

MAXIMUM MODULUS THEOREMS AND SCHWARZ LEMMATA FOR SEQUENCE SPACES, II

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1. **Introduction.** In this note, we continue the investigations of [3], proving another analogue of the maximum modulus theorem, this time for the sequence space bv , and we investigate maximal functions for such theorems. As in [3], we use the notation $f \in MM$ if f is analytic in the disk $|z| < 1$, continuous for $|z| \leq 1$ and satisfies $|f(z)| \leq 1$ on $|z| = 1$. We also write $f \in SL$ if $f \in MM$ and $f(0) = 0$. Whenever $x = \{x_k\}$ is a sequence of complex numbers, we write $f(x) = \{f(x_k)\}$.

In [3], we proved analogues of the maximum modulus theorem for the sequence spaces s , m and c , and analogues of the Schwarz Lemma for the sequence spaces c_0 , l_p and bv_0 . We begin this note with the sequence space bv .

2. **The sequence space bv .** We write $x \in bv$, the space of sequences of bounded variation, if $x \in c$ and $\|x\|_{bv} = |\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}|$ is finite. Note that the usual norm associated with bv is $|x_1| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}|$ ([1], p. 239). However, the norm used here is readily shown to be equivalent to the usual norm.

LEMMA 1. (Compare the Lemma in [3].) *If $x \in bv$ and $f(z) = z^{p+1}$ ($p \in \mathbb{N}$), then $f(x) \in bv$ and $\|f(x)\|_{bv} \leq f(\|x\|_{bv})$.*

Proof. Since $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}| < \infty$, we have that $y_n = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We also have that $y_n - y_{n+1} = |x_n - x_{n+1}|$ and $y_n \geq |\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} (x_k - x_{k+1})| = |x_n - \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k|$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x)\|_{bv} - |\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x_k)| &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f(x_k) - f(x_{k+1})| = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k^{p+1} - x_{k+1}^{p+1}| \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (y_k - y_{k+1}) \sum_{r=0}^p \left(y_k + \left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \right| \right)^r \left(y_{k+1} + \left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \right| \right)^{p-r} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left(\left(y_k + \left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x \right| \right)^{p+1} - \left(y_{k+1} + \left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \right| \right)^{p+1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \left(y_1 + \left| \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \right| \right)^{p+1} - \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n \right)^{p+1} \\
 &= (\|x\|_{bv})^{p+1} - \left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} |x_k| \right)^{p+1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

whence

$$\|f(x)\|_{bv} \leq f(\|x\|_{bv}).$$

Suppose that $f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n z^n$. If $f \in MM$, the radius of convergence of this series will be at least 1.

THEOREM 1. (Compare Theorem 5 in [3].) *If $f \in MM$ with $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| \leq 1$ and $x \in bv$ with $\|x\|_{bv} \leq 1$, then $f(x) \in bv$ and $\|f(x)\|_{bv} \leq 1$.*

Proof. Using the above lemma, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|f(x)\|_{bv} &= \left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} f(x) \right| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |f(x_k) - f(x_{k+1})| \\
 &= \left| f\left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k \right) \right| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left| \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_n (x_k^n - x_{k+1}^n) \right| \\
 &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| \cdot \left(\left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k \right| \right)^n + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| \left((\|x\|_{bv})^n - \left(\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k \right)^n \right) \\
 &= \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| \cdot (\|x\|_{bv})^n \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| \leq 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

It is worth observing that the proofs of Theorem 5 in [3] and Theorem 1 above, give rise to the inequalities

$$(A) \quad \|f(x)\|_{bv_0} \leq \|x\|_{bv_0} \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n|,$$

and

$$(B) \quad \|f(x)\|_{bv} \leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n|.$$

Thus, we immediately obtain the following result.

THEOREM 2. (1) *If $f \in SL$ with $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n| < \infty$ and $x \in bv_0$ with $\|x\|_{bv_0} \leq 1$ then (A) holds. Further,*

(1.1) *if there is an x such that $\|f(x)\|_{bv_0} = \|x\|_{bv_0} \neq 0$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n| \geq 1$;*

(1.2) *if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n| < 1$, then $\|f(x)\|_{bv_0} < \|x\|_{bv_0}$ for all $x \in bv_0$;*

(1.3) *if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n| \leq 1$ and there is an x such that $\|f(x)\|_{bv_0} = \|x\|_{bv_0} \neq 0$, then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n| = 1$.*

(2) *If $f \in MM$ with $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| < \infty$ and $x \in bv$ with $\|x\|_{bv} \leq 1$, then $f(x) \in bv$ and (B) holds. Further*

- (2.1) if there is an x such that $\|f(x)\|_{bv} = 1$, then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| \geq 1$;
- (2.2) if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| < 1$, then $\|f(x)\|_{bv} < 1$ for all $x \in bv$;
- (2.3) if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| \leq 1$ and there is an x such that $\|f(x)\|_{bv} = 1$, then $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n| = 1$.

3. **The sequence space bv_0^λ .** We write $x \in bv_0^\lambda$, the space of null sequences of bounded variation with index λ ($\lambda > 0$), if $x \in c_0$ and $\|x\|_{bv_0^\lambda} = (\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}|^\lambda)^{1/\lambda}$ is finite.

In this section, we shall make use of Jensen’s inequality: $g(\lambda) = (\sum |u_k|^\lambda)^{1/\lambda}$ is a decreasing function of λ for $\lambda > 0$.

We interpret this result in the wide sense in that $g(\lambda)$ may be infinite for some values of λ , but if it is finite for some value of λ , then it is finite for all larger values of λ .

LEMMA 2. If $x \in bv_0^\lambda$ with $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ and if $f(z) = z^{p+1}$ ($p \in N$) then $f(x) \in bv_0^\lambda$ and $\|f(x)\|_{bv_0^\lambda} \leq f(\|x\|_{bv_0^\lambda})$.

Proof. Let $y_n = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}|^\lambda$, so that $y_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. By Jensen’s inequality, $(y_n)^{1/\lambda} = (\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}|^\lambda)^{1/\lambda} \geq \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}| \geq |x_n|$. Also, $|x_n - x_{n+1}|^\lambda = y_n - y_{n+1}$, so that

$$\begin{aligned} (\|x^{p+1}\|_{bv_0^\lambda})^\lambda &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k^{p+1} - x_{k+1}^{p+1}|^\lambda \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}|^\lambda \left(\sum_{r=0}^p |x_k|^r |x_{k+1}|^{p-r} \right)^\lambda \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (y_k - y_{k+1}) \left(\sum_{r=0}^p (y_k)^{r/\lambda} (y_{k+1})^{(p-r)/\lambda} \right)^\lambda \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (y_k - y_{k+1}) \sum_{r=0}^p y_k^r y_{k+1}^{p-r} \end{aligned}$$

by Jensen’s enequality, since $1/\lambda \geq 1$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (y_k^{p+1} - y_{k+1}^{p+1}) = y_1^{p+1} = (\|x\|_{bv_0^\lambda})^{(p+1)\lambda},$$

whence

$$\|f(x)\|_{bv_0} \leq f(\|x\|_{bv_0}).$$

By using this lemma and the techniques of the proof of Theorem 5 in [3], we can readily prove the following result.

THEOREM 3. If $x \in bv_0^\lambda$ with $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ and $\|x\|_{bv_0^\lambda} \leq 1$ and if $f(z) \in SL$ with $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n|^\lambda$ finite, then $f(x) \in bv_0^\lambda$ and $\|f(x)\|_{bv_0^\lambda} \leq (\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n|^\lambda)^{1/\lambda} \|x\|_{bv_0^\lambda}$. Further, if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |b_n|^\lambda \leq 1$, then $\|f(x)\|_{bv_0} \leq \|x\|_{bv_0}$.

Other statements, similar to those in Theorem 2 above can be made as well.

For $\lambda > 1$, it is not possible to obtain such a result as the following example shows: Let $x_k = (2^\lambda - 1)^{1/\lambda} 2^{1-k}$ so that $\|x\|_{bv_0^\lambda} = 1$; however $\|x^2\|_{bv_0^\lambda} = 3(2^\lambda - 1)^{2/\lambda} (4^\lambda - 1)^{-1/\lambda} > 1$.

4. **The sequence space bv^λ .** We write $x \in bv^\lambda$, the space of sequences of bounded variation with index $\lambda (\lambda > 0)$, if $x \in c$ and

$$\|x\|_{bv^\lambda} = \left(\left| \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k \right|^\lambda + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |x_k - x_{k+1}|^\lambda \right)^{1/\lambda}$$

is finite.

In a similar way to that in which Lemma 2 above adapts the proof of the lemma in [3], we can adapt the proof of Lemma 1 above, and the proof of Theorem 1 above, to obtain

LEMMA 3. *If $x \in bv^\lambda$ with $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ and if $f(z) = z^{p+1}$ ($p \in N$) then $f(x) \in bv^\lambda$ and $\|f(x)\|_{bv^\lambda} \leq f(\|x\|_{bv^\lambda})$.*

THEOREM 4. *If $x \in bv^\lambda$ with $0 < \lambda \leq 1$ and $\|x\|_{bv^\lambda} \leq 1$, and if $f(z) \in MM$ with $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n|^\lambda$ finite, then $f(x) \in bv^\lambda$ and*

$$\|f(x)\|_{bv^\lambda} \leq \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n|^\lambda \right)^{1/\lambda}$$

Further, if $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |b_n|^\lambda \leq 1$, then $\|f(x)\|_{bv^\lambda} \leq 1$.

Again we cannot obtain a similar theorem for $\lambda > 1$; the same example as in §3 suffices to show this.

5. **Maximal elements.** We write $f \in \overline{MM}$ if f is analytic in a region containing the closed unit disk and $f \in MM$. If $f \in \overline{MM}$ and $f(0) = 0$, then we write $f \in \overline{SL}$. For $f \in \overline{MM}$, it is well known what the maximal elements are.

PROPOSITION. (See, e.g., [2], p. 129.) *If $f \in \overline{MM}$ and $|f(z)| = 1$ whenever $|z| = 1$, then $f(z) = e^{i\theta} z^\gamma \prod_{k=1}^N (\alpha_k z - \beta_k) / (\overline{\beta_k} z - \overline{\alpha_k})$ where θ is real, γ is a non-negative integer and $|\alpha_k| > |\beta_k| > 0$. (By convention, N is a non-negative integer, and empty products have value 1.)*

If $f \in \overline{MM}$ and $x \in m$ (or c or c_0) with $\|x\|_m = \sup_k |x_k| = 1$ (or $\|x\|_c = \|x\|_m$ or $\|x\|_{c_0} = \|x\|_m$) then it is easy to see that f must have the form as in the above proposition (except that in the case of c_0 , where we need $f \in \overline{SL}$, the result demands that $\gamma \geq 1$). For $x \in bv_0$ or $x \in bv$, the result is more interesting.

THEOREM 5. *If $f \in \overline{SL}$ and, for every $x \in bv_0$ with $\|x\|_{bv_0} = 1$, we have $\|f(x)\|_{bv_0} = \|x\|_{bv_0}$, then $f(z) = e^{i\theta} z$ where θ is real.*

Proof. First, consider $x = \{z, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}$ where $|z| = 1$, so that $\|x\|_{bv_0} = 1$. Thus $\|f(x)\|_{bv_0} = |f(z) - f(0)| = |f(z)| = 1$. From the proposition, we obtain that

$$f(z) = e^{i\theta} z^\gamma \prod_{k=1}^N (\alpha_k z - \beta_k) / (\overline{\beta_k} z - \overline{\alpha_k}).$$

Let

$$X = \{\{0, z/2, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}, \{z/3, 0, z/3, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}, \{0, z/4, 0, z/4, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}, \\ \{z/5, 0, z/5, 0, z/5, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}, \dots\} \text{ where } |z| = 1,$$

Let $x = X_n$, so that $\|x\|_{bv_0} = 1 = \|f(x)\|_{bv_0} = n |f(z/n)|$. Thus

$$1 = n^{1-\gamma} \prod_{k=1}^N |(\alpha_k z - n\beta_k)/(\overline{\beta_k z} - \overline{n\alpha_k})|.$$

Now

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^N |(\alpha_k z - n\beta_k)/(\overline{\beta_k z} - \overline{n\alpha_k})| = \prod_{k=1}^N |\beta_k/\alpha_k| = M.$$

Since $0 < M < 1$, it follows that $\gamma = 1$ and $N = 0$, so that $f(z) = e^{i\theta}z$.

THEOREM 6. *If $f \in \overline{MM}$, and for every $x \in bv$ with $\|x\|_{bv} = 1$, we have $\|f(x)\|_{bv} = 1$, then it follows that*

- (a) if $f(0) = 0$ then $f(z) = e^{i\theta}z$,
- (b) if $f(0) \neq 0$ then $f(z) = e^{i\theta}$,

where θ is real.

Proof. (a) If $f(0) = 0$, then we follow the proof of Theorem 5 to obtain that $f(z) = e^{i\theta}z$

(b) If $f(0) \neq 0$, we first consider $x = \{z, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}$ with $|z| = 1$, so that $\|x\|_{bv} = 1$. Thus

$$f(x) = \{f(z), f(0), f(0), f(0), \dots\} \text{ and } \|f(x)\|_{bv} = |f(0)| + |f(z) - f(0)| = 1.$$

If $|f(0)| = 1$, then $|f(z) - f(0)| = 0$ on $|z| = 1$ and the minimum modulus theorem gives that $f(z) = f(0) = e^{i\theta}$.

Suppose hereafter that $0 < |f(0)| < 1$. Let $F(z) = (f(z) - f(0))/(1 - |f(0)|)$. Thus $|F(z)| = 1$ on $|z| = 1$, so that

$$F(z) = e^{i\theta}z^\gamma \prod_{k=1}^N (\alpha_k z - \beta_k)/(\overline{\beta_k z} - \overline{\alpha_k})$$

and, *a fortiori*, $f(z) = f(0) + \{1 - |f(0)|\}e^{i\theta}z^\gamma$

$$\prod_{k=1}^N (\alpha_k z - \beta_k)/(\overline{\beta_k z} - \overline{\alpha_k}).$$

Define X as in the proof of Theorem 5 and let $x = X_n$, so that $\|x\|_{bv} = 1$. Further

$$\|f(x)\|_{bv} = |f(0)| + n |f(z/n) - f(0)| = 1$$

so that $1 = |f(0)| + \{1 - |f(0)|\} n^{1-\gamma} \prod_{k=1}^N |(\alpha_k z - n\beta_k)/(\overline{\beta_k z} - n\overline{\alpha_k})|.$

Now $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{k=1}^N |(\alpha_k z - n\beta_k)/(\overline{\beta_k z} - n\overline{\alpha_k})| = \prod_{k=1}^N |\beta_k/\alpha_k| = M.$

Since $0 < M < 1$, it follows that $\gamma = 1$ and $N = 0$. Thus

$$f(z) = f(0) + e^{i\theta} \{1 - |f(0)|\} z = p + qz, \text{ say,}$$

where $0 < |p| < 1$ and $0 < |q| < 1$.

Now choose any $x \in bv$ with $\|x\|_{bv} = 1$ and $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} x_k = z$ where $|z| = 1$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \|f(x)\|_{bv} &= |f(z)| + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |q| \cdot |x_k - x_{k+1}| \\ &= |p + qz| + |q| (\|x\|_{bv} - |z|) = |p + qz| = 1. \end{aligned}$$

This is impossible unless either $p = 0$, $|q| = 1$ or $q = 0$, $|p| = 1$, both of which are excluded. Hence $f(z) = e^{i\theta}$.

These last two theorems give the answer to the question posed in [3] as to whether $\sum |b_n| \leq 1$ is a necessary condition, if we insist that $\|x\| = 1$. The answer is yes, but in an unexpected way.

Maximal element theorems for bv_0^λ and bv^λ can be proved in similar ways to those used in Theorems 5 and 6 using

$$Y = \{\{0, z/2^{1/\lambda}, 0, 0, 0, \dots\}, \{z/3^{1/\lambda}, 0, z/3^{1/\lambda}, 0, 0, 0, \dots\} \dots\}$$

instead of X . However, the proofs will demand, as a necessary condition for the existence of maximal elements, that $\lambda = \gamma$ and since γ is an integer, we must have $\gamma = 1$. Thus we obtain Theorem 5 only for $bv_0^1 = bv_0$ and Theorem 6 only for $bv^1 = bv$.

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