

## ON A POWERED BOHR INEQUALITY

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**Abstract.** The object of this paper is to study the powered Bohr radius  $\rho_p$ ,  $p \in (1, 2)$ , of analytic functions  $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  defined on the unit disk  $|z| < 1$  and such that  $|f(z)| < 1$  for  $|z| < 1$ . More precisely, if  $M_p^f(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|^p r^k$ , then we show that  $M_p^f(r) \leq 1$  for  $r \leq r_p$  where  $r_p$  is the powered Bohr radius for conformal automorphisms of the unit disk. This answers the open problem posed by Djakov and Ramanujan in 2000. A couple of other consequences of our approach is also stated, including an asymptotically sharp form of one of the results of Djakov and Ramanujan. In addition, we consider a similar problem for sense-preserving harmonic mappings in  $|z| < 1$ . Finally, we conclude by stating the Bohr radius for the class of Bieberbach–Eilenberg functions.

### 1. Preliminaries and main results

Let  $\mathcal{B}$  denote the class of analytic functions  $f$  defined on the unit disk  $\mathbf{D} := \{z \in \mathbf{C} : |z| < 1\}$ , with the power series expansion  $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  and such that  $|f(z)| < 1$  for  $z \in \mathbf{D}$ . Then the classical Bohr’s inequality states that there is a constant  $\rho$  such that

$$M^f(r) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k| r^k \leq 1 \quad \text{for all } r = |z| \leq \rho$$

and the value  $\rho = 1/3$  is optimal. The number  $\rho = 1/3$ , known as Bohr’s radius, was originally obtained in 1914 by Bohr [6] with  $\rho = 1/6$ , but subsequently later, Wiener, Riesz and Schur, independently established the sharp inequality for  $r = |z| \leq 1/3$ . This little article of Bohr generates intensive research activities even after a century of its appearance. We refer to the recent survey article on this topic [4] and the references therein. Multidimensional generalizations of this result were obtained by Boas and Khavinson [5] by establishing upper and lower bounds for the Bohr radius of the unit polydisk  $\mathbf{D}^n$ . Aizenberg [2, 3] extended the concept of Bohr radius in several different directions for further studies in this topic. In 2000, Djakov and Ramanujan [10] investigated the same phenomenon from different point of view. For  $f \in \mathcal{B}$  and a fixed  $p > 0$ , we consider the powered Bohr sum  $M_p^f(r)$  defined by

$$M_p^f(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|^p r^k.$$

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Observe that for  $p = 1$ ,  $M_p^f(r)$  reduces to the classical Bohr sum defined as above by  $M^f(r)$ . The best possible constant  $\rho_p$  for which

$$M_p^f(r) \leq 1 \quad \text{for all } r \leq \rho_p$$

is called the (powered) Bohr radius for the family  $\mathcal{B}$ .

We now introduce

$$M_p(r) := \sup_{f \in \mathcal{B}} M_p^f(r)$$

and

$$r_p := \sup \left\{ r : a^p + \frac{r(1-a^2)^p}{1-ra^p} \leq 1, \quad 0 \leq a < 1 \right\} = \inf_{a \in [0,1]} \frac{1-a^p}{a^p(1-a^p) + (1-a^2)^p}.$$

Let us first proceed to recall the following results.

**Theorem A.** [10, Theorem 3] *For each  $p \in (1, 2]$  and  $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  belongs to  $\mathcal{B}$ , we have  $M_p^f(r) \leq 1$  for  $r \leq T_p$ , where*

$$m_p \leq T_p \leq r_p.$$

Here  $r_p$  is as above,

$$m_p := \frac{p}{(2^{1/(2-p)} + p^{1/(2-p)})^{2-p}} \quad \text{for } 1 < p < 2,$$

and  $m_2 := \lim_{p \rightarrow 2} m_p = 1$ .

**Theorem B.** [10, Theorem 2] *For each  $p \in (0, 2)$ ,*

$$M_p(r) \asymp \left( \frac{1}{1-r} \right)^{1-p/2}.$$

Our first aim is to investigate the problem posed by Djakov and Ramanujan [10] about the Bohr radius for  $M_p^f(r)$ . Their question is the following.

