

PERIODS OF DIFFERENTIALS AND RELATIVE
 EXTREMAL LENGTH, II

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§ 4. Elementary differentials and relative extremal length.

1. Throughout 1 and 2 we shall preserve the notations in § 2.1. Let $\chi_{A_j} = \chi_{A_j}(\gamma)$ and $\chi_{B_j} = \chi_{B_j}(\gamma)$ ($j=1, \dots, g; g \leq \infty$) be the functions on \mathfrak{C} defined by

$$\chi_{A_j}(\gamma) = |A_j \times \gamma| \quad \text{and} \quad \chi_{B_j}(\gamma) = |\gamma \times B_j|$$

respectively. Let \mathfrak{C}_{A_j} and \mathfrak{C}_{B_j} ($j=1, \dots, g$) be the subclasses of \mathfrak{C} consisting of curves γ such that $A_j \times \gamma \neq 0$ and $\gamma \times B_j \neq 0$ respectively. Then by Corollary 1.6 we have that

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} \lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi_{A_j}) &= \lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{A_j}, \chi_{A_j}), \\ \lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi_{B_j}) &= \lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{B_j}, \chi_{B_j}) \quad (j=1, \dots, g). \end{aligned}$$

We know (see [3]¹⁾) that there exist the differentials φ_{A_j} and φ_{B_j} in $\Gamma_{h_0}^* \cap \Gamma_{h_{se}} \subset \Lambda_{h_0}^*$ uniquely determined by the period conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{A_k} \varphi_{A_j} &= 0, & \int_{B_k} \varphi_{A_j} &= \delta_{jk}; \\ \int_{A_k} \varphi_{B_j} &= -\delta_{jk}, & \int_{B_k} \varphi_{B_j} &= 0 \quad (j, k=1, \dots, g) \end{aligned}$$

respectively. By Theorem 2.1 and (4.1) we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi_{A_j}) &= \lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{A_j}, \chi_{A_j}) = \|\varphi_{A_j}\|^{-2}, \\ \lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi_{B_j}) &= \lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{B_j}, \chi_{B_j}) = \|\varphi_{B_j}\|^{-2} \quad (j=1, \dots, g). \end{aligned}$$

2. Let C_k be a generic element of $\{C_j\}_{j=1}^g$ ($N \leq \infty$). Let $\chi_{C_k} = \chi_{C_k}(\gamma)$ be the function on \mathfrak{C} defined by

$$\chi_{C_k}(\gamma) = |\gamma \times C_k^*|.$$

Let \mathfrak{C}_{C_k} be the subclass of \mathfrak{C} consisting of curves γ such that $\gamma \times C_k^* \neq 0$. Then by Corollary 1.6 we have that

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1) See References of I (Kōdai Math. Sem. Rep. 21 (1969), 205–222).

$$\lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi_{C_k}) = \lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_k}, \chi_{C_k}).$$

By Theorem 2.1 we see that there exists the unique differential $\varphi_{C_k} \in A_{h_0}^*$ which satisfies the condition:

$$\int_{A_j} \varphi_{C_k} = \int_{B_j} \varphi_{C_k} = 0 \quad (j=1, \dots, g),$$

$$\int_{C_j} \varphi_{C_k} = \delta_{jk} \quad (j=1, \dots, N)$$

if and only if $\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_k}, \chi_{C_k}) > 0$, and provided any of these conditions is satisfied, the equality

$$\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_k}, \chi_{C_k}) = \|\varphi_{C_k}\|^{-2}$$

holds.

