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Normality of the p -Harmonic and Log- p -Harmonic Mappings

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In this paper, the concepts of p -harmonic mappings and log- p -harmonic mappings in the unit disk have been introduced and studied by many researchers. We proved the normality of the p -harmonic mappings and log- p -harmonic mappings, which extend the related results of harmonic mappings of earlier authors.

1. Introduction and Preliminaries

For real-valued harmonic functions defined in \mathbb{D} , Lappan [1] established that φ is normal if

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2) \frac{|\text{grad}\varphi(z)|}{1 + \varphi^2(z)} < \infty, \quad (1)$$

where $\text{grad}\varphi$ is the gradient vector of φ . In [2], the authors also proved geometric properties of real-valued harmonic normal functions. Namely, a real-valued harmonic function φ with the property

$$\iint_{\mathbb{D}} \left(\frac{|\text{grad}\varphi(z)|}{1 + \varphi^2(z)} \right)^2 d\Omega < \infty, \quad (2)$$

is normal.

Recently, many authors considered the properties of the complex-valued harmonic mappings and harmonic quasi-conformal mappings in [3–13]. We are motivated to establish the topic of normality for complex-valued p -harmonic mappings and log- p -harmonic mappings defined in the unit disk. An important concept related with normal harmonic functions is the Bloch function, which was studied by Colonna in [14]. It is a classical result of Lewy [15] that a harmonic mapping is locally univalent in a domain Ω if and only if its Jacobian does not vanish. In terms of the canonical decomposition, the Jacobian of harmonic mappings $f = h + \bar{g}$ is given by $J_f = |h'|^2 - |g'|^2$, and thus, a locally univalent har-

monic mapping in a simply connected domain Ω will be sense-preserving if $|h'| > |g'|$.

Following the above ideas, particularly the definition of Bloch harmonic function given by Colonna [14], we will prove that the polyharmonic mapping F and log- p -harmonic mapping f defined in the unit disk \mathbb{D} are normal if they satisfy a Lipschitz type condition. Further, for the complex-valued polyharmonic mappings and log- p -harmonic mappings, we give out some additional conditions for which are normal. These conditions cannot be omitted. A $2p$ -times continuously differentiable complex-valued function $F(z) = u(z) + iv(z)$ in a domain $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ is polyharmonic mapping or p -harmonic if $F(z)$ satisfies the p -harmonic equation

$$\Delta^p F = \Delta(\Delta^{p-1})F = 0, \quad (3)$$

where the Laplacian operator

$$\Delta F = 4F_{z\bar{z}} = \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 F}{\partial y^2}. \quad (4)$$

As we see in Proposition 1 in [16], we know that a mapping F is polyharmonic in a simply connected domain $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ if and only if F has the following representation

$$F(z) = \sum_{k=1}^p |z|^{2(k-1)} G_{p-k+1}(z), \quad (5)$$

where each G_{p-k+1} is harmonic for $k \in \{1, \dots, p\}$. When $p = 1$, the mapping F is called harmonic. When $p = 2$, the mapping F is called biharmonic. f is called log- p -harmonic mapping if $\log f$ is p -harmonic mapping. When $p = 1$, the mapping f is called log-harmonic. When $p = 2$, the mapping f is called log-biharmonic, which can be regarded as generalizations of holomorphic functions. So we say that f is called log- p -harmonic mapping in a simply connected domain $D \subseteq \mathbb{C}$ if and only if f has the form

$$f(z) = \prod_{k=1}^p \left[g_{p-k+1}(z) \right]^{|z|^{2(k-1)}}, \quad (6)$$

where each g_{p-k+1} is log-harmonic for $k \in \{1, \dots, p\}$.

For a continuously differentiable mapping f in D , we define

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_f(z) &= \max_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} |f_z(z) + \exp(-2i\theta)f_{\bar{z}}(z)| = |f_z(z)| + |f_{\bar{z}}(z)|, \\ \lambda_f(z) &= \min_{0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi} |f_z(z) + \exp(-2i\theta)f_{\bar{z}}(z)| = \left| |f_z(z)| - |f_{\bar{z}}(z)| \right|. \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

Recently, many authors considered Landau-type theorems for harmonic mappings, biharmonic mappings, and p -harmonic mappings [16–23]. Li and Wang [24] introduced the log- p -harmonic mappings and derived two versions of Landau-type theorems. However, in virtue of being inspired by these results, we establish the normality of polyharmonic mappings and log- p -harmonic mappings.

