# 173. Dirichlet Problem on Riemann Surfaces. II (Harmonic Measures of the Set of Accessible Boundary Points) 

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Let $\underline{R}$ be a null-boundary Riemann surface with $A$-topology ${ }^{1)}$ and let $R$ be a positive boundary Riemann surface given as a covering surface over $\underline{R}$. When a curve $L$ on $R$ converges to the boundary of $R$ and its projection $\underline{L}$ on $\underline{R}$ tends to a point of $\underline{R}^{*}$, we say that $L$ determines an accessible boundary point (A.B.P.) relative to $\underline{R}^{*}$. In the following we denote the set of all A.B.P.'s by $\mathfrak{U}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$. We consider continuous super-harmonic function $v(z)$ in $R$ such that $0 \leqq v(z) \leqq 1$ and $\lim v(z)=1$ when $z$ tends to the boundary along every curve determining an A.B.P. and we denote by $\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$ the lower envelope of above functions which is harmonic in $R$ on account of Perron-Brelot's theorem. We also consider $\mathfrak{H}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$ and $\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{H}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$ defined similarly on $R^{\infty}$. In the following we assume that the universal covering surface of the projection of $R$ on $\underline{R}$ is hyperbolic. Then there exists a nullboundary Riemann surface $\underline{R}^{\prime}$ such that the projection of $R \subset \underline{R}^{\prime}, \underline{R}^{\prime}$ $\subset \underline{R}$ and that $\underline{R}^{\prime \infty}$ is hyperbolic. We map $\underline{R}^{\prime \infty}$ and $R^{\infty}$ conformally onto $U_{\eta}:|\eta|<1$ and $U_{\xi}:|\xi|<1$ respectively. Let $l_{\xi}$ be a curve in $U_{\xi}$ determining an A.B.P. of $R^{\infty}$, whose projection on $\underline{R}^{\prime}$. Then we see that $l_{\xi}$ converges to a point $\xi_{0}:\left|\xi_{0}\right|=1$ and $\underline{z}=\underline{z}(\xi): U_{\xi} \rightarrow R \rightarrow \underline{R}^{\prime}$ has an angular limit at $\xi_{0}$. It follows that $\underline{z}=\underline{z}(\xi)$ has angular limits at every point of $A_{\xi}^{\prime}$ with respect to $\underline{R}^{\prime}$, where $A_{\xi}^{\prime}$ is the set of points $\xi^{\prime}$ on $|\xi|=1$ such that at least one curve determining A.B.P. with projection in $\underline{R}$ terminates at $\xi^{\prime}$.

Let $\left\{\boldsymbol{R}_{\lambda}^{\prime}\right\}$ be an exhaustion of $\underline{R}^{\prime}$ and $\Delta_{t, n, n}(\theta)$ be the set such that $\frac{1}{n} \leqq\left|\xi-e^{i \theta}\right|<\frac{1}{m}$ and $\left|\arg \left(1-e^{-i \theta} \xi\right)\right|<\frac{\pi}{2}-\frac{1}{l}$ and let $\delta(f(\xi))$ be the diameter of the set $f(\xi): \xi \in J_{t, m, n}(\theta)$ with respect to the $A$ topology. Then we have

$$
A_{\xi}^{\prime}=\varepsilon \varepsilon_{\theta}\left[\sum_{\lambda} \prod_{i} \prod_{k} \sum_{m} \prod_{n} \delta(f(\xi)) \leqq \frac{1}{k} \leftarrow \xi \in \Delta_{l, m, m+n}(\theta)\right]
$$

Since $\delta(f(\xi))$ is continuous with respect to $\theