

Generators for the Algebra of Holomorphic Functions in Certain Pseudoconvex Domains

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Abstract

Let D be a bounded strictly pseudoconvex domain in C^n with smooth boundary. Suppose that h, f_1, \dots, f_m are holomorphic functions in D . In this paper we shall show that there exist $g_i \in A^p(D)$, ($1 \leq p < \infty$) such that $h = \sum_{i=1}^m g_i h_i$ provided that h, f_1, \dots, f_m satisfy some conditions. We also study the case where D is some convex domain.

1. Introduction. Let D be a bounded domain in C^n with smooth boundary. We denote by $A^p(D)$, ($1 \leq p < \infty$), the space of holomorphic functions f in D satisfying $\int_D |f|^p dV < \infty$, where dV denotes the Lebesgue measure on D . Let f_1, \dots, f_m be holomorphic functions in D with the property that

(B) $\frac{\partial f_i}{\partial z_k}$, ($i=1, 2, \dots, m; k=1, 2, \dots, n$), are bounded on D .

We set

$$q = \min(n+1, m), f = (f_1, \dots, f_m), |f|^2 = |f_1|^2 + \dots + |f_m|^2.$$

The purpose of this paper is to prove the following theorems.

THEOREM 1. *Let D be a bounded strictly pseudoconvex domain in C^n with smooth boundary. Let f_1, \dots, f_m be holomorphic functions in D satisfying the condition (B). If h is a holomorphic function in D with $h |f|^{-2q} \in L^p(D)$, ($1 \leq p < \infty$), then there exist $g_i \in A^p(D)$, ($i=1, 2, \dots, m$), such that $h = \sum_{i=1}^m f_i g_i$.*

Amar[1] proved that if f_1, \dots, f_m are functions in $H^p(D)$, ($1 < p < \infty$), and

$|f| > \delta$ for some $\delta > 0$, then there exist $g_i \in H^r(D)$ such that $1 = \sum_{i=1}^m g_i f_i$, where r

$$= \frac{p}{q}.$$

Let $s_i(t)$ be real analytic functions in $[0, a_i]$ satisfying the following conditions:

- (i) $s_i'(t) \geq 0, s_i'(t) + 2ts_i''(t) > 0$ for $0 < t < a_i$,
- (ii) $s_i(0) = 0, s_i(a_i) > 1$.

We set

$$\rho(z) = \sum_{i=1}^n s_i(|z_i|^2) - 1 \text{ for } z = (z_1, \dots, z_n).$$

The domain

$$D = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^n : \rho(z) < 0\}$$

is called the complex ellipsoid type. Then we have

THEOREM 2. *Let D be a domain of complex ellipsoid type in \mathbb{C}^n . Let f_1, \dots, f_m be holomorphic functions in D satisfying the condition (B). If h is a holomorphic function in D such that $\delta(z)^{-\epsilon} |f|^{-2q} h \in L^p(D)$, then there exist $g_j \in A^p(D)$, ($j=1, 2, \dots, m$), satisfying $h = \sum_{j=1}^m g_j h_j$.*

Finally, we shall adopt the convention of denoting by c any positive constant which does not depend on the relevant parameters in the estimate.

2. The strictly pseudoconvex case. Let D be a bounded strictly pseudoconvex domain in \mathbb{C}^n with smooth boundary. We fix a plurisubharmonic characterizing function ρ for D . Then by Fornaess[5] there exists a function $F(\zeta, z)$ defined on $\bar{D} \times \bar{D}$, of class C^∞ , such that

- i) For $\zeta \in \bar{D}$, $F(\zeta, \cdot)$ is holomorphic in D .
- ii) For $\zeta, z \in \bar{D}$,

$$2 \operatorname{Re} F(\zeta, z) \leq \rho(z) - \rho(\zeta) - \delta |\zeta - z|^2 \text{ for some } \delta > 0.$$

iii) $F(\zeta, z) = \sum_{j=1}^n h_j(\zeta, z)(z_j - \zeta_j)$ with

$$h_j \in C^\infty(\bar{D} \times \bar{D}), h_j(\zeta, \cdot) \text{ holomorphic in } D.$$

We set $\Phi(\zeta, z) = F(\zeta, z) + \rho(\zeta)$. Then it holds that

$$|\Phi(\zeta, z)| \geq c[-\rho(z) - \rho(\zeta) + |\zeta - z|^2 + |\operatorname{Im} \Phi(\zeta, z)|] \text{ for } \zeta, z \in \bar{D}.$$

Now we have the following.

