# H<sup>p</sup> Extensions of Holomorphic Functions from Submanifolds of a Strictly Pseudoconvex Domain with Non-Smooth Boundary

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#### Abstract

We prove  $H^p$  (1 extensions of holomorphic functions from submanifolds $of a strictly pseudoconvex domain in <math>\mathbb{C}^n$  with non-smooth boundary.

## 1 Introduction

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  be a strictly pseudoconvex domain (with not necessarily smooth boundary) and let X be a closed complex submanifold of some neighborhood of  $\overline{D}$ . Then Henkin-Leiterer [HER] proved that for any bounded holomorphic function f in  $X \cap D$ , there exists a bounded holomorphic function g in D such that f = g on  $X \cap D$ . Moreover, if fis holomorphic in  $X \cap D$  that is continuous on  $\overline{X} \cap D$ , then there exists a holomorphic function g in D that is continuous on  $\overline{D}$  such that f = g on  $X \cap D$ . On the other hand the author [AD2] proved that for any  $L^p$   $(1 \leq p < \infty)$  holomorphic function f in  $X \cap D$ , there exists an  $L^p$  holomorphic function g in D such that f = g on  $X \cap D$ . In this paper, we show that any  $L^p$   $(1 holomorphic function in <math>X \cap D$  can be extended to an  $H^p$  function in D under the assumption that the defining function for D is of class  $C^3$ .

**Theorem 1** Let D be a strictly pseudoconvex domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with non-smooth boundary. Assume that the defining function for D is of class  $C^3$ . Let X be a closed complex submanifold in a neighborhood  $\widetilde{D}$  of D. Let 1 and let <math>f be an  $L^p$  holomorphic function in  $X \cap D$ . Then there exists an  $H^p$  function F in D such that F(z) = f(z) for  $z \in X \cap D$ .

**Remark 1** Suppose that  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  is a strictly pseudoconvex domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with smooth boundary and that X intersects  $\partial D$  transversally. Then Theorem 1 was first proved by Cumenge [CUM] and then by Beatrous [BEA] for  $1 \leq p < \infty$ . The bounded and continuous extensions of holomorphic functions from  $X \cap D$  to D were first proved by Henkin [HEN].

#### 2 Preliminaries

Let  $D \subset \mathbb{C}^n$  be a strictly pseudoconvex open set and let  $\rho$  be a strictly plurisubharmonic  $C^3$  function in a neighborhood  $\theta$  of  $\partial D$  such that

$$D \cap \theta = \{ z \in \theta \mid \rho(z) < 0 \}.$$

Define  $N(\rho) = \{z \in \theta \mid \rho(z) = 0\}$ . Assume that  $N(\rho) \subset \subset \theta$ . Define

$$F(z,\zeta) = 2\sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \zeta_j}(\zeta)(\zeta_j - z_j) - \sum_{j,k=1}^{n} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \zeta_j \partial \zeta_k}(\zeta)(\zeta_j - z_j)(\zeta_k - z_k).$$

Then Henkin-Leiterer [HER] proved the following:

**Proposition 1** There exist a positive number  $\varepsilon$ , a neighborhood  $U \subset \subset \theta$  of  $N(\rho)$  and  $C^1$  functions  $\Phi(z,\zeta)$ ,  $\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)$ ,  $M(z,\zeta)$  and  $\widetilde{M}(z,\zeta)$  for  $\zeta \in U$  and  $z \in U \cup D$  such that the following conditions are fulfilled:

(i) There exists a constant  $\beta > 0$  such that

$$Re F(z,\zeta) \ge 
ho(\zeta) - 
ho(z) + eta |\zeta - z|^2$$

for  $\zeta, z \in \overline{\theta}, |\zeta - z| \leq 2\varepsilon$ .

- (ii)  $\Phi(z,\zeta)$  and  $\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)$  depend holomorphically on  $z \in U \cup D$ .
- (iii)  $\Phi(z,\zeta) \neq 0$  and  $\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta) \neq 0$  for  $\zeta \in U$ ,  $z \in D \cup U$  with  $|\zeta z| \ge \varepsilon$ .  $M(z,\zeta) \neq 0$  and  $\widetilde{M}(z,\zeta) \neq 0$  for  $\zeta \in U$ ,  $z \in D \cup U$ ;  $\Phi(z,\zeta) = F(z,\zeta)M(z,\zeta)$  and  $\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta) = (F(z,\zeta) - 2\rho(\zeta))\widetilde{M}(z,\zeta)$  for  $\zeta \in U$ ,  $z \in D \cup U$  with  $|\zeta - z| \le \varepsilon$ .
- (iv)  $\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta) = \Phi(z,\zeta)$  for  $\zeta \in N(\rho), z \in U \cup D$ .
- (v) Let  $V_1$  be a neighborhood of  $N(\rho)$  such that  $V_1 \cup D$  is strictly pseudoconvex and  $V_1 \subset \subset U$ . Then there exist the  $C^1$  map  $w = (w_1, \cdots, w_n) : (V_1 \cup D) \times V_1 \to \mathbb{C}^n$ , holomorphic in  $z \in V_1 \cup D$ , and

$$< w(z,\zeta), \zeta - z >= \Phi(z,\zeta),$$

where we define

$$< z,w> = \sum_{j=1}^n z_j w_j$$

for 
$$z = (z_1, \cdots, z_n), w = (w_1, \cdots, w_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$$
.

