

174. Dirichlet Problem on Riemann Surfaces. III (Types of Covering Surfaces)

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Let \underline{R} be a null-boundary Riemann surface and let R be a positive boundary Riemann surface given as a covering surface.

1) If $\mu(R, \mathfrak{A}(R, \underline{R}^*))=1$, we call R a covering surface of D -type over \underline{R} .

2) We map R^∞ onto the unit-circle $U_\xi: |\xi| < 1$ conformally. If the composed function $z=z(\xi): U_\xi \rightarrow R \rightarrow \underline{R}^*$ has angular limits with respect to \underline{R} almost everywhere on $|\xi|=1$. We call R a covering surface of F -type over \underline{R} .

3) Let $T(r)$ be the characteristic function of the mapping $R \rightarrow \underline{R}$. If $T(r)$ is bounded, we say, R is a covering surface of bounded type. By Theorem 1.1, it is easy to see that we have

Bounded type $\xrightarrow{1)}$ F -type $\rightarrow D$ -type, and that F -type implies $\mu(R^\infty, \mathfrak{A}(R^\infty, \underline{R}^*))=1$. If the universal covering surface of the projection of R is hyperbolic, $\mu(R^\infty, \mathfrak{A}(R^\infty, \underline{R}^*))=1$ implies that R is a covering surface of F -type, because $\mu(R^\infty, \mathfrak{A}(R^\infty, B)) \stackrel{2)}$ $=0$.

Let \hat{R} be a covering surface over R . In the following, we investigate the relations between Riemann surface \hat{R} and R . By Theorem 1.1 we have at once the following

Theorem 3.1. *If R is a covering surface of bounded type, then \hat{R} is also of bounded type relative to \underline{R} .*

Theorem 3.2. *Let R be a covering surface such that the universal covering surface of the projection \underline{R}^∞ of R is hyperbolic. We map $\underline{R}^\infty, R^\infty$ and \hat{R}^∞ conformally onto the unit-circles $U_\xi: |\xi| < 1, U_\eta: |\eta| < 1$ and $U_\zeta: |\zeta| < 1$ respectively. Let $\eta=\eta(\zeta), \xi=\xi(\zeta)$ and $\xi=\xi(\eta)$ be mappings $U_\zeta \rightarrow U_\eta, U_\zeta \rightarrow U_\xi$ and $U_\zeta \rightarrow U_\xi$ respectively. Then we have*

$$\mu(\hat{R}, \mathfrak{A}(\hat{R}, \underline{R}^*)) \geq \mu(R^\infty, \mathfrak{A}(R^\infty, \underline{R}^*)).$$

Proof. Since $\mu(\underline{R}^\infty, \mathfrak{A}(\underline{R}^\infty, B)) = \mu(R^\infty, \mathfrak{A}(R^\infty, B)) = \mu(\hat{R}^\infty, \mathfrak{A}(\hat{R}^\infty, B)) = 0$ without loss of generality, we can suppose that every A.B.P. lies on \underline{R} . Let A_η and A_ζ be images of $\mathfrak{A}(R^\infty, \underline{R})$ and $\mathfrak{A}(\hat{R}^\infty, \underline{R})$ respectively, and let ${}_\eta S_\zeta, {}_\xi S_\zeta$ and ${}_\xi S_\eta$ be the sets where the corresponding functions

1) \rightarrow means implication.

2) Measure of a set of A.B.P.'s of R^∞ with projections on the ideal boundary B of \underline{R} .