

## WEIGHTED COMPOSITION OPERATORS FROM ANALYTIC MORREY SPACES INTO BLOCH-TYPE SPACES

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ABSTRACT. In this paper, the boundedness and compactness of weighted composition operators from analytic Morrey spaces into Bloch-type spaces and little Bloch-type spaces are studied.

### 1. INTRODUCTION

Let  $\mathbb{D}$  be the open unit disk in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $H(\mathbb{D})$  be the space of all analytic functions on  $\mathbb{D}$ . Let  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$ . The Bloch-type space (or  $\alpha$ -Bloch space), denoted by  $\mathcal{B}^\alpha$ , consists of all  $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$  such that

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

Under the above norm,  $\mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is a Banach space. When  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $\mathcal{B}^1 = \mathcal{B}$  is the well-known Bloch space. Let  $\mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  denote the subspace of  $\mathcal{B}^\alpha$  consisting of those  $f \in \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  such that  $(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f'(z)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $|z| \rightarrow 1$ .  $\mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  is called the little Bloch-type space (or little  $\alpha$ -Bloch space).

For an arc  $I \subset \partial\mathbb{D}$  and  $f$  belonging to the Hardy space  $H^p(\mathbb{D})$ , we define  $f_I = \frac{1}{|I|} \int_I f(\zeta) \frac{|d\zeta|}{2\pi}$ , where  $|I| = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_I |d\zeta|$  is the normalized length of  $I$ . Let  $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ . The Morrey space, denoted by  $\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}(\mathbb{D})$ , is the set of all  $f$  belonging to the Hardy space  $H^2(\mathbb{D})$  such that (see [17, 19])

$$\sup_{I \subset \partial\mathbb{D}} \left( \frac{1}{|I|^\lambda} \int_I |f(\zeta) - f_I|^2 \frac{|d\zeta|}{2\pi} \right)^{1/2} < \infty.$$

Clearly,  $\mathcal{L}^{2,1}(\mathbb{D}) = BMOA$ . If  $0 < \lambda < 1$ , from Theorem 3.1 of [19] we see that  $f \in \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}(\mathbb{D})$  if and only if

$$\sup_{I \subset \partial\mathbb{D}} \frac{1}{|I|^\lambda} \int_{S(I)} |f'(z)|^2 (1 - |z|^2) dA(z) < \infty,$$

where  $S(I)$  is the Carleson box based on  $I$  with

$$S(I) = \{z \in \mathbb{D} : 1 - |I| \leq |z| < 1 \text{ and } \frac{z}{|z|} \in I\}.$$

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Moreover, the norm of functions  $f \in \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}(\mathbb{D})$  can be defined as follows

$$\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} = |f(0)| + \sup_{I \subset \partial\mathbb{D}} \left( \frac{1}{|I|^\lambda} \int_{S(I)} |f'(z)|^2 (1 - |z|^2) dA(z) \right)^{1/2}.$$

Let  $\varphi$  be an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ . The composition operator  $C_\varphi$  is defined by  $(C_\varphi f)(z) = f(\varphi(z))$ ,  $f \in H(\mathbb{D})$ . Let  $\psi \in H(\mathbb{D})$ . The weighted composition operator induced by  $\varphi$  and  $\psi$  is defined by

$$(\psi C_\varphi f)(z) = \psi(z) f(\varphi(z)), \quad f \in H(\mathbb{D}).$$

We can regard this operator as a generalization of a composition operator  $C_\varphi$  and a multiplication operator  $M_\psi$ , where  $(M_\psi f)(z) = \psi(z) f(z)$ . We refer [4, 15, 20] for the theory of the composition operator on function spaces.

Composition operators and weighted composition operators between Bloch-type spaces and some other spaces in one, as well as, in several complex variables were studied, for example, in [1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 18, 21].

In this paper we study the weighted composition operator from the Morrey space  $\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}$  into the Bloch-type space  $\mathcal{B}^\alpha$  and the little Bloch space  $\mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$ . Some sufficient and necessary conditions for the boundedness and compactness of the weighted composition operator are given.

In this paper, constants are denoted by  $C$ , they are positive and may differ from one occurrence to the next. The notation  $a \preceq b$  means that there is a positive constant  $C$  such that  $a \leq Cb$ . If both  $a \preceq b$  and  $b \preceq a$  hold, then one says that  $a \asymp b$ .

## 2. AUXILIARY RESULTS

In this section, we give some auxiliary results which will be used in proving the main results of the paper. They are incorporated in the lemmas which follow.

**Lemma 2.1.** [10] *Let  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}(\mathbb{D})$ , then*

$$|f(z)| \preceq \frac{\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}}}{(1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

Arguing as the proof of Lemma 2.1, we can get the following result.

