

69. Analytic Functions in a Neighbourhood of Boundary

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Let R be an end of a Riemann surface with compact relative boundary ∂R . Let $F_i (i=1, 2, \dots)$ be a connected compact set such that $F_i \cap F_j = 0 : i \neq j$, $\{F_i\}$ clusters nowhere in $R + \partial R$ and $R - F (F = \Sigma F_i)$ is connected. We call $R' = R - F$ a lacunary end. If there exists a determining sequence $\{\mathfrak{B}_n(p)\}$ of a boundary component p of R such that $\inf_{z \in \partial \mathfrak{B}_n(p)} G(z, p_0) > \varepsilon_0 > 0, n=1, 2, \dots$ and $\partial \mathfrak{B}_n(p)$ is a dividing cut, we say F is completely thin at p , where $G(z, p_0)$ is a Green's function of R' . If there exists an analytic function $w = f(z) : z \in R'$ such that the spherical area of $f(R')$ is finite over the w -sphere, we say R' satisfies the condition S. If there exists a non const. $w = f(z)$ such that $C(f(R'))$ (complementary set of $f(R')$ with respect to w -sphere) is a set of positive capacity, we say R' satisfies the condition B. Then we proved

Theorem ([1]). *Let R be an end of a Riemann surface $\in 0_g$. If F is completely thin at p and $R' = R - F$ satisfies the condition S, then the harmonic dimension (the number of minimal points of R over p) $< \infty$.*

In this note we show the above theorem is valid under the condition B instead of the condition S. Since if the spherical area of $f(R') < \infty$, we can find a neighbourhood $\mathfrak{B}_{n_0}(p)$ of p such that $C(f(\mathfrak{B}_{n_0}(p) \cap R'))$ is a set of positive capacity, the result which will be proved is an extension of the theorem.

Let $R \in 0_g$ be a Riemann surface. Let $V(z)$ be a positive harmonic function in $R - F$ such that $V(z) = \infty$ on F , $V(z)$ is singular in $R - F$ and $D(\min(M, V(z))) \leq M\alpha$ for any $M < \infty$, α is a const., we call $V(z)$ a generalized Green's function (abbreviated by G.G.), where F is a set of capacity zero. Then

Lemma 1. 1) *Let $V(z)$ be a G.G. in R . Then there exists a cons. α such that $D(\min(M, V(z))) = M\alpha$ and $\int_{c_M} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} V(z) ds = \alpha : C_M = \{z \in R : V(z) = M\}$ for any $M < \infty$.* 2) *Let $G(z, p_i) (i=1, 2, \dots)$ be a Green's function and $\{p_i\}$ be a sequence such that $G(z, p_i)$ converges to $G(z, \{p_i\})$. Then $G(z, p)$ and $G(z, \{p_i\})$ are G.G.s such that*

$$\int_{c_M} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, p) ds = 2\pi \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{c_M} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, \{p_i\}) ds \leq 2\pi. \quad (1)$$

Let $R' = \{z \in R : G(z, p_0) > \delta\}$ and let \hat{R}' be the symmetric image of R'

with respect to $\partial R' = \{z \in R; G(z, p_0) = \delta\}$. We have a doubled surface \tilde{R}' by identifying $\partial R'$ with its image. Then $\tilde{R}' \in 0_g$. Let $\{p_i\}$ be a divergent sequence such that $G'(z, p_i)$ converges. In this case we say $\{p_i\}$ determines an ideal boundary point $p: G'(z, p) = \lim_i G'(z, p_i)$, where $G'(z, p_i)$ is a Green's function of R' . We denote by $\Delta(R')$ all ideal boundary point. Then G -Martin's topology is introduced on $\bar{R}' = R' + \Delta(R')$ with distance as follows:

$$\delta(p_i, p_j) = \sup_{z \in D_0} \left| \frac{G(z, p_i)}{1 + G(z, p_i)} - \frac{G(z, p_j)}{1 + G(z, p_j)} \right|,$$

where D_0 is a compact disc in R' .

