

62. Note on Pseudo-Analytic Functions.

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1. Let $w=f(z)=u(x, y)+iv(x, y)$, $z=x+iy$, be an inner transformation in the sense of Stoilow in a connected domain D . Denote by E a set, in D , such that D and the derived set E' of E have no point in common. We suppose that

a) u_x, u_y, v_x, v_y exist and are continuous in $D^*=D-E$,

b) $J(z)=\begin{vmatrix} u_x & u_y \\ v_x & v_y \end{vmatrix} > 0$ at every point in D^* ,

c) the function $q(z)$ defined as the ratio of major and minor axes of an infinitesimal ellipse with centre $f(z)$, into which an infinitesimal circle with centre at every point z of D^* is transformed by $f(z)$, is bounded in D^* : $q(z) \leq K$. $f(z)$ is then called pseudo-meromorphic (K) in $D^{(1)}$.

The purpose of the present note is to give some results concerning pseudo-conformal representations and the cluster sets of pseudo-meromorphic functions.

2. Let $w=f(z)$ be pseudo-meromorphic (K) in a connected domain D . It is known that the set of $[z, w]$ where $w=f(z)$, $z \in D$, defines a Riemann surface Φ , in the sense of Stoilow, spread over the w -plane. By the theory of uniformizations of P. Koebe, there exists a function $z'=\varphi(w)$ analytic in Φ which maps Φ on a plane (*schlicht*) domain D' of the z' -plane. Consequently we get a function z' (or $z'(z)$) which defines a pseudo-conformal mapping (K) between D and D' , by eliminating w from $w=f(z)$ and $z'=\varphi(w)$.

Thus we see that a function $w=f(z)$, pseudo-meromorphic (K) in D , is a composition of a uniform function $w=\varphi^{-1}(z')$, analytic in D' and a univalent function $z'(z)$, pseudo-regular (K) in D .

In view of the above consideration, it may be of some interest to investigate "*Verzerrungssatz*" concerning pseudo-conformal mapping (K). We first show that the properties of Fatou and Gross-Ahlfors hold for a bounded and univalent function, pseudo-regular (K).

Theorem 1. (Fatou's property). Let $w=f(z)=u(r, \theta)+iv(r, \theta)$, $z=re^{i\theta}$, be

1) S. Kakutani, *Applications of the theory of pseudo-regular functions to the type-problem of Riemann surfaces*, Jap. Journ. of Math., vol. 13 (1937), pp. 375-392.

bounded, univalent and pseudo-regular (K) in $|z| < 1$. Then there exists the radial limit $\lim_{r \rightarrow 1} f(re^{i\theta}) = f(e^{i\theta})$ for almost all values of θ .

Proof. Consider the function

$$(1) \quad F(r, \theta) \equiv \int_{r_0}^r ds = \int_{r_0}^r \frac{ds}{|dz|} \cdot |dz| \quad (z = re^{i\theta}, 0 < r_0 < r < 1),$$

which is measurable in Lebesgue's sense for $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$, where

$$\frac{ds}{|dz|} = \frac{ds}{dr} = \left| \frac{\partial u(r, \theta)}{\partial r} + i \frac{\partial v(r, \theta)}{\partial r} \right|.$$

Applying Schwarz' inequality, we have from (1)

$$\begin{aligned} [F(r, \theta)]^2 &\leq \int_{r_0}^r \left(\frac{ds}{|dz|} \right)^2 dr \cdot \int_{r_0}^r dr \\ &= (r - r_0) \int_{r_0}^r \left(\frac{ds}{|dz|} \right)^2 dr^3 \\ &\leq (r - r_0) \int_{r_0}^r [q(z) + \sqrt{q(z)^2 - 1}] \cdot J(z) dr. \end{aligned}$$

By the assumption $q(z) \leq K$, it follows that

$$[F(r, \theta)]^2 \leq 2K \cdot \frac{r - r_0}{r_0} \int_{r_0}^r J(z) r dr.$$

Integrating the both sides with respect to θ from 0 to 2π , we get

$$\int_0^{2\pi} [F(r, \theta)]^2 d\theta \leq 2K \cdot \frac{1 - r_0}{r_0} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_{r_0}^1 J(z) r dr d\theta.$$

Since the double integral of the right member is the area of the image of $r_0 < |z| < 1$ by $w = f(z)$,

$$(2) \quad \int_0^{2\pi} [F(r, \theta)]^2 d\theta < M,$$

where M is a fixed constant independent of r .

