

DERIVATIVES OF INNER FUNCTIONS IN BERGMAN SPACES INDUCED BY DOUBLING WEIGHTS

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Abstract. We find a condition for the zeros of a Blaschke product B which guarantees that B' belongs to the Bergman space A_{ω}^p induced by a doubling weight ω , and show that this condition is also necessary if the zero-sequence of B is a finite union of separated sequences. We also give a general necessary condition for the zeros when $B' \in A_{\omega}^p$, and offer a characterization of when the derivative of a purely atomic singular inner function belongs to A_{ω}^p .

1. Introduction and main results

Let $\mathcal{H}(\mathbf{D})$ denote the space of analytic functions in the unit disc $\mathbf{D} = \{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z| < 1\}$ of the complex plane \mathbf{C} . A function $\omega : \mathbf{D} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, integrable over \mathbf{D} , is called a weight. It is radial if $\omega(z) = \omega(|z|)$ for all $z \in \mathbf{D}$. For $0 < p < \infty$ and a weight ω , the weighted Bergman space A_{ω}^p consists of $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{D})$ such that

$$\|f\|_{A_{\omega}^p}^p = \int_{\mathbf{D}} |f(z)|^p \omega(z) dA(z) < \infty,$$

where $dA(z) = \frac{dx dy}{\pi}$ is the normalized Lebesgue area measure on \mathbf{D} . As usual, A_{α}^p stands for the classical weighted Bergman space induced by the standard radial weight $\omega(z) = (1 - |z|^2)^{\alpha}$, where $-1 < \alpha < \infty$. For $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{D})$ and $0 < r < 1$, set

$$M_p(r, f) = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{it})|^p dt \right)^{1/p}, \quad 0 < p < \infty,$$

and $M_{\infty}(r, f) = \max_{|z|=r} |f(z)|$. For $0 < p \leq \infty$, the Hardy space H^p consists of $f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{D})$ such that $\|f\|_{H^p} = \sup_{0 < r < 1} M_p(r, f) < \infty$.

A function $\Theta \in H^{\infty}$ is an inner function if it has unimodular radial limits almost everywhere on the boundary \mathbf{T} of the unit disc \mathbf{D} . The question of when the derivative of an inner function belongs to the Hardy or the Bergman spaces has been a subject of research since 1970's. Membership of the derivative in the Hardy space H^p and its Banach envelope B^p , with $0 < p < 1$, was studied in [1, 3, 4, 7, 20, 33]. Derivatives of inner functions in the weighted Bergman space A_{α}^p has been studied in [2, 19, 21], see

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[11, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 22, 32, 34] for recent developments. See also the monographs [9] and [25]. Many known results on the classical weighted Bergman space A_α^p were recently generalized in [6] to the setting of A_ω^p induced by a normal weight ω . Recall that a radial weight ω is called normal if there exist real numbers a and b and $r_0 \in (0, 1)$ such that

$$\frac{\omega(r)}{(1-r)^a} \nearrow \infty, \quad \frac{\omega(r)}{(1-r)^b} \searrow 0,$$

for $r > r_0$ [35]. Normal weights are essentially constant in hyperbolically bounded sets [6, Lemma 1], hence they cannot oscillate too much, and in particular they do not have zeros. The purpose of this note is to continue the line of investigation of [6] with the difference that we consider weights ω that are less regular. The class $\widehat{\mathcal{D}}$ of radial weights ω such that $\widehat{\omega}(z) = \int_{|z|}^1 \omega(s) ds$ admits the doubling property $\widehat{\omega}(z) \leq C\widehat{\omega}(\frac{1+|z|}{2})$ gives a sufficiently general setting for our purposes. Since the definition of $\widehat{\mathcal{D}}$ depends on integrals, it does not require any local smoothness for ω . The point of departure of this study is the recent operator theoretic result which tells, in particular, when the Schwarz–Pick lemma may be applied to the derivative of an inner function in the norm of the Bergman space A_ω^p without causing any essential loss of information. More precisely, if $0 < p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}$, then by the main result in [31] the asymptotic equality

$$(1.1) \quad \|\Theta'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \asymp \int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\frac{1 - |\Theta(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2} \right)^p \omega(z) dA(z)$$

is valid for all inner functions Θ if and only if

$$\sup_{0 < r < 1} \frac{(1-r)^p}{\widehat{\omega}(r)} \int_0^r \frac{\omega(s)}{(1-s)^p} ds < \infty.$$

Writing $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ if the supremum above is finite, an immediate consequence of this result is that each subproduct of a Blaschke product B such that $B' \in A_\omega^p$ with $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ also has its derivative in A_ω^p . We also deduce that, for $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$, the derivative of a finite product $\prod_{j=1}^n \Theta_j$ of inner functions belongs to A_ω^p if and only if $\Theta_j' \in A_\omega^p$ for all $j = 1, \dots, n$. Therefore in this case we may consider different types of inner functions separately. Before proceeding further, more definitions on weights are in order. We say that $\omega \in \mathcal{D}$ if there exist $C = C(\omega) \geq 1$, $\alpha = \alpha(\omega) > 0$ and $\beta = \beta(\omega) \geq \alpha$ such that

$$(1.2) \quad C^{-1} \left(\frac{1-r}{1-t} \right)^\alpha \widehat{\omega}(t) \leq \widehat{\omega}(r) \leq C \left(\frac{1-r}{1-t} \right)^\beta \widehat{\omega}(t), \quad 0 \leq r \leq t < 1.$$

It is known that the existence of β such that the right-hand inequality is satisfied is equivalent to $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}$ by [29, Lemma 1], and therefore $\widehat{\mathcal{D}} = \cup_{p>0} \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$. It is easy to see that the left-hand inequality is equivalent to the existence of $K = K(\omega) > 1$ and $C = C(\omega) > 1$ such that the doubling property $\widehat{\omega}(r) \geq C\widehat{\omega}(1 - \frac{1-r}{K})$ is satisfied for all $0 \leq r < 1$. For details and more, see [30].

For a given sequence $\{z_n\}$ in \mathbf{D} for which $\sum_n (1 - |z_n|)$ converges, the Blaschke product associated with the sequence $\{z_n\}$ is defined as

$$B(z) = \prod_n \frac{|z_n|}{z_n} \frac{z_n - z}{1 - \bar{z}_n z}.$$

A sequence $\{z_n\}$ in \mathbf{D} is called separated (or uniformly discrete) if there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\inf_{k \neq n} \left| \frac{z_k - z_n}{1 - \bar{z}_k z_n} \right| = \delta.$$

Writing $\omega \in \mathcal{J}_p$ if

$$\sup_{0 < r < 1} \frac{(1-r)^p}{\widehat{\omega}(r)} \int_r^1 \frac{\omega(s)}{(1-s)^p} ds < \infty,$$

the main result of this study on Blaschke products reads as follows.

Theorem 1. *Let $\frac{1}{2} < p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p \cap \mathcal{D}$. Let B be the Blaschke product associated with a finite union of separated sequences $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$. If either $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{2p-1}$, or $1 < p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$, then*

$$(1.3) \quad \|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \asymp \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1-|z_n|)^{p-1}}.$$

To give some insight to the hypotheses let us take a look at the case $1 < p < \infty$ in which $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p \cap \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$. Roughly speaking the containment in $\widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ says that the integral $\int_0^r \omega(s)/(1-s)^p ds$ must grow as a negative power of $1-r$, and $\omega \in \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$ if $\int_r^1 \omega(s)/(1-s)^{p-1} ds$ tends to 0 as a positive power of $1-r$. In the case of the standard weight $\omega(z) = (1-|z|^2)^\alpha$, the requirement $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p \cap \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$ reduces to the chain of inequalities $p-2 < \alpha < p-1$. For this special case the result is well known, and is generalized in [6, Theorem 2] for an appropriate subclass of normal weights. Theorem 1 in turn generalizes the last-mentioned result.

