# Cesàro-like operators acting on spaces of analytic functions 

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## Abstract

Let $\mathbb{D}$ be the unit disc in $\mathbb{C}$. If $\mu$ is a finite positive Borel measure on the interval $[0,1)$ and $f$ is an analytic function in $\mathbb{D}, f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n}(z \in \mathbb{D})$, we define

$$
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}\right) z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

where, for $n \geq 0, \mu_{n}$ denotes the $n$-th moment of the measure $\mu$, that is, $\mu_{n}=\int_{[0,1)} t^{n} d \mu(t)$. In this way, $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ becomes a linear operator defined on the space $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ of all analytic functions in $\mathbb{D}$. We study the action of the operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ on distinct spaces of analytic functions in $\mathbb{D}$, such as the Hardy spaces $H^{p}$, the weighted Bergman spaces $A_{\alpha}^{p}, B M O A$, and the Bloch space $\mathcal{B}$.

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## 1 Introduction and main results

Let $\mathbb{D}=\{z \in \mathbb{C}:|z|<1\}$ denote the open unit disc in the complex plane $\mathbb{C}$ and let $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ be the space of all analytic functions in $\mathbb{D}$ endowed with the topology of uniform convergence in compact subsets.

If $0<r<1$ and $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$, we set

$$
\begin{aligned}
M_{p}(r, f) & =\left(\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|f\left(r e^{i t}\right)\right|^{p} d t\right)^{1 / p}, 0<p<\infty \\
M_{\infty}(r, f) & =\sup _{|z|=r}|f(z)| .
\end{aligned}
$$

For $0<p \leq \infty$, the Hardy space $H^{p}$ consists of those $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ such that

$$
\|f\|_{H^{p}} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} \sup _{0<r<1} M_{p}(r, f)<\infty
$$

We refer to [13] for the notation and results regarding Hardy spaces.
Let $d A$ denote the area measure on $\mathbb{D}$, normalized so that the area of $\mathbb{D}$ is 1 . Thus $d A(z)=\frac{1}{\pi} d x d y=\frac{1}{\pi} r d r d \theta$. For $0<p<\infty$ and $\alpha>-1$ the weighted Bergman space $A_{\alpha}^{p}$ consists of those $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ such that

$$
\|f\|_{A_{\alpha}^{p}} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}\left(\int_{\mathbb{D}}|f(z)|^{p} d A_{\alpha}(z)\right)^{1 / p}<\infty
$$

where $d A_{\alpha}(z)=(\alpha+1)\left(1-|z|^{2}\right)^{\alpha} d A(z)$. We refer to [14,25,39] for the notation and results about Bergman spaces.

The space $B M O A$ consists of those functions $f \in H^{1}$ whose boundary values have bounded mean oscillation on $\partial \mathbb{D}$. We refer to [16] for the theory of $B M O A$-functions.

Finally, we recall that a function $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ is said to be a Bloch function if

$$
\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}} \stackrel{\text { def }}{=}|f(0)|+\sup _{z \in \mathbb{D}}\left(1-|z|^{2}\right)\left|f^{\prime}(z)\right|<\infty .
$$

The space of all Bloch functions is denoted by $\mathcal{B}$. A classical reference for the theory of Bloch functions is [2]. Let us recall that

$$
H^{\infty} \subsetneq B M O A \subsetneq \mathcal{B}, \quad B M O A \subsetneq \bigcap_{0<p<\infty} H^{p}, \quad \mathcal{B} \subsetneq A_{\alpha}^{p}(p>0, \alpha>-1)
$$

The Cesàro operator $\mathcal{C}$ is defined over the space of all complex sequences as follows: If $(a)=\left\{a_{k}\right\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of complex numbers then

$$
\mathcal{C}((a))=\left\{\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}\right\}_{n=0}^{\infty}
$$

The operator $\mathcal{C}$ is known to be bounded from $\ell^{p}$ to $\ell^{p}$ for $1<p<\infty$. In fact, the sharp inequalities

$$
\|\mathcal{C}((a))\|_{p} \leq \frac{p}{p-1}\|(a)\|_{p}, \quad(a) \in \ell^{p}, \quad 1<p<\infty
$$

were proved by Hardy [21] and Landau [29] (see also [24, Theorem 326, p. 239 ]).
Identifying any given function $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ with the sequence $\left\{a_{k}\right\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ of its Taylor coefficients, the Cesàro operator $\mathcal{C}$ becomes a linear operator from $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ into itself as follows:

If $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D}), f(z)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k} z^{k}(z \in \mathbb{D})$, then

$$
\mathcal{C}(f)(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\left(\frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}\right) z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D} .
$$

The Cesàro operator is bounded on $H^{p}$ for $0<p<\infty$. For $1<p<\infty$, this follows from a result of Hardy on Fourier series [22] together with the M. Riesz's theorem on the conjugate function [13, Theorem 4.1]. Siskakis [33] used semigroups of composition operators to give an alternative proof of this result and to extend it to $p=1$. A direct proof of the boundedness on $H^{1}$ was given by Siskakis in [34]. Miao [31] dealt with the case $0<p<1$. Stempak [36] gave a proof valid for $0<p \leq 2$ and Andersen [1] provided another proof valid for all $p<\infty$.

In this paper we associate to every positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$ a certain operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ acting on $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ which is a natural generalization of the classical Cesàro operator $\mathcal{C}$.

If $\mu$ is a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$ and $n$ is a non-negative integer, we let $\mu_{n}$ denote the moment of order $n$ of $\mu$, that is,

$$
\mu_{n}=\int_{[0,1)} t^{n} d \mu(t), \quad n=0,1,2, \ldots
$$

If $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D}), f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n}(z \in \mathbb{D})$, we define $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)$ as follows

$$
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\left(\mu_{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}\right) z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

It is clear that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a well defined linear operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}: \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D}) \rightarrow \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$. When $\mu$ is the Lebesgue measure on $[0,1)$, the operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ reduces to the classical Cesàro operator $\mathcal{C}$.

Our main objective in this work is to characterize those positive finite Borel measures $\mu$ on $[0,1)$ such that the operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded or compact on classical subspaces of $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ such as the Hardy spaces $H^{p}$, the weighted Bergman spaces $A_{\alpha}^{p}$, and the spaces $B M O A$ and $\mathcal{B}$.

Measures of Carleson type will play a basic role in the sequel. If $I \subset \partial \mathbb{D}$ is an interval, $|I|$ will denote the length of $I$. The Carleson square $S(I)$ is defined as

$$
S(I)=\left\{r e^{i t}: e^{i t} \in I, \quad 1-\frac{|I|}{2 \pi} \leq r<1\right\} .
$$

If $s>0$ and $\mu$ is a positive Borel measure on $\mathbb{D}$, we shall say that $\mu$ is an $s$-Carleson measure if there exists a positive constant $C$ such that

$$
\mu(S(I)) \leq C|I|^{s}, \quad \text { for any interval } I \subset \partial \mathbb{D}
$$

If $\mu$ satisfies $\mu(S(I))=\mathrm{o}\left(|I|^{s}\right)$, as $|I| \rightarrow 0$, then we say that $\mu$ is a vanishing $s$-Carleson measure.

A 1-Carleson measure, respectively, a vanishing 1-Carleson measure, will be simply called a Carleson measure, respectively, a vanishing Carleson measure.

We recall that Carleson [7] proved that $H^{p} \subset L^{p}(d \mu)(0<p<\infty)$, if and only if $\mu$ is a Carleson measure (see [13, Chapter 9]).

Following [38], if $\mu$ is a positive Borel measure on $\mathbb{D}, 0 \leq \alpha<\infty$, and $0<s<\infty$, we say that $\mu$ is an $\alpha$-logarithmic $s$-Carleson measure if there exists a positive constant $C$ such that

$$
\frac{\mu(S(I))\left(\log \frac{2}{|I|}\right)^{\alpha}}{|I|^{s}} \leq C, \quad \text { for any interval } I \subset \partial \mathbb{D}
$$

If $\mu(S(I))\left(\log \frac{2}{|I|}\right)^{\alpha}=\mathrm{o}\left(|I|^{s}\right)$, as $|I| \rightarrow 0$, we say that $\mu$ is a vanishing $\alpha$ logarithmic $s$-Carleson measure.

A measure $\mu$ on $[0,1)$ can be seen as a measure on $\mathbb{D}$ with support contained in the radius $[0,1)$. In this way, a positive Borel measure $\mu$ on $[0,1)$ is an $s$-Carleson measure if and only if there exists a positive constant $C$ such that

$$
\mu([t, 1)) \leq C(1-t)^{s}, \quad 0 \leq t<1
$$

and we have similar statements for vanishing $s$-Carleson measures, for $\alpha$-logarithmic $s$-Carleson measures, and for vanishing $\alpha$-logarithmic $s$-Carleson measures.

