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## Operators between different weighted Fréchet and (LB)-spaces of analytic functions

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Abstract: We study some classical operators defined on the weighted Bergman Fréchet space  $A_{\alpha+}^p$  (resp. weighted Bergman (LB)-space  $A_{\alpha-}^p$ ) arising as the projective limit (resp. inductive limit) of the standard weighted Bergman spaces into the growth Fréchet space  $H_{\alpha+}^{\infty}$  (resp. growth (LB)-space  $H_{\alpha-}^{\infty}$ ), which is the projective limit (resp. inductive limit) of the growth Banach spaces. We show that, for an analytic self map  $\varphi$  of the unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$ , the continuities of the weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi}$ , the Volterra integral operator  $T_g$ , and the pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g$  defined via the identical symbol function are characterized by the same condition determined by the symbol's state of belonging to a Bloch-type space. These results have consequences related to the invertibility of  $W_{g,\varphi}$  acting on a weighted Bergman Fréchet or (LB)-space. Some results concerning eigenvalues of such composition operators  $C_{\varphi}$  are presented.

Key words: Weighted composition operator, Volterra operator, multiplication operator, Fréchet spaces, (LB)-spaces, weighted spaces of analytic functions

#### 1. Introduction

Let  $H(\mathbb{D})$  denote the Fréchet space of all analytic functions  $f: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{C}$  equipped with the topology of uniform convergence on the compact subsets of the unit disc  $\mathbb{D} := \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z| < 1\}$ . Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self map on  $\mathbb{D}$ , and let  $g: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{C}$  be an analytic map. The main focus of this note is, when they are defined between projective (or inductive) limits of different well-known Banach spaces of analytic functions, to give a relation between the continuity of the Volterra integral operator

$$T_g(f)(z) = \int_0^z f(t)g'(t)dt, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
(1.1)

the pointwise multiplication operator

$$M_g(f)(z) = g(z)f(z), \quad z \in \mathbb{D},$$
(1.2)

and the weighted composition operator

$$W_{g,\varphi}(f)(z) = (M_g \circ \varphi \circ f)(z) = g(z)f(\varphi(z)), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}$$
(1.3)

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in terms of conditions formulated for g and  $\varphi$ . For  $1 and <math>-1 < \alpha < \infty$ , the Bergman space of standard weight  $A^p_{\alpha} = A^p_{\alpha}(\mathbb{D})$  of the unit disc is given by

$$A^{p}_{\alpha} := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \|f\|_{p,\alpha} = \left( (\alpha + 1) \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f(z)|^{p} \mathrm{d}s_{\alpha}(z) \right)^{1/p} < \infty \},$$
(1.4)

where  $ds_{\alpha}(z) = (1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha} ds(z)$ , and  $ds(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} dx dy$ . Each  $A^p_{\alpha}$  is a closed subspace of  $L^p(\mathbb{D}, ds(z))$  in which the polynomials are dense [18, Section 1.1]. The weighted Bergman space  $A^p_{\alpha}$  is a Banach space with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{p,\alpha}$ . Classical Bergman space  $A^p(\mathbb{D})$  corresponds to the case  $\alpha = 0$ . If  $p = \infty$  we obtain the growth Banach space

$$H_{\alpha}^{\infty} := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \|f\|_{-\alpha} := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |f(z)| (1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha} < \infty \},$$
(1.5)

endowed with the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{-\alpha}$ . These Banach spaces, as well as their intersections and unions, play a significant role in connection with the interpolation and sampling of analytic functions. See [18, Section 4.3]. They arise as special cases of weighted Banach spaces  $H_v^{\infty}$  of analytic functions on  $\mathbb{D}$ , which was pioneered by the work of Shields and Williams [25], and then have been investigated by many authors, e.g. [7, 8, 23]. An analytic function f said to belong to the Bloch space  $\mathcal{B}_{\alpha}$  if

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\alpha}} = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |f'(z)| (1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha} < \infty.$$

Indeed,  $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\alpha}}$  defined above is a seminorm. We shall use the notation  $A \leq B$  if there is a constant c > 0 not depending on A or B such that  $A \leq cB$ . We write  $A \asymp B$  whenever  $A \leq B$  and  $B \leq A$ . The Bloch space  $\mathcal{B}_{\alpha}$ is a Banach space when normed with  $\|f\| := |f(0)| + \|f\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\alpha}}$ . By [18, Proposition 1.13], given  $\alpha > 0$  for every  $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$  one has

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |f(z)| (1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha} \asymp \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |f'(z)| (1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha + 1}.$$
(1.6)

We refer the reader to [28] for a detailed treatment of Bloch spaces. It is also possible to define these spaces with the weight  $(1 - |z|)^{\alpha}$  instead of  $(1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha}$ . Since  $1 - |z| \leq 1 - |z|^2 \leq 2(1 - |z|)$ , these spaces coincide and the norms are equivalent. In this paper, the operators we shall investigate will be defined on weighted Bergman Fréchet and (LB)-spaces, which arise as intersections and unions of standard weighted Bergman spaces. For  $1 , and <math>0 < \alpha < \infty$  they are defined as follows:

$$A_{\alpha+}^{p} := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \left( \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f(z)|^{p} \mathrm{d}s_{\mu}(z) \right)^{1/p} < \infty, \, \forall \mu > \alpha \}$$
$$= \bigcap_{\mu > \alpha} A_{\mu}^{p} = \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_{(\alpha + \frac{1}{n})}^{p} = \operatorname{proj}_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A_{(\alpha + \frac{1}{n})}^{p}, \tag{1.7}$$
$$A_{\alpha-}^{p} := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \left( \int |f(z)|^{p} \mathrm{d}s_{\mu}(z) \right)^{1/p} < \infty, \, \text{for some } \mu < \alpha \}$$

$$= \bigcup_{\mu < \alpha} A^p_{\mu} = \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A^p_{(\alpha - \frac{1}{n})} = \inf_{n \in \mathbb{N}} A^p_{(\alpha - \frac{1}{n})}, \tag{1.8}$$

where the inductive limit is taken over all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(\alpha - \frac{1}{n}) > 0$ . The paper [20] gives a description of intersections and unions of weighted Bergman spaces of order 0 . Unlike those, we treat the space

