

## On quasi Dirichlet bounded harmonic functions

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In the present paper we denote by  $P, B, D, H, SPH$  and  $SBH$ , positive, bounded, Dirichlet bounded, harmonic, superharmonic and subharmonic respectively. Let  $R$  be a Riemann surface  $\notin O_g$  and let  $\{R_n\} : n=0, 1, 2, \dots$ , be an exhaustion with compact analytic relative boundary  $\partial R_n$ . We call a domain  $G$  a subdomain, if  $\partial G$  consists of at most an enumerably infinite number of analytic curves clustering nowhere in  $R$ . In this note we use simply a domain  $G$  in the meaning that  $G$  is a sum of subdomains  $G_i$  such that  $\Sigma \partial G_i$  clusters nowhere in  $R$ . Let  $R^\infty$  be the universal covering surface of  $R$  and map  $R^\infty$  onto  $|\zeta| < 1$ . In the previous<sup>1)</sup> paper we proved.

Let  $U(z)$  be an  $HD$  function in  $R$ . Then  $U(z)$  is a harmonic function  $U(\zeta)$  in  $|\zeta| < 1$ ,  $\overline{\lim}_{r \rightarrow 1} \int_0^{2\pi} |U(re^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta < \infty$ ,  $\zeta = re^{i\theta}$  and  $U(\zeta)$  is representable by Poisson's integral. This is equivalent to  $U(z) = U_1(z) - U_2(z)$ , where  $U_1(z)$  and  $U_2(z)$  are positive *quasibounded harmonic* function (abbreviated by  $QHB$ ).

The purpose of this paper is to extend the above theorem. Let  $G$  be a domain, if  $G$  is compact, we denote by  $H_g^G$  the solution of the Dirichlet problem with respect to the boundary value  $g(z)$  on  $\partial G$ . If  $G$  is non compact and  $g(z) \geq 0$ , we denote also by  $H_g^G$  the least positive  $SPH \geq g(z)$  on  $\partial G$ , i. e.  $H_g^G = \lim_n H_{g_n}^{G \cap R_n}$ , where  $g_n(z) = g(z)$  on  $\partial G \cap R_n$  and  $g_n(z) = 0$  on  $\partial R_n \cap G$ .

Let  $G_2 \subset G_1$  be domains. Let  $w_{n,n+i}(z)$  be an  $HB$  in  $G_1 \cap R_{n+i} - G_2 \cap (R_{n+i} - R_n)$  such that  $w_{n,n+i}(z) = 0$  on  $\partial G_1 \cap R_{n+i} + \partial R_{n+i} \cap (G_1 - G_2)$ ,  $= 1$  on  $(R_{n+i} - R_n) \cap G_2$ . Then  $w_{n,n+i}(z) \nearrow w_n(z)$  and  $w_n(z) \downarrow : n \rightarrow \infty$ . This limit is denote by  $w(G_2 \cap B, z, G_1)$  and is called  $H. M.$ <sup>2)</sup> of  $B \cap G_2$  relative to  $G_1$ . Let  $F$  be a closed set (or domain  $G$ ). We denote  $H_1^{CF}(H_1^{CG})$  by  $w(F, z, R)$  ( $w(G, z, R)$ ) simply. Let  $U(z)$  be a positive  $SPH$ . If there exists no positive  $HB$  smaller than  $U(z)$ , we call  $U(z)$  a *singular function*. If an  $HP$  is the limit of increasing sequence of  $HB$  functions,  $U(z)$  is called *quasibounded harmonic function* ( $QHB$ ). In this note we denote  $\min(M, U(z))$  by  $U^M(z)$ . Let  $U(z)$  be a function (harmonic function). If

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \frac{D(|U(z)|^M)}{M} = \alpha < \infty,$$

*i. e.* there exists a sequence  $\{M_i\}$  such that  $\frac{D(|U|^{M_i})}{M_i} = \alpha_i, \alpha_i \rightarrow \alpha$ . we call  $U(z)$  a *QD(QHD)* of order  $\alpha$  denoted by  $\alpha = \mathfrak{A}(U)$  (for  $\{M_i\}$ ).

If a positive *SPH*  $U(z)$  is harmonic in  $R$  except at most a set of capacity zero and is a *QD* and *singular*, we call  $U(z)$  a *GG (generalized Green function)*.

LEMMA 1. Let  $G$  be a domain and let  $R_0$  be a compact disc. Then

- 1)  $\omega(G \cap B, z, R) = 0$  if and only if  $\omega(G \cap B, z, R - R_0) = 0$ .
- 2) Let  $G^\delta = \{z \in G_1 : \omega(G_2 \cap B, z, G_1) < \delta < 1\}$ . Then  $\omega(B \cap G_2 \cap G^\delta, z, G_1) = 0$ .
- 3) A positive *SPH*  $U(z)$  is singular, if and only if for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\omega(G_\varepsilon \cap B, z, R) = 0 : G_\varepsilon = \{z \in R : U(z) > \varepsilon\}$ .
- 4) Let  $\omega'(z) = 1$  on  $\bar{R}_0$  and  $\omega'(z) = 1 - \omega(R \cap B, z, R - R_0)$ . Then  $\omega'(z)$  is singular.

5) Let  $G(z, p_0)$  be a Green function of  $R$ . Let  $U(z)$  be singular and  $D$  be a domain and let  $D_\delta = \{z \in R : G(z, p_0) > \delta\}$ . Then

$$H_{U^M}^{D \cap R_n} \downarrow H_{U^M}^D : n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{and} \quad H_{U^M}^{D \cap D_\delta} \downarrow H_{U^M}^D : \delta \rightarrow 0.$$

PROOF. 1) and 2) are proved in the previous paper<sup>2)</sup>.

3)  $H_{U^M}^{R_n}$  is the greatest *HP* in  $R_n$  not larger than  $U^M(z)$ . Since  $U^M(z)$  is an *SPH*,  $H_{U^M}^{R_n} \downarrow : n \rightarrow \infty$ .  $\lim_n H_{U^M}^{R_n}$  is the greatest *HP* in  $R$  not larger than  $U^M(z)$ . Hence  $U(z)$  is singular, if and only if  $\lim_n H_{U^M}^{R_n} = 0$  for any  $M < \infty$ . Suppose  $\omega(G_\varepsilon \cap B, z, R) = 0$  for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Then  $H_{U^M}^{R_n} \leq \varepsilon$  on  $\partial R_n - G_\varepsilon$ ,  $H_{U^M}^{R_n} \leq M = M\omega((R - R_n) \cap G_\varepsilon, z, R)$  on  $\partial R_n \cap G_\varepsilon$ , whence

$$H_{U^M}^{R_n} \leq \varepsilon + M\omega((R - R_n) \cap G_\varepsilon, z, R).$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and then  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Then  $\lim_n H_{U^M}^{R_n} = 0$  and  $U(z)$  is singular. Suppose  $U(z)$  is singular. Let  $\Omega = R_{n+i} - (R_{n+i} - R_n) \cap G_\varepsilon$ . Then  $H_{U^M}^\Omega > \varepsilon$  on  $\partial((R_{n+i} - R_n) \cap G_\varepsilon)$ . Since  $\varepsilon\omega(G_\varepsilon \cap (R_{n+i} - R_n), z, R_{n+i})$  is the least *HP* in  $\Omega$  larger than  $\varepsilon$  on  $G_\varepsilon \cap (R_{n+i} - R_n)$ ,

$$H_{U^M}^{R_n} \geq H_{U^M}^\Omega \geq \varepsilon\omega(G_\varepsilon \cap (R_{n+i} - R_n), z, R_{n+i}).$$

Let  $i \rightarrow \infty$  and then  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then

$$0 = \lim_n H_{U^M}^{R_n} \geq \varepsilon\omega(G_\varepsilon \cap B, z, R) = 0.$$

Hence we have 3).

4) Now  $G_\varepsilon = \{z \in R : w'(z) > \varepsilon\} = \{z \in R : w(B \cap R, z, R - R_0) < 1 - \varepsilon\}$ . We have by 2)  $w(G_\varepsilon \cap B, z, R) = 0$  and  $w'(z)$  is singular by 3).

5) Since  $U^M(z)$  is an *SPH*,  $H_{UM}^{D \cap R_n} \downarrow : n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $V_n(z)$  be an *HB* in  $D \cap R_n$  such that  $V_n(z) = U^M(z)$  on  $\partial D \cap R_n$  and  $= 0$  on  $\partial R_n \cap D$ . Then

$$V_n(z) + H_{UM}^{R_n} \geq H_{UM}^{D \cap R_n} \geq V_n(z).$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then  $H_{UM}^{R_n} \downarrow 0$ . Thus

$$\lim_n H_{UM}^{D \cap R_n} = \lim_n V_n(z) = H_{UM}^D. \quad (1)$$

Since  $D \cap D_\delta \subset D$  and  $U^M(z)$  is an *SPH*, by (1)

$$H_{UM}^{D \cap D_\delta} = \lim_n H_{UM}^{D \cap D_\delta \cap R_n} \geq \lim_n H_{UM}^{D \cap R_n} = H_{UM}^D.$$

Now  $H_{UM}^{D \cap D_\delta} \downarrow : \delta \rightarrow 0$  and  $\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} H_{UM}^{D \cap D_\delta} \geq H_{UM}^D$ .

Since  $G(z, p_0) > 0$  in  $R$ , there exists a number  $\delta(n)$  such that  $D_{\delta(n)} \supset R_n$  for any  $n$ . Then  $D \cap R_n \cap D_\delta = D \cap R_n : \delta \leq \delta(n)$ . Hence

$$H_{UM}^{D \cap R_n} = H_{UM}^{D \cap D_\delta \cap R_n} \geq H_{UM}^{D \cap D_\delta} \geq \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} H_{UM}^{D \cap D_\delta}.$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then  $H_{UM}^D = \lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} H_{UM}^{D \cap D_\delta}$ .

**THEOREM 1.** Let  $U(z)$  be an *HP* and let  $G_M = \{z \in R : U(z) > M\}$ . Then  $Mw(G_M, z, R) \downarrow$  as  $M \rightarrow \infty$ .  $S(z) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} Mw(G_M, z, R) (\leq U(z))$  is harmonic, singular and  $\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} w(G_M, z, R) = 0$ .

