

## Generalized Weighted Composition Operator on Weighted Hardy Spaces

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### Abstract

Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self-map of the open unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$  in the finite complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\psi$  be an analytic map of the open unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$  to  $\mathbb{C}$ . Let  $C_\varphi$ ,  $M_\psi$  and  $D^n$  be the composition, multiplication and differentiation operators defined by  $C_\varphi f = f \circ \varphi$ ,  $M_\psi f = \psi \cdot f$  and  $D^n f = f^n$  respectively. In this paper, we shall study the boundedness and compactness of the generalized weighted composition operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  defined by  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n f = \psi \cdot (f^n \circ \varphi)$  on weighted Hardy spaces by using the orthonormal basis of the weighted Hardy spaces  $H^2(\beta)$ .

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### 1. Introduction

Throughout this paper, by  $\mathbb{D}$  we shall denote the open unit disc of the finite complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ ; by  $\partial\mathbb{D}$  the boundary of  $\mathbb{D}$ ; by  $H(\mathbb{D})$  the set of all complex valued analytic functions on  $\mathbb{D}$  and by  $\varphi$ , the analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ . Let  $\beta = \{\beta_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  be the sequence of positive numbers such that  $\beta_0 = 1$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_{n+1}}{\beta_n} = 1$ . Then, the weighted Hardy spaces  $H^2(\beta)$  is the Banach space of all analytic functions  $f$  on the open unit disk  $\mathbb{D}$  defined by

$$H^2(\beta) = \left\{ f : z \mapsto \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n \text{ s.t. } \|f\|_{H^2(\beta)}^2 = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 \beta_n^2 < \infty \right\}$$

where  $\|\cdot\|_{H^2(\beta)}$  is a norm on  $H^2(\beta)$ . If  $\beta \equiv 1$ , then  $H^2(\beta)$  becomes the classical Hardy space  $H^2(D)$ . Also,  $H^2(\beta)$  is a Hilbert space w.r.t the inner product defined as  $\langle f, g \rangle = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \bar{b}_n \beta_n^2$  where  $f, g \in H^2(\beta)$ . For a detailed discussion on  $H^2(\beta)$  one can see [12]. Let  $\psi$  be an analytic function from the open unit disc  $\mathbb{D}$  to  $\mathbb{C}$ . Associated with  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$ , the linear operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n : H(\mathbb{D}) \rightarrow H(\mathbb{D})$  is defined by  $f \mapsto \psi f^n \circ \varphi$  and this operator is called the generalised weighted composition operator induced by self-map  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$ . Also associated with  $\psi$ , the multiplication operator  $M_\psi f$  is defined by

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$M_\psi f = \psi f$ . It has been known that the composition operator  $C_\varphi$  is bounded on almost all spaces of analytic functions for example see [1–3], and  $D$  is usually unbounded on spaces of analytic functions. Recently, the above defined operators has received the attention of many researcher see, for example [5,7–11,16]. In [5], Hirschman and Portny defined the product  $C_\varphi D$  and  $DC_\varphi$  and studied the boundedness and compactness of these operators between Bergman and Hardy spaces by using the Carleson-type measure, where as in [10], the author studied the boundedness and compactness of  $C_\varphi D$  and  $DC_\varphi$  between Hardy type spaces. This paper is organised as follows. In the second section, we shall discuss the boundedness of the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  on weighted Hardy spaces  $H^2(\beta)$ , whereas in the third section, we shall study the compactness of the operators  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  on weighted Hardy spaces  $H^2(\beta)$  and in the final section, we shall give necessary and sufficient condition for the operators  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  to be the Hilbert-Schmidt operator on weighted Hardy spaces  $H^2(\beta)$ .

## 2. Boundedness of $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$

In this section, we shall give the necessary and sufficient condition for the boundedness of the operators  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  on weighted Hardy spaces  $H^2(\beta)$ . Recall that a linear operator  $T$  on a Hilbert space  $X$  is bounded if it takes every bounded set in  $X$  into a bounded set in  $X$ .

