

19. An Indirect Existence Proof of a Linear Set of the Second Category with Zero Capacity

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By giving a sufficient condition for an iterated Cantor Set to have zero capacity, Kishi-Nakai [4] gave an example of a linear set of the second category with zero capacity. This example, of course, indicates the existence of a linear set of the second category with zero measure. However the existence of the latter was already proven by K. Noshiro with an interesting indirect method (see [4]). Therefore it is desirable to give a corresponding indirect proof to the existence of the former, which is the object of the present note.

1. Before proceeding to our proof, we must recall the following two well-known results in the theory of cluster sets.

1°) *Beurling-Tsuji's theorem* [5] (see also Collingwood [3, p. 61]): A meromorphic function $f(z)$ in $|z| < 1$ with

$$(1) \quad \iint_{|z| < 1} \frac{|f'(z)|^2}{(1+|f(z)|^2)^2} r dr d\theta < \infty \quad (z = re^{i\theta})$$

has an angular limit at every point in $|z|=1$ except for a possible set of capacity zero.

2°) *Collingwood's maximality theorem* [2] (see also Collingwood [3, p. 80]): For an arbitrary single-valued function $f(z)$ in $|z| < 1$, the set

$$(2) \quad J(f) = \{e^{i\theta} \mid C_{\Delta}(f, e^{i\theta}) = C(f, e^{i\theta}) \text{ for every } \Delta\}$$

is residual and hence of the second category, where $C(f, e^{i\theta})$ (resp. $C_{\Delta}(f, e^{i\theta})$) is the cluster set of f at $e^{i\theta}$ considered in $|z| < 1$ (resp. in the Stolz angle Δ at $e^{i\theta}$).

2. Another preliminary result we need is from the theory of conformal mappings. Let $f(z)$ be the Riemann mapping function from $|z| < 1$ onto a bounded simply connected region \mathcal{D} . Then the Carathéodory theorem asserts that $|z|=1$ corresponds to the totality of prime ends P of \mathcal{D} in a one-to-one and onto fashion. The impression $I(P)$ is the intersection of the closure of regions in a determining sequence of P . Obviously

$$(3) \quad C(f, e^{i\theta}) = I(P_{\theta})$$

where $e^{i\theta}$ corresponds to a prime end P_{θ} under f . Carathéodory [1, p. 369] showed an example of \mathcal{D} for which every $I(P)$ is a nondegen-