# MULTIVALENT FUNCTIONS AND $Q_{K}$ SPACES 

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We give a criterion for $q$-valent analytic functions in the unit disk to belong to $Q_{K}$, a Möbius-invariant space of functions analytic in the unit disk in the plane for a nondecreasing function $K:[0, \infty) \rightarrow[0, \infty)$, and we show by an example that our condition is sharp. As corollaries, classical results on univalent functions, the Bloch space, BMOA, and $Q_{p}$ spaces are obtained.

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1. Introduction. For analytic univalent function $f$ in the unit disk $\Delta$, Pommerenke [8] proved that $f \in \mathscr{B}$ if and only if $f \in$ BMOA, which easily implies a result of Baernstein II [4] about univalent Bloch functions: if $g(z) \neq 0$ is an analytic univalent function in $\Delta$, then $\log g \in$ BMOA. We know that Pommerenke's result mentioned above was generalized to $Q_{p}$ spaces for all $p, 0<p<\infty$, by Aulaskari et al. (cf. [2, Theorem 6.1]). Their result can be stated as follows.

Theorem 1.1. Let $f$ be an analytic function in $\Delta$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\iint_{\left|w-w_{0}\right|<1} n(w, f) d A(w) \leq A<\infty \tag{1.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $w_{0} \in \mathbb{C}$, where $n(w, f)$ denotes the number of roots of the equation $f(z)=w$ in $\Delta$ counted according to their multiplicity and $d A(z)$ is the Euclidean area element on $\Delta$. Then $f \in \mathscr{B}\left(\mathscr{B}_{0}\right)$ if and only if $f \in Q_{p}\left(Q_{p, 0}\right)$ for all $p \in(0, \infty)$.

Here, $Q_{p}$ and its subspace $Q_{p, 0}, 0<p<\infty$, denote the spaces of analytic functions $f$ in $\Delta$ defined, respectively, as follows (cf. [1, 3]):

$$
\begin{gather*}
Q_{p}=\left\{f: f \text { analytic in } \Delta, \sup _{a \in \Delta} \iint_{\Delta}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2}(g(z, a))^{p} d A(z)<\infty\right\},  \tag{1.2}\\
Q_{p, 0}=\left\{f \in Q_{p}: \lim _{|a| \rightarrow 1} \iint_{\Delta}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2}(g(z, a))^{p} d A(z)=0\right\},
\end{gather*}
$$

where $g(z, a)=\log 1 /\left|\varphi_{a}(z)\right|$ is a Green's function in $\Delta$ with pole at $a \in \Delta$, and $\varphi_{a}(z)=$ $(a-z) /(1-\bar{a} z)$ is a Möbius transformation of $\Delta$.

We know that $Q_{1}=$ BMOA, the space of all analytic functions of bounded mean oscillation (cf. [5]), and for each $p \in(1, \infty)$, the space $Q_{p}$ is the Bloch space $\mathscr{B}$ (cf. [1]), which
is defined as follows:

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathscr{B}=\left\{f: f \text { analytic in } \Delta,\|f\|_{\mathscr{B}}=\sup _{z \in \Delta}\left(1-|z|^{2}\right)\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|<\infty\right\} . \tag{1.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

Similar to the above we have $Q_{1,0}=\mathrm{VMOA}$, the space of all analytic functions of vanishing mean oscillation (cf. [5]), and $Q_{p, 0}=\mathscr{B}_{0}$ for all $p \in(1, \infty)$, where $\mathscr{B}_{0}$ denotes the little Bloch space defined by

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathscr{B}_{0}=\left\{f \in \mathscr{B}: \lim _{|z| \rightarrow 1}\left(1-|z|^{2}\right)\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|=0\right\} . \tag{1.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

In the present paper, we consider a more general space $Q_{K}$ (see below) and show that all the above-mentioned results are true for space $Q_{K}$. Our contribution gives an extended version of Pommerenke's theorem, which is also a slight improvement of all the above results, and the proof presented here is independently developed.