**Lemma 2.2.** *Let  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . If  $f \in \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}(\mathbb{D})$ , then*

$$|f'(z)| \preceq \frac{\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}}}{(1 - |z|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$

**Lemma 2.3.** [14] *Let  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$ . A closed set  $\Omega$  in  $\mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  is compact if and only if it is bounded and satisfies*

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \sup_{f \in \Omega} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f'(z)| = 0.$$

The following lemma can be proved as Lemma 4.2 of [5].

**Lemma 2.4.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\psi \in H(\mathbb{D})$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Then the following statements hold.*

(i)

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} = 0$$

if and only if  $\psi \in \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  and

$$\lim_{|\varphi(z)| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} = 0.$$

(ii)

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = 0$$

if and only if  $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)| = 0$  and

$$\lim_{|\varphi(z)| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = 0.$$

The following criterion for compactness follows by Lemma 3.7 of [16].

**Lemma 2.5.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\psi \in H(\mathbb{D})$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . The operator  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is compact if and only if for any bounded sequence  $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}$  which converges to zero uniformly on compact subsets of  $\mathbb{D}$ , we have  $\|\psi C_\varphi f_n\|_{\mathcal{B}^\alpha} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .*

### 3. MAIN RESULTS AND PROOFS

In this section, we state and prove our main results.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\psi \in H(\mathbb{D})$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Then  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is bounded if and only if*

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} < \infty \text{ and } \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} < \infty. \quad (3.1)$$

*Proof.* Suppose that (3.1) holds. For arbitrary  $z$  in  $\mathbb{D}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}$ , by Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |(\psi C_\varphi f)'(z)| \\ & \leq (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)| |f(\varphi(z))| + (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |f'(\varphi(z))| |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)| \\ & \preceq (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)| \frac{\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}}}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} + (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)| \frac{\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}}}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} \\ & = \left( \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} + \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} \right) \|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.2)$$

Taking the supremum in (3.2) over  $\mathbb{D}$  and then using (3.1) we get that  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is bounded.

Conversely, assume that  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is bounded. Taking the functions  $f(z) = z$  and  $f(z) = 1$ , it follows that  $\psi \in \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  and

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z) + \psi'(z)\varphi(z)| < \infty.$$

Thus by the boundedness of the function  $\varphi(z)$ , we obtain

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)| < \infty. \quad (3.3)$$

For a fixed  $a \in \mathbb{D}$ , take

$$f_a(z) = \frac{1 - |a|^2}{(1 - \bar{a}z)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}}. \quad (3.4)$$

Then  $f_a \in \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}$  and  $\sup_{a \in \mathbb{D}} \|f_a\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} \leq 1$  (see [10]). Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi C_\varphi\| &\geq \|f_{\varphi(w)}\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} \|\psi C_\varphi\| \geq \|\psi C_\varphi f_{\varphi(w)}\|_{\mathcal{B}^\alpha} \\ &\geq \left| \frac{3-\lambda}{2} \frac{(1-|w|^2) |\psi(w) \overline{\varphi(w)} \varphi'(w)|}{(1-|\varphi(w)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} - \frac{(1-|w|^2) |\psi'(w)|}{(1-|\varphi(w)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} \right| \end{aligned} \quad (3.5)$$

for every  $w \in \mathbb{D}$ , from which it follows that

$$\frac{(1-|w|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(w)|}{(1-|\varphi(w)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} \leq \|\psi C_\varphi\| + \frac{3-\lambda}{2} \frac{(1-|w|^2)^\alpha |\psi(w) \overline{\varphi(w)} \varphi'(w)|}{(1-|\varphi(w)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}}. \quad (3.6)$$

Further, for  $a \in \mathbb{D}$ , take

$$g_a(z) = \frac{(1-|a|^2)^2}{(1-\bar{a}z)^{\frac{5-\lambda}{2}}} - \frac{1-|a|^2}{(1-\bar{a}z)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}}. \quad (3.7)$$

Then, arguing as in the proof of Lemma 4 of [10] we get  $\sup_{a \in \mathbb{D}} \|g_a\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} \leq 1$ ,  $g_{\varphi(a)}(\varphi(a)) = 0$ ,  $g'_{\varphi(a)}(\varphi(a)) = \frac{\varphi'(a)}{(1-|\varphi(a)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}}$ . Thus,

$$\|\psi C_\varphi\| \geq \|\psi C_\varphi g_{\varphi(w)}\|_{\mathcal{B}^\alpha} \geq \frac{(1-|w|^2)^\alpha |\psi(w) \overline{\varphi(w)} \varphi'(w)|}{(1-|\varphi(w)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}},$$

for every  $w \in \mathbb{D}$ , i.e., we have

$$\sup_{w \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{(1-|w|^2)^\alpha |\psi(w) \overline{\varphi(w)} \varphi'(w)|}{(1-|\varphi(w)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} < \infty. \quad (3.8)$$