Now, $F(r, \theta)$ is a non-negative and measurable function of θ and is monotone increasing as $r \rightarrow 1$. Consequently

$$\int_0^{2\pi} [F(r, \theta)]^2 d\theta = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} \int_0^{2\pi} [F(r, \theta)]^2 d\theta < M,$$

where $F(\theta) \equiv \lim_{r \rightarrow 1} F(r, \theta)$. Hence $F(\theta) \equiv \int_{r_0}^1 ds$ is finite for almost all values of θ ; so that the curves corresponding to all radii $z = re^{i\theta}$, $r_0 \leq r \leq 1$, $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ save exceptional values of θ on the w -plane are rectifiable. In other words, $f(z)$ have radial limits along almost all radii.

Next, we shall state a theorem which will be used as a lemma in the following paragraph.

Theorem 2. (Gross-Ahlfors' property). *Suppose that $w = f(z)$ is univalent*

2) This extension of Fatou's theorem was given by Prof. K. Noshiro.

3) See for instance R. Nevanlinna: *Eindeutige analytische Funktionen* (1936), p. 344.

bounded and pseudo-regular (K) in an open set D and let z_0 be a boundary point of D . Then, denoting by $L(r)$ the total length of the image of θ_r by $w=f(z)$, where θ_r is the common part of $|z-z_0|=r$ and D , we have $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} L(r) = 0$.

Proof. By Ahlfors' method, as in the proof of the preceding theorem, we have

$$[L(r)]^2 \leq 2\pi r \int_0^{r_0} [q(z) + \sqrt{q(z)^2 - 1}] \cdot |J(z)| dz \quad (z = z_0 + re^{i\theta}, q'(z) \leq K),$$

whence
$$\frac{[L(r)]^2}{4K\pi r} \leq \int_0^{r_0} J(z) \cdot r d\theta.$$

If we had $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} L(r) > 0$, then there would exist two positive numbers r_0 and δ such that $L(r) > \delta > 0$ for $0 < r \leq r_0$. Accordingly

$$\frac{\delta^2}{4K\pi} \int_r^{r_0} \frac{dr}{r} < \int_0^{r_0} \int_0^{2\pi} J(z) \cdot r dr d\theta,$$

whence
$$\frac{\delta^2}{4K\pi} \log \frac{r_0}{r} < A(r_0),$$

where $A(r_0)$ denotes the area of the image of the intersection of $|z-z_0| < r_0$ and D by $w=f(z)$. Thus we would arrive at a contradiction, making r tend to zero.

Remark. The theorem holds good even if $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} \int_r^{r_0} \frac{dr}{r q(r)}$ diverges where $q(r) = \max_{|z-z_0|=r} q(z)$. Further, taking as $L(r)$ the total spherical length of the image of θ_r by $w=f(z)$, we may obtain the relation $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} L(r) = 0$ under the assumption that $f(z)$ is p -valent in D . Using the line-element $d\tau$ and the area-element $d\omega$ on the Riemann sphere given by

$$d\tau = \frac{|dw|}{1+|w|^2} \quad \text{and} \quad d\omega = \frac{du dv}{(1+|w|^2)^2} = \frac{J(z) dx dy}{(1+|w|^2)^2}$$

respectively, we can enunciate the theorem in the following form;

Suppose that $w=f(z)$ is p -valent and pseudo-meromorphic (K) in an open set D and let z_0 be a boundary point of D . Then, denoting by $L(r)$ the total spherical length of the image of θ_r by $w=f(z)$, where θ_r is the common part of $|z-z_0|=r$ and D , we have $\lim_{r \rightarrow 0} L(r) = 0$.

