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type growth or a growth described through integral conditions involving some involutions of the ball. Considering mappings $u \mapsto gu$ between sets of functions with a prescribed growth, we study how the choice of these sets is related to the

growth of the function g.



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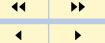
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Introduction

This paper is devoted to functions u which are defined in the unit ball B_N of \mathbb{R}^N (relative to the Euclidean norm $|\cdot|$), whose growth is described by the above boundedness on B_N of $x \mapsto (1-|x|^2)^{\alpha} v(x)$ for some parameter α . The function v may denote merely u or some integral involving u and involutions Φ_x (precise definitions and notations will be detailed in Section 2). In the first (resp. second) case, u is said to belong to the set \mathcal{X} (resp. \mathcal{Y}). Given a function q defined on B_N , we try to obtain links between the growth of q and information on such mappings as

$$\mathcal{Y} \to \mathcal{X},$$

 $u \mapsto qu.$

This work is motivated by the situation known in the case of holomorphic functions f in the unit disk D of \mathbb{C} . Such a function is said to belong to the Bloch space \mathcal{B}_{λ} if

$$||f||_{\mathcal{B}_{\lambda}} := |f(0)| + \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2)^{\lambda} |f'(z)| < +\infty.$$

It is said to belong to the space $BMOA_{\mu}$ if

$$||f||_{BMOA_{\mu}}^{2} := |f(0)|^{2} + \sup_{a \in D} \int_{D} (1 - |z|^{2})^{2\mu - 2} |f'(z)|^{2} (1 - |\varphi_{a}(z)|^{2}) dA(z) < +\infty$$

with dA(z) the normalized area measure element on D and $\varphi_a(z) = \frac{a-z}{1-\overline{a}z}$. Given h a holomorphic function on D, the operator $I_h: f \mapsto I_h(f)$ defined by:

$$(I_h(f))(z) = \int_0^z h(\zeta) f'(\zeta) d\zeta \qquad \forall z \in D$$

was studied for instance in [7] where it was proved that $I_h: BMOA_{\mu} \to \mathcal{B}_{\lambda}$ is bounded (with respect to the above norms) if and only if $h \in \mathcal{B}_{\lambda-\mu+1}$ (assuming $1 < \mu < \lambda$).

Since $|f'|^2$ is subharmonic in the unit ball of \mathbb{R}^2 , the question naturally arose whether some similar phenomena occur for subharmonic functions in B_N for $N \geq 2$.



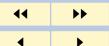
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2. Notations and Main Results

Let $B_N = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^N : |x| < 1\}$ with $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $N \ge 2$ and $|\cdot|$ the Euclidean norm in \mathbb{R}^N . Given $a \in B_N$, let $\Phi_a : B_N \to B_N$ denote the involution defined by:

$$\Phi_a(x) = \frac{a - P_a(x) - \sqrt{1 - |a|^2} Q_a(x)}{1 - \langle x, a \rangle} \quad \forall x \in B_N,$$

where

$$\langle x, a \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^{N} x_j a_j, \qquad P_a(x) = \frac{\langle x, a \rangle}{|a|^2} a, \qquad Q_a(x) = x - P_a(x)$$

for all $x=(x_1,x_2,\ldots,x_N)\in\mathbb{R}^N$ and $a=(a_1,a_2,\ldots,a_N)\in\mathbb{R}^N$, with $P_a(x)=0$ if a=0. We refer to [4, pp. 25–26] and [1, p. 115] for the main properties of the map Φ_a (initially defined in the unit ball of \mathbb{C}^N). For instance, we will make use of the relation:

$$1 - |\Phi_a(x)|^2 = \frac{(1 - |a|^2)(1 - |x|^2)}{(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^2}.$$

In the following, α , β , γ and λ are given real numbers, with $\gamma \geq 0$.

Definition 2.1. Let \mathcal{X}_{λ} denote the set of all functions $u: B_N \to [-\infty, +\infty[$ satisfying:

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(u) := \sup_{x \in B_N} (1 - |x|^2)^{\lambda} u(x) < +\infty.$$

Let $\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ denote the set of all measurable functions $u: B_N \to [-\infty, +\infty[$ satisfying:

$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) := \sup_{a \in B_N} (1 - |a|^2)^{\alpha} \int_{B_N} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta} u(x) (1 - |\Phi_a(x)|^2)^{\gamma} dx < +\infty.$$



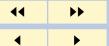
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The subset \mathcal{SX}_{λ} (resp. $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$) gathers all $u \in \mathcal{X}_{\lambda}$ (resp. $u \in \mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$) which moreover are subharmonic and non–negative. The subset $\mathcal{RSY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ gathers all $u \in \mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ which moreover are radial.

Remark 1. When $\lambda < 0$ (resp. $\alpha + \beta < -N$ or $\alpha < -\gamma$), the set \mathcal{SX}_{λ} (resp. $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$) merely reduces to the single function $u \equiv 0$ (see Propositions 6.2, 6.3 and 6.4).

In Proposition 3.1 and Corollary 3.2, we will establish that $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} \subset \mathcal{SX}_{\alpha+\beta+N}$ and that there exists a constant C > 0 such that

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\alpha+\beta+N}}(gu) \le C M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(g) M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u)$$

for all $u \in \mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ and all $g \in \mathcal{X}_{\lambda}$ with $M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(g) \geq 0$. We will next study whether some kind of a "converse" holds and obtain the following:

Theorem 2.2. Given $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and $g: B_N \to [0, +\infty[$ a subharmonic function satisfying:

$$\exists C' > 0 \qquad M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda + \alpha + \beta + N}}(gu) \leq C' M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \qquad \forall u \in \mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma},$$

then $g \in \mathcal{X}_{\lambda + \frac{N-1}{2}}$ in each of the six cases gathered in the following Table 1.

Theorem 2.3. Given $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ and g a subharmonic function defined on B_N , satisfying:

$$\exists C'' > 0 \qquad M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda + \alpha + \beta + N}}(gu) \leq C'' M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma}}(u) \qquad \forall u \in \mathcal{RSY}_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma},$$

then $g \in \mathcal{SX}_{\lambda+\alpha+\frac{N-1}{2}}$ provided that $\alpha \geq 0$, $\beta \geq -\frac{N+1}{2}$, $\gamma > \frac{N-1}{2}$.



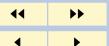
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case	α	β	γ
(i)	$\alpha = \frac{N+1}{2} + \beta$	$\beta > -\frac{N+1}{2}$	$\gamma > \max(\alpha, -1 - \beta)$
(ii)	$\alpha = \beta + 1$	$\beta > -\frac{N+3}{4}$	$\gamma > 1 + \beta $
(iii)	$\alpha = \frac{N+1}{2} - \gamma$	$\beta \geq -\gamma$	$\frac{N+1}{4} < \gamma < \frac{N+1}{2}$
(iv)	$\alpha = 1$	$\beta \geq 0$	$\gamma > 1$
(v)	$\alpha = 1 + \beta - \gamma$	$\beta > -1$	$\frac{1+\beta}{2} < \gamma < \beta + \frac{N+3}{4}$
(vi)	$\alpha = \frac{\beta + 1}{2}$	$\beta \geq -\frac{1}{2}$	$\gamma > \left \frac{1+\beta}{2} \right $

Table 1: Six situations where Theorem 2.2 shows that g belongs to the set $\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}$.



