

135. Area Criteria for Functions to be Bloch, Normal, and Yosida

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1. Introduction. Let $D = \{z \mid |z| < 1\}$ and let

$$D(z, r) = \{w \in D \mid |w - z|/|1 - \bar{z}w| < r\}$$

be the non-Euclidean disk of the non-Euclidean center $z \in D$ and the non-Euclidean radius $\tanh^{-1} r$, $0 < r < 1$. For f holomorphic in D we denote by $f(D(z, r))$ the image of $D(z, r)$ by f , namely, $f(D(z, r))$ is the set of w in the plane $C = \{w \mid |w| < \infty\}$ such that there exists $\zeta \in D(z, r)$ with $w = f(\zeta)$. Simply, $f(D(z, r))$ is the projection of the Riemannian image of $D(z, r)$ by f . Let $\alpha(z, r, f)$ be the Euclidean area of $f(D(z, r))$.

A prototype of our present study is

Theorem 1 [3]. *For f nonconstant and holomorphic in D to be Bloch, namely,*

$$\sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2) |f'(z)| < \infty,$$

it is necessary and sufficient that there exists r , $0 < r < 1$, such that

$$\sup_{z \in D} \alpha(z, r, f) < \infty.$$

We shall consider two natural analogues of Theorem 1 for normal meromorphic functions in D in the sense of O. Lehto and K. I. Virtanen [2], and for Yosida functions, namely, meromorphic functions (in the plane C) of K. Yosida's class (A) [4].

A function f meromorphic in D is said to be normal there if

$$(1) \quad \sup_{z \in D} (1 - |z|^2) |f'(z)| / (1 + |f(z)|^2) < \infty,$$

while a function f meromorphic in C is said to be Yosida if

$$(2) \quad \sup_{z \in C} |f'(z)| / (1 + |f(z)|^2) < \infty.$$

For f meromorphic in D we let $\beta(z, r, f)$ be the spherical area of the image $f(D(z, r))$ of $D(z, r)$, $0 < r < 1$, contained in $C^* = C \cup \{\infty\}$, while, for f meromorphic in C we let $\gamma(z, r, f)$ be the spherical area of the image $f(\mathcal{A}(z, r))$ of the Euclidean disk $\mathcal{A}(z, r) = \{w \mid |w - z| < r\}$, $r > 0$. Again, the images are the projections of the Riemannian images. Since C^* , regarded as the Riemann sphere of diameter one, has the spherical area π , we have two reasonable theorems, counterparts of Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. *For f nonconstant and meromorphic in D to be*