 $A^p_{\alpha+}$  as a Fréchet space when equipped with the locally convex topology generated by the increasing system of norms

$$|||f|||_{p,\alpha,n} := \left(\int_{\mathbb{D}} |f(z)|^p \mathrm{d}s_{(\alpha+\frac{1}{n})}(z)\right)^{1/p}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$
(1.9)

for  $f \in A^p_{\alpha_+}$  and each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . We note that for  $0 < \mu < \gamma < \infty$ , the natural inclusion map  $\iota_{\mu,\gamma} : A^p_{\mu} \to A^p_{\gamma}$  is compact. See e.g. [21, Proposition 3.1]. Hence,  $A^p_{\alpha_+}$  is a *Fréchet-Schwartz* space. The space  $A^p_{\alpha_-}$  is a complete (DFS)-space endowed with the finest locally convex topology, such that  $\iota_{\mu,\gamma}$  is continuous. It is also a *regular* (LB)-space, since every bounded set  $B \subseteq A^p_{\alpha_-}$  is contained and bounded in the Banach space  $A^p_{\mu}$ , for some  $0 < \mu < \alpha$ . Let us also remark that, for  $\alpha > 0$  we have  $A^p_{\alpha_-} \subset A^p_{\alpha} \subset A^p_{\alpha_+}$  with continuous inclusions. Some other properties of  $A^p_{\alpha_+}$  and  $A^p_{\alpha_-}$  were given in author's work [21] where these spaces were first introduced in locally convex setup. The Volterra integral operator defined between different weighted Bergman Fréchet or (LB)-spaces has been investigated by the author in [22]. Given  $0 < \alpha < \infty$ ,

$$H_{\alpha+}^{\infty} := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |f(z)| (1 - |z|^2)^{\mu} < \infty, \forall \mu > \alpha \}$$
  
$$= \underset{n \in \mathbb{N}}{\operatorname{proj}} H_{(\alpha + \frac{1}{n})}^{\infty}$$
(1.10)  
$$H_{\alpha-}^{\infty} := \{ f \in H(\mathbb{D}) : \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |f(z)| (1 - |z|^2)^{\mu} < \infty, \text{ for some } \mu < \alpha \}$$
  
$$= \underset{n \in \mathbb{N}}{\operatorname{proj}} H_{(\alpha - \frac{1}{n})}^{\infty}.$$
(1.11)

Then  $H_{\alpha+}^{\infty}$  is a Fréchet space when endowed with the locally convex topology generated by the increasing sequence of norms

$$|||f|||_n := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |f(z)| (1 - |z|^2)^{(\alpha + \frac{1}{n})}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

for  $f \in H_{\alpha+}^{\infty}$ . For any pair  $0 < \mu < \alpha < \infty$ , the canonical inclusion map  $\iota_{\mu,\alpha} \colon H_{\mu}^{\infty} \to H_{\alpha}^{\infty}$  is compact [10, Theorem 3.3]. Hence, both  $H_{\alpha+}^{\infty}$ , and  $H_{\alpha-}^{\infty}$  are Schwartz spaces. The regular (LB)-space  $H_{\alpha-}^{\infty}$  is endowed with the finest locally convex topology making  $\iota_{\mu,\alpha}$  continuous. Several important properties of growth Fréchet and (LB)-spaces can be found in [2, 11, 12]. The Volterra integral operator acting on a growth Fréchet or (LB)-space has been investigated by Bonet [9] in terms of continuity, compactness, and spectrum. For a study of weighted composition operators acting on these spaces, see [17].

In Section 2, we first deal with operators defined from  $A_{\alpha+}^p$  (resp.  $A_{\alpha-}^p$ ) into  $H_{\beta+}^\infty$  (resp.  $H_{\beta-}^\infty$ ). If we pick the symbol function  $g: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{C}$  in such a way that it belongs to the Bloch-type space  $\mathcal{B}_{\tau}$ , for every positive  $\tau > \beta + 1 - (2 + \alpha)/p$ , we show that the continuity of Volterra integral operator  $T_g: A_{\alpha+}^p \to H_{\beta+}^\infty$  is equivalent to the continuity of pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g: A_{\alpha+}^p \to H_{\beta+}^\infty$ , and the continuity of the weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi}: A_{\alpha+}^p \to H_{\beta+}^\infty$  provided that  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . When we take another weighted Bergman Fréchet space (resp. (LB)-space) as the range space, we show that the symbol function g belonging to the growth Fréchet space  $H_{\gamma+}^\infty$ , where  $\gamma = (2 + \beta)/q - (2 + \alpha)/p$ , characterizes the continuity of the pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g: A_{\beta+}^p \to A_{\beta+}^q$  as well as the Volterra integral operator  $T_g: A_{\alpha+}^p \to A_{\beta+}^q$ . The same condition is also valid for the (LB)-space case. On the other hand, the continuity criterion for the weighted composition operator in between is different in this case. We give this condition in Section 3 as a

straightforward generalization of the well-known characterizations of Čučković and Zhao [26] related to Carleson measures. Fortunately, resting on the arguments of Bourdon [13], the condition  $g \in H^{\infty}_{\gamma+}$ , which is equivalent to continuity of pointwise multiplication and Volterra integral operators between  $A^p_{\alpha+}$  and  $A^q_{\beta+}$  answers the question of invertibility for the weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi}$  acting on  $A^p_{\alpha+}$  (in this case,  $\gamma = 0$ ), whenever  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of  $\mathbb{D}$ . Finally, we give some results concerning the eigenvalues of composition operators  $C_{\varphi}$  acting on  $A^p_{\alpha+}$  or  $A^p_{\alpha-}$  in connection with their essential spectral radius defined on the Banach space  $A^p_{\alpha}$ .