Among other, we shall prove the following results.
Theorem 1 Suppose that $1 \leq p<\infty$ and let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent.
(i) The measure $\mu$ is a Carleson measure.
(ii) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded from $H^{p}$ into itself.

Theorem 2 Suppose that $1 \leq p<\infty$ and let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent.
(i) The measure $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure.
(ii) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is compact from $H^{p}$ into itself.

Danikas and Siskakis [12] observed that $\mathcal{C}\left(H^{\infty}\right) \not \subset H^{\infty}$ and $\mathcal{C}(B M O A) \not \subset$ $B M O A$ and studied the action of the the Cesàro operator on these spaces. We will devote Sects. 3.3 and 5 to study the Cesàro-like operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ acting on these spaces. Let us just mention here the following result.

Theorem 3 Let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent.
(i) The measure $\mu$ is a 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure.
(ii) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded from BMO A into itself.
(iii) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded from the Bloch space $\mathcal{B}$ into itself.

Section 3 will be devoted to present the proofs of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 as well as some further results concerning the action of the operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ on Hardy spaces. Section 4 will deal with the action of the operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ on Bergman spaces and, as we have already mentioned, Sect. 5 will be devoted to study the operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ acting on $B M O A$, the Bloch space, and some related spaces. In particular, Sect. 5 will include a proof of Theorem 3 and the substitute of this result concerning compactness.

In Sect. 2 we shall give two alternative representations of the operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$, one of them is an integral representation and the other one involves the convolution with a fixed analytic function in $\mathbb{D}$. We shall also introduce a related operator which will be denoted $T_{\mu}$ and which will play a basic role in the proofs of some of our results.

Throughout the paper, if $\mu$ is a finite positive Borel measure on $[0,1)$, for $n \geq 0$, $\mu_{n}$ will denote the moment of order $n$ of $\mu$. Also, we shall be using the convention that $C=C(p, \alpha, q, \beta, \ldots)$ will denote a positive constant which depends only upon the displayed parameters $p, \alpha, q, \beta \ldots$ (which sometimes will be omitted) but not necessarily the same at different occurrences. Furthermore, for two real-valued functions $K_{1}$, $K_{2}$ we write $K_{1} \lesssim K_{2}$, or $K_{1} \gtrsim K_{2}$, if there exists a positive constant $C$ independent of the arguments such that $K_{1} \leq C K_{2}$, respectively $K_{1} \geq C K_{2}$. If we have $K_{1} \lesssim K_{2}$ and $K_{1} \gtrsim K_{2}$ simultaneously, then we say that $K_{1}$ and $K_{2}$ are equivalent and we write $K_{1} \asymp K_{2}$.

Let us close this section noticing that, since the subspaces $X$ of $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ we shall be dealing with are Banach spaces continuously embedded in $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$, to prove that the operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ (or $T_{\mu}$, to be defined below) is bounded on $X$ it suffices to show that it maps $X$ into $X$ by appealing to the closed graph theorem.

## 2 Alternative representations of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ and a related operator

A simple calculation with power series gives the following integral representation of the operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$.

Proposition 1 If $\mu$ is a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$ and $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)(z)=\int_{[0,1)} \frac{f(t z)}{1-t z} d \mu(t), \quad z \in \mathbb{D} \tag{1}
\end{equation*}
$$

Next we shall give another expression for $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)$ involving the convolution of analytic functions. If $f$ and $g$ are two analytic functions in the unit disc,

$$
f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n}, \quad g(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D},
$$

the convolution $f \star g$ of $f$ and $g$ is defined by

$$
f \star g(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} b_{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D} .
$$

Lemma 1 Let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$ and set

$$
F(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

If $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ and

$$
g(z)=\frac{f(z)}{1-z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

then $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)=F \star g$.
The proof is elementary and will be omitted.
The following result regarding the radial measures $\mu$ we are considering will be used in our work.

Lemma 2 Let $\mu$ be a finite positive Borel measure on the interval $[0,1)$ and, for $n \geq 0$, let $\mu_{n}$ denote the moment of order $n$ of $\mu$.
(i) $\mu$ is a Carleson measure if and only if $\mu_{n}=\mathrm{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$.
(ii) $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure if and only if $\mu_{n}=\mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$.
(iii) $\mu$ is a 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure if and only if $\mu_{n}=\mathrm{O}\left(\frac{1}{n \log n}\right)$.
(iv) $\mu$ is a vanishing 1 logarithmic 1 -Carleson measure if and only if $\mu_{n}=\mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n \log n}\right)$.

Proof (i) is Proposition 8 of [8] and (ii) follows with a similar argument. Lemma 2.7 of [19] gives one implication of (iii) and the other one follows from the from the simple inequality

$$
\mu\left(\left[1-\frac{1}{n}, 1\right)\right) \lesssim \int_{\left[1-\frac{1}{n}, 1\right)} t^{n} d \mu(t) \leq \mu_{n}
$$

Finally, (iv) can be proved with an argument similar the the one used to prove (iii).

Now we define a new operator operator $T_{\mu}$ associated to $\mu$ which will be important in our work because it will become the adjoint of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ in distinct instances.

If $\mu$ is a finite positive Borel measure on $[0,1)$ and $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D}), f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n}$ $(z \in \mathbb{D})$ we set

$$
T_{\mu}(f)(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \mu_{k} a_{k}\right) z^{n}
$$

whenever the right hand side makes sense and defines an analytic function in $\mathbb{D}$.
Clearly, the operator $T_{\mu}$ is not defined over the whole space $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$. We have the following result.

Proposition 2 Let $\mu$ is a finite positive Borel measure on $[0,1)$.
(a) If $P$ is a polynomial then $T_{\mu}(P)$ is well defined and it also a polynomial.
(b) If $\mu$ is a Carleson measure then $T_{\mu}$ is well defined on $H^{1}$.

Proof (a) is clear. To prove (b) we use the fact that if $\mu$ is a Carleson measure then $\mu_{n}=\mathrm{O}\left(n^{-1}\right)$ (see Lemma 2). This and Hardy's inequality [13, p. 48] shows that if $f \in H^{1}, f(z)=\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_{k} z^{k}$, then there exists $C>0$ such that

$$
\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \mu_{k}\left|a_{k}\right| \leq C \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{\left|a_{k}\right|}{k+1} \leq C \pi\|f\|_{H^{1}}
$$

for all $n$. Clearly, this implies (b).
It is well known that, for $1<p<\infty$, the dual of $H^{p}$ is identifiable with $H^{q}$, $\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}=1$, with the pairing

$$
<f, g>_{H^{p}}=\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi} f\left(e^{i \theta}\right) \overline{g\left(e^{i \theta}\right)} d \theta=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} \overline{b_{n}}
$$

where $f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n} \in H^{p}$ and $g(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n} z^{n} \in H^{q}$ (see [13, Theorem 7.3]).

Similarly, if $1<p<\infty$ and $\alpha>1$, the dual of $A_{\alpha}^{p}$ is identifiable with $A_{\alpha}^{q}$ with the pairing

$$
<f, g>_{p, \alpha}=\int_{\mathbb{D}} f(z) \overline{g(z)} d A_{\alpha}(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} c_{n, \alpha} a_{n} \overline{b_{n}}
$$

where

$$
c_{n, \alpha}=\frac{n!\Gamma(2+\alpha)}{\Gamma(n+2+\alpha)}, \quad n=0,1,2, \ldots
$$

and $f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n} \in A_{\alpha}^{p}, g(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} b_{n} z^{n} \in A_{\alpha}^{q}$ (see [25, Theorem 1.16 and p. 5]). A simple calculation gives the following result.

Proposition 3 Let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$.
(i) If $1<p<\infty, f \in H^{p}$, and $g$ is a polynomial then

$$
<\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f), g>_{H^{p}}=<f, T_{\mu}(g)>_{H^{p}} .
$$

(ii) If $1<p<\infty, \alpha>-1, f \in A_{\alpha}^{p}$, and $g$ is a polynomial then

$$
<\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f), g>_{p, \alpha}=<f, T_{\mu}(g)>_{p, \alpha}
$$

Proposition 3, together with the fact that the polynomials are dense in all the spaces $H^{p}(p<\infty)$ and $A_{\alpha}^{p}(p<\infty, \alpha>-1)$, readily implies the following result.