We see that various theorems in the theory of conformal representation hold true if the mapping is pseudo-conformal (K), using the theorems and arguments similar as in M. Tsuji's paper⁴⁾. For example, we can prove that

4) M. Tsuji, *On the theorems of Carathéodory and Lindelöf in the theory of conformal representation*, Jap. Journ. of Math., vol. 7 (1930), pp. 91-99.

Carathéodory's theorem concerning Jordan domain: "If $w=f(z)$ maps a Jordan domain D conformally upon $|z|<1$, the correspondence between $|z|<1$ and D is of a one-to-one and bicontinuous manner their boundaries included," holds even if the mapping is pseudo-conformal (K).

3. Using Theorem 2, we shall enunciate that the results of K. Noshiro⁵⁾ hold for the case where $w=f(z)$ is pseudo-meromorphic (K).

Theorem 3. *Let $w=f(z)$ be pseudo-meromorphic (K) in an arbitrary domain D . Suppose that α is a value belonging to $S_{z_0}^{(D)}-S_{z_0}^{(C)}$ but not belonging to $R_{z_0}^{(C,0)}$ where z_0 is a point on the boundary C of D . Then z_0 becomes necessarily accessible and α is an asymptotic value of $f(z)$ at z_0 .*

Proof. Since the case where z_0 is an isolated boundary point of D is obvious, we have only to consider the case where z_0 is non-isolated (whence, evidently, $S_{z_0}^{(C)} \neq 0$) and α is finite, for brevity. Then, as in the proof⁷⁾ of the corresponding theorem of K. Noshiro, there are two positive numbers r and ρ such that $f(z)-\alpha \neq 0$ for $|z-z_0| \leq r$ inside D and further both

$$\bigcup_{0 \leq \xi - z_0 | \leq r} \overline{S_{\xi}^{(D)}} (\xi \in C) \quad \text{and} \quad \bigcup_{z \in (|z-z_0|=r) \cap D} \overline{f(z)}$$

lie outside the circle $(c): |w-\alpha| < \rho$. On the other hand, as α is a cluster value of $f(z)$ at z_0 , we may find a suitable point ζ_0 in $D_r \equiv (|z-z_0| < r) \cap D$, whose image $w_0=f(\zeta_0)$ lies within (c) . Suppose that ζ_0 is contained in the component D_0 of D_r . Then $f(z)$ is pseudo-meromorphic (K) and $f(z) \neq \alpha$ in D_0 ,

$$|f(\zeta_0) - \alpha| < \rho \quad \text{and} \quad S_{\xi}^{(D_0)}(0 < |\xi - z_0| \leq r, \xi \in C)$$

lies outside (c) .

Now we consider the function $\omega = \psi(z) = \frac{1}{f(z) - \alpha}$, pseudo-regular (K) in D_0 , whose cluster values at each boundary point of D_0 , distinct from z_0 , lie all

5) K. Noshiro, *On the theory of the cluster sets of analytic functions*, Journ. Fac. of Sci. Hokkaido Imp. Univ. (1) 6, No. 4 (1938), pp. 217-231.

6) We associate with z_0 the following three sets of values:

(1) The cluster set $S_{z_0}^{(D)}$. This is the set of all values α such that $\lim_{\nu \rightarrow \infty} f(z_\nu) = \alpha$ with a sequence $\{z_\nu\}$ of points tending to z_0 inside D . In other words, $S_{z_0}^{(D)}$ is identical with the intersection $\bigcap \overline{\mathfrak{D}}_r$, where \mathfrak{D}_r is the closure of the set \mathfrak{D}_r of values taken by $w=f(z)$ inside the common part of $|z-z_0| < r$ and D .

(2) The cluster set $S_{z_0}^{(C)}$. This is the intersection $\bigcap M_r$, where M_r denotes the closure of the union $\bigcup_{\xi} S_{\xi}^{(D)}$ for all ξ belonging to the common part of C and $0 < |z-z_0| < r$.