PROPOSITION 1. *Let f be a holomorphic function in a bounded strictly pseudoconvex domain D in \mathbb{C}^n such that $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_j}$, ($j=1, \dots, n$), are bounded in D . Then there exist $g_j \in H^\infty(D \times D)$, ($j=1, \dots, m$), such that*

$$f(z) - f(\zeta) = \sum_{j=1}^n g_j(\zeta, z)(z_j - \zeta_j).$$

PROOF. By the Fornaess imbedding theorem[5], there exist a neighborhood \tilde{D} of \bar{D} , a positive integer $k(k \geq n)$, a mapping $\Psi: \tilde{D} \rightarrow C^k$, and a strictly convex domain G in C^k , such that Ψ maps \tilde{D} biholomorphically onto a closed submanifold $\Psi(\tilde{D})$ of C^k ; $\Psi(D) \subset G$, $\Psi(\tilde{D} | \bar{D}) \subset C^k | \bar{G}$, and $\Psi(\tilde{D})$ intersects ∂G transversally. If $\Psi = (\Psi_1, \dots, \Psi_k)$, then by Hefer's theorem, there exist functions $\Psi_{ij} \in O(\tilde{D} \times \tilde{D})$ such that

$$\Psi_i(w) - \Psi_i(t) = \sum_{j=1}^n (w_j - t_j) \Psi_{ij}(w, t).$$

We set $Tf(z) = f(\Psi^{-1}(z))$.

Then $Tf(z)$ is bounded holomorphic in $\Psi(D)$ and its first derivatives are also bounded in $\Psi(D)$. By Jakobczak[6], there exists an extension operator $L: O(\Psi(D)) \rightarrow O(G)$ such that LTf , together with their first derivatives, are bounded in G . Then we have the decomposition, for $\zeta, z \in G$,

$$LTf(z) - LTf(\zeta) = \sum_{i=1}^k (z_i - \zeta_i) \tilde{f}_i(z, \zeta),$$

where $\tilde{f}_i \in H^\infty(G \times G)$. Thus we have

$$f(w) - f(t) = LTf(\Psi(z)) - LTf(\Psi(t)) = \sum_{j=1}^n (w_j - t_j) g_j(w, t),$$

where $g_j(w, t) = \sum_{i=1}^m \Psi_{ij}(w, t) \tilde{f}_i(\Psi(w), \Psi(t)) \in H^\infty(D \times D)$,

This completes the proof.

From the above proposition 1, we have the decomposition

$$f_i(\zeta) - f_i(z) = \sum_{k=1}^n g_k^i(\zeta, z)(\zeta_k - z_k)$$

where $g_k^i(\zeta, z) \in H^\infty(D \times D)$. We set

$$Q^1 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n h_j(\zeta, z) d\zeta_j}{\rho(\zeta)}, \quad Q^2 = \frac{\sum_k \sum_j \overline{f_k(\zeta)} g_k^j(\zeta, z) d\zeta_j}{|f|^2},$$

Then Berndtsson[3] proved that for a holomorphic function h in D with

$$\int_D |h| |f|^{-2q} |\rho|^{N-1} dV < \infty,$$

$$(1) \quad h(z) = \int_D h(\zeta) \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} C_k \left(\frac{\rho(\zeta)}{\Phi(\zeta, z)} \right)^{N+n-k} \left(\frac{\overline{f(\zeta)} f(z)}{|f|^2} \right)^{q-k} (\bar{\partial} Q^1)^{n-k} \wedge (\bar{\partial} Q^2)^k$$

where N is any positive number. In the above formula (1), we take $N=1$. Then we have the following.

PROPOSITION 2. For a holomorphic function h on D with $\int_D |h| |f|^{-2q} dV < \infty$, we have

$$h = \sum_{j=1}^m g_j f_j$$

where g_j , ($j=1, \dots, m$), are written in the following form

$$g_j(z) = \int_D \frac{h(\zeta)}{|f|^{2q}} \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} \left(\frac{\rho(\zeta)}{\Phi(\zeta, z)} \right)^{1+n-k} (\bar{\partial}Q^1)^{n-k} \wedge \phi_{k,j}(\zeta, z).$$

In the above integral, $\phi_{k,j}(\zeta, z)$ are bounded (k, k) -forms in $(\zeta, \bar{\zeta})$, depending holomorphically on z .

