

7 Hardy Spaces.

For $0 < p < \infty$, the Hardy Space \mathcal{H}_p in the unit disc D with boundary $S = \partial D$ consists of functions $u(z)$ that are analytic in the disc $\{z : |z| < 1\}$, that satisfy

$$\sup_{0 \leq r < 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta < \infty \quad (7.1)$$

From the Poisson representation formula, valid for $1 > r' > r \geq 0$

$$u(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{r'^2 - r^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{u(r'e^{i(\theta-\varphi)})}{r'^2 - 2rr' \cos \varphi + r^2} d\varphi \quad (7.2)$$

we get the monotonicity of the quantity $M(r) = \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta$, which is obvious for $p = 1$ and requires an application of Hölder's inequality for $p > 1$. Actually $M(r)$ is monotonic in r for $p > 0$. To see this we note that $g(re^{i\theta}) = \log |u(re^{i\theta})|$ is subharmonic and therefore, using Jensen's inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{r'^2 - r^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\exp[p g(r'e^{i(\theta-\varphi)})]}{r'^2 - 2rr' \cos \varphi + r^2} d\varphi \\ & \geq \exp\left[p \frac{r'^2 - r^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{g(r'e^{i(\theta-\varphi)})}{r'^2 - 2rr' \cos \varphi + r^2} d\varphi\right] \\ & \geq \exp[p g(re^{i\theta})] \end{aligned}$$

If $1 < p < \infty$ and $u(x, y)$ is a Harmonic function in D , from the bound (7.1), we can get a weak radial limit f (along a subsequence if necessary) of $u(r'e^{i\theta})$ as $r' \rightarrow 1$. In (7.2) we can let $r' \rightarrow 1$ keeping r and θ fixed. The Poisson kernel converges strongly in L_q to

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos \varphi + r^2}$$

and we get the representation (7.2) for $u(re^{i\theta})$ (with $r' = 1$) in terms of the boundary function f on S .

$$u(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1-r^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(e^{i(\theta-\varphi)})}{1-2r\cos\varphi+r^2} d\varphi \quad (7.3)$$

Now it is clear that actually

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} u(re^{i\theta}) = f(\theta)$$

in L_p . Since we can consider the real and imaginary parts separately, these considerations apply to Hardy functions in \mathcal{H}_p as well. The Poisson kernel is harmonic as a function of r, θ and has as its harmonic conjugate the function

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{2R \sin \theta}{1 - R \cos \theta + R^2}$$

with $R = \frac{r}{r'}$. Letting $R \rightarrow 1$, the imaginary part is seen to be given by convolution of the real part by

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{2 \sin \theta}{2(1 - \cos \theta)} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \cot \frac{\theta}{2}$$

which tells us that the real and imaginary parts at any level $|z| = r$ are related through the Hilbert transform in θ . We need to normalize so that $\text{Im } u(0) = 0$. It is clear that any function in the Hardy Spaces is essentially determined by the boundary value of its real (or imaginary part) on S . The conjugate part is then determined through the Hilbert transform and to be in the Hardy class \mathcal{H}_p , both the real and imaginary parts should be in $L_p(R)$. For $p > 1$, since the Hilbert transform is bounded on L_p , this is essentially just the condition that the real part be in L_p . However, for $p \leq 1$, to be in \mathcal{H}_p both the real and imaginary parts should be in L_p , which is stronger than just requiring that the real part be in L_p .

We prove a factorization theorem for functions $u(z) \in \mathcal{H}_p$ for p in the range $0 < p < \infty$.