3. We shall use the notation in §1.2. A generic element $C_{j_1 \dots j_\nu}$ ($j_\nu > 1$) of the canonical homology basis of dividing cycles modulo β shall be also denoted by the simplified notation C_j ($C_j = C_{j_1 \dots j_\nu}$; $j=1, \dots, N$; $N \leq \infty$). The sequence of non-compact regular subregions $\{\Omega_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ such that $\partial\Omega_1 = -C_{j_1 \dots j_{\nu-1} 1}$, $\partial\Omega_2 = -C_{j_1 \dots j_{\nu-1} 11}$, \dots defines an ideal boundary component α_{j_0} . Further $\{\Omega'_k\}_{k=1}^\infty$ such that $\partial\Omega'_1 = -C_{j_1 \dots j_{\nu 1}}$, $\partial\Omega'_2 = -C_{j_1 \dots j_{\nu 11}}$, \dots defines an ideal boundary component α_j . Partition the ideal boundary \mathfrak{S} of R into two disjoint sets $\alpha_{j_0} \cup \alpha_j$ and $\mathfrak{S} - \alpha_{j_0} \cup \alpha_j$. Let τ_{C_j} be the differential of the generalized harmonic measure with respect to $A_h(\alpha_{j_0} \cup \alpha_j, \mathfrak{S} - \alpha_{j_0} \cup \alpha_j)$ associated to C_j (cf. §1.7). Assume that $\tau_{C_j} \not\equiv 0$. Then obviously $\tau_{C_j} \in A_{hm}(\alpha, \beta)$, by Corollary 1.1

$$(4.2) \quad \int_{C_j} \tau_{C_j}^* = \|\tau_{C_j}\|_R^2 > 0$$

and further

$$(4.3) \quad \int_{C_k} \tau_{C_j}^* = 0 \quad (k \neq j).$$

Let C_j^* be the conjugate relative cycle of C_j , let \mathfrak{C} be the class of curves in R defined in §3.1 and let \mathfrak{C}_{C_j} be the subclass of \mathfrak{C} consisting of curves γ such that $\gamma \times C_j^* \not\equiv 0$. Let $\chi_{C_j} = \chi_{C_j}(\gamma)$ be the function on \mathfrak{C} defined by

$$\chi_{C_j}(\gamma) = |\gamma \times C_j^*|.$$

Then by the definition of $\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}$ we see that

$$(4.4) \quad \chi_{C_j}(\gamma) = \begin{cases} 1 & (\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}_{C_j}), \\ 0 & (\gamma \notin \mathfrak{C}_{C_j}). \end{cases}$$

Thus by Corollary 1.6, Theorem 3.1, (4.2), (4.3) and (4.4) we have that

$$\lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi_{C_j}) = \lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_j}, \chi_{C_j}) = \lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_j}) = \|\tau_{C_j}\|_R^2.$$

The last equation is also valid for $\tau_{C_j} \equiv 0$.

§ 5. Applications.

1. Application of Theorem 2.1. Throughout the present number, we shall preserve the notations in § 2.1. We note that we can take an arbitrary subclass \mathfrak{C}' of \mathfrak{C} in place of \mathfrak{C} in Theorem 2.1 provided $\lambda(\mathfrak{C}', \chi) = \lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi)$. By Corollary 1.6 we may assume that $\lambda(\gamma) \neq 0$ for all $\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}'$. We shall fix such a class of curves \mathfrak{C}' .

Let us define

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{C}_{A_j} &= \{\gamma \mid \gamma \times B_j \neq 0, \gamma \in \mathfrak{C}\}, & \mathfrak{C}_{B_j} &= \{\gamma \mid A_j \times \gamma \neq 0, \gamma \in \mathfrak{C}\}, \\ \mathfrak{C}_{C_k} &= \{\gamma \mid \gamma \times C_k^* \neq 0, \gamma \in \mathfrak{C}\}, \\ \mathfrak{C}'_{A_j} &= \{\gamma \mid \gamma \times B_j \neq 0, \gamma \in \mathfrak{C}'\}, & \mathfrak{C}'_{B_j} &= \{\gamma \mid A_j \times \gamma \neq 0, \gamma \in \mathfrak{C}'\}, \\ \mathfrak{C}'_{C_k} &= \{\gamma \mid \gamma \times C_k^* \neq 0, \gamma \in \mathfrak{C}'\}, \\ m_{A_j} &= \sup_{\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}'_{A_j}} \lambda(\gamma), & m_{B_j} &= \sup_{\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}'_{B_j}} \lambda(\gamma) & \text{and} & & m_{C_k} &= \sup_{\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}'_{C_k}} \lambda(\gamma) \\ & & & & & & & (j=1, \dots, g; k=1, \dots, N). \end{aligned}$$

