_S$  can be trivial. More precisely, the latter space is reduced

to 0 if and only if Brownian motion is recurrent on S, which is equivalent to the fact that the Fuchsian group G is of divergence type:

$$\sum_{\gamma \in G} (1 - |\gamma(0)|) = +\infty$$

The reason for this is the two-dimensional version of the Mostow rigidity theorem due to Agard and Pommerenke [1], [12]: If G is of divergence type and if  $h \in QS(G)$ , then h must be singular. On the other hand, it has been shown in [2] that  $\mathcal{T}_S$  is never trivial if G is of convergence type.

### 3. The Douady-Earle extension theorem

THEOREM 4 ([7]). There exists a map E mapping  $QS(\partial \mathbb{D})$  into the set of quasiconformal self-maps of the unit disk such that:

- (1)  $\forall h \in QS(\partial \mathbb{D}), E(h) | \partial \mathbb{D} = h.$
- (2)  $\forall h \in SQ(\partial \mathbb{D}), \ \forall \tau, \sigma \in Aut(\mathbb{D}), \ E(\sigma \circ h \circ \tau) = \sigma \circ E(h) \circ \tau.$

The main step in the construction of E(h) is the following fact that we mention here for later use: If  $h \in SQ(\partial \mathbb{D})$  we define the function  $F = F_h$ :  $\mathbb{D} \times \mathbb{D} \mapsto \mathbb{C}$  by

$$F(z,w) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial \mathbb{D}} \frac{h(\zeta) - w}{1 - \overline{w}h(\zeta)} \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|z - \zeta|^2} |d\zeta|.$$

Then for any  $z \in \mathbb{D}$  there exists a unique  $w \in \mathbb{D}$  such that F(z, w) = 0. We define E(h)(z) = w. Notice that if  $\int h = 0$  then E(h)(0) = 0.

Our main result is the following theorem:

THEOREM 5. If  $h \in SQS(\partial \mathbb{D})$  then, if  $\mu$  denotes the complex dilatation of the Douady-Earle extension E(h), it holds that  $\mu \in CM(\mathbb{D})$ .

The proof of this theorem will be given in the next section. We end the present section by showing that it implies Theorem 2.

Let us first consider  $h \in SQS(G)$ . Let  $\mu$  be the complex dilatation of E(h). It suffices to prove that  $\mu \in M(G)$ . But if  $g \in G$ , then, since  $E(h \circ g) = E(h) \circ g$  and since  $h \in Q(G)$ , there exists  $g_1$  Möbius such that  $h \circ g = g_1 \circ h$ . By a new application of the Douady-Earle theorem,  $E(g_1 \circ h) = g_1 \circ E(h)$ . It follows that E(h) and  $E(h) \circ g$  have the same complex dilatation, but this is equivalent to saying that  $\mu \in M(G)$ .

For the other part of the theorem we start with a univalent function f on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{\mathbb{D}}$  such that  $S_f \in T(G)$  and such that  $(|\zeta| - 1)^3 |S_f(\zeta)|^2 d\zeta d\overline{\zeta}$  is a Carleson measure. Let F be a Riemann mapping from  $\mathbb{D}$  onto  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \overline{f(\mathbb{D})}$  and  $h = F^{-1} \circ f$  the conformal welding. By Theorem 1, we have  $h \in SQS(\partial \mathbb{D})$ . Now the proof in [11, p. 199] gives that  $h \in SQS(G)$ . Let  $F_1 = F \circ E(h)$ . Then  $F_1$  is a quasiconformal extension of f whose dilatation is in  $\mathcal{M}(G)$ . The proof is now complete.

## 4. Proof of Theorem 5

We adapt methods from [6]. Let h be a homeomorphism of the unit circle and H its harmonic extension to the unit disk. We assume that  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} h(e^{it})dt =$ 0, which implies that f(0) = 0, where f = E(h) is the Douady-Earle extension of h. We also assume that h is quasisymmetric and consider a quasiconformal extension g of h. Finally we denote by  $\nu$  the complex dilatation of  $g^{-1}$ .