**PROOF.** Since  $w(G_M, z, R)$  is the least positive *SPH* in  $R$  not smaller than 1 on  $G_M$ ,  $Mw(G_M, z, R) \leq U(z)$  in  $CG_M$ . For  $M_1 \leq M_2$ ,  $M_2w(G_{M_2}, z, R) \leq U(z) = M_1 = M_1w(G_{M_1}, z, R)$  on  $\partial G_{M_1}$ . This implies  $Mw(G_M, z, R) \downarrow$  as  $M \rightarrow \infty$ . Clearly  $G_M \rightarrow$  boundary of  $R$  as  $M \nearrow \infty$ ,  $S(z) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} Mw(G_M, z, R)$  is harmonic and

$$S(z) \leq U(z) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} w(G_M, z, R) = 0. \quad (1)$$

Let  $V_n^L(z)$  be an *HB* in  $R_n - G_L$  such that  $V_n^L(z) = 0$  on  $\partial G_L \cap R_n$  and  $V_n^L(z) = w(G_L, z, R)$  on  $\partial R_n - G_L$ . Then by the definition of  $w(G_L, z, R)$

$$\lim_n V_n^L(z) = V^L(z) = 0.$$

Let  $\hat{H}_{SM}^{R_n - G_L} (M < L)$  be the solution of the Dirichlet problem in  $R_n - G_L$  with boundary value  $S^M(z)$  on  $\partial R_n - G_L$  and  $= 0$  on  $\partial G_L \cap R_n$ . Then

$$\hat{H}_{SM}^{R_n - G_L} \leq \hat{H}_{S^M}^{R_n - G_L} \leq \hat{H}_{Lw(G_L, z, R)}^{R_n - G_L} = LV_n^L(z) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_n \hat{H}_{SM}^{R_n - G_L} = 0. \quad (2)$$

By the maximum principle

$$H_{SM}^{R_n} \leq H_{SM}^{R_n - G_L} + M\omega(G_L, z, R) \text{ in } R_n.$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and then  $L \nearrow \infty$ . Then by (1) and (2),  $\lim_n H_{SM}^{R_n} = 0$ . Thus  $S(z)$  is singular and  $\leq U(z)$ .

Let  $G_2 \subset G_1$  be domains. Let  $\omega_{n,n+i}(z)$  an *HB* in  $G_1 \cap R_{n+i} - G_2 \cap (R_{n+i} - R_n)$  such that  $\omega_{n,n+i}(z) = 0$  on  $R_{n+i} \cap \partial G_1$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega_{n,n+i}(z) = 0$  on  $\partial R_{n+i} \cap (G_1 - G_2)$  and  $\omega_{n,n+i}(z) = 1$  on  $G_2 \cap (R_{n+i} - R_n)$ . If there exists a number  $n_0$  and  $M$  such that  $D(\omega_{n_0, n_0+i}(z)) \leq M$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots$ . Then  $\omega_{n,n+i}(z) \Rightarrow \omega_n(z) : i \rightarrow \infty$  ( $\Rightarrow$  means convergence and convergence in Dirichlet norm),  $\omega_n(z) \Rightarrow$  a harmonic function denoted by  $\omega(G_2 \cap B, z, G_1)$  called *C. P.*<sup>2)</sup> of  $G_2 \cap B$  relative to  $G_1$ . Let  $F$  be a closed set (or domain  $G$ ) of  $G_1$ , we denote by  $\omega(F, z, G_1)$  ( $\omega(G, z, G_1)$ ) the *HD* function which is 1 on  $F$  (on  $G$ ) and = 0 on  $\partial G_1$  and has *M. D. I.* (minimal Dirichlet integral) among all harmonic functions with the same value as  $\omega(F, z, G_1)$  ( $\omega(G, z, G_1)$ ) on  $\partial F + \partial G_1$  ( $\partial G + \partial G_1$ ). In this case we also call  $\omega(F, z, G_1)$  *C. P.* of  $F$  relative to  $G_1$ . Let  $\omega(z)$  be a *C. P.* then

$$\int_{\partial G_M} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(z) ds = D(\omega(z)) \quad \text{for almost } M: 0 < M < 1. \quad (2)$$

LEMMA 2. Let  $R \in O_g$  and  $G_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, i_0$  be domains and  $U_i(z)$  be an *HD* in  $G_i$ . Then there exists another exhaustion  $\{R_m\}$  of  $R$  such that

$$\int_{G_i \cap \partial R_m} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U_i(z) \right| ds \rightarrow 0 : m \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for any } i.$$

Let  $G$  be a domain of one component and let  $\tilde{G}$  be the double of  $G$  relative to  $\partial G$ . If  $\tilde{G} \in O_g$ , we denote by  $G \in SO_g$ . Let  $SO_{HB}$  be the class of domains such that there exists no *HB* vanishing on  $\partial G$  except for capacity zero, then it is well known the following facts<sup>2)</sup>:

$$SO_g \subset SO_{HB}. \quad G' \subset G \text{ and } G \in SO_g(SO_{HB}) \text{ implies } G' \in SO_g(SO_{HB}).$$

In this note if every component of  $G \in SO_g(SO_{HB})$ , we denote by  $G \in SO_g(SO_{HB})$ . Then it is clear the above facts are valid.

THEOREM 2. Let  $G(z)$  be a *GG*. Then

1)  $\sup_z G(z) = \infty$ . Put  $G_\delta = \{z \in R : G(z) > \delta\}$ . Then  $G_\delta \in SO_g$  and  $G(z) = \delta \omega(G_\delta, z, R)$  in  $CG_\delta$ .

2)  $\int_{\partial G_M} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z) ds = k$  for every  $M$  and  $D(G^M(z)) = kM$ . Such const.  $k$  is

called mass of  $G(z)$  and is denoted by  $\mathfrak{M}(G(z))$ .

3) Let  $U(z)$  be positively harmonic except at most a set of capacity zero and  $\leq G(z)$ . Then  $U(z)$  is a GG with

$$\mathfrak{M}(U(z)) \leq \mathfrak{M}(G(z)).$$

4) Let  $\Omega$  be a domain in  $G_M: 0 < M < 1$ . Then

$$D(\omega(\Omega, z, R)) \leq \mathfrak{M}(G(z))/M \text{ and } \int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(\Omega, z, R) ds \leq \mathfrak{M}(G(z))/M.$$

PROOF. 1), 2) and 3) are proved<sup>1),4)</sup>. We show 4). Let  $0 < \delta < M$ . Since  $G_\delta \in SO_g \subset SO_{HB}$ , every  $HB$  in a domain  $D$  in  $G_\delta$  is uniquely determined by the value on  $\partial D$ , then

$$G(z) = (M - \delta) \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) + \delta = (M - \delta) \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) + \delta \text{ in } G_\delta - G_M,$$

whence

$$D(\omega(G_M, z, G_\delta)) = \frac{1}{(M - \delta)^2} D_{G_\delta - G_M}(G(z)) = \mathfrak{M}(G(z))/(M - \delta).$$

By  $\Omega \subset G_M$ ,  $\omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta) \leq \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta)$  and by the Dirichlet principle

$$D(\omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta)) \leq D(\omega(G_M, z, G_\delta)) \leq \mathfrak{M}(G(z))/(M - \delta).$$

$\omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta) = \omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta) \leq \omega(\Omega, z, R)$  and by the definition of  $\omega(\Omega, z, R)$

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta) = \omega(\Omega, z, R).$$

Hence  $D(\omega(\Omega, z, R)) \leq \frac{\mathfrak{M}(G(z))}{M}$ .

Now  $G_\delta \in SO_g$ ,  $\int_{C_\alpha} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta) ds = \text{const.}$  for any  $C_\alpha$  by Lemma 2, where

$C_\alpha = \{z \in R : \omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta) = \alpha\} : 0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ , hence

$$-\int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta) ds = D(\omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta)) \leq D(\omega(G_M, z, G_\delta)).$$

$-\frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(\Omega, z, G_\delta) \geq -\frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(\Omega, z, R) \geq 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ , hence

$$-\int_{\partial\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(\Omega, z, R) ds \leq \mathfrak{M}(G(z))/M.$$

THEOREM 3. 1) Let  $G_1(z)$  and  $G_2(z)$  be GG, s. Then  $G(z) = G_1(z) + G_2(z)$  is a GG and  $\mathfrak{M}(G(z)) = \mathfrak{M}(G_1(z)) + \mathfrak{M}(G_2(z))$ .

2) Let  $G(z)$  be a GG and let  $G'(z)$  be an HP except at most a set of capacity zero and  $\leq G(z)$ , then  $G(z) - G'(z)$  is a GG and

$$\mathfrak{M}(G(z) - G'(z)) = \mathfrak{M}(G(z)) - \mathfrak{M}(G'(z)).$$

PROOF. 1)  $G(z)$  is evidently singular. Let  $G_M = \{z \in R : G(z) > M\}$ ,  $G_{i,M} = \{z \in R : G_i(z) > M\}$ . Then

$$G_M \supset G_{1,M} + G_{2,M}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} D(G^M(z)) &= D(G(z)) = D(G_1(z) + G_2(z)) \leq 2(D(G_1(z)) + D(G_2(z))) \leq 2D(G_1(z)) + \\ & 2D(G_2(z)) = 2M\mathfrak{M}(G_1(z)) + 2M\mathfrak{M}(G_2(z)). \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $G(z)$  is a GG and by

$$D(G^M(z)) = M\mathfrak{M}(G(z))$$

$$\mathfrak{M}(G(z)) \leq 2(\mathfrak{M}(G_1(z)) + \mathfrak{M}(G_2(z))).$$

By  $G_\delta \in SO_g \subset SO_{HB}$

$$G(z) = (M - \delta) \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) + \delta \text{ in } G_\delta - G_M.$$

Similarly  $G_i(z) = (M - \delta) \omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_{i,\delta}) + \delta$  in  $G_{i,\delta} \subset G_\delta$ . Let  $\tilde{G}_i(z) = (M - \delta) \omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_\delta) + \delta$ . Then by  $G_{i,\delta} \in SO_{HB}$ ,  $\tilde{G}_i(z) \geq G_i(z)$  in  $G_{i,\delta} \subset G_\delta$ . On the other hand,  $\tilde{G}_i(z) = M = G_i(z)$  on  $\partial G_{i,M}$ , hence

$$0 \leq \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \tilde{G}_i(z) ds = - \int_{\partial G_{i,M}} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \tilde{G}_i(z) ds \leq - \int_{\partial G_{i,M}} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G_i(z) ds = \mathfrak{M}(G_i(z)). \quad (1)$$

