

35. On the Capacitability of Analytic Sets

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1. The results, obtained by Choquet [2], on the capacitability were extended by Aronszajn-Smith [1] and the author [3] as follows. Every analytic set in the τ -dimensional Euclidean space is capacitable with respect to the capacity of order α , where $0 < \alpha < \tau$ [1]. Let, in general, Ω be a locally compact space, every compact subset of which is metrisable and suppose that a positive symmetric kernel function satisfies Frostman's maximum principle. Then every analytic set in Ω , which is contained in a compact set, is capacitable with respect to the capacity defined by admissible measures [3].

This note will communicate some extensions of these results, details of which will be published later.

2. Let Ω be a locally compact separable metric space, and let Φ be a positive symmetric kernel function which satisfies the following two conditions:

1° the continuity principle, that is, the continuity of the restriction of any potential U^μ of a positive measure μ to its carrier S_μ implies the continuity of U^μ in Ω ,

2° when Ω is non-compact, there exists, for any compact subset K and for any positive number ε , a compact subset $L \supset K$ such that $\Phi(P, Q) < \varepsilon$ in $K \times (\Omega - L)$.

Since Ω is separable, there exists an exhaustion $\{\Omega^{(m)}\}$ ($m=1, 2, \dots$) of Ω such that each $\Omega^{(m)}$ is an open set whose closure is compact, $\Omega^{(m)} \subset \Omega^{(m+1)}$ and $\Omega = \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} \Omega^{(m)}$. In the following consideration we take an exhaustion $\{\Omega^{(m)}\}$ of Ω and we fix it. We say that a sequence $\{\mu_n\}$ ($n=1, 2, \dots$) of positive measures converges vaguely to a positive measure μ when it has the following properties:

(1) it converges vaguely to μ in the ordinary sense,

(2) for each m , the sequence $\{\mu_n^{(m)}\}$ of the restrictions of μ_n to $\Omega^{(m)}$ converges vaguely in the ordinary sense to $\mu^{(m)}$ which coincides with μ in $\Omega^{(m)}$

3. Now let μ be a positive measure whose total measure is finite. Every subset of a set, at which U^μ is infinite, is called a polar set. We denote by \mathfrak{P} the family of all polar sets. Obviously $E = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n$ is a polar set, if every E_n is a polar set.

For an arbitrary set X we consider the following families \mathfrak{F}_X and