**Problem 1.** [10, Question 1, p. 71] *What is the exact value of the (powered) Bohr radius  $\rho_p$ ,  $p \in (1, 2)$ ? Is it true that  $\rho_p = r_p$ ?*

Using the method of proofs of our recent approach from [12, 13], we solve this problem affirmatively in the following form.

**Theorem 1.** *If  $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  belongs to  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $0 < p \leq 2$ , then*

$$M_p(r) = \max_{a \in [0,1]} \left\{ a^p + \frac{r(1-a^2)^p}{1-ra^p} \right\}, \quad 0 \leq r \leq 2^{p/2-1},$$

and

$$M_p(r) < \left( \frac{1}{1-r^{2/(2-p)}} \right)^{1-p/2}, \quad 2^{p/2-1} < r < 1.$$

Proofs of Theorem 1 and a couple of its corollaries will be given in Section 2.

Let us remark that  $M_p(r) = 1$  for  $p \geq 2$  and  $r < 1$ . So, the interesting case is to consider the problem only for  $p \in (1, 2)$ .

One may ask about the second inequality of Theorem 1: how close it to be sharp? To get an answer to this question we will use a Bombieri–Bourgain estimate [8] which reads as follows: for a given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a positive constant  $C(\varepsilon) > 0$ , such that

$$M_1(\rho) \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-\rho^2}} - C(\varepsilon) \left( \log \frac{1}{1-\rho} \right)^{(3/2)+\varepsilon}, \quad \rho \geq 1/\sqrt{2}.$$

The Hölder inequality implies that

$$\begin{aligned} M_1^f(r^{1/(2-p)}) &= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k| r^{k/p} r^{(2k(p-1))/(p(2-p))} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|^p r^k \right)^{1/p} \left( \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} r^{2k/(2-p)} \right)^{1-1/p} \\ &= (M_p^f(r))^{1/p} \frac{1}{(1 - r^{2/(2-p)})^{(p-1)/p}} \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$M_p^f(r) \geq \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - r^{2/(2-p)}}} - C(\varepsilon) \left( \log \frac{1}{1 - r^{1/(2-p)}} \right)^{3/2+\varepsilon} \right)^p (1 - r^{2/(2-p)})^{p-1}$$

for  $2^{p/2-1} < r < 1$ ; or equivalently

$$M_p^f(r) \geq \left( \frac{1}{1 - r^{2/(2-p)}} \right)^{1-p/2} - C_1(\varepsilon) (1 - r^{2/(2-p)})^{(p-1)/2} \left( \log \frac{1}{1 - r^{1/(2-p)}} \right)^{3/2+\varepsilon}.$$

This estimate together with the second estimate of Theorem 1 implies that

$$M_p(r) - \left( \frac{1}{1 - r^{2/(2-p)}} \right)^{1-p/2} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } r \rightarrow 1^-$$

for  $1 < p < 2$  while we do not know whether this fact is true for  $p = 1$ . Also the last estimate can be considered as an asymptotically sharp form of Theorem B in the case  $p > 1$ .

**Corollary 1.** *Let  $p \in (1, 2)$ . Then  $M_p(r) = 1$  for  $r \leq r_p$ .*

In [16, Corollary 2.8], Paulsen et al. showed that if  $f \in \mathcal{B}$ , then for  $r \in [0, 1)$ ,

$$(1) \quad M_1^f(r) \leq m(r) = \inf\{M(r), 1/\sqrt{1 - r^2}\}$$

where

$$M(r) = \sup \left\{ t + (1 - t^2) \frac{r}{1 - r} : 0 \leq t \leq 1 \right\} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } 0 \leq r \leq 1/3, \\ \frac{4r^2 + (1 - r)^2}{4r(1 - r)} & \text{for } 1/3 < r < 1. \end{cases}$$

In 2002, Paulsen et al. [16] raised a question whether the inequality (1) is sharp for any  $r$  with  $1/3 < r < 1$ . However, in 1962 this has been answered by Bombieri [7] who determined the exact value of this constant for  $r$  in the range  $1/3 \leq r \leq 1/\sqrt{2}$ . This constant is

$$m(r) = \frac{3 - \sqrt{8(1 - r^2)}}{r}.$$

Further results on this and related topics can be found in [10, 16]. On the other hand, it is worth mentioning that the answer to the above question is indeed a consequence of Theorem 1 and so, we state it as a corollary.