**Theorem 2.1.** *Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic map such that  $\{\phi^n : n \geq 0\}$  be an orthogonal family. Then, the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is bounded if and only if*

$$\|\psi\| \leq \frac{M}{n!} \beta(n).$$

*Proof.* First, suppose that the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is bounded. Then, there exist  $M > 0$  such that

$$\|W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n f\|_{H^2(\beta)} \leq M \|f\|_{H^2(\beta)} \quad \forall f \in H^2(\beta). \quad (1)$$

Let  $f(z) = z^n$  then  $f \in H^2(\beta)$  so, from equation (1), we have

$$\|W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n z^n\|_{H^2(\beta)} = \|\psi \cdot n!\| \leq M \|z^n\|_{H^2(\beta)}.$$

This implies that

$$\|\psi\| \leq \frac{M}{n!} \beta(n).$$

Conversely, suppose that

$$\|\psi\| \leq \frac{M}{n!} \beta(n). \quad (2)$$

To prove that  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  is bounded. Let  $f \in H^2(\beta)$  be any element such that  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ . Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n f\|_{H^2(\beta)}^2 &= \left\| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n \psi n! \right\|_{H^2(\beta)}^2 \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 (n!)^2 \|\psi\|_{H^2(\beta)}^2 \\
 &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 (n!)^2 \frac{M^2}{(n!)^2} \cdot \beta^2(n) \\
 &= M^2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |a_n|^2 (\beta(n))^2 \\
 &= M^2 \|f\|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

This implies that  $\|W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n f\|_{H^2(\beta)} \leq M \|f\|_{H^2(\beta)}$  and hence the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  is bounded.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.2.** Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic self such that  $\{\varphi^n : n \geq 0\}$  be an orthogonal family. Then, the composition operator  $M_{\psi} C_{\varphi} D : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is bounded if and only if

$$\|\psi \phi^{n-1}\| \leq \frac{M}{n} \beta(n)$$

*Proof.* Let  $n = 1$ , then  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = M_{\psi} C_{\varphi} D$  and proof follows by taking  $D^n = D$  in Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.3.** Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic map such that  $\{\varphi^n : n \geq 0\}$  be an orthogonal family. Then the composition operator  $C_{\varphi} D : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is bounded if and only if

$$\|\phi^{n-1}\| \leq \frac{M}{n} \beta(n)$$

*Proof.* Let  $\psi(z) = 1, n = 1$  then, we have  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = C_{\varphi} D$  and proof follows by taking  $\psi(z) = 1, D^n = D$  in Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

**Corollary 2.4.** Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic map such that  $\{\varphi^n : n \geq 0\}$  be an orthogonal family. Then, the composition operator  $DC_{\varphi} : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is bounded if and only if

$$\|\phi^{n-1} \cdot \phi'\| \leq \frac{M}{n} \beta(n)$$

*Proof.* Let  $\psi(z) = \phi'(z), n = 1$  then  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = DC_{\varphi}$  and proof follows by taking  $\psi(z) = \phi'(z), D^n = D$  in Theorem 2.1.  $\square$

### 3. Compactness of $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$

In this section, we shall study the compactness of the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  on the weighted Hardy spaces  $H^2(\beta)$ . For this, we shall need the following Lemma.

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ . Then, the generalised composition operators  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is compact if and only if for any bounded sequence  $\{f_n\}_{n=0}^\infty$  converges to zero locally uniformly on  $\mathbb{D}$ , we have

$$\|W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n f_n\|_{H^2(\beta)} \rightarrow 0$$

*Proof.* The proof of this Lemma can be written by using the similar argument as in [2].  $\square$

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic self map of  $\mathbb{D}$  such that  $\{\varphi^n : n \geq 0\}$  be an orthogonal family. Then, the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is compact if and only if

$$\frac{\|\psi.n!\|}{\beta_n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

*Proof.* First, suppose that  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is compact and  $\{\frac{z^n}{\beta_n}\}_{n=0}^\infty$  converges uniformly to zero on  $\mathbb{D}$ . Then, by using the Lemma 3.1, we have

$$\|W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n \left\{ \frac{z^n}{\beta_n} \right\}\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

that is

$$\frac{\|\psi.n!\|}{\beta_n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Conversely, suppose that

$$\frac{\|\psi.n!\|}{\beta_n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exist a positive integer  $m$  such that

$$\frac{\|\psi.n!\|}{\beta_n} < \varepsilon \quad \forall n \geq m.$$

Now, let  $f \in H^2(\beta)$  be such that  $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^\infty a_n z^n$ . Define an operator  $T_k$  on  $H^2(\beta)$  as

$$\begin{aligned} T_k f &= \sum_{n=0}^k a_n (W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n z^n) \\ &= \sum_{n=0}^k a_n \psi n! \end{aligned}$$

Then,  $T_k$  is a finite rank operator on  $H^2(\beta)$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \|(W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n - T_k)f\|_{H^2(\beta)}^2 &= \left\| \sum_{n=k+1}^\infty a_n \psi n! \right\|_{H^2(\beta)}^2 \\ &\leq \sum_{n=k+1}^\infty |a_n|^2 (n!)^2 \|\psi\|_{H^2(\beta)}^2 \\ &< \sum_{n=k+1}^\infty |a_n|^2 (n!)^2 \frac{\varepsilon^2}{(n!)^2} (\beta_n)^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$= \varepsilon^2 \|f\|_{H^2(\beta)}^2$$