2. Necessary Lemmas

In order to derive our main results, we need the following lemmas.

Lemma 1. [14]. *Suppose that $f(z) = h(z) + g(\bar{z})$ is a harmonic mapping of the unit disk \mathbb{D} with $h(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ and $g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ are analytic on \mathbb{D} . If $|f(z)| < M$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$, then*

$$\Lambda_f(z) \leq \frac{4M}{\pi(1 - |z|^2)}. \quad (8)$$

Lemma 2. [22]. *Suppose that $f(z) = h(z) + g(\bar{z})$ is a harmonic mapping of the unit disk \mathbb{D} with $h(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ and $g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ are analytic on \mathbb{D} . If $|f(z)| < M$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$, then for $|z| = r < 1$, we have*

$$|f(z)| \leq \frac{4Mr}{\pi(1 - r)}. \quad (9)$$

Lemma 3. [25]. *Suppose that $f(z) = h(z) + g(\bar{z})$ is a harmonic mapping of the unit disk \mathbb{D} with $h(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ and $g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ are analytic on \mathbb{D} and $\lambda_f(0) = 1$. If $\Lambda_f(z) \leq \Lambda$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$, then*

$$|a_n| + |b_n| \leq \frac{\Lambda^2 - 1}{n\Lambda}, \quad n = 2, 3, \dots. \quad (10)$$

When $\Lambda > 1$, the above estimates are sharp for all $n = 2, 3, \dots$, with the extremal functions $f_n(z)$ and $f_n(\bar{z})$ as follows

$$f_n(z) = \Lambda^2 z - (\Lambda^3 - \Lambda) \int_0^z \frac{1}{\Lambda + z^{n-1}} dz. \quad (11)$$

When $\Lambda = 1$, then $f(z) = a_1 z + \bar{b}_1 \bar{z}$ with $\|a_1\| - \|b_1\| = 1$.

Lemma 4. [19]. *Suppose that $f(z) = h(z) + g(\bar{z})$ is a harmonic mapping of the unit disk \mathbb{D} with $h(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n z^n$ and $g(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n z^n$ are analytic on \mathbb{D} . If $\Lambda_f(z) \leq \Lambda$ for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$, then for each $z \in \mathbb{D}$,*

$$|f(z)| \leq \Lambda z. \quad (12)$$

We recall that the chordal distance on the generalized complex plane $\widehat{\mathbb{C}}$, which is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(z_1, z_2) &= \frac{|z_1 - z_2|}{\sqrt{1 + |z_1|^2} \sqrt{1 + |z_2|^2}}; \quad z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{C}, \\ \chi(z, \infty) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 + |z|^2}}. \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

If P_{z_1}, P_{z_2} are the two points on the Riemann sphere, under stereographic projection, corresponding to z_1 and z_2 , respectively, we have

$$|P_{z_1} - P_{z_2}| = \chi(z_1, z_2). \quad (14)$$

Therefore,

$$L(\Gamma) \geq \rho(z_1, z_2) \geq \chi(z_1, z_2), \quad (15)$$

where $\rho(z_1, z_2)$ is the spherical distance of z_1 and z_2 , Γ is any rectifiable curve in \mathbb{C} with endpoints z_1, z_2 , and

$$L(\Gamma) = \int_{\Gamma} \frac{|du|}{1 + |u|^2} \quad (16)$$

is the spherical length of Γ . On the basis of the paper, given $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{D}$, $\rho(z_1, z_2)$ denotes the hyperbolic distance between z_1, z_2 . Therefore, if τ denotes the hyperbolic geodesic joining z_1 to z_2 , then

$$\rho(z_1, z_2) = \int_{\tau} \frac{|dv|}{1 - |v|^2}. \quad (17)$$

More explicitly,

$$\rho(z_1, z_2) = \frac{1}{2} \log \frac{1 + \lambda}{1 - \lambda}, \quad (18)$$

where

$$\lambda = \left| \frac{z_1 - z_2}{1 - \bar{z}_1 z_2} \right|. \tag{19}$$

With these notations, a polyharmonic mapping or log-p-harmonic mapping $f : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ is called a normal polyharmonic mapping or normal log-p-harmonic mapping, if

$$\sup_{z_1 \neq z_2} \frac{\chi(f(z_1), f(z_2))}{\rho(z_1, z_2)} < \infty. \tag{20}$$

The following lemma provides an alternative method for deciding when a polyharmonic mapping or log-p-harmonic mapping is normal.