In Section 2 we first establish sharp upper bounds for $\|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}$, when B is a general Blaschke product, by using standard techniques. To show that A_ω^p -norm of B' dominates the sum in (1.3) is more involved and the true difficulty in proving Theorem 1 stems from the fact that $\omega \in \mathcal{D}$ does not admit any local smoothness. We circumvent the problem by using maximal functions, their boundedness and Carleson measures for A_ω^p . Therefore our reasoning is substantially different from that of [6, Theorem 2]. The proof of Theorem 1 is presented in Section 2 where we also point out that the hypothesis $\omega \in \mathcal{D}$ can be relaxed to $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}$ if $1 \leq p < \infty$ and B is a Carleson–Newman Blaschke product. The significant difference between the classes \mathcal{D} and $\widehat{\mathcal{D}}$ is that $\widehat{\mathcal{D}}$ contains the so-called rapidly increasing weights that induce Bergman spaces A_ω^p lying in a sense much closer to the Hardy spaces H^p than any of the standard weighted Bergman spaces A_α^p [28]. The canonical example of a smooth weight in $\widehat{\mathcal{D}} \setminus \mathcal{D}$ is $v_\alpha(z) = (1-|z|)^{-1} \left(\log \frac{e}{1-|z|}\right)^{-\alpha}$ for each $1 < \alpha < \infty$.

It is natural to search for necessary conditions for the zeros $\{z_n\}$ of a Blaschke product B when its derivative belongs to A_ω^p . It is known by [3] that $\sum_n (1-|z_n|)^\beta < \infty$ for all $\beta > (1+\alpha)/-\alpha$ if $B' \in A_\alpha^1$ with $-1 < \alpha < -1/2$. This result was recently generalized in [32] to other values of $p < 1$: If $B' \in A_\alpha^p$, where $3/2 + \alpha < p \leq 1$, then $\sum_n (1-|z_n|)^\beta < \infty$ for all $\beta > (2+\alpha-p)/(p-\alpha-1)$. The case (a) of the next result gives an analogue of these results for A_ω^p .

Theorem 2. *Let ω be a radial weight, and let B be the Blaschke product associated with a sequence $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$.*

(a) Let $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$. If there exist $\varepsilon > 0$ and a constant $C = C(p, \varepsilon, \omega) > 0$ such that

$$(1.4) \quad \widehat{\omega}(r) \leq C \left(\frac{1-r}{1-t} \right)^{p-\varepsilon} \widehat{\omega}(t), \quad 0 \leq r \leq t < 1,$$

then $\|B'\|_{A_\omega^p} \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^\infty \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} (1 - |z_n|)^\gamma$ for all $\gamma > \frac{1-p}{\varepsilon}$.

(b) Let $1 < p < \infty$. If there exist $\varepsilon > p - 1$, $\frac{1-p}{1+\varepsilon-p} < \gamma < 0$ and a constant $C = C(p, \varepsilon, \omega, \gamma) \geq 1$ such that

$$(1.5) \quad C^{-1} \left(\frac{1-r}{1-t} \right)^{\gamma(p-\varepsilon-1)} \widehat{\omega}(t) \leq \widehat{\omega}(r) \leq C \left(\frac{1-r}{1-t} \right)^{p-\varepsilon} \widehat{\omega}(t), \quad 0 \leq r \leq t < 1,$$

then $\|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^\infty \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{1+\varepsilon-p}} (1 - |z_n|)^\gamma$.

If $\omega(z) = (1 - |z|)^\alpha$, then $\widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}} (1 - |z_n|)^\gamma \asymp (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{\alpha+1}{\varepsilon} + \gamma}$. Since $\gamma > (1 - p)/\varepsilon$, we have $(\alpha + 1)/\varepsilon + \gamma > (2 + \alpha - p)/\varepsilon$, where $\varepsilon \leq p - \alpha - 1$ by the hypothesis (1.4). Thus [32, Theorem 1] follows from Theorem 2. Further, (b) shows that if $B' \in A_\alpha^p$ with $\alpha < 0$ and $p > \max\{1, 2(1 + \alpha)\}$, then $\sum_n (1 - |z_n|)^\beta < \infty$ for all $\beta > (p - 2)/\alpha - 1$. This is a natural counterpart of [3, Theorem 6] for $p > 1$.

The proof of Theorem 2 is given at the end of Section 2. The argument we employ uses ideas from the proofs of [3, Theorem 6] and [32, Theorem 1]. The presence of a general weight ω instead of the standard weight causes technical obstructions in the argument, but also allows us to make certain parts of the proof more simple and transparent. Therefore Theorem 2 can be considered as a streamlined generalization of [3, Theorem 6] and [32, Theorem 1].

Singular inner functions are of the form

$$S_\sigma(z) = \exp \left(\int_{\mathbf{T}} \frac{z+w}{z-w} d\sigma(w) \right), \quad z \in \mathbf{D},$$

where σ is a positive measure on \mathbf{T} , singular with respect to the Lebesgue measure. If the measure σ is purely atomic, then this definition reduces to the form

$$S(z) = \prod_n \exp \left(\gamma_n \frac{z + \xi_n}{z - \xi_n} \right) = \exp \left(\sum_n \gamma_n \frac{z + \xi_n}{z - \xi_n} \right), \quad z \in \mathbf{D},$$

where $\xi_n \in \mathbf{T}$ are distinct points and $\gamma_n > 0$ satisfy $\sum_n \gamma_n < \infty$. This type of functions are known as purely atomic singular inner functions associated with $\{\xi_n\}$ and $\{\gamma_n\}$. If there exist $\varepsilon > 0$ and an index j such that $|\xi_j - \xi_n| > \varepsilon$ for all $n \neq j$, then S is said to be associated with a measure having a separate mass point. In the case where the product has only one term, S is called an atomic singular inner function.

In Section 3 we consider purely atomic singular inner functions. A useful auxiliary result for our purposes is a combination of the first corollary of [2, Theorem 5] and [27, Theorems 4.4.5 and 4.4.8]: If $0 < p < \infty$ and S is a singular inner function, then

$$(1.6) \quad \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt}{(1-r)^p} \gtrsim \begin{cases} 1, & p < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \log \left(\frac{e}{1-r} \right), & p = \frac{1}{2}, \\ (1-r)^{1/2-p}, & p > \frac{1}{2}, \end{cases}$$

for $0 \leq r < 1$. An immediate consequence of this estimate and (1.1) is that there does not exist singular inner functions S such that $S' \in A_\omega^p$ if $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ and either $p = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\int_0^1 \omega(r) \log \left(\frac{1}{1-r} \right) dr = \infty$ or $p > \frac{1}{2}$ and $\int_0^1 \omega(r) (1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}-p} dr = \infty$. Regarding (1.6),

we will show that purely atomic singular inner functions associated with measures whose masses γ_n satisfy $\sum_n \gamma_n^{\widehat{p}} < \infty$, where $\widehat{p} = \min\{\frac{1}{2}, p\}$, obey \asymp instead of \gtrsim only. Further, it will turn out that for $p \geq \frac{1}{2}$ these are the only singular inner functions satisfying \asymp instead of \gtrsim in (1.6). As a consequence of these deductions and (1.1), we obtain the following theorem which is the last of the main results of this study.