### 2. Continuous Volterra, multiplication, and weighted composition operators between weighted Fréchet and (LB)-spaces

Let us note that the continuity and compactness of  $W_{g,\varphi}: A^p_{\alpha} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta}$  was described in [24, Theorem 3.1], and in [27, Theorem 2.2] for more general weights, that is,  $W_{g,\varphi}: A^p_w \to H^{\infty}_v$ . In [14] and [15] weighted composition operators  $W_{g,\varphi}: X \to H^{\infty}_v$  are investigated in a uniform approach covering a large family of Banach spaces of analytic functions concerning the space X. Before we start our discussion on operators between Fréchet or (LB)-spaces, we need to prove the following result concerning related Banach spaces.

**Proposition 2.1** Let g be an analytic function. Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self map on  $\mathbb{D}$  satisfying  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Given  $1 \leq p < \infty$  and  $-1 < \alpha, \beta < \infty$ , let  $\gamma := \beta + 1 - \frac{2+\alpha}{p}$  be nonnegative. Then, the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) The symbol g belongs to the Bloch space  $\mathcal{B}_{\gamma}$ .
- (2) The Volterra operator  $T_g \colon A^p_{\alpha} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta}$  is continuous.
- (3) The pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g: A^p_\alpha \to H^\infty_\beta$  is continuous.
- (4) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta}$  is continuous.

**Proof** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Note that for  $1 for any <math>f \in H(\mathbb{D})$ , we have (see e.g. [18, p. 39])

$$|f(z)|^{p}(1-|z|^{2})^{t} \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f(w)|^{p}(1-|w|^{2})^{t-2} \mathrm{d}s(w), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$
(2.1)

We also mention that (see e.g. [5, Lemma 2]) for every  $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$  we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{D}} |f(z)|^{p} (1 - |z|^{2})^{\alpha} \mathrm{d}s(z) \lesssim |f(0)|^{p} + \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f'(z)|^{p} (1 - |z|^{2})^{p + \alpha} \mathrm{d}s(z).$$
(2.2)

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Now let  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma}$ . Then, for any  $f \in A^p_{\alpha}$  by (2.1) we have

$$\begin{split} \|T_g f\|_{-\beta}^p &= \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \left| \int_0^z f(\xi) g'(\xi) d\xi \right|^p (1 - |z|^2)^{p\beta} \\ &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{D}} \left| \int_0^w f(\xi) g'(\xi) d\xi \right|^p (1 - |w|^2)^{p\beta - 2} ds(w) \\ &\lesssim |f(0)|^p + \int_{\mathbb{D}} \left| \left( \int_0^w f(\xi) g'(\xi) d\xi \right)' \right|^p (1 - |w|^2)^{p\beta - 2 + p} ds(w) \\ &= |f(0)|^p + \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f(w)g'(w)|^p (1 - |w|^2)^{p\beta - 2 + p} ds(w) \\ &\leq |f(0)|^p + \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f(w)|^p |g'(w)|^p (1 - |w|^2)^{p\beta - 2 + p} ds(w) \\ &\leq |f(0)|^p + \sup_{w \in \mathbb{D}} |g'(w)|^p (1 - |w|^2)^{p\beta - 2 + p} ds(w) \\ &\leq |f(0)|^p + \sup_{w \in \mathbb{D}} |g'(w)|^p (1 - |w|^2)^{p(\beta + 1) - (2 + \alpha)} \int_{\mathbb{D}} |f(w)|^p (1 - |w|^2)^{\alpha} ds(w) \\ &= |f(0)|^p + \frac{1}{\alpha + 1} \|g\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\gamma}}^p \|f\|_{p,\alpha}^p < \infty, \end{split}$$

where the second inequality is due to (2.2). Hence  $T_g \colon A^p_\alpha \to H^\infty_\beta$  is continuous.

(2)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). For  $w \in \mathbb{D}$ , let us pick

$$f_w(z) := \left(\frac{1 - |w|^2}{(1 - \overline{w}z)^2}\right)^{\frac{2 + \alpha}{p}}$$

A canonical calculation yields (see e.g. [28, p. 52])  $||f_w||_{p,\alpha}^p = 1$ . Since  $T_g \colon A^p_\alpha \to H^\infty_\beta$  is continuous, by (1.6) we obtain

$$\|f_w\|_{p,\alpha} \gtrsim \|T_g f_w\|_{-\beta} \simeq \|T_g f_w\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\beta+1}}.$$

Then, for any  $w \in \mathbb{D}$ , the latter yields,

$$\begin{split} &1 \gtrsim \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |(T_g f_w)'(z)| (1 - |z|^2)^{\beta + 1} \ge |(T_g f_w)'(w)| (1 - |w|^2)^{\beta + 1} \\ &= \left| \left( \int_0^w f_w(\xi) g'(\xi) \mathrm{d}\xi \right)' \right| (1 - |w|^2)^{\beta + 1} \\ &= |f_w(w)g'(w)| (1 - |w|^2)^{\beta + 1} \\ &= |g'(w)| \left( \frac{1 - |w|^2}{|1 - \overline{w}w|^2} \right)^{\frac{2 + \alpha}{p}} (1 - |w|^2)^{\beta + 1} \\ &= |g'(w)| (1 - |w|^2)^{\gamma}. \end{split}$$

$$(2.3)$$

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Since  $w \in \mathbb{D}$  was arbitrary, by (2.3),  $\|g\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\gamma}} \lesssim 1$ . This proves (1).

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3). Follows by (1.6) and the previous result in [24, Corollary 3.3].