**Corollary 2.** *We have the following sharp estimate:*

$$M_1(r) = \frac{1}{r} (3 - \sqrt{8(1 - r^2)}) \text{ for } r \in \left[ \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right].$$

Finally, we recall the following corollary which was proved in [13] and so we omit the proof.

**Corollary 3.** *Let  $p \in \mathbf{N}$  and  $0 \leq m \leq p$ ,  $f(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{pk+m} z^{pk+m}$  be analytic in  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $|f(z)| < 1$  in  $\mathbf{D}$ . Then*

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_{pk+m}| r^{pk+m} \leq 1 \text{ for } r \leq r_{p,m},$$

where  $r_{p,m}$  is the maximal positive root of the equation

$$-6r^{p-m} + r^{2(p-m)} + 8r^{2p} + 1 = 0.$$

The extremal function has the form  $z^m(z^p - a)/(1 - az^p)$ , where

$$a = \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{1 - r_{p,m}^{2p}}}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \frac{1}{r_{p,m}^p}.$$

Our next result concerns sense-preserving harmonic mappings defined on the unit disk. Recall that the family  $\mathcal{H}$  of complex-valued harmonic functions  $f = h + \bar{g}$  defined on the unit disk  $\mathbf{D}$  and its univalent subfamilies are investigated in details. Here  $h$  and  $g$  are analytic on  $\mathbf{D}$  with the form

$$h(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k \quad \text{and} \quad g(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k$$

so that the Jacobian of  $f$  is given by  $J_f = |f_z|^2 - |f_{\bar{z}}|^2 = |h'|^2 - |g'|^2$ . We say that the locally univalent harmonic mapping  $f$  is sense-preserving if  $J_f(z) > 0$  in  $\mathbf{D}$ . We call  $\omega(z) = g'(z)/h'(z)$  the complex dilatation of  $f = h + \bar{g}$ . Lewy’s theorem implies that every harmonic function  $f$  on  $\mathbf{D}$  is locally one-to-one and sense-preserving on  $\mathbf{D}$  if and only if  $|\omega(z)| < 1$  for  $z \in \mathbf{D}$ . See [9, 11] for detailed discussion on the class of univalent harmonic mappings and its geometric subclasses.

**Theorem 2.** *Suppose that  $f(z) = h(z) + \overline{g(z)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k + \overline{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k}$  is a harmonic mapping of the disk  $\mathbf{D}$ , where  $h$  is a bounded function in  $\mathbf{D}$  and  $|g'(z)| \leq |h'(z)|$  for  $z \in \mathbf{D}$  (the later condition obviously holds if  $f$  is sense-preserving). If  $p \in [0, 2]$  then the following sharp inequality holds*

$$|a_0|^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k|^p + |b_k|^p) r^k \leq \|h\|_{\infty} \max_{a \in [0,1]} \left\{ a^p + \frac{2r(1 - a^2)^p}{1 - ra^p} \right\}$$

for  $r \leq (2^{1/(p-2)} + 1)^{p/2-1}$ . In the case  $p > 2$  we have

$$|a_0|^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k|^p + |b_k|^p) r^k \leq \|h\|_{\infty} \max\{1, 2r\}.$$

**Corollary 4.** *Suppose that  $f(z) = h(z) + \overline{g(z)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_k z^k + \overline{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k}$  is a sense-preserving harmonic mapping of the disk  $\mathbf{D}$ , where  $h$  is a bounded function in  $\mathbf{D}$ . Then the following sharp inequalities holds:*

$$|a_0| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|) r^k \leq \frac{\|h\|_{\infty}}{r} (5 - 2\sqrt{6}\sqrt{1 - r^2}) \text{ for } \frac{1}{5} \leq r \leq \sqrt{\frac{2}{3}},$$

and

$$|a_0| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|) r^k \leq \|h\|_{\infty} \text{ for } r \leq \frac{1}{5}.$$

Proofs of Theorem 2 and Corollary 4 will be given in Section 2. In Section 3, we discuss Bohr radius for the class of Bieberbach–Eilenberg functions.

2. Proofs of Theorems 1 and 2 and their corollaries

The proofs of the theorems rely on a couple of lemmas established by the present authors in [12] (see also [13]).