Beatrous[2] proved the following.

PROPOSITION 3. For $t > 0$, we have

- (i) $\int_D \frac{dV(z)}{|\Phi(\zeta, z)|^{n+t}} \leq c |\rho(\zeta)|^{1-t}$
- (ii) $\int_D \frac{dV(\zeta)}{|\Phi(\zeta, z)|^{n+t}} \leq c |\rho(z)|^{1-t}$

PROOF OF THEOREM 1. For $\Psi = \sum \Psi_{Ij} d\zeta_I \wedge d\bar{\zeta}_j$, we set $\|\Psi\|^2 = \sum |\Psi_{Ij}|^2$. Then we have

$$\left\| \left(\frac{\rho(\zeta)}{\Phi(\zeta, z)} \right)^{1+n-k} (\bar{\partial}Q^1)^{n-k} \right\| \leq \frac{c}{|\Phi(\zeta, z)|^{1+n-k}}.$$

(i) In case $p=1$. By using proposition 3 and the Fubini's theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_D |g_j(z)| dV(z) &\leq c \int_D \frac{|h(\zeta)|}{|f|^{2q}} \left(\int_D \frac{dV(z)}{|\Phi(\zeta, z)|^{n+1}} \right) dV(\zeta) \\ &\leq c \int_D \frac{|h(\zeta)|}{|f|^{2q}} dV(\zeta) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $g_j \in A^1(D)$.

(ii) In case $1 < p < \infty$. We can write $g_j(z)$ in the following form.

$$g_j(z) = \int_D \frac{|h(\zeta)|}{|f|^{2q}} K_j(\zeta, z) dV(\zeta).$$

Let r be a positive number such that $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{p} = 1$. By Hölder's inequality, we have

$$|g_j(z)|^p \leq \left(\int_D \frac{|h(\zeta)|^p}{|f|^{2qp}} |K_j(\zeta, z)| dV(\zeta) \right) \left(\int_D |K_j(\zeta, z)| dV(\zeta) \right)^{\frac{p}{r}}.$$

By proposition 3(ii), we have

$$\int_D |K_j(\zeta, z)| dV(\zeta) \leq c.$$

Thus we have, using proposition 3(i) and the Fubini's theorem,

$$\int_D |g_j(z)|^p dV(z) \leq c \int_D \frac{|h(\zeta)|^p}{|f|^{2qp}} dV(\zeta) < \infty.$$

This completes the proof of theorem 1.

3. The case of the complex ellipsoid type. We set $\delta(z) = -\rho(z)$. From the condition (B), we have the decomposition

$$f_j(\zeta) - f_j(z) = \sum_{k=1}^n g_j^k(\zeta, z)(\zeta_k - z_k)$$

where $g_j^k(\zeta, z) \in H^\infty(D \times D)$. We set

$$\gamma_j(\zeta) = \frac{\partial \rho}{\partial \zeta_j}(\zeta), \quad Q^1 = \frac{\sum_{j=1}^m \gamma_j(\zeta) d\zeta_j}{\rho(\zeta)},$$

$$Q^2 = \frac{\sum_k \sum_j \overline{f_k(\zeta)} g_j^k(\zeta, z) d\zeta_j}{|f(\zeta)|^2}, \quad F(\zeta, z) = \sum_{i=1}^n \gamma_i(\zeta)(z_i - \zeta_i).$$

Then Berndtsson[3] proved that for $h \in A^1(D)$,

$$h(z) = \int_D h(\zeta) \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} C_k \left(\frac{\rho(\zeta)}{F(\zeta, z) + \rho(\zeta)} \right)^{1+n-k} \left(\frac{\overline{f(\zeta)} f(z)}{|f(\zeta)|^2} \right)^{q-k} (\bar{\partial} Q_1)^{n-k} (\bar{\partial} Q^1)^{n-k} \wedge (\bar{\partial} Q^2)^k.$$

Since $q - k > 0$, we have the following.