Obviously

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{C}' \subset \bigcup_{a_j \neq 0} \mathfrak{C}'_{A_j} \cup \bigcup_{b_j \neq 0} \mathfrak{C}'_{B_j} \cup \bigcup_{c_k \neq 0} \mathfrak{C}'_{C_k}, & \mathfrak{C}'_{A_j} \subset \mathfrak{C}_{A_j}, \mathfrak{C}'_{B_j} \subset \mathfrak{C}_{B_j} \text{ and } \mathfrak{C}'_{C_k} \subset \mathfrak{C}_{C_k} \\ & (j=1, \dots, g; k=1, \dots, N), \end{aligned}$$

where by $\bigcup_{a_j \neq 0}$, etc. we denote the union for all j with $a_j \neq 0$ respectively. Thus by Lemmas 1.9, 1.10, 1.6 and the consequences of § 4.1 and § 4.2, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi)} &= \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}', \chi)} \\ &\cong \sum_{a_j \neq 0} \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_{A_j}, \chi)} + \sum_{b_j \neq 0} \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_{B_j}, \chi)} + \sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_{C_j}, \chi)} \\ &\cong \sum_{a_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{A_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_{A_j})} + \sum_{b_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{B_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_{B_j})} + \sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{C_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_{C_j})} \\ &\cong \sum_{a_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{A_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{A_j})} + \sum_{b_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{B_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{B_j})} + \sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{C_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_j})} \\ &\cong \sum_{a_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{A_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{A_j}, \chi_{A_j})} + \sum_{b_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{B_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{B_j}, \chi_{B_j})} + \sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{C_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_j}, \chi_{C_j})} \\ &= \sum_{a_j \neq 0} m_{A_j}^2 \|\varphi_{A_j}\|^2 + \sum_{b_j \neq 0} m_{B_j}^2 \|\varphi_{B_j}\|^2 + \sum_{c_j \neq 0} m_{C_j}^2 \|\varphi_{C_j}\|^2, \end{aligned}$$

where φ_{A_j} , φ_{B_j} and φ_{C_j} are the differentials defined in § 4.1 and § 4.2 respectively, and χ_{A_j} , χ_{B_j} and χ_{C_j} are the functions on \mathfrak{C} defined in § 4.1 and § 4.2 respectively. Hence we obtain the corollary of Theorem 2.1.

COROLLARY 5.1. *If there exists the subclass \mathfrak{C}' of \mathfrak{C} for which the inequality*

$$(5.1) \quad \sum_{a_j \neq 0} m_{A_j}^2 \|\varphi_{A_j}\|^2 + \sum_{b_j \neq 0} m_{B_j}^2 \|\varphi_{B_j}\|^2 + \sum_{c_j \neq 0} m_{C_j}^2 \|\varphi_{C_j}\|^2 < \infty$$

holds, then there exists the differential $\omega \in A_{h_0}^$ which satisfies the period condition:*

$$\int_{A_j} \omega = a_j, \quad \int_{B_j} \omega = b_j \quad (j=1, \dots, g),$$

$$\int_{C_j} \omega = c_j \quad (j=1, \dots, N).$$

REMARK. In the inequality (5.1) it is assumed that there exist the differentials φ_{C_j} for every j with $c_j \neq 0$ respectively. Further the inequality (5.1) implies that

$$(5.2) \quad m_{A_j} < \infty, \quad m_{B_j} < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad m_{C_j} < \infty$$

for every j with $a_j \neq 0$, $b_j \neq 0$ and $c_j \neq 0$ respectively.

If we take \mathfrak{C} for \mathfrak{C}' then (5.2) is not satisfied. Furthermore for an arbitrarily given system $\{A_j, B_j, C_j\}$ of the homology basis modulo β there does not necessarily exist the \mathfrak{C}' for which (5.2) holds. Thus for the test of the criterion (5.1) it is necessary to choose the system $\{A_j, B_j, C_j\}$ and the subclass \mathfrak{C}' for which (5.2) holds in the first place.

Similarly we obtain the corollaries of Theorems 2.2 and 2.3 analogous to Corollary 5.1.