Let  $G^*(z) = (\tilde{G}_1(z) + \tilde{G}_2(z)) A + B$ , where  $A = \frac{M - \delta}{M - 2\delta}$ ,  $B = \frac{-\delta M}{M - 2\delta}$ . Then  $G^*(z) = \delta = G(z)$  on  $\partial G_\delta$  and  $G^*(z) \geq M$  on  $\partial G_M$ . By  $G_\delta \in SO_{HB}$ ,  $G^*(z) \geq G(z)$  in  $G_\delta - G_M$ . Then by (1)

$$\begin{aligned} \mathfrak{M}(G(z)) &= \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z) ds \leq \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G^*(z) ds = \left( \frac{M - \delta}{M - 2\delta} \right) \\ & \left( \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} (\tilde{G}_1(z) + \tilde{G}_2(z)) ds \right) \leq \left( \frac{M - \delta}{M - 2\delta} \right) (\mathfrak{M}(G_1(z)) + \mathfrak{M}(G_2(z))). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ . Then  $\mathfrak{M}(G(z)) \leq \mathfrak{M}(G_1(z)) + \mathfrak{M}(G_2(z))$ . Now

$$\left( \frac{M}{M - \delta} \right) (G(z) - \delta) = M \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta).$$

By  $G_\delta \in SO_g$ ,  $M \int_{\partial G_\delta} M \frac{\partial}{\partial n}$

$$\begin{aligned} \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) ds &= D(M \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta)) = \left( \frac{M}{M - \delta} \right)^2 D(G(z)) = \\ & \left( \frac{M^2}{M - \delta} \right) \mathfrak{M}(G(z)), \text{ i. e.} \end{aligned}$$

$$M \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) ds = \left( \frac{M}{M - \delta} \right) \mathfrak{M}(G(z)).$$

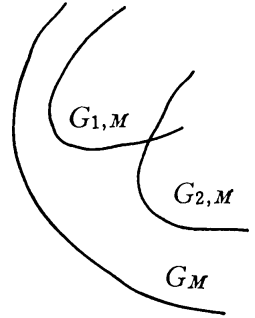


Fig. 1.

Hence for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a const.  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$0 \leq M \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) ds \leq \mathfrak{M}(G(z)) + \varepsilon. \quad (2)$$

$G_\delta \supset G_{i,\delta}$ , whence by the Dirichlet principle  $D(\omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_{i,\delta})) \geq D(\omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_\delta))$ . By the definition of  $\omega(G_{i,M}, z, R)$ ,  $G(z) = G_1(z) + G_2(z) \geq M\omega(G_{1,M}, z, R) + M\omega(G_{2,M}, z, R) \geq M\omega(G_{1,M}, z, G_\delta) + M\omega(G_{2,M}, z, G_\delta) = M\omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) = G(z) = M \geq M\omega(G_{1,M}, z, G_\delta) + M\omega(G_{2,M}, z, G_\delta)$  on  $\partial G_M$ .

$$M\omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) = 0 = M\omega(G_{1,M}, z, G_\delta) + M\omega(G_{2,M}, z, G_\delta) \text{ on } \partial G_\delta. \quad (3)$$

Hence by  $G_\delta \in SO_{HB}$ ,

$$M\omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) \geq M\omega(G_{1,M}, z, G_\delta) + M\omega(G_{2,M}, z, G_\delta) \text{ in } G_\delta - G_M. \quad (4)$$

By (3) and (4)

$$0 \leq \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(G_M, z, G_\delta) ds \geq \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(G_{1,M}, z, G_\delta) ds + \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(G_{2,M}, z, G_\delta) ds. \quad (5)$$

Now

$$0 < \int_{\partial G_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_\delta) ds = - \int_{\partial G_{i,M}} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_\delta) ds. \quad (6)$$

Clearly  $M\omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_\delta) = M = G_i(z)$  on  $\partial G_{i,M}$  and  $M\omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_\delta) \leq G_i(z)$  in  $G_\delta - G_{i,M}$  and

$$-M \int_{\partial G_{i,M}} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(G_{i,M}, z, G_\delta) ds \geq - \int_{\partial G_{i,M}} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G_i(z) ds = \mathfrak{M}(G_i(z)). \quad (7)$$

Hence by (7), (6), (5) and (2)

$$\mathfrak{M}(G_1(z)) + \mathfrak{M}(G_2(z)) \leq \mathfrak{M}(G(z)) + \frac{\varepsilon}{M}.$$

Let  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , then  $\mathfrak{M}(G(z)) = \mathfrak{M}(G_1(z)) + \mathfrak{M}(G_2(z))$ .

Let  $G(z, p)$  be a Green function and let  $p_0$  be a fixed point in  $R$ . Put  $K(z, p) = \frac{G(z, p)}{G(p, p_0)}$ . Then  $K(z, p) = 1$  at  $z = p_0$ . Let  $\{p_i\}$  be a divergent sequence such that  $\{K(z, p_i)\}$  converges to a positive harmonic function denoted by  $K(z, p)$ . Then we say that  $\{p_i\}$  determines an ideal boundary point  $p$ . We denote by  $\Delta_K$  the set of all the ideal boundary points. Then the distance  $\delta(p_1, p_2)$  between  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  in  $R + \Delta_K$  is defined as

$$\delta(p_1, p_2) = \sup_{z \in R_0} \left| \frac{K(z, p_1)}{1 + K(z, p_1)} - \frac{K(z, p_2)}{1 + K(z, p_2)} \right|.$$

The topology induced by this metric is called Martin's topology<sup>5)</sup>. Let  $N(z, p)^{2)}$  be an  $N$ -Green function of  $R-R_0$ . We use  $N(z, p)$  instead of  $K(z, p)$  and we have  $N$ -Martin's topology on  $R-R_0+A_N$ . Also we have  $G$ -Martin's topology on  $R+A_G$  by using  $G(z, p)$ . Then  $A_\alpha$  ( $\alpha=K, N, G$ ) is compact. In  $G$ -Martin's topology the set of  $p$  such that  $G(z, p)=0$  consists of only one point.

**Representation of generalized Green functions.** Let  $G(z)$  be a  $GG$  with  $\mathfrak{M}(G(z))=2\pi$ . Then there exists a uniquely determined positive mass  $\mu$  on  $R$  such that  $G(z) - \int G(z, p) d\mu(p) = U(z)$  is an  $HP$ . Then by Theorem 2  $U(z)$  is also a  $GG$  with  $\mathfrak{M}(U(z)) \leq 2\pi$ . Let  $p_0$  be a fixed point and let  $D_\delta = \{z \in R : G(z, p_0) > \delta\}$ . The following discussion is simpler than the previous one<sup>4)</sup>.

Let  $U_{D_\delta \cap (R-R_n)}(z)$  be the least non negative  $SPH$  in  $R$  larger than  $U(z)$  on  $D_\delta \cap (R-R_n)$ . Then  $U_{D_\delta \cap (R-R_n)}(z) \downarrow U_{D_\delta \cap B}(z) : n \rightarrow \infty$ . Clearly  $U_{D_\delta \cap B}(z)$  is also harmonic and a  $GG$  with  $\mathfrak{M}(U_{D_\delta \cap B}(z)) \leq \mathfrak{M}(U(z))$ . Then

$$(U_{D_\delta \cap B})_{D_\delta \cap B} = U_{D_\delta \cap B}, \quad (1)$$

where the operation " $U_{D_\delta \cap B}$  from  $U$ " is Martin's method<sup>5)</sup>. Let  $U' = U - U_{D_\delta \cap B}$ . Then by Theorem 2  $U'$  is also a  $GG$  with  $\mathfrak{M}(U') \leq \mathfrak{M}(U)$ . Now

$$U_{D_\delta \cap B} = (U_{D_\delta \cap B} + U')_{D_\delta \cap B} = (U_{D_\delta \cap B})_{D_\delta \cap B} + U'_{D_\delta \cap B}$$

and

$$U'_{D_\delta \cap B} = 0.$$

Let  $\Omega_M = \{z \in R : U'(z) > M\}$ . Then by Theorem 2, 1)

$$U'(z) = H_M^{\mathcal{C}\Omega_M} = M\omega(\Omega_M, z, R) \quad \text{in } \mathcal{C}\Omega_M.$$

Let  $T_M(z) = M\omega(\Omega_M \cap D_\delta, z, R)$ , then  $T_M(z) \leq U'(z)$ . We show  $T_M(z) \rightarrow 0$  as  $M \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $T_{M,n}(z)$  be an  $HB$  in  $R_n - (\Omega_M \cap D_\delta)$  such that  $T_{M,n}(z) = 0$  on  $\partial R_n - (\Omega_M \cap D_\delta)$ ,  $= M$  on  $\partial(\Omega_M \cap D_\delta) \cap R_n$ . Let  $M_0 < M$  and  $G_n(\zeta, z)$  and  $G(\zeta, z)$  be Green functions of  $R_n - (\Omega_{M_0} \cap D_\delta)$  and  $R - (\Omega_{M_0} \cap D_\delta)$  respectively. Then  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n} G_n(\zeta, z) \uparrow \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(\zeta, z)$  on  $\partial(\Omega_{M_0} \cap D_\delta)$ . Also  $T_{M,n}(z) \nearrow T_M(z) : n \rightarrow \infty$ , hence

$$T_M(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial(\Omega_{M_0} \cap D_\delta)} T_M(\zeta) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(\zeta, z) ds = (T_M(z))_{\Omega_{M_0} \cap D_\delta}.$$

Assume  $\overline{\lim}_{M \rightarrow \infty} T_M > 0$ . Then there exists a sequence  $\{M_i\}$  such that  $M_i \rightarrow \infty$

and  $T_{M_i} \rightarrow$  an  $HP$   $T(z) > 0$ . Now  $T_{M_i}(z) \leq U'(z)$  and  $T(z) \leq U'(z)$ .  $\int_{\partial(\Omega_{M_0} \cap D_\delta)} U'(\zeta)$



$\frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(\zeta, z) ds = U'_{\Omega_M \cap D_\delta}(z) \leq U'(z) < \infty$ . Hence by Lebesgue's theorem

$$T(z) = \lim_i T_{M_i}(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial(\Omega_M \cap D_\delta)} \lim_i T_{M_i}(\zeta) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(\zeta, z) ds = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial(\Omega_M \cap D_\delta)} T(\zeta) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(\zeta, z) ds = T_{\Omega_M \cap D_\delta}(z). \quad \text{Hence}$$

$$T = T_{\Omega_M \cap D_\delta} \quad \text{for any } M.$$

Since  $U'(z)$  is harmonic in  $R$ ,  $\Omega_M \rightarrow$  boundary of  $R$  as  $M \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence for any  $n$  there exists a number  $M(n)$  such that  $\Omega_M \subset R - R_n : M > M(n)$  and

$$T(z) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} T_{\Omega_M \cap D_\delta}(z) \leq T_{D_\delta \cap B}(z) \leq U'_{D_\delta \cap B}(z) = 0.$$