**Lemma 1.** [12] *Let  $|a| < 1$  and  $0 < R \leq 1$ . If  $g(z) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} b_k z^k$  belongs to  $\mathcal{B}$ , then the following sharp inequality holds:*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_k|^2 R^k \leq R \frac{(1 - |b_0|^2)^2}{1 - |b_0|^2 R}.$$

**Lemma 2.** *For all  $p \in (0, 2)$ , we have  $r_p < (1/2)^{1-p/2} = R_p$ , where  $r_p$  is defined as in the beginning.*

*Proof.* Let  $r = R_p$  and set  $a = (1/2)^{1-p/2}$ . Then we conclude that

$$a^p + r \frac{(1 - a^2)^p}{1 - ra^p} = 2 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{p/2} > 1$$

which contradicts to the definition of  $r_p$ . □

*Proof of Theorem 1.* Let  $|a_0| = a > 0$  and  $r \leq 2^{p/2-1}$ . At first we suppose that  $a > r^{1/(2-p)}$ . In this case we have

$$\begin{aligned} M_p^f(r) &= a^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \rho^k |a_k|^p \left(\frac{r}{\rho}\right)^k \\ &\leq a^p + \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\rho^k |a_k|^p)^{2/p}\right)^{p/2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{r}{\rho}\right)^{2k/(2-p)}\right)^{1-p/2} \\ &= a^p + \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\rho^{2/p})^k |a_k|^2\right)^{p/2} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\left(\frac{r}{\rho}\right)^{2/(2-p)}\right)^k\right)^{(2-p)/2} \\ &\leq a^p + \left(\frac{\rho^{2/p}(1 - a^2)^2}{1 - a^2 \rho^{2/p}}\right)^{p/2} \left(\frac{(r/\rho)^{2/(2-p)}}{1 - (r/\rho)^{2/(2-p)}}\right)^{(2-p)/2} \quad (\text{by Lemma 1}) \\ &= a^p + r \left(\frac{(1 - a^2)^2}{1 - a^2 \rho^{2/p}}\right)^{p/2} \left(\frac{1}{1 - (r/\rho)^{2/(2-p)}}\right)^{(2-p)/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Setting  $\rho = r^{p/2} a^{(p-2)p/2}$  we obtain the inequality

$$M_p^f(r) \leq a^p + r \frac{(1 - a^2)^p}{1 - ra^p},$$

which proves the theorem in the case  $a > r^{1/(2-p)}$ .

In the case  $a \leq r^{1/(2-p)}$ , we set  $\rho = 1$  and obtain

$$M_p^f(r) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|^p r^k \leq a^p + r \frac{(1 - a^2)^{p/2}}{(1 - r^{2/(2-p)})^{1-p/2}}.$$

Let us remark that the inequality  $M_p^f(r) \leq 1$  is valid in the cases  $a = 0$  and  $a = r^{1/(2-p)}$ . This fact can be established as a limiting case of the previous case. Finally, we let  $t = a^2$ . We have then to maximize the expression

$$A(t) = t^{p/2} + r \frac{(1 - t)^{p/2}}{(1 - r^{2/(2-p)})^{1-p/2}}, \quad t \leq r^{2/(2-p)}.$$

Using differentiation we obtain the stationary point

$$t = 1 - r^{2/(2-p)}$$

which must satisfy under the restriction  $t \leq r^{2/(2-p)}$  which is impossible because  $r \leq 2^{p/2-1}$ .

However, in the case  $r > 2^{p/2-1}$  the critical point  $t$  is admissible so that

$$A(t) = t^{p/2} + r \frac{(1-t)^{p/2}}{(1-r^{2/(2-p)})^{1-p/2}} = \left( \frac{1}{1-r^{2/(2-p)}} \right)^{1-p/2}.$$

This observation shows that

$$M_p^f(r) \leq \left( \frac{1}{1-r^{2/(2-p)}} \right)^{1-p/2}, \quad 2^{p/2-1} < r < 1.$$

Now let us show that this inequality cannot be sharp. To do this we will use the method presented by Bombieri and Bourgain [8].

Suppose that the estimate sharp in this case. Then by analyzing Hölder's inequality we immediately conclude that

$$|a_k| = \sqrt{1 - r^{2/(2-p)}} r^{k/(2-p)}, \quad k \geq 0.$$

Also it is easy to show that the extremal function must be a Blaschke product with a finite degree  $d \geq 1$ . Computing the area, one obtains that

$$\pi d = \text{Area } f(\mathbf{D}) = \pi \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} k |a_k|^2 = \pi \frac{\lambda^2}{1 - \lambda^2}, \quad \lambda = r^{1/(2-p)}.$$

From here we easily deduce that  $d = \lambda^2/(1 - \lambda^2)$  and thus,  $\lambda = \sqrt{d/(d+1)}$ , which gives

$$(2) \quad \sqrt{\frac{d}{d+1}} = r^{1/(2-p)}, \quad \text{i.e. } r = \left( \frac{d}{d+1} \right)^{1-(p/2)}.$$

Therefore our inequality could be sharp for these values only. Now let us show that this is possible for  $d = 1$  only. Using the same reasoning as in [8] (in fact we apply their considerations in which  $r$  is replaced by  $r^{1/(2-p)}$ ) we arrive at the identity

$$\sqrt{1 - r^{2/(2-p)}} = r^{d/(2-p)}$$

which together with (2) implies that

$$\sqrt{1 - \frac{d}{d+1}} = \left( \frac{d}{d+1} \right)^{d/2}$$

which is equivalent to the equality

$$\frac{1}{d+1} = \left( \frac{d}{d+1} \right)^d.$$

From classical analysis we know that the right hand side of this equality is greater than  $1/e$  for  $d \geq 1$  so that  $d+1 \leq e$  and from here we easily deduce that  $d = 1$  which concludes the proof of Theorem 1.  $\square$

*Proof of Corollary 1.* Easily follows from Theorem 1 and Lemma 2.  $\square$

*Proof of Corollary 2.* Theorem 1 for  $p = 1$  gives that

$$M_p(r) = \max_{a \in [0,1]} \left\{ a + \frac{r(1-a^2)}{1-ra} \right\}.$$

By using differentiation it is easy to show that in the case  $1/3 \leq r \leq 1/\sqrt{2}$  the maximum of the last expression is achieved at the point

$$a = \left(1 - \frac{\sqrt{1-r^2}}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \frac{1}{r}$$

and consequently, we obtain that

$$M_1(r) = \frac{1}{r}(3 - 2\sqrt{2}\sqrt{1-r^2}).$$

The proof is complete. □

*Proof of Theorem 2.* Without lost of generality we may assume that  $\|h\|_\infty = 1$ . As in [14], the condition  $|g'(z)| \leq |h'(z)|$  gives that for each  $r \in [0, 1)$ ,

$$(3) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_k|^2 r^k \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|^2 r^k.$$

Let  $|a_0| = a > 0$ . Then, by using the same method as in the previous theorem in the case  $a > r^{1/(2-p)}$ , we obtain

$$|a_0|^p + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k|^p + |b_k|^p)r^k \leq a^p + 2r \frac{(1-a^2)^p}{1-ra^p}.$$

In the case  $a \leq r^{1/(2-p)}$ , we let  $\rho = 1$  and obtain

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} |a_k|^p r^k \leq a^p + 2r \frac{(1-a^2)^{p/2}}{(1-r^{2/(2-p)})^{1-p/2}}.$$

We set  $t = a^2$ . We have to maximize the expression

$$B(t) = t^{p/2} + 2r \frac{(1-t)^{p/2}}{(1-r^{2/(2-p)})^{1-p/2}}, \quad t \leq r^{2/(2-p)}.$$

Using differentiation we see that the function  $B(t)$  is increasing on the interval

$$0 \leq t \leq \frac{1 - r^{2/(2-p)}}{1 + (2r)^{2/(2-p)} - r^{2/(2-p)}}.$$

The upper bound of this interval is greater than or equal to  $2^{p/2-1}$  in the case  $r \leq (2^{1/(p-2)} + 1)^{p/2-1}$ . It means that the function  $B(t)$  has maximum at the point  $t = r^{2/(2-p)}$  which corresponds to the case  $a = r^{1/(2-p)}$  so that we can apply our previous case. This completes the proof of Theorem 2. □

Let  $p = 1$  and then we apply the previous theorem. As a result, we obtain the inequality

$$|a_0| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|)r^k \leq \max_{a \in [0,1]} \left\{ a + \frac{2r(1-a^2)}{1-ra} \right\} \quad \text{for } r \leq \sqrt{2/3}.$$

Straightforward calculations confirm the proof of Corollary 4.