Lemma 5. Let $f(z)$ be a polyharmonic mapping or log-p-harmonic mapping in the unit disk \mathbb{D} , then f is normal if

$$\|f\| := \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2) \frac{|f_z| + |f_{\bar{z}}|}{1 + |f|^2} < \infty. \tag{21}$$

Proof. Suppose that $\|f\| < \infty$ and let $z_1, z_2 \in \mathbb{D}$. If $\tau : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{D}$ is the hyperbolic geodesic with endpoints z_1 and z_2 ,

$$\chi(f(z_1), f(z_2)) \leq \int_{f \circ \tau} \frac{|du|}{1 + |u|^2} = \int_0^1 \frac{|df(\tau(t))\tau'(t)|}{1 + |f(\tau(t))|^2} dt, \tag{22}$$

where df stands for the differential of f . From here and (21), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \chi(f(z_1), f(z_2)) &\leq \int_0^1 \frac{|df(\tau(t))\tau'(t)|}{1 + |f(\tau(t))|^2} dt \\ &\leq \int_0^1 \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \frac{1 - |z|^2}{1 - |\tau(t)|^2} \frac{|df(\tau(t))||\tau'(t)|}{1 + |f(\tau(t))|^2} dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \left\{ \sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} (1 - |z|^2) \frac{|df(\tau(t))|}{1 + |f(\tau(t))|^2} \right\} \frac{|\tau'(t)|}{1 - |\tau(t)|^2} dt \\ &\leq \|f\| \cdot \int_0^1 \frac{|\tau'(t)|}{1 - |\tau(t)|^2} dt = \|f\| \cdot \rho(z_1, z_2). \end{aligned} \tag{23}$$

Hence, we obtain

$$\sup_{z_1 \neq z_2} \frac{\chi(f(z_1), f(z_2))}{\rho(z_1, z_2)} < \infty. \tag{24}$$

So it implies that f is normal.

3. Main Results and Their Proofs

In this section, we prove the normality of the polyharmonic mappings and log-p-harmonic mappings as follows.

Theorem 6. Let $F(z) = \sum_{k=1}^p |z|^{2(k-1)} G_{p-k+1}(z)$ be a polyharmonic mapping in the unit disk \mathbb{D} satisfying $F(0) = \lambda_F(0) - 1 = 0$. Suppose that for each $k \in \{1, \dots, p\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} &G_{p-k+1}(z) \text{ is harmonic in } \mathbb{D}, \text{ and } G_{p-k+1}(0) = 0; \\ &|G_{p-k+1}(z)| \leq M_{p-k+1}, \text{ and } \Lambda_{G_p}(z) \leq \Lambda_p, \text{ where } M_{p-k+1} \geq 0, \Lambda_p \geq 1. \end{aligned} \tag{25}$$

Then, F is normal polyharmonic mapping of the unit disk \mathbb{D} .

Proof. We may represent the harmonic functions $G_{p-k+1}(z)$ in series form as

$$\begin{aligned} G_{p-k+1}(z) &= \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_{j,p-k+1} z^j + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_{j,p-k+1} \bar{z}^j, k \in \{1, 2, \dots, p\}; \\ |a_{1,p}| - |b_{1,p}| &= \lambda_F(0) = \left| (G_p)_z(0) - (G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0) \right| \\ &= \Lambda_{G_p}(0) = 1, |a_{1,p}| + |b_{1,p}| = |(G_p)_z(0)| + |(G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0)| \\ &= \Lambda_{G_p}(0) \leq \Lambda_p. \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

Firstly, we calculate the boundedness of the derivative of F .