Let $K:[0, \infty) \rightarrow[0, \infty)$ be a right-continuous and nondecreasing function. Recall that the space $Q_{K}$ consists of analytic functions $f$ in $\Delta$ for which

$$
\begin{equation*}
\|f\|_{Q_{K}}^{2}=\sup _{a \in \Delta} \iint_{\Delta}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z)<\infty ; \tag{1.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

$f \in Q_{K}$ belongs to the space $Q_{K, 0}$ if

$$
\begin{equation*}
\iint_{\Delta}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z) \rightarrow 0, \quad|a| \longrightarrow 1 . \tag{1.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Modulo constants, $Q_{K}$ is a Banach space under the norm defined in (1.5). It is clear that $Q_{K}$ is Möbius-invariant and a subspace of the Bloch space $\mathscr{B}$ (cf. [6]). For $0<p<\infty$, $K(t)=t^{p}$ gives the space $Q_{p}$. Choosing $K(t)=1$, we get the Dirichlet space $\mathscr{D}$.

By [6, Proposition 2.1] we know that if the integral

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{0}^{1 / e} K\left(\log \frac{1}{\rho}\right) \rho d \rho=\int_{1}^{\infty} K(t) e^{-2 t} d t \tag{1.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

is divergent, then the space $Q_{K}$ is trivial; that is, the space $Q_{K}$ contains only constant functions. From now on, we assume that the function $K:[0, \infty) \rightarrow[0, \infty)$ is rightcontinuous and nondecreasing and that the integral (1.7) is convergent. Without loss of generality, we can assume that $K(1)>0$. For a general theory for $Q_{K}$ spaces, see [6, 11].
2. Main results. A function $f$ analytic in the unit disk is said to be $q$-valent if the equation $f(z)=w$ has never more than $q$ solutions. Let

$$
\begin{equation*}
p(\rho)=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi} n\left(\rho e^{i \phi}, f\right) d \phi \tag{2.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

If

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{0}^{R} p(\rho) d\left(\rho^{2}\right) \leq q R^{2}, \quad R>0 \tag{2.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

or

$$
\begin{equation*}
p(R) \leq q, \quad R>0, \tag{2.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $q$ is a positive number, we say that $f$ is areally mean $q$-valent or circumferentially mean $q$-valent, respectively (cf. [7, pages 38 and 144]). It is clear that if $f$ is circumferentially mean $q$-valent, then $f$ is areally mean $q$-valent.

Note that if (1.1) holds, $f$ will be areally mean $q$-valent in $\Delta$ for some $q>0$. We know that if $f$ is univalent, then $f$ must be areally and circumferentially mean 1 -valent. Thus, it is natural to conjecture that Pommerenke's result and Theorem 1.1 are also true for the areally and circumferentially mean $q$-valent functions.

We know that the space $Q_{K}$ can be nontrivial if $K$ is not too big at infinity (see condition (1.7)). For such functions $K$, the properties of $Q_{K}$ depend essentially on the behavior of $K$ near the origin. From [6, Theorems 2.3 and 2.5], we know that $Q_{K}=\mathscr{B}\left(Q_{K, 0}=\mathscr{B}_{0}\right)$ if and only if

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{0}^{1}\left(1-r^{2}\right)^{-2} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r d r<\infty \tag{2.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

A natural idea is to look for an integral condition which is weaker than that given by (2.4) such that $f \in \mathscr{B}\left(\mathscr{F}_{0}\right)$ if and only if $f \in Q_{K}\left(Q_{K, 0}\right)$ for some special $f$. For the areally mean $q$-valent case, we present the main result in this paper as follows.
Theorem 2.1. Let $f$ be an areally mean $q$-valent function in $\Delta$. If

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{0}^{1}\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r d r<\infty, \tag{2.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

then
(i) $f \in \mathscr{B}$ if and only if $f \in Q_{K}$;
(ii) $f \in \mathscr{B}_{0}$ if and only if $f \in Q_{K, 0}$.

Note that (2.4) implies (2.5) since $(\log 1 /(1-r))^{2} \leq 4 e^{-2} /(1-r)$ for $0<r<1$, but the converse is not true. For example, $K(t)=t$ gives that (2.5) holds but (2.4) fails. By [6, Theorems 2.3 and 2.5], (2.5) is also necessary for Theorem 2.1(i) and (ii) in case $f$ is an areally mean $q$-valent function in $\Delta$.

In the light of the following example it is impossible to drop the assumption of areally mean $q$-valence of the functions $f$ in Theorem 2.1. Indeed, choose $K_{1}(t)=t^{2 \alpha-1}$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
f_{1}(z)=\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{-j(1-\alpha)} z^{2^{j}}, \quad \frac{1}{2}<\alpha<1 . \tag{2.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

It is easy to see that $f_{1} \in \mathscr{B}$ and (2.5) holds for $K_{1}$. Since $f_{1}$ has a gap series representation, $f_{1}$ is not an areally mean $q$-valent in $\Delta$. The following argument shows that $f \notin Q_{K_{1}}$.