Theorem 7.1. *Let $u(z) \in \mathcal{H}_p$ for some $p \in (0, \infty)$. Then there exists a factorization $u(z) = v(z)F(z)$ of u into two analytic functions v and F on D with the following properties. $|F(z)| \leq 1$ in D and the boundary value $F^*(e^{i\theta}) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} F(re^{i\theta})$ that exists in every $L_p(S)$ satisfies $|F^*| = 1$ a.e. on S . Moreover F contains all the zeros of u so that v is zero free in D .*

Proof. Suppose u has just a zero at the origin of order k and no other zeros. Then we take $F(z) = z^k$ and we are done. In any case, we can remove the zero if any at 0 and are therefore free to assume that $u(z) \neq 0$. Suppose u has a finite number of zeros, z_1, \dots, z_n . For each zero z_j consider $f_{z_j}(z) = \frac{z-z_j}{1-z\bar{z}_j}$. A simple calculation yields $|z-z_j| = |1-z\bar{z}_j|$ for $|z| = 1$. Therefore $|f_{z_j}(z)| = 1$ on S and $|f_{z_j}(z)| < 1$ in D . We can write $u(z) = v(z)\prod_{i=1}^n f_{z_i}(z)$. Clearly the factorization $u = Fv$ works with $F(z) = \prod f_{z_i}(z)$. If $u(z)$ is analytic in D , we can have a countable number of zeros accumulating near S . We want to use the fact that $u \in \mathcal{H}_p$ for some $p > 0$ to control the infinite product $\prod_{i=1}^\infty f_{z_i}(z)$, that we may now have to deal with. Since $\log |u(z)|$ is subharmonic and we can assume that $u(0) \neq 0$

$$-\infty < c = \log |u(0)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |u(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

for $r < 1$. If we take a finite number of zeros z_1, \dots, z_k and factor $u(z) = F_k(z)v_k(z)$ where $F_k(z) = \prod_1^k f_{z_i}(z)$ is continuous on $D \cup S$ and $|F_k(z)| = 1$ on S , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \log |v_k(0)| &\leq \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |v_k(re^{i\theta})| d\theta \\ &= \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |u(re^{i\theta})| d\theta \\ &\leq \sup_{0 < r < 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta})| d\theta \\ &\leq C \end{aligned}$$

uniformly in k . In other words

$$-\sum \log |f_{z_i}(0)| \leq -\log |u(0)| + C$$

Denoting $C - c$ by C_1 ,

$$\sum (1 - |z_j|) \leq \sum -\log |z_j| \leq C_1$$

One sees from this that actually the infinite product $F(z) = \prod_j f_{z_j}(z)e^{-ia_j}$

converges. with proper phase factors a_j . We write $-z_j = |z_j|e^{-ia_j}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 1 - f_{z_j}(z)e^{-ia_j} &= 1 + \frac{z - z_j}{1 - z\bar{z}_j} \frac{|z_j|}{z_j} \\ &= \frac{z_j - z|z_j|^2 + z|z_j| - z_j|z_j|}{z_j(1 - z\bar{z}_j)} \\ &= \frac{(1 - |z_j|)(z_j + z|z_j|)}{z_j(1 - z\bar{z}_j)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $|1 - f_{z_j}(z)e^{-ia_j}| \leq C(1 - |z_j|)(1 - |z|)^{-1}$ and if we redefine $F_n(z)$ by

$$F_n(z) = \prod_{j=1}^n f_{z_j}(z)e^{-ia_j}$$

we have the convergence

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(z) = F(z) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} f_{z_j}(z)e^{-ia_j}$$

uniformly on compact subsets of D as $n \rightarrow \infty$. It follows from $|F_n(z)| \leq 1$ on D that $|F(z)| \leq 1$ on D . The functions $v_n(z) = \frac{u(z)}{F_n(z)}$ are analytic in D (as the only zeros of F_n are zeros of u) and are seen easily to converge to the limit $v = \frac{u}{F}$ so that $u = Fv$. Moreover $F_n(z)$ are continuous near S and $|F_n(z)| \equiv 1$ on S . Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{0 < r < 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |v_n(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta &= \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |v_n(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \\ &= \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{|u(re^{i\theta})|^p}{|F_n(re^{i\theta})|^p} d\theta \\ &= \limsup_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \\ &= \sup_{0 < r < 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \end{aligned}$$