Theorem 3. *Let $0 < p < \infty$ and $\widehat{p} = \min\{\frac{1}{2}, p\}$. Let ω be a radial weight, and let S be a purely atomic singular inner function satisfying $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n^{\widehat{p}} < \infty$. Moreover, assume that either $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ or S is associated with a measure having a separate mass point.*

- (a) *If $p < \frac{1}{2}$, then $S' \in A_{\omega}^p$ and $\int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\frac{1-|S(z)|^2}{1-|z|^2}\right)^p \omega(z) dA(z) < \infty$.*
- (b) *If $p = \frac{1}{2}$, then the following statements are equivalent:*
 - (i) $S' \in A_{\omega}^p$;
 - (ii) $\int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\frac{1-|S(z)|^2}{1-|z|^2}\right)^p \omega(z) dA(z) < \infty$;
 - (iii) $\int_0^1 \omega(r) \log\left(\frac{1}{1-r}\right) dr < \infty$.
- (c) *If $p > \frac{1}{2}$, then the following statements are equivalent:*
 - (i) $S' \in A_{\omega}^p$;
 - (ii) $\int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\frac{1-|S(z)|^2}{1-|z|^2}\right)^p \omega(z) dA(z) < \infty$;
 - (iii) $\int_0^1 \omega(r)(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}-p} dr < \infty$.

Theorem 3 is based on Theorems 8 and 10, to be proven in Section 3, which show that $M_p^p(r, S')$ and $\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt / (1 - r)^p$ are comparable under appropriate hypotheses. Since these results concern the L^p -means of S' , they immediately give information on the question of when S' belongs to the Hardy space H^p . At this point it is also worth observing that for all inner functions Θ the quantities $\|\Theta'\|_{H^p}^p$ and $\sup_{0 < r < 1} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |\Theta(re^{it})|)^p dt / (1 - r)^p$ are comparable, see, for example, [31, Theorem 2].

We have not found the statement of Theorem 3 even in the special case of the classical weighted Bergman spaces A_{α}^p in the existing literature. Although, by using the estimates for $\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|) dt$ and $M_{1/2}(r, S')$ established in [1, 5], where S is as in Theorem 3, one may easily prove some particular cases of our theorem. Moreover, in view of the main result in [26] our result does not come as a surprise in the case of atomic singular inner functions.

2. Blaschke products

We begin with upper bounds for $\|B'\|_{A_{\omega}^p}$ when B is any Blaschke product. For short, we write $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{\log}$ if

$$\sup_{0 < r < 1} \left(\log\left(\frac{e}{1-r}\right) \widehat{\omega}(r)\right)^{-1} \int_0^r \log\left(\frac{e}{1-s}\right) \omega(s) ds < \infty.$$

Proposition 4. *Let B be the Blaschke product associated with a sequence $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$, and let ω be a radial weight.*

- (a) *If $0 < p < \frac{1}{2}$, then $\|B'\|_{A_{\omega}^p}^p \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^p$.*

(b) If $p = \frac{1}{2}$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{\log}$, then

$$\|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1 - |z_n|)^{p-1}} \log \frac{e}{1 - |z_n|}.$$

(c) If $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{2p-1}$, then

$$\|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1 - |z_n|)^{p-1}}.$$

(d) If $1 < p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p \cap \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$, then

$$\|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1 - |z_n|)^{p-1}}.$$

Proof. Since

$$\frac{B'(z)}{B(z)} = \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{|z_n|^2 - 1}{(1 - \bar{z}_n z)(z_n - z)},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} |B'(z)| &= \left| \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1 - |z_n|^2}{(1 - \bar{z}_n z)(z_n - z)} \right| \left| \prod_{k=1}^\infty \frac{|z_k|}{z_k} \frac{z_k - z}{1 - \bar{z}_k z} \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{1 - |z_n|^2}{|z_n - z| |1 - \bar{z}_n z|} \frac{|z_n - z|}{|1 - \bar{z}_n z|} |B_n(z)| \leq \sum_{n=1}^\infty |\varphi'_{z_n}(z)|, \end{aligned}$$

where $B_n(z) = \prod_{k \neq n} \frac{|z_k|}{z_k} \frac{z_k - z}{1 - \bar{z}_k z}$ and $\varphi_a(z) = \frac{a-z}{1-\bar{a}z}$ for all $a, z \in \mathbf{D}$. If $0 < p \leq 1$, then $h(x) = x^p$ is sub-additive, and hence

$$\int_{\mathbf{D}} |B'(z)|^p \omega(z) dA(z) \leq \sum_{n=1}^\infty (1 - |z_n|^2)^p \int_{\mathbf{D}} \frac{\omega(z)}{|1 - \bar{z}_n z|^{2p}} dA(z),$$

where, by direct calculations,

$$\int_{\mathbf{D}} \frac{\omega(z)}{|1 - \bar{z}_n z|^{2p}} dA(z) \asymp \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < p < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \int_0^1 \log \frac{e}{1 - |z_n| r} \omega(r) dr, & p = \frac{1}{2}, \\ \int_0^1 \frac{\omega(r)}{(1 - |z_n| r)^{2p-1}} dr, & \frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

The assertions in the cases (a)–(c) now follow by dividing the integrals into two parts, from zero to $|z_n|$ and the rest, then by estimating in a natural manner and finally using the hypotheses. If $p \geq 1$, then the Schwarz–Pick lemma and a similar deduction as in the case $p = 1$ yield

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\mathbf{D}} |B'(z)|^p \omega(z) dA(z) &\leq \int_{\mathbf{D}} |B'(z)| \frac{\omega(z)}{(1 - |z|)^{p-1}} dA(z) \\ &\lesssim \sum_{n=1}^\infty (1 - |z_n|) \int_0^1 \frac{\omega(r)}{(1 - r)^{p-1} (1 - |z_n| r)} dr, \end{aligned}$$

and the assertion (d) follows similarly as in the previous cases. □

Let $N(f)(z) = \sup_{\zeta \in \Gamma(z)} |f(\zeta)|$ denote the maximal function related to the lens type regions

$$\Gamma(z) = \left\{ \zeta \in \mathbf{D} : |\arg z - \arg \zeta| < \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \left| \frac{\zeta}{z} \right| \right) \right\}, \quad z \in \mathbf{D} \setminus \{0\},$$

with vertexes inside the disc. The Hardy–Littlewood maximal theorem [12, Theorem 3.1, p. 55] shows that $N: A^p_\omega \rightarrow L^p_\omega$ is bounded and there exists a constant $C > 0$, independent of p , such that

$$(2.1) \quad \|f\|_{A^p_\omega} \leq \|N(f)\|_{L^p_\omega} \leq C\|f\|_{A^p_\omega}, \quad f \in \mathcal{H}(\mathbf{D}),$$

see [28, Lemma 4.4] for details. With these preparations we are ready to prove our main result on Blaschke products.

Proof of Theorem 1. By Proposition 4 it suffices to show that $\sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1-|z_n|)^{p-1}}$ is dominated by a constant times $\|B'\|_{A^p_\omega}^p$. Note that for Proposition 4 we have to assume either $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{2p-1}$ or $1 < p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p \cap \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$. In the remaining part of the proof only the hypothesis $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p \cap \mathcal{D}$ is needed. It is worth noting that this part uses some ideas from the proof of [31, Theorem 1].