For $r \in[3 / 4,1)$, we find $k$ so that $1 / 2 \leq 2^{k}(1-r)<1$. Using the inequality $\log r \geq$ $2(r-1), 1 / 2<r<1$, we see that

$$
\begin{align*}
\int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|f_{1}^{\prime}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)\right|^{2} d \theta & =2 \pi \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{j 2 \alpha} r^{2^{j+1}-2} \\
& \geq 2 \pi(1-r)^{-2 \alpha} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty}\left(2^{j}(1-r)\right)^{2 \alpha} \exp \left(-2^{j+2}(1-r)\right) \\
& \geq 2^{-2 \alpha+1} \pi(1-r)^{-2 \alpha} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{(j-k)(2 \alpha)} \exp \left(-2^{j-k+2}\right)  \tag{2.7}\\
& \geq 2^{-2 \alpha+1} \pi(1-r)^{-2 \alpha} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty}\left(2^{j 2 \alpha} \exp \left(-2^{j+2}\right)\right) \\
& =C(\alpha)(1-r)^{-2 \alpha}
\end{align*}
$$

Hence

$$
\begin{align*}
& \sup _{a \in \Delta} \iint_{\Delta}\left|f_{1}^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K_{1}(g(z, a)) d A(z) \\
& \quad \geq \iint_{\Delta}\left|f_{1}^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K_{1}\left(\log \frac{1}{|z|}\right) d A(z) \\
& \quad=\int_{0}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r d r \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|f_{1}^{\prime}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)\right|^{2} d \theta  \tag{2.8}\\
& \quad \geq C(\alpha) \int_{3 / 4}^{1}(1-r)^{-2 \alpha}\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)^{2 \alpha-1} r d r .
\end{align*}
$$

Since the last integral is divergent, we conclude that $f_{1} \notin Q_{K}$.
THEOREM 2.2. Let $f$ be a circumferentially mean $q$-valent and nonvanishing function in $\Delta$. If (2.5) holds, then $\log f \in Q_{K}$.

It is clear that the integral in (2.5) is convergent for $K(t)=t^{p}, p>0$. Thus, we have the following result which extends Theorem 1.1.

Corollary 2.3. Let $f$ be an areally mean $q$-valent function in $\Delta, 0<p<\infty$. Then
(i) $f \in \mathscr{B}$ if and only if $f \in Q_{p}$;
(ii) $f \in \mathscr{B}_{0}$ if and only if $f \in Q_{p, 0}$.
3. Proofs. In the proofs of Theorems 2.1 and 2.2, we need two lemmas, the first one can be considered as a generalization of a result of Pommerenke (cf. [9, page 174]).

Lemma 3.1. Let $f$ be areally mean $q$-valent in $\Delta$. Then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|f^{\prime}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)\right|^{2} d \theta \leq \frac{4 q \pi(M(\sqrt{r}, f))^{2}}{1-r}, \quad \frac{1}{2}<r<1 \tag{3.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $M(r, f)=\sup _{|z|=r}|f(z)|, 0<r<1$.

Proof. If $1 / 2<r<1$, we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
\iint_{|z|<\sqrt{r}}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} d A(z) & =\int_{0}^{\sqrt{r}} \rho \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|f^{\prime}\left(\rho e^{i \theta}\right)\right|^{2} d \theta d \rho  \tag{3.2}\\
& \geq \frac{1}{4}(1-r) \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|f^{\prime}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)\right|^{2} d \theta
\end{align*}
$$

Since $f$ is areally mean $q$-valent, we deduce that

$$
\begin{align*}
\int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|f^{\prime}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)\right|^{2} d \theta & \leq \frac{4}{1-r} \iint_{|z|<\sqrt{r}}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} d A(z) \\
& \leq \frac{4}{1-r} \iint_{|w|<M(\sqrt{r}, f)} n(w, f) d A(w)  \tag{3.3}\\
& \leq \frac{4 q \pi(M(\sqrt{r}, f))^{2}}{1-r}
\end{align*}
$$

which proves Lemma 3.1.
Lemma 3.2. Let $K$ be defined as in Section 1. Then
(i) $Q_{K, 0} \subset \mathscr{B}_{0}$;
(ii) an analytic function $f$ belongs to $\mathscr{B}_{0}$ if and only if there exists an $r \in(0,1)$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{|a| \rightarrow 1} \iint_{\Delta(a, r)}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z)=0 \tag{3.4}
\end{equation*}
$$

$$
\text { where } \Delta(a, r)=\left\{z \in \Delta:\left|\varphi_{a}(z)\right|<r\right\}
$$

