

IMAGE AREAS AND BMO NORMS OF ANALYTIC FUNCTIONS

Dedicated to Professor Yukio Kusunoki on his 60th birthday

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1. Introduction. Let R be a nonparabolic open Riemann surface and $g(z, a)$ denote its Green's function with logarithmic singularity at $a \in R$. For a function f analytic on R , we define

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} A(f) &= \frac{1}{\pi} \text{area} \{f(R)\}, \\ B(f) &= \sup_{a \in R} \frac{2}{\pi} \iint_R |f'(z)|^2 g(z, a) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

and

$$D(f) = \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_R |f'(z)|^2 dx dy,$$

where $z = x + iy$ denotes a local coordinate on R . We consider following spaces of analytic functions on R :

$$(1.2) \quad \begin{aligned} BMOA(R) &= \{f : B(f) < +\infty\}, \\ AD(R) &= \{f : D(f) < +\infty\}. \end{aligned}$$

Metzger [10] introduced $BMOA(R)$ by (1.1) and (1.2) and showed the inclusion relation $AD(R) \subset BMOA(R)$ by using a celebrated result of Hayman and Pommerenke [3]. Stegenga [13] independently obtained a similar result as theirs and remarked as an easy consequence that the inequality

$$(1.3) \quad B(f) \leq c A(f)$$

with some constant c holds for functions f analytic in the unit disc U of the complex plane \mathbb{C} . Recently the author [8] showed that (1.3) holds with $c=1$, that is, the inequality

$$(1.4) \quad B(f) \leq A(f)$$

holds for functions f analytic on R , which obviously implies