Let $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty = \bigcup_{j=1}^M \{z_n^j\}_{n=1}^\infty$, where each $\{z_n^j\}_{n=1}^\infty$ is separated with a separation constant δ_j . Let $r < \min\{\delta_j: j = 1, \dots, M\}$ such that for given j , the discs $\Delta(z_n^j) = \{z \in \mathbf{D}: |z_n^j - z| < r(1 - |z_n^j|)\}$ are pairwise disjoint. Then

$$|B(z)| \leq \frac{|z - z_n^j|}{|1 - \overline{z_n^j}z|} \leq \frac{|z - z_n^j|}{1 - |z_n^j|} < r, \quad z \in \Delta(z_n^j),$$

and hence

$$\sup_{z \in \cup \Delta(z_n^j)} |B(z)| \leq r < 1, \quad j = 1, \dots, M.$$

Since $\omega \in \mathcal{D}$ by the hypothesis, $\widehat{\omega}$ is essentially constant in each disc $\Delta(z_n^j)$ by (1.2). This and the obvious inequality $1 - |B(r\xi)| \leq \int_r^1 |B'(s\xi)| ds$, valid for almost every $\xi \in \mathbf{T}$, now yield

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1 - |z_n|)^{p-1}} &= \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n^j)}{(1 - |z_n^j|)^{p-1}} \\ &\lesssim \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_{\Delta(z_n^j)} (1 - |B(z)|)^p dA(z) \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n^j)}{(1 - |z_n^j|)^{p+1}} \\ &\asymp \sum_{j=1}^M \sum_{n=1}^\infty \int_{\Delta(z_n^j)} (1 - |B(z)|)^p \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z)}{(1 - |z|)^{p+1}} dA(z) \\ &\leq M \int_{\mathbf{D}} (1 - |B(z)|)^p \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z)}{(1 - |z|)^{p+1}} dA(z) \\ &\leq M \int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\int_{|z|}^1 \left| B' \left(s \frac{z}{|z|} \right) \right| ds \right)^p \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z)}{(1 - |z|)^{p+1}} dA(z). \end{aligned}$$

Consider first the case $0 < p \leq 1$. By [31, Lemma 4], the inner integral is dominated by a constant times

$$\left(\int_{|z|}^1 N(B') \left(s \frac{z}{|z|} \right)^p (1 - s)^{p-1} ds \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

This estimate together with Fubini’s theorem and (2.1) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1 - |z_n|)^{p-1}} &\lesssim \int_{\mathbf{D}} |B'(z)|^p (1 - |z|)^{p-1} \left(\int_0^{|z|} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{(1 - s)^{p+1}} ds \right) dA(z) \\ &= \int_{\mathbf{D}} |B'(z)|^p d\mu_{p,\omega}(z), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$d\mu_{p,\omega}(z) = (1 - |z|)^{p-1} \left(\int_0^{|z|} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{(1 - s)^{p+1}} ds \right) dA(z).$$

The right-hand side is bounded by a constant times $\|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p$ if A_ω^p is continuously embedded into $L_{\mu_{p,\omega}}^p$, that is, if $\mu_{p,\omega}$ is a p -Carleson measure for A_ω^p . By [29, Theorem 1] this is the case if (and only if) $\mu_{p,\omega}(S(a)) \lesssim \omega(S(a))$ for all Carleson squares $S(a) = \{z \in \mathbf{D} : |\arg z - \arg a| < \frac{1-|a|}{2}, |z| \geq |a|\}$ with $a \in \mathbf{D} \setminus \{0\}$. Since both $\mu_{p,\omega}$ and ω are radial, this condition is equivalent to

$$(2.2) \quad \int_r^1 (1 - t)^{p-1} \left(\int_0^t \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{(1 - s)^{p+1}} ds \right) dt \lesssim \widehat{\omega}(r), \quad 0 < r < 1.$$

Fubini’s theorem shows that the left-hand side equals to

$$\frac{1}{p} \left((1 - r)^p \int_0^r \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{(1 - s)^{p+1}} ds + \int_r^1 \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{1 - s} ds \right),$$

where, by an integration by parts and the hypothesis $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^r \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{(1 - s)^{p+1}} ds &= \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1 - r)^p} - \widehat{\omega}(0) + \int_0^r \frac{\omega(s)}{(1 - s)^p} ds \right) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{p} \left(\frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1 - r)^p} - \widehat{\omega}(0) + \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p(\omega) \frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1 - r)^p} \right), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\int_r^1 \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{1 - s} ds = \int_r^1 \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{(1 - s)^\beta (1 - s)^{1-\beta}} ds \lesssim \frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1 - r)^\beta} \int_r^1 \frac{ds}{(1 - s)^{1-\beta}} \asymp \widehat{\omega}(r)$$

by the first inequality in (1.2). It follows that (2.2) is satisfied, and hence the case $0 < p \leq 1$ is proved.

Let now $1 < p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p \cap \mathcal{D}$. Two integrations by parts show that the condition $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ is self-improving in the sense that if $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$, then $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{p-\varepsilon}$ for all $\varepsilon > 0$ sufficiently small, see the proof of [31, Lemma 3] for details. Hence we may choose $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(p, \omega) \in (0, p - 1)$ such that $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{p-\varepsilon}$, and define $h(z) = (1 - |z|)^{\frac{p-1-\varepsilon}{p}}$. Then Hölder’s inequality and Fubini’s theorem yield

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\int_{|z|}^1 \left| B' \left(s \frac{z}{|z|} \right) \right| ds \right)^p \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z)}{(1 - |z|)^{p+1}} dA(z) \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbf{D}} \int_{|z|}^1 \left| B' \left(s \frac{z}{|z|} \right) \right|^p h(s)^p ds \left(\int_{|z|}^1 \frac{dt}{h(t)^{p'}} \right)^{p-1} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z)}{(1 - |z|)^{p+1}} dA(z) \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^{2\pi} |B'(se^{i\theta})|^p d\theta h(s)^p \int_0^s \left(\int_r^1 \frac{dt}{h(t)^{p'}} \right)^{p-1} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1 - r)^{p+1}} r dr ds \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\asymp \int_{\mathbf{D}} |B'(z)|^p h(z)^p \int_0^{|z|} \left(\int_r^1 \frac{dt}{h(t)^{p'}} \right)^{p-1} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1-r)^{p+1}} dr dA(z) \\ &\asymp \int_{\mathbf{D}} |B'(z)|^p (1-|z|)^{p-1-\varepsilon} \left(\int_0^{|z|} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1-r)^{p+1-\varepsilon}} dr \right) dA(z). \end{aligned}$$

Since the p -Carleson measures for A_ω^p are independent of p by [29, Theorem 1], (2.2) with p replaced by $p - \varepsilon$ implies that $\mu_{p-\varepsilon,\omega}$ is a p -Carleson measure for A_ω^p . The assertion in the case $1 < p < \infty$ follows, and the proof is complete. \square

The Blaschke product B with the zero-sequence $\{z_n\}$ is called a Carleson–Newman Blaschke product if the measure

$$\mu = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|) \delta_{z_n}$$

is a p -Carleson measure for H^p . This is equivalent to $\{z_n\}$ being a finite union of uniformly separated sequences which is the same as B being a finite product of interpolating Blaschke products. An equivalent quantitative condition is

$$(2.3) \quad \sup_{a \in \mathbf{D}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |\varphi_a(z_n)|) < \infty,$$

see [12, 23, 24]. Recall that $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is uniformly separated, if there exists a constant $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\inf_{n \in \mathbf{N}} \prod_{k \neq n} \left| \frac{z_k - z_n}{1 - \bar{z}_k z_n} \right| = \delta.$$

The following result shows that in Theorem 1 we may omit the hypothesis $\omega \in \mathcal{D}$ if $1 \leq p < \infty$ and B is a Carleson–Newman Blaschke product.