(3) The range of values $R_{z_0}^{(D)}$. This is the product of all value-sets \mathfrak{D}_r of $f(z)$ for $(|z-z_0| < r) \cap D$.

7) See 5), pp. 218-219.

inside $|\omega| < \frac{1}{\rho}$ and such that $|\psi(\xi_0)| > \frac{1}{\rho}$. Consider the Riemannian image \mathcal{O}_0 of D_0 by $\omega = \psi(z)$ and put $\psi(\zeta_0) = \omega_0$. Then we make a star-region with respect to ω_0 in W , where W is the complement of the angular domain bounded by two tangents from ω_0 of the circle $|\omega| < \frac{1}{\rho}$. Next, consider the star-region in Gross' sense formed by the sum of segments from ω_0 to irregular points along all half-lines $\arg(\omega - \omega_0) = \theta$ on \mathcal{O}_0 whose projections lie inside W . We shall show that the linear measure of the set of amplitudes of singular rays (by which we understand these half-lines meeting at a singular point in a finite distance) must be equal to zero. Since there is at most an enumerable number of algebraic singularities on \mathcal{O}_0 , it is sufficient to show that the set of amplitudes of the singular rays with end points at transcendental singularities is of linear measure zero. We must have the curve on the z -plane, joining the point ζ_0 , lying inside D_0 , to z_0 , whose image is the segment with the end point at a transcendental singularity. On the other hand, as in the proof of the theorem (*Sternsatz*) of Gross, it follows from Theorem 2 that the linear measure of the preceding set is equal to zero. Hence, almost all rays starting from ω_0 in W grow up to ∞ . Since obviously their counter-images must always lie inside D_0 , our theorem is proved.

Applying Theorems 2 (see Remark) and 3, we may give by a discussion similar to the proof⁸⁾ of the corresponding theorem of Noshiro's paper the following

Theorem 4. *Suppose that $w = f(z)$ is pseudo-meromorphic (K) in an arbitrary domain D and let z_0 be a non-isolated point on the boundary C of D . Suppose further that $f(z)$ is at most p -valent near z_0 inside D . Then we have the relation $S_{z_0}^{(D)} = S_{z_0}^{(\sigma)}$.*

Remark. As is well known, Theorem 4 has been improved in the case where $w = f(z)$ is a uniform function meromorphic in D . It seems difficult for me to prove the following theorem, when $f(z)$ is pseudo-meromorphic (K) in D :

Theorem I. (The first property of Beurling-Kunugui)⁹⁾ *Under the assumptions of the first half of Theorem 4, we have $B'S_{z_0}^{(D)} \subset S_{z_0}^{(\sigma)}$, where $B'S_{z_0}^{(D)}$ denotes the boundary of $S_{z_0}^{(D)}$, or, what is the same, $\Omega = S_{z_0}^{(D)} - S_{z_0}^{(\sigma)}$ is an open set.*

8) See 5), pp. 222-223.

9) K. Kunugui, *Sur un théorème de MM. Seidel-Beurling*, Proc. Imp. Acad. Tokyo, 15 (1939), pp. 27-32.

However the theorem may probably be true. Now, if Theorem I be true, the second theorem of Beurling-Kunugui¹⁰⁾ may also hold true in our case without modifying the proof of the corresponding theorem in K. Kunugui's paper:

Theorem II. (The second property of Beurling-Kunugui) *Suppose that $\Omega = S_{z_0}^{(D)} - S_{z_0}^{(\sigma)}$ is non-empty, in addition to the assumptions of Theorem I, and denote by Ω_n and connected component of Ω . Then $R_{z_0}^{(D)}$ includes every value, with two possible exceptions, belonging to Ω_n .*

10) K. Kunugui, *Sur un problème de M. A. Beurling*, Proc. Imp. Acad. Tokyo, **16** (1940), pp. 361-366.