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (4). We make use of the following well-known estimate. For any  $f \in A^p_{\alpha}$ ,

$$|f(z)| \lesssim \frac{\|f\|_{p,\alpha}}{\left(1 - |z|^2\right)^{\frac{2+\alpha}{p}}}, \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
(2.4)

Note that, by Schwartz's lemma, one has  $|\varphi(z)| \leq |z|.$  Hence,

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{1 - |z|^2}{1 - |\varphi(z)|^2} < \infty.$$
(2.5)

Let  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma}$ . Then, by (1.6), for any  $f \in A^p_{\alpha}$  we have

$$\begin{split} \|W_{g,\varphi}f\|_{-\beta} &= \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |W_{g,\varphi}f(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\beta} \\ &= \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |g(z)f(\varphi(z))|(1-|z|^2)^{\beta} \\ &\asymp \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |g(z)||f(\varphi(z))|(1-|z|^2)^{\gamma-1+\frac{2+\alpha}{p}} \\ &\leq \|g\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\gamma}} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |f(\varphi(z))|(1-|z|^2)^{\frac{2+\alpha}{p}} \\ &\leq \|g\|_{\mathcal{B}_{\gamma}} \|f\|_{p,\alpha} \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \left(\frac{1-|z|^2}{1-|\varphi(z)|^2}\right)^{\frac{2+\alpha}{p}} < \infty, \end{split}$$

where the second inequality is due to (2.4), and the last one is by (2.5).

(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta}$  be continuous. Given  $w = \varphi(z_0) \in \mathbb{D}$  for a fixed  $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$ , let us define

,

$$h_w(z) := \left(\frac{1-|w|^2}{(1-\overline{w}z)^2}\right)^{\frac{2+\alpha}{p}}$$

for which  $\|h_w\|_{p,\alpha} = 1$ . Then, continuity of  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta}$  and (1.6) imply

$$\begin{split} 1 &= \|h_w\|_{p,\alpha} \gtrsim \|W_{g,\varphi}h_w\|_{-\beta} = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |g(z) h_w(\varphi(z))| (1 - |z|^2)^{\beta} \\ &\asymp \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} |g(z)| |h_w(\varphi(z))| (1 - |z|^2)^{\gamma - 1 + \frac{2 + \alpha}{p}} \\ &= |g(z_0)| (1 - |z_0|^2)^{\gamma - 1} h_w(\varphi(z)) (1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{2 + \alpha}{p}} \\ &= |g(z_0)| (1 - |z_0|^2)^{\gamma - 1} \left(\frac{1 - |w|^2}{|1 - \overline{w}\varphi(z)|^2} (1 - |z|^2)\right)^{\frac{2 + \alpha}{p}} \\ &\ge |g(z_0)| (1 - |z_0|^2)^{\gamma - 1} \left(\frac{1 - |z_0|^2}{1 - |\varphi(z_0)|^2}\right)^{\frac{2 + \alpha}{p}} \asymp |g(z_0)| (1 - |z_0|^2)^{\gamma - 1}, \end{split}$$

for an arbitrary  $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$ , by (2.5). Hence,  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma}$ .

The following result is well-known. For a proof, see e.g. [3, Lemma 25].

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**Lemma 2.2** Let  $E = \operatorname{proj}_m E_m$  and  $F = \operatorname{proj}_n F_n$  be Fréchet spaces such that E (resp. F) is the intersection of the sequence of Banach spaces  $E_m$  (resp.  $F_n$ ), E is dense in  $E_m$  and  $E_{m+1} \subset E_m$  with continuous inclusion for each m (resp. F is dense in  $F_n$  and  $F_{n+1} \subset F_n$  with continuous inclusion for each n). Let  $T: E \to F$  be a linear operator. Then

- (i) T is continuous if and only if for each n, there is m such that T has a unique continuous linear extension  $T_{m,n}: E_m \to F_n$ .
- (ii) Assume T is continuous. Then, T is bounded if and only if there is m such that for each n, T has a unique continuous linear extension  $T_{m,n}: E_m \to F_n$ .

The following lemma for (LB)-spaces is also known. A proof can be seen in [4, Lemma 4.1].

**Lemma 2.3** Let  $E = \operatorname{ind}_m E_m$  and  $F = \operatorname{ind}_n F_n$  be (LB)-spaces such that E (resp. F) is the union of the sequence of Banach spaces  $E_m$  (resp.  $F_n$ ). Let  $T: E \to F$  be a linear operator. Then

- (i) T is continuous if and only if, for all  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ , there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $T(E_m) \subset F_n$  and  $T: E_m \to F_n$  is continuous.
- (ii) Let T be continuous and let F be regular. Then, T is bounded if and only if there exists  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for all  $m, T(E_m) \subset F_n$  and  $T: E_m \to F_n$  is continuous.

With the help of Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.3 we extend Proposition 2.1 to the setup of Fréchet and (LB)-spaces.

**Proposition 2.4** Given  $1 and <math>0 < \alpha, \beta < \infty$ , let  $\gamma := \beta + 1 - \frac{2+\alpha}{p}$  be non-negative. Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self map on  $\mathbb{D}$  satisfying  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent.

(1) The symbol  $g \in H(\mathbb{D})$  satisfies

$$g \in \bigcap_{\tau > \gamma} \mathcal{B}_{\tau}.$$
 (2.6)

- (2) The Volterra operator  $T_g: A^p_{\alpha+} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+}$  is continuous.
- (3) The Volterra operator  $T_g: A^p_{\alpha-} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta-}$  is continuous.
- (4) The pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha+} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+}$  is continuous.
- (5) The pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha-} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta-}$  is continuous.
- (6) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha+} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+}$  is continuous.
- (7) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi}: A^p_{\alpha-} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta-}$  is continuous.

**Proof** (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (2)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4). By Lemma 2.2, the Volterra operator  $T_g: A^p_{\alpha+} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+}$  (resp. the pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha+} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+}$ ) is continuous if and only if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $\tilde{\delta} \in (0, \varepsilon]$ 

such that  $T_g: A^p_{\alpha+\tilde{\delta}} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+\varepsilon}$  (resp.  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha+\tilde{\delta}} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+\varepsilon}$ ) is continuous. By Proposition 2.1 this is equivalent to say that

$$g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma + \varepsilon - \delta},\tag{2.7}$$

where  $\delta := \frac{\tilde{\delta}}{p} < \varepsilon$ . Clearly (2.7) is equivalent to (2.6).