By (1) we define $G'(p, q)$ for p and $q \in \bar{R}'$ by

$$G'(p, q) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial V_M(p)} G'(\zeta, q) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G'(\zeta, p) ds,$$

where $V_M(p) = \{z \in R' : G'(z, p) > M\}$. Then $G'(p, q)$ is lower semicontinuous in $\bar{R}' \times \bar{R}'$ and

Lemma ([2]). *Let $F = \{z \in \Delta(R') : G'(z, p_0) \geq \delta\}$. Then*

$$D(F) = 1 / \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{p_i, p_j \in F} \frac{1}{nC_2} \sum_{\substack{i < j \\ i=1}}^n G'(p_i, p_j) = 0 \quad \text{for any } \delta > 0.$$

We suppose Martin's topology M -top. is defined on \bar{R} with kernels $K(z, p)$ s. Let $G_\delta = \{z \in R : G(z, p_0) > \delta\}$ and $\bar{G}_\delta(M)$ be its closure with respect to M -top. Then

Lemma 3 ([3]). *Let $V(z)$ be a positive harmonic function in R and a G.G. in R . Then*

$$V(z) = \int K(z, p) d\mu(p),$$

where μ is a canonical mass on $\bigcup_{\delta > 0} \Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_\delta(M)$ and $\Delta_1(M)$ is a set of minimal boundary points of R .

Let Ω be a domain in the w -sphere such that $C\Omega$ is a set of positive capacity. Let $G^w(w, \zeta)$ be a Green's function of Ω . We define $G^w(p, q)$ for p and $q \in \bar{\Omega}$ by $G^w(p, q) = \bar{\lim}_{\substack{\xi \rightarrow p \\ \eta \rightarrow q}} G^w(\xi, \eta)$. Then $G^w(q, p) = G^w(p, q)$ and

$G^w(w, p)$ is upper semicontinuous on $\bar{\Omega} \times \bar{\Omega}$ and

Lemma 4. *Let F be a closed set on $\bar{\Omega}$. If*

$$D(F) = 1 / \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{p_i, p_j \in F} \frac{1}{nC_2} \sum_{\substack{i < j \\ i=1}}^n G^w(p_i, p_j) = 0,$$

F is a set of (logarithmic) capacity zero.

Lemma 5 ([3]). *Let $U(w)$ be a potential such that $U(w) = \int G^w(w, p) d\mu(p)$. If $\int d\mu(p) < \infty$ and $U(w) \geq \alpha G^w(w, s) : \alpha > 0$, then μ has mass $\geq \alpha$ at s .*

Let R and \tilde{R} be Riemann surfaces $R \subset \tilde{R} \in 0_g$. We suppose Martin's

topologies \tilde{M} and M -top s are defined over \tilde{R} and R with kernels $\tilde{K}(z, p)$ and $K(z, p)$. Let $G(z, p_0)$ be a Green's function of R . Let $\Delta_1(\tilde{M})$ and $\Delta_1(M)$ be sets of minimal boundary points of \tilde{R} and R , p be a boundary component of \tilde{R} and $\mathcal{V}(p)$ be the set points (relative to \tilde{M} or M top. s) lying over p . Let $F_\delta(\alpha) = \{z : \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow z} \overline{G}(z, p_0) \geq \delta\}$, where $\alpha = \tilde{M}$ or M . Then

Lemma 6.

$$F_\delta(\tilde{M}) \cap \Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \mathcal{V}(p) \approx F_\delta(M) \cap \Delta_1(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p),$$

where \approx means one to one mapping.

Let $R \subset \tilde{R} \in 0_g$ be Riemann surface. Let $w = f(z) : z \in R$ be an analytic function of bounded type. We shall define another Riemann surface R^* . We can find a segment S in R such that there exists a neighbourhood $v(S)$ of S $f(z)$ is univalent in $v(S)$. Let \mathcal{F} be a leaf with projection $= f(R)$. Let $S_{\mathcal{F}}$ be a segment in \mathcal{F} with projection S . We connect S and $S_{\mathcal{F}}$ crosswise. Then we have a Riemann surface $R^* = (\mathcal{F} - S_{\mathcal{F}}) + (R - S) + S$ and $R - S \subset R^*$. Put $f(z) = \text{proj. } z$ for $z \in \mathcal{F} - S_{\mathcal{F}}$. Then $f(z)$ is analytic continuation of $f(z)$ into $\mathcal{F} - S_{\mathcal{F}}$ and we can suppose $w = f(z)$ is defined in R^* . So long as we consider the behaviour of $f(z)$ near the boundary of R , we can use R^* instead of R . Let $\partial\mathcal{F}$ be the relative boundary of \mathcal{F} which is clearly $= \partial(f(R))$ in the w -sphere. Let $u(z)$ be a harmonic measure of $\partial\mathcal{F}$ in R^* . Then by $\tilde{R} \in 0_g$ $u(z) < 1$ in R^* . Let $U(w) = \sum u(z_i) : z \in R^*, f(z_i) = w$. Then

Lemma 7 ([1]). $U(w) \leq 1$.