This is a contradiction. Hence

$$T_M(z) \rightarrow 0 : M \rightarrow \infty. \quad (2)$$

$\omega(\Omega_M \cap CD_\delta, z, R) \leq \omega(\Omega_M, z, R) \leq \omega(\Omega_M \cap D_\delta, z, R) + \omega(\Omega_M \cap CD_\delta, z, R)$ . By (2)

$$U'(z) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} M\omega(\Omega_M \cap CD_\delta, z, R) = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} M\omega(\Omega_M, z, R). \quad (3)$$

Let  $\delta' < U'(p_0)$  ( $\delta' < \delta$ ), then  $\Omega_{\delta'} \ni p_0$ . Let  $G'(z, p_0)$  be a Green function of  $\Omega_{\delta'}$ . Then  $G'(z, p_0) < G(z, p_0)$  in  $CD_\delta$ . Now  $U'(z)$  is a GG. Let  $\Omega_M^\delta = \Omega_M \cap CD_\delta$ . Then by Theorem 2, 4)

$$U^M(z) = M\omega(\Omega_M, z, R) \geq M\omega(\Omega_M^\delta, z, R),$$

$$D(M\omega(\Omega_M^\delta, z, R)) \leq D_{C\Omega_M}(U^M(z)) = M\mathfrak{M}(U'(z)) \leq 2\pi M.$$

$\Omega_{\delta'} \in SO_g$  and  $D_{R-v(p_0)}(G'(z, p_0)) < \infty$ , where  $v(p_0)$  is a neighbourhood of  $p_0$ . Hence by Lemma 2 there exists a  $D$ -exhaustion  $\{R_m\}$  relative to  $\omega(\Omega_M^\delta, z, R)$  in  $\Omega_{\delta'} - \Omega_M^\delta$  and  $G'(z, p_0)$  in  $\Omega_{\delta'}$  such that

$$\int_{\partial R_m \cap (\Omega_{\delta'} - \Omega_M^\delta)} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(\Omega_M^\delta, z, R) \right| ds \downarrow 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\partial R_m \cap \Omega_{\delta'}} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G'(z, p_0) \right| ds \downarrow 0 \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty. \quad (4)$$

Put  $S(z) = M\omega(\Omega_M^\delta, z, R)$ . Then by Theorem 2, 4)  $-\frac{\partial}{\partial n} S(z) \geq 0$  on  $\partial\Omega_M^\delta$  and

$$0 \leq - \int_{\partial\Omega_M^\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} S(z) ds \leq M \int_{\partial\Omega_M} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega(\Omega_M, z, R) ds = \mathfrak{M}(U'(z)), \quad \text{whence by } G'(z, p_0) \leq \delta \text{ on } \partial\Omega_M^\delta,$$

$$- \int_{\partial\Omega_M^\delta \cap R_m} G'(z, p_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} S(z) ds \leq \delta \mathfrak{M}(U'(z)) \quad \text{for any } m.$$

By (4) we have  $\int_{\partial R_m \cap (\Omega_{\delta'} - \Omega_M^{\delta})} G'(z, p_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} S(z) ds \rightarrow 0 : m \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $\int_{\partial \Omega_M^{\delta} \cap R_m} S(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G'(z, p_0) ds$   
 $= M \int_{\partial \Omega_M^{\delta} \cap R_m} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G'(z, p_0) ds = -M \int_{\partial R_m \cap \Omega_M^{\delta}} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G'(z, p_0) ds \rightarrow 0 : m \rightarrow \infty$  for  $S(z) = M$   
on  $\partial \Omega_M^{\delta}$ .

$$\int_{\partial R_m \cap (\Omega_{\delta'} - \Omega_M^{\delta})} S(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G'(z, p_0) ds \rightarrow 0 : m \rightarrow \infty .$$

On the other hand, by  $S(z) \leq U'(z) = \delta'$  on  $\partial \Omega_{\delta'}$ ,  $\int_{\partial \Omega_{\delta'} \cap R_m} S(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G'(z, p_0) ds \leq$   
 $2\pi\delta'$  and  $\int_{\partial \Omega_{\delta'} \cap R_m} G'(z, p_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} S(z) ds = 0$  by  $G'(z, p_0) = 0$  on  $\partial \Omega_{\delta'}$ . Let  $M > U'(p_0)$   
then  $\Omega_{\delta'} - \Omega_M^{\delta} \ni p_0$ . Then by Green's formula

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\partial \Omega_M^{\delta} \cap R_m + \partial R_m \cap (\Omega_{\delta'} - \Omega_M^{\delta}) + R_m \cap \partial \Omega_{\delta'} + \nu_0} G'(z, p_0) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} S(z) ds \\ &= \int_{\partial \Omega_M^{\delta} \cap R_m + \partial R_m \cap (\Omega_{\delta'} - \Omega_M^{\delta}) + R_m \cap \partial \Omega_{\delta'} + \nu_0} S(z) \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G'(z, p_0) ds . \end{aligned}$$

We have  $S(p_0) \leq \frac{\mathfrak{M}(U'(z)) \delta}{2\pi} + \delta'$ . Let  $\delta' \rightarrow 0$  and then  $M \rightarrow \infty$ . Then by (3)  
 $S(p_0) \rightarrow U'(p_0)$  and

$$U'(p_0) \leq \frac{\mathfrak{M}(U'(z)) \delta}{2\pi} \leq \delta .$$

Thus  $U(z) = U_{D_{\delta} \cap B}(z) + U'(z)$  and  $U'(z) \downarrow 0$  as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ . Every positive harmonic function is represented by a mass on Martin's boundary  $\Delta_K$ . Let  $\Delta_{K, \delta} = \Delta_K \cap \bar{D}_{\delta}$ , then  $U_{D_{\delta} \cap B}(z)$  is represented by a mass on  $\Delta_{K, \delta}$ . Hence we have.

**THEOREM 4.** *The harmonic part of a generalized Green function with  $\mathfrak{M}(G(z)) \leq 2\pi$  is represented by a mass on  $\bigcup_{\delta > 0} \Delta_{K, \delta}$ . As a special case, if  $\Delta_{K, \delta} = 0$  for any  $\delta > 0$ , the harmonic part is zero.*

**Green potential whose total mass is bounded.** We suppose  $G$ -Martin's topology is defined on  $R + \Delta_G$ . Let  $\mu$  be a positive mass on  $R + \Delta_G$ . We consider

$$P^{\mu}(z) = \int G(z, p) d\mu(p), \quad \int d\mu = 1 .$$

Clearly if every point of  $\Delta_G$  is regular and  $\mu = 0$  in  $R$  (i. e.  $G(z, p) = 0$  for  $p \in \Delta_G$ ),  $P^{\mu} = 0$ .

LEMMA 3. Let  $\Omega$  be a domain and let  $\Omega_n$  be compact domain such that  $\Omega_n \nearrow \Omega : n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $U_n$  be a harmonic function in  $\Omega_n$  such that  $D_{\Omega_n}(U_n) \leq M$  and for  $\Omega_m$ ,  $U_n \rightarrow U$  in  $\Omega_m$  for any  $m$ . Then  $D_\Omega(U) \leq M$ .

In fact, let  $G_n = \{z \in \Omega_n : U_n(z) < L\}$  and  $G^\varepsilon = \{z \in \Omega : U(z) < L - \varepsilon\}$ . Then for any given  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $m$ , there exist a number  $l(\varepsilon, m)$  such that

$$(G^\varepsilon \cap \Omega_m) \subset G_l : l > l(\varepsilon, m).$$

$U_n \rightarrow U$  implies  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} U_n \rightarrow \frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} U_n \rightarrow \frac{\partial U}{\partial y}$ . By Fatou's Lemma

$$D_{G^\varepsilon \cap \Omega_m}(U) \leq \liminf_l D_{G^\varepsilon \cap \Omega_m}(U_l) \leq \liminf_l D(U_l) = \liminf_l D(U_l) \leq M.$$

Let  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ . Then since  $\Omega_m$  is compact,  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} D_{G^\varepsilon \cap \Omega_m}(U) = D(U) \leq M$ . Let  $m \rightarrow \infty$ . Then

$$D(U) \leq M.$$

We proved

LEMMA 4<sup>6)</sup>. Let  $G$  be a circular rectangle  $\{r_1 \leq |z| \leq r_2, 0 \leq \arg z \leq \Theta\}$  with a finite number of radial slits. Let  $\Gamma_1 = \{|z| = r_1, 0 \leq \arg z \leq \Theta\}$ ,  $\Gamma_2 = \{|z| = r_2, 0 \leq \arg z \leq \Theta\}$ . Let  $U(z)$  be an HB in  $G$  and continuous on  $G + \Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2$ . Then

$$D(U(z)) \geq \frac{1}{\log \frac{r_2}{r_1}} \int_0^\Theta |U(r_1 e^{i\theta}) - U(r_2 e^{i\theta})|^2 d\theta.$$

If  $U(z)$  is not continuous at a finite number of points on  $\Gamma_1 + \Gamma_2$ , divide  $G$  into some circular rectangles, then we have the same conclusion.

THEOREM 5. Let  $R$  be a Riemann surface  $\ni O_g$ ,  $G(z, p_0)$  be a Green function and let  $D_\delta = \{z \in R : G(z, p_0) > \delta\}$ . Let  $U(z)$  be a positive SPH such that  $U(z)$  is harmonic in  $CD_\kappa = R - D_\kappa$ , singular and there exists a const.  $\alpha$  such that  $D_{CD_\kappa}(U^M(z)) \leq M\alpha : 0 < M < \infty$ . Then for any given  $M$  and  $\varepsilon$ , we can find a compact domain  $\Omega \ni p_0$  depending only on  $M, \kappa$  and  $\alpha$  but not on  $U(z)$  such that

$$H_{\Omega}^{\rho, M}(p_0) < 3\varepsilon.$$

PROOF. At first we investigate  $D_{CD_\delta}(U^M(z))$ . Let  $0 < \lambda' < \lambda < \delta < \kappa$  and let  $D_\lambda^\delta = \{z \in R : \lambda < G(z, p_0) < \delta\}$ . Since  $D_{\lambda'} \in SO_g \subset SO_{HB}$ ,  $H_{U^M}^{\rho, \lambda'}$  is uniquely determined and by the Dirichlet principle  $D_{D_\lambda^\delta}(U^M(z)) \geq D_{D_{\lambda'}^\delta}(H_{U^M}^{\rho, \lambda'})$  and  $D_{CD_\delta}(U^M(z)) \geq D_{D_\lambda^\delta}(H_{U^M}^{\rho, \lambda'})$ . Let  $\lambda' \rightarrow 0$ . Then by Lemma 1, 5)  $H_{U^M}^{\rho, \lambda'} \rightarrow H_{U^M}^{CD_\delta}$ . Now