Proof. See [6, Thereom 2.4].
Now we turn to give the proofs of our main theorems.
Proof of Theorem 2.1. We first prove (i). Since $Q_{K} \subset \mathscr{B}$, it suffices to prove that if a Bloch function $f$ is areally mean $q$-valent in $\Delta$, then $f \in Q_{K}$. We use the change of variable $w=\varphi_{a}(z)$ to deduce that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \iint_{\Delta \backslash \Delta(a, 1 / 2)}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z) \\
& \quad=\iint_{\Delta \backslash \Delta(a, 1 / 2)}\left|(f(z)-f(a))^{\prime}\right|^{2} K\left(\log \frac{1}{\left|\varphi_{a}(z)\right|}\right) d A(z) \\
& \quad=\iint_{1 / 2<|w|<1}\left|\left(f \circ \varphi_{a}(w)-f(a)\right)^{\prime}\right|^{2} K\left(\log \frac{1}{|w|}\right) d A(w)  \tag{3.5}\\
& \quad=\int_{1 / 2}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|\left(f \circ \varphi_{a}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)-f(a)\right)^{\prime}\right|^{2} d \theta d r
\end{align*}
$$

It is known that if $g \in \mathscr{B}$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
|g(z)-g(0)| \leq \frac{1}{2}\|g\|_{\mathfrak{B}} \log \frac{1+|z|}{1-|z|} \tag{3.6}
\end{equation*}
$$

Choosing $g=f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)$ and observing that $\|g\|_{\mathscr{B}}=\|f\|_{\mathscr{B}}$, we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
M\left(r, f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)\right) \leq \frac{1}{2}\|f\|_{\mathscr{B}} \log \frac{1+r}{1-r} . \tag{3.7}
\end{equation*}
$$

It follows from (3.5) and Lemma 3.1 that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \iint_{\Delta \backslash \Delta(a, 1 / 2)}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z) \\
& \quad=\int_{1 / 2}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|\left(f \circ \varphi_{a}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)-f(a)\right)^{\prime}\right|^{2} d \theta d r \\
& \quad \leq 4 q \pi \int_{1 / 2}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)\left(M\left(\sqrt{r}, f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)\right)\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} r d r  \tag{3.8}\\
& \quad \leq q \pi C\|f\|_{\mathscr{B}}^{2} \int_{1 / 2}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} r d r .
\end{align*}
$$

On the other hand, we have

$$
\begin{align*}
& \iint_{\Delta(a, 1 / 2)}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z) \\
& \quad \leq\|f\|_{\mathscr{B}}^{2} \iint_{\Delta(a, 1 / 2)}\left(1-|z|^{2}\right)^{-2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z) \\
& \quad=\|f\|_{\mathscr{B}}^{2} \iint_{\Delta(0,1 / 2)}\left(1-|w|^{2}\right)^{-2} K\left(\log \frac{1}{|w|}\right) d A(w)  \tag{3.9}\\
& \quad \leq 4 \pi\|f\|_{\mathscr{B}}^{2} \int_{0}^{1 / 2} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r d r .
\end{align*}
$$

Combining the upper bounds given by (3.8), (3.9), and (2.5), we see that $f \in Q_{K}$, which proves part (i) of Theorem 2.1.

To prove (ii), we assume that $f$ is an areally mean $q$-valent function in $\Delta$ which is also in $\mathscr{B}_{0}$. By Lemma 3.2(i), it suffices to prove that $f \in Q_{K, 0}$. By Lemma 3.2(ii), there exists an $r_{0}, 1 / 2<r_{0}<1$, such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{|a| \rightarrow 1} \iint_{\Delta\left(a, r_{0}\right)}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z)=0 \tag{3.10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now we show that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{|a| \rightarrow 1} \iint_{\Delta \backslash \Delta\left(a, r_{0}\right)}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z)=0 . \tag{3.11}
\end{equation*}
$$