**PROPOSITION 6.** For some universal constant C > 0,

$$\iint_{\mathbb{D}} |\overline{\partial}H|^2 dx dy \le C \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{|\nu|^2}{1-|\nu|^2} dx dy.$$

*Proof.* We write  $H = H_1 + \overline{H}_2$ , where  $H_1, H_2$  are holomorphic on  $\mathbb{D}$  and vanish at 0. Then  $\partial H = H'_1$ ,  $\overline{\partial} H = \overline{H'}_2$ ,  $|\nabla H|^2 = |\partial H|^2 + |\overline{\partial} H|^2$ ,  $J_H = |\partial H|^2 - |\overline{\partial} H|^2$ . The starting point is the inequality

$$\iint_{\mathbb{D}} |\nabla H|^2 dx dy \le \iint_{\mathbb{D}} |\nabla g|^2 dx dy,$$

which is due to the fact that H is harmonic and that H, g have the same boundary values. On the other hand, by Stokes' formula (or by Choquet's theorem asserting that H is a self-diffeomorphism of  $\mathbb{D}$ ), we also have

$$\iint_{\mathbb{D}} J_H dx dy = \iint_{\mathbb{D}} J_g dx dy = \pi.$$

Combining the two inequalities we get

$$\iint_{\mathbb{D}} |\overline{\partial}H|^2 dx dy \le \iint_{\mathbb{D}} |\overline{\partial}g|^2 dx dy.$$

But

since  $|\mu|$ 

$$\iint_{\mathbb{D}} |\overline{\partial}g|^2 dx dy = \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{|\overline{\partial}g|^2}{|\partial g|^2 - |\overline{\partial}g|^2} J_g dx dy = \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{|\mu_g|^2}{1 - |\mu_g|^2} J_g dx dy.$$

Performing then the change of variable  $\zeta = g(z)$  we obtain that this integral is also equal to

$$\iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{|\mu_g \circ g^{-1}|^2}{1 - |\mu_g \circ g^{-1}|^2} dx dy = \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{|\nu|^2}{1 - |\nu|^2} dx dy,$$
$$g \circ g^{-1}| = |\mu_{g^{-1}}| = |\nu|.$$

PROPOSITION 7. There exists a constant C(K) (where K is the constant of quasisymmetry of h) such that

$$\frac{|\mu_f(0)|^2}{1-|\mu_f(0)|^2} \le C \iint_{\mathbb{D}} |\overline{\partial}H|^2 dx dy.$$

*Proof.* We first recall from [7] that f(z) = w is the unique solution of F(z, w) = 0, where

$$F(z,w) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{h(e^{it}) - w}{1 - \overline{w}h(e^{it})} \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|z - e^{it}|^2} dt.$$

In [7] it is also shown that

$$F_{z}(0,0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-it} h(e^{it}) dt = \hat{h}(1),$$
  

$$F_{\bar{z}}(0,0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{it} h(e^{it}) dt = \hat{h}(-1),$$
  

$$F_{w}(0,0) = -1,$$
  

$$F_{\bar{w}}(0,0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} h(e^{it})^{2} dt = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} H(e^{it}) \overline{H}_{2}(e^{it}) dt.$$

We next compute  $|\mu_f(0)|^2/(1-|\mu_f(0)|^2)$  using the implicit function theorem and the formula F(z, f(z)) = 0. We get (writing  $F_z$  for  $F_z(0, 0)$ , etc.) the system

$$F_{\bar{z}} + F_{\bar{w}}\bar{f}_{\bar{z}} + F_w f_{\bar{z}} = 0, \ \bar{F}_{\bar{z}} + \bar{F}_w f_{\bar{z}} + \bar{F}_{\bar{w}}\bar{f}_{\bar{z}} = 0,$$

whose solution is

$$f_{\bar{z}} = \frac{\bar{F}_{\bar{z}}F_{\bar{w}} - F_{\bar{z}}\bar{F}_{\bar{w}}}{|F_w|^2 - |F_{\bar{w}}|^2}, \ f_z = \frac{\bar{F}_zF_{\bar{w}} - F_z\bar{F}_{\bar{w}}}{|F_w|^2 - |F_{\bar{w}}|^2},$$

and finally

$$\frac{|\mu_f(0)|^2}{1-|\mu_f(0)|^2} = \frac{|\bar{F}_{\bar{z}}F_{\bar{w}} - F_{\bar{z}}\bar{F}_{\bar{w}}|^2}{(|F_z|^2 - |F_{\bar{z}}|^2)\left(|F_w|^2 - |F_{\bar{w}}|^2\right)}$$