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3. Some Preliminaries

Notation 1. Given $a \in B_N$ and $R \in]0,1[$, let $B(a,R_a)=\{x \in B_N: |x-a|< R_a\}$ with

$$R_a = R \, \frac{1 - |a|^2}{1 + R|a|}.$$

Proposition 3.1. There exists a C > 0 depending only on N, β , γ , such that:

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\alpha+\beta+N}}(u) \le C M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \qquad \forall u \in \mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}.$$

Proof. Let some $R \in]0,1[$ be fixed in the following. Since $u \geq 0$, we obtain for any $a \in B_N$:

$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \ge (1 - |a|^2)^{\alpha} \int_{B_N} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta} u(x) (1 - |\Phi_a(x)|^2)^{\gamma} dx$$

$$\ge (1 - |a|^2)^{\alpha} \int_{B(a,R_a)} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta} u(x) (1 - |\Phi_a(x)|^2)^{\gamma} dx.$$

It follows from Lemma 1 of [6] that

$$B(a, R_a) \subset E(a, R) = \{x \in B_N : |\Phi_a(x)| < R\},\$$

hence:

(3.1)
$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \ge (1-R^2)^{\gamma} (1-|a|^2)^{\alpha} \int_{B(a,R_a)} (1-|x|^2)^{\beta} u(x) dx$$

as $\gamma \geq 0$. From Lemmas 1 and 5 of [5], it is known that

$$\frac{1-R}{1+R} \le \frac{1-|x|^2}{1-|a|^2} \le 2 \qquad \forall x \in B(a, R_a).$$



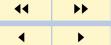
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Let
$$C_{\beta} = \left(\frac{1-R}{1+R}\right)^{\beta}$$
 if $\beta \geq 0$ and $C_{\beta} = 2^{\beta}$ if $\beta < 0$. Hence

$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \ge C_{\beta}(1-R^2)^{\gamma} (1-|a|^2)^{\alpha+\beta} \int_{B(a,R_a)} u(x) dx.$$

The volume of $B(a, R_a)$ is $\sigma_N \frac{(R_a)^N}{N}$ with $\sigma_N = \frac{2\pi^{N/2}}{\Gamma(N/2)}$ the area of the unit sphere S_N in \mathbb{R}^N (see [2, p. 29]) and $R_a \geq \frac{R}{1+R} (1-|a|^2)$. The subharmonicity of u now provides:

$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \ge C_{\beta} (1 - R^{2})^{\gamma} (1 - |a|^{2})^{\alpha+\beta} u(a) \, \sigma_{N} \, \frac{(R_{a})^{N}}{N}$$
$$\ge C_{\beta} \, \frac{\sigma_{N}}{N} \, \frac{R^{N} (1 - R)^{\gamma}}{(1 + R)^{N-\gamma}} (1 - |a|^{2})^{\alpha+\beta+N} \, u(a).$$

Corollary 3.2. Let $g \in \mathcal{X}_{\lambda}$ with $M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(g) \geq 0$. Then:

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\alpha+\beta+N}}(gu) \le C M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(g) M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \qquad \forall u \in \mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$$

where the constant C stems from Proposition 3.1.

Proof. Since $u \ge 0$, we have for any $x \in B_N$:

$$(1 - |x|^2)^{\lambda + \alpha + \beta + N} g(x) u(x) \le M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(g) (1 - |x|^2)^{\alpha + \beta + N} u(x)$$

$$\le M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(g) M_{\mathcal{X}_{\alpha + \beta + N}}(u)$$

because of $M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(g) \geq 0$.

Lemma 3.3. Given $a \in B_N$ and $R \in]0,1[$, the following holds for any $x \in B(a,R_a)$:

$$\frac{1}{2} < \frac{1}{1+R\,|a|} \leq \frac{1-\langle x,a\rangle}{1-|a|^2} \leq \frac{1+2R\,|a|}{1+R\,|a|} < 2 \quad \textit{and} \quad \frac{1}{4} < \frac{1-\langle x,a\rangle}{1-|x|^2} < 2\,\frac{1+R}{1-R}\,.$$



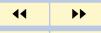
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Proof. Clearly $\langle x, a \rangle = \langle a + y, a \rangle = |a|^2 + \langle y, a \rangle$ with $|y| < R_a$. From the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, it follows that $-R_a |a| \le \langle y, a \rangle \le R_a |a|$. Hence:

$$1 - |a|^2 - R|a| \frac{1 - |a|^2}{1 + R|a|} \le 1 - \langle x, a \rangle \le 1 - |a|^2 + R|a| \frac{1 - |a|^2}{1 + R|a|}.$$

The term on the left equals

$$(1 - |a|^2) \left(1 - \frac{R|a|}{1 + R|a|} \right) = (1 - |a|^2) \frac{1}{1 + R|a|}$$

and 1 + R|a| < 2. The term on the right equals

$$(1-|a|^2)\left(1+\frac{R|a|}{1+R|a|}\right),$$

with $\frac{R|a|}{1+R|a|} < 1$. Now

$$\frac{1 - \langle x, a \rangle}{1 - |x|^2} = \frac{1 - \langle x, a \rangle}{1 - |a|^2} \frac{1 - |a|^2}{1 - |x|^2}$$

and the last inequalities follow from Lemmas 1 and 5 of [5].

Lemma 3.4. Let $H = \{(s,t) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : t \geq 0, s^2 + t^2 < 1\}$ and P > -1, Q > -1, T > -1. Then

$$\iint_{H} s^{P} t^{Q} (1 - s^{2} - t^{2})^{T} ds dt = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } P \text{ is odd;} \\ \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{P+1}{2}\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{Q+1}{2}\right)\Gamma(T+1)}{2\Gamma\left(\frac{P+Q}{2}+T+2\right)} & \text{if } P \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$



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Proof. With polar coordinates $s=r\cos\theta$, $t=r\sin\theta$, this integral turns into $I_1\,I_2$ with

$$I_1 = \int_0^1 r^{P+Q} (1-r^2)^T r dr$$
 and $I_2 = \int_0^\pi (\cos \theta)^P (\sin \theta)^Q d\theta$.

Keeping in mind the various expressions for the Beta function (see [3, pp. 67–68]):

$$B(x,y) = \int_0^1 \xi^{x-1} (1-\xi)^{y-1} d\xi$$
$$= 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} (\cos \theta)^{2x-1} (\sin \theta)^{2y-1} d\theta = \frac{\Gamma(x) \Gamma(y)}{\Gamma(x+y)}$$

(with x > 0 and y > 0), the change of variable $\omega = r^2$ leads to:

$$I_{1} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{1} \omega^{\frac{P+Q}{2}} (1-\omega)^{T} d\omega$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} B \left(\frac{P+Q}{2} + 1, T+1 \right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{P+Q}{2} + 1\right) \Gamma(T+1)}{2 \Gamma\left(\frac{P+Q}{2} + T+2\right)}.$$

When P is odd, $I_2 = 0$ because $\cos(\pi - \theta) = -\cos(\theta)$. However, when P is even:

$$I_2 = 2 \int_0^{\pi/2} (\cos \theta)^P (\sin \theta)^Q d\theta$$
$$= B\left(\frac{P+1}{2}, \frac{Q+1}{2}\right) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{P+1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(\frac{Q+1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{P+Q}{2}+1\right)}.$$



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Lemma 3.5. Given $A \ge 0$ and $a \in B_N$, let u and f_a denote the functions defined on B_N by $u(x) = \frac{1}{(1-|x|^2)^A}$ and $f_a(x) = \frac{1}{(1-\langle x,a\rangle)^A} \ \forall x \in B_N$. They are both subharmonic in B_N .

Remark 2. u is radial, but not f_a .

Proof. For u, the result of Lemma 3.5 has already been proved in Proposition 1 of [5]. For any $j \in \{1, 2, ..., N\}$, we now compute:

$$\frac{\partial f_a}{\partial x_j}(x) = a_j \, A \, (1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^{-A-1} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^2 f_a}{\partial x_j^2}(x) = (a_j)^2 \, A \, (A+1)(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^{-A-2},$$

so that:

$$(\Delta f_a)(x) = \frac{|a|^2 A (A+1)}{(1-\langle x,a\rangle)^{A+2}} \ge 0 \qquad \forall x \in B_N.$$

Remark 3. Given $A \ge 0$, $A' \ge 0$, the function f_a defined on B_N by

$$f_a(x) = \frac{1}{(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^A (1 - |x|^2)^{A'}}$$

is subharmonic too. The computation

$$(\Delta f_a)(x) \ge f_a(x) \left(\frac{A|a|}{1 - \langle x, a \rangle} - \frac{2A'|x|}{1 - |x|^2} \right)^2 \ge 0$$

is left to the reader.