Proposition 4 Suppose that $1<p<\infty$ and let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$. Let $q$ be the conjugate exponent of $p$, that is, $\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}=1$.
(i) If $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a bounded operator from $H^{p}$ into itself, then there exists a positive constant $C$ such that

$$
\left\|T_{\mu}(P)\right\|_{H^{q}} \leq C\|P\|_{H^{q}}
$$

for every polynomial P. Consequently, $T_{\mu}$ extends to a bounded linear operator from $H^{q}$ into itself. This extension, which will be also denoted by $T_{\mu}$, is the adjoint of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$.
(ii) Suppose that $\alpha>-1$. If $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a bounded operator from $A_{\alpha}^{p}$ into itself, then there exists a positive constant $C$ such that

$$
\left\|T_{\mu}(P)\right\|_{A_{\alpha}^{q}} \leq C\|P\|_{A_{\alpha}^{q}}
$$

for every polynomial P. Consequently, $T_{\mu}$ extends to a bounded linear operator from $A_{\alpha}^{q}$ into itself. This extension, which will be also denoted by $T_{\mu}$, is the adjoint of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$.

## 3 The operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ acting on Hardy spaces

In this section we shall study the action of the operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ on Hardy spaces.
We shall use complex interpolation to prove some of our results. Let us refer to [39, Chapter 2] for the terminology and basic results concerning complex interpolation.

If $X_{0}$ and $X_{1}$ are two compatible Banach spaces then, for $0<\theta<1,\left(X_{0}, X_{1}\right)_{\theta}$ stands for the space obtained by the complex method of interpolation of Calderón [5]. It is well known (see [6,26,32]) that if $1 \leq p_{0}, p_{1} \leq \infty, 0<\theta<1$, and $1 / p=(1-\theta) / p_{0}+\theta / p_{1}$, then

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left(H^{p_{0}}, H^{p_{1}}\right)_{\theta}=H^{p} \tag{2}
\end{equation*}
$$

In particular,

$$
\begin{equation*}
H^{p}=\left(H^{2}, H^{1}\right)_{\theta}, \quad \text { if } 1<p<2 \text { and } \theta=\frac{2}{p}-1 \tag{3}
\end{equation*}
$$

### 3.1 Proof of Theorem 1

We shall split it in several cases.
Proof of the implication $(i) \Rightarrow$ (ii) when $p=1$. Assume that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure and take $f \in H^{1}$. Set

$$
g(z)=\frac{f(z)}{1-z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

and

$$
t_{k}=1-\frac{1}{2^{k}}, \quad k=0,1,2, \ldots
$$

Using the integral representation on $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$, we see that, for $0<r<1$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
M_{1}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\right) & =\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|\int_{[0,1)} \frac{f\left(r t e^{i \theta}\right)}{1-r t e^{i \theta}} d \mu(t)\right| d \theta \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi} \int_{[0,1)}\left|g\left(r t e^{i \theta}\right)\right| d \mu(t) d \theta \\
& =\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right)}\left|g\left(r t e^{i \theta}\right)\right| d \mu(t)\right) d \theta \\
& \leq \frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\left[\sup _{0 \leq t \leq t_{k}}\left|g\left(r t e^{i \theta}\right)\right|\right]\right) \mu\left(\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right]\right) d \theta
\end{aligned}
$$

Since $\mu$ is a Carleson measure, $\mu\left(\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right]\right) \lesssim \frac{1}{2^{k}}$. Using this, the HardyLittlewood maximal theorem [13, Theorem 1.9], the fact that integral means $M_{1}(s, g)$ increase with $s$, and the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
M_{1}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\right) & \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k}}\left(\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left[\sup _{0 \leq t \leq t_{k}}\left|g\left(r t e^{i \theta}\right)\right|\right] d \theta\right) \\
& \lesssim \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k}} M_{1}\left(r t_{k}, g\right) \\
& \lesssim \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k}} 2^{k} \int_{t_{k}}^{t_{k+1}} M_{1}(r t, g) d t
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \lesssim \int_{0}^{r} \frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|g\left(t e^{i \theta}\right)\right| d \theta d t \\
& \lesssim \int_{0}^{r} \frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left|\frac{f\left(t e^{i \theta}\right)}{1-t e^{i \theta}}\right| d \theta d t \\
& \lesssim \int_{0}^{r} M_{2}(t, f)\left(\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi} \frac{d \theta}{\left|1-t e^{i \theta}\right|^{2}} d \theta\right)^{1 / 2} d t \\
& \lesssim \int_{0}^{r} M_{2}(t, f)(1-t)^{-1 / 2} d t
\end{aligned}
$$

Making the change of variables $t=r s$ in the last integral and setting $f_{r}(z)=f(r z)$ $(z \in \mathbb{D})$, it follows that

$$
\begin{aligned}
& M_{1}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\right) \lesssim \int_{0}^{1} M_{2}(s r, f)(1-s r)^{-1 / 2} d s \\
& \quad=\int_{0}^{1} M_{2}\left(s, f_{r}\right)(1-s r)^{-1 / 2} d s \leq \int_{0}^{1} M_{2}\left(s, f_{r}\right)(1-s)^{-1 / 2} d s
\end{aligned}
$$

Using a result of Hardy and Littlewood [23] (see also [34]) we see that

$$
\int_{0}^{1} M_{2}\left(s, f_{r}\right)(1-s)^{-1 / 2} d t \lesssim\left\|f_{r}\right\|_{H^{1}} .
$$

Then it follows that

$$
\begin{equation*}
M_{1}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\right) \lesssim M_{1}(r, f) \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

This implies that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f) \in H^{1}$ and that $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\right\|_{H^{1}} \lesssim\|f\|_{H^{1}}$.
Proof of the implication (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) when $p=2$. Assume that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure and take $f \in H^{2}, f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n}(z \in \mathbb{D})$. Using [8, Proposition 1] we see that $\left|\mu_{n}\right| \lesssim \frac{1}{n+1}$. Using this, the definition of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)$, and the fact that the Cesàro operator is bounded on $H^{2}$, it follows that

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\right\|_{H^{2}}^{2} & =\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n}^{2}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}\right|^{2} \lesssim \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^{2}}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}\right|^{2} \\
& =\|\mathcal{C}(f)\|_{H^{2}}^{2} \lesssim\|f\|_{H^{2}}^{2} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Proof of the implication (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) for $1<p<2$. Since (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) when $p=1$ and $p=2$, the fact that (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) when $1<p<2$ follows using (3) and Theorem 2.4 of [39].

To prove the remaining case, that is, the implication (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) for $2<p<\infty$ we shall use ideas of Andersen [1]. Actually, our next argument works for $1<p<\infty$.

Proof of the implication (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) for $1<p<\infty$. Assume that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure, $1<p<\infty$, and $f \in H^{p}$.

For $0<r<1$, set

$$
K_{r, \mu}(\theta, \varphi)=\int_{[0,1)} \frac{(1+t)(1-t)}{\left|1-t e^{i \varphi}\right|^{2}\left(1-\operatorname{tr} e^{i \theta}\right)} d \mu(t), \quad \theta, \varphi \in[-\pi, \pi] .
$$

Arguing just as in [1, p. 621], using Fubini's theorem, we have that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)=\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} K_{r, \mu}(\theta, \varphi) f\left(r e^{i(\theta+\varphi)}\right) d \varphi \tag{5}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now, letting $\left\{t_{k}\right\}_{k=0}^{\infty}$ be as above, using the fact that $\mu\left(\left[t_{k}, t_{k+1}\right)\right) \lesssim \frac{1}{2^{k}}$, and simple estimates, we obatin

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|K_{r, \mu}(\theta, \varphi)\right| & \leq 2 \int_{[0,1)} \frac{1-t}{\left|1-t e^{i \varphi}\right|^{2}\left|1-t r e^{i \theta}\right|} d \mu(t) \\
& \lesssim \int_{[0,1)} \frac{1-t}{\left[(1-t)^{2}+\varphi^{2}\right]\left[(1-t)^{2}+\theta^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}} d \mu(t) \\
& \lesssim \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{t_{k}}^{t_{k+1}} \frac{1-t}{\left[(1-t)^{2}+\varphi^{2}\right]\left[(1-t)^{2}+\theta\right]^{1 / 2}} d \mu(t) \\
& \lesssim \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k}} \frac{\frac{1}{2^{k}}}{\left[\left(\frac{1}{2^{k+1}}\right)^{2}+\varphi^{2}\right]\left[\left(\frac{1}{2^{k+1}}\right)^{2}+\theta^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}} \\
& \lesssim \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \int_{t_{k}}^{t_{k+1}} \frac{\frac{1}{2^{k}}}{\left[\left(\frac{1}{2^{k+1}}\right)^{2}+\varphi^{2}\right]\left[\left(\frac{1}{2^{k+1}}\right)^{2}+\theta^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}} d t \\
& \lesssim \int_{0}^{1} \frac{1-t}{\left[(1-t)^{2}+\varphi^{2}\right]\left[(1-t)^{2}+\theta^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}} d t \\
& =\int_{0}^{1} \frac{x}{\left[x^{2}+\varphi^{2}\right]\left[x^{2}+\theta^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}} d x
\end{aligned}
$$