We choose a neighborhood  $V_2$  of  $N(\rho)$  such that  $V_2 \subset \subset V_1$  and a  $C^{\infty}$  function  $\chi$  on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  such that

$$\chi(z) = \begin{cases} 0 & (z \in \mathbb{C}^n \backslash V_1) \\ 1 & (z \in V_2) \end{cases}$$

**Definition 1** For any  $L^p$   $(p \ge 1)$  function f, define

$$L_D f(z) = \frac{n!}{(2\pi i)^n} \int_D f(\zeta) \bigwedge_{j=1}^n d_\zeta \left( \frac{\chi(\zeta) w_j(z,\zeta)}{\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)} \right)^{\underline{*}} \wedge \omega(\zeta),$$

where  $\omega(\zeta) = d\zeta_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\zeta_n$ .

Henkin-Leiterer [HER] proved the following:

**Proposition 2** If f is  $L^p$   $(1 \le p \le \infty)$  holomorphic in D, then we have

 $f(z) = L_D f(z)$ 

for  $z \in D$ .

We set  $X = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid z_n = 0\}$ . For  $\zeta = (\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$  we write  $\zeta' = (\zeta_1, \dots, \zeta_{n-1})$ . Define

$$\bar{\partial}_{\zeta'} = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\zeta}_j} d\bar{\zeta}_j, \quad \partial_{\zeta'} = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta_j} d\zeta_j,$$
$$d_{\zeta'} = \bar{\partial}_{\zeta'} + \partial_{\zeta'}, \quad \omega_{\zeta'}(\zeta) = d\zeta_1 \wedge \dots \wedge d\zeta_{n-1}$$

Moreover, we define

$$w'(z,\zeta) = (w_1(z,\zeta), \cdots, w_{n-1}(z,\zeta)),$$
$$\overline{\omega}_{\zeta'}\left(\frac{\chi(\zeta)w'(z,\zeta)}{\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)}\right) = \bigwedge_{j=1}^{n-1} \partial_{\zeta'}\left(\frac{\chi(\zeta)w_j(z,\zeta)}{\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)}\right)$$

By the construction of  $\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)$ , there exists a neighborhood  $U_{\partial D\setminus X}$  of  $\partial D\setminus X$  such that  $\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta) \neq 0$  for  $\zeta \in X \cap \overline{D}, z \in D \cup U_{\partial D\setminus X}$ . For every  $L^p$  holomorphic function f in  $X \cap D$  and  $z \in D \cup U_{\partial D\setminus X}$ , define

$$Ef(z) = \frac{(n-1)!}{(2\pi i)^{n-1}} \int_{X \cap D} f(\zeta) \overline{\omega}_{\zeta'} \left( \frac{\chi(\zeta) w'(z,\zeta)}{\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)} \right) \wedge \omega_{\zeta'}(\zeta).$$

The following proposition follows from Proposition 2.

**Proposition 3** Ef is holomorphic in  $D \cup U_{\partial D \setminus X}$  and f(z) = Ef(z) for  $z \in D \cap X$ . For  $z \in V_2 \cup D$ ,  $\zeta \in V_2 \cap D$ , define

$$\Phi^*(z,\zeta) = \Phi(\zeta,z), \quad w^*(z,\zeta) = -w(\zeta,z),$$
$$(w^*(z,\zeta))' = (w_1^*(z,\zeta), \cdots, w_{n-1}^*(z,\zeta)).$$

Then  $\Phi^*(z,\zeta) \neq 0$  and  $\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta) \neq 0$  for  $z \in \partial D \setminus X$ ,  $\zeta \in X \cap \overline{D}$ . Consequently, for every fixed  $z \in \partial D \setminus X$ ,

$$\det_{1,n-1}\left(\frac{w^*(z,\zeta)}{\Phi^*(z,\zeta)},\bar{\partial}_{\zeta'}\frac{\chi(\zeta)w(z,\zeta)}{\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)}\right)$$

is continuous on  $\overline{D} \cap X$ . By Henkin-Leiterer [HER] we have the following:

**Proposition 4** For every  $L^p$   $(1 \le p \le \infty)$  holomorphic function f in  $X \cap D$  and all  $z \in \partial D \setminus X$ , we have

$$Ef(z) = z_n \frac{(-1)^n}{(2\pi i)^{n-1}} \int_{\zeta \in X \cap D} f(\zeta) det_{1,n-1} \left( \frac{w^*(z,\zeta)}{\Phi^*(z,\zeta)}, \bar{\partial}_{\zeta'} \frac{\chi(\zeta)w(z,\zeta)}{\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)} \right) \wedge \omega'_{\zeta}(\zeta).$$

Define

$$dV_{n-1}(\zeta) = d\zeta_1 \wedge \cdots d\zeta_{n-1} \wedge d\overline{\zeta}_1 \wedge \cdots \wedge d\overline{\zeta}_{n-1}.$$

We write

$$K(z,\zeta)dV_{n-1}(\zeta) = z_n \frac{(-1)^n}{(2\pi i)^{n-1}} \det_{1,n-1}\left(\frac{w^*(z,\zeta)}{\Phi^*(z,\zeta)}, \bar{\partial}_{\zeta'} \frac{\chi(\zeta)w(z,\zeta)}{\tilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)}\right) \wedge \omega'_{\zeta}(\zeta).$$

It follows from Proposition 4 that for any  $L^p$   $(1 \le p \le \infty)$  holomorphic function f in  $X \cap D$ and any  $z \in \partial D \setminus X$ , we have

$$Ef(z) = \int_{X \cap D} f(\zeta) K(z,\zeta) dV_{n-1}(\zeta).$$

**Definition 2** We denote by  $S^{reg}$  the smooth part of  $\partial D$ .

We first define the Hardy space  $H^p(D)$   $(0 for a bounded domain in <math>\mathbb{C}^n$  with smooth boundary.