Proposition 3.6. Given $N \in \mathbb{N}$, N > 3, $(s, t, b_1, b_2) \in \mathbb{R}^4$ such that $|s b_1| + |t b_2| < 1$ and P > 0, let

$$I_P(s, t, b_1, b_2) = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{(\sin \theta)^{N-3} d\theta}{(1 - s b_1 - t b_2 \cos \theta)^P}.$$



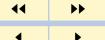
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Then

$$I_P(s,t,b_1,b_2) = \sqrt{\pi} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{N}{2}-1\right)}{\Gamma(P)} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(j+2k+P)}{k! \, j! \, \Gamma\left(\frac{N-1}{2}+k\right)} \, (b_1 \, s)^j \, \left(\frac{t \, b_2}{2}\right)^{2k}.$$

Proof. As

$$\left| \frac{t \, b_2 \, \cos \theta}{1 - s \, b_1} \right| \le \left| \frac{t \, b_2}{1 - s \, b_1} \right| < 1,$$

the following development is valid:

$$I_{P}(s,t,b_{1},b_{2}) = \int_{0}^{\pi} \frac{(\sin\theta)^{N-3} d\theta}{(1-sb_{1})^{P} \left(1-\frac{tb_{2}\cos\theta}{1-sb_{1}}\right)^{P}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{(1-sb_{1})^{P}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(n+P)}{n! \Gamma(P)} \left(\frac{tb_{2}}{1-sb_{1}}\right)^{n} \int_{0}^{\pi} (\sin\theta)^{N-3} (\cos\theta)^{n} d\theta.$$

The last integral vanishes when n is odd. When n is even (n = 2k), then

$$2\int_0^{\pi/2} (\sin \theta)^{N-3} (\cos \theta)^{2k} d\theta = B\left(\frac{N-2}{2}, k + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$
$$= \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{N-2}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{N-1}{2} + k\right)}$$
$$= \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{N-2}{2}\right) (2k)! \sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma\left(\frac{N-1}{2} + k\right) 2^{2k} k!}$$

by [3, p. 40]. Hence:

$$I_P(s,t,b_1,b_2) = \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{N-2}{2}\right)\sqrt{\pi}}{\Gamma(P)} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(2k+P)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{N-1}{2}+k\right) \ 2^{2k} \ k!} \frac{(t \ b_2)^{2k}}{(1-s \ b_1)^{2k+P}}.$$



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The result follows from the expansion

$$\frac{\Gamma(2k+P)}{(1-s\,b_1)^{2k+P}} = \sum_{j\in\mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(j+2k+P)}{j!} \, (b_1\,s)^j.$$



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4. Proof of Theorem 2.2

The cases (i), (ii), (iii), (iv), (v) and (vi) of Theorem 2.2 will be proved separately at the end of this section.

Theorem 4.1. Given A > 0, P > 0, T > -1 and $N \in \mathbb{N}$ $(N \ge 2)$ such that $1 \le A + P \le N + 1 + 2T$, let

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) = \int_{B_N} \frac{(1-|x|^2)^T}{(1-\langle x,a\rangle)^A (1-\langle x,b\rangle)^P} dx \qquad \forall a \in B_N, \forall b \in B_N$$

and τ a number satisfying both $\frac{P-A}{2} < \tau < P$ and $0 \le \tau \le \frac{A+P}{2}$. Then

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) \le \frac{K}{(1-|a|^2)^{\frac{A+P}{2}-\tau}(1-|b|^2)^{\tau}} \quad \forall a \in B_N, \forall b \in B_N$$

where the constant K is independent of a and b.

Example 4.1. If P > A and $\tau = \frac{A+P}{2}$, then

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) \le \frac{K}{(1-|b|^2)^{\frac{A+P}{2}}} \quad \forall a \in B_N, \forall b \in B_N,$$

with

$$K = 2^{A+P-1} \pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \frac{\Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma(P)} \Gamma\left(\frac{P-A}{2}\right).$$

Example 4.2. If P < A and $\tau = 0$, then

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) \le \frac{K}{(1-|a|^2)^{\frac{A+P}{2}}} \qquad \forall a \in B_N, \forall b \in B_N,$$



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with

$$K = 2^{A+P-1} \pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \frac{\Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma(A)} \Gamma\left(\frac{A-P}{2}\right).$$

Proof. Up to a unitary transform, we assume $a = (|a|, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$ and $b = (b_1, b_2, 0, \dots, 0)$.

Proof of Theorem 4.1 in the case N > 3. Polar coordinates in \mathbb{R}^N provide the formulas: $x_1 = r \cos \theta_1$ with $r = |x|, x_2 = r \sin \theta_1 \cos \theta_2$ (the formulas for x_3, \ldots, x_N are available in [9, p. 15]) where $\theta_1, \theta_2, \ldots, \theta_{N-2} \in]0, \pi[$ and $\theta_{N-1} \in]0, 2\pi[$. The volume element dx becomes $r^{N-1} dr d\sigma^{(N)}$ where $d\sigma^{(N)}$ denotes the area element on S_N , with

$$d\sigma^{(N)} = (\sin \theta_1)^{N-2} (\sin \theta_2)^{N-3} d\theta_1 d\theta_2 d\sigma^{(N-2)}$$

(see [9, p. 15] for full details). Here $\theta_2 \in]0, \pi[$ since N > 3. In the following, we will write $s = r \cos \theta_1$ and $t = r \sin \theta_1$, thus $\langle x, b \rangle = s b_1 + t b_2 \cos \theta_2$ and

$$(4.1) \quad I_{A,P,T}(a,b) = \sigma_{N-2} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r^2)^T r^{N-1} (\sin \theta_1)^{N-2} I_P(s,t,b_1,b_2)}{(1-|a|s)^A} dr \, d\theta_1$$

with $I_P(s, t, b_1, b_2)$ defined in the previous proposition. From [2, p. 29] we notice that

$$\sigma_{N-2} \Gamma\left(\frac{N-2}{2}\right) \sqrt{\pi} = 2 \pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}}.$$

The expansion

$$\frac{1}{(1-|a|s)^A} = \sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(\ell+A)}{\ell! \Gamma(A)} (|a|s)^{\ell}$$

leads to:

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) = \frac{2\pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}}}{\Gamma(P)\Gamma(A)} \sum_{\substack{(k,j,\ell) \in \mathbb{N}^3 \\ k! \ j! \ \ell! \ \Gamma(\frac{N-1}{2}+k)}} \frac{\Gamma(j+2k+P)\Gamma(\ell+A)}{k! \ j! \ \ell! \ \Gamma(\frac{N-1}{2}+k)} (b_1)^j \left(\frac{b_2}{2}\right)^{2k} |a|^{\ell} J_{k,j,\ell}$$



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where

$$J_{k,j,\ell} = \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^1 s^{j+\ell} t^{2k} (1 - r^2)^T r^{N-1} (\sin \theta_1)^{N-2} dr d\theta_1$$
$$= \iint_H s^{j+\ell} t^{2k+N-2} (1 - s^2 - t^2)^T ds dt$$

with H as in Lemma 3.4. Now $J_{k,j,\ell}=0$ unless $j+\ell=2h$ ($h\in\mathbb{N}$). Thus:

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) = \frac{\pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}}}{\Gamma(P)\Gamma(A)}$$

$$\times \sum_{(k,h)\in\mathbb{N}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{2h} \frac{\Gamma(j+2k+P) \Gamma(2h-j+A) \Gamma\left(h+\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma(T+1)}{k! \, j! \, (2h-j)! \, \Gamma\left(k+h+\frac{N}{2}+T+1\right)} \, (b_1)^j \left(\frac{b_2}{2}\right)^{2k} |a|^{2h-j}$$

Taking [3, p. 40] into account:

$$(4.2) \quad I_{A,P,T}(a,b) = \frac{\pi^{\frac{N}{2}} \Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(A)} \sum_{(k,h) \in \mathbb{N}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{2h} \frac{(2h)! B(j+2k+P,2h-j+A)}{2^{2h+2k} h! k! j! (2h-j)!} \times \frac{\Gamma(2k+P+2h+A)}{\Gamma(k+h+\frac{N}{2}+T+1)} b_1^j b_2^{2k} |a|^{2h-j}.$$

Let

$$L = \frac{2^{P+A-1} \Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma(P) \Gamma(A)} \pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}}.$$

The duplication formula

$$\sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(2z) = 2^{2z-1} \Gamma(z) \Gamma\left(z + \frac{1}{2}\right)$$



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(see [3, p. 45]) is applied with 2z = 2k + P + 2h + A. Now

$$\Gamma(k+h+\frac{A+P+1}{2}) \le \Gamma\left(k+h+\frac{N}{2}+T+1\right)$$

since Γ increases on $[1, +\infty[$ and

$$1 \le k + h + \frac{A+P+1}{2} \le k + h + \frac{N}{2} + T + 1.$$

This leads to:

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b)$$

$$\leq L \sum_{(k,h)\in\mathbb{N}^2} \sum_{j=0}^{2h} \frac{(2h)! B(j+2k+P,2h-j+A) \Gamma\left(k+h+\frac{A+P}{2}\right)}{h! \, k! \, j! \, (2h-j)!} \, b_1^j b_2^{2k} |a|^{2h-j}$$

$$= L \sum_{(k,h) \in \mathbb{N}^2} \frac{\Gamma\left(k+h+\frac{A+P}{2}\right)}{h! \, k!} \, b_2^{2k} \, \sum_{j=0}^{2n} \, \frac{(2h)!}{j! \, (2h-j)!} \, b_1^j \, |a|^{2h-j} \, B(j+2k+P, 2h-j+A).$$

The last sum turns into:

$$\sum_{j=0}^{2h} \frac{(2h)! \, b_1^j \, |a|^{2h-j}}{j! \, (2h-j)!} \, \int_0^1 \xi^{j+2k+P-1} \, (1-\xi)^{2h-j+A-1} \, d\xi$$

$$= \int_0^1 \left(\sum_{j=0}^{2h} \frac{(2h)! \, (b_1 \, \xi)^j \, [(1-\xi) \, |a|]^{2h-j}}{j! \, (2h-j)!} \right) \xi^{2k+P-1} \, (1-\xi)^{A-1} \, d\xi$$

$$= \int_0^1 [b_1 \, \xi + |a| \, (1-\xi)]^{2h} \, \xi^{2k+P-1} \, (1-\xi)^{A-1} \, d\xi.$$



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Hence the majorant of $I_{A,P,T}(a,b)$ becomes:

$$L \int_{0}^{1} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(b_{2} \xi)^{2k}}{k!} \left(\sum_{h \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(h+k+\frac{A+P}{2})}{h!} [b_{1} \xi + |a| (1-\xi)]^{2h} \right) \xi^{P-1} (1-\xi)^{A-1} d\xi$$

$$= L \int_{0}^{1} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(k+\frac{A+P}{2}) (b_{2} \xi)^{2k}}{k!} \left(\frac{1}{1-[b_{1} \xi + |a| (1-\xi)]^{2}} \right)^{k+\frac{A+P}{2}} \xi^{P-1} (1-\xi)^{A-1} d\xi$$

according to the expansion

$$\frac{\Gamma(C)}{(1-X)^C} = \sum_{h \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(h+C)}{h!} X^h$$

with |X| < 1 when C > 0 (see [8, p. 53]). Here $X = [b_1 \xi + |a| (1 - \xi)]^2$ belongs to]-1,1[since b_1 and |a| do and $\xi \in [0,1]$. The same expansion now applies with

$$C = \frac{A+P}{2}$$
 and $X = \frac{(b_2 \xi)^2}{1 - [b_1 \xi + |a| (1-\xi)]^2}$

since |X| < 1, as

$$\delta(\xi) := (b_2 \xi)^2 + [b_1 \xi + |a| (1 - \xi)]^2$$

$$= |b|^2 \xi^2 + |a|^2 (1 - \xi)^2 + 2\xi (1 - \xi) b_1 |a|$$

$$\leq |b|^2 \xi^2 + |a|^2 (1 - \xi)^2 + 2\xi (1 - \xi) |b| |a|$$

$$= [\xi |b| + |a| (1 - \xi)]^2 < 1.$$



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Hence

$$\begin{split} &I_{A,P,T}(a,b) \\ &\leq L \int_0^1 \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{A+P}{2}\right)}{\left(1 - \frac{(b_2 \, \xi)^2}{1 - [b_1 \, \xi + |a| \, (1-\xi)]^2}\right)^{\frac{A+P}{2}}} \frac{\xi^{P-1} \, (1-\xi)^{A-1} \, d\xi}{\left(1 - [b_1 \, \xi + |a| \, (1-\xi)]^2\right)^{\frac{A+P}{2}}} \\ &= L \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{A+P}{2}\right) \int_0^1 \frac{\xi^{P-1} \, (1-\xi)^{A-1} \, d\xi}{\left(1 - [b_1 \, \xi + |a| \, (1-\xi)]^2 - (b_2 \, \xi)^2\right)^{\frac{A+P}{2}}}. \end{split}$$

Now

$$1 - \delta(\xi) \ge 1 - [\xi |b| + |a| (1 - \xi)]^{2}$$

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$$= \xi (1 - |b|)[2 - \xi (1 - |b|)]$$

$$\ge \xi (1 - |b|^{2})$$

since

$$[2 - \xi(1 - |b|)] - (1 + |b|) = (1 - \xi)(1 - |b|) \ge 0.$$

Similarly,

$$1 - \delta(\xi) \ge (1 - \xi)(1 - |a|^2).$$

Thus

$$\frac{1}{[1 - \delta(\xi)]^{\frac{A+P}{2}}} \le \frac{1}{[(1 - \xi)(1 - |a|^2)]^{\frac{A+P}{2} - \tau} [\xi(1 - |b|^2)]^{\tau}}$$

since $\tau \geq 0$ and $\frac{A+P}{2} - \tau \geq 0$. Finally:

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) \le \frac{L \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{A+P}{2}\right)}{(1-|a|^2)^{\frac{A+P}{2}-\tau}(1-|b|^2)^{\tau}} \int_0^1 \xi^{P-\tau-1} (1-\xi)^{A+\tau-\frac{A+P}{2}-1} d\xi.$$



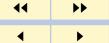
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This integral converges since $P - \tau > 0$ and

$$A + \tau - \frac{A+P}{2} = \frac{A-P}{2} + \tau > 0.$$

Now the result follows with

$$K = L \cdot \Gamma\left(\frac{A+P}{2}\right) B\left(P-\tau, \frac{A-P}{2} + \tau\right) = L \Gamma(P-\tau) \Gamma\left(\frac{A-P}{2} + \tau\right).$$

Proof of Theorem 4.1 in the case N=3. Here

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) = \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r^2)^T r^2 (\sin \theta_1) J_P(s,t,b_1,b_2)}{(1-|a|s)^A} dr d\theta_1,$$

where

$$J_P(s,t,b_1,b_2) = \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta_2}{(1-s\,b_1-t\,b_2\,\cos\theta_2)^P} = 2\,I_P(s,t,b_1,b_2)$$

with $I_P(s,t,b_1,b_2)$ as in Proposition 3.6, with N=3. Hence $I_{A,P,T}(a,b)$ has the same expression as in Formula (4.1), with N=3, since $\sigma_1=2$. Thus the proof ends in the same manner as that above in the case N>3.

Proof of Theorem 4.1 in the case N=2. Now $x_1=s=r\cos\theta$ and $x_2=t=r\sin\theta$:

$$I_{A,P,T}(a,b) = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r^2)^T r \, dr \, d\theta}{(1-|a|s)^A \, (1-s \, b_1 - t \, b_2)^P}$$



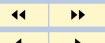
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$$= \int_{B_2} \sum_{\ell \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(\ell+A)}{\ell! \, \Gamma(A)} \, (|a| \, s)^{\ell} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{(t \, b_2)^n}{n! \, \Gamma(P)} \frac{\Gamma(n+P)}{(1-s \, b_1)^{n+P}} \, (1-s^2-t^2)^T \, ds \, dt$$

$$= \sum_{(\ell,n,j) \in \mathbb{N}^3} \frac{\Gamma(\ell+A) \, |a|^{\ell} \, (b_2)^n \, \Gamma(j+n+P) \, (b_1)^j}{\ell! \, \Gamma(A) \, n! \, \Gamma(P) \, j!} \, \int_{B_2} s^{\ell+j} \, t^n \, (1-s^2-t^2)^T \, ds \, dt.$$

The last integral vanishes when n is odd or $\ell + j$ odd. Otherwise (n = 2k and $\ell + j = 2h$), it equals

$$2\int_{H} s^{\ell+j} t^{n} \left(1 - s^{2} - t^{2}\right)^{T} ds dt = \frac{\Gamma\left(h + \frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(k + \frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma(k+h+T+2)}$$

by Lemma 3.4 and turns into

$$\frac{n! (2h)! \pi \Gamma(T+1)}{2^{2h+2k} h! k! \Gamma(k+h+T+2)}$$

according to [3, p. 40]. Thus $I_{A,P,T}(a,b)$ is again recognized as Formula (4.2) now with N=2 and the proof ends as for the case N>3.

We now present an example of a family of functions $\{f_a\}_a$ which is uniformly bounded above in $\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$:

Corollary 4.2. Given $\beta > -\frac{N+1}{2}$ $(N \ge 2)$ let $\alpha = \frac{N+1}{2} + \beta$ and $\gamma > \max(\alpha, -1-\beta)$. For any $a \in B_N$ let f_a denote the function defined by: $f_a(x) = \frac{1}{(1-\langle x,a\rangle)^{2\alpha}}, \forall x \in B_N$. Then $f_a \in \mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}, \forall a \in B_N$. Moreover, there exists K > 0 such that $M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(f_a) \le K, \forall a \in B_N$.

Remark 4. This constant K is the same as that in the previous theorem, with $A=2\alpha$, $P=2\gamma$ and $T=\beta+\gamma$.



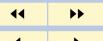
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Proof. With the above choices for parameters A, P, T, we actually have: P > A > 0, T > -1 and

$$A + P = 2\alpha + 2\gamma = N + 1 + 2\beta + 2\gamma = N + 1 + 2T > 1.$$

The conditions $0 \le \tau \le \alpha + \gamma$ together with $\gamma - \alpha < \tau < 2\gamma$ reduce to: $\gamma - \alpha < \tau \le \alpha + \gamma$. Let

(4.3)
$$J_b(f_a) = (1 - |b|^2)^{\alpha} \int_{B_N} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta} f_a(x) (1 - |\Phi_b(x)|^2)^{\gamma} dx.$$

Now

$$J_b(f_a) = (1 - |b|^2)^{\alpha + \gamma} \int_{B_N} \frac{(1 - |x|^2)^{\beta + \gamma}}{(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^{N + 1 + 2\beta} (1 - \langle x, b \rangle)^{2\gamma}} dx$$

$$\leq K \qquad \forall a \in B_N, \forall b \in B_N$$

according to Theorem 4.1 applied with $\tau = \alpha + \gamma = \frac{A+P}{2}$.

4.1. Proof of Theorem 2.2 in the case (i)

Given $R \in]0,1[$, the subharmonicity of g provides for any $a \in B_N$ the majoration:

$$g(a) \le \frac{1}{V_a} \int_{B(a,R_a)} g(x) \, dx$$

with V_a the volume of $B(a, R_a)$. From Lemma 3.3, it is clear that:

$$1 \le \left(2\frac{1+R}{1-R}\frac{1-|x|^2}{1-\langle x,a\rangle}\right)^A \qquad \forall x \in B(a,R_a)$$

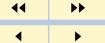


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with $A=2\alpha>0$. Now $g(x)\geq 0, \forall x\in B_N$. With f_a as in Corollary 4.2, this leads to:

$$V_a g(a) \le \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^A \int_{B(a,R_a)} (1-|x|^2)^A f_a(x) g(x) dx.$$

Now

$$A = \alpha + \beta + \frac{N+1}{2} = \alpha + \beta + N - \frac{N-1}{2},$$

thus

$$V_{a} g(a) \leq \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^{A} \int_{B(a,R_{a})} \frac{(1-|x|^{2})^{\lambda+\alpha+\beta+N} f_{a}(x) g(x)}{(1-|x|^{2})^{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}} dx$$

$$\leq C' K \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^{A} \int_{B(a,R_{a})} \frac{dx}{(1-|x|^{2})^{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}$$

from Corollary 4.2. Lemmas 1 and 5 of [5] provide

$$\left(\frac{1-|x|^2}{1-|a|^2}\right)^{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}} \ge C_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}} \quad \forall x \in B(a, R_a),$$

with $C_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}$ defined in the same pattern as C_{β} in the proof of Proposition 3.1. Finally:

$$V_a g(a) \le \frac{C'K}{C_{\lambda + \frac{N-1}{2}}} \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^A \frac{V_a}{(1-|a|^2)^{\lambda + \frac{N-1}{2}}},$$

thus

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}(g) \leq \frac{C'K}{C_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}} \left(2\,\frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^{2\alpha} \qquad \forall R \in]0,1[.$$



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The majorant is an increasing function with respect to R. Letting R tend toward 0^+ , we get:

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}(g) \le \frac{C'K}{C_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}} 2^{2\alpha}.$$

4.2. Proof of Theorem 2.2 in the case (ii)

Here we work with f_a defined by:

$$f_a(x) = \frac{1}{(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^A}$$
 where $A = \alpha + \beta + N$.

Theorem 4.1 applies once again, with $A=N+1+2\beta>\frac{N-1}{2}>0,\ P=2\gamma>0$ and $T=\beta+\gamma>-1$ (because $\gamma>-1-\beta$). Condition A+P=N+1+2T is fulfilled too. Moreover $\tau:=\alpha+\gamma=\beta+\gamma+1$ satisfies both $0\leq \tau\leq \beta+\gamma+\frac{N+1}{2}$ (obviously $0<\beta+\gamma+1$ and $1<\frac{N+1}{2}$) and $\gamma-\beta-\frac{N+1}{2}<\tau<2\gamma$:

$$\tau-\gamma+\beta+\frac{N+1}{2}=2\beta+\frac{N+3}{2}>0\quad\text{and}\quad 2\gamma-\tau=\gamma-1-\beta>0.$$

With such a choice for τ we have

$$\frac{A+P}{2} - \tau = \frac{N+1}{2} - 1 = \frac{N-1}{2},$$

thus

$$(4.4) I_{A,P,T}(a,b) \le \frac{K}{(1-|a|^2)^{\frac{N+1}{2}-1}(1-|b|^2)^{\alpha+\gamma}} \forall a \in B_N, \forall b \in B_N.$$

Hence, $J_b(f_a)$ defined in Formula (4.3) now satisfies

(4.5)
$$J_b(f_a) \le \frac{K}{(1 - |a|^2)^{\frac{N-1}{2}}} \forall a \in B_N, \forall b \in B_N.$$



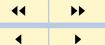
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In other words,

$$(4.6) M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(f_a) \le \frac{K}{(1-|a|^2)^{\frac{N-1}{2}}} \forall a \in B_N.$$

This implies:

$$(4.7) M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\alpha+\beta+N}}(g f_a) \le \frac{C'K}{(1-|a|^2)^{\frac{N-1}{2}}} \forall a \in B_N.$$

With R and V_a as in the previous proof, we obtain here:

$$V_{a} g(a) \leq \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^{A} \int_{B(a,R_{a})} \frac{(1-|x|^{2})^{\lambda+\alpha+\beta+N} f_{a}(x) g(x)}{(1-|x|^{2})^{\lambda}} dx$$

$$\leq \frac{C'K}{(1-|a|^{2})^{\frac{N-1}{2}}} \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^{A} \int_{B(a,R_{a})} \frac{dx}{(1-|x|^{2})^{\lambda}}$$

and the last integral is majorized by $\frac{V_a}{C_\lambda (1-|a|^2)^\lambda}$ with C_λ defined similarly to C_β in the proof of Proposition 3.1. Finally:

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}(g) \le \frac{C'K}{C_{\lambda}} 2^{N+1+2\beta}.$$

4.3. Proof of Theorem **2.2** in the case (*iii*)

Here f_a is defined by:

$$f_a(x) = \frac{1}{(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^A (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta + \gamma}} \qquad \forall x \in B_N,$$



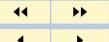
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where $A=N+1-2\gamma>0$. Theorem 4.1 is applied with $P=2\gamma>0$ and T=0>-1. Thus

$$A + P = N + 1 = N + 1 + 2T$$
.