Then, using Lemma 2.1 of [1], we see that for all $\theta, \varphi \in(-\pi, \pi) \backslash\{0\}$ and $r \in(0,1)$, we have

$$
\left|K_{r, \mu}(\theta, \varphi)\right| \lesssim \frac{H(\varphi / \theta)}{|\theta|}
$$

where

$$
H(s)=\frac{\log (2+1 /|s|)}{1+|s|}, \quad s \neq 0
$$

Using this and (5) it follows that

$$
\left|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\left(r e^{i \theta}\right)\right| \lesssim \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{H(\varphi / \theta)}{|\theta|}\left|f\left(r e^{i(\theta+\varphi)}\right)\right| d \varphi, \quad \theta \in(-\pi, \pi) \backslash\{0\}, 0<r<1
$$

Then the argument in p. 622 of [1] yields that

$$
\begin{equation*}
M_{p}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\right) \lesssim M_{p}(r, f) \tag{6}
\end{equation*}
$$

and, hence $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)\right\|_{H^{p}} \lesssim\|f\|_{H^{p}}$.
Proof of the implication (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) for $1 \leq p \leq 2$. Suppose that $1 \leq p \leq 2$ and that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded on $H^{p}$. Recall that, for $\alpha>0$,

$$
\frac{1}{(1-z)^{\alpha}}=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n}(\alpha) z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

where

$$
\begin{equation*}
a_{n}(\alpha) \asymp n^{\alpha-1} . \tag{7}
\end{equation*}
$$

For $0<a<1$, set

$$
f_{a}(z)=\left(\frac{1-a^{2}}{(1-a z)^{2}}\right)^{1 / p}=\left(1-a^{2}\right)^{1 / p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n}(2 / p) a^{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

We have that

$$
f_{a} \in H^{p} \text { and }\left\|f_{a}\right\|_{H^{p}}=1, \quad 0<a<1
$$

Since $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded on $H^{p}$, we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{p}}^{p} \lesssim 1 \tag{8}
\end{equation*}
$$

Now

$$
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)(z)=\left(1-a^{2}\right)^{1 / p} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}(2 / p) a^{k}\right) z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D} .
$$

Using the fact that $1 \leq p \leq 2,[13$, Theorem 6.2], (7), and the fact that the sequence $\left\{\mu_{n}\right\}$ is decreasing, we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
(1 & -a) \mu_{N}^{p} \sum_{n=0}^{N}(n+1)^{p-2}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n} k^{\frac{2}{p}-1} a^{k}\right)^{p} \\
& \leq(1-a) \sum_{n=0}^{N}(n+1)^{p-2} \mu_{n}^{p}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n} k^{\frac{2}{p}-1} a^{k}\right)^{p} \\
& \leq(1-a) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(n+1)^{p-2} \mu_{n}^{p}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n} k^{\frac{2}{p}-1} a^{k}\right)^{p} \\
& \asymp\left(1-a^{2}\right) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty}(n+1)^{p-2} \mu_{n}^{p}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}(2 / p) a^{k}\right)^{p} \\
& \lesssim\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H}^{p}
\end{aligned}
$$

for every positive integer $N$ and every $a \in(0,1)$. Taking $a=1-\frac{1}{N}$ and using the fact that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded on $H^{p}$, we obtain

$$
\begin{equation*}
\frac{\mu_{N}^{p}}{N} \sum_{n=0}^{N}(n+1)^{p-2}\left(\sum_{k=0}^{n} k^{\frac{2}{p}-1}\right)^{p} \asymp \mu_{N}^{p} N^{p} \lesssim\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{p}}^{p} \lesssim\left\|f_{a}\right\|_{H^{p}} . \tag{9}
\end{equation*}
$$

This and (8) imply that $\mu_{N} \lesssim \frac{1}{N}$. Using again Lemma 2, this yields that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure.
Proof of the implication (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) for $2 \leq p<\infty$. Suppose that $2<p<\infty$ and that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a bounded operator on $H^{p}$. Let $q$ be the conjugate exponent of $p$, that is, $\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}=1$. Bearing in mind Proposition 2 and Proposition 3, we see that the operator $T_{\mu}$, initially defined over polynomials, extends to a bounded operator on $H^{q}$.

For $0<a<1$ and $N \in \mathbb{N}$, set

$$
\begin{aligned}
f_{a}(z) & =\left(\frac{1-a^{2}}{(1-a z)^{2}}\right)^{1 / q}=\left(1-a^{2}\right)^{1 / q} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n}(2 / q) a^{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \\
f_{a, N}(z) & =\left(1-a^{2}\right)^{1 / q} \sum_{n=0}^{N} a_{n}(2 / q) a^{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D} .
\end{aligned}
$$

We have that for all $a \in(0,1), f_{a} \in H^{q}$ and $\left\|f_{a}\right\|_{H^{q}}=1$. Since $T_{\mu}$ is bounded on $H^{q}$, it follows that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|T_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{q}} \lesssim 1 \tag{10}
\end{equation*}
$$

Also, for every $a, f_{a, N} \rightarrow f_{a}$, as $N \rightarrow \infty$ in $H^{q}$ and uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$. Now, $T_{\mu}\left(f_{a, N}\right)(z)=\left(1-a^{2}\right)^{1 / q} \sum_{n=0}^{N}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{N} \mu_{k} a_{k}(2 / q) a^{k}\right) z^{n}(z \in \mathbb{D})$ and then, using that $1<q<2$ and [13, Theorem 6.2], we have that

$$
(1-a) \sum_{n=1}^{N}(n+1)^{q-2}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{N} \mu_{k} a_{k}(2 / q) a^{k}\right)^{q} \lesssim\left\|T_{\mu}\left(f_{a, N}\right)\right\|_{H^{q}}^{q} .
$$

Letting $N$ tend to $\infty$, we obtain

$$
(1-a) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty}(n+1)^{q-2}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \mu_{k} a_{k}(2 / q) a^{k}\right)^{q} \lesssim\left\|T_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{q}}^{q}
$$

Taking $a=1-\frac{1}{N}$ and letting [ $N / 2$ ] denote the largest integer less than or equal to $N / 2$, we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
& \left\|T_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{q}}^{q} \gtrsim(1-a) \sum_{n=1}^{N}(n+1)^{q-2}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{N} \mu_{k} a_{k}(2 / q) a^{k}\right)^{q} \\
& \quad \gtrsim \frac{\mu_{N}^{q}}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{q-2}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{N} k^{\frac{2}{q}-1}\right)^{q} \gtrsim \frac{\mu_{N}^{q}}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{[N / 2]} n^{q-2}\left(\sum_{k=[N / 2]}^{N} k^{\frac{2}{q}-1}\right)^{q} \\
& \quad \asymp \frac{\mu_{N}^{q}}{N} \sum_{n=1}^{[N / 2]} n^{q-2}\left(N^{2 / q}\right)^{q} \asymp \mu_{N}^{q} N^{q} . \tag{11}
\end{align*}
$$

Using (10), it follows that $\mu_{N} \lesssim \frac{1}{N}$ and then Lemma 2 implies that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure.

### 3.2 Proof of Theorem 2

Proof Let us start with the implication (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i). We shall consider the cases $1 \leq p \leq 2$ and $2<p<\infty$ separately.

Suppose first that $1 \leq p \leq 2$ and $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is compact from $H^{p}$ into itself. As in the proof of Theorem 1, for $0<a<1$, set

$$
f_{a}(z)=\left(\frac{1-a^{2}}{(1-a z)^{2}}\right)^{1 / p}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

We have that $\left\|f_{a}\right\|_{H^{p}}=1$ for all $a$ and, also, $f_{a} \rightarrow 0$, as $a \rightarrow 1$, uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$. Hence, $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{p}} \rightarrow 0$, as $a \rightarrow 1$. But in the course of the proof of the implication (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) of Theorem 1, we obtained that $\mu_{N} N \lesssim$ $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{p}}$ for $a=1-\frac{1}{N}$ (see (9)). Then it follows that $\mu_{N}=\mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$ and this implies that $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure.