 $(1) \Rightarrow (3)$ . Suppose (2.6) holds. Then, for every  $\varepsilon \in (0, \min\{\frac{\alpha+1}{p^2}, \frac{\beta}{p-1}\})$  we have  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma+\varepsilon}$ . Then, given  $-1 < \mu := \alpha - p^2 \varepsilon$  pick  $\eta := \beta - (p-1)\varepsilon$ . We see that  $\gamma + \varepsilon = \eta + 1 - \frac{2+\mu}{p}$ , which yields  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\eta+1-\frac{2+\mu}{p}}$ . By Proposition 2.1 this is equivalent that  $T_g : A^p_\mu \to H^\infty_\eta$  is continuous. In the light of Lemma 2.3,  $T_g : A^p_{\alpha-} \to H^\infty_{\beta-}$  is continuous.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $T_g: A^p_{\alpha-} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta-}$  be continuous. Then, for every  $\varepsilon \in (0, \frac{\alpha+1}{p})$ , there exists  $\delta \in (0, \min\{\varepsilon, \frac{\beta}{p}\})$  such that  $T_g: A^p_{\alpha-\varepsilon} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta-\delta}$  is continuous. Without loss of any generality, let  $\gamma + \frac{\varepsilon}{p} - \delta \ge 0$ , since otherwise g is constant so there is nothing to prove. By Proposition 2.1 this is equivalent that  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma+\frac{\varepsilon}{p}-\delta} \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{\gamma+\varepsilon-\delta}$ . Hence g satisfies (2.7), equivalently (2.6).

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (5). Identical to (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (3).

(1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (6). Suppose that  $\varphi$  satisfies (2.5). The symbol function g satisfying (2.6) is equivalent to say that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\tilde{\delta} \in (0, \varepsilon]$  such that  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma+\varepsilon-\tilde{\delta}}$ . Equivalently, by Proposition 2.1, the weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha+\delta} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+\varepsilon}$  is continuous, for  $\delta = \frac{\tilde{\delta}}{p}$ . By Lemma 2.2, this is equivalent to say that  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha+} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta+}$  is continuous.

(1)  $\Rightarrow$  (7). If g satisfies (2.6), for every  $\varepsilon \in (0, \frac{2+\alpha}{2p})$  one has  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma+\varepsilon} \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{\beta+1-\varepsilon}$ , since  $\frac{2+\alpha}{p} > 2\varepsilon$ . Then, by (1.6)  $g \in H^{\infty}_{\beta-\varepsilon}$  and the rest follows very similar to Fréchet case.

(7)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha-} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta-}$  is continuous if and only if, for every  $\varepsilon \in (0, \alpha + 1)$ , there exists  $\delta \in (0, \min\{\varepsilon, \beta\}]$  such that  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha-\varepsilon} \to H^{\infty}_{\beta-\delta}$  is continuous if and only if  $g \in \mathcal{B}_{\gamma+\frac{\varepsilon}{p}-\delta} \subseteq \mathcal{B}_{\gamma+\varepsilon-\delta}$ , by Proposition 2.1. This is equivalent to (2.7) hence to (2.6).  $\Box$ 

**Proposition 2.5** Let  $1 , and <math>0 < \alpha, \beta < \infty$ . Let  $\gamma := \frac{2+\beta}{q} - \frac{2+\alpha}{p}$  be non-negative. Then, for an analytic map  $g: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{C}$ , the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) The symbol g belongs to the growth Fréchet space  $H^{\infty}_{\gamma+}$ .
- (2) The pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  is continuous.
- (3) The pointwise multiplication operator  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha-} \to A^q_{\beta-}$  is continuous.
- (4) The Volterra operator  $T_g \colon A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  is continuous.
- (5) The Volterra operator  $T_g: A^p_{\alpha-} \to A^q_{\beta-}$  is continuous.

**Proof** (1)  $\Rightarrow$  (2). Let  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  be continuous. Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  given  $\mu := \beta + q\varepsilon$  there exists

 $\alpha < \eta < \alpha + q\varepsilon$  such that  $M_g \colon A^p_\eta \to A^q_\mu$  is continuous. Hence, for every  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ 

$$|g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\gamma+\varepsilon} = |g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\frac{2+\mu}{q}-\frac{2+\alpha}{p}}$$
$$< |g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\frac{2+\mu}{q}-\frac{2+\eta}{p}} < \infty.$$

So by [26, Theorem 9],  $g \in H^{\infty}_{\gamma+\varepsilon}$ . Hence,  $g \in H^{\infty}_{\gamma+}$ .

 $(2) \Rightarrow (1). \text{ Let } g \in H^{\infty}_{\gamma+}. \text{ Then, for every } \varepsilon > 0 \text{ there exists } \delta \in (0, \varepsilon] \text{ such that we have } g \in H^{\infty}_{\gamma+\varepsilon-\delta}.$ Given  $\mu := \beta + q\varepsilon$ , define  $\eta := \alpha + p\delta$ . Observe that for every  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ ,

$$|g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\frac{2+\mu}{q}-\frac{2+\eta}{p}} = |g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\gamma+\varepsilon-\delta} < \infty.$$

So  $g \in H^{\infty}_{\frac{2+\mu}{q}-\frac{2+\eta}{p}}$ . By [26, Theorem 9],  $M_g \colon A^p_{\eta} \to A^q_{\mu}$  is continuous. Therefore,  $M_g \colon A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  is continuous.

(3)  $\Rightarrow$  (1). Let  $M_g \colon A^p_{\alpha-} \to A^q_{\beta-}$  be continuous. Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , given  $-1 < \mu := \alpha - p\varepsilon$  there exists  $-1 < \beta - p\varepsilon < \eta < \beta$  such that  $M_g \colon A^p_\mu \to A^q_\eta$  is continuous. Then, for every  $z \in \mathbb{D}$ ,

$$|g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\gamma+\varepsilon} < |g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\frac{2+\eta}{q}-\frac{2+\mu}{p}} < \infty.$$

So, by [26, Theorem 9], g belongs to  $H^{\infty}_{\gamma+\varepsilon}$  and hence to  $H^{\infty}_{\gamma+}$ .