We have to choose τ satisfying both

$$0 \le \tau \le \frac{N+1}{2}$$
 and $2\gamma - \frac{N+1}{2} < \tau < 2\gamma$.

Now

$$\tau := \frac{N+1}{2} = \frac{A+P}{2} = \alpha + \gamma$$

fulfills the last condition since:

$$2\gamma-\tau=2\left(\gamma-\frac{N+1}{4}\right)>0\quad\text{and}\quad\tau-2\gamma+\frac{N+1}{2}=2\left(\frac{N+1}{2}-\gamma\right)>0.$$

Formula (4.3) implies $J_b(f_a) \leq K$ for all $a \in B_N$ and all $b \in B_N$. Thus $M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(f_a) \leq K$, $\forall a \in B_N$. As before,

$$V_a g(a) \le \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^A \int_{B(a,R_a)} \frac{(1-|x|^2)^{A+\beta+\gamma} g(x)}{(1-\langle x,a \rangle)^A (1-|x|^2)^{\beta+\gamma}} dx.$$

Now

$$A + \beta + \gamma = N + 1 - \gamma + \beta$$

$$= N + 1 + \alpha - \frac{N+1}{2} + \beta$$

$$= \alpha + \beta + N - \frac{N-1}{2},$$



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whence

$$V_{a} g(a) \leq \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^{A} \int_{B(a,R_{a})} \frac{(1-|x|^{2})^{\alpha+\beta+N} f_{a}(x) g(x)}{(1-|x|^{2})^{\frac{N-1}{2}}} dx$$

$$\leq C' K \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^{A} \int_{B(a,R_{a})} \frac{dx}{(1-|x|^{2})^{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}$$

and the proof ends as in the case (i). Here

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}(g) \le \frac{C'K}{C_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}} 2^{N+1-2\gamma}.$$

4.4. Proof of Theorem 2.2 in the case (*iv*)

Here f_a is defined by:

$$f_a(x) = \frac{1}{(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^A (1 - |x|^2)^\beta} \qquad \forall x \in B_N,$$

where A=N+1, $T=\gamma$ and $P=2\gamma$ thus A+P=N+1+2T, allowing us to use Theorem 4.1, with $\tau=\alpha+\gamma=1+\gamma$ (since $0\leq\tau\leq\frac{N+1}{2}+\gamma$ and $\gamma-\frac{N+1}{2}<\tau<2\gamma$). Hence Inequalities (4.4), (4.5), (4.6) and (4.7) follow. Now

$$(4.8) V_a g(a) \le \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^A \int_{B(a,R_a)} (1-|x|^2)^{A+\beta} f_a(x) g(x) dx.$$

Since $A + \beta = \alpha + \beta + N$, this turns into:

$$V_a g(a) \le \left(2 \frac{1+R}{1-R}\right)^A \int_{B(a,R_a)} \frac{M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\alpha+\beta+N}}(g f_a)}{(1-|x|^2)^{\lambda}} dx$$



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and the proof ends as in the case (ii), here with:

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}(g) \le \frac{C'K}{C_{\lambda}} 2^{N+1}.$$

4.5. Proof of Theorem 2.2 in the case (v)

Here f_a is defined by:

$$f_a(x) = \frac{1}{(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^A (1 - |x|^2)^{\gamma}} \qquad \forall x \in B_N,$$

where

$$A = N + 1 + 2(\beta - \gamma) > N + 1 - \frac{N+3}{2} = \frac{N-1}{2} > 0.$$

With $P=2\gamma>0$ and $T=\beta$, the condition A+P=N+1+2T of Theorem 4.1 is fulfilled. Moreover $\tau:=\alpha+\gamma=1+\beta$ satisfies

$$0 \le \tau \le \frac{N+1}{2} + \beta$$
 and $2\gamma - \frac{N+1}{2} - \beta < \tau < 2\gamma$

since:

$$2\gamma - \tau = 2\gamma - (1+\beta) > 0$$
 and $\tau - 2\gamma + \frac{N+1}{2} + \beta = -2\gamma + \frac{N+3}{2} + 2\beta > 0$.

Again

$$\frac{A+P}{2} - \tau = \frac{N+1}{2} - 1 = \frac{N-1}{2}$$

and inequalities (4.4) to (4.7) follow. Formula (4.8) still holds with $(1 - |x|^2)^{A+\gamma}$ instead of $(1 - |x|^2)^{A+\beta}$. Here

$$A + \gamma = N + 1 + 2\beta - \gamma = N + \alpha + \beta$$



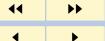
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and the conclusion follows as in the previous case. Finally:

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}(g) \le \frac{C'K}{C_{\lambda}} 2^{N+1+2(\beta-\gamma)}.$$

4.6. Proof of Theorem **2.2** in the case (*vi*)

Here f_a is defined by:

$$f_a(x) = \frac{1}{(1 - \langle x, a \rangle)^A (1 - |x|^2)^\alpha} \qquad \forall x \in B_N$$

with $A=N+\beta>\frac{N-1}{2}>0,\ P=2\gamma>0,\ T=\frac{\beta-1}{2}+\gamma>-1$ (actually $T+1=\frac{\beta+1}{2}+\gamma>0$). The use of Theorem 4.1 is allowed since

$$A + P = N + 1 + \beta - 1 + 2\gamma = N + 1 + 2T.$$

Now $\tau := \alpha + \gamma = \frac{\beta+1}{2} + \gamma$ satisfies $0 \le \tau \le \frac{N+\beta}{2} + \gamma$ (because of $\gamma > -\frac{\beta+1}{2}$). Moreover $\gamma - \frac{N+\beta}{2} < \tau < 2\gamma$ is fulfilled too since

$$\frac{\beta+1}{2} < \gamma$$
 and $\beta+1+(N+\beta) = 1+N+2\beta > 0$.

In addition,

$$\frac{A+P}{2} - \tau = \frac{N+\beta}{2} - \frac{\beta+1}{2} = \frac{N-1}{2}.$$

Again it induces Formula (4.6). With $(1 - |x|^2)^{A+\beta}$ replaced by $(1 - |x|^2)^{A+\alpha}$, inequality (4.8) remains valid. Since $A + \alpha = N + \alpha + \beta$, the conclusion is once again obtained in a similar way as in the cases (iv) and (v), here with

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\frac{N-1}{2}}}(g) \le \frac{C'K}{C_{\lambda}} 2^{N+\beta}.$$



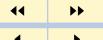
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5. The Situation with Radial Subharmonic Functions

5.1. The example of $u: x \mapsto (1 - |x|^2)^{-A}$ with $A \ge 0$

Proposition 5.1. Given $P \ge 1$, T > -1 and $N \in \mathbb{N}$ $(N \ge 2)$ such that $P \le N + 1 + 2T$, let

$$I_{P,T}(b) = \int_{B_N} \frac{(1 - |x|^2)^T}{(1 - \langle x, b \rangle)^P} dx \qquad \forall b \in B_N.$$

Then

$$I_{P,T}(b) \le \frac{K'}{(1-|b|^2)^{P/2}} \quad \forall b \in B_N,$$

(equality holds when P = N + 1 + 2T) with

$$K' = \frac{\Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{P+1}{2}\right)} \pi^{\frac{N}{2}}.$$

Proof. Letting $A \to 0^+$ in Theorem 4.1, the majorization of $I_{P,T}(b)$ is an immediate result, since K (as a function of A) tends towards K': see Example 4.1. Nonetheless, we still have to show that equality holds in the case P = N + 1 + 2T.