Suppose now that $2<p<\infty$ and $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is compact from $H^{p}$ into itself. By Theorem 1, $\mu$ is a Carleson measure and then it follows that the operator $T_{\mu}$ is well defined on $H^{q}$ $\left(\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}=1\right)$ and it is the adjoint of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$. For $0<a<1$, set $f_{a}(z)=\left(\frac{1-a^{2}}{(1-a z)^{2}}\right)^{1 / q}$, $(z \in \mathbb{D})$. We have that $\left\|f_{a}\right\|_{H^{q}}=1$ for all $a$ and, also, $f_{a} \rightarrow 0$, as $a \rightarrow 1$, uniformly
on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$. By Schauder's theorem [10, p. 174], $T_{\mu}$ is a compact operator from $H^{q}$ into itself and, hence, $\left\|T_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{q}} \rightarrow 0$. In the course of the proof of the implication (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) of Theorem 1, we obtained that $\mu_{N} N \lesssim\left\|T_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{H^{q}}$ for $a=1-\frac{1}{N}$ (see (11)). Then it follows that $\mu_{N}=\mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{N}\right)$ and, hence, $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure.

To prove the other implication we shall consider the cases $p=2, p=1,1<p<2$, and $2<p<\infty$ separately.

Let us start with the case $p=2$. So assume that $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure and let $\left\{f_{n}\right\}$ be a sequence of functions in $H^{2}$ with $\left\|f_{n}\right\|_{H^{2}} \leq 1$, for all $n$, and such that $f_{n} \rightarrow 0$, uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$.

Since $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure $\mu_{k}=\mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{k}\right)$, as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Say

$$
\mu_{k}=\frac{\varepsilon_{k}}{k+1}, \quad k=0,1,2, \ldots
$$

Then $\left\{\varepsilon_{k}\right\} \rightarrow 0$. Say that, for every $n$,

$$
f_{n}(z)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k}^{(n)} z^{k}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

Since the Cesàro operator $\mathcal{C}$ is bounded on $H^{2}$, there exists $M>0$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|\mathcal{C}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{2}}^{2} \leq M, \quad \text { for all } n \tag{12}
\end{equation*}
$$

Take $\varepsilon>0$ and next take a natural number $N$ such that

$$
k \geq N \Rightarrow \varepsilon_{k}^{2}<\frac{\varepsilon}{2 M}
$$

We have

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{2}}^{2} & =\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mu_{k}^{2}\left|\sum_{j=0}^{k} a_{j}^{(n)}\right|^{2} \\
& =\sum_{k=0}^{N} \mu_{k}^{2}\left|\sum_{j=0}^{k} a_{j}^{(n)}\right|^{2}+\sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} \frac{\varepsilon_{k}^{2}}{(k+1)^{2}}\left|\sum_{j=0}^{k} a_{j}^{(n)}\right|^{2} \\
& \leq \sum_{k=0}^{N} \mu_{k}^{2}\left|\sum_{j=0}^{k} a_{j}^{(n)}\right|^{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{2 M} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)^{2}}\left|\sum_{j=0}^{k} a_{j}^{(n)}\right|^{2} \\
& =\sum_{k=0}^{N} \mu_{k}^{2}\left|\sum_{j=0}^{k} a_{j}^{(n)}\right|^{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{2 M}\left\|\mathcal{C}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{2}}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

$$
\leq \sum_{k=0}^{N} \mu_{k}^{2}\left|\sum_{j=0}^{k} a_{j}^{(n)}\right|^{2}+\frac{\varepsilon}{2}
$$

Now, since $f_{n} \rightarrow 0$, uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$, it follows that

$$
\sum_{k=0}^{N} \mu_{k}^{2}\left|\sum_{j=0}^{k} a_{j}^{(n)}\right|^{2} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text { as } n \rightarrow \infty
$$

Then it follows that that there exist $n_{0} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{2}}^{2}<\varepsilon$ for all $n \geq n_{0}$. So, we have proved that $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{2}}^{2} \rightarrow 0$. The compactness of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ on $H^{2}$ follows.

Let us move to the case $p=1$. Assume that $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure and let $\left\{f_{n}\right\}$ be a sequence of functions in $H^{1}$ with $\left\|f_{n}\right\|_{H^{1}} \leq 1$, for all $n$, and such that $f_{n} \rightarrow 0$, uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$.

Set

$$
g_{n}(z)=\frac{f_{n}(z)}{1-z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}
$$

and

$$
t_{k}=1-\frac{1}{2^{k}}, \quad k=0,1,2, \ldots
$$

As in the proof of the implication (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii) in Theorem 1 when $p=1$ we see that, for $0<r<1$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$
M_{1}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{n}\right)\right) \leq \frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\left[\sup _{0 \leq t \leq t_{k}}\left|g_{n}\left(r t e^{i \theta}\right)\right|\right]\right) \mu\left(\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right]\right) d \theta
$$

and, hence,

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{1}} \leq \frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty}\left[\sup _{0 \leq t \leq t_{k}}\left|g_{n}\left(t e^{i \theta}\right)\right|\right]\right) \mu\left(\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right]\right) d \theta . \tag{13}
\end{equation*}
$$

Since $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure $\mu\left(\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right]\right)=\mathrm{o}\left(2^{-k}\right)$ and, hence, we have

$$
\mu\left(\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right]\right)=\frac{\varepsilon_{k}}{2^{k}}, \quad \text { where } \varepsilon_{k} \geq 0 \text { and }\left\{\varepsilon_{k}\right\} \rightarrow 0
$$

On the other hand, looking at the proof of Theorem 1, we see that there exists $C>0$ such that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \int_{t_{k}}^{t_{k+1}} M_{1}\left(t, g_{n}\right) d t \leq C\left\|f_{n}\right\|_{H^{1}} \leq C, \quad n \in \mathbb{N} . \tag{14}
\end{equation*}
$$

Take $\varepsilon>0$ and then take $N \in \mathbb{N}$ so that $\varepsilon_{k} \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2 C K}$, for all $k \geq N$, where $K$ is the constant in the Hardy-Littlewood maximal estimate

$$
\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left[\sup _{0<t<1} \mid F\left(t e^{i \theta}\right)\right] d \theta \leq K\|F\|_{H^{1}}
$$

Using (13) we see that

$$
\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{1}} \leq I(n)+I I(n),
$$

where

$$
\begin{aligned}
I(n) & =\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{N}\left[\sup _{0 \leq t \leq t_{k}}\left|g_{n}\left(t e^{i \theta}\right)\right|\right]\right) \mu\left(\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right]\right) d \theta \\
I I(n) & =\frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left(\sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty}\left[\sup _{0 \leq t \leq t_{k}}\left|g_{n}\left(t e^{i \theta}\right)\right|\right]\right) \mu\left(\left[t_{k-1}, t_{k}\right]\right) d \theta
\end{aligned}
$$

Using (14), we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
I I(n) & \leq \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} \frac{\varepsilon_{k}}{2^{k}} \frac{1}{2 \pi} \int_{0}^{2 \pi}\left[\sup _{0 \leq t \leq t_{k}}\left|g_{n}\left(t e^{i \theta}\right)\right|\right] d \theta \\
& \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2 C} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k}} M_{1}\left(t_{k}, g_{n}\right) \\
& \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2 C} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^{k}} \int_{t_{k}}^{t_{k+1}} M_{1}\left(t, g_{n}\right) d t \\
& \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Since $f_{n} \rightarrow 0$, uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$, it is clear that $I(n) \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then it follows that there exists $n_{0} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{1}}<\varepsilon$ whenever $n \geq n_{0}$. Thus, we have shown that $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{n}\right)\right\|_{H^{1}} \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and the compactness of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ on $H^{1}$ follows.

To deal with the cases $1<p<2$ and $2<p<\infty$, we use again complex interpolation.

Suppose first that $1<p<2$ and $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure. Recall that

$$
H^{p}=\left(H^{2}, H^{1}\right)_{\theta}, \text { with } \theta=\frac{2}{p}-1
$$

We have also that if $2<s<\infty$ then

$$
H^{2}=\left(H^{s}, H^{1}\right)_{\alpha}
$$

for a certain $\alpha \in(0,1)$, namely, $\alpha=\left(\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{s}\right) /\left(1-\frac{1}{s}\right)$. Since $H^{2}$ is reflexive, and $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is compact from $H^{2}$ into $H^{2}$ and from $H^{1}$ into $H^{1}$, Theorem 10 of [11] gives that and $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is compact from $H^{p}$ into $H^{p}$.

Suppose now that $2<p<\infty$ and $\mu$ is a vanishing Carleson measure. Let $q$ be conjugate exponent of $p$. Take $q_{1}$ with $1<q_{1}<q<2$. We have that $T_{\mu}$ is compact from $H^{2}$ into itself and continuous from $H^{q_{1}}$ into $H^{q_{1}}$. Also, $H^{q}=\left(H^{2}, H^{q_{1}}\right)_{\theta}$ for a certain $\theta \in(0,1)$. Then, Theorem 10 of [11] gives that and $T_{\mu}$ is compact from $H^{q}$ into $H^{q}$ and, hence, $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is compact from $H^{p}$ into itself.