Taking the supremum in (3.6) over  $w \in \mathbb{D}$  and using (3.8), the first inequality in (3.1) follows. For a fixed  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ , by (3.8),

$$\sup_{|\varphi(w)| > \delta} \frac{(1-|w|^2)^\alpha |\psi(w)| |\varphi'(w)|}{(1-|\varphi(w)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} < \infty. \quad (3.9)$$

In addition, by (3.3) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{|\varphi(w)| \leq \delta} \frac{(1-|w|^2)^\alpha |\psi(w) \varphi'(w)|}{(1-|\varphi(w)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} &\leq \sup_{|\varphi(w)| \leq \delta} \frac{(1-|w|^2)^\alpha |\psi(w) \varphi'(w)|}{(1-\delta^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} \\ &\leq \frac{\sup_{w \in \mathbb{D}} (1-|w|^2)^\alpha |\psi(w) \varphi'(w)|}{(1-\delta^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} \\ &< \infty. \end{aligned} \quad (3.10)$$

The second inequality in (3.1) follows from (3.9) and (3.10). This completes the proof.

**Theorem 3.2.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\psi \in H(\mathbb{D})$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$ ,  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$  and that  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is bounded. Then  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is compact if and only if*

$$\lim_{|\varphi(z)| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1-|\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} = 0 \text{ and } \lim_{|\varphi(z)| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z) \varphi'(z)|}{(1-|\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = 0. \quad (3.11)$$

*Proof.* Suppose  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is compact. Let  $(z_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence in  $\mathbb{D}$  such that  $|\varphi(z_n)| \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  (If such a sequence does not exist conditions in (3.11) are automatically satisfied). Using the notation in (3.4), for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $f_n = f_{\varphi(z_n)}$ . Then,  $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \|f_n\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} \leq C$  and  $f_n$  converges to 0 uniformly on compact subsets of  $\mathbb{D}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $\psi C_\varphi$  is compact, we have  $\|\psi C_\varphi f_n\|_{\mathcal{B}^\alpha} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Thus, by (3.5) applied to  $w = z_n$ , we obtain

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}(1-|z_n|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z_n) \overline{\varphi(z_n)} \varphi'(z_n)|}{(1-|\varphi(z_n)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(1-|z_n|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z_n)|}{(1-|\varphi(z_n)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}}, \quad (3.12)$$

if one of these two limits exists.

For a sequence  $(z_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that  $|\varphi(z_n)| \rightarrow 1$ , using the notation in the proof of Theorem 3.1, let  $g_n = g_{\varphi(z_n)}$ . Then  $(g_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  is bounded in  $\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}$  and converges to 0 uniformly on compact subsets of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $g_n(\varphi(z_n)) = 0$  and  $g'_n(\varphi(z_n)) = \frac{\overline{\varphi(z_n)}}{(1-|\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}}$ .

Then

$$\frac{(1-|z_n|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z_n) \overline{\varphi(z_n)} \varphi'(z_n)|}{(1-|\varphi(z_n)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} \leq \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |(\psi C_\varphi g_n)'(z)| \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , which implies that

$$\lim_{|\varphi(z)| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z) \varphi'(z)|}{(1-|\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = 0.$$

Therefore by (3.12), we have

$$\lim_{|\varphi(z)| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1-|\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} = 0.$$

Conversely, we assume that (11) holds. Let  $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a bounded sequence in  $\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}$  converges to 0 uniformly on compact subsets of  $\mathbb{D}$ . By (3.11) we have that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a constant  $\delta \in (0, 1)$ , such that  $\delta < |\varphi(z)| < 1$  implies

$$\frac{(1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1-|\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} < \varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{(1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z) \varphi'(z)|}{(1-|\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} < \varepsilon.$$