$$\begin{aligned} |F_z(z) + F_{\bar{z}}(z)| &\leq |F_z(z)| + |F_{\bar{z}}(z)| \\ &= |(G_p)_z(z) + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \left[|z|^{2k} (G_{p-k})_z(z) + k G_{p-k}(z) \bar{z}^k z^{k-1} \right]| \\ &\quad + |(G_p)_{\bar{z}}(z) + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \left[|z|^{2k} (G_{p-k})_{\bar{z}}(z) + k G_{p-k}(z) \bar{z}^{k-1} z^k \right]| \\ &\leq A_1 + A_2 + A_3 + A_4, \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= \left| (G_p)_z(0) + (G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0) \right|, \\ A_2 &= \left| \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} \left[(G_{p-k})_z(z) + (G_{p-k})_{\bar{z}}(z) \right] \right|, \\ A_3 &= \left| \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} k G_{p-k}(z) \left(\bar{z}^k z^{k-1} + \bar{z}^{k-1} z^k \right) \right|, \\ A_4 &= \left| \left[(G_p)_z(z) - (G_p)_z(0) \right] + \left[(G_p)_{\bar{z}}(z) - (G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0) \right] \right|. \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

By a simple calculation, we have

$$A_1 \leq \Lambda_{G_p}(0) \leq \Lambda_p. \tag{29}$$

Using Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_2 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} \left[|(G_{p-k})_z(z)| + |(G_{p-k})_{\bar{z}}(z)| \right] \leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} r^{2k} \Lambda_{G_{p-k}}(z) \\
 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} r^{2k} \frac{4M_{p-k}}{\pi(1-r^2)}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{30}$$

By Lemma 2, we have

$$A_3 \leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |kG_{p-k}(z)| \left(|\bar{z}^k z^{k-1}| + |\bar{z}^{k-1} z^k| \right) \leq \frac{8}{\pi(1-r)} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} kM_{p-k} r^{2k}.
 \tag{31}$$

Using Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_4 &\leq |(G_p)_z(z) - (G_p)_z(0)| + |(G_p)_{\bar{z}}(z) - (G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0)| \\
 &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (|a_{n,p}| + |b_{n,p}|) nr^{n-1} \\
 &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{(\Lambda_p^2 - 1)r^{n-1}}{\Lambda_p} = \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \frac{r}{1-r}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{32}$$

By the above estimates, we obtain the following result

$$|F_z(z) + F_{\bar{z}}(z)| \leq S_1(r),
 \tag{33}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}
 S_1(r) &= \frac{4}{\pi(1-r^2)} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} M_{p-k} r^{2k} + \frac{8}{\pi(1-r)} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} kM_{p-k} r^{2k} \\
 &\quad + \frac{(\Lambda_p^2 - 1)r}{\Lambda_p(1-r)} + \Lambda_p.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{34}$$

Now, differentiating $S_1(r)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 S'_1(r) &= \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{4M_{p-k} [2kr^{2k-1}(1-r^2) + 2r^{2k+1}]}{\pi(1-r^2)^2} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{8kM_{p-k} [2kr^{2k+1}(1-r) + r^{2k}]}{\pi(1-r)^2} + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p(1-r)^2}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{35}$$

In view of $\Lambda_p \geq 1$ and $r \in (0, 1)$, after a simple calculation, it shows that $S'_1(r) > 0$. It is simple to verify that $S_1(r)$ is strictly increasing in $(0, 1)$.

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} S_1(r) = \Lambda_p, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} S_1(r) = +\infty.
 \tag{36}$$

Obviously, $S_1(r)$ has only one pole $r = 1$ ($|z| = r$). In other words, $S_1(r)$ is bounded in the interval $(0, 1)$.

Finally, we consider the boundedness of F for any $|z| = r_1$, then we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |F(z)| &= \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_{n,p} z^n + b_{n,p} \bar{z}^n) \right| + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} G_{p-k}(z) \\
 &\leq |a_{1,p} z + b_{1,p} \bar{z}| + \left| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (a_{n,p} z^n + b_{n,p} \bar{z}^n) \right| \\
 &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} G_{p-k}(z) \leq \Lambda_p r_1 + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{r_1^n}{n} \\
 &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} r_1^{2k} \frac{4M_{p-k} r_1}{\pi(1-r_1)} = \Lambda_p r_1 - \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} [r_1 + \ln(1-r_1)] \\
 &\quad + \frac{4r_1}{\pi(1-r_1)} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} M_{p-k} r_1^{2k}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{37}$$