**Definition 3** Let D be a bounded domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with smooth boundary and let  $\rho$  be a defining function for D. For  $\delta > 0$ , define  $D_{\delta} = \{z \mid \rho(z) < -\delta\}$ . We say that f belongs to  $H^p(D)$  (0 if <math>f is holomorphic in D and

$$\sup_{\delta>0}\int_{\partial D_{\delta}}|f(\zeta)|^{p}d\sigma_{\delta}<\infty,$$

where  $d\sigma_{\delta}$  is the surface measure on  $\partial D_{\delta}$ . We say that a holomorphic function f belongs to  $H^{\infty}(D)$  if  $\sup_{z \in D} |f(z)| < \infty$ .

Suppose D is a strictly pseudoconvex domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with smooth boundary. We set for sufficiently small  $\delta_0 > 0$ ,

$$F_{\delta_0} = \{z + \alpha \nu_z \mid z \in \partial D \cap X, \ \delta_0 > \alpha > 0\},$$

where  $\nu_z$  is the unit inward normal vector at z for  $\partial D$ . If

$$\int_{\partial D \setminus X} |Ef(z)|^p < \infty,$$

then there exists a constant C > 0 such that for sufficiently small  $\delta$  and  $\delta_1$  ( $0 < \delta < \delta_1$ ),

$$\begin{split} \int_{\partial D_{\delta_1}} |Ef(z)|^p d\sigma_{\delta_1} &\leq C \int_{\partial D_{\delta}} |Ef(z)|^p d\sigma_{\delta} \\ &= C \int_{\partial D_{\delta} \setminus F_{\delta_0}} |Ef(z)|^p d\sigma_{\delta} \to C \int_{\partial D \setminus X} |Ef(z)|^p d\sigma_{\delta} \end{split}$$

as  $\delta \to 0$ , which implies that  $Ef \in H^p(D)$ .

Next suppose that D is a strictly pseudoconvex domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  with non-smooth boundary. Then the set  $\partial D \setminus S^{reg}$  is locally contained in a real  $C^1$  submanifold of real dimension

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 $\leq n$  (see Theorem 1.4.21, Henkin-Leiterer [HER]). Thus  $X \cap S^{reg}$  has measure 0 for the surface measure  $d\sigma$ . Hence we have

$$\int_{S^{reg}} |Ef(z)|^p d\sigma = \int_{S^{reg} \setminus X} |Ef(z)|^p d\sigma.$$

Therefore, in case D is a strictly pseudoconvex domain with non-smooth boundary, we define as follows:

**Definition 4** We say that Ef belongs to  $H^p(D)$  (0 if

$$\int_{S^{reg}\setminus X} |Ef(z)|^p d\sigma < \infty.$$

By Henkin-Leiterer [HER], there exists a constant C > 0 such that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \det_{1,n-1} \left( \frac{w^*}{\Phi^*}, \bar{\partial}_{\zeta'} \frac{\chi w}{\tilde{\Phi}} \right) \right\| \\ &\leq C \left\{ \frac{1}{|\zeta - z|^{2n-1}} + \frac{\|d\rho(z)\|}{|\widetilde{\Phi}| |\Phi^*| |\zeta - z|^{2n-4}} \right. \\ &+ \frac{\|d_{\zeta'}\rho(z)\|^2}{|\widetilde{\Phi}|^2 |\Phi^*| |\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} + \frac{\|d_{\zeta'}\rho(z)\| |\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial z_n}(z)|}{|\widetilde{\Phi}|^2 |\Phi^*| |\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We set

$$\begin{split} K_{1}(z,\zeta) &= \frac{|z_{n}|}{|\zeta-z|^{2n-1}}, \\ K_{2}(z,\zeta) &= \frac{|z_{n}| \, \|d\rho(z)\|}{|\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)| \, |\Phi^{*}(z,\zeta)| \, |\zeta-z|^{2n-4}}, \\ K_{3}(z,\zeta) &= \frac{|z_{n}| \, \|d_{z'}\rho(z)\|^{2}}{|\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)|^{2} |\Phi^{*}(z,\zeta)| \, |\zeta-z|^{2n-5}}, \\ K_{4}(z,\zeta) &= \frac{|z_{n}| \, \|d_{z'}\rho(z)\| \, |\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial z_{n}}(z)|}{|\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)|^{2} |\Phi^{*}(z,\zeta)| \, |\zeta-z|^{2n-5}}. \end{split}$$

For  $\delta > 0$  sufficiently small, define

$$E_i f(z) := \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)| K_i(z,\zeta) dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \qquad (i = 1, 2, 3, 4).$$

Henkin-Leiterer (Lemma 3.6.6 [HER]) proved the following:

**Lemma 1** There is a constant C > 0 such that for all  $z \in \partial D \setminus X$ , the following estimates hold:

$$\int_{\zeta \in X \cap D \cap V_2} K_i(z,\zeta) dV_{n-1} \le C$$

for  $1 \leq i \leq 4$ .

