

## Extended Cesáro Operators from BMOA Spaces to Bloch-Type

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**Abstract:** In this paper the extended Cesáro operator  $T_g$  is characterized between the  $\alpha$ -Bloch spaces  $B_\alpha$  and the BMOA space on the unit disk. Some necessary and sufficient conditions are given for which  $T_g$  is a bounded operator or a compact operator from BMOA to  $B_\alpha$ .

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### 1. Introduction

Let  $D = \{z : |z| < 1\}$  be the open unit disk in the complex plane  $\mathbf{C}$ , and  $H(D)$  denote the set of all analytic functions on  $D$ . For  $f \in H(D)$  with Taylor expansion  $f(z) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} a_i z^i$ , the Cesáro operator acting on  $f$  is

$$C[f](z) = \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{i+1} \sum_{k=0}^i a_k \right) z^k.$$

It is well known that  $C[\cdot]$  act as a bounded operator on various spaces of analytic functions<sup>[4,6,8]</sup> including the Hardy and Bergman spaces. But it is not bounded on the Bloch space<sup>[9]</sup>. Now we consider the extended Cesáro operator  $T_g$ ,

$$T_g(f)(z) = \int_0^z f(t)g'(t)dt$$

acting on function  $f$  analytic on  $D$ . When  $g(z) = z$  or  $g(z) = \log(\frac{1}{1-z})$ ,  $T_g$  is the integral operator or the Cesáro operator respectively. It is interesting to provide a function theoretic characterization when  $g$  induces a bounded or compact extended Cesáro operator on various spaces (see [1,2] for more information). Problems of this kind were studied recently for Cesáro operator on the Bloch spaces<sup>[5]</sup>, the BMOA space<sup>[7]</sup>, between Bloch-type spaces and Dirichlet-type spaces<sup>[12]</sup>, to mention only a few related works. Our work here is to characterize this operator which is bounded or compact from BMOA to  $\alpha$ -Bloch spaces.

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**Definition 1**  $f \in H(D)$  belongs to the BMOA space if

$$\|f\|_{\text{BMOA}} = \sup_{a \in D} \left\{ \int_D |f'(z)|^2 (1 - |\varphi_a(z)|^2) dm(z) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} < \infty,$$

where  $\varphi_a(z) = (z - a)/(1 - \bar{a}z)$  is a Möbius transformation of  $D$ , and  $dm(z)$  is the Euclidean area element on  $D$ . The expression  $\|f\|_{\text{BMOA}}$  defines a semi-norm while the natural norm is given by

$$\|f\|_* = |f(0)| + \|f\|_{\text{BMOA}}. \quad (1)$$

It makes BMOA into a Banach space. Let VMOA denote the subspace of BMOA consisting of those  $f \in \text{BMOA}$  for which

$$\lim_{|a| \rightarrow 1} \int_D |f'(z)|^2 (1 - |\varphi_a(z)|^2) dm(z) = 0.$$

The space BMOA with the norm (1) is isometric to the second dual  $\text{VMOA}^{**[14]}$ .

Here we mention two simple facts about BMOA, which we will use later. First, there exists constant  $C$ , for any  $f \in \text{BMOA}$ , such that

$$|f(z)| \leq C \|f\|_{\text{BMOA}} \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}. \quad (2)$$

Second, for any  $a \in D$ ,  $f_a(z) = \log \frac{2}{1 - \bar{a}z} \in \text{VMOA}$  and  $\|f_a\|_{\text{BMOA}} \leq \|\log \frac{2}{1 - z}\|_{\text{BMOA}} < \infty$ . For more information about BMOA, see Ref.[14].

**Definition 2** For  $f \in H(D)$ , let

$$\|f\|_{B_\alpha} = \sup\{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f'(z)| : z \in D\}, \quad 0 < \alpha < +\infty.$$

As in [13], the  $\alpha$ -Bloch space  $B_\alpha$  consists of all  $f \in H(D)$  satisfying  $\|f\|_{B_\alpha} < +\infty$  and the little  $\alpha$ -Bloch space  $B_\alpha^0$  consists of all  $f \in H(D)$  satisfying  $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f'(z)| = 0$ . It is well known that with the norm  $\|f\|_\alpha = |f(0)| + \|f\|_{B_\alpha}$ .  $B_\alpha$  is a Banach space and  $B_\alpha^0$  is a closed subspace of  $B_\alpha$ . For more information about  $B_\alpha$ , see Ref.[13].