Let  $\Omega = \{w \in \mathbb{D} : |w| \leq \delta\}$ . From  $\psi \in \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  and  $M = \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z) \varphi'(z)| < \infty$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |(\psi C_\varphi f_n)'(z)| \\ & \leq \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z) f_n(\varphi(z))| + \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z) f'_n(\varphi(z)) \varphi'(z)| \\ & \leq \sup_{|\varphi(z)| \leq \delta} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z) f_n(\varphi(z))| + \sup_{\delta \leq |\varphi(z)| < 1} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z) f_n(\varphi(z))| \\ & \quad + \sup_{|\varphi(z)| \leq \delta} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z) \varphi'(z)| |f'_n(\varphi(z))| \\ & \quad + \sup_{\delta \leq |\varphi(z)| < 1} (1-|z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z) \varphi'(z)| |f'_n(\varphi(z))| \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&\leq \|\psi\|_{\mathcal{B}^\alpha} \sup_{w \in \Omega} |f_n(w)| + \sup_{\delta \leq |\varphi(z)| < 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} \|f_n\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} \\
&\quad + M \sup_{w \in \Omega} |f'_n(w)| + \sup_{\delta \leq |\varphi(z)| < 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} \|f_n\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} \\
&\leq \|\psi\|_{\mathcal{B}^\alpha} \sup_{w \in \Omega} |f_n(w)| + \varepsilon + M \sup_{w \in \Omega} |f'_n(w)| + \varepsilon.
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $\Omega$  is a compact subset of  $\mathbb{D}$ , it follows that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{w \in \Omega} |f_n(w)| = 0$ . By Cauchy's estimate, the sequence  $f'_n$  also converges on compact subsets of  $\mathbb{D}$  to zero. Moreover  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\psi(0)f_n(\varphi(0))| = 0$ . So

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\psi C_\varphi f_n\|_{\mathcal{B}^\alpha} = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |(\psi C_\varphi f_n)'(z)| + |\psi(0)f_n(\varphi(0))|) \leq \varepsilon.$$

Since  $\varepsilon$  is an arbitrary positive number it follows that  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\psi C_\varphi f_n\|_{\mathcal{B}^\alpha} \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore, by Lemma 2.5  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is compact.

From Theorems 3.1 and 3.2, we deduce the following corollary.

**Corollary 3.3.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Then the following statements hold.*

(i)  $C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is bounded if and only if

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} < \infty.$$

(ii) If  $C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is bounded, then  $C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is compact if and only if

$$\lim_{|\varphi(z)| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = 0.$$

Next we characterize the boundedness and compactness of the weighted composition operators  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$ . Arguing as the proof of Theorem 4.4 of [5], we get the following result.

**Proposition 3.4.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\psi \in H(\mathbb{D})$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Then  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  is bounded if and only if  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is bounded,  $\psi \in \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  and  $\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)| = 0$ .*

**Theorem 3.5.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\psi \in H(\mathbb{D})$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Then  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  is compact if and only if*

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = 0. \quad (3.13)$$

*Proof.* First, assume that  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  is compact. Taking  $f(z) \equiv 1$  we obtain that  $\psi \in \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$ . Taking  $f(z) = z$ , and using the boundedness of  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  it follows that

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)| = 0. \quad (3.14)$$

Hence, if  $\|\varphi\|_\infty < 1$ , from  $\psi \in \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  and (3.14), we obtain that

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} \leq \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi'(z)|}{(1 - \|\varphi\|_\infty^2)^{\frac{1-\lambda}{2}}} = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} \leq \lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\psi(z)\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - \|\varphi\|_\infty^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = 0,$$

proving the result in this case.

Next assume that  $\|\varphi\|_\infty = 1$ . Let  $(z_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |\varphi(z_n)| = 1$ . Let  $f_n$  and  $g_n(z)$  be as in the proof of Theorem 2.3. Since  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is compact, by Theorem 3.2, (3.11) holds. Lemma 2.3 now yields the desired result.

Conversely, assume (3.13) holds. Taking the supremum in (3.2) over all  $f \in \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}$  such that  $\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} \leq 1$ , and letting  $|z| \rightarrow 1$ , we obtain that

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \sup_{\|f\|_{\mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda}} \leq 1} (1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |(\psi C_\varphi(f))'(z)| = 0.$$

By Lemma 2.2 it follows that the operator  $\psi C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  is compact.

From Theorems 3.4 and 3.5, we obtain the following corollary:

**Corollary 3.6.** *Suppose that  $\varphi$  is an analytic self-map of  $\mathbb{D}$ ,  $\alpha \in (0, \infty)$  and  $\lambda \in (0, 1)$ . Then, the following two statements hold.*

(i)  $C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  is bounded if and only if  $C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}^\alpha$  is bounded and  $\varphi \in \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$ .

(ii)  $C_\varphi : \mathcal{L}^{2,\lambda} \rightarrow \mathcal{B}_0^\alpha$  is compact if and only if

$$\lim_{|z| \rightarrow 1} \frac{(1 - |z|^2)^\alpha |\varphi'(z)|}{(1 - |\varphi(z)|^2)^{\frac{3-\lambda}{2}}} = 0.$$

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