 $(1) \Rightarrow (3). \text{ Suppose that } g \in H^{\infty}_{\gamma+}. \text{ Let } x = \min\{(\alpha+1)\frac{q-1}{pq}, (\beta+1)\frac{q-1}{q}\}. \text{ Then, for every } \varepsilon \in (0,x) \text{ we have } g \in H^{\infty}_{\gamma+\varepsilon}. \text{ Given } -1 < \mu := \alpha - \frac{pq}{q-1}\varepsilon, \text{ pick } -1 < \eta := \beta - \frac{q}{q-1}\varepsilon. \text{ Then, for every } z \in \mathbb{D},$ 

$$g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\frac{2+\eta}{q}-\frac{2+\mu}{p}} = |g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\gamma+\frac{q}{q-1}\varepsilon-\frac{1}{q-1}\varepsilon}$$
$$= |g(z)|(1-|z|^2)^{\gamma+\varepsilon} < \infty.$$

Hence,  $g \in H^{\infty}_{\frac{2+\eta}{q}-\frac{2+\mu}{p}}$ . By [26, Theorem 9],  $M_g: A^p_{\mu} \to A^q_{\eta}$  is continuous. Therefore,  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha-} \to A^q_{\beta-}$  is continuous.

 $(1) \Leftrightarrow (4) \Leftrightarrow (5)$ . Follows by (1.6), Proposition 2.5, and [22, Proposition 2.2].

Proposition 2.5 will help us characterize the invertibility of a weighted composition operator acting on a weighted Bergman Fréchet or a weighted Bergman (LB)-space. See Proposition 3.7. The following statement is derived from [26, Theorem 11] via Lemma 2.2. Its (LB)-space version can be produced in an analogue way.

**Proposition 2.6** Let g be an analytic function on  $\mathbb{D}$ . Let  $1 \le q , and <math>\alpha, \beta > 0$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) The multiplication operator  $M_g: A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  is continuous.
- (2) For every  $\mu > \beta$ , there exists  $\nu \in (\alpha, \alpha + \mu \beta)$  such that  $g \in A^s_\eta$ , where  $\frac{1}{s} = \frac{1}{q} \frac{1}{p}$  and  $\eta = s\left(\frac{\mu}{q} \frac{\nu}{p}\right)$ .

#### 3. Weighted composition operators between weighted Bergman Fréchet and (LB)-spaces

# 3.1. Continuous weighted composition operators between different weighted Bergman Fréchet or (LB)-spaces

An operator T on a Fréchet space X into itself is called bounded (resp. compact) if there exists a neighborhood U of the origin of X such that TU is a bounded (resp. relatively compact) set in X. The following result is a

consequence of [26, Theorem 1] along with Lemma 2.2 and Lemma 2.3.

**Proposition 3.1** Let  $1 and <math>0 < \alpha, \beta < \infty$ . Let  $g: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{C}$  be an analytic function and let  $\varphi: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic self map. Then,

(1) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  is continuous if and only if for every  $\mu > \beta$  there exists  $\eta \in (\alpha, \alpha + \mu - \beta)$  such that

$$\sup_{z\in\mathbb{D}}\int_{\mathbb{D}}\left(\frac{1-|z|^2}{\left|1-\overline{z}\varphi(w)\right|^2}\right)^{\frac{2+\eta}{p}q}|g(w)|^q\mathrm{d}s_\mu(w)<\infty.$$
(3.1)

(2) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha-} \to A^q_{\beta-}$  is continuous if and only if for every  $\zeta \in (0, \alpha)$ there exists  $\theta \in [\zeta, \alpha)$  such that

$$\sup_{z\in\mathbb{D}}\int_{\mathbb{D}}\left(\frac{1-|z|^2}{\left|1-\overline{z}\varphi(w)\right|^2}\right)^{\frac{2+\zeta}{p}q}|g(w)|^q\mathrm{d}s_\theta(w)<\infty.$$
(3.2)

Similarly, we obtain the following proposition via Lemma 2.2 and [26, Theorem 3]. An (LB)-space version can be easily derived.

**Proposition 3.2** Let  $1 < q < p < \infty$  and  $0 < \alpha, \beta < \infty$ . Let  $g: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{C}$  be an analytic function and let  $\varphi: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic self map. Then, the following statements are equivalent.

- (1) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi}: A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  is continuous.
- (2) For every  $\mu > \beta$  there exists  $\nu \in (\alpha, \alpha + \mu \beta)$  such that for  $s := \frac{p}{p-q}$  we have

$$\int_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{(1-|z|^2)^{2+\nu}}{\left|1-\overline{z}\varphi(w)\right|^{4+2\nu}} |g(w)|^q \mathrm{d}s_{\mu}(w) \in A^s_{\nu}.$$

- **Lemma 3.3** (i) Let  $E = \operatorname{proj}_m E_m$  and  $F = \operatorname{proj}_n F_n$  be Fréchet spaces such that E (resp. F) is the intersection of the sequence of Banach spaces  $E_m$  (resp.  $F_n$ ), E is dense in  $E_m$  and  $E_{m+1} \subset E_m$  with continuous inclusion for each m (resp. F is dense in  $F_n$  and  $F_{n+1} \subset F_n$  with continuous inclusion for each m (resp. F is dense in  $F_n$  and  $F_{n+1} \subset F_n$  with continuous inclusion for each m (resp. F is dense T is continuous. Then T is bounded if and only if there is m such that for each n, T has a unique continuous linear extension  $T_{m,n}: E_m \to F_n$ .
- (ii) Let  $X = \operatorname{ind} X_n$  and  $Y = \operatorname{ind} Y_m$  be two (LB)-spaces which are increasing unions of Banach spaces  $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n$  and  $Y = \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} Y_m$ . Let  $T: X \to Y$  be a continuous linear map. Assume that Y is a regular (LB)-space. Then, T is bounded if and only if there exists  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $T(X_n) \subset Y_m$  and  $T: X_n \to Y_m$  is continuous for all  $n \ge m$ .