In what follows  $C$  will stand for positive constants not depending on the functions being considered, but whose value may change from line to line. The expression “two quantities  $A$  and  $B$  are equivalent”, denoted by  $A \approx B$ , means  $\frac{1}{C}A \leq B \leq CA$ .

## 2. Main theorems

**Lemma 1**<sup>[3]</sup> If  $f \in B_1^0$ , then  $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{|f(z)|}{\log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}} = 0$ .

**Theorem 1** For  $g \in H(D)$  and  $\forall \alpha > 0$ , then the following statements are equivalent.

- (a)  $T_g : \text{BMOA} \rightarrow B_\alpha$  is bounded;
- (b)  $T_g : \text{VMOA} \rightarrow B_\alpha^0$  is bounded;
- (c)  $T_g : \text{VMOA} \rightarrow B_\alpha$  is bounded;
- (d)  $\sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)| < \infty$ .

In each case  $\|T_g\| \approx \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)|$ .

**Proof** Suppose  $T_g$  is bounded from BMOA (or VMOA) to  $B_\alpha$ . For and  $a \in D$ , take the test function  $f_a(z) = \log \frac{2}{1-\bar{a}z} \in \text{VMOA}$ . We know that  $\|f_a\|_* \leq \|\log \frac{2}{1-\bar{a}z}\|_* \leq C < \infty$ , so

$$\sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f_a(z)g'(z)| \leq \|T_g(f_a)\|_\alpha \leq \|T_g\| \|f_a\|_* \leq C < \infty.$$

Setting  $z = a$ , we obtain

$$(1 - |a|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |a|^2} |g'(a)| \leq \|T_g\| \|\log \frac{2}{1 - z}\|_* \leq C < \infty. \quad (3)$$

This gives the implications (a)  $\implies$  (d) and (c)  $\implies$  (d).

Now we suppose  $g$  satisfies (d).

Step 1. For  $f \in \text{BMOA}$ , by (2), we know

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |(T_g f)'(z)| &= \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |g'(z)| |f(z)| \\ &\leq C \|f\|_* \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)|. \end{aligned}$$

This, together with  $(T_g f)(0) = 0$ , gives

$$\|T_g\| \leq C \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)|. \quad (4)$$

The implication (d)  $\implies$  (a) is proved.

The estimate

$$\|T_g\| \approx \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)|$$

comes from (3) and (4).

Step 2. For  $f \in \text{VMOA}$ ,  $f \in B_1^0$  by [9, Theorem 3]. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |(T_g f)'(z)| &\leq \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)| \frac{|f(z)|}{\log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}} \\ &\leq C \frac{|f(z)|}{\log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}} \longrightarrow 0 (|z| \rightarrow 1) \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 1. So this together with the first step result implies that (d)  $\implies$  (b).

(b)  $\implies$  (c) is obvious. The proof is completed.  $\square$

We now turn to the compactness of  $T_g$ . Recall that if  $X, Y$  are Banach spaces and  $T : X \longrightarrow Y$  is a linear operator,  $T$  is said to be compact if for every bounded sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$ ,  $\{T(x_n)\}$  has a convergent subsequence.  $T$  is weakly compact, if for every bounded sequence  $\{x_n\}$  in  $X$ ,  $\{T(x_n)\}$  has a weakly convergent subsequence. Every compact operator is weakly compact operator. In our case, a useful characterization of weak compactness is Gantmacher's Theorem<sup>[11]</sup>:  $T$  is weakly compact if and only if  $T^{**}(X^{**}) \subset Y$  where  $T^{**}$  is the second adjoint of  $T$  and  $X$  is identified with its image under the natural embedding into its second dual  $X^{**}$ .

**Lemma 2** *Let  $T_g$  be a bounded operator from BMOA to  $B_\alpha$ . Then  $T_g$  is compact if and only*

if for any bounded sequence  $\{f_n\}$  in BMOA which converges to 0 uniformly on compact subsets of  $D$ , we have  $\|T_g(f_n)\|_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**Proof** The result can be proved by (2) and Montel Theorem. The details are omitted here.