By the proof of part (i) and assumption (2.5), we see that

$$
\begin{align*}
& \iint_{\Delta \backslash \Delta\left(a, r_{0}\right)}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z) \\
& \quad=\int_{r_{0}}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|\left(f \circ \varphi_{a}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)-f(a)\right)^{\prime}\right|^{2} d \theta d r \\
& \quad \leq 4 q \pi \int_{r_{0}}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)\left(M\left(\sqrt{r}, f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)\right)\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} r d r  \tag{3.12}\\
& \quad \leq q \pi\|f\|_{\mathscr{F}_{3}}^{2} \int_{r_{0}}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)\left(\log \frac{1+r}{1-r}\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} r d r<\infty
\end{align*}
$$

for all $a \in \Delta$. Thus, for any given $\varepsilon>0$, there exists an $r_{1}, r_{0}<r_{1}<1$, such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\int_{r_{1}}^{1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)\left(M\left(\sqrt{r}, f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)\right)\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} r d r<\varepsilon \tag{3.13}
\end{equation*}
$$

for all $a \in \Delta$. Hence, what we need to prove is that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{|a| \rightarrow 1} \int_{r_{0}}^{r_{1}} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)\left(M\left(\sqrt{r}, f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)\right)\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} r d r=0 . \tag{3.14}
\end{equation*}
$$

In fact, we have

$$
\begin{gather*}
\int_{r_{0}}^{r_{1}} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)\left(M\left(\sqrt{r}, f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)\right)\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} r d r \\
\quad \leq C\left(r_{0}, r_{1}\right) K\left(\log \frac{1}{r_{0}}\right)\left(M\left(r_{2}, f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)\right)\right)^{2}, \tag{3.15}
\end{gather*}
$$

where $r_{2}=\sqrt{r_{1}}$ and $C\left(r_{0}, r_{1}\right)$ is a constant depending on $r_{0}$ and $r_{1}$. Define $f_{t}(z)=f(t z)$ for $0<t<1$ and then

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left(M\left(r_{2}, f \circ \varphi_{a}-f(a)\right)\right)^{2} \\
& \quad \leq 2\left(\frac{1}{4}\left\|f-f_{t}\right\|_{\mathscr{B}}^{2}\left(\log \frac{1+r_{2}}{1-r_{2}}\right)^{2}+\left(M\left(r_{2}, f_{t} \circ \varphi_{a}-f_{t}(a)\right)\right)^{2}\right) \tag{3.16}
\end{align*}
$$

Since $f \in \mathscr{B}_{0},\left\|f-f_{t}\right\|_{\mathscr{B}} \rightarrow 0, t \rightarrow 1$. Also,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\max _{|z| \leq r_{2}}\left|f_{t} \circ \varphi_{a}(z)-f_{t}(a)\right| \leq \frac{1-|a|^{2}}{\left(1-r_{2}\right)^{2}} \max _{|w| \leq t}\left|f^{\prime}(w)\right|, \tag{3.17}
\end{equation*}
$$

which implies that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{|a| \rightarrow 1} M\left(r_{2}, f_{t} \circ \varphi_{a}-f_{t}(a)\right)=0 \tag{3.18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Thus we have (3.14). Hence

$$
\begin{equation*}
\lim _{|a| \rightarrow 1} \iint_{\Delta}\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|^{2} K(g(z, a)) d A(z)=0 \tag{3.19}
\end{equation*}
$$

which shows that $f \in Q_{K, 0}$. The proof of Theorem 2.1 is complete.
Proof of Theorem 2.2. Assume that $f$ is a nonvanishing circumferentially mean $q$-valent function in $\Delta$. According to [7, Theorem 5.1], we have $\log f \in \mathscr{B}$. From [7, Lemma 5.2] and the argument in the beginning of the proof of [7, Theorem 5.1], we see that we can define a single-valued branch of $f(z)^{1 / q}$ which is circumferentially mean 1-valent in $\Delta$ and such that on each circle $\{|w|=R\}$ there exists a point which is not assumed by $f(z)^{1 / q}$. It follows that

$$
\begin{gather*}
\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} n\left(\log \rho+i \phi, \frac{1}{q} \log f\right) d \phi=\int_{0}^{2 \pi} n\left(\rho e^{i \phi}, f^{1 / q}\right) d \phi \leq 2 \pi  \tag{3.20}\\
\iint_{|w|<R} n(w, \log f) d A(w) \leq 4 \pi R q
\end{gather*}
$$