Proposition 5. *Let $1 \leq p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$, and let B be the Carleson–Newman Blaschke product associated with $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Then*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1 - |z_n|)^{p-1}} \lesssim \|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p.$$

Proof. It is well known that the Carleson–Newman Blaschke product B satisfies

$$(2.4) \quad 1 - |B(z)|^2 \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |\varphi_{z_n}(z)|^2), \quad z \in \mathbf{D}.$$

We sketch a proof of this fact for the convenience of the reader. Since $1 - r^2 \leq -2 \log r$ for $0 < r \leq 1$, $2 \log |B(z)| \leq -\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |\varphi_{z_n}(z)|^2)$, and hence $|B(z)|^2 \leq \exp(-\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |\varphi_{z_n}(z)|^2))$. This together with (2.3) and the fact that $(1 - e^{-x})/x$ is decreasing yields (2.4). By combining (1.1) and (2.4) we deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \|B'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p &\gtrsim \int_{\mathbf{D}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |\varphi_{z_n}(z)|^2)^p \frac{\omega(z)}{(1 - |z|)^p} dA(z) \\ &\asymp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^p \int_0^1 \frac{\omega(s)}{(1 - |z_n|s)^{2p-1}} ds \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1 - |z_n|)^{p-1}}, \end{aligned}$$

and the assertion is proved. \square

If Θ is an inner function, then there exists a Blaschke product B_Θ associated with a uniformly separated sequence $\{z_n\}$ such that $1 - |\Theta(z)| \asymp 1 - |B_\Theta(z)|$ for all $z \in \mathbf{D}$ [7, 8]. B_Θ is called an approximating Blaschke product of Θ . By using Proposition 5, we obtain the following result.

Corollary 6. *Let $1 < p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ such that $\widehat{\omega}(r)(1-r)^{1-p} \gtrsim 1$, as $r \rightarrow 1^-$, and let Θ be an inner function. Then $\Theta' \in A_\omega^p$ if and only if Θ is a finite Blaschke product.*

Proof. Since $\Theta' \in H^\infty$ if Θ is a finite Blaschke product, it suffices to prove the “only if” part of the assertion. Let Θ be an inner function and assume first that its approximating Blaschke product B_Θ has infinitely many zeros $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$. Then (1.1), Proposition 5 and the hypothesis $\widehat{\omega}(r)(1-r)^{1-p} \gtrsim 1$, as $r \rightarrow 1^-$, yield

$$\begin{aligned} \|\Theta'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p &\asymp \int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\frac{1 - |\Theta(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2} \right)^p \omega(z) dA(z) \asymp \int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\frac{1 - |B_\Theta(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2} \right)^p \omega(z) dA(z) \\ &\asymp \|B'_\Theta\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^\infty \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1 - |z_n|)^{p-1}} = \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $\Theta' \in A_\omega^p$ only if B_Θ is a finite Blaschke product. But if B_Θ has finitely many zeros, then

$$|\Theta'(z)| \leq \frac{1 - |\Theta(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2} \asymp \frac{1 - |B_\Theta(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2} \asymp |B'_\Theta(z)|, \quad |z| \rightarrow 1^-,$$

and hence Θ is continuous up to the boundary [10, Theorem 3.11]. Therefore Θ is a finite Blaschke product, and the assertion is proved. \square

We next establish a generalization of [6, Corollary 2] and [19, Theorem 7(b)]. For $q > 0$ and a weight ω , we write $\omega_q(z) = \omega(z)(1 - |z|)^q$ for all $z \in \mathbf{D}$. Corollary 7 shows that, under appropriate hypotheses, the quantities $\|\Theta'\|_{A_\omega^p}$ and $\|\Theta'\|_{A_{\omega_q}^{p+q}}$ are finite at the same time for each inner function Θ .

Corollary 7. *Let $\frac{1}{2} < p < \infty$, $0 < q < \infty$ and $\omega \in \mathcal{D}$, and let Θ be an inner function. If*

- (a) $1 < p < \infty$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p \cap \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$, or
- (b) $p + q \leq 1$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{2p-1}$, or
- (c) $1 < p + q \leq 1 + q$ and $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{2p-1} \cap \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$,

then $\|\Theta'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \asymp \|\Theta'\|_{A_{\omega_q}^{p+q}}^{p+q}$.

Proof. We begin with showing that if $\omega \in \mathcal{D}$ and $0 < q < \infty$, then

$$(2.5) \quad \widehat{\omega}_q(z) \asymp \widehat{\omega}(z)(1 - |z|)^q, \quad z \in \mathbf{D}.$$

Since for each radial ω we have $\widehat{\omega}_q(z) \leq \widehat{\omega}(z)(1 - |z|)^q$ for all $z \in \mathbf{D}$, it suffices to show that $\widehat{\omega}_q(r) \gtrsim \widehat{\omega}(r)(1 - r)^q$ for all $0 \leq r < 1$. To see this, let $C = C(\omega) \geq 1$, $\alpha = \alpha(\omega) > 0$ and $\beta = \beta(\omega) \geq \alpha$ be the constants appearing in (1.2). Let $0 \leq r < 1$ and choose $a = a(\omega)$ such that $1 - C^{-1/\alpha} < a < 1$. Set $r_0 = r$ and $r_{n+1} = r_n + a(1 - r_n)$

for all $n \in \mathbf{N} \cup \{0\}$. Then $r_n \rightarrow 1^-$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and hence (1.2) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{\omega}_q(r) &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \int_{r_n}^{r_{n+1}} \omega(s)(1-s)^q ds \geq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1-r_{n+1})^q (\widehat{\omega}(r_n) - \widehat{\omega}(r_{n+1})) \\ &= (1-r)^q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1-a)^{q(n+1)} (\widehat{\omega}(r_n) - \widehat{\omega}(r_{n+1})) \\ &\geq (1-r)^q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1-a)^{q(n+1)} \widehat{\omega}(r_n) \left(1 - C \left(\frac{1-r_{n+1}}{1-r_n}\right)^\alpha\right) \\ &= (1 - C(1-a)^\alpha) (1-r)^q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1-a)^{q(n+1)} \widehat{\omega}(r_n) \\ &\geq C^{-1} (1 - C(1-a)^\alpha) \widehat{\omega}(r) (1-r)^q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1-a)^{q(n+1)} \left(\frac{1-r_n}{1-r}\right)^\beta \\ &= C^{-1} (1 - C(1-a)^\alpha) \widehat{\omega}(r) (1-r)^q \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1-a)^{n(q+\beta)+q} \asymp \widehat{\omega}(r) (1-r)^q, \end{aligned}$$

and (2.5) follows.

Let B_Θ be the approximating Blaschke product of Θ with zeros $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$. Let first $1 < p < \infty$. By using (2.5) it is easy to see that the conditions $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ and $\omega \in \mathcal{J}_{p-1}$ are equivalent to $\omega_q \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_{p+q}$ and $\omega_q \in \mathcal{J}_{p+q-1}$, respectively. Therefore (1.1), Theorem 1 and (2.5) yield

$$\|\Theta'\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \asymp \|B'_\Theta\|_{A_\omega^p}^p \asymp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\widehat{\omega}(z_n)}{(1-|z_n|)^{p-1}} \asymp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\widehat{\omega}_q(z_n)}{(1-|z_n|)^{p+q-1}} \asymp \|B'_\Theta\|_{A_{\omega_q}^{p+q}}^{p+q} \asymp \|\Theta'\|_{A_{\omega_q}^{p+q}}^{p+q},$$

and thus the assertion is proved for $1 < p < \infty$. The other two cases follow in a similar manner. □

We end this section with the proof of Theorem 2.