So $|F(z)| \leq S_2(r_1)$, where

$$S_2(r_1) = \Lambda_p r_1 - \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} [r_1 + \ln(1-r_1)] + \frac{4r_1}{\pi(1-r_1)} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} M_{p-k} r_1^{2k}.
 \tag{38}$$

By the similar approach for differentiating $S_2(r_1)$, we have the following one

$$\begin{aligned}
 S'_2(r_1) &= \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{4M_{p-k} [(2k+1)r_1^{2k}(1-r_1) + r_1^{2k+1}]}{\pi(1-r_1)^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p^2(1-r_1)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_p}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{39}$$

By elementary calculations, we get $S'_2(r_1) > 0$. It implies that $S_2(r_1)$ is increasing for $\Lambda_p \geq 1$ and $r_1 \in (0, 1)$. It is simple to verify that $S_2(r_1)$ is bounded in $(0, 1)$. Combined with Lemma 5 and Estimation (33), we conclude ultimately that F is normal polyharmonic mapping in the unit disk \mathbb{D} . The proof of this theorem is complete.

Theorem 7. Let $F(z) = \sum_{k=1}^p |z|^{2(k-1)} G_{p-k+1}(z)$, be a polyharmonic mapping of \mathbb{D} satisfying $F(0) = \lambda_F(0) - 1 = 0$. Suppose that for $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, p\}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 &G_{p-k+1}(z) \text{ is harmonic in } \mathbb{D}, \text{ and } G_{p-k+1}(0) = 0; \\
 &\Lambda_{G_{p-k+1}}(z) \leq \Lambda_{p-k+1} \text{ for all } z \in \mathbb{D}, \text{ where } \Lambda_{p-k+1} \geq 0, k \\
 &= 2, 3, \dots, p, \text{ and } \Lambda_p \geq 1.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{40}$$

Then, F is normal polyharmonic mapping in the unit disk \mathbb{D} .

Proof. We represent the harmonic functions $G_{p-k+1}(z)$ in series form as

$$G_{p-k+1}(z) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_{j,p-k+1} z^j + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} b_{j,p-k+1} \bar{z}^j, \quad (41)$$

for each $k \in \{1, 2, \dots, p\}$, and

$$|a_{1,p}| + |b_{1,p}| = \Lambda_F(0) = |(G_p)_z(0)| + |(G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0)| = \Lambda_{G_p}(0) \leq \Lambda_p,$$

$$\| |a_{1,p}| - |b_{1,p}| \| = \lambda_F(0) = \left| |(G_p)_z(0)| - |(G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0)| \right| = \lambda_{G_p}(0) = 1 \quad (42)$$

To prove the normality of F , we first determine that the derivative of F is bounded in \mathbb{D} . Then, as in the proof of Theorem 6, we have

$$|F_z(z) + F_{\bar{z}}(z)| \leq B_1 + B_2 + B_3 + B_4, \quad (43)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} B_1 &\leq |(G_p)_z(0)| + |(G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0)| = \Lambda_{G_p}(0) \leq \Lambda_p, \\ B_2 &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} \left[|(G_{p-k})_z(z)| + |(G_{p-k})_{\bar{z}}(z)| \right] \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} r^{2k} \Lambda_{G_{p-k}}(z) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \Lambda_{p-k} r^{2k}. \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

By the condition (2) of Theorem 7 and Lemma 4, we have

$$B_3 \leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |k G_{p-k}(z)| \left(|\bar{z}^k z^{k-1}| + |\bar{z}^{k-1} z^k| \right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} 2k \Lambda_{p-k} r^{2k}. \quad (45)$$

Applying Lemma 3, we have

$$\begin{aligned} B_4 &\leq |(G_p)_z(z) - (G_p)_z(0)| + |(G_p)_{\bar{z}}(z) - (G_p)_{\bar{z}}(0)| \\ &\leq \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} n (|a_{n,p}| + |b_{n,p}|) r^{n-1} \leq \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} r^{n-1} \\ &= \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \frac{r}{1-r}. \end{aligned} \quad (46)$$