Since $v_n(z) \rightarrow v(z)$ uniformly on compact subsets of D , by Fatou's lemma,

$$\sup_{0 < r < 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |v(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \leq \sup_{0 < r < 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \quad (7.4)$$

In other words we have succeeded in writing $u = Fv$ with $|F(z)| \leq 1$, removing all the zeros of u , but v still satisfying (7.4). In order to complete the proof of the theorem it only remains to prove that $|F(z)| = 1$ a.e. on S . From (7.4) and the relation $u = vF$, it is not hard to see that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |v(re^{i\theta})|^p (1 - |F(re^{i\theta})|^p) d\theta = 0$$

Since $F(re^{i\theta})$ is known to have a boundary limit F^* to show that $|F^*| = 1$ a.e. all we need is to get uniform control on the Lebesgue measure of the set $\{\theta : |v(re^{i\theta})| \leq \delta\}$. It is clearly sufficient to get a bound on

$$\sup_{0 < r < 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |\log |v(re^{i\theta})|| d\theta$$

Since $\log^+ v$ can be dominated by $|v|^p$ with any $p > 0$, it is enough to get a lower bound on $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |v(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$ that is uniform as $r \rightarrow 1$. Clearly

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |v(re^{i\theta})| d\theta \geq \log |u(0)|$$

is sufficient. □

Theorem 7.2. *Suppose $u \in \mathcal{H}_p$. Then $\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} u(re^{i\theta}) = u^*(e^{i\theta})$ exists in the following sense*

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta}) - u^*(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta = 0$$

Moreover, if $p \geq 1$, u has the Poisson kernel representation in terms of u^* .

Proof. If $u \in \mathcal{H}_p$, according to Theorem 7.1, we can write $u = vF$ with $v \in \mathcal{H}_p$ which is zero free and $|F| \leq 1$. Choose an integer k such that $kp > 1$. Since v is zero free $v = w^k$ for some $w \in \mathcal{H}_{kp}$. Now $w(re^{i\theta})$ has a limit w^* in $L_{kp}(S)$. Since $|F| \leq 1$ and has a radial limit F^* it is clear the u has a limit $u^* \in L_p(S)$ given by $u^* = (w^*)^k F^*$. If $0 < p \leq 1$ to show convergence in the sense claimed above, we only have to prove the uniform integrability of $|u(re^{i\theta})|^p = |w(re^{i\theta})|^{kp}$ which follows from the convergence of w in $L_{kp}(S)$. If $p \geq 1$ it is easy to obtain the Poisson representation on S by taking the limit as $r \rightarrow 1$ from the representation on $|z| = r$ which is always valid. □

We can actually prove a better version of Theorem 7.1. Let $u \in \mathcal{H}_p$ for some $p > 0$, be arbitrary but not identically zero. We can start with the inequality

$$-\infty < \log |u(r_0 e^{i\theta_0})| \leq \frac{r^2 - r_0^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\log |u(re^{i(\theta_0 - \varphi)})|}{r^2 - 2rr_0 \cos \varphi + r_0^2} d\varphi \quad (7.5)$$

where $z_0 = r_0 e^{i\theta_0}$ is such that $r_0 = |z_0| < 1$ and $|u(z_0)| > 0$. We can use the uniform integrability of $\log^+ |u(re^{i\theta})|$ as $r \rightarrow 1$, and conclude from Fatou's lemma that

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{|\log |u(e^{i(\theta_0 - \varphi)})||}{1 - 2r_0 \cos \varphi + r_0^2} d\varphi < \infty$$

Since the Poisson kernel is bounded above as well as below (away from zero) we conclude that the boundary function $u(e^{i\theta})$ satisfies

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |\log |u(e^{i\theta})|| d\theta < \infty$$