First of all, in [7] it was shown that

$$|F_z|^2 - |F_{\bar{z}}|^2 = |\hat{h}(1)|^2 - |\hat{h}(-1)|^2 > 0,$$
  
$$|F_w|^2 - |F_{\bar{w}}|^2 = 1 - |h(e^{it})^2 dt|/(2\pi) > 0.$$

By compactness we deduce the existence of a constant C(K) such that if h is K-qs, then

$$(|F_z|^2 - |F_{\bar{z}}|^2) (|F_w|^2 - |F_{\bar{w}}|^2) \ge C(K).$$

From this we deduce

$$\frac{|\mu_f(0)|^2}{1-|\mu_f(0)|^2} \le C(K) \left| \overline{\hat{h}(1)} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} H(e^{it}) \overline{H}_2(e^{it}) dt + \hat{h}(-1) \right|^2.$$

But we have  $|\hat{h}(1)| \leq 1, \ |\hat{h}(-1)| \leq \int \int |\overline{\partial}H|^2$ , and

$$\left|\frac{1}{\pi}\int_0^{2\pi} H(e^{it})\overline{H}_2(e^{it})dt\right|^2 \le \frac{1}{\pi}\int_0^{2\pi} \left|H_2(e^{it})\right|^2 dt \le C \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \left|\overline{\partial}H\right|^2 dxdy,$$

and the proposition is proven.

PROPOSITION 8. There exists a constant C(K) such that  $\forall z \in \mathbb{D}$ ,

$$\frac{\left|\mu_{f^{-1}}(z)\right|^2}{1-\left|\mu_{f^{-1}}(z)\right|^2} \leq C(K) \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{\left|\mu_{g^{-1}}(w)\right|^2}{1-\left|\mu_{g^{-1}}(w)\right|^2} \frac{(1-|z|)^2}{|1-\bar{w}z|^4} du dv.$$

*Proof.* The case z = 0 follows from Propositions 6 and 7 and from the fact that  $|\mu_{f^{-1}}(0)| = |\mu_f(0)|$ . For the general case we use

$$M_1(\zeta) = \frac{\zeta + z}{1 + \overline{\zeta}z}, \ M_2(\zeta) = \frac{\zeta - f(z)}{1 - \overline{f}(z)\zeta},$$

so that  $M_1(0) = z$ ,  $M_2 \circ f \circ M_1(0) = 0$ . Let  $F(\zeta) = M_2 \circ f \circ M_1(\zeta)$ ,  $G(\zeta) = M_2 \circ g \circ M_1(\zeta)$ . We have

$$|\mu_F(\zeta)| = |\mu_f(M_1(\zeta))|, \ |\mu_{G^{-1}}(\zeta)| = |\mu_{g^{-1}}(M_2^{-1}(\zeta))|.$$

Applying then Proposition 7 we obtain

$$\frac{|\mu_f(z)|^2}{1-|\mu_f(z)|^2} \le C \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{|\mu_{g^{-1}}(M_2^{-1}(w))|^2}{1-|\mu_{g^{-1}}(M_2^{-1}(w))|^2} du dv$$

and, recalling that  $\nu = \mu_{q^{-1}}$ , we get the bound

$$\leq C \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{|\nu(\zeta)|^2}{1 - |\nu(\zeta)|^2} |M_2'(\zeta)|^2 d\zeta d\overline{\zeta}$$
$$= C \iint_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{|\nu(\zeta)|^2}{1 - |\nu(\zeta)|^2} \frac{(1 - |f(z)|^2)^2}{|1 - \overline{f}(z)\zeta|^4} d\zeta d\overline{\zeta}$$

The proposition follows by replacing z by  $f^{-1}(z)$ .

THEOREM 9. Let  $h \in SQS(\partial \mathbb{D})$  and f = E(h) its Douady-Earle extension. Then

$$\frac{|\mu_f(z)|^2}{1-|z|}dxdy$$

is a Carleson measure in the unit disk.

*Proof.* First of all there exists  $M \in \operatorname{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$  such that  $M \circ f(0) = 0$ . As  $M \circ f = E(M \circ h)$  and  $\mu_{M \circ f} = \mu_f$  we may assume that f(0) = 0. Next we consider an extension q of h such that

$$\frac{|\mu_g|^2}{1-|z|}dxdy \in CM(\mathbb{D})$$

(for instance the modified Beurling-Ahlfors extension; see [8]).

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LEMMA 10. If G is bilipschitz for the hyperbolic metric and if

$$\frac{|\mu_g|^2}{1-|z|}dxdy \in CM(\mathbb{D}),$$

then the same is true for  $g^{-1}$ .