Proof of Theorem 2. Let $\frac{1}{2} < p < \infty$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ be as in the statement of the theorem. Assume, without loss of generality, that $\{z_n\}$ is ordered by increasing moduli and $z_n \neq 0$ for all n . An integration by parts shows that $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ if and only if

$$\frac{(1-r)^p}{\widehat{\omega}(r)} \int_0^r \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{(1-s)^{p+1}} ds \asymp 1, \quad r \rightarrow 1^-.$$

But since (1.4) is satisfied by the hypothesis,

$$\int_0^r \frac{\widehat{\omega}(s)}{(1-s)^{p+1}} ds \lesssim \frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1-r)^{p-\varepsilon}} \int_0^r \frac{ds}{(1-s)^{p+1-p+\varepsilon}} \asymp \frac{\widehat{\omega}(r)}{(1-r)^p}, \quad 0 \leq r < 1,$$

and thus $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$. Further, by the proof of [3, Theorem 6],

$$\frac{1 - |B(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |B_n(z)|^2 \frac{1 - |z_n|^2}{|1 - \bar{z}_n z|^2}, \quad z \in \mathbf{D},$$

where

$$B_n(z) = \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{z_j - z}{1 - \bar{z}_j z}, \quad n \in \mathbf{N}, \quad z \in \mathbf{D},$$

and hence (1.1) implies

$$(2.6) \quad \|B'\|_{A_w^p}^p \asymp \int_{\mathbf{D}} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |B_n(z)|^2 \frac{1 - |z_n|}{|1 - \bar{z}_n z|^2} \right)^p \omega(r) dA(z).$$

We next estimate $|B_n|$ appropriately downwards close to the boundary. To do this, let

$$\rho_{\varepsilon, \gamma}(z) = \widehat{\omega}(z)^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon + \min\{0, 1-p\}}} (1 - |z|)^{\gamma-1}, \quad z \in \mathbf{D},$$

and set $\gamma_0 = \inf\{\gamma \geq 0 : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_n(1 - |z_n|) < \infty\}$, where $\rho_n = \rho_{\varepsilon, \gamma}(z_n)$. Since $\{z_n\}$ is a Blaschke sequence, $\gamma_0 \leq 1$. Let $\gamma > \gamma_0 = \gamma_0(\varepsilon)$ so that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \rho_n(1 - |z_n|)$ converges. As in the proof of [32, Theorem 1], note that

$$\frac{r - |z_j|}{1 - |z_j|r} \geq |z_j|^\rho \iff r \geq \frac{|z_j| + |z_j|^\rho}{1 + |z_j|^{\rho+1}}, \quad 0 < r < 1, \quad 0 < \rho < \infty,$$

and let

$$r_j = \frac{|z_j| + |z_j|^{\rho_j}}{1 + |z_j|^{\rho_j+1}} = 1 - \frac{(1 - |z_j|)(1 - |z_j|^{\rho_j})}{1 + |z_j|^{\rho_j+1}}, \quad j \in \mathbf{N}.$$

Then $|z_j| < r_j < 1$ for all $j \in \mathbf{N}$. Moreover, for $|z| \geq R_n = \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} r_j$, we have

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} |B_n(z)| &\geq \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{|z| - |z_j|}{1 - |z_j||z|} \geq \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{R_n - |z_j|}{1 - |z_j|R_n} \geq \prod_{j=1}^{n-1} |z_j|^{\rho_j} \geq \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} |z_j|^{\rho_j} \\ &= \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \rho_j \log |z_j|\right) \geq \exp\left(-\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \frac{\rho_j(1 - |z_j|)}{|z_j|}\right) \gtrsim 1. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$. Then (2.6), Minkowski’s inequality and (2.7) yield

$$\begin{aligned} \|B'\|_{A_w^p} &\gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbf{D}} |B_n(z)|^{2p} \frac{(1 - |z_n|)^p}{|1 - \bar{z}_n z|^{2p}} \omega(z) dA(z) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\mathbf{D} \setminus D(0, R_n)} \frac{(1 - |z_n|)^p}{|1 - \bar{z}_n z|^{2p}} \omega(z) dA(z) \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \\ &\asymp \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|) \left(\int_{R_n}^1 \frac{\omega(r) dr}{(1 - |z_n|r)^{2p-1}} \right)^{\frac{1}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Recall that $|z_j| < r_j \leq R_j$, and hence

$$\begin{aligned} \|B'\|_{A_w^p} &\gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \widehat{\omega}(R_n)^{\frac{1}{p}} \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\frac{1 - R_n}{1 - |z_n|} \right)^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}} \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\frac{\inf_{1 \leq j \leq n} (1 - r_j)}{1 - |z_n|} \right)^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $1 - r_j \geq (1 - |z_j|)(1 - |z_j|^{\rho_j})/2$ and $\{z_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is ordered by increasing moduli, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|B'\|_{A_w^p} &\gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\frac{\inf_{1 \leq j \leq n} (1 - |z_j|)(1 - |z_j|^{\rho_j})}{1 - |z_n|} \right)^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}} \\ &\geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\inf_{1 \leq j \leq n} (1 - |z_j|^{\rho_j}) \right)^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}}. \end{aligned}$$

Now that $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \rho_j(1 - |z_j|)$ converges and $z_j \neq 0$ for all j , there exists $\delta > 0$ such that

$$\inf_{j \in \mathbf{N}} |z_j|^{\rho_j} = \inf_{j \in \mathbf{N}} \left(|z_j|^{(1-|z_j|)^{-1}} \right)^{\rho_j(1-|z_j|)} \geq \delta.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \|B'\|_{A_{\omega}^p} &\gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\inf_{1 \leq j \leq n} |z_j|^{\rho_j} \log \frac{1}{|z_j|^{\rho_j}} \right)^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}} \\ &\gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{1}{p}-1} \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\inf_{1 \leq j \leq n} \rho_j(1 - |z_j|) \right)^{\frac{p-\varepsilon}{p}} \\ &\geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{\frac{1+\gamma(p-\varepsilon)-p}{p}} \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{\varepsilon}}. \end{aligned}$$

If $B' \in A_{\omega}^p$, then $1 + \gamma(p - \varepsilon) - p > p\gamma_0$, and by letting $\gamma \rightarrow \gamma_0$, we deduce $\gamma_0 \leq \frac{1-p}{\varepsilon}$. The assertion in the case $\frac{1}{2} < p \leq 1$ follows.

Let $p > 1$. Then we can drop p inside the sum in (2.6) without using Minkowski's inequality. Hence, by deducting as above, we obtain

$$\|B'\|_{A_{\omega}^p}^p \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{1-p} \widehat{\omega}(R_n) \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{1-p} \widehat{\omega}(z_n) \left(\inf_{1 \leq j \leq n} \rho_j(1 - |z_j|) \right)^{p-\varepsilon}.$$

Since the left-hand inequality of (1.5) is equivalent with the asymptotic inequality

$$\widehat{\omega}(r)^{\frac{1}{1+\varepsilon-p}} (1 - r)^{\gamma} \gtrsim \widehat{\omega}(t)^{\frac{1}{1+\varepsilon-p}} (1 - t)^{\gamma}, \quad 0 \leq r \leq t < 1,$$

we have

$$\|B'\|_{A_{\omega}^p}^p \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |z_n|)^{1+\gamma(p-\varepsilon)-p} \widehat{\omega}(z_n)^{\frac{1}{1+\varepsilon-p}}.$$

If $B' \in A_{\omega}^p$, then $1 + \gamma(p - \varepsilon) - p > \gamma_0$, and by letting $\gamma \rightarrow \gamma_0$, we deduce $\gamma_0 \leq \frac{1-p}{1+\varepsilon-p}$. The assertion in the case $1 < p < \infty$ follows, and the proof is complete. \square

3. Purely atomic singular inner functions

Recall that purely atomic singular inner functions are of the form

$$S(z) = \prod_n \exp \left(\gamma_n \frac{z + \xi_n}{z - \xi_n} \right) = \exp \left(\sum_n \gamma_n \frac{z + \xi_n}{z - \xi_n} \right), \quad z \in \mathbf{D},$$

where $\xi_n \in \mathbf{T}$ are distinct points and $\sum_n \gamma_n < \infty$. If the product has only one term, with $\gamma_1 = \gamma$ and $\xi_1 = \xi$, then we write $S = S_{\gamma, \xi}$.