$H_{UM}^{D_\lambda^\delta}$  is harmonic in  $D_\lambda^\delta$ , where by Fatou's Lemma  $D_{CD_\delta}(U^M) \geq \lim_{\lambda \rightarrow 0} D_{D_\lambda^\delta}(H_{UM}^{D_\lambda^\delta}) \geq D_{D_\lambda^\delta}(H_{UM}^{CD_\delta})$ . Let  $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ . Then

$$M\alpha \geq D_{CD_\delta}(U^M) \geq D_{CD_\delta}(H_{UM}^{CD_\delta}). \quad (1)$$

Let  $\delta < \frac{3\pi\varepsilon^3}{16M^2\alpha}$  and find  $D_\delta$ ,  $D_\delta$  is non compact generally. Since  $D_\delta \in SO_g$ ,  $\omega(D_\delta \cap (R - R_n), z, R) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $n_1$  be a number such that

$$\omega(D_\delta \cap (R - R_{n_1}), p_0, R) < \frac{\varepsilon}{M}. \quad (2)$$

Also  $D_\lambda(\lambda < \delta \text{ and } \lambda < \frac{\delta\varepsilon}{2M}) \in SO_g$ , whence  $\omega_n(z) \Rightarrow G(z, p_0)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , where  $\omega_n(z)$  is an HB in  $D_\lambda^\delta \cap R_n$  such that  $\omega_n(z) = \lambda$  on  $\partial D_\lambda \cap R_n$ ,  $= \delta$  on  $\partial D_\delta \cap R_n$  and  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega_n(z) = 0$  on  $\partial R_n \cap D_\lambda^\delta$ . i. e.  $\lim_n \omega_n(z) = \lambda + (\delta - \lambda) \omega(D_\delta, z, D_\lambda)$ . By  $D_\delta \in SO_g$ ,  $\int_{\partial D_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, p_0) ds = 2\pi$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega_n(z) \rightarrow \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, p_0)$  on  $\partial D_\delta + \partial D_\lambda$ . Let  $n_2 (> n_1)$  be a number such that

$$\int_{\partial D_\delta \cap R_{n_2}} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, p_0) ds \geq 2\pi - \varepsilon.$$

Let  $n_3$  be a number such that

$$\int_{\partial D_\delta \cap R_{n_2}} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega_n(z) - \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, p_0) \right| ds < \frac{\pi\varepsilon}{2M} : n \geq n_3. \quad (3)$$

Assume there exists a set  $F$  on  $\partial D_\delta \cap R_{n_2}$  such that  $U^M(z) > \varepsilon$  on  $F$  and  $\int_F \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, p_0) ds \geq \frac{2\pi\varepsilon}{M}$ . Then by (3)

$$\int_F \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega_n(z) ds \geq \frac{3\pi\varepsilon}{2M} : n \geq n_3. \quad (4)$$

$H_{UM}^{CD_\delta} = U^M(z) \leq M$  and  $G(z, p_0) = \delta$  on  $\partial D_\delta$ . Hence by the definition of  $H_{UM}^{CD_\delta}$ ,  $H_{UM}^{CD_\delta} \leq \frac{M}{\delta} G(z, p_0)$  in  $CD_\delta$  and

$$H_{UM}^{CD_\delta} \leq \frac{M\lambda}{\delta} \quad \text{on } \partial D_\lambda, \quad (5)$$

Map  $D_\lambda^\delta \cap R_n : n \geq n_3$  onto a circular rectangle  $G$  with a finite number of radial slits by  $\zeta = \exp(\omega_n(z) + i \tilde{\omega}_n(z))$ , where  $\tilde{\omega}_n(z)$  is a conjugate function of  $\omega_n(z)$ ,

$$G = \left\{ e^\lambda \leq |\zeta| \leq e^\delta, 0 \leq \arg \zeta \leq \Theta \right\}. \quad \Theta = \int_{\partial D_\delta \cap R_n} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \omega_n(z) ds \leq 2\pi.$$

Then  $F$  is mapped onto a set  $F_\zeta$  on  $|\zeta|=e^\delta$  of angular measure  $\geq \frac{3\pi\varepsilon}{2M}$  by (4).  $U^M(e^{\delta+i\theta}) \geq \varepsilon$  on  $F_\zeta$  and  $H_{U^M}^{CD_\delta}(e^{\delta+i\theta}) \leq \frac{\lambda M}{\delta} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$  by (5). Hence by (1) and Lemma 4

$$M\alpha \leq D_{CD_\delta}(U^M) \geq D(H_{U^M}^{CD_\delta}) \geq \int_{F'} \frac{\left| U^M(e^{\delta+i\theta}) - \frac{\lambda M}{\delta} \right|^2}{\delta - \lambda} d\theta \geq \frac{3\left(\frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)^2 \pi \varepsilon}{2\delta M} \geq 2M\alpha : F' = \{\theta : e^{\delta+i\theta} \in F_\zeta\}.$$

This is a contradiction. Hence  $U^M(z) < \varepsilon$  on  $\partial D_\delta \cap R_{n_2}$  except at most a set  $F$  on  $\partial D_\delta \cap R_{n_2}$  such that  $\int_F \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, p_0) ds < \frac{2\pi\varepsilon}{M}$  and  $U^M(z) \leq M$  on  $F$ . Let  $V(z)$  be an HB in  $D_\delta$  such that  $V(z) = U^M(z)$  on  $\partial D_\delta \cap R_{n_2}$ , and  $=0$  on  $\partial D_\delta \cap (R - R_{n_2})$ . Then by  $D_\delta \in SO_{HB}$  such  $V(z)$  is uniquely determined and

$$V(p_0) < \varepsilon + \frac{M}{2\pi} \int_F \frac{\partial}{\partial n} G(z, p_0) ds \leq 2\varepsilon.$$

Evidently  $V(z) + M\omega(D_\delta \cap (R - R_{n_2}), z, R) \geq H_{U^M}^{C_\delta \cap R_{n_2}}$ . Hence by (2)  $H_{U^M}^{C_\delta \cap R_{n_2}} < 3\varepsilon$  at  $p_0$ . Let  $\Omega = D_\delta \cap R_{n_2}$ . Then  $\Omega$  is a required domain.

**THEOREM 6.** 1) Let  $P^\mu$  be the potential of a positive mass  $\mu$  on  $R + \Delta_G$  such that  $\int d\mu = 1$ . Then  $P^\mu$  is singular.

2) If  $\mu = 0$  on  $R$ ,  $P^\mu$  is a GG with  $\mathfrak{M}(P^\mu) \leq 2\pi$ .

3) As a special case,  $G(z, p) : p \in \Delta_G$  is a GG. i.e. Let  $\{p_0\}$  be a sequence such that  $p_i \rightarrow$  boundary of  $R$  and  $G(z, p_i)$  converges to an HP  $G(z, p)$ . Then  $G(z, p)$  is a GG.

**PROOF.** 1) Let  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\delta < \varepsilon$ ,  $D_\delta = \{z \in R : G(z, p_0) > \delta\}$  and let  $\Delta_{G,\delta} = \Delta_G \cap \bar{D}_\delta$ . Let  $\mu_1, \mu_2$  and  $\mu_3$  be the restriction of  $\mu$  on  $R$ , on  $\Delta_{G,2\delta}$  and on  $\Delta_G - \Delta_{G,2\delta}$  respectively. Then it is well known  $\int G(z, p) d\mu_1(p)$  is singular. Let  $U(z) = \int G(z, p) d\mu_2(p)$  and  $U'(z) = \int G(z, p) d\mu_3(p)$ . Since  $G(z, p) : p \in R + \Delta_G$  is continuous with respect to  $p$  in any compact set in  $R$  and  $U(z)$  is uniformly approximated by a sequence  $U_n = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i G(z, p_i) : p_i \in D_\delta \cap R, c_i > 0, \sum c_i = \int d\mu_2 = \alpha$ . Clearly  $D(U_n^M) = 2\pi M\alpha$  and  $U_n(z)$  is harmonic in  $CD_\delta$  and singular. Hence by Theorem 5 for any  $M$  and  $\varepsilon$  there exists a compact domain  $\Omega$  such that  $H_{U_n^M}^\Omega(p_0) < \varepsilon$ . Since  $\partial\Omega$  is compact  $U_n(z) \rightarrow U(z)$  on  $\partial\Omega$  and  $H_{U^M}^\Omega(p_0) \leq \varepsilon$ . Also  $U(z)$  is an SPH,  $H_{U^M}^\Omega \geq H_{U^M}^{R_n}$  for  $R_n \supset \Omega$ . Then by  $G(p, p_0) < 2\delta : p \in \Delta_{G,2\delta}$  and  $U'(p_0) < 2\varepsilon$ ,

$$H_{(U+U')^M}^{R_n} \leq H_{U^M}^{R_n} + U'(z) < 3\varepsilon \quad \text{at } z = p_0.$$

Then  $H_{(U+V)^M}^{R_n} \downarrow: n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\lim_n H_{(U+V)^M}^{R_n} < 3\varepsilon$  at  $p_0$ . Let  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ , then  $\lim_n H_{(U+V)^M}^{R_n} = 0$ . Thus  $U(z) + U'(z)$  and  $\int G(z, p) d\mu(p)$  is singular 2).

2) Let  $\mu = 0$  in  $R$  and  $\int d\mu = 1$ . Then  $P^\mu = \int G(z, p) d\mu(p)$  is approximated by a sequence  $U_n = \sum^n c_i G(z, p_i)$ ,  $\sum c_i = 1$ ,  $p_i \in R$ . Evidently  $D(U_n^M) = 2\pi M$ . Hence by Lemma 3  $D((P^\mu)^M) \leq 2\pi M$  and by 1)  $P^\mu$  is singular. Thus  $P^\mu$  is a GG.

A REMARK ON 3). If  $R$  is a compact domain, 3) is trivial, because  $G(z, p) > 0$  if and only if  $p_i \rightarrow p \in \partial R$  and  $p$  is irregular for the Dirichlet problem. There is no continuum of  $\partial R$  containing  $p$  and  $G(z, p) = 0$  on  $\partial R - p$ .