PROPOSITION 4. For $h \in A^1(D)$, we have

$$h = \sum_{j=1}^m g_j f_j$$

where g_j are written in the following form

$$g_j(z) = \int_D h(\zeta) \sum_{k=0}^{q-1} \left(\frac{\rho(\zeta)}{F(\zeta, z) + \rho(\zeta)} \right)^{1+q-k} (\bar{\partial} Q^1)^{n-k} \wedge \frac{\phi_{k,j}(\zeta, z)}{|f(\zeta)|^{2q}}.$$

In the above integral, $\phi_{k,j}(\zeta, z)$ are bounded (k, k) -forms in $(\zeta, \bar{\zeta})$, depending holomorphically on z .

We set

$$a_i(\zeta_i) = \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \zeta_i \partial \bar{\zeta}_i}(\zeta_i).$$

Then we have (see[4])

$$|\gamma_i(\zeta)| \leq a_i(\zeta_i).$$

Taking account of the equality

$$(\bar{\partial} Q^1)^{n-k} = \frac{1}{\rho^{n-k}} \left(\sum_j \bar{\partial} \gamma_j d\zeta_j \right)^{n-k} + \frac{n-k}{\rho^{n-k+1}} \left(\sum_j \bar{\partial} \gamma_j d\zeta_j \right)^{n-k-1} \wedge (\bar{\partial} \rho \wedge \sum_j \gamma_j d\zeta_j),$$

we have

$$\left\| \left(\frac{\rho(\zeta)}{F(\zeta, z) + \rho(\zeta)} \right)^{1+n-k} (\bar{\partial} Q^1)^{n-k} \right\| \leq \frac{\prod_{s=1}^{n-k} a_{i_s}(\zeta_{i_s})}{|F(\zeta, z) + \rho(\zeta)|^{n+1-k}}$$

where i_1, \dots, i_{n-k} are different from each other. We set

$$L_\rho(\zeta)(\zeta - z)^2 = \sum_{i,j=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 \rho}{\partial \zeta_i \partial \bar{\zeta}_j}(\zeta)(\zeta_i - z_i)(\bar{\zeta}_j - \bar{z}_j).$$

Then by the fundamental inequality proved by Bruna and Castillo[4], there exists a positive number λ such that

$$|F(\zeta, z) + \rho(\zeta)| \geq c(\delta(z) + \delta(\zeta) + L_\rho(\zeta)(\zeta - z)^2 + |\zeta - z|^\lambda + |\operatorname{Im} F(\zeta, z)|).$$

We set

$$T(\zeta, z) = \delta(z) + \delta(\zeta) + L_\rho(\zeta)(\zeta - z)^2 + |\zeta - z|^\lambda + |\operatorname{Im} F(\zeta, z)|.$$

PROOF OF THEOREM 2. (i) In case $p=1$. For a small neighborhood U of $z_0 \in \partial D$, we can choose local coordinates $(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{2n})$ in U for ζ fixed such that $t_1 = -\rho(z)$, $t_2 = \text{Im } F(\zeta, z)$, $t_{2j-1} = \text{Re}(\zeta_j - z_j)$, $t_{2j} = \text{Im}(\zeta_j - z_j)$, $j=2, \dots, n$.

We set

$$t' = (t_3, t_4, \dots, t_{2n}), w_j = \zeta_j - z_j \text{ for } j=2, \dots, n,$$

$$I(\zeta) = \int_{D \cap U} \frac{\prod_{s=1}^{n-k} a_{is}(\zeta_{is})}{T(\zeta, z)^{n-k+1}} dt_1 dt_2 \dots dt_{2n}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} I(\zeta) &\leq c \int_{\substack{0 < t_1 < M \\ 0 < t_2 < M \\ |t'| < M}} \frac{dt_1 dt_2 dt_3 \dots dt_{2n}}{(\delta(\zeta) + t_1 + t_2 + |t'|^\lambda)^2 \prod_{j=2}^{n-k} (t_{2j-1}^2 + t_{2j}^2 + \delta(\zeta) + |t'|^\lambda)} \\ &\leq c \int_{|t'| < M} \frac{|\log(\delta(\zeta) + |t'|^\lambda)| dt_3 \dots dt_{2n}}{\prod_{j=2}^{n-k} (t_{2j-1}^2 + t_{2j}^2 + \delta(\zeta) + |t'|^\lambda)}. \end{aligned}$$