By above estimates, we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned} |F_z(z) + F_{\bar{z}}(z)| &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \Lambda_{p-k} r^{2k} + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} 2k \Lambda_{p-k} r^{2k} \\ &\quad + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \frac{r}{1-r} + \Lambda_p \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} (2k+1) \Lambda_{p-k} r^{2k} + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \frac{r}{1-r} + \Lambda_p. \end{aligned} \quad (47)$$

Set

$$S_3(r) = \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} (2k+1) \Lambda_{p-k} r^{2k} + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \frac{r}{1-r} + \Lambda_p. \quad (48)$$

For differentiating $S_3(r)$, we have

$$S_3'(r) = \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} 2k(2k+1) \Lambda_{p-k} r^{2k-1} + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p (1-r)^2}. \quad (49)$$

By a simple calculation, we obtain $S_3'(r) > 0$. It shows that $S_3(r)$ is strictly increasing in $r \in (0, 1)$, and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} S_3(r) = \Lambda_p, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} S_3(r) = +\infty. \quad (50)$$

This shows that $S_3(r)$ has only one pole $r = 1$, and it says that $S_3(r)$ is bounded in $(0, 1)$. So $|F_z(z) + F_{\bar{z}}(z)|$ is a finite value in the unit disk \mathbb{D} .

Now, we consider any z with $|z| = r_2$. Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |F(z)| &= \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_{n,p} z^n + b_{n,p} \bar{z}^n) \right| + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} |G_{p-k}(z)| \\ &\leq |a_{1,p} z + b_{1,p} \bar{z}| + \left| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (a_{n,p} z^n + b_{n,p} \bar{z}^n) \right| \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} |G_{p-k}(z)| \leq \Lambda_p r_2 + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{r_2^n}{n} \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \Lambda_{p-k} r_2^{2k+1} = \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \Lambda_{p-k} r_2^{2k+1} \\ &\quad - \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} [r_2 + \ln(1-r_2)] + \Lambda_p r_2. := S_4(r_2) \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

Differentiating $S_4(r_2)$, we have

$$S_4'(r_2) = \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} (2k+1) \Lambda_{p-k} r_2^{2k} + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p (1-r_2)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_p} \quad (52)$$

After elementary calculations, we have that $S_4'(r_2) > 0$. It implies that $S_4(r_2)$ is strictly increasing. It is simple to verify that $S_4(r_2)$ is finite for $r_2 \in (0, 1)$. It says that F is bounded in \mathbb{D} . Using these above estimates and Condition (21), we

conclude that F is normal polyharmonic mapping in \mathbb{D} . This proof of Theorem 7 is complete.

Finally, we establish the normality of log- p -harmonic mappings as follows.

Theorem 8. *Let $f(z) = \prod_{k=1}^p [g_{p-k+1}(z)]^{|z|^{2(k-1)}}$ be a log- p -harmonic mapping in the unit disk \mathbb{D} satisfying $f(0) = g_p(0) = \lambda_f(0) = 1$. Suppose that for each $k \in \{1, \dots, p\}$ we have*

$$g_{p-k+1}(z) \text{ is log-harmonic in } \mathbb{D},$$

$$\left|g_{p-k+1}(z)\right| \leq M_{p-k+1}, \text{ let } G_p = \log g_p, \Lambda_{G_p} \leq \Lambda_p, \text{ where } M_{p-k+1} \geq 1, \Lambda_p \geq 1. \quad (53)$$

Then, f is a normal log- p -harmonic mapping in the unit disk \mathbb{D} .

Proof. Let $F(z) = \sum_{k=1}^p |z|^{2(k-1)} G_{p-k+1}(z)$, for each $k \in \{1, \dots, p\}$. We may represent the harmonic functions $G_{p-k+1}(z) = \log g_{p-k+1}$ in series form as

$$G_{p-k+1}(z) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_{j,p-k+1} z^j + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_{j,p-k+1} \bar{z}^j. \quad (54)$$

Then, $F = \log f$ is a polyharmonic mapping in \mathbb{D} . We know that

$$\lambda_f(0) = \|f_z(0) - |f_{\bar{z}}(0)\| = |f(0)| \|F_z(0) - |F_{\bar{z}}(0)\|, \quad (55)$$

and $f(0) = 1$, so it follows from $g_p(0) = \lambda_f(0) = 1$, we have $G_p(0) = \lambda_F(0) - 1 = 0$.