The following proposition is a consequence of [26, Corollary 1] and Lemma 3.3.

**Proposition 3.4** Let  $1 and <math>0 < \alpha, \beta < \infty$ . Let  $g: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{C}$  be an analytic function and let  $\varphi: \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic self map. Then,

(1) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  is compact if and only if it is continuous and there exists  $\mu > \alpha$  such that for each  $\eta \in (\alpha, \mu]$  we have

$$\sup_{z\in\mathbb{D}}\int_{\mathbb{D}}\left(\frac{1-|z|^2}{|1-\overline{z}\varphi(w)|^2}\right)^{\frac{2+\mu}{p}q}|g(w)|^q\mathrm{d}s_\eta(w)<\infty.$$
(3.3)

(2) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha-} \to A^q_{\beta-}$  is compact if and only if it is continuous and there exists  $\zeta \in (0, \alpha)$  such that for each  $\theta \in [\zeta, \alpha)$  we have

$$\sup_{z\in\mathbb{D}}\int_{\mathbb{D}}\left(\frac{1-|z|^2}{\left|1-\overline{z}\varphi(w)\right|^2}\right)^{\frac{2+\theta}{p}q}|g(w)|^q\mathrm{d}s_{\zeta}(w)<\infty.$$
(3.4)

#### Proof

(1) Given  $\alpha, \beta > 0$ , let  $W_{g,\varphi}: A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^q_{\beta+}$  be bounded. Since  $A^p_{\alpha+}$  is a Schwartz space, this is equivalent to assume that  $W_{g,\varphi}$  is compact. Lemma 3.3(i) applied to  $A^p_{\alpha+}$  this is equivalent that there exists  $\mu > \alpha$  such that for all  $\beta < \eta < \beta + \mu - \alpha$ , the weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi}: A^p_{\mu} \to A^q_{\eta}$  is continuous. This is equivalent, by [26, Theorem 1], that (3.3) holds.

(2) Very similar to part (1) if we apply Lemma 3.3(ii) and [26, Theorem 1].

### 3.2. Invertible weighted composition operators acting on a weighted Bergman Fréchet or (LB)space

The characterizations of invertible weighted composition operators on the Fréchet space  $A^p_{\alpha+}$  and on the (LB)space  $A^p_{\alpha-}$  are consequences of the following results by Bourdon [13, Theorem 2.2; Corollary 2.3]. These arguments were also used to characterize invertible weighted composition operators acting on the growth Fréchet space  $H^{\infty}_{\alpha+}$  and the growth (LB)-space  $H^{\infty}_{\alpha-}$  in [17, Proposition 4].

**Theorem 3.5** Suppose that E is a space of analytic functions on  $\mathbb{D}$  such that

- (i)  $W_{g,\varphi}$  maps E to E.
- (ii) E contains a nonzero constant function.
- (iii) E contains a function of the form  $z \to z + c$  for some constant c.
- (iv) There is a dense subset S of the unit circle such that, for each point in S, there is a function in E that does not extend analytically to a neighborhood of that point.

If  $W_{q,\varphi} \colon E \to E$  is invertible, then  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of  $\mathbb{D}$ .

**Theorem 3.6** If E, g and  $\varphi$  satisfy the hypotheses of Lemma 3.5, and for each  $f \in E$  we have  $f \circ h \in E$  for all automorphism h of  $\mathbb{D}$ , then  $W_{g,\varphi}$  is invertible on E if and only if  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of  $\mathbb{D}$  and both gand 1/g map E into E.

Whenever it is continuous, that is, (3.1) or (3.2) is satisfied,  $W_{g,\varphi}$  fulfills hypothesis (i) of Theorem 3.5. Hypotheses (ii) and (iii) are verified by both  $A_{\alpha+}^p$  and  $A_{\alpha-}^p$ , since they contain the constants and polynomials. For hypothesis (iv), let us consider the function  $f_{w,s} \colon \mathbb{D} \to \mathbb{C}$  given by  $f_{w,s} := \frac{1}{(w-z)^s}$ , for  $w \in \partial \mathbb{D}$  and s > 0. It is easy to see that  $f_{w,s} \in A_{\alpha+}^p$  and  $f_{w,s} \in A_{\alpha-}^p$ . However, in any neighborhood U of w, we see that  $f_{a,s} \notin H(\mathbb{D})$  for any  $a \in U$ . So it does not extend analytically to any neighborhood of w (cf. [17, Remark 2]).

**Proposition 3.7** Let  $g, \varphi \in H(\mathbb{D})$  and  $\varphi(D) \subset \mathbb{D}$ . Let  $1 , and <math>0 < \alpha < \infty$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent.

- (1)  $g \in H_{0+}^{\infty}$ , and  $1/g \in H_{0+}^{\infty}$ .
- (2) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^p_{\alpha+}$  is invertible.
- (3) The weighted composition operator  $W_{g,\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha-} \to A^p_{\alpha-}$  is invertible.

**Proof** Since both  $A^p_{\alpha+}$  and  $A^p_{\alpha-}$  satisfy all hypotheses of Theorem 3.5, we apply Theorem 3.6 to reach that  $W_{g,\varphi}$  is invertible if and only if  $\varphi$  is an automorphism of  $\mathbb{D}$  and  $M_g$  and  $M_{1/g}$  are continuous on  $A^p_{\alpha+}$  (resp.  $A^p_{\alpha-}$ ). Hence the conclusion follows from proposition 2.5.

