

54. Evans-Selberg's Theorem on Abstract Riemann Surfaces with Positive Boundaries. II

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Our $N_{V_m(p)}(p, q)$ is increasing with respect to m . We define the value of $N(z, q)$ at a minimal point p by $\lim_{m \rightarrow M'} N_{V_m(p)}(p, q)$ denoted by $N(p, q)$. If p or q belongs to R , this definition is equivalent to that defined before.

If $V_m(p)$ is not regular, we define $N_{V_m(p)}(p, q)$ by $\lim_{m' \rightarrow m} N_{V_{m'}(p)}(p, q)$, where $m' < m$ and $V_{m'}(p)$ is regular. In the case when $V_m(p)$ is regular, it is proved that $\lim_{m' \rightarrow m} N_{V_{m'}(p)}(p, q) = N_{V_m(p)}(p, q)$, hence we can define $N_{V_m(p)}(p, q)$ for every $m < \sup_{z \in R} N(z, p) = M'$. As in case of a Riemann surface with a null-boundary, we can prove the following

Theorem 10. 1) $N(z, q)$ ($q \in \bar{R}$) is δ -lower semicontinuous in $R + B_1$.

2) $N(z, q)$ is superharmonic in weak sense at every point of $R + B_1$.

3) If p and q are in $R + B_1$, then $N(p, q) = N(q, p)$.

Till now $N(z, q)$ ($q \in \bar{R}$) is defined only on $R + B_1$. Next we define $N(z, q)$ at points belonging to B_0 . If $p \in B_0$, $N(z, p) = \int_{B_1} N(z, p_\alpha) d\mu(p_\alpha)$ ($p_\alpha \in B_1$) by Theorem 8. Although the uniqueness of this mass distribution is not proved by the present author, the value of $N(z, q)$ in $R + B_1$ is uniquely determined. On the other hand, by 3), for $q \in B_1$, $N(p_\alpha, q) = N(q, p_\alpha)$. Hence it is quite natural to define the value of $N(z, q)$ at $p \in B_0$ by $\int N(p_\alpha, q) d\mu(p_\alpha)$. Evidently by 3), in such definition, we have $N(q, p) = N(p, q)$, where the term of the right hand side does not depend on a particular distribution but on the behaviour of $N(z, q)$, because $N(p, q) = \lim_{m \rightarrow M'} N_{V_m(p)}(p, q)$ and $N_{V_m(p)}(p, q)$ is defined by the value of $N(z, q)$ on $\partial V_m(p)$. As for the behaviour of $N(z, q)$ ($q \in \bar{R}$), we have the following

Theorem 11. 1) If $q \in R + B_1$, then $N(p, q) = N(q, p)$ for $p \in \bar{R}$.

2) If $q \in \bar{R}$ and $p \in R + B_1$, then $N(p, q) = \int N(p, q_\alpha) d\mu(q_\alpha)$, where $N(z, q) = \int N(z, q_\alpha) d\mu(q_\alpha)$.

3) $N(z, q)$ ($q \in \bar{R}$) is δ -lower semicontinuous in \bar{R} .