We define $f(re^{i\theta})$ by the Poisson integral

$$f(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1 - r^2}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\log |u(e^{i(\theta - \varphi)})|}{1 - 2r \cos \varphi + r^2} d\varphi$$

to be Harmonic with boundary value $\log |u(e^{i\theta})|$. From the inequality (7.5) it follows that $f(re^{i\theta}) \geq \log |u(re^{i\theta})|$. We then take the conjugate harmonic function g so that $w(\cdot)$ given by $w(re^{i\theta}) = f(re^{i\theta}) + ig(re^{i\theta})$ is analytic. We define $v(z) = e^{w(z)}$ so that $\log |v| = f$. We can write $u = Fv$ that produces a factorization of u with a zero free v and F with $|F(z)| \leq 1$ on D . Since the boundary values of $\log |u|$ and $\log |v|$ match on S , the boundary values of F which exist must satisfy $|F| = 1$ a.e. on S . We have therefore proved

Theorem 7.3. *Any u in \mathcal{H}_p , with $p > 0$, can be factored as $u = Fv$ with the following properties: $|F| \leq 1$ on D , $|F| = 1$ on S , v is zero free in D and $\log |v|$, which is harmonic in D , is given by the Poisson formula in terms of its boundary value $\log |v(e^{i\theta})| = \log |u(e^{i\theta})|$ which is in $L_1(S)$. Such a factorization is essentially unique, the only ambiguity being a multiplicative constant of absolute value 1.*

Remark. The improvement over Theorem 7.1 is that we have made sure that $\log|v|$ is not only Harmonic in D but actually takes on its boundary value in the sense $L_1(S)$. This provides the uniqueness that was missing before. As an example consider the Poisson kernel itself.

$$u(z) = e^{\frac{z+1}{z-1}}$$

$|u(z)| < 1$ on D , $u(re^{i\theta}) \rightarrow e^{i \cot \frac{\theta}{2}}$ as $r \rightarrow 1$. Such a factor is without zeros and would be left alone in Theorem 7.1, but removed now.

There are characterizations of the factor F that occurs in $u = vF$. Let us suppose that $u \in \mathcal{H}_2$ is not identically zero.. If we denote by \mathcal{H}_∞ , the space of all bounded analytic functions in D , clearly if $H \in \mathcal{H}_\infty$ and $u \in \mathcal{H}_2$, then $Hu \in \mathcal{H}_2$. We denote by \mathcal{K} the closure in \mathcal{H}_2 of Hu as H varies over \mathcal{H}_∞ . It is clear that $\mathcal{K} = \mathcal{H}_2$ if and only if \mathcal{K} contains any and therefore all of the units i.e. invertible elements in \mathcal{H}_2 . In any case since $u \equiv 0$ is ruled out, let us pick $a \in D$, $a \neq 0$ such that $|u(a)| > 0$ and take $k_a \in \mathcal{K}$ to be the orthogonal projection of $f_a(z) = \frac{1}{1-\bar{a}z}$ in \mathcal{K} . Note that by Cauchy's formula for any $v \in \mathcal{H}_2$,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \overline{f_a(e^{i\theta})} v(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{e^{i\theta} - a} v(e^{i\theta}) de^{i\theta} = v(a) \quad (7.6)$$

Then $(f_a - k_a) \perp \mathcal{K}$. Writing the orthogonality relations in terms of the boundary values, and noting that $z^n k_a \in \mathcal{K}$ for $n \geq 0$,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} [\overline{f_a(e^{i\theta}) - k_a(e^{i\theta})}] e^{in\theta} k_a(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = \langle f_a - k_a, z^n k_a \rangle = 0 \quad (7.7)$$

On the other hand for $n \geq 0$, since $z^n k_a \in \mathcal{H}_2$, by (7.6)

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \overline{f_a(e^{i\theta})} e^{in\theta} k_a(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = 2\pi a^n k_a(a)$$

Combining with equation (7.7) we get for $n \geq 0$,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} e^{in\theta} |k(e^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta = 2\pi k_a(a) a^n$$