For any η, μ with $0 < \eta < 1$, and $0 < \mu < 1$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I(\zeta) &\leq c_\eta \int_{|t'| < M} \frac{dt_3 \dots dt_{2n}}{(\delta(\zeta) + |t'|^\lambda)^2 \prod_{j=2}^{n-k} (t_{2j-1}^2 + t_{2j}^2 + \delta(\zeta) + |t'|^\lambda)} \\ &\leq c_\eta \int_{|t'| < M} \frac{dt_3 \dots dt_{2n}}{(\delta(\zeta)^\mu (|t'|^\lambda)^{1-\mu})^\eta \prod_{j=2}^{n-k} |w_j|^{2(1-\mu)} \delta(\zeta)^\mu} \\ &\leq c_\eta \int_{|t'| < M} \frac{dt_3 \dots dt_{2n}}{\delta(\zeta)^{\mu(\eta+n-k-1)} \prod_{j=2}^{n-k-1} |w_j|^{2(1-\mu)} |w_{n-k}|^{(1-\mu)(2+\lambda\eta)}} \end{aligned}$$

First we choose μ so small that $\mu(\eta+n-k-1) < \varepsilon$, and then η sufficiently small in such a way that $(1-\mu)(2+\lambda\eta) < 2$.

Then we have

$$I(\zeta) \leq \frac{c\varepsilon}{\delta(\zeta)^\varepsilon}.$$

Therefore we have

$$\int_D |g_j(z)| dV(z) \leq \int_D \frac{c\varepsilon |h(\zeta)|}{|f(\zeta)|^{2q} \delta(\zeta)^\varepsilon} dV(\zeta).$$

Thus we have $g_j \in A^1(D)$.

(ii) In case $1 < p < \infty$. We can write $g_j(z)$ in the following form

$$g_j(z) = \int_D \frac{h(\zeta) K_j(\zeta, z) dV(\zeta)}{|f(\zeta)|^{2q}}.$$

Let r be a positive number such that $\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{p} = 1$. By Hölder's inequality, we have

$$|g_j(z)|^p \leq \left(\int_D \frac{|h(\zeta)|^p |K_j(\zeta, z)| dV(\zeta)}{|f(\zeta)|^{2qp}} \right) \left(\int_D |K_j(\zeta, z)| dV(\zeta) \right)^{\frac{p}{r}}.$$

By the same method as the proof in the case when $p=1$, we have, for any η with $0 < \eta < 1$,

$$\left(\int_D |K_j(\zeta, z)| dV(\zeta) \right)^p \leq c_\eta \delta(z)^{-\eta}.$$

Thus we have, using the same coordinates as in the proof of the case (i),

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{D \cap U} \delta(z)^{-\eta} |K_j(\zeta, z)| dV(z) \\ & \leq c_\eta \int_{D \cap U} \frac{dt_1 dt_2 \dots dt_{2n}}{t_1^\eta (\delta(\zeta) + t_1 t_2 + |t'|^\lambda)^2 \prod_{j=2}^{n-k} (\delta(\zeta) + t_{2j-1}^2 + t_{2j}^2 + |t'|^\lambda)}. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\substack{0 < t_1 < M \\ 0 < t_2 < M}} \frac{dt_1 dt_2}{t_1^\eta (t_1 + t_2 + |t'|^\lambda + \delta(\zeta))^2} & \leq c \int_0^M \frac{dt_1}{t_1^\eta (t_1 + \delta(\zeta) + |t'|^\lambda)} \\ & \leq \frac{c^\eta}{(\delta(\zeta) + |t'|^\lambda)^\eta}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{D \cap U} \delta(z)^{-\eta} |K_j(\zeta, z)| dV(z) \\ & \leq c_\eta \int_{|t'| < M} \frac{dt_3 \dots dt_{2n}}{(\delta(\zeta) + |t'|^\lambda)^\eta \prod_{j=2}^{n-k} (\delta(\zeta) + |w_j|^2 + |t'|^\lambda)} \leq \frac{c_\epsilon}{\delta(\zeta)^\epsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$\int_D |g_j(z)|^p dV(z) \leq c_\epsilon \int \frac{|h(\zeta)|^p}{\delta(\zeta)^\epsilon |f(\zeta)|^{2q p}} dV(\zeta) < \infty.$$

Terefore $g_j \in A^p(D)$. This completes the proof of theorem 2.

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