### Quasi Dirichlet bounded harmonic functions.

A REMARK ON DIRICHLET INTEGRALS. Let  $U(z)$  be an HD in a domain  $\Omega$  and  $V(z)$  be its conjugate.  $\Omega$  will be a simply connected domain  $\Omega'$  by cutting along some curves. Then  $f(z) = U + iV$  is a one valued analytic function in  $\Omega'$ . Then the area of  $f(\Omega') = \int_{\Omega'} |f'(z)|^2 dx dy = D(U)$ . We take as a local parameter  $\zeta = n + is$  at  $z$ , where  $n$  is an inner normal and  $s$  is a tangent of  $C_t$  at  $z$ :  $C_t = \{z \in \Omega : U(z) = t\}$ . Then  $D(U) = \int \int |f'(z)| ds |f'(z)| dn$ . Now  $|f'(z)| = \frac{\partial V}{\partial s} = \frac{\partial U}{\partial n}$  at  $z \in C_t$  and  $|f'(z)| = \left| \frac{\partial U}{\partial n} \right|$  along  $C_t$ ,  $|f'(z)| dn = \frac{\partial U}{\partial n} dn = dU$  along the normal. Hence we have

$$\text{LEMMA 5. } D(U) = \int_a^b L_t dt : L_t = \int_{C_t} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U ds, \quad a = \inf_z U(z), \quad b = \sup_z U(z).$$

LEMMA 6. A. Let  $\Omega \subset \Omega'$  be compact domains with analytic relative boundary. Let  $U(z)$  be an HP on  $\bar{\Omega}$  such that  $U(z) = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega \cap \Omega'$  and let  $U'(z)$  be an HP on  $\bar{\Omega}'$  such that  $U'(z) = U(z)$  on  $\partial\Omega \cap \partial\Omega'$  and  $U'(z) = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega' - \partial\Omega$ . Let  $G_L = \{z \in \Omega : U(z) > L\}$ ,  $G'_L = \{z \in \Omega' : U'(z) > L\}$ ,  $\Gamma_L = \partial G_L \cap \bar{\Omega}$ ,  $\Gamma'_L = \partial G'_L \cap \bar{\Omega}'$ . Then

$$1) \quad U(z) \leq U'(z).$$

$$2) \quad 0 < \int_{\Gamma'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds \leq \int_{\Gamma_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U ds \quad \text{and} \quad D(U'^L) \leq D(U^L).$$

PROOF. 1) is evident. 2) Since  $U(z) = U'(z)$  on  $\partial\Omega \cap \partial\Omega'$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' \geq \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U$  on  $\bar{G}_L \cap \partial\Omega - \Gamma_L$ . By  $U'(z) = L$  on  $(\bar{G}'_L - \bar{G}_L) \cap \partial\Omega'$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' \geq 0$  on  $(\bar{G}'_L - \bar{G}_L) \cap \partial\Omega'$ , where inner normals are with respect to  $G_L$  and  $G'_L$ . Now  $\int_{\Gamma'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds$

$$= - \int_{\bar{G}_L \cap \partial\Omega - r'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U ds, \int_{r'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds = - \int_{\bar{G}'_L \cap \partial\Omega - r'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds = - \int_{\bar{G}_L \cap \partial\Omega - r'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds - \int_{(\bar{G}'_L - \bar{G}_L) \cap \partial\Omega'} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds.$$

Hence

$$0 \leq \int_{r'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds \leq \int_{r'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U ds.$$

Let  $L_t = \int_{r'_t} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U ds$  and  $L'_t = \int_{r'_t} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds$ . Then  $L'_t \leq L_t$  and by Lemma 5 we have

$$D(U'^L) = \int_0^L L'_t dt \leq \int_0^L L_t dt = D(U^L).$$

Similarly we have the following

LEMMA 6. B. Let  $\Omega$  and  $\Omega'$  be domains in Lemma 6. A. Let  $U(z)$  be an HP on  $\bar{\Omega}$  such that  $U(z) = \max U(z) = M$  on  $\partial\Omega \cap \Omega'$  and let  $U'(z)$  be an HP on  $\bar{\Omega}'$  such that  $U'(z) = U(z)$  on  $\partial\Omega \cap \partial\Omega'$  and  $U'(z) = M$  on  $\partial\Omega' - \bar{\Omega}$ . Then

- 1)  $U'(z) \leq U(z)$ .
- 2)  $0 \leq \int_{r'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U' ds \leq \int_{r'_L} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U ds$ .
- 3)  $D(U'^L) \leq D(U^L)$ .

THEOREM 7. Let  $U(z)$  be a QHD such that  $\mathfrak{A}(U) = \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$  i. e.  $\frac{D(|U|^{M_i})}{M_i} = \alpha_i, \alpha_i \rightarrow \alpha$ .

Then there exist positive QHD's  $U_1$  and  $U_2$  with  $\mathfrak{A}(U_1) \leq \alpha, \mathfrak{A}(U_2) \leq \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$  and  $U = U_1 - U_2, U_1 \geq U^+ = \max(0, U)$  and  $U_2 \geq -U^- : U^- = \min(0, U)$ .

PROOF. If  $U(z) > 0$ , our assertion is trivial. We suppose  $\inf U(z) < 0$ . For any  $\delta' > 0$ , consider  $D(U)$  over  $\{z \in R : 0 < U(z) < \delta'\} < \infty$ . By Lemma 5, there exists a const.  $\delta$  such that  $0 < \delta < \delta'$  and  $\int_{C_\delta} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U(z) ds = K < \infty : C_\delta = \{z \in R : U(z) = \delta\}$ . Let  $D_0$  be a disc in  $\{z \in R : U(z) < 0\} \cap R_{n_0}$ , where  $n_0$  is a suitable number. Let  $\tilde{U}(z) = (U(z) - \delta)^+$  and  $\tilde{G}_L = \{z \in R : \tilde{U}(z) > L\}$ . Then  $0 < \int_{\partial\tilde{G}_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \tilde{U} ds \leq K$ . In Lemma 6, A, let  $\Omega = R_n \cap \tilde{G}_0, \Omega' = R_n - D_0 : n > n_0$ . Then  $\Omega \subset \Omega'$ . Let  $\tilde{U}'_n(z) = H_{\tilde{G}'}^{\Omega'} = H_{\tilde{G}'}^{R_n - D_0}$ . Then  $\tilde{U}'_n(z) = 0$  on  $\partial D_0$ . Let  $\tilde{G}'_L = \{z \in R : \tilde{U}'_n(z) > L\}$ . Then by Lemma 6, A, 2)

$$\int_{\partial D_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \tilde{U}'_n ds \leq \int_{\partial R_n - \tilde{G}_0 + \partial D_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \tilde{U}'_n ds \leq \int_{\partial \tilde{G}_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \tilde{U} ds \leq K. \quad (1)$$

Since  $\tilde{U}$  is an *SBH*,  $H_{\tilde{U}}^{R_n - D_0} \nearrow$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . By (1)  $\lim_n H_{\tilde{U}}^{R_n - D_0} = \tilde{U} < \infty$ . Let  $\varpi'(z) = 1 - \varpi(B \cap R, z, R - D_0)$  and  $\varpi'(z) = 1$  on  $\bar{D}_0$ . Since  $\tilde{U}$  and  $\varpi'(z)$  are harmonic on  $\partial D_0$ ,  $\max_{z \in \partial D_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \tilde{U}(z) / \min_{z \in \partial D_0} \left( -\frac{\partial}{\partial n} \varpi'(z) \right) \leq K' < \infty$ . Then  $K' \varpi'(z) + \tilde{U} + \delta$  is an *SPH*  $\geq U^+$ . Let  $\Omega' = R_n$  and  $\Omega = R_n \cap G_0$ :  $G_0 = \{z \in R : U(z) > 0\}$  and let  $U_n^* = H_{U^+}^{R_n}$ . Since  $U^+$  is an *SBH*,

$$(U^+ \leq) U_n^* \nearrow U^* \leq K' \varpi'(z) + \tilde{U} + \delta < \infty.$$

On the other hand, by Lemma 6. A. 2)

$$D_{R_n}(U_n^{*M_i}) \leq D_{R_n}((U^+)^M) \leq M_i \alpha_i \quad \text{for any } n.$$

Also by Lemma 3  $D_R(U^{*M_i}) \leq \lim_n D_{R_n}(U_n^{*M_i}) \leq M_i \alpha_i$ . Let  $U_1 = U^*$ . Then  $U_1$  is a required function. Similarly let  $V_n^* = H_{U^-}^{R_n}$ . Then  $V_n^* \nearrow V^* < \infty$  and  $U_n^* - V_n^* = H_{U^+}^{R_n} - H_{U^-}^{R_n} = H_U^{R_n} = U$ , whence  $U_1 - U_2 = U$ , where  $U_2 = V^*$ . Thus we have the theorem.

**The operations  $E$  and  $I^n$ .** Let  $U$  be an *HP* in  $R$ . Let  $I[U]$  be the greatest *SBH* not larger than  $U$  in  $R - R_0$  vanishing on  $\partial R_0$ . Let  $U_n$  be a harmonic function in  $R_n - R_0$  such that  $U_n = 0$  on  $\partial R_0$ ,  $U_n = U$  on  $\partial R_n$  and  $U_n = U$  in  $R - R_n$ . Then  $U_n$  is an *SPH*, whence  $U_n \geq I[U]$ ,  $U_n \downarrow$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\lim_n U_n \geq I[U]$ .  $\lim_n U_n$  is harmonic and  $\leq U$  and  $\lim_n U_n \leq I[U]$ . Hence  $\lim_n U_n = I[U]$ . From the construction of  $U_n$ , we see easily

$$I[U] = U - H_U^{R - R_0}.$$

Let  $U_0$  be an *HP* in  $R - R_0$  vanishing on  $\partial R_0$ . Let  $E[U_0]$  be the least positive *SPH* in  $R$  not smaller than  $U_0$ . Let  $U^* = U_0 + K(1 - \varpi(B \cap R, z, R - R_0))$  in  $R - R_0$  and  $K$  in  $R_0$ , then  $U^*$  is an *SPH*, where  $K = \max_{z \in \partial R_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U_0(z) / \min_{z \in \partial R_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} \varpi(R \cap B, z, R - R_0)$ . Let  $U_n$  be a function in  $R$  such that  $U_n = H_{U_0}^{R_n}$  in  $R_n$  and  $U = U_0$  in  $R - R_n$ , then  $U_n$  is an *SBH*  $\geq U_0$  and  $U_n \nearrow \leq U^* < \infty$ . Similarly as  $I[U]$  we have  $\lim_n U_n = E[U_0]$  and

$$E[U_0] = U_0 + H_{E[U_0]}^{R - R_0} \quad \text{in } R - R_0.$$

Define  $E$  for  $I[U]$ . Let  $U_n = H_{I[U]}^{R_n}$  then  $U_n = H_U^{R_n} - H_S^{R_n}$ , where  $S = H_U^{R - R_0} \leq K(1 - \varpi(R \cap B, z, R - R_0))$ :  $K = \max_{z \in \partial R_0} U(z)$ . By 4) of Lemma 1,  $\lim_n H_S^{R_n} = 0$ .