But $|k|^2$ is real and therefore $k_a(a)$ must be real and

$$\int_0^{2\pi} e^{in\theta} |k(e^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta = \begin{cases} 2\pi k_a(a) a^n & \text{if } n > 0 \\ 2\pi k_a(a) & \text{if } n = 0 \\ 2\pi k_a(a) \bar{a}^n & \text{if } n < 0 \end{cases}$$

This implies that $|k_a(e^{i\theta})|^2 \equiv cP_a(e^{i\theta})$ on S where P_a is the Poisson kernel. If $c = 0$, it follows that $f_a \perp \mathcal{K}$, which in turn implies by (7.6) that

$$\langle f_a, u \rangle = 2\pi u(a) = 0$$

which is not possible because of the choice of a . We claim that $\{k_a H\}$ as H varies over \mathcal{H}_2 is all of \mathcal{K} . If not, let $v \in \mathcal{K}$ be such that $v \perp k_a H$ for all $H \in \mathcal{H}_2$. We have then, for $n \geq 0$, taking $H = z^n$,

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \overline{k_a(e^{i\theta})} e^{-in\theta} v(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = \langle v, k_a z^n \rangle = 0$$

For $n = -m < 0$, $z^m v \in \mathcal{K}$ and

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \overline{k_a(e^{i\theta})} e^{-in\theta} v(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = \langle z^m v, k_a \rangle = \langle z^m v, f_a \rangle = 2\pi a^m v(a)$$

Now Fourier inversion gives

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{k_a(e^{i\theta})} v(e^{i\theta}) &= v(a) \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} a^m e^{-im\theta} = v(a) \frac{ae^{-i\theta}}{1 - ae^{-i\theta}} \\ &= c_1(a) \frac{1}{e^{i\theta} - a} = c_2(a) P_a(e^{i\theta})(e^{-i\theta} - \bar{a}) \end{aligned}$$

Multiplying by k_a and remembering that $|k_a|^2 = cP_a$, we obtain $(k_a v)(e^{i\theta}) = c_3(a)(e^{-i\theta} - \bar{a})$. This leads to

$$v(e^{i\theta}) = \frac{k_a(e^{i\theta})}{e^{-i\theta} - \bar{a}} = \frac{k_a(e^{i\theta})e^{i\theta}}{1 - \bar{a}e^{i\theta}}$$

Therefore $v = k_a H$ with $H(z) = \frac{z}{1 - \bar{a}z} \in \mathcal{H}_2$ contradicting $v \perp H k_a$ for all $H \in \mathcal{H}_2$ and forcing v to be 0. We are now ready to prove the following theorem.

Theorem 7.4. *Let $u \in \mathcal{H}_2$ be arbitrary and nontrivial. Then 1 belongs to the span of $\{z^n u : n \geq 0\}$ if and only if*

$$\log |u(0)| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |u(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \quad (7.8)$$

Proof. Let $\|p_n(z)u(z) - 1\|_{\mathcal{H}_2} \rightarrow 0$ for some polynomials $p_n(\cdot)$. Then

$$\log |p_n(0)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |p_n(e^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

Since $\log |p_n(e^{i\theta})u(e^{i\theta})| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ in measure on S and $\log^+ |p_n(e^{i\theta})u(e^{i\theta})|$ is uniformly integrable,

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |p_n(e^{i\theta})u(e^{i\theta})| d\theta \leq 0$$

This implies

$$\log |u(0)| \geq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |u(e^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