In order to prove Theorem 1, it is sufficient to show that

$$\int_{S^{reg}} (E_i f(z))^p \le C \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p dV_{n-1}.$$

Schmalz [SCH] obtained the following:

**Lemma 2** Let  $t(z,\zeta) = Im < w(z,\zeta), \zeta - z > .$  We set  $\zeta_j = \xi_j + i\xi_{j+n}, z_j = \eta_j + i\eta_{j+n}$  and  $E_{\gamma}(z) = \{\zeta \in D \mid |\zeta - z| < \gamma || d\rho(z) ||\}$  for all  $\gamma > 0$ . Then there are constants  $c > 0, \gamma > 0$ , and numbers  $\mu, \nu \in \{1, \dots, 2n\}$  such that,  $\{\rho, t(z,\zeta), \xi_1, \dots, \hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu}, \dots, \xi_{2n}\}$  ( $\xi_{\mu}$  and  $\xi_{\nu}$  have to be omitted) forms a coordinate system in  $E_{\gamma}(z)$  ( $\{\rho, t(z,\zeta), \eta_1, \dots, \hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu}, \dots, \eta_{2n}\}$  forms a local coordinate system in  $E_{\gamma}(\zeta)$ , respectively) and we have the estimates

$$d\sigma(\zeta) \leq \frac{c}{\|d\rho(z)\|} |d_{\zeta}t(z,\zeta) \wedge \cdots, \cdots, \hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu}, \cdots \wedge d\xi_{2n}| \quad on \quad S^{reg} \cap E_{\gamma}(z),$$
  
$$d\sigma(z) \leq \frac{c}{\|d\rho(\zeta)\|} |d_{z}t(z,\zeta) \wedge \cdots, \cdots, \hat{\mu}, \hat{\nu}, \cdots \wedge d\eta_{2n}| \quad on \quad S^{reg} \cap E_{\gamma}(\zeta).$$

Using Lemma 1 and Lemma 2 we have the following:

**Lemma 3** Let  $1 and <math>f \in L^p(X \cap D) \cap \mathcal{O}(X \cap D)$ . Then there exists a constant C > 0 such that for  $\delta > 0$  sufficiently small,

$$\int_{S^{reg}} (E_i f(z))^p d\sigma(z) \le C \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p dV_{n-1}(\zeta)$$

for i = 1, 2.

**Proof** In what follows we denote by C any positive constant which does not depend on the relevant parameters. By Hölder's inequality, we have

$$E_i f(z) \le \left( \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p K_i(z,\zeta) dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left( \int_{X \cap D} K_i(z,\zeta) dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}$$

By Lemma 1 we have

$$E_i f(z) \le C \left( \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p K_i(z,\zeta) dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}$$

Using Fubini's theorem, we have

$$\int_{S^{reg}} (E_i f(z))^p d\sigma(z) \le C \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p \left\{ \int_{S^{reg}} K_i(z,\zeta) d\sigma(z) \right\} dV_{n-1}(\zeta).$$

Since  $\zeta \in X$ , we have

$$\begin{split} \int_{S^{reg}} K_1(z,\zeta) d\sigma(z) &\leq C \int_{S^{reg}} \frac{|z_n|}{|\zeta - z|^{2n-1}} d\sigma(z) \\ &\leq C \int_{S^{reg}} \frac{1}{|\zeta - z|^{2n-2}} d\sigma(z) \leq C. \end{split}$$

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Moreover, we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{S^{reg}} K_2(z,\zeta) d\sigma(z) \\ &\leq C \int_{S^{reg}} \frac{|z_n| \, \|d\rho(z)\|}{|\widetilde{\Phi}| |\Phi^*| \, |\zeta - z|^{2n-4}} d\sigma(z) \\ &\leq C \int_{z \in E_{\gamma}(\zeta)} \frac{|z_n| \, \|d\rho(z)\|}{|\widetilde{\Phi}| |\Phi^*| \, |\zeta - z|^{2n-4}} d\sigma(z) + C \int_{z \notin E_{\gamma}(\zeta)} \frac{|z_n| \, \|d\rho(z)\|}{|\widetilde{\Phi}| |\Phi^*| \, |\zeta - z|^{2n-4}} d\sigma(z) \\ &= I_1(\zeta) + I_2(\zeta) \end{split}$$

By Lemma 2, we obtain

$$I_{1}(\zeta) \leq C \int_{|t| < R} \frac{dt_{1} \wedge \dots \wedge dt_{2n-1}}{(|t_{1}| + |t'|^{2})^{2} |t'|^{2n-5}} \\ \leq C \int_{|t'| < R} \frac{dt_{2} \wedge \dots \wedge dt_{2n-1}}{|t'|^{2n-3}} \leq C,$$
$$I_{2}(\zeta) \leq \int_{z \notin E_{\gamma}(\zeta)} \frac{1}{|\zeta - z|^{2n-2}} d\sigma(z) \leq C.$$

Lemma 3 is proved.

In order to estimate integrals  $E_3 f$  and  $E_4 f$  we use the following lemma obtained by Henkin-Leiterer (see Lemma 3.2.4 [HER]). But we give a proof for the reader's convenience.