2. Application of Theorem 3.1. Throughout the present number, we shall preserve the notations in § 3.1. Let \mathfrak{C}_{C_j} ($j=1, \dots, N$) be the subclass of \mathfrak{C} consisting of curves γ such that $\gamma \times C_j^* \neq 0$ respectively. Let \mathfrak{C}'' be the subclass of \mathfrak{C} consisting of curves γ such that $\chi(\gamma) \neq 0$. Then

$$\mathfrak{C}'' \subset \bigcup_{c_j \neq 0} \mathfrak{C}_{C_j}.$$

Set

$$m_{C_j} = \sup_{\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}_{C_j}} \chi(\gamma) \quad (j=1, \dots, N).$$

Then by Corollary 1.6, Lemmas 1.9, 1.10 and the consequence of § 4.3, we have that

$$\frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi)} = \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'', \chi)} \leq \sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_j}, \chi)} \leq \sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{C_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{C_j})} = \sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{C_j}^2}{\|\tau_{C_j}\|_{\mathbb{R}}^2},$$

where τ_{c_j} is the differential defined in §4.3. Thus we obtain the corollary of Theorem 3.1.

COROLLARY 5.2. *If the series*

$$\sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{c_j}^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_{c_j})} = \sum_{c_j \neq 0} \frac{m_{c_j}^2}{\|\tau_{c_j}\|_K^2}$$

is convergent, then there exists the differential $\omega \in A_{hm}^$ which satisfies the period condition:*

$$\int_{c_j} \omega = c_j \quad (j=1, \dots, N).$$

3. Another application. Throughout the present number, we shall preserve the notations in §3.1. We note that we can take an arbitrary subclass \mathfrak{C}' of \mathfrak{C} in place of \mathfrak{C} in Theorem 3.1 provided $\lambda(\mathfrak{C}', \chi) = \lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi)$. By Corollary 1.6 we may assume that $\chi(\gamma) \neq 0$ for all $\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}'$. We shall fix such a class of curves \mathfrak{C}' .

We divide \mathfrak{C}' into homology classes \mathfrak{C}'_n ($n=1, \dots, \nu; \nu \leq \infty$) by the homology relation modulo β . Further let \mathfrak{C}_n ($n=1, \dots, \nu$) be the subclasses of \mathfrak{C} which consist of all elements of \mathfrak{C} which are homologous modulo β to an element of \mathfrak{C}'_n respectively. Then obviously

$$\mathfrak{C}' = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\nu} \mathfrak{C}'_n \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\nu} \mathfrak{C}_n \subset \mathfrak{C}.$$

The function $\chi(\gamma)$ takes a constant value k_n on each \mathfrak{C}_n respectively. Hence by Lemmas 1.9, 1.10 and 1.6 we have that

$$(5.3) \quad \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi)} = \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}', \chi)} \cong \sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_n, \chi)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{k_n^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_n)} \cong \sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{k_n^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_n)}.$$

Let σ_n ($n=1, \dots, \nu$) be the differentials of the generalized harmonic measures with respect to $A_h(\alpha, \beta)$ associated to $\gamma \in \mathfrak{C}_n$ respectively. Here σ_n does not depend on a particular choice of an element γ of \mathfrak{C}_n for each n . Then we find that

$$(5.4) \quad \lambda(\mathfrak{C}_n) = \|\sigma_n\|^2 \quad (n=1, \dots, \nu)$$

(e. g. see Theorem III. 3.1. of [8]).

By (5.3) and (5.4) we obtain the corollary of Theorem 3.1.

COROLLARY 5.3. *If there exists the subclass \mathfrak{C}' of \mathfrak{C} for which the series*

$$(5.5) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{k_n^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}_n)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{k_n^2}{\|\sigma_n\|^2}$$

is convergent, then there exists the differential $\omega \in A_{hm}^$ which satisfies the period condition:*

$$\int_{C_j} \omega = c_j \quad (j=1, \dots, N).$$

REMARK. If we can find the subclass \mathfrak{C}' of \mathfrak{C} for which the homology classes \mathfrak{C}'_n ($n=1, \dots, \nu$) are families of curves in disjoint open sets Ω_n in R respectively, then by Corollary 1.4 and (5.3)

$$\frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}, \chi)} = \frac{1}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}', \chi)} = \sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{k_n^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_n)}.$$

Thus by Theorem 3.1 if the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{k_n^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_n)}$$

is convergent, then there exists the differential ω in Corollary 5.3 and

$$\|\omega\|_R^2 = \sum_{n=1}^{\nu} \frac{k_n^2}{\lambda(\mathfrak{C}'_n)}.$$

Similarly we obtain the corollaries of Theorems 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3 analogous to Corollary 5.3.

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