**Lemma 3** Suppose  $\alpha > 0$ . Then a closed set  $U$  in  $B_\alpha^0$  is compact if and only if it is bounded and satisfies  $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \sup_{f \in U} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f'(z)| = 0$ . The proof is similar to Ref.[15, Lemma 1].

**Theorem 2** For  $g \in H(D)$  and  $\forall \alpha > 0$ , the following statements are equivalent.

- (a)  $T_g : \text{BMOA} \rightarrow B_\alpha$  is compact;
- (b)  $T_g : \text{VMOA} \rightarrow B_\alpha^0$  is compact;
- (c)  $T_g : \text{VMOA} \rightarrow B_\alpha^0$  is compact;
- (d)  $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)| = 0$ .

**Proof** (d) $\Rightarrow$ (a). By Theorem 1,  $T_g$  is a bounded operator from BMOA to  $B_\alpha$ . Let  $K = \sup_z (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)| < \infty$ . Suppose that  $\{f_n\}$  be a bounded sequence in BMOA which converges to 0 uniformly on compact subsets of  $D$ . Let  $M = \sup_n \|f_n\|_* < +\infty$ . Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is  $0 < r < 1$  such that  $|z| > r$  implies

$$(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{M}. \quad (5)$$

We know that the sequence  $\{f_n\}$  converges uniformly on  $|z| \leq r$ . It follows that for large enough  $n$ ,

$$\sup_{|z| \leq r} |f_n(z)| < \frac{\log 2}{K} \varepsilon. \quad (6)$$

So, by (2), (5) and (6),

$$\begin{aligned} \|T_g f_n\|_\alpha &= \|T_g f_n\|_{B_\alpha} = \sup_z (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f_n(z)g'(z)| \\ &\leq \sup_{|z| \leq r} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f_n(z)g'(z)| + \sup_{|z| > r} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f_n(z)g'(z)| \\ &\leq \varepsilon + C \sup_{|z| > r} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} \|f_n\|_* |g'(z)| \\ &\leq \varepsilon + CM \sup_{|z| > r} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2} |g'(z)| < (C + 1)\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

if  $n$  is sufficiently large. Then  $\|T_g f_n\|_\alpha \rightarrow 0$  as  $n$  tends to  $\infty$ . Hence  $T_g$  is compact from BMOA to  $B_\alpha$  by Lemma 2.

(a) $\Rightarrow$ (b). It is obvious.

(b) $\Rightarrow$ (c). For any bounded sequence  $\{f_n\}$  in VMOA, by the compactness of  $T_g$  from VMOA to  $B_\alpha$ , we have some  $\{f_{n_k}\}$  and  $f_0 \in B_\alpha$  such that  $\|T_g(f_{n_k}) - f_0\|_\alpha \rightarrow 0$ ,  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . However, by Theorem 1, we know that  $T_g(f_{n_k}) \in B_\alpha^0$ , so  $f_0 \in B_\alpha^0$ . It shows that  $T_g$  is compact from VMOA to  $B_\alpha^0$ .

(c) $\Rightarrow$ (d). By Lemma 3,  $T_g$  is compact from VMOA to  $B_\alpha^0$  if and only if  $T_g$  is bounded and

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \sup_{\|f\|_* \leq 1} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |(T_g(f))'(z)| = 0.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |(T_g(f))'(z)| = (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log\left(\frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}\right) |g'(z)| \times \frac{|f(z)|}{\log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}},$$

and

$$\sup_{\|f\|_* \leq 1} \frac{|f(z)|}{\log \frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}} \geq C > 0.$$

Hence  $T_g$  is compact from VMOA to  $B_\alpha^0$  if and only if

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha \log\left(\frac{2}{1 - |z|^2}\right) |g'(z)| = 0.$$

The proof is completed.  $\square$

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## BMOA 空间与 Bloch 型空间之间的加权 Cesáro 算子

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**摘要:** 本文研究单位圆盘上的 BMOA 空间和  $\alpha$ -Bloch 型空间之间的加权 Cesáro 算子, 给出了  $T_g$  是 BMOA 空间到  $B_\alpha$  空间的有界算子或紧算子的充分必要条件.

**关键词:** 加权 Cesáro 算子; Bloch 空间; BMOA 空间.