**Lemma 4** There exist real valued quadratic polynomials  $P(z,\zeta)$  in the real coordinates of  $\zeta$ , whose coefficients are  $C^1$  functions in  $z \in \overline{U}_2$  such that the following estimates hold:

 $\begin{array}{ll} (i) \ P(z,\zeta) = Im F(z,\zeta)| + o(|\zeta - z|^2) & for \ \zeta, z \in V_2. \\ (ii) \ Q(z,\zeta) = \rho(\zeta) - \rho(z) + O(|\zeta - z|^3) & for \ z,\zeta \in V_2. \\ (iii) \ \|d_{\zeta}P(z,\zeta) \wedge d_{\zeta}Q(z,\zeta)\| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \|d\rho(\zeta)\|^2 - C(\|d\rho(\zeta)\| |\zeta - z| + |\zeta - z|^2) & for \ z,\zeta \in V_2. \\ (iv) \ |\Phi(z,\zeta)| \geq C(|P(z,\zeta)| + |Q(z,\zeta)| + |\zeta - z|^2) & for \ z \in V_2 \cap \overline{D}, \ \zeta \in \partial D. \\ (v) \ |\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)| \geq C(|P(z,\zeta)| + |Q(z,\zeta)| + |\zeta - z|^2) & for \ z,\zeta \in V_2 \cap \overline{D}. \\ (vi) \ |P(z,\zeta)| + |\zeta - z|^2 \approx |P(\zeta,z)| + |\zeta - z|^2 & for \ \zeta, z \in \overline{D} \cap V_2 \\ (vii) \ |Q(z,\zeta)| + |\zeta - z|^2 \approx |Q(\zeta,z)| + |\zeta - z|^2 & for \ \zeta \in \overline{D} \cap V_2, \ z \in \partial D. \\ \end{array}$  **Proof** Let \ z\_j = x\_j + ix\_{n+j}, \ \zeta\_j = \xi\_j + i\xi\_{n+j}. \ Since

$$F(z,\zeta) = 2\sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \zeta_j}(\zeta)(\zeta_j - z_j) - \sum_{j,k=1}^{n} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \zeta_j \partial \zeta_k}(\zeta)(\zeta_j - z_j)(\zeta_k - z_k),$$

we obtain

$$\operatorname{Im} F(z,\zeta) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left\{ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x_j}(\zeta)(\xi_{j+n} - x_{j+n} - \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \xi_{j+n}}(\zeta)(\xi_j - x_j) \right\}$$
$$+ \sum_{j,k=1}^{2n} u_{j,k}(\zeta)(\xi_j - x_j)(\xi_k - x_k),$$

where  $u_{jk}$  are  $C^1$  functions in  $\overline{V}_2$ . We set

$$P(z,\zeta) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left[ \left\{ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x_j}(z) + \sum_{s=1}^{2n} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial x_j \partial x_s}(z)(\xi_s - x_s) \right\} (\xi_{j+n} - x_{j+n}) - \left\{ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x_{j+n}}(z) + \sum_{s=1}^{2n} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial x_{j+n} \partial x_s}(z)(\xi_s - x_s) \right\} (\xi_j - x_j) \right] + \sum_{j,k=1}^{2n} u_{jk}(z)(\xi_j - x_j)(\xi_k - x_k).$$

Then

$$\operatorname{Im} F(z,\zeta) - P(z,\zeta) = \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left\{ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x_{j}}(\zeta) - \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x_{j}}(z) - \sum_{s=1}^{2n} \frac{\partial^{2} \rho}{\partial x_{j} \partial x_{s}}(z)(\xi_{s} - x_{s}) \right\} (\xi_{j+n} - x_{j+n}) \\ - \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left\{ \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x_{j+n}}(\zeta) - \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x_{j+n}}(z) - \sum_{s=1}^{2n} \frac{\partial^{2} \rho}{\partial x_{j+n} \partial x_{s}}(z)(\xi_{s} - x_{s}) \right\} (\xi_{j} - x_{j}) \\ + o(|\zeta - z|^{2}).$$

This proves (i). We set

$$Q(z,\zeta) = \sum_{j=1}^{2n} \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial x_j}(z)(\xi_j - x_j) + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k=1}^{2n} \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial x_j \partial x_k}(z)(\xi_j - x_j)(\xi_k - x_k).$$

It follows from Taylor's formula that

$$\rho(\zeta) - \rho(z) = Q(z,\zeta) + O(|\zeta - z|^3).$$

This proves (ii). Since

$$d_{\zeta}P(z,\zeta) \wedge d_{\zeta}Q(z,\zeta)$$

$$= \sum_{j,k=1}^{n} \left( -\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial x_{j+n}}(\zeta)d\xi_{j} + \frac{\partial\rho}{\partial x_{j}}(\zeta)d\xi_{j+n} + O(|\zeta-z|) \right)$$

$$\times \left( \frac{\partial\rho}{\partial x_{k}}(\zeta)d\xi_{k} + \frac{\partial\rho}{\partial x_{k+n}}(\zeta)d\xi_{k+n} + O(|\zeta-z|) \right)$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left\{ \left( \frac{\partial\rho}{\partial x_{j}}(\zeta) \right)^{2} + \left( \frac{\partial\rho}{\partial x_{j+n}} \right)^{2} \right\} d\xi_{j+n} \wedge d\xi_{j} + \cdots$$

we obtain

$$\|d_{\zeta}P(z,\zeta)\wedge d_{\zeta}Q(z,\zeta)\|\geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\|d\rho(\zeta)\|^2-C(\|d\rho(\zeta)\|\,|\zeta-z|+|\zeta-z|^2).$$