which means that $\log f$ is areally mean $q_{1}$-valued in $\Delta$ for some $q_{1}>0$. It follows from Theorem 2.1 that $\log f \in Q_{K}$.
4. Further discussion. In [10] we studied the conditions for analytic univalent Bloch function $f$ to belong to $Q_{K}$ spaces. The log-order of the function $K(r)$ is defined as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\rho=\varlimsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log ^{+} \log ^{+} K(r)}{\log r}, \tag{4.1}
\end{equation*}
$$

where $\log ^{+} x=\max \{\log x, 0\}$, and if $0<\rho<\infty$, the log-type of the function $K(r)$ is defined as

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sigma=\varlimsup_{r \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log ^{+} K(r)}{r^{\rho}} . \tag{4.2}
\end{equation*}
$$

Theorem 4.1. Let $f$ be an analytic univalent function in $\Delta$ and let $K:[0, \infty) \rightarrow[0, \infty)$ satisfy that $K(t)=O\left((t \log 1 / t)^{p}\right)$ as $t \rightarrow 0$ for some $p>0$. If the log-order $\rho$ and the log-type $\sigma$ of $K$ satisfy one of the conditions
(i) $0 \leq \rho<1$,
(ii) $\rho=1$ and $\sigma<2$,
then $f \in \mathscr{B}$ if and only if $f \in Q_{K}$.
We note that Theorem 4.1 can be viewed as a consequence of Theorem 2.1. In fact, conditions (i) and (ii) of Theorem 4.1 show that the space $Q_{K}$ is not trivial. That is, the integral (1.7) is convergent in this case. Suppose that $K(t)=O\left((t \log 1 / t)^{p}\right), t \rightarrow 0$. There exist an $r_{0} \in(1 / 2,1)$ and a constant $C>0$ such that both $\log 1 / r \leq 2(1-r)$ and

$$
\begin{equation*}
K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) \leq C\left(\log \frac{1}{r} \log \left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)^{-1}\right)^{p} \tag{4.3}
\end{equation*}
$$

hold for $r_{0}<r<1$. Thus

$$
\begin{align*}
& \int_{0}^{1}\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r d r \\
& \quad=\int_{0}^{r_{0}}+\int_{r_{0}}^{1}\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r d r \\
& \quad \leq\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r_{0}}\right)^{2}\left(1-r_{0}\right)^{-1} \int_{0}^{r_{0}} K\left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right) r d r \\
& \quad+C \int_{r_{0}}^{1}\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2}(1-r)^{-1}\left(\log \frac{1}{r} \log \left(\log \frac{1}{r}\right)^{-1}\right)^{p} r d r  \tag{4.4}\\
& \quad \leq C_{1}+C_{2} \int_{r_{0}}^{1}\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2+p}(1-r)^{p-1} r d r \\
& \quad \leq C_{1}+C_{2} \int_{R_{0}}^{\infty} e^{-p s} s^{2+p} d s \\
& \quad \leq C_{1}+C_{2} p^{-3-p} \Gamma(3+p)<\infty .
\end{align*}
$$

For a general analytic function $f$, we have the following theorem.
Theorem 4.2. Suppose that (2.5) holds. If

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sup _{a \in \Delta} \iint_{|z|<r}\left|\left(f \circ \varphi_{a}(z)\right)^{\prime}\right|^{2} d A(z)=O\left(\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2}\right), \tag{4.5}
\end{equation*}
$$

then
(i) $f \in \mathscr{B}$ if and only if $f \in Q_{K}$;
(ii) $f \in \mathscr{B}_{0}$ if and only if $f \in Q_{K, 0}$.

Proof. We know that

$$
\begin{align*}
\int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|\left(f \circ \varphi_{a}\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)\right)^{\prime}\right|^{2} d \theta & \leq \frac{4}{1-r} \iint_{|z|<\sqrt{r}}\left|\left(f \circ \varphi_{a}(z)\right)^{\prime}\right|^{2} d A(z) \\
& \leq \frac{1}{1-r} O\left(\left(\log \frac{1}{1-\sqrt{r}}\right)^{2}\right)  \tag{4.6}\\
& \leq \frac{C}{1-r}\left(\log \frac{1}{1-r}\right)^{2} .
\end{align*}
$$

The proof can be completed by an argument similar to that used in the proof of Theorem 2.1.

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