Theorem 8. *Let $0 < p < \infty$ and $\widehat{p} = \min\{\frac{1}{2}, p\}$. Let S be the purely atomic singular inner function associated with $\{\xi_n\}$ and $\gamma = \{\gamma_n\} \in \ell^{\widehat{p}}$. Then*

$$(3.1) \quad \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt}{(1 - r)^p} \asymp h_p(r) = \begin{cases} 1, & p < \frac{1}{2}, \\ \log \left(\frac{1}{1-r} \right), & p = \frac{1}{2}, \\ (1 - r)^{1/2-p}, & p > \frac{1}{2}, \end{cases}$$

for $\frac{1}{2} < r < 1$.

Proof. By (1.6), it suffices to show that $\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt \lesssim (1 - r)^p h_p(r)$. We begin with an estimate for $S = S_{\gamma, \xi}$, where $\xi = e^{i\theta}$. Since

$$(3.2) \quad \begin{aligned} |1 - e^{is}|^2 &= 2(1 - \cos s) = 2s^2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \frac{s^{2(k-1)}}{(2k)!} \\ &\geq 2s^2 \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\pi^2}{4!} + \frac{\pi^4}{6!} - \frac{\pi^6}{8!} \right) \geq \frac{s^2}{3}, \quad -\pi \leq s \leq \pi, \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$(3.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S_{\gamma, \xi}(re^{it})|)^p dt &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left(1 - \exp \left(-\gamma \frac{1 - r^2}{|1 - re^{i(t-\theta)}|^2} \right) \right)^p dt \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\pi} \left(1 - \exp \left(-\gamma \frac{1 - r^2}{|1 - re^{is}|^2} \right) \right)^p ds \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\pi} \left(1 - \exp \left(-\gamma \frac{1 - r^2}{(1 - r)^2 + r|1 - e^{is}|^2} \right) \right)^p ds \\ &\leq 2 \int_0^{\pi} \left(1 - \exp \left(-2\gamma \frac{1 - r}{(1 - r)^2 + \frac{rs^2}{3}} \right) \right)^p ds \\ &= 2\sqrt{\frac{3}{r}} \gamma^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - r)^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\frac{2\gamma}{1-r}}^{\frac{2\gamma}{1-r}} \frac{(1 - e^{-x})^p dx}{x^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(2 - \frac{x(1-r)}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\ &\leq 2\sqrt{6} \gamma^{\frac{1}{2}} (1 - r)^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\frac{\gamma(1-r)}{2}}^{\frac{2\gamma}{1-r}} \frac{(1 - e^{-x})^p dx}{x^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(2 - \frac{x(1-r)}{\gamma} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}, \quad \frac{1}{2} < r < 1. \end{aligned}$$

To prove the general case, we may assume that $\{\gamma_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ is non-increasing. Write $S_n = S_{\gamma_n, \xi_n}$ for short. If $\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^{p_0} dt \lesssim (1 - r)^{\frac{1}{2}}$ for some $p_0 > \frac{1}{2}$, then the same clearly holds for all $p \geq p_0$. Therefore it suffices to prove the assertion for $0 < p \leq 1$. Since

$$1 - |S(z)| = 1 - \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} |S_n(z)| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |S_n(z)|), \quad z \in \mathbf{D},$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt &\leq \int_0^{2\pi} \left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |S_n(re^{it})|) \right)^p dt \\ &\leq \int_0^{2\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (1 - |S_n(re^{it})|)^p dt = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S_n(re^{it})|)^p dt \\ &= \sum_{\gamma_n > \gamma_1(1-r)} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S_n(re^{it})|)^p dt + \sum_{\gamma_n \leq \gamma_1(1-r)} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S_n(re^{it})|)^p dt \\ &= I_1(r) + I_2(r). \end{aligned}$$

By (3.3), we have

$$(3.4) \quad I_1(r) \lesssim (1 - r)^{\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{\gamma_n > \gamma_1(1-r)} \gamma_n^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{\frac{\gamma_n(1-r)}{2}}^{2\gamma_n} + \int_{2\gamma_n}^{\frac{2\gamma_n}{1-r}} \right) \frac{(1 - e^{-x})^p dx}{x^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(2 - \frac{x(1-r)}{\gamma_n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}.$$

If $\gamma_n \geq 2\gamma_1(1-r)$, then

$$I_3(r) = \int_{\frac{\gamma_n(1-r)}{2}}^{2\gamma_1} \frac{(1-e^{-x})^p dx}{x^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(2 - \frac{x(1-r)}{\gamma_n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \leq \int_{\frac{\gamma_n(1-r)}{2}}^{2\gamma_1} \frac{dx}{x^{\frac{3}{2}-p}} \asymp \gamma_n^{\widehat{p}-\frac{1}{2}}(1-r)^{p-\frac{1}{2}}h_p(r), \quad n \in \mathbf{N},$$

because $1 - e^{-s} \leq s$ for $s \in (0, \infty)$. If $\gamma_1(1-r) < \gamma_n < 2\gamma_1(1-r)$, then

$$\begin{aligned} I_3(r) &= \left(\frac{1-r}{\gamma_n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \int_{\frac{(1-r)^2}{2}}^{\frac{2\gamma_1(1-r)}{\gamma_n}} \frac{(1 - \exp(-\frac{\gamma_n y}{1-r}))^p dy}{y^{\frac{3}{2}}(2-y)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\ &\leq \left(\frac{1-r}{\gamma_n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(\int_{\frac{(1-r)^2}{2}}^1 + \int_1^2\right) \frac{(1 - \exp(-\frac{\gamma_n y}{1-r}))^p dy}{y^{\frac{3}{2}}(2-y)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\ &\lesssim \left(\frac{1-r}{\gamma_n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}-p} \int_{\frac{(1-r)^2}{2}}^1 \frac{dy}{y^{\frac{3}{2}-p}} + \gamma_1^{-\frac{1}{2}} \asymp \gamma_n^{\widehat{p}-\frac{1}{2}}(1-r)^{p-\frac{1}{2}}h_p(r), \quad n \in \mathbf{N}. \end{aligned}$$

Hence $I_3(r) \lesssim \gamma_n^{\widehat{p}-\frac{1}{2}}(1-r)^{p-\frac{1}{2}}h_p(r)$. By an analogous manner, we can also show that

$$I_4(r) = \int_{2\gamma_1}^{\frac{2\gamma_n}{1-r}} \frac{(1-e^{-x})^p dx}{x^{\frac{3}{2}} \left(2 - \frac{x(1-r)}{\gamma_n}\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \lesssim \gamma_n^{\widehat{p}-\frac{1}{2}}(1-r)^{p-\frac{1}{2}}h_p(r), \quad \gamma_n > \gamma_1(1-r).$$

Now, by using the estimates for I_3 and I_4 in (3.4), we obtain $I_1(r) \lesssim \|\gamma\|_{\ell^{\widehat{p}}}^{\widehat{p}}(1-r)^p h_p(r)$. Further, since

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S_n(re^{it})|)^p dt &= \int_0^{2\pi} \left(1 - \exp\left(-\gamma_n \frac{1-r^2}{|\xi_n - re^{it}|^2}\right)\right)^p dt \\ &\lesssim \gamma_n^p(1-r)^p \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{dt}{|1 - re^{it}|^{2p}} \lesssim \gamma_n^p(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}}h_p(r), \quad n \in \mathbf{N}, \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$I_2(r) \lesssim (1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}}h_p(r) \sum_{\gamma_n \leq \gamma_1(1-r)} \gamma_n^p \lesssim \|\gamma\|_{\ell^{\widehat{p}}}^{\widehat{p}}(1-r)^p h_p(r).$$

By combining the estimates for I_1 and I_2 we deduce the assertion. □

Note that Theorem 8 in the case $p = 1$ has been proved earlier in [1], but the proof there is based on different methods. The following corollary shows that Theorem 8 is sharp for $p \geq \frac{1}{2}$.