### 3. Concluding remarks

Let  $\mathcal{BE}$  denote the class of all functions  $f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  analytic in  $\mathbf{D}$  such that  $f(z_1)f(z_2) \neq 1$  for all pairs of points  $z_1, z_2$  in  $\mathbf{D}$ . Each  $f \in \mathcal{BE}$  is called a Bieberbach–Eilenberg function. Clearly,  $\mathcal{BE}$  contains the class  $\mathcal{B}_0$ , where  $\mathcal{B}_0 = \{f \in \mathcal{B}: f(0) = 0\}$ . In 1970, Aharonov [1] and Nehari [15] independently showed that

$$(4) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|^2 \leq 1 \quad \text{and} \quad |f(z)| \leq \frac{|z|}{\sqrt{1 - |z|^2}}$$

hold for every  $f \in \mathcal{BE}$ . Equality holds only for the functions

$$f(z) = \frac{\eta z}{R \pm (\sqrt{R^2 - 1})i\eta z}, \quad R > 1, \quad |\eta| = 1.$$

Since  $\mathcal{B}_0 \subset \mathcal{BE}$ , it is natural to ask for the Bohr radius for the family  $\mathcal{BE}$ . Indeed, we see below that the Bohr radius for  $\mathcal{BE}$  and the class  $\mathcal{B}_0$  remains the same.

**Theorem 3.** *Assume that  $f(z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k$  belongs to  $\mathcal{BE}$ . Then*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| r^k \leq 1 \quad \text{for } |z| = r \leq 1/\sqrt{2}.$$

The number  $1/\sqrt{2}$  is sharp.

*Proof.* Because  $f \in \mathcal{BE}$  satisfies the coefficient inequality (4), it follows that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k| r^k \leq \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|^2} \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} r^{2k}} \leq \frac{r}{\sqrt{1 - r^2}}$$

which is less than or equal to 1 if  $0 \leq r \leq 1/\sqrt{2}$ . The number  $1/\sqrt{2}$  is sharp as the function  $f(z) = z(a - z)/(1 - az)$  shows, where  $a = 1/\sqrt{2}$ . The proof is complete.  $\square$

**Theorem 4.** *Suppose that  $f(z) = h(z) + \overline{g(z)} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k z^k + \overline{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} b_k z^k}$  is a harmonic mapping of the disk  $\mathbf{D}$ , where  $h \in \mathcal{BE}$  and  $|g'(z)| \leq |h'(z)|$  for  $z \in \mathbf{D}$ . Then for any  $p \geq 1$  and  $r < 1$ , the following inequality holds:*

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k|^p + |b_k|^p)^{1/p} r^k \leq \max\{2^{(1/p)-1/2}, 1\} \frac{\sqrt{2}r}{\sqrt{1 - r^2}}.$$

*Proof.* By hypothesis, (3) holds and thus, letting  $r$  approach 1, we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |b_k|^2 \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |a_k|^2 \leq 1.$$

Consequently, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k|^p + |b_k|^p)^{1/p} r^k &\leq \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k|^p + |b_k|^p)^{2/p}} \sqrt{\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} r^{2k}} \\ &\leq \sqrt{\max\{2^{(2/p)-1}, 1\} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k|^2 + |b_k|^2)} \frac{r}{\sqrt{1 - r^2}} \\ &\leq \max\{2^{(1/p)-1/2}, 1\} \frac{\sqrt{2}r}{\sqrt{1 - r^2}} \end{aligned}$$



and the proof is complete.  $\square$

Theorem 4 for  $p = 1$  shows that for  $r \leq 1/\sqrt{5}$ ,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k| + |b_k|) r^k \leq 1.$$

Similarly, for  $p = 2$ , we see that for  $r \leq 1/\sqrt{3}$ ,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (|a_k|^2 + |b_k|^2)^{1/2} r^k \leq 1.$$

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