The reverse inequality is always valid and we are done with one half. As for the converse, If the span of $\{z^n u : n \geq 0\}$ is $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathcal{H}_2$ is a proper subspace, there is k such that $u = kv$ for some $v \in \mathcal{H}_2$ with $|k|^2(e^{i\theta}) = cP_a(e^{i\theta})$, the Poisson kernel for some $a \in D$. For the Poisson kernel it is easy to verify that

$$\log |P_a(0)| < \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |P_a(e^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

for any $a \in D$. Therefore we cannot have (7.8) satisfied. \square

Suppose $f(e^{i\theta}) \geq 0$ is a weight that is in $L_1(S)$. We consider the Hilbert Space $H = L_2(S, f)$ of functions u that are square integrable with respect to the weight f , i.e. g such that $\int_0^{2\pi} |g(e^{i\theta})|^2 f(e^{i\theta}) d\theta < \infty$. The trigonometric functions $\{e^{in\theta} : -\infty < n < \infty\}$ are still a basis for H , though they may no longer be orthogonal. We define $H_k = \text{span}\{e^{in\theta} : n \geq k\}$. It is clear that $H_k \supset H_{k+1}$ and multiplication by $e^{\pm i\theta}$ is a unitary map $U^{\pm 1}$ of H onto itself that sends H_k onto $H_{k\pm 1}$. We are interested in calculating the orthogonal projection $e_0(e^{i\theta})$ of 1 into H_1 along with the residual error $\|e_1(e^{i\theta}) - 1\|_2^2$. There are two possibilities. Either $1 \in H_1$ in which case $H_0 = H_1$ and hence $H_k = H$ for all k , or H_0 is spanned by H_1 and a unit vector $u_0 \in H_0$ that is orthogonal to H_1 . If we define $u_k = U^k u_0$, then $H = \bigoplus_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} u_j \oplus H_\infty$ where $H_\infty = \bigcap_k H_k$. In a nice situation we expect that $H_\infty = \{0\}$. However if $1 \in H_1$ as we saw $H_\infty = H$. If $f(e^{i\theta}) \equiv c$ then of course $u_k = e^{ik\theta}$.

Theorem 7.5. *Let us suppose that*

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \log f(e^{i\theta}) d\theta > -\infty \quad (7.9)$$

Then $H_\infty = \{0\}$ and the residual error is given by

$$\|e_0(e^{i\theta}) - e^{i\theta}\|_2^2 = 2\pi \exp\left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log f(e^{i\theta}) d\theta\right] > 0 \quad (7.10)$$

Proof. We will split the proof into several steps.

Step 1. We write $f(e^{i\theta}) = |ue^{i\theta}|^2$, where u is the boundary value of a function $u(re^{i\theta})$ in \mathcal{H}_2 . Note that, if this were possible. according to Theorem 7.1 one can assume with out loss of generality that $u(0) \neq 0$ and for $0 < r < 1$

$$-\infty < \log |u(0)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |u(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

We can let $r \rightarrow 1$, use the domination of $\log^+ |u|$ by $|u|$ and Fatou's lemma on $\log^- |u|$. We get

$$-\infty < \log |u(0)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |u(re^{i\theta})| d\theta = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |f(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

We see that the condition (7.9) is necessary for the representation that we seek. We begin with the function $\frac{1}{2} \log f \in L_1(S)$ and construct $u(re^{i\theta})$ given by the Poisson formula

$$F(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1-r^2}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\log f(e^{i(\theta-\varphi)})}{1-2r \cos \varphi + r^2} d\varphi$$

to be Harmonic with boundary value $\frac{1}{2} \log f$. We then take the conjugate harmonic function G so that $w(\cdot)$ given by $w(re^{i\theta}) = F(re^{i\theta}) + iG(re^{i\theta})$ is analytic. We define $u(z) = e^{w(z)}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta &= \int_0^{2\pi} \exp[2F(re^{i\theta})] d\theta \\ &\leq \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1-r^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(e^{i(\theta-\varphi)})}{1-2r \cos \varphi + r^2} d\varphi d\theta \\ &= \int_0^{2\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) d\theta \end{aligned}$$

Therefore $u \in \mathcal{H}_2$ and $\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} u(re^{i\theta}) = u(e^{i\theta})$ exists in $L_2(S)$. Clearly

$$|u(e^{i\theta})| = \exp[\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} F(re^{i\theta})] = \sqrt{f(e^{i\theta})}$$

and $f = |u|^2$ on S . It is easily seen that $u(z) = \sum_{n \geq 0} a_n z^n$ with