### 3.3 The operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ acting on $H^{\infty}$

For the constant function 1 we have

$$
\mathcal{C}(1)(z)=\frac{1}{z} \log \frac{1}{1-z}=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n}}{n+1}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D} .
$$

Consequently, $\mathcal{C}\left(H^{\infty}\right) \not \subset H^{\infty}$.
If $\mu$ is positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$ then

$$
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(1)(z)=\int_{[0,1)} \frac{d \mu(t)}{1-t z}=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

So, it follows that

$$
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(1) \in H^{\infty} \Leftrightarrow \int_{[0,1]} \frac{d \mu(t)}{1-t}<\infty \Leftrightarrow \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n}<\infty
$$

This easily implies the following result.
Theorem 4 Let $\mu$ be positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent.
(i) $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a bounded operator from $H^{\infty}$ into itself.
(ii) $\int_{[0,1]} \frac{d \mu(t)}{1-t}<\infty$.
(iii) $\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n}<\infty$.

Danikas and Siskakis [12] proved that

$$
\mathcal{C}\left(H^{\infty}\right) \subset B M O A \subset \mathcal{B}
$$

We extend this result obtaining a characterization of those positive finite Borel measure $\mu$ on $[0,1)$ for which $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(H^{\infty}\right) \subset \mathcal{B}$.

Theorem 5 Let $\mu$ be positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$. Then the following conditions are equivalent
(i) $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a bounded operator from $H^{\infty}$ into the Bloch space $\mathcal{B}$.
(ii) $\mu$ is a Carleson measure.

Proof Let us start with the implication (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii). So, assume that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(H^{\infty}\right) \subset \mathcal{B}$. Then $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(1) \in \mathcal{B}$, but, as we have seen above

$$
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(1)(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

and then, using the fact that the sequence $\left\{\mu_{n}\right\}$ is a decreasing sequence of nonnegative numbers and Lemma B , we see that $\mu_{n}=\mathrm{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$ which is equivalent to saying that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure.

Let us turn now to prove the other implication. So, assume that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure and take $f \in H^{\infty}$. Using the integral representation of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ we see that

$$
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)^{\prime}(z)=\int_{[0,1)} \frac{t f^{\prime}(t z)}{1-t z} d \mu(t)+\int_{[0,1)} \frac{t f(t z)}{(1-t z)^{2}} d \mu(t), \quad z \in \mathbb{D} .
$$

Hence, using that $f \in H^{\infty} \subset \mathcal{B}$, we obtain

$$
\begin{align*}
\left|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)^{\prime}(z)\right| & \leq \int_{[0,1)} \frac{\left|f^{\prime}(t z)\right|}{|1-t z|} d \mu(t)+\int_{[0,1)} \frac{|f(t z)|}{|1-t z|^{2}} d \mu(t) \\
& \lesssim \int_{[0,1)} \frac{d \mu(t)}{(1-|t z|)^{2}}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D} . \tag{15}
\end{align*}
$$

Take $z \in \mathbb{D}$ and set $r=|z|$. Set also

$$
\phi(t)=\mu([0, t))-\mu([0,1))=-\mu([t, 1)), \quad 0 \leq t<1 .
$$

Integrating by parts and using the fact that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure, we obtain

$$
\begin{aligned}
\int_{[0,1)} \frac{d \mu(t)}{(1-|t z|)^{2}} & =\int_{[0,1)} \frac{d \mu(t)}{(1-t r)^{2}}=\mu([0,1))+2 r \int_{0}^{1} \frac{\mu([t, 1))}{(1-t r)^{3}} d t \\
& \lesssim \mu([0,1))+\int_{0}^{1} \frac{1-t}{(1-t r)^{3}} d t \\
= & \mu([0,1))+\int_{0}^{r} \frac{1-t}{(1-t r)^{3}} d t+\int_{r}^{1} \frac{1-t}{(1-t r)^{3}} d t \\
& \lesssim \mu([0,1))+\int_{0}^{r} \frac{1}{(1-t)^{2}} d t+\frac{1}{(1-r)^{3}} \int_{r}^{1}(1-t) d t \\
& \lesssim \frac{1}{1-r} .
\end{aligned}
$$

This and (15) yield that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f) \in \mathcal{B}$.

It is natural to ask whether or not $\mu$ being a Carleson measure implies that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(H^{\infty}\right) \subset B M O A$. We do not know the answer to this question.

## 4 The operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ acting on Bergman spaces

The boundedness of the Cesàro operator on Bergman spaces was studied in [1] and [35] where the following result was proved.

Theorem A If $p>0$ and $\alpha>-1$, then the Cesàro operator is bounded from $A_{\alpha}^{p}$ into itself.

In the course of our proof of Theorem 1, we proved that if $\mu$ is a Carleson measure, $1 \leq p<\infty$, and $f \in H^{p}$, then $M_{p}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f) \lesssim M_{p}(r, f)\right.$ (see (4) and (6)). This readily yields that that if $\mu$ is a Carleson measure, $1 \leq p<\infty$, and $\alpha>-1$, then $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded from $A_{\alpha}^{p}$ into itself.

For $p>1$ we shall give a different proof of this result and we shall also prove that the converse is true. Hence, our work in particular will lead to a new proof of the boundedness of the classical Cesàro operator on the spaces $A_{\alpha}^{p}(1<p<\infty$, $\alpha>-1$ ).

Theorem 6 Suppose that $1<p<\infty$ and $\alpha>-1$. Let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$.Then the following conditions are equivalent.
(i) The measure $\mu$ is a Carleson measure.
(ii) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded from $A_{\alpha}^{p}$ into itself.

Let us collect several results which will be needed in the proof of Theorem 6.
Let us start recalling the given $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $0<\alpha \leq 1$, the mean Lipschitz space $\Lambda_{\alpha}^{p}$ consists of those functions $f$ analytic in $\mathbb{D}$ having a non-tangential limit almost everywhere for which $\omega_{p}(\delta, f)=O\left(\delta^{\alpha}\right)$, as $\delta \rightarrow 0$, where $\omega_{p}(., f)$ is the integral modulus of continuity of order $p$ of the boundary values $f\left(e^{i \theta}\right)$ of $f$. A classical result of Hardy and Littlewood [23] (see also Chapter 5 of [13]) asserts that for $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ and $0<\alpha \leq 1$, we have that $\Lambda_{\alpha}^{p} \subset H^{p}$ and

$$
\Lambda_{\alpha}^{p}=\left\{f \text { analytic in } \mathbb{D}: M_{p}\left(r, f^{\prime}\right)=\mathrm{O}\left(\frac{1}{(1-r)^{1-\alpha}}\right), \quad \text { as } r \rightarrow 1\right\}
$$

The space $\Lambda_{\alpha}^{p}$ is a Banach space with the norm $\|\cdot\|_{p, \alpha}$ given by

$$
\|f\|_{p, \alpha}=|f(0)|+\sup _{0 \leq r<1}(1-r)^{1-\alpha} M_{p}\left(r, f^{\prime}\right)
$$

Of special interest are the spaces $\Lambda_{1 / p}^{p}$ since they lie in the border of continuity. Indeed, if $1<p<\infty$ and $\alpha>\frac{1}{p}$ then each $f \in \Lambda_{\alpha}^{p}$ has a continuous extension to the closed unit disc. This is not true for $\alpha=\frac{1}{p}$. This follows easily noticing that the function $f(z)=\log (1-z)$ belongs to $\Lambda_{1 / p}^{p}$ for all $p \in(1, \infty)$. Cima and Petersen proved
in [9] that $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset B M O A$ and this result was generalized by Bourdon, Shapiro and Sledd who proved in [4] that

$$
\Lambda_{1 / p}^{p} \subset B M O A, \quad 1<p<\infty
$$

This was shown to be sharp in a very strong sense in [3].
The following result of Merchán [30, Lemma 1] (see also [18, Theorem 2] and [17, Theorem 2]) will be needed in our work.
Lemma B Let $f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D}), f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n}(z \in \mathbb{D})$. Suppose that $1<p<\infty$ and that the sequence $\left\{a_{n}\right\}$ is a decreasing sequence of nonnegative numbers. If $1<$ $p<\infty$ and $X$ is a subspace of $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ with $\Lambda_{1 / p}^{p} \subset X \subset \mathcal{B}$, then

$$
f \in X \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad a_{n}=\mathrm{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)
$$

We shall also use some results on pointwise multipliers and coefficient multipliers of Bergman spaces and Hardy spaces.