Proof. To simplify the notations we prove the analogous statement for the upper half plane  $\mathbb{R}^2_+ = \{y > 0\}$ . Let  $I \subset \mathbb{R}$  be an interval and  $C_I = I \times [0, |I|]$ be the associated Carleson box. Then by an obvious change of variables we get

$$\mathcal{I} = \iint_{C_I} \frac{|\mu_{g^{-1}}(z)|^2}{\Im(z)} dx dy = \iint_{g^{-1}(C_I)} \frac{|\mu_g(\zeta)|^2}{\Im(\zeta)} \frac{\Im(\zeta)}{\Im(g(\zeta))} J_g(\zeta) d\zeta d\overline{\zeta}.$$

But there exists a constant  $\alpha = \alpha(K)$  such that

$$C_{\alpha J} \subset g^{-1}(C_I) \subset C_J, \ J = h^{-1}(I)$$

where  $\alpha J$  is the interval with the same center as J, but with length  $\alpha |J|$ .

On the other hand, by quasiconformality and the fact that g is bilipschitz for the hyperbolic metric,

$$\frac{\Im(\zeta)}{\Im(g(\zeta))} J_g(\zeta) \sim \frac{|h(I_\zeta)|}{|I_\zeta|},$$

where  $I(\zeta)$  is the interval [a, b] such that the triangle  $(a, b, \zeta)$  is equilateral. Let then  $\omega = h'$ ,  $\varphi = \omega 1_{2J}$ . By standard Carleson-type estimates [9],

$$\mathcal{I} \leq \int_{J} \varphi^*(x) dx,$$

where  $\varphi^*$  stands for the Hardy-Littlewood maximal function of  $\varphi$ .

By Muckenhoupt theory, there exists C, p > 1 such that for any interval J,

$$\frac{1}{|J|} \int_J \omega(x)^p dx \le C \left( \frac{1}{|J|} \int_J \omega(x) dx \right)^p.$$

We may then write

$$\mathcal{I} \le |J|^{1/p'} \left( \int_J \varphi^{*p} \right)^{1/p} \le C |J|^{1/p'} \left( \int_J \omega^p \right)^{1/p} \le C \int_J \omega = C |I|,$$
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LEMMA 11. If  $A(z)dzd\overline{z}$  is a Carleson measure in  $\mathbb{D}$ , the same is true for  $B(z)dzd\overline{z}$ , where

$$B(z) = \iint_{\mathbb{D}} A(\omega) \frac{(1-|\omega|)(1-|z|)}{|1-\overline{\omega}z|^4} du dv.$$

*Proof.* Here again we prove the statement for  $\mathbb{R}^2_+$ . In this case we write B = T(A), where

$$T(A)(x+iy) = \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2_+} A(w) \frac{vy}{|w-x+iy|^4} dudv.$$

By translation invariance it suffices to test the property on intervals I = [-b, b]. Furthermore, if  $A(z)dxdy \in CM(\mathbb{R}^2_+)$  the same is true for  $\lambda A(\lambda z)$  with the same norm. Since  $T(\lambda A(\lambda)) = \lambda^{-1}B(\lambda^{-1}z)$ , we only have to show the property for b = 1/2. Let  $C = [-1/2, 1/2] \times [0, 1]$ . Then

$$\iint_C B(x+iy)dxdy = \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2_+} vA(w) \left(\iint_C \frac{y}{|w-x+iy|^4}dxdy\right)dudv = I.$$

We put  $\overline{C} = [-1, 1] \times [0, 2]$  and write  $I = \mathcal{A} + \mathcal{B} = \iint_{\overline{C}} + \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2_+ \setminus \overline{C}}$ . Then

$$\mathcal{B} \leq C \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2_+ \setminus C} \frac{vA(w)}{w^4} dudv$$
$$\leq C \sum_{n \geq 1} \iint_{|w| \sim 2^n} \frac{2^n A(w)}{2^{4n}} dudv$$
$$\leq C \sum_{n \geq 1} 2^{-2n} \leq C.$$

To estimate  $\mathcal{A}$  it suffices to observe (by a simple computation) that

$$\iint_C \frac{y}{((u-x)^2 + (v+y)^2)^2} dx dy \le \frac{C}{v}.$$

The proof of the theorem is then completed by applying all preceding propositions and lemmas.  $\hfill \Box$ 

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