Obviously,

$$\begin{aligned} |G_{p-k+1}| &= |\log g_{p-k+1}| = |\log |g_{p-k+1}| + i \arg g_{p-k+1}| \\ &\leq |\log |g_{p-k+1}|| + \pi, \end{aligned} \quad (56)$$

so we have

$$|G_{p-k+1}| \leq \log M_{p-k+1} + \pi = \tilde{M}_{p-k+1}. \quad (57)$$

In order to prove the normality of f , it follows from Theorem 6 that we have

$$|F_z(z) + F_{\bar{z}}(z)| \leq S_5(r), \quad (58)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} S_5(r) &= \frac{4}{\pi(1-r^2)} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} r^{2k} \tilde{M}_{p-k} + \frac{8}{\pi(1-r)} \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} k \tilde{M}_{p-k} r^{2k} \\ &\quad + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \frac{r}{1-r} + \Lambda_p. \end{aligned} \quad (59)$$

So we obtain

$$\left|\frac{f_z(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{f_{\bar{z}}(z)}{f(z)}\right| \leq S_5(r). \quad (60)$$

Differentiating $S_5(r)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} S_5'(r) &= \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{4M_{p-k} [2kr^{2k-1}(1-r^2) + 2r^{2k+1}]}{\pi(1-r^2)^2} \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{8k\tilde{M}_{p-k} [2kr^{2k-1}(1-r) + r^{2k}]}{\pi(1-r)^2} + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p(1-r)^2}. \end{aligned} \quad (61)$$

By elementary calculations, we get $S_5'(r) > 0$. It follows that $S_5(r)$ is strictly increasing in $(0, 1)$, and

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} S_5(r) = \Lambda_p, \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} S_5(r) = +\infty. \quad (62)$$

It implies that $S_5(r)$ is bounded in $(0, 1)$. Hence, there exists a finite value m_1 such that

$$\left|\frac{f_z(z)}{f(z)} + \frac{f_{\bar{z}}(z)}{f(z)}\right| \leq m_1. \quad (63)$$

Finally, we consider any z with $|z| = r_3$; then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\log f(z)| &= |F(z)| = \left| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_{n,p} z^n + b_{n,p} \bar{z}^n) + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} G_{p-k}(z) \right| \\ &\leq |a_{1,p} z + b_{1,p} \bar{z}| + \left| \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} (a_{n,p} z^n + b_{n,p} \bar{z}^n) \right| \\ &\quad + \left| \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} |z|^{2k} G_{p-k}(z) \right| \leq \Lambda_p r_3 + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{r_3^n}{n} \\ &\quad + \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{4\tilde{M}_{p-k} r_3^{2k+1}}{\pi(1-r_3)} = \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{4\tilde{M}_{p-k} r_3^{2k+1}}{\pi(1-r_3)} \\ &\quad - \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p} [r_3 + \ln(1-r_3)] + \Lambda_p r_3 = S_6(r_3). \end{aligned} \quad (64)$$

Differentiating $S_6(r_3)$, have the following result

$$\begin{aligned} S_6'(r_3) &= \sum_{k=1}^{p-1} \frac{4\tilde{M}_{p-k}(2k+1)(1-r_3)r_3^{2k} + r_3^{2k+1}}{\pi(1-r_3)^2} \\ &\quad + \frac{\Lambda_p^2 - 1}{\Lambda_p(1-r_3)} + \frac{1}{\Lambda_p} \end{aligned} \quad (65)$$

It is not difficult to verify that $S_6'(r_3) > 0$, which means that $S_6(r_3)$ is strictly increasing. It is also easily seen that $S_6(r_3)$ is bounded in $(0, 1)$. Hence, there is a finite value m_2 such that

$$|\log f(z)| \leq m_2. \quad (66)$$

Applying Lemma 5 and (63), (66), we obtain f is normal in \mathbb{D} . The proof of Theorem 8 is complete.

Data Availability

The data used to support the findings of this study are included with the article.

Conflicts of Interest

We declare that we have no competing interests.

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