Proof in the case $N \geq 3$. Up to a unitary transform, we may assume $b = (|b|, 0, 0, \dots, 0)$, so that $\langle x, b \rangle = |b| x_1 = |b| r \cos \theta_1$ with $\theta_1 \in]0, \pi[$ (we will have $\theta_1 \in]0, 2\pi[$ in the case N = 2). Now

$$dx = r^{N-1} (\sin \theta_1)^{N-2} dr d\theta_1 d\sigma^{(N-1)},$$

with the same notations as in the proof of Theorem 4.1. Here:

$$I_{P,T}(b) = \sigma_{N-1} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r^2)^T r^{N-1} (\sin \theta_1)^{N-2}}{(1-|b| r \cos \theta_1)^P} dr d\theta_1.$$



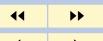
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Then

(5.1)
$$I_{P,T}(b) = \sigma_{N-1} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(n+P)}{n! \Gamma(P)} |b|^n \iint_H s^n t^{N-2} (1 - s^2 - t^2)^T ds dt$$

with $s = r \cos \theta_1$ and $t = r \sin \theta_1$. This integral vanishes for odd n. If n = 2k, its value is given by Lemma 3.4. Thus

$$I_{P,T}(b) = \frac{\sigma_{N-1} \Gamma\left(\frac{N-1}{2}\right) \Gamma(T+1)}{2 \Gamma(P)} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{|b|^{2k} \Gamma\left(k+\frac{1}{2}\right) \Gamma(2k+P)}{(2k)! \Gamma\left(k+\frac{N}{2}+T+1\right)}.$$

Now [2, p. 29] and [3, p. 40] lead to:

$$I_{P,T}(b) = \frac{\Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma(P)} \pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{|b|^{2k} \sqrt{\pi} \Gamma(2k+P)}{2^{2k} k! \Gamma\left(k + \frac{N}{2} + T + 1\right)}.$$

Through the duplication formula ([3, p. 45]), it follows that:

$$I_{P,T}(b) = \frac{\Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma(P)} \pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{|b|^{2k} 2^{2k+P-1} \Gamma\left(k + \frac{P}{2}\right) \Gamma\left(k + \frac{P+1}{2}\right)}{2^{2k} k! \Gamma\left(k + \frac{N}{2} + T + 1\right)}$$
$$= K' \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma\left(k + \frac{P}{2}\right)}{k! \Gamma\left(\frac{P}{2}\right)} |b|^{2k}$$

with

$$K' = \frac{\Gamma(T+1)}{\Gamma(P)} \pi^{\frac{N-1}{2}} 2^{P-1} \Gamma\left(\frac{P}{2}\right).$$

Another application of the duplication formula provides the final expression of K'.



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Proof in the case N=2. Now

$$I_{P,T}(b) = \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^1 \frac{(1-r^2)^T r}{(1-|b|r\cos\theta)^P} dr d\theta.$$

Then

$$I_{P,T}(b) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\Gamma(n+P)}{n! \, \Gamma(P)} \, |b|^n \left(\int_0^1 r^{n+1} \, (1-r^2)^T \, dr \right) \left(\int_0^{2\pi} (\cos \theta)^n \, d\theta \right).$$

The last integral equals $2\int_0^{\pi} (\cos \theta)^n d\theta$ for any n. As $\sigma_1 = 2$, here we recognize the same expression as in formula (5.1), replacing N by 2. Hence the same conclusion.

Corollary 5.2. Given $\alpha \geq 0$, $\beta \geq -\frac{N+1}{2}$ and $\gamma > \frac{N-1}{2}$, let $A = \frac{N+1}{2} + \beta$ and u defined on B_N by:

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{(1-|x|^2)^A} \qquad \forall x \in B_N.$$

Then $u \in \mathcal{RSY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ and $M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \leq K'$ where K' stems from Proposition 5.1 (with $P = 2\gamma > 1$ and $T = \beta + \gamma - A = \gamma - \frac{N+1}{2} > -1$).

Proof. The subharmonicity of u follows from Lemma 3.5 since $A \ge 0$. Let $J_b(u)$ be defined similarly as in formula (4.3). Then

$$J_b(u) = (1 - |b|^2)^{\alpha + \gamma} \int_{B_N} \frac{(1 - |x|^2)^{\beta + \gamma - A}}{(1 - \langle x, b \rangle)^P} dx.$$

As

$$N + 1 + 2T = N + 1 + 2\gamma - (N+1) = P,$$



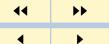
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Proposition 5.1 provides:

$$J_b(u) \le (1 - |b|^2)^{\alpha + \gamma} \frac{K'}{(1 - |b|^2)^{P/2}} \le K'$$

since $\alpha \geq 0$. The conclusion proceeds from

$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) = \sup_{b \in B_N} J_b(u).$$

5.2. Proof of Theorem 2.3

Let A and u be defined as in Corollary 5.2. With R and V_a as in the proof of Theorem 2.2:

$$V_{a} g(a) \leq \int_{B(a,R_{a})} (1 - |x|^{2})^{A} u(x) g(x) dx$$

$$= \int_{B(a,R_{a})} \frac{(1 - |x|^{2})^{\lambda + \alpha + \beta + N} u(x) g(x) dx}{(1 - |x|^{2})^{\lambda + \alpha + \frac{N-1}{2}}}$$

since:

$$A = \frac{N+1}{2} + \beta = \beta + N - \frac{N-1}{2}.$$

This leads to:

$$V_{a} g(a) \leq C'' K' \int_{B(a,R_{a})} \frac{dx}{(1-|x|^{2})^{\lambda+\alpha+\frac{N-1}{2}}}$$

$$\leq \frac{C'' K' V_{a}}{C_{\lambda+\alpha+\frac{N-1}{2}}} \frac{1}{(1-|a|^{2})^{\lambda+\alpha+\frac{N-1}{2}}},$$



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with $C_{\lambda+\alpha+\frac{N-1}{2}}$ defined in the same way as C_{β} in the proof of Proposition 3.1. We obtain finally:

$$M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda+\alpha+\frac{N-1}{2}}}(g) \le \frac{C''K'}{C_{\lambda+\alpha+\frac{N-1}{2}}}.$$



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6. Annex: The Sets \mathcal{SX}_{λ} and $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ for some Special Values of λ , α , β , γ

Throughout the paper, it was assumed that $\gamma \geq 0$. When $\gamma \leq 0$, the set $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ is related to other sets of the same kind by:

Proposition 6.1. Given $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\gamma \leq 0$, then

$$\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha+\gamma,\beta+\gamma,0}^+ \subset \mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^+ \subset \mathcal{Y}_{\alpha+s\gamma,\beta-s\gamma,0}^+ \qquad \forall s \in [-1,1],$$

where $\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}^+$ denotes the subset of $\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ consisting of all non-negative $u \in \mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ (not necessarily subharmonic).