Then by  $H_U^{R_n} = U$  we have  $EI[U] = U$ . Similarly we have  $IE[U_0] = U_0$ . Thus

$$EI[U] = U \quad \text{and} \quad IE[E_0] = U_0.$$

If an HP  $U$  is a limit of increasing sequence of HB's,  $U$  is called a QHB (quasibounded harmonic function),

LEMMA 7. 1). Let  $U$  be a positive QHD in  $R$  with  $\mathfrak{A}(U) = \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$ . Then  $I[U]$  is also a QHD and  $\mathfrak{A}(I[U]) = \alpha$  for  $M_i + k$ , where  $k$  is a const. Let  $U_0$  be a positive QHD in  $R - R_0$  vanishing on  $\partial R_0$  and  $\mathfrak{A}(U_0) = \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$ , then  $E[U]$  is also a QHD with  $\mathfrak{A}(E[U]) = \alpha$  for  $M_i + k'$ , where  $k'$  is a const.

2) If an HP  $U$  is singular in  $R$ ,  $I[U]$  is singular in  $R - R_0$ . If  $U_0$  is singular in  $R - R_0$  and  $U = 0$  on  $\partial R_0$ ,  $E[U_0]$  is singular in  $R$ .

3) If  $U$  is a QHB,  $I[U]$  is also a QHB in  $R - R_0$ . If  $U_0$  is a QHB vanishing on  $\partial R_0$ ,  $E[U]$  is a QHB in  $R$ .

4) If  $G(z)$  is a GG,  $I[G]$  is a GG in  $R - R_0$ . If  $G(z)$  is a GG in  $R - R_0$  vanishing on  $\partial R_0$ ,  $E[G]$  is a GG in  $R$ .

PROOF. 1). Let  $I[U] = V$  and  $H_U^{R - R_0} = T$ . Then  $0 \leq T \leq k \leq K_1 = \max_{z \in \partial R_0} U(z)$ . Since  $T$  is harmonic on  $\partial R_0$ ,

$$D(T) \leq K_1 < \infty. \quad (1)$$

$$\{z : U(z) < L\} = G_U^L \subset \{z : V(z) < L\} \subset G_V^{L+k} = \{z : U(z) < L+k\}.$$

$$\frac{D(U)}{\alpha_U^L} - 2\frac{D(U, T)}{\alpha_U^L} + \frac{D(T)}{\alpha_U^L} \leq \frac{D(V^L)}{\alpha_U^{L+k}} \leq \frac{D(U)}{\alpha_U^{L+k}} - 2\frac{D(U, T)}{\alpha_U^{L+k}} + \frac{D(T)}{\alpha_U^{L+k}}. \quad (2)$$

By Schwarz's inequality

$$D(U, T) \leq \sqrt{D(U)D(T)}. \quad (3)$$

If  $\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} D(U^L) < \infty$ , we have by (1), (2) and (3),  $D(V) < \infty$  and  $\mathfrak{A}(U) = 0 = \mathfrak{A}(I[U])$ . If  $\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} D(U^L) = \infty$ ,  $2D(U^L, T)/L \rightarrow 0$  as  $L \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence by (2) we have

$$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} D(U^L)/L \leq \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} D(V^L)/L \leq \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} D(U^{L+k})/L,$$

$\mathfrak{A}(U) = \mathfrak{A}(I[U])$  for  $M_i$  and  $M_i + k$  respectively.

Now  $E[U_0] = U_0 + H_{E[U_0]}^{R - R_0}$  and  $H_{E[U_0]}^{R - R_0} \leq K_2$ ,  $D(H_{E[U_0]}^{R - R_0}) \leq K_3$ . The latter part is proved similarly.

2) If  $U$  is singular,  $I[U]$  is clearly singular in  $R - R_0$ . Let  $U_0$  be singular in  $R - R_0$ .  $E[U_0] = U_0 + H_{E[U_0]}^{R - R_0}$ . Let  $E[U_0] = T$  and  $V = H_{E[U_0]}^{R - R_0}$ . Then

$$H_{T, M}^{R_n} \leq H_{U_0, M}^{R_n} + H_V^{R_n}.$$

Let  $w'(z)=1$  on  $\bar{R}_0$  and  $w'(z)=1-w(R \cap B, z, R-R_0)$  in  $R-R_0$ . Then  $w'(z)$  is an *SPH* and singular by Lemma 1, 4). Now  $V \leq K_4 w'(z)$  in  $R-R_0$ ,  $K_3 = \max_{z \in \partial R_0} E[U_0]$ . Hence  $H_V^{R_n} \leq K_4 H_{w'}^{R_n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $\dot{H}_{U_0^M}^{R_n - R_0}$  be the solution of Dirichlet problem with value  $=0$  on  $\partial R_0$  and  $=U_0^M$  on  $\partial R_n$ . Then

$$H_{U_0^M}^{R_n} \leq \dot{H}_{U_0^M}^{R_n - R_0} + K_4 w'(z) \text{ in } R_n - R_0.$$

Since  $U_0$  is singular in  $R-R_0$ ,  $\lim_n \dot{H}_{U_0^M}^{R_n - R_0} = 0$ , whence  $\lim_n H_{U_0^M}^{R_n} \leq K_4 w'(z)$ .  $\lim_n H_{U_0^M}^{R_n}$  is an *HB* and  $w'(z)$  is singular, whence  $\lim_n H_{U_0^M}^{R_n} = 0$ . Thus  $\lim_n H_{U_0^M}^{R_n} = 0$  and  $E[U_0]$  is singular. 3) is evident by the expression of  $I$  and  $E$ . 4) is a direct consequence of 1) and 2).

LEMMA 8. 1). Let  $\Omega$  be a compact domain with analytic relative boundary. Let  $P(z)$  be a positive continuous *SPH* on  $\bar{\Omega}$  such that  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} P$ ,  $\frac{\partial}{\partial y} P$  are continuous except analytic curves in  $\Omega$  and  $D(P^M) \leq M\alpha$ . Let  $U = H_P^2$ . Then

$$D(U^M) \leq M\alpha.$$

2) Let  $P(z)$  be an *SPH* satisfying the same condition as 1) in  $R$ . Let  $U_n = H_P^{R_n}$ . Then  $U_n \downarrow U$  and  $D(U^M) \leq M\alpha$ .

PROOF. Let  $D^M = \{z \in \Omega : U(z) < M\}$  and  $\dot{D}^M = \{z \in \Omega : P(z) < M\}$ . Then  $D^M \supset \dot{D}^M$  and  $P^M(z) = M$  in  $\bar{D}^M - \dot{D}^M$  and  $D(P^M) = 0$ . Since  $P^M(z)$  and  $U(z)$  has the same boundary value on  $\partial D^M$ , by the Dirichlet principle

$$\left( D(U^M) = \right) D(U) \leq D(P^M) = D(P^M) \left( = D(P^M) \right).$$

Thus we have 1). Let  $R_n = \Omega$ . Then by 1)  $D(U_n^M) \leq D(P^M) \leq M\alpha$ . Since  $P(z)$  is an *SPH*,  $U_n \downarrow U$ . By Lemma 3 we have at once 2).

**QHBD functions.** Let  $U(z)$  be an *HP*. If there exist increasing sequence of *HB*'s  $U_n(z) : n=1, 2, 3, \dots$  and a sequence  $\{M_i\}$  such that  $U(z) = \lim U_n(z)$  and

$$\frac{D(U_n^{M_i})}{M_i} \leq \alpha_i \quad \text{for any } n \text{ and } \alpha_i \rightarrow \alpha,$$

we call  $U(z)$  a *QHBD* with  $\mathfrak{A}(U) \leq \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$ .

We see at once by Lemma 3  $U(z)$  is a *QHD* with  $\mathfrak{A}(U) \leq \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$  and evidently  $U(z)$  is a *QHB*.

**Fullsuperharmonic functions (FSPH)<sup>(2), (5)</sup>.** Let  $U(z)$  be an *HP* in  $R-R_0$

such that  $U(z)=0$  on  $\partial R_0$  and  $D(U^M) < \infty : 0 < M < \infty$ . Let  $D$  be a domain such that  $\partial D$  is compact. Let  $U_D(z)$  be a function such that  $U_D(z)=U(z)$  on  $D$  and  $U_D(z)$  has M. D. I. over  $R-D-R_0$  among all harmonic functions with the same value as  $U(z)$  on  $\partial R_0 + \partial D$ . If for any  $D$ ,  $U_D(z) \leq U(z)$ ,  $U(z)$  is called an *FSPH*. Then it is well known,  $U_D(z)$  is given as

$$U_D(z) = \int_{\bar{D}} N(z, p) d\mu(p), \quad \int d\mu = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial R_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U_D(z) ds \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial R_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U(z) ds = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi},$$

where  $\bar{D}$  is the closure of  $D$  with respect to *N-Martin's* topology.

**THEOREM 8.** *Let  $U(z)$  be an HP such that  $U(z)=0$  on  $\partial R_0$  and  $U(z)$  is an FSPH in  $R-R_0$ . Then  $U(z)=V(z)+G(z)$ , where  $V(z)$  is a QHBD with  $\mathfrak{A}(V) \leq \alpha$  for any  $\{M\}$  and  $G(z)$  is a GG with  $\mathfrak{M}(G) \leq \alpha : \alpha = \int_{\partial R_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U ds$ .*