Let us start recalling that for $g \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$, the multiplication operator $M_{g}$ is defined by

$$
M_{g}(f)(z) \stackrel{\text { def }}{=} g(z) f(z), \quad f \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D}), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

If $X$ and $Y$ are two spaces of analytic functions in $\mathbb{D}$ (which will always be assumed to be Banach or $F$-spaces continuously embedded in $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D}))$ and $g \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ then $g$ is said to be a pointwise multiplier from $X$ to $Y$ if $M_{g}(X) \subset Y$. The space of all multipliers from $X$ to $Y$ will be denoted by $M(X, Y)$. Using the closed graph theorem we see that if $g \in M(X, Y)$ then $M_{g}$ is a bounded operator from $X$ into $Y$. The following result is a particular case of Theorem C of [37].

Theorem C Suppose that $1<p<\infty$ and $\alpha>-1$. Then

$$
M\left(A_{\alpha}^{p}, A_{\alpha}^{p /(p+1)}\right)=A_{\alpha}^{1}
$$

If $X$ and $Y$ are two spaces of analytic functions in $\mathbb{D}$, a function $F \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ is said to be a coefficient multiplier (or a convolution multiplier) from $X$ to $Y$ if

$$
f \in X \Rightarrow F \star f \in Y
$$

The following result is due to Duren and Shields, it is a particular case of [15, Theorem 4].
Theorem D Suppose that $1<p<\infty$ and $F \in \operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$. Let $m$ be a positive integer such that $(m+1)^{-1} \leq \frac{p}{p+1}<m^{-1}$. Then $F$ is a coefficient multiplier from $H^{p /(p+1)}$ to $H^{p}$ if and only if the $(m+1)$-th derivative $F^{(m+1)}$ of $F$ satisfies

$$
M_{p}\left(r, F^{(m+1)}\right)=\mathrm{O}\left((1-r)^{\frac{1}{p}-1-m}\right)
$$

We can now proceed to prove Theorem 6.
Proof of the implication $(i) \Rightarrow$ (ii) in Theorem 6. Assume that $\mu$ is a Carleson measure and set

$$
F(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mu_{n} z^{n}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D} .
$$

Since $\mu$ is a Carleson measure $\mu_{n}=\mathrm{O}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$. This, the simple fact that $\left\{\mu_{n}\right\}$ is a deceasing sequence of nonnegative numbers, and Lemma B imply that $F \in \Lambda_{1 / p}^{p}$ and, hence

$$
M_{p}\left(r, F^{\prime}\right)=\mathrm{O}\left((1-r)^{\frac{1}{p}-1}\right)
$$

Using [13, Theorem 5.5], we see that this implies

$$
M_{p}\left(r, F^{(m+1)}\right)=\mathrm{O}\left((1-r)^{\frac{1}{p}-1-m}\right), \quad m=1,2,3, \ldots
$$

and then Theorem D gives that $F$ is a coefficient multiplier from $H^{p /(p+1)}$ into $H^{p}$. Trivially, this implies that

$$
\begin{equation*}
F \text { is also a coefficient multiplier from } A_{\alpha}^{p /(p+1)} \text { into } A_{\alpha}^{p} \text {. } \tag{16}
\end{equation*}
$$

Take $f \in A_{\alpha}^{p}$. We have to prove that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f) \in A_{\alpha}^{p}$. Set $g(z)=\frac{f(z)}{1-z}(z \in \mathbb{D})$. A simple computation shows that $\frac{1}{1-z} \in A_{\alpha}^{1}$. Then, using Theorem C we deduce that $g \in A_{\alpha}^{p /(p+1)}$. This and (16) imply that $F \star g \in A_{\alpha}^{p}$. By Lemma 1 this is equivalent to saying that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f) \in A_{\alpha}^{p}$.
Proof of the implication (ii) $\Rightarrow$ (i) in Theorem 6 . Suppose that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a bounded operator on $A_{\alpha}^{p}$. Let $q$ be the exponent conjugate to $p$, that is, $\frac{1}{p}+\frac{1}{q}=1$. Let $T_{\mu}$ be the adjoint of $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$, it is a bounded operator on $A_{\alpha}^{q}$.

For $0<b<1$, set

$$
f_{b}(z)=\frac{(1-b)^{1-\frac{1}{q}}}{(1-b z)^{1+\frac{\alpha+1}{q}}}=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k, b} z^{k}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

Using [39, Lemma 3.10], we see that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|f_{b}\right\|_{A_{\alpha}^{q}}^{q} \asymp 1 . \tag{17}
\end{equation*}
$$

Also,

$$
a_{k, b} \asymp(1-b)^{1-\frac{1}{q}} k^{(\alpha+1) / q} b^{k} .
$$

For $N \in \mathbb{N}$, set

$$
f_{b, N}(z)=\sum_{k=0}^{N} a_{k, b} z^{k}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

Bearing in mind Proposition 2 and Proposition 3, we see that

$$
T_{\mu}\left(f_{b, N}\right)(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{N}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{N} \mu_{k} a_{k, b}\right) z^{n}
$$

Since the coefficients $a_{k, b}$ are nonnegative, it follows that the sequence of the Taylor coefficients of $T_{\mu}\left(f_{b, N}\right)$ is a decreasing sequence of nonnegative numbers, then (see, e. g., [20, Proposition 1])

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left\|T_{\mu}\left(f_{b, N}\right)\right\|_{A_{\alpha}^{q}}^{q} & \gtrsim \sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{q-\alpha-3}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{N} \mu_{k} a_{k, b}\right)^{q} \\
& \gtrsim(1-b)^{q-1} \sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{q-\alpha-3}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{N} k^{\frac{\alpha+1}{q}} b^{k} \int_{[b, 1)} t^{k} d \mu(t)\right)^{q} \\
& \gtrsim(1-b)^{q-1} \mu([b, 1))^{q} \sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{q-\alpha-3}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{N} k^{\frac{\alpha+1}{q}} b^{2 k}\right)^{q}
\end{aligned}
$$

Since $f_{b, N} \rightarrow f_{b}$ in $A_{\alpha}^{q}$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$, using the fact that $T_{\mu}$ is bounded on $A_{\alpha}^{q},(17)$, and simple estimations, we deduce that

$$
\begin{aligned}
1 & \gtrsim(1-b)^{q-1} \mu([b, 1))^{q} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{q-\alpha-3}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} k^{\frac{\alpha+1}{q}} b^{2 k}\right)^{q} \\
& \gtrsim(1-b)^{q-1} \mu([b, 1))^{q} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{q-\alpha-3} n^{\alpha+1}\left(\sum_{k=n}^{\infty} b^{2 k}\right)^{q} \\
& \asymp(1-b)^{q-1} \mu([b, 1))^{q} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{q-2} \frac{b^{2 n q}}{(1-b)^{q}} \\
& \asymp\left(\frac{\mu([b, 1))}{1-b}\right)^{q} .
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence, $\mu$ is a Carleson measure.

## 5 The operators $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ acting on BMOA and on the Bloch space

Let $\lambda$ be defined by $\lambda(z)=\log \frac{1}{1-z}(z \in \mathbb{D})$. Then $\lambda \in B M O A$. In fact, it is true that $\lambda \in \Lambda_{1 / p}^{p}$ for all $p>1$. Danikas and Siskakis [12] observed that $\mathcal{C}(\lambda) \notin B M O A$. This implies that the Cesàro operator does not map BMO A into itself. Our Theorem 3 includes a characterization of those $\mu$ so that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ maps $B M O A$ into itself.

Since $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset B M O A \subset \mathcal{B}$, Theorem 3 follows from the following result.
Theorem 7 Let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$ and let $X$ and $Y$ be two Banach subspaces of $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ with $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset X \subset \mathcal{B}$ and $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset Y \subset \mathcal{B}$. Then the following conditions are equivalent.
(i) The measure $\mu$ is a 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure.
(ii) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is bounded from $X$ into $Y$.