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} |a_n|^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Step 2. Our representation has the additional property that $u(z)$ is zero free in D and satisfies (7.8). Suppose $h(re^{i\theta})$ is any function in \mathcal{H}_2 with boundary value $h(e^{i\theta})$ with $|h| = \sqrt{f}$ that also satisfies

$$\log |h(0)| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \log f d\theta$$

then

$$\log |h(0)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |h(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

By Fatou's lemma applied to $\log^- |h|$ as $r \rightarrow 1$ we get

$$\limsup_{r \rightarrow 1} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |h(re^{i\theta})| d\theta \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{2} \log f(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Therefore equality holds in Fatou's lemma implying the uniform integrability as well as the convergence in $L_1(S)$ of $\log |h(re^{i\theta})|$ to $\frac{1}{2} \log f(e^{i\theta})$ as $r \rightarrow 1$. In particular for $0 < r < 1$,

$$\log |h(0)| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log |h(re^{i\theta})| d\theta$$

and hence h is zero free in D . Consequently, for $0 \leq r < r' < 1$

$$\log |h(re^{i\theta})| = \frac{r'^2 - r^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\log |h(re^{i(\theta-\varphi)})|}{r'^2 - 2r'r \cos \varphi + r^2} d\varphi$$

We can let $r' \rightarrow 1$ use the convergence of $\log |h(re^{i\theta})|$ to $\frac{1}{2} \log f$ in $L_1(S)$ to conclude

$$\log |h(re^{i\theta})| = \frac{1 - r^2}{4\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\log f(\theta - \varphi)}{1 - 2r \cos \varphi + r^2} d\varphi$$

Therefore the representation of $f(e^{i\theta}) = |u(e^{i\theta})|^2$, with $u(e^{i\theta})$ the boundary value of $u \in \mathcal{H}_2$ that satisfies condition (7.8) is unique to within a multiplicative constant of absolute value 1. The significance of making the choice of u so that the condition (7.8) is valid, is that we can conclude that $\{z^j u(z)\}$ spans all of \mathcal{H}_2 . \square

Step 3. Consider the mapping from $L_2(S, d\theta)$ into $L_2(S, f)$ that sends $g(e^{i\theta}) \rightarrow \frac{g(e^{i\theta})}{u(e^{i\theta})}$. Since the integrability of $\log f$ implies that f and therefore u is almost surely nonzero on S , this map is a unitary isomorphism. Whereas any u with $|u|^2 = f$ would be enough, our u has a special property. It is the boundary value of a function $u(re^{i\theta}) \in \mathcal{H}_2$, that satisfies (7.8). Consider $g(e^{i\theta}) = a_0$. In the isomorphism it goes over to $\frac{a_0}{u}$. Its inner product with $e^{ik\theta}$ with $k \geq 1$ is given by

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \left[\frac{a_0}{u(e^{i\theta})} \right] e^{-ik\theta} u(e^{i\theta}) \bar{u}(e^{i\theta}) d\theta = a_0 \int_0^{2\pi} \bar{u}(e^{i\theta}) e^{-ik\theta} d\theta = 0$$