Corollary 9. *If S is a singular inner function, then the following statements are equivalent:*

- (a) S is a purely atomic singular inner function associated with $\gamma \in \ell^{\frac{1}{2}}$;
- (b) $M_{1/2}^1(r, S') \lesssim \log\left(\frac{1}{1-r}\right)$, as $r \rightarrow 1^-$;
- (c) $\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^{\frac{1}{2}} dt \lesssim (1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}} \log\left(\frac{1}{1-r}\right)$, as $r \rightarrow 1^-$;
- (d) there exists $\frac{1}{2} < p < \infty$ such that $\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt \lesssim (1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, as $r \rightarrow 1^-$;
- (e) $\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt \lesssim (1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, as $r \rightarrow 1^-$, for each $\frac{1}{2} < p < \infty$.

Proof. The statements (a) and (b) are equivalent by [5, Theorem 2.2]. Moreover, (a) implies (c)–(e) by Theorem 8, and (c) implies (b) by the Schwarz-Pick lemma.

To complete the proof, it suffices to show that (d) implies (a). If (a) does not hold, then the proof of [5, Theorem 2.2] yields

$$(1-r)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt \rightarrow \infty, \quad r \rightarrow 1^-,$$

for each $0 < p < \infty$, and this clearly contradicts (d). Thus the assertion is proved. \square

If an inner function Θ satisfies either

$$\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r} \right)^{-1} M_{1/2}^{1/2}(r, \Theta) \rightarrow 0^+, \quad r \rightarrow 1^-,$$

or

$$\frac{\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |\Theta(re^{it})|)^p dt}{(1-r)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \rightarrow 0^+, \quad p > \frac{1}{2}, \quad r \rightarrow 1^-,$$

then it is a Blaschke product. In the first case, the assertion is a direct consequence of [5, Theorem 2.1]. In the latter case, the assertion follows by (1.6) and a special case of the Beurling factorization according to which every non-constant inner function is either a Blaschke product, a singular inner function or a product of the previous ones [10].

Theorem 3 for $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ can be proved by using Theorem 8 and (1.1), as will be shown later. To deal with the remaining case, we will use the following result which shows that $M_p^p(r, S') \asymp h_p(r)$ for each purely atomic singular inner function S associated with a measure having a separate mass point.

Theorem 10. *Let $0 < p < \infty$ and $\widehat{p} = \min\{\frac{1}{2}, p\}$. Let S be the purely atomic singular inner function associated with $\{\xi_n\}$ and $\gamma = \{\gamma_n\} \in \ell^{\widehat{p}}$, and having a separate mass point in its inducing measure. Then there exists $r_0 = r_0(p, S) \in (0, 1)$ such that*

$$(3.5) \quad \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt}{(1-r)^p} \asymp M_p^p(r, S') \asymp h_p(r), \quad r_0 < r < 1,$$

where h_p is as in Theorem 8.

Proof. Let ξ_j be a separate mass point and write $S = \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} S_n$, where $S_n = S_{\gamma_n, \xi_n}$. It suffices to show that $M_p^p(r, S') \gtrsim M_p^p(r, S'_j)$ for r close enough to one because then this together with Theorem 8, the Schwarz–Pick lemma and the main result of [26] yields

$$h_p(r) \asymp \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} (1 - |S(re^{it})|)^p dt}{(1-r)^p} \gtrsim M_p^p(r, S') \gtrsim M_p^p(r, S'_j) \asymp h_p(r), \quad r_0 < r < 1.$$

To prove $M_p^p(r, S') \gtrsim M_p^p(r, S'_j)$, note first that

$$\begin{aligned} |S'(z)| &= \left| -2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\gamma_n \xi_n}{(z - \xi_n)^2} \exp \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \gamma_k \frac{z + \xi_k}{z - \xi_k} \right) \right| \\ &= 2 \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\gamma_n \xi_n}{(z - \xi_n)^2} \right| \exp \left(- \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \gamma_k \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|z - \xi_k|^2} \right) \\ &\geq \left(\frac{\gamma_j}{|z - \xi_j|^2} - \sum_{n \neq j} \frac{\gamma_n}{|z - \xi_n|^2} \right) \exp \left(- \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \gamma_k \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|z - \xi_k|^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

For each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, write $\xi_k = e^{i\theta_k}$, where $0 \leq \theta_k < 2\pi$. By the hypothesis, there exists $\varepsilon = \varepsilon(S) \in (0, \pi)$ such that $|\theta_j - \theta_k| > \varepsilon$ for all $k \neq j$. Let first $|t - \theta_j| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ and $r > \frac{1}{2}$. Then (3.2) yields

$$\begin{aligned} \exp\left(-\sum_{k \neq j} \gamma_k \frac{1-r^2}{|re^{it} - e^{i\theta_k}|^2}\right) &= \exp\left(-\sum_{k \neq j} \gamma_k \frac{1-r^2}{(1-r)^2 + r|1 - e^{i(t-\theta_k)}|^2}\right) \\ &\geq \exp\left(-6 \sum_{k \neq j} \frac{\gamma_k}{r(t-\theta_k)^2}\right) \geq \exp\left(-\frac{48}{\varepsilon^2} \sum_{k \neq j} \gamma_k\right) \geq \exp\left(-\frac{48}{\varepsilon^2} \|\gamma\|_{\ell^1}\right) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$f(re^{it}) = \frac{\gamma_j}{|re^{it} - e^{i\theta_j}|^2} - \sum_{n \neq j} \frac{\gamma_n}{|re^{it} - e^{i\theta_n}|^2} \geq \frac{\gamma_j}{(1-r)^2 + r(t-\theta_j)^2} - \frac{24}{\varepsilon^2} \|\gamma\|_{\ell^1}.$$

Set $M = M(S) = (24/\varepsilon^2)\|\gamma\|_{\ell^1}$. Then, for $r > \max\left\{\frac{1}{2}, 1 - \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_j}{4M}}\right\}$ and $|t - \theta_j| < \sqrt{\frac{\gamma_j}{4M}}$, we obtain

$$f(re^{it}) \geq \frac{1}{2} \frac{\gamma_j}{(1-r)^2 + r(t-\theta_j)^2} \geq \frac{\gamma_j}{6|re^{it} - e^{i\theta_j}|^2}.$$

If $\alpha = \min\left\{\sqrt{\frac{\gamma_j}{4M}}, \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right\}$, then, by combining the estimates above, we deduce

$$M_p^p(r, S') \geq \int_{\theta_j-\alpha}^{\theta_j+\alpha} |S'(re^{it})|^p dt \gtrsim \int_{\theta_j-\alpha}^{\theta_j+\alpha} |S'_{\gamma_j, \xi_j}(re^{it})|^p dt \asymp M_p^p(r, S'_{\gamma_j, \xi_j})$$

for r close enough to one depending on p and S . Thus the assertion is proved. □

With these results in hand we can easily establish Theorem 3.

Proof of Theorem 3. Let us begin with the case $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$. By multiplying (3.1) by $r\omega(r)$ and integrating with respect to r we obtain

$$\int_{\mathbf{D} \setminus D(0, \frac{1}{2})} \left(\frac{1 - |S(z)|^2}{1 - |z|^2}\right)^p \omega(z) dA(z) \asymp \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^1 h_p(r)\omega(r) r dr,$$

where S and h_p are as in Theorem 8. The assertion in Theorem 3 for $\omega \in \widehat{\mathcal{D}}_p$ now follows by (1.1). If S is associated with a measure having a separate mass point, then the assertion can be proved by an analogous manner using (3.5). □

The statement in Theorem 3 for $p \leq \frac{1}{2}$ is actually valid for each radial weight ω and each purely atomic singular inner function S with $\gamma \in \ell^{\widehat{p}}$. This is an immediate consequence of Theorem 8, the Schwarz–Pick lemma and [5, Theorem 2.2]. Further, it is worth observing that $S' \in H^p$ if and only if $p < \frac{1}{2}$.

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