By use of Lemma 7 we have

Theorem 1. Let $R \subset \tilde{R} \in 0_g$ be Riemann surfaces and let $w = f(z)$ be an analytic function of bounded type in R . Then

1) Let $z_i \xrightarrow{M} p \in \tilde{R}$ and $z_i \in G_\delta = \{z \in R : G(z, p_0) > \delta\}$. Then $f(z_i) \rightarrow a$ uniquely determined point denoted by $f(p)$ and there exists a uniquely determined connected piece $\omega(p)$ such that $\omega(p) \ni z_i$ for $i \geq i(r)$ lying over $|w - f(p)| < r$ for any $r > 0$.

2) Let $z_i \xrightarrow{\tilde{M}} p \in \Delta_1(\tilde{M}) : G(z_i, p_0) > \delta > 0$. Then $f(z_i) \rightarrow f(p)$ and there exists uniquely determined connected piece $\omega(p)$ such that $z_i \in \omega(p)$ for $i \geq i(r)$ for any r .

Let

$$\begin{aligned} A(\Delta_1(\tilde{M}), \delta) &= \{w : w = f(p) : p \in \Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \bar{G}_\delta(\tilde{M})\}, \quad A(\Delta_1(M), \delta) \\ &= \{w : w = f(p) : p \in \Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_\delta(M)\} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$A(\Delta(M) \cap \bar{G}_\delta(M)) = \{w : w = f(p) : p \in \Delta(M) \cap \bar{G}_\delta(M)\}.$$

Then we have by Lemmas 2, 4 and Theorem 1

Theorem 2. $A(\Delta_1(\tilde{M}), \delta) \subset A(\Delta_1(M), \delta) \subset A(\Delta(M), \delta)$ and $A(\Delta(M), \delta)$ is a closed set of capacity zero for any $\delta > 0$.

Let $u(p, M) = \overline{\lim}_{z \rightarrow p} u(z)$ and $u(p, \tilde{M}) = \overline{\lim}_{z \rightarrow p} u(z)$. Then by Lemma 7 we have

Theorem 3. $\sum u(z_i) + \sum u(p_i, \tilde{M}) \leq 1$ and $\sum u(z_i) + \sum u(p_i, M) \leq 1$, where $z_i \in R$ and $p_i \in \Delta_1(\tilde{M})$ $f(z_i) = f(p_i) = w$ and $z_i \in \tilde{R}$ $p_i \in \Delta_1(M)$.

Let $R \subset \tilde{R}$ be a lacunary end. It is desirable to formulate the behaviour of analytic functions with respect to \tilde{M} -top over \tilde{R} not to M -top over R , to discuss the relation between the existence of analytic functions and the structure of $\Delta(\tilde{M})$, the boundary of \tilde{R} . Let p_1 and p_2 be points in $\Delta(\tilde{M})$. If there exists a sequence of curves $\{\Gamma_n\}$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$) with two endpoints z_n^i ($i=1, 2$) such that $z_n^i \xrightarrow{\tilde{M}} p_i$, $\inf_{z \in \Gamma_n} G(z, p_0) > \varepsilon_0 > 0$ and $\Gamma_n \rightarrow$ boundary of \tilde{R} , we say p_1 and p_2 are chained. Suppose $f(z)$ is bounded type. Then by Theorem 2 we see $f(p_1) = f(p_2)$ for two chained points in $\Delta_1(\tilde{M})$. Suppose R is an end of a Riemann surface and F is completely thin at p , then we see easily any two points p_1 and p_2 in $\Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)$ are chained and $f(p_1) = f(p_2)$. On the other hand, we can find a number n_0 such that $\tilde{R}_{n_0} \ni p_0$ and there exists a const. K such that $u(z) \geq \frac{1}{K} G(z, p_0)$ in $R - \tilde{R}_{n_0}$ and $u(p, \tilde{M})$