This shows that $\frac{a_0}{u} \perp H_1$. We claim that the decomposition $1 = \frac{a_0}{u} + \frac{u-a_0}{u}$ is the decomposition of 1 into its components in $(H_0 \cap H_1^\perp) \oplus H_1$. The residual error is given by $2\pi|a_0|^2$ which is equal to $2\pi \exp[2u(0)]$ and agrees with (7.10). We now establish our claim to complete the proof. We need to check that $\frac{a_0}{u} \in H_0$ and $\frac{u-a_0}{u} \in H_1$. In our isomorphism $1 \rightarrow \frac{1}{u}$ and for $n \geq 0$, $z^n u \rightarrow e^{in\theta}$. We know that the span of $\{z^n u(z) : n \geq 0\}$ in \mathcal{H}_2 is all of \mathcal{H}_2 . Therefore $\frac{1}{u} \in H_0$. To complete the proof of our claim we need to verify that $u - a_0$ is in the span of $\{z^n u : n \geq 1\}$. This is easy because $u - a_0 = zv(z)$ for some $v \in \mathcal{H}_2$. Finally the same argument shows that the norm of the projection of 1 onto H_k equals $2\pi \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} |a_i|^2$ which tends to 0 as $k \rightarrow \infty$. This proves $1 \perp H_\infty$. In fact since $U^{\pm n} H_\infty = H_\infty$, it follows that $e^{in\theta} \perp H_\infty$ for every n . Therefore $H_\infty = \{0\}$.

Consider the problem of approximating a function $f_0 \in L_2(\mu)$ by linear combinations $\sum_{j \leq -1} a_j f_j$. We assume a stationarity in the form $\rho_n = \int f_j f_{n+j} d\mu$ which is independent of j . Of course $\rho_n = \rho_{-n}$ is a positive definite function and by Bochner's theorem $\rho_n = \int_0^{2\pi} e^{in\theta} dF(\theta)$ for some nonnegative measure F on S . The object to be minimized is $\int |f_0 - \sum_{j \leq -1} a_j f_j|^2 d\mu$ over all possible $a_{-1}, \dots, a_{-k}, \dots$. By Bochner's theorem this is equal to

$$\inf_{\{a_j: j \leq -1\}} \int_0^{2\pi} \left| 1 - \sum_{j \leq -1} a_j e^{ij\theta} \right|^2 dF(\theta)$$

If $dF(\theta) = f(\theta)d\theta$, by the reality of ρ_n , $f(\theta)$ is symmetric, and we can replace $j \leq -1$ by $j \geq 1$. Then this is exactly the problem we considered. The minimum is equal to $2\pi \exp[\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \log f(\theta)d\theta]$ and we know how to find the minimizer.

Suppose now $f(t) \geq 0$ is a weight on R with $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t)dt < \infty$. Let H_a be the span of $\{e^{ibt} : b \leq a\}$ in $L_2[R, f]$. For $a < 0$, what is the projection $e_a(\cdot)$ of 1 in H_a and what is the value of $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |1 - e_a(t)|^2 f(t)dt$?

The natural condition on f is $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\log f(t)}{1+t^2} dt > -\infty$. Then the Poisson integral

$$F(x, y) = \frac{y}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{f(t)}{y^2 + (x-t)^2} dt$$

defines a harmonic function F in the upper half plane $C^+ = \{(x, y) : y > 0\}$ with boundary value $\frac{1}{2} \log f$ on $R = \{(x, y) : y = 0\}$ and F can be the real part of an analytic function $w = F + iG$ on C^+ . The function $u = e^w$ defines an analytic function on C^+ with boundary value u^* and $f(t) = |u^*|^2$. Moreover u^* is the Fourier transform of v in $L_2(R)$ that is supported on $(-\infty, 0)$. One can again set up an isomorphism between $L_2[R, 1]$ and $L_2[R, f]$ by sending $g \rightarrow \frac{\hat{g}}{u^*}$ (\hat{g} is the Fourier transform of g). This maps $v \rightarrow 1$ and $v(\cdot - a) \rightarrow e^{iat}$. The projection is seen to be the image of $v \mathbf{1}_{(-\infty, a)}(\cdot)$ with the error being $\int_a^0 |v|^2(t)dt$.

Example: Suppose $f(t) = \frac{1}{1+t^2}$. The factorization $f = |u^*|^2$ is produced by $u^*(t) = (i+t)^{-1}$. This produces $v(t) = e^t \mathbf{1}_{(-\infty, 0)}(t)$. The projection is the Fourier transform of $v_a(t) = e^t \mathbf{1}_{(-\infty, a)}(t)$ which is seen to be $e^a e^{iat}$.