This proves (iii). In view of Proposition 1 (i) and (iii), we have for  $z \in V_2 \cap \overline{D}$  and  $\zeta \in \partial D$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |\Phi(z,\zeta)| &\geq C|F(z,\zeta)| \geq C(|\operatorname{Im} F(z,\zeta)| + |\operatorname{Re} F(z,\zeta)|) \\ &\geq C(|P(z,\zeta)| + |Q(z,\zeta)| + |\zeta - z|^2). \end{aligned}$$

This proves (iv). Similarly, we can prove (v), (vi) and (vii). Lemma 4 is proved. **Definition 5** For  $\xi \in \partial D$  and  $\delta > 0$ , define

$$T_{\xi} := \{ \zeta \in \mathbf{C}^n \mid \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\partial \rho(\xi)}{\partial \xi_j} (\zeta_j - \xi_j) = 0 \},$$
  

$$B(\xi, \delta) := \{ \zeta \in \mathbf{C}^n \mid |\zeta - \xi| < \delta \},$$
  

$$\widetilde{H}_{\xi}(\delta) := B(\xi, \delta) \cap \{ \zeta \in \mathbf{C}^n \mid |d\rho(\xi)| \operatorname{dist}(\zeta, T_{\xi}) < \delta^2 \},$$
  

$$H_{\xi}(\delta) := \widetilde{H}_{\xi}(\delta) \cap \overline{D}.$$

 $H_{\xi}(\delta)$  is called the Hörmander ball of radius  $\delta$  with center  $\xi$ .

Then Henkin-Leiterer (see Lemma 3.6.5 [HER]) proved the following: Lemma 5 There exists a number  $\delta > 0$  with the following properties:

$$\begin{aligned} \|d_{z'}\rho(z)\||\zeta'-z'| \geq \left|\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial z_n}(z)z_n\right|,\\ \|d_{\zeta'}P(z,\zeta)\wedge d_{\zeta'}Q(z,\zeta)\| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2n}}\|d_{z'}\rho(z)\|^2\\ for all \ z \in \partial D \setminus X \ and \ \zeta \in H_z\left(\delta\left|\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial z_n}(z)z_n\right|^{1/2}\right) \cap V_2 \cap X. \end{aligned}$$

Now we shall prove the following:

**Lemma 6** For  $z \in \partial \Omega \setminus X$  and any positive number  $\varepsilon$  with  $0 < \varepsilon < 1/2$ , we have

$$\int_{X \cap D} |K_i(z,\zeta)| |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \le C_{\varepsilon} |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon}$$

for i = 3, 4.

**Proof** Using the method of Henkin-Leiterer (Lemma 3.6.6 [HER]), we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\zeta \in M} K_3(z,\zeta) |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &\leq C \int_{\zeta \in M} \frac{|z_n| |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} ||d_{\zeta'} P(z,\zeta) \wedge d_{\zeta'} Q(z,\zeta)||}{(|P(z,\zeta)| + |Q(z,\zeta)| + |\zeta - z|^2)^3 |\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &\leq C \int_{|t| < R} \frac{|z_n| |t_1|^{-\varepsilon}}{(|z_n|^2 + |t_1| + |t_2| + |t|^2)^3 |t|^{2n-5}} dt_1 \cdots dt_{2n-2}, \end{split}$$

where  $t = (t_1, \dots, t_{2n-2})$ . We set  $t' = (t_3, \dots, t_{2n-2})$ . Then we obtain for some R > 0,

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\zeta \in X \cap D} K_3(z,\zeta) |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &\leq C \int_{|t| < R} \frac{|z_n| |t_1|^{-\varepsilon}}{(|z_n|^2 + |t_1| + |t_2| + |t'|^2)^3 |t'|^{2n-5}} dt_1 \cdots dt_{2n-2} \\ &\leq C \int_0^R \int_0^R \int_0^R \frac{|z_n| t_1^{-\varepsilon}}{(|z_n|^2 + t_1 + t_2 + r^2)^3} dt_1 dt_2 dr \\ &\leq C \int_0^R \int_0^R \frac{|z_n| t_1^{-\varepsilon}}{(|z_n|^2 + t_1 + r^2)^2} dt_1 dr \\ &\leq C |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \frac{u^{1-2\varepsilon}}{(1+u^2+v^2)^2} du dv \\ &\leq C_{\varepsilon} |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon}. \end{split}$$

We write

$$H_{z} := H_{z} \left( \delta \left| \frac{\partial \rho(z)}{\partial z_{n}}(z) z_{n} \right|^{\frac{1}{2}} \right).$$

$$\alpha = \left| \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial z_n}(z) \right| |z_n|.$$

and

Then we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{\zeta \in (X \cap D) \setminus H_{z}} |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} K_{4}(z,\zeta) dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &\leq \int_{\zeta \in (X \cap D) \setminus H_{z}} \frac{\alpha |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} ||d_{\zeta'}Q(z,\zeta)||}{(\alpha + |Q(z,\zeta)| + |\zeta - z|^{2})^{3} |\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &\leq C \int_{|t| < R} \frac{\alpha |t_{1}|^{-\varepsilon}}{(\alpha + |z_{n}|^{2} + |t_{1}| + |t'|^{2})^{3} |t'|^{2n-5}} dt_{1} \cdots dt_{2n-2} \\ &\leq C \int_{0}^{R} \frac{\alpha t_{1}^{-\varepsilon}}{(\alpha + |z_{n}|^{2} + t_{1})^{2}} dt_{1} \\ &\leq C |z_{n}|^{-2\varepsilon} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{-\varepsilon}}{(1+x)^{2}} dx \leq C_{\varepsilon} |z_{n}|^{-2\varepsilon}. \end{split}$$