Proof Let us start showing that (i) $\Rightarrow$ (ii). So assume that $\mu$ is a 1-logarithmic 1 Carleson measure and take $f \in X$. We recall that $\mu$ being a 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure is equivalent to

$$
\begin{equation*}
\mu_{n}=\mathrm{O}\left(\frac{1}{n \log (n+1)}\right) \tag{18}
\end{equation*}
$$

Take $f \in X, f(z)=\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_{n} z^{n}(z \in \mathbb{D})$. Since $X \subset \mathcal{B}$, we have that $f \in \mathcal{B}$. Then, using a result of Kayumov and Wirths (see [27, Corollary 4] or [28, Corollary D]), we have

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}\right| \lesssim\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}} \log (n+1) \tag{19}
\end{equation*}
$$

The estimates (18) and (19) yield

$$
M_{2}^{2}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f)^{\prime}\right)=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{2} \mu_{n}^{2}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}\right|^{2} r^{2 n-2} \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^{2 n-2} \lesssim \frac{1}{1-r}
$$

Hence $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(f) \in \Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset Y$.
Suppose now that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(X) \subset Y$. As above, set $\lambda(z)=\log \frac{1}{1-z}=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^{n}}{n}(z \in \mathbb{D})$.
We have that $\lambda \in X$ and then $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(\lambda) \in Y \subset \mathcal{B}$. Now, $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}(\lambda)(z)=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_{n}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k}\right) z^{n}$ and then it follows that

$$
\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \mu_{n}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k}\right) r^{n} \lesssim \frac{1}{1-r}, \quad r \in(0,1)
$$

For $N \geq 2$ take $r_{N}=1-\frac{1}{N}$. Bearing in mind that the sequence $\left\{\mu_{n}\right\}$ is decreasing, simple estimations lead us to the following

$$
\begin{aligned}
& N^{2} \mu_{N} \log N \asymp \mu_{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} n \log n \\
& \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^{N} n \mu_{n}(\log n) r_{N}^{n} \\
& \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^{N} n \mu_{n}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k}\right) r_{N}^{n} \\
& \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n \mu_{n}\left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{k}\right) r_{N}^{n} \\
& \lesssim N
\end{aligned}
$$

Hence $\mu_{N} \lesssim \frac{1}{N \log N}$ which implies that $\mu$ is a 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure.
We have the following result concerning compactness.
Theorem 8 Let $\mu$ be a positive finite Borel measure on $[0,1)$ and let $X$ and $Y$ be two Banach subspaces of $\operatorname{Hol}(\mathbb{D})$ with $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset X \subset \mathcal{B}$ and $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset Y \subset \mathcal{B}$. Then the following four conditions are equivalent.
(i) $\mu$ is a vanishing 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure.
(ii) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a compact operator from $X$ into $Y$.
(iii) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a compact operator from the Bloch space $\mathcal{B}$ into itself.
(iv) The operator $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is a compact operator from the BMO A into itself.

Proof Clearly, it suffices to prove that (i) and (ii) are equivalent. Let us prove first that (i) implies (ii). So, assume that $\mu$ is a vanishing 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure and $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset X, Y \subset \mathcal{B}$.

Take $\left\{f_{j}\right\} \subset X$ with $\left\|f_{j}\right\|_{X} \leq 1$, for all $j$, and $f_{j} \rightarrow 0$, as $j \rightarrow \infty$, uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$. Since $X$ is continuously embedded in $\mathcal{B},\left\{f_{j}\right\} \subset \mathcal{B}$ and there exists $K_{1}>0$ such that $\|f\|_{\mathcal{B}} \leq K_{1}$, for all $j$.

Say $f_{j}(z)=\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} a_{k}^{(j)} z^{k}(z \in \mathbb{D})$. Using the result of Kayumov and Wirths that we have mentioned above, we see that there exists $K_{2}>0$ such that

$$
\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}^{(j)}\right| \leq K_{2}\left\|f_{j}\right\|_{\mathcal{B}} \log (n+1) \leq K_{1} K_{2} \log (n+1), \quad \text { for all } n \text { and } j
$$

Set $K=K_{1} K_{2}$.
Since $\mu$ is a vanishing 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure, $\mu_{n}=\mathrm{o}\left(\frac{1}{n \log (n+1)}\right)$. Say $\mu_{n}=\frac{\varepsilon_{n}}{n \log (n+1)}$, with $\left\{\varepsilon_{n}\right\} \rightarrow 0$. Take $\varepsilon>0$. Take $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\varepsilon_{n}^{2} K^{2}<\frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ if
$n \geq N$. We have, for all $j \in \mathbb{N}$ and $0<r<1$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
M_{2}^{2}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{j}\right)^{\prime}\right)= & \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{2} \mu_{n}^{2}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}^{(j)}\right|^{2} r^{2 n-2} \\
& \leq \sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{2} \mu_{n}^{2}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}^{(j)}\right|^{2}+\sum_{n=N+1}^{\infty} n^{2} \mu_{n}^{2} K^{2}[\log (n+1)]^{2} r^{2 n-2} \\
& \leq \sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{2} \mu_{n}^{2}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}^{(j)}\right|^{2}+\frac{\varepsilon / 2}{1-r}
\end{aligned}
$$

Thus,

$$
\sup _{0 \leq r<1}(1-r) M_{2}^{2}\left(r, \mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{j}\right)^{\prime}\right) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}+\sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{2} \mu_{n}^{2}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}^{(j)}\right|^{2}, \quad j \in \mathbb{N} .
$$

Now, since $\sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{2} \mu_{n}^{2}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}^{(j)}\right|^{2} \rightarrow 0$ and $f_{j}(0) \rightarrow 0$, as $j \rightarrow \infty$, it follows that there exists $j_{0} \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$
\left|f_{j}(0)\right|+\sum_{n=1}^{N} n^{2} \mu_{n}^{2}\left|\sum_{k=0}^{n} a_{k}^{(j)}\right|^{2}<\frac{\varepsilon}{2}
$$

for all $j \geq j_{0}$. With this we have proved that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{j}\right) \rightarrow 0$ in $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2}$. Since $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2}$ is continuously embedded in $Y$, it follows that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{j}\right) \rightarrow 0$ in $Y$.

Let us prove now that (ii) implies (i). Assume that $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2} \subset X, Y \subset \mathcal{B}$ and that $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is compact from $X$ into $Y$. For $0<a<1$, set

$$
f_{a}(z)=\left(\log \frac{2}{1-a}\right)^{-1}\left(\log \frac{2}{1-a z}\right)^{2}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}
$$

We have that

$$
f_{a}^{\prime}(z)=\left(\log \frac{2}{1-a}\right)^{-1}\left(\log \frac{2}{1-a z}\right) \frac{2 a}{1-a z}, \quad z \in \mathbb{D}, 0<a<1
$$

Then it is clear that $f_{a} \in \Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2}$ for all $a \in[0,1)$ and that there exists a constant $M_{1}>0$ such that $\left\|f_{a}\right\|_{2,1 / 2} \leq M_{1}$, for all $a \in(0,1)$. Since $\Lambda_{1 / 2}^{2}$ is continuously embedded in $X$, it follows that $f_{a} \in X$ for all $a \in[0,1)$ and that there exists $M>0$ such that $\left\|f_{a}\right\|_{X} \leq M$, for all $a \in(0,1)$. Also, $f_{a} \rightarrow 0$, as $a \rightarrow 1$, uniformly on compact subsets of $\mathbb{D}$. Since $\mathcal{C}_{\mu}$ is compact from $X$ into $Y$, we have that $\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{Y} \rightarrow 0$, as $a \rightarrow 1$. This, together with the fact that $Y$ is continuously embedded in $\mathcal{B}$, implies
that

$$
\begin{equation*}
\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{\mathcal{B}} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text { as } a \rightarrow 1 \tag{20}
\end{equation*}
$$

A simple calculation gives that for $0<a<1$ and $z \in \mathbb{D}$,

$$
\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)^{\prime}(z)=\int_{[0,1)}\left[\frac{t f_{a}^{\prime}(t z)}{1-t z}+\frac{t f_{a}(t z)}{(1-t z)^{2}}\right] d \mu(t)
$$

Then it follows that, for $0<a<1$,

$$
\begin{aligned}
\left|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)^{\prime}(a)\right|= & \mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)^{\prime}(a) \\
& \geq \int_{[0,1)} \frac{t f_{a}(t a)}{(1-t a)^{2}} d \mu(t) \\
= & \left(\log \frac{2}{1-a}\right)^{-1} \int_{[0,1)} \frac{t\left(\log \frac{2}{1-t a}\right)^{2}}{(1-t a)^{2}} d \mu(t) \\
& \geq\left(\log \frac{2}{1-a}\right)^{-1} \int_{[a, 1)} \frac{t\left(\log \frac{2}{1-t a}\right)^{2}}{(1-t a)^{2}} d \mu(t) \\
& \geq\left(\log \frac{2}{1-a}\right)^{-1} \mu([a, 1)) \frac{a\left(\log \frac{2}{1-a^{2}}\right)^{2}}{\left(1-a^{2}\right)^{2}} .
\end{aligned}
$$

This gives that

$$
\mu([a, 1)) \lesssim(1-a)\left(\log \frac{2}{1-a}\right)^{-1}\left\|\mathcal{C}_{\mu}\left(f_{a}\right)\right\|_{\mathcal{B}}
$$

This and (20) imply that $\mu$ is a vanishing 1-logarithmic 1-Carleson measure.

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