Proof. For any $a \in B_N$ and $x \in B_N$, the following holds:

(6.1)
$$(1 - |a|^2)^{\alpha} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta} (1 - |\Phi_a(x)|^2)^{\gamma}$$

$$= (1 - |a|^2)^{\alpha + \gamma} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta + \gamma} (1 - \langle a, x \rangle)^{-2\gamma}.$$

Since $\langle a, x \rangle \in]-1, 1[$ through the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we have $(1-\langle a, x \rangle)^{-2\gamma} \le 2^{-2\gamma}$ as $-2\gamma \ge 0$. If $u \in \mathcal{Y}_{\alpha+\gamma,\beta+\gamma,0}$ and $u(x) \ge 0, \forall x \in B_N$, then $u \in \mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ with

$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \le 2^{-2\gamma} M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha+\gamma,\beta+\gamma,0}}(u).$$

Also, $\langle a, x \rangle < |a|$ and $\langle a, x \rangle < |x|$, thus

$$(1 - \langle a, x \rangle)^{(s-1)\gamma} \ge (1 - |a|)^{(s-1)\gamma}$$
 and $(1 - \langle a, x \rangle)^{(-s-1)\gamma} \ge (1 - |x|)^{(-s-1)\gamma}$

since $(s-1)\gamma \geq 0$ and $(-s-1)\gamma \geq 0$. Moreover

$$|1-|a| = \frac{1-|a|^2}{1+|a|} \ge \frac{1-|a|^2}{2}$$
 and $|1-|x| \ge \frac{1-|x|^2}{2}$,



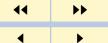
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thus

$$(1 - \langle a, x \rangle)^{-2\gamma} \ge (1 - |a|^2)^{(s-1)\gamma} (1 - |x|^2)^{(-s-1)\gamma} \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-2\gamma}.$$

Finally

$$(1-|a|^2)^{\alpha}(1-|x|^2)^{\beta}(1-|\Phi_a(x)|^2)^{\gamma} \ge 2^{2\gamma}(1-|a|^2)^{\alpha+s\gamma}(1-|x|^2)^{\beta-s\gamma}.$$

Any non-negative $u \in \mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ then belongs to $\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha+s\gamma,\beta-s\gamma,0}$ with

$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha+s\gamma,\beta-s\gamma,0}}(u) \le 2^{-2\gamma} M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u).$$

Remark 5. Even with $\gamma \leq 0$, Proposition 3.1 still holds, since

$$(1 - |\Phi_a(x)|^2)^{\gamma} = \left(\frac{1 - \langle a, x \rangle}{1 - |x|^2}\right)^{-\gamma} \left(\frac{1 - \langle a, x \rangle}{1 - |a|^2}\right)^{-\gamma}$$
$$\geq \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{-\gamma} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{-\gamma} = 2^{3\gamma} \quad \forall x \in B(a, R_a)$$

according to Lemma 3.3. For the proof of Proposition 3.1 in the case $\gamma \leq 0$, it is enough to replace $(1-R^2)^{\gamma}$ in formula (3.1) by $2^{3\gamma}$.

Proposition 6.2. If $\lambda < 0$, then the set \mathcal{SX}_{λ} contains only the function $u \equiv 0$ on B_N .

Proof. Given $u \in \mathcal{SX}_{\lambda}$ and $\xi \in B_N$, let $r \in]|\xi|, 1[$. Then

$$u(\xi) \le \max_{|x| \le r} u(x) = \max_{|x| = r} u(x)$$



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according to the maximum principle (see [2, pp. 48–49]). Thus

$$0 \le u(\xi) \le M_{\mathcal{X}_{\lambda}}(u) (1 - r^2)^{-\lambda}$$

which tends towards 0 as $r \to 1^-$ (since $-\lambda > 0$). Finally $u(\xi) = 0$.

Remark 6. When $\alpha < 0$, it is not compulsory that $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = \{0\}$. For instance, with α , β , γ as in case (ii) of Theorem 2.2, we have $\alpha = \beta + 1 > \frac{1-N}{4}$. It is thus possible to choose β in such a way that $\alpha < 0$. In Subsection 4.2 we have an example of function $f_a \in \mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ (with a fixed in B_N) and this function is not vanishing. Similarly $\beta < 0$ does not imply $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = \{0\}$. In Table 1 we have several examples of such situations: see Subsections 4.1 to 4.6 for examples of non-vanishing subharmonic functions belonging to such sets $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$.

Proposition 6.3. Let $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ and $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ such that $\alpha + \beta < -N$, then $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = \{0\}$.

Proof. Given $R \in]0,1[$, let $K_{R,\gamma}=(1-R^2)^{\gamma}$ if $\gamma \geq 0$, or $K_{R,\gamma}=2^{3\gamma}$ if $\gamma \leq 0$. Then: $(1-|\Phi_a(x)|^2)^{\gamma} \geq K_{R,\gamma}$, $\forall a \in B_N$, $\forall x \in B(a,R_a)$ according to Remark 5 (also remember that $|\Phi_a| < R$ on $B(a,R_a)$, see [6]). With C_{β} as in the proof of Proposition 3.1, the following inequalities hold for any $u \in \mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}$ and any $a \in B_N$. The second inequality is based upon $u \geq 0$ and the last one makes use of the suharmonicity of u.

$$(1 - |a|^2)^{-\alpha} M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \ge \int_{B_N} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta} u(x) (1 - |\Phi_a(x)|^2)^{\gamma} dx$$
$$\ge K_{R,\gamma} \int_{B(a,R_a)} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta} u(x) dx$$



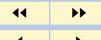
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$$\geq K_{R,\gamma} C_{\beta} (1 - |a|^{2})^{\beta} \int_{B(a,R_{a})} u(x) dx$$

$$\geq K_{R,\gamma} C_{\beta} (1 - |a|^{2})^{\beta} V_{a} u(a)$$

where the volume V_a of $B(a, R_a)$ satisfies:

$$V_a \ge \frac{\sigma_N}{N} \left(\frac{R}{1+R}\right)^N (1-|a|^2)^N$$

(see the end of the proof of Proposition 3.1). Thus

$$u(a) \le \kappa (1 - |a|^2)^{-\alpha - \beta - N} \quad \forall a \in B_N,$$

the constant $\kappa > 0$ being independent of a.

Given $\xi \in B_N$, the maximum principle now provides for any $r \in]|\xi|, 1[$:

$$0 \le u(\xi) \le \max_{|x| < r} u(x) = \max_{|x| = r} u(x) \le \kappa (1 - r^2)^{-\alpha - \beta - N}$$

which tends towards 0 as $r \to 1^-$, since $-\alpha - \beta - N > 0$. Hence $u(\xi) = 0$.

Proposition 6.4. Given $\gamma \geq 0$, $\alpha < -\gamma$ and $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma} = \{0\}$.

Proof. Since $1 - \langle x, a \rangle \in]0, 2[$, we have $(1 - \langle a, x \rangle)^{-2\gamma} \ge 2^{-2\gamma}, \forall x \in B_N, \forall a \in B_N.$ Given $u \in \mathcal{SY}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}, \xi \in B_N$ and $r \in]0, 1 - |\xi|[$, the formula (6.1) leads to:

$$M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \ge (1 - |a|^2)^{\alpha+\gamma} 2^{-2\gamma} \int_{B(\xi,x)} (1 - |x|^2)^{\beta+\gamma} u(x) dx \qquad \forall a \in B_N$$

since $u \geq 0$ on $B_N \supset B(\xi, r)$. Now $|x| \leq |\xi| + r$, $\forall x \in B(\xi, r)$. Let $L_{\xi} = [1 - (|\xi| + r)^2]^{\beta + \gamma}$ if $\beta + \gamma \geq 0$, or $L_{\xi} = 1$ if $\beta + \gamma \leq 0$. Then

$$(1 - |a|^2)^{-\alpha - \gamma} 2^{2\gamma} M_{\mathcal{Y}_{\alpha,\beta,\gamma}}(u) \ge L_{\xi} \int_{B(\xi,r)} u(x) dx \ge L_{\xi} \frac{\sigma_N}{N} r^N u(\xi) \qquad \forall a \in B_N$$



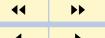
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since u is subharmonic and the volume of $B(\xi,r)$ is $\frac{\sigma_N}{N}\,r^N$. Finally, with ξ fixed, we have:

$$0 \le u(\xi) \le \kappa_{\xi} (1 - |a|^2)^{-\alpha - \gamma} \qquad \forall a \in B_N,$$

the constant $\kappa_{\xi} > 0$ being independent of a. Hence $u(\xi) = 0$, letting $|a| \to 1^-$. \square



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