$\geq \frac{\varepsilon_0}{K}$ for $p \in \Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)$, where $\{\tilde{R}_n\}$ is an exhaustion of \tilde{R} . Let p_i ($i=1, 2, \dots, i_0$) be a point in $\Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)$. Then $f(p_1) = f(p_2) = \dots$ and $u(p_i) \geq \frac{\varepsilon_0}{K}$. By Theorem 3 $\sum u(p_i, M) \leq 1$. Hence $i_0 \leq \frac{K}{\varepsilon_0}$. Thus

we have following

Theorem 4. Let \tilde{R} be an end and F be completely thin at p . If there exists an analytic function $w = f(z)$ of bounded type in $\tilde{R} - F$, then $\Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)$ consists of at most a finite number of points.

Let $R = \tilde{R} - F$ be lacunary end. Suppose $\Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \bar{G}_\delta(\tilde{M}) \cap \mathcal{V}(p) = \Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta'}(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)$ for any $\delta' < \delta$. Then we have by Lemma 5 we can find a number $\delta_0 > 0$ such that

$$\Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta_0}(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p) = \Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta''}(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p) \text{ for any } \delta'' < \delta_0$$

and

$$\{w = f(p) : p \in \Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \bar{G}_\delta(\tilde{M})\} = \{w = f(p) : p \in \Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta_0}(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)\}.$$

Let $\{z_i\}$ be a sequence in R such that $G(z_i, p_0) > \varepsilon_0 > 0$ and $z_i \rightarrow p$. Then we can find a subsequence $\{z'_i\}$ of $\{z_i\}$ such that $z'_i \xrightarrow{M} p \in \Delta(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta_0}(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)$, whence $f(z_i) \rightarrow f(p)$. Now by $G(z_i, p_0) > \varepsilon_0$, $K(z, p)$ is a G.G and by Lemma 3

$$K(z, p) = \int K(z, q) d\mu(q),$$

where μ is a canonical mass on $\Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta_0}(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)$. Let $G^w(w, w')$ be a Green's function of $f(R)$. Then by $G(z, z_i) \leq G^w(f(z), f(z_i))$ we have

$$K(z, q) \leq \frac{G^w(f(z), f(q))}{\delta_0} \quad \text{for } q \in \Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta_0}(M),$$

whence

$$K(z, p) \leq \frac{1}{\delta_0} \int G^w(f(z), f(q)) d\mu(q) < \infty \quad \text{by } \int d\mu(q) \leq 1.$$

Now the mapping $w = f(p) : p \in \Delta(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta_0}(M)$ is continuous. There exists a mass ν on

$$A = \{w : w = f(q) : q \in \Delta_1(M) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta_0}(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)\}$$

such that

$$\int G^w(f(z), f(q)) d\mu(q) = \int G^w(f(z), t) d\nu(t).$$

Let $E^*K(z, p)$ the lower envelope of superharmonic functions in $f(R)$ larger than $K(z, p)$. Then

$$E^*K(z, p) = aG^w(w, f(p)) \leq \int G^w(w, t) d\nu(t).$$

This means $f(p) \in A$. Hence we have

Theorem 5. *Let $R = \tilde{R} - F$ be a lacunary end. If there exists a const. such that*

$$\Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta'}(\tilde{M}) \cap \mathcal{V}(p) = \Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \bar{G}_{\delta'}(M) \cap \mathcal{V}(p) \quad \text{for } \delta' \leq \delta.$$

Let $w = f(z) : z \in R$ be an analytic function of bounded type. Then

$$\bigcup_{\varepsilon > 0} \bigcap_n f(\overline{G_\varepsilon \cap \mathfrak{B}_n(p)}) = \{w = f(p) : p \in \Delta_1(\tilde{M}) \cap \bar{G}_\delta(\tilde{M}) \cap \mathcal{V}(p)\},$$

where $G_\varepsilon = \{z \in R : G(z, p_0) > \varepsilon\}$ and $\{\mathfrak{B}_n(p)\}$ is a determining sequence of p in \tilde{R} .

Applying this theorem to the case F is completely thin at p , then

$$\bigcup_{\varepsilon > 0} \bigcap_n \overline{f(G_\varepsilon \cap \mathfrak{B}_n(p))} = f(p_1) = f(p_2), \dots = f(p_{i_0}).$$

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