On the other hand we set

$$J(z) = \int_{\zeta \in H_z \cap (X \cap D)} |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} K_4(z,\zeta) dV_{n-1}(\zeta)$$

and

$$\beta = \frac{\alpha}{\|d_{z'}\rho(z)\|}.$$

Then we obtain

$$\|d_{z'}\rho(z)\|J(z)$$
  
  $\leq C \int_{\zeta \in H_z \cap (X \cap D)} \frac{\|d_{\zeta'}P(z,\zeta) \wedge d_{\zeta'}Q(z,\zeta)\|\alpha|Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon}}{(\beta^2 + |z_n|^2 + |P| + |Q| + |\zeta - z|^2)^3|\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} dV_{n-1}(\zeta)$ 

We set  $b = \sqrt{\beta^2 + |z_n|^2}$ . Then we have

$$\begin{split} \|d_{z'}\rho(z)\|J(z) &\leq C \int_{|t|$$

Lemma 6 is proved.

**Lemma 7** For  $\zeta \in X \cap D$ ,  $0 < \varepsilon < 1/2$  and i = 3, 4, there exists a positive constant  $C_{\varepsilon}$  which depends only on  $\varepsilon$  such that

$$\int_{S^{reg}} |K_i(z,\zeta)| |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon} d\sigma(z) \le C_{\varepsilon} |\rho(\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon}.$$

**Proof** We set

$$K_5(z,\zeta) = \frac{\|d\rho(z)\|^2 |z_n|}{|\tilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)|^2 |\Phi^*(z,\zeta)| |\zeta - z|^{2n-5}}$$

Since  $||d_{z'}\rho(z)|| \le ||d\rho(z)||$  and  $\left|\frac{\partial\rho}{\partial z_n}(z)\right| \le ||d\rho(z)||$ , it is sufficient to show that

$$\int_{S^{reg}} |K_5(z,\zeta)| |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon} d\sigma(z) \le C_{\varepsilon} |\rho(\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon}.$$

We set

$$L_1(\zeta) = \int_{z \in S^{reg} \cap E_{\gamma}(\zeta)} |K_5(z,\zeta)| |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon} d\sigma(z)$$

and

$$L_2(\zeta) = \int_{z \in S^{reg} \setminus E_{\gamma}(\zeta)} |K_5(z,\zeta)|| |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon} d\sigma(z).$$

Then we obtain by Lemma 2,

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$$\begin{split} L_{1}(\zeta) &\leq C \int_{|t| < R} \frac{dt_{1} \cdots dt_{2n-1}}{(|z_{n}|^{2} + |\rho(\zeta)| + |t_{1}| + |t'|^{2})^{\frac{5}{2} + \varepsilon} |t'|^{2n-5}} \\ &\leq C \int_{0}^{R} \frac{r^{2}}{(|\rho(\zeta)| + r^{2})^{\frac{3}{2} + \varepsilon}} dr \\ &\leq C |\rho(\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{y^{2}}{(1 + y^{2})^{\frac{3}{2} + \varepsilon}} dy \\ &\leq C_{\varepsilon} |\rho(\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon}. \end{split}$$

Similarly, we have  $L_2(\zeta) \leq C_{\varepsilon} |\rho(\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon}$ , which completes the proof of Lemma 7.

Using the same technique as in the proof in Adachi [AD2], we obtain the following lemma. We omit the proof.

**Lemma 8** Let D be a strictly pseudoconvex domain in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  (with not necessarily smooth boundary). Let f be an  $L^p$   $(1 \leq p < \infty)$  holomorphic function in D and let  $\varphi$  be a  $C^{\infty}$  function in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . Then

$$L_D(\varphi f)(z) = \frac{n!}{(2\pi i)^n} \int_D f(\zeta)\varphi(\zeta) \bigwedge_{j=1}^n d\zeta \left(\frac{\chi(\zeta)w_j(z,\zeta)}{\widetilde{\Phi}(z,\zeta)}\right) \wedge \omega(\zeta)$$

is an  $L^p$  holomorphic function in D.

### 3 Proof of Theorem 1

By Lemma 8 and the proof of Theorem 4.11.1 in Henkin-Leiterer [HER], we may assume that  $X = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^n \mid z_n = 0\}$ . Let q be a positive number such that 1/p + 1/q = 1. We choose  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that  $\max\{\varepsilon p, \varepsilon q\} < 1/2$ . From now on we denote by  $C_{\varepsilon}$  any positive constants which depends only on  $\varepsilon$ . It is sufficient to show that

$$\int_{S^{reg}} |E_i f(z)|^p d\sigma(z) \le C_{\varepsilon} \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p dV_{n-1}(\zeta).$$

for i = 3, 4. By Lemma 6 and Hölder's inequality, we obtain for i = 3, 4,

$$\begin{aligned} |E_{i}f(z)| &\leq \int_{X\cap D} |f(\zeta)| |K_{i}(z,\zeta)| |Q(z,\zeta)|^{\varepsilon} |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &\leq \left( \int_{X\cap D} |f(\zeta)|^{p} |K_{i}(z,\zeta)| |Q(z,\zeta)|^{\varepsilon p} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \times \\ &\qquad \left( \int_{X\cap D} |K_{i}(z,\zeta)| |Q(z,\zeta)|^{-\varepsilon q} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\leq C_{\varepsilon} |z_{n}|^{-2\varepsilon} \left( \int_{X\cap D} |f(\zeta)|^{p} |K_{i}(z,\zeta)| |Q(z,\zeta)|^{\varepsilon p} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \end{aligned}$$