# 3.3. Some results on eigenvalues of composition operators acting on a weighted Bergman Fréchet or (LB)-space

For  $T \in \mathcal{L}(E)$ , the resolvent set  $\rho(T; E)$  of T consists of all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $R(\lambda, T) := (\lambda I - T)^{-1}$  exists in  $\mathcal{L}(E)$ . The set  $\sigma(T; E) := \mathbb{C} \setminus \rho(T)$  is called the *spectrum* of T. The *point spectrum*  $\sigma_{pt}(T; X)$  of T consists of all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$  such that  $(\lambda I - T)$  is not injective. The essential norm  $||T||_{e,X}$  of an operator T on a Banach space X is the distance of the operator to the set of compact operators on X. The essential spectral radius is given by  $r_e(T; X) = \lim_n ||T^n||_{e,X}^{1/n}$ . The following lemma is well known. For a proof, see [19, Lemma 2.4] and [17, Lemma 3.4].

**Lemma 3.8** Let  $X \subset H(\mathbb{D})$  be a continuously included subspace of holomorphic functions containing the polynomials. Let  $\varphi, g \in H(\mathbb{D})$  with  $\varphi(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{D}$  and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Suppose that  $\varphi$  is not a constant function. Then,

$$\sigma_{pt}(W_{g,\varphi};X) \subseteq \{g(0)\varphi'(0)^j\}_{j=0}^{\infty}.$$

The following lemma is due to [19, Lemma 2.3].

**Lemma 3.9** Let  $X \subset H(\mathbb{D})$  be a continuously included subspace of holomorphic functions containing the polynomials. Let  $g, \varphi \in H(\mathbb{D})$  with  $\varphi(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{D}$ ,  $g \not\equiv 0$ , and  $\varphi(0) = 0$ . Then,

- (i)  $g(0) \in \sigma(W_{q,\varphi}; X)$ .
- (ii) For every  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  we have  $g(0)\varphi'(0)^j \in \sigma(W_{g,\varphi}; X)$ .

**Proposition 3.10** Let  $1 , and <math>0 < \alpha < \infty$ . Suppose that  $\varphi \in H(\mathbb{D}), \varphi(\mathbb{D}) \subset \mathbb{D}, 0 < |\varphi'(0)| < 1$ , and  $\varphi$  is not a rotation. Then,

(1) The point spectrum of the composition operator  $C_{\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha+} \to A^p_{\alpha+}$  satisfies the inclusions

$$\{\varphi'(0)^j\}_{j=0}^\infty \setminus \overline{B}(0, r_e(C_\varphi, A^p_\alpha)) \subset \sigma_{pt}(C_\varphi; A^p_{\alpha+}) \subset \{\varphi'(0)^j\}_{j=0}^\infty$$

(2) The point spectrum of the composition operator  $C_{\varphi} \colon A^p_{\alpha-} \to A^p_{\alpha-}$  satisfies the inclusions

$$\{\varphi'(0)^j\}_{j=0}^\infty \setminus \overline{B}(0, r_e(C_\varphi, A^p_\alpha)) \subset \sigma_{pt}(C_\varphi; A^p_{\alpha-}) \subset \{\varphi'(0)^j\}_{j=0}^\infty.$$

#### Proof

(1) By Lemma 3.8 we immediately obtain  $\sigma_{\rm pt}(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha+}) \subset {\varphi'(0)^j}_{j=0}^{\infty}$ . So the inclusion on the right hand side follows. For the other inclusion, first let us note that the essential spectral radius  $r_{\rm e}(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha}) < 1$ , by [6, Theorem 2.8]. In the light of that, we are allowed to fix a  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|\varphi'(0)^j| > r_{\rm e}(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha})$  so that  $\varphi'(0)^j \notin \sigma_{\rm ess}(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha})$ . Then, by Lemma 3.9 we obtain  $\varphi'(0)^j \in \sigma(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha})$ . If we apply [1, Theorem 7.44] this implies  $\varphi'(0)^j \in \sigma_{\rm pt}(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha})$ . This means there exists  $f_0 \in A^p_{\alpha}$  such that  $C_{\varphi}f_0 = \varphi'(0)^j f_0$ , in  $A^p_{\alpha}$ . But since  $A^p_{\alpha} \subset A^p_{\alpha+}$ , the latter holds also in  $A^p_{\alpha+}$ . Therefore  $\varphi'(0)^j \in \sigma_{\rm pt}(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha+})$ , as well.

(2) Similar to part (1), the right hand side inclusion follows immediately by Lemma 3.8. For the other inclusion, fix  $0 < \beta < \alpha < \beta + 1 < \infty$  so that by [16, Proposition 3.6; 3.8],

$$\begin{aligned} r_{\mathbf{e}}(C_{\varphi}; A_{\beta}^{p}) &\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \left( \limsup_{s \to 1_{|z| \geq s}} \left( \frac{1 - |z|^{2}}{1 - |\varphi_{n}(z)|^{2}} \right)^{\beta + 1} \right)^{1/n} \\ &\leq \lim_{n \to \infty} \left( \limsup_{s \to 1_{|z| \geq s}} \left( \frac{1 - |z|^{2}}{1 - |\varphi_{n}(z)|^{2}} \right)^{\alpha + 2} \right)^{1/n} \\ &\leq r_{\mathbf{e}}(C_{\varphi}; A_{\alpha}^{p}). \end{aligned}$$

Then let us first fix  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|\varphi'(0)^j| > r_e(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha})$ . Then we find  $\beta < \alpha$  satisfying  $|\varphi'(0)^j| > r_e(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\beta})$ to immediately apply Lemma 3.9 and [1, Theorem 7.44] to get  $|\varphi'(0)^j| \in \sigma(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\beta})$  and  $|\varphi'(0)^j| \in \sigma_{pt}(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\beta})$ , respectively. That implies there exists  $g_0 \in A^p_{\beta}$  such that  $C_{\varphi}g_0 = |\varphi'(0)^j|g_0$  in  $A^p_{\beta}$ . But since  $A^p_{\beta} \subset A^p_{\alpha-}$ , the same holds in  $A^p_{\alpha-}$  as well. Therefore  $|\varphi'(0)^j| \in \sigma_{pt}(C_{\varphi}; A^p_{\alpha-})$ .

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