**PROOF.** Since  $U(z)$  is an *FSPH*,  $U_{R_m}(z) \nearrow U(z)$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ .  $U_{R_m}(z)$  is given as  $U_{R_m}(z) = \int N(z, p) d\mu_m(p)$ ,  $\int d\mu_m \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\partial R_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} U(z) ds = \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}$ . Since  $U_{R_m}(z)$  is harmonic except  $\partial R_m$ ,  $\mu_m > 0$  only on  $\partial R_m$ . In any compact set in  $R-R_0-\partial R_m$ ,  $U_{R_m}(z)$  is uniformly approximated by a sequence of the form  $\sum c_i N(z, p_i) : \sum c_i \leq \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}$ . Clearly  $D((\sum c_i N(z, p_i))^M) \leq \alpha M$ . Hence by Lemma 3

$$D(U_{R_m}^M) \leq \alpha M. \quad (1)$$

By  $N(z, p) = G(z, p) + U(z, p) : p \in R-R_0$ ,  $U_{R_m}(z) = \int G(z, p) d\mu_m(p) + \int U(z, p) d\mu_m(p)$ . Let  $P^m = \int G(z, p) d\mu_m(p)$  and  $J_m = \int U(z, p) d\mu_m(p)$ . Then  $P^m$  and  $J_m$  are bounded and  $P^m$  is singular, whence  $\lim_n H_{P^m}^{R_n} = 0$ . Since  $U_{R_m}(z)$  has M. D. I. over  $R-R_m$ ,  $J_m(z) \leq U_{R_m}(z) \leq \max_{z \in \partial R_m} U(z)$  in  $R-R_m$  and  $J_m$  is an *HB*. Let  $T_{m,n} = H_{J_m}^{R_n-R_0}$ . Since  $J_m$  is harmonic,  $T_{m,n} = J_m$  and

$$H_{U_{R_m}}^{R_n-R_0} = H_{P^m}^{R_n-R_0} + H_{J_m}^{R_n-R_0}.$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Then  $\lim_n H_{U_{R_m}}^{R_n-R_0} = J_m$ . Hence by Lemma 8 and by (1)

$$D(J_m^M) \leq D(U_{R_m}^M) \leq \alpha M \quad \text{for any } m. \quad (2)$$

By  $U_{R_m} \nearrow U$ ,  $J_m \nearrow J$ . Thus  $J$  is a *QHBD* with  $\mathfrak{A}(J) \leq \alpha$  for any  $\{M\}$ . Since  $\int d\mu_m \leq \frac{\alpha}{2\pi}$ , we can find a sequence  $\{\mu_{m'}\}$  such that  $\mu_{m'} \rightarrow \mu$  and  $P^{m'} \rightarrow P$ . Then

$$U(z) = P + J.$$

Now  $\mu$  lies on only  $\Delta_G$ , whence by Theorem 6, 2)  $P$  is a GG with  $\mathfrak{M}(P) \leq \alpha$  and we have the theorem.

The following is well known and we state without proof.

LEMMA 9. *Let  $U$  be an HP. Then  $U$  is divided into uniquely determined two parts, the quasibounded part  $U^Q$  and the singular part  $U^S$  and  $U = U^Q + U^S$ . This implies if HP,  $s$   $U_1$  and  $U_2$  satisfy  $U_1 \geq U_2$ , then  $U_1^Q \geq U_2^Q$ ,  $U_1^S \geq U_2^S$ .*

THEOREM 9. 1). *Let  $U(z)$  be a positive QHD with  $\mathfrak{A}(U) \leq \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$ . Then*

$$U(z) = V(z) + G(z),$$

where  $V(z)$  is a positive QHBD with  $\mathfrak{A}(V) \leq \alpha$  for  $\{M'_i\} : M'_i = M_i + \text{const.}$ , and  $G(z)$  is a GG with  $\mathfrak{M}(G(z)) \leq \alpha$ .

2) *Let  $U(z)$  be a QHD with  $\mathfrak{A}(|U|) \leq \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$ . Then*

$$U(z) = (V_1(z) + G_1(z)) - (V_2(z) + G_2(z)),$$

where  $V_i(z)$  is a positive QHBD with  $\mathfrak{A}(V_i) \leq \alpha$  for  $M'_i = M_i + \text{const.}$ , and  $G_i(z)$  is a GG with  $\mathfrak{M}(G_i) \leq \alpha$ .

3) *In the representation of  $U(z)$  in 2), if  $\mathfrak{A}(|U|) = 0$ ,  $G_i(z) = 0$  by Theorem 2. If every boundary points of  $R$  is regular ( $\Delta_{G,\delta} = 0$  for  $\delta > 0$ ),  $G_i(z) = 0$ .*

4) *As a special case, if  $U(z)$  is a QHD in  $|z| < 1$ , then  $U(z)$  is Poisson's integrable.*

PROOF. Let  $\tilde{U} = I[U]$ , where  $I$  is the operation from  $R$  into  $R - R_0$ . Then by Lemma 7  $\tilde{U}$  is also a QHD in  $R - R_0$  with  $\mathfrak{A}(\tilde{U}) \leq \alpha$  for  $\{M'_i\} : M'_i = M_i + \max_{z \in \partial R_0} U(z)$ . Let  $G_L = \{z \in R - R_0 : \tilde{U}(z) > L\}$  and let  $\Omega' = R_{n+i} - R_0 - G_L \cap (R_{n+i} - R_n)$ ,  $\Omega = R_{n+i} - R_0 - G_L$ .

Then  $\Omega' \supset \Omega$ . Let  $\tilde{T}_{L,n,n+i} = H_{\partial R}^{\Omega' L}$  and  $\tilde{T}^* = H_{\partial R}^{\Omega} = \tilde{U}$ . Then  $\tilde{T}_{L,n,n+i} = L = \max \tilde{T}_{L,n,n+i}$  on  $G_L \cap \partial R_n$  and  $T^* = L$  on  $\partial G_L \cap R_{n+i}$ . Hence by Lemma 6, B

$$D(\tilde{T}_{L,n,n+i}^{M'_i}) \leq D(\tilde{U}^{M'_i}) \leq M'_i \alpha_i, \quad (M'_i \leq L).$$

Since  $\tilde{U}$  is an SPH in  $R - R_0 - G_L$ ,  $\tilde{T}_{L,n,n+i} \downarrow \tilde{T}_{L,n}$  as  $i \rightarrow \infty (\leq \tilde{U})$ . Let  $\tilde{T}_{L,n} = L$  in  $G_L - R_n$ . Then  $\tilde{T}_{L,n}$  is an SPH in  $R - R_0$  and  $\tilde{T}_{L,n} \downarrow \tilde{T}_L$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Now  $\tilde{T}_L$  is an HB in  $R - R_0$  and by Lemma 3  $D(\tilde{T}_L^{M'_i}) \leq M'_i \alpha_i : M'_i \leq L$ . Clearly  $\tilde{T}_{L,n,n+i} \leq \tilde{T}_{L',n,n+i}$  for  $L < L'$  and  $\tilde{T}_L \nearrow \tilde{T} \leq \tilde{U}$  as  $L \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence  $\tilde{T}$  is a QHBD with

$$\mathfrak{A}(\tilde{T}) \leq \alpha \quad \text{for } \{M'_i\}. \quad (1)$$

Let  $S_L = L\omega(G_L, z, R - R_0)$ . Then by Theorem 1  $\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} S_L = S$  is singular and

$$S \leq \tilde{U}. \quad (2)$$

By the maximum principle  $\tilde{T}_{L,n,n+i} \leq \tilde{U} \leq \tilde{T}_{L,n,n+i} + S_L$ . By letting  $i \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and then  $L \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\tilde{T} \leq \tilde{U} \leq \tilde{T} + S. \quad (3)$$

By (2), (3) and by Lemma 9 we have

$$\tilde{U} = \tilde{T} + S.$$

We show  $S$  is not only singular but also a  $CG$ . Let  $A_L(z) = L\omega(G_L, z, R - R_0)$ . Then since  $A_L(z)$  has  $M.D.I.$  over  $CG_L$  with same value as  $\tilde{U}(z)$  on  $\partial R_0 + \partial G_L$ ,

$$D(A_{M'_i}(z)) \leq D(\tilde{U}^{M'_i}) \leq M'_i \alpha_i \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\partial R_0} \frac{\partial}{\partial n} A_{M'_i}(z) ds \leq \alpha_i.$$

Consier  $A_{M'_i}(z)$  with respect to  $N$ -Martin's topology. Clearly  $A_{M'_i}(z)$  is an  $FSPH$  and there exists a positive mass  $\mu_i$  such that  $A_{M'_i}(z) = \int_{\tilde{G}_{M'_i}} N(z, p) d\mu_i(p)$ ,

$\int d\mu_i \leq \frac{\alpha_i}{2\pi}$ ,  $\left\{ \int d\mu_i \right\}$  are uniformly bounded, hence there exists a sequence  $\{\mu_i\}$  such that  $\mu_i \rightarrow \mu$  and  $A_{M'_i}(z) \rightarrow A(z)$  (clearly  $\mu = 0$  in  $R$ ) and  $A(z) = \int N(z, p) d\mu(p)$ . Hence by Theorem 8

$$A(z) = A'(z) + A''(z),$$

where  $A'(z)$  is a  $QHBD$  with  $\mathfrak{A}(A'(z)) \leq \alpha$  for any  $\{M\}$  and  $A''(z)$  is a  $GG$  with  $\mathfrak{M}(A''(z)) \leq \alpha$ . By  $\omega(G_L, z, R - R_0) \geq \omega(G_L, z, R - R_0)$ ,  $S \leq A'(z) + A''(z)$ . Also by Lemma 9  $S \leq A''(z)$ . Hence by Theorem 2.3)  $S$  is an  $GG$  in  $R - R_0$  with  $\mathfrak{M}(S) \leq \alpha$ .

Now

$$U = E[\tilde{U}] = E[\tilde{T}] + E[S].$$

By Lemma 7  $E[S]$  is a  $GG$  in  $R$  with  $\mathfrak{M}(E[S]) \leq \alpha$ . Let  $T_L = E[\tilde{T}_L]$ . Then  $T_L = \lim_n H_{\tilde{T}_L}^{R_n}$  and  $\leq L$ . By putting  $\Omega = R_n - R_0$ ,  $\Omega' = R_n$ , we have by Lemma

6. A  $D((H_{\tilde{T}_L}^{R_n})^{M'_i} \leq D(\tilde{T}_L^{M'_i}) \leq M'_i \alpha_i : M'_i \leq L$ . Also by Lemma 3

$$D(T_L^{M'_i}) \leq M'_i \alpha_i : M'_i \leq L \quad \text{and} \quad T_L \leq L. \quad (4)$$

$\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} E[\tilde{T}_L] \geq \lim_L \tilde{T}_L = \tilde{T}$ . Since  $E[\tilde{T}]$  is the least positive  $SPH$  larger than  $\tilde{T}$ ,  $\lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} E[\tilde{T}_L] \geq E[\tilde{T}]$ . On the other hand, clearly  $\lim_L E[\tilde{T}_L] \leq E[\tilde{T}]$ . Hence

$T_L \nearrow E[\tilde{T}] = \lim_{L \rightarrow \infty} E[\tilde{T}_L]$ . Thus by (4)  $E[\tilde{T}]$  is a *QHBD* with order  $\leq \alpha$  for  $\{M_i\}$  and we have 1). 2) is obtained by 1) and by Theorem 7. 3) If  $G(z) > 0$ ,  $\mathfrak{M}(G(z)) > 0$  and the former part is evident. By Theorem 4,  $A_{\alpha, \delta} = 0$  for  $\delta > 0$  implies  $G(z) = 0$  and 3) is proved. 4) is clear by 2) and 3).

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