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Consequently,

$$|E_i f(z)|^p \le C_{\varepsilon} |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon p} \left( \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p |K(z,\zeta)| |Q(z,\zeta)|^{\varepsilon p} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \right)$$

Using Fubini's theorem, Lemma 4(ii) and Lemma 7, we have

$$\begin{split} &\int_{S^{reg}} |Ef(z)|^p d\sigma(z) \\ &\leq C_{\varepsilon} \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p \left\{ \int_{S^{reg}} |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon p} |K_i(z,\zeta)| |Q(z,\zeta)|^{\varepsilon p} d\sigma(z) \right\} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &\leq C_{\varepsilon} \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p \left\{ \int_{S^{reg}} |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon p} |K_i(z,\zeta)| |\rho(\zeta)|^{\varepsilon p} d\sigma(z) \right\} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &+ C_{\varepsilon} \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p \left\{ \int_{S^{reg}} |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon p} |K_i(z,\zeta)| |z-\zeta|^{3\varepsilon p} d\sigma(z) \right\} dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &\leq C_{\varepsilon} \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p dV_{n-1}(\zeta) \\ &+ C_{\varepsilon} \int_{X \cap D} |f(\zeta)|^p \left\{ \int_{S^{reg}} |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon p} |K_i(z,\zeta)| |z-\zeta|^{3\varepsilon p} d\sigma(z) \right\} dV_{n-1}(\zeta). \end{split}$$

We set

$$T_i(\zeta) = \int_{S^{reg}} |z_n|^{-2\varepsilon p} |K_i(z,\zeta)| |z-\zeta|^{3\varepsilon p} d\sigma(z).$$

In order to prove the inequality  $|T_i(\zeta)| \leq C_{\varepsilon}$ , it is sufficient to show that

$$T(\zeta) := \int_{S^{reg}} \frac{|z_n|^{1-2\varepsilon p} ||d\rho(z)||^2 |\zeta - z|^{3\varepsilon p}}{|\widetilde{\Phi}|^2 |\Phi^*||\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} d\sigma(z) \le C_{\varepsilon}.$$

Then we have

$$I_{1}(\zeta) = \int_{z \in E_{\gamma}(\zeta) \cap S^{reg}} \frac{|z_{n}|^{1-2\varepsilon p} ||d\rho(z)||^{2} |\zeta - z|^{3\varepsilon p}}{|\tilde{\Phi}|^{2} |\Phi^{*}||\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} d\sigma(z) + \int_{z \notin E_{\gamma}(\zeta) \cap S^{reg}} \frac{|z_{n}|^{1-2\varepsilon p} ||d\rho(z)||^{2} |\zeta - z|^{3\varepsilon p}}{|\tilde{\Phi}|^{2} |\Phi^{*}||\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} d\sigma(z) = I_{11}(\zeta) + I_{12}(\zeta).$$

In view of Lemma 2, we have by setting  $t' = (t_2, \cdots, t_{2n-1})$ 

$$I_{11}(\zeta) \le C \int_{|t| < R} \frac{dt_1 \cdots dt_{2n-1}}{(|\rho(\zeta)| + |t_1| + |t'|^2)^{\varepsilon_p + (5/2)} |t'|^{2n-5-3\varepsilon_p}}.$$

Using the polar coordinate change, we obtain

$$I_{11}(\zeta) \le C \int_0^R \frac{r^{2+3\varepsilon p}}{(|\rho(\zeta)| + r^2)^{\varepsilon p + (3/2)}} dr$$

We set  $\sqrt{|\rho(\zeta)|}y = r$ . Then we obtain

$$I_{11}(\zeta) \le C |\rho(\zeta)|^{\varepsilon p/2} \int_0^{\frac{R}{\sqrt{|\rho(\zeta)|}}} \frac{y^{2+3\varepsilon p}}{(1+y^2)^{\varepsilon p+(3/2)}} dy \le C_{\varepsilon}.$$

Similarly, we obtain

$$I_{12}(z) \leq \int_{z \notin E_{\gamma}(\zeta) \cap S^{reg}} \frac{|z_n|^{1-2\varepsilon p} |\zeta - z|^{2+3\varepsilon p}}{|\widetilde{\Phi}|^2 |\Phi^*| |\zeta - z|^{2n-5}} d\sigma(z)$$
  
$$\leq \int_{z \notin E_{\gamma}(\zeta) \cap S^{reg}} \frac{d\sigma(z)}{|\zeta - z|^{2n-2-\varepsilon p}} \leq C_{\varepsilon}.$$

Therefore, Theorem 1 is proved.

**Remark 2** If D is a strictly pseudoconvex domain with  $C^{\infty}$  boundary and if X intersects  $\partial D$  transversally, Adachi [AD1] and Elgueta [ELG] proved that for any holomorphic function f in  $X \cap D$  that is of class  $C^{\infty}$  on  $\overline{X} \cap \overline{D}$  there exists a holomorphic function g in D that is of class  $C^{\infty}$  on  $\overline{D}$  such that f = g on  $X \cap D$ . In case D is a strictly pseudoconvex domain with non-smooth boundary, the  $C^{\infty}$  extension problem is still open.

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