Thus

$$\|W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n - T_k\| < \varepsilon \quad \forall \quad k \geq m.$$

This proves that the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  is compact.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.3.** *Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic map such that  $\{\phi^n : n \geq 0\}$  be an orthogonal family. Then the composition operator  $M_{\psi} C_{\varphi} D : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is compact if and only if*

$$\frac{\|\psi \cdot n \varphi^{n-1}\|}{\beta_n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

*Proof.* Let  $n = 1$ , then  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = M_{\psi} C_{\varphi} D$  and so the proof follows by taking  $D^n = D$  in Theorem 3.2.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.4.** *Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic map such that  $\{\phi^n : n \geq 0\}$  be an orthogonal family. Then the composition operator  $C_{\varphi} D : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is compact if and only if*

$$\frac{\|n \varphi^{n-1}\|}{\beta_n} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

*Proof.* Let  $\psi(z) = 1, n = 1$  then  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = C_{\varphi} D$  so the proof follows by taking  $\psi(z) = 1, D^n = D$  in Theorem 3.2.  $\square$

**Corollary 3.5.** *Let  $\varphi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$  be an analytic map such that  $\{\phi^n : n \geq 0\}$  be an orthogonal family. Then the composition operator  $DC_{\varphi} : H^2(\beta) \rightarrow H^2(\beta)$  is compact if and only if*

$$\frac{\|\varphi^{n-1} n \varphi'\|}{\beta_n} \rightarrow 0$$

*Proof.* Let  $\psi(z) = \varphi'(z), n = 1$  then  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = DC_{\varphi}$  and so the proof follow by taking  $\psi(z) = \varphi'(z), D^n = D$  in Theorem 3.2.  $\square$

#### 4. Necessary and Sufficient Condition for $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$ to be Hilbert-Schmidt Operator on $H^2(\beta)$

In this section, we shall give necessary and sufficient condition for the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n$  to be Hilbert-Schmidt operator on  $H^2(\beta)$ . Recall that a linear operator  $T$  on a Hilbert space  $H$  is said to be Hilbert-Schmidt operator if  $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \|Te_n\|^2 < \infty$  for some orthonormal basis  $\{e_n : n \geq 0\}$  of Hilbert spaces  $H$ .

**Theorem 4.1.** *Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ . Then the composition operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n : H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D}) \rightarrow H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})$*

is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator if and only if

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n!}{\beta_n} \right)^2 \|\psi\|_{H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})}^2 < \infty.$$

*Proof.* Since  $\{\frac{z^n}{\beta_n}; n \geq 0\}$  is an orthonormal basis for  $H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})$ . Therefore, the operator  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n : H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D}) \longrightarrow H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator

$$\text{if and only if } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \|W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n \left\{ \frac{z^n}{\beta_n} \right\}\|_{H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})}^2 < \infty$$

$$\text{if and only if } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{\|\psi\|_{H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})}^2 n!^2}{(\beta_n)^2} < \infty$$

$$\text{if and only if } \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n!}{\beta_n} \right)^2 \|\psi\|_{H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})}^2 < \infty$$

□

**Corollary 4.2.** Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ . Then the composition operator  $M_{\psi} C_{\varphi} D : H^2(\beta) \longrightarrow H^2(\beta) \longrightarrow H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator if and only if

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left[ \frac{n}{\beta_n} \right]^2 \|\psi \varphi^{n-1}\|_{H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})}^2 < \infty.$$

*Proof.* Let  $n = 1$ , then  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = M_{\psi} C_{\varphi} D$  and so the proof follows by taking  $D^n = D$  in Theorem 4.1. □

**Corollary 4.3.** Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ . Then the composition operator  $C_{\varphi} D : H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D}) \longrightarrow H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator if and only if

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n}{\beta_n} \right)^2 \|\varphi^{n-1}\|_{H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})}^2 < \infty.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\psi(z) = 1, n = 1$  then  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = C_{\varphi} D$  so the proof follows by taking  $\psi(z) = 1, D^n = D$  in Theorem 4.1. □

**Corollary 4.4.** Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ . Then the composition operator  $DC_{\varphi} : H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D}) \longrightarrow H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator if and only if

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{n}{\beta_n} \right)^2 \|\varphi^{n-1} \varphi'\|_{H_{\beta}^2(\mathbb{D})}^2 < \infty.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\psi(z) = \varphi'(z), n = 1$  then  $W_{\psi, \varphi} D^n = DC_{\varphi}$  and so the proof follows by taking  $\psi(z) = \varphi'(z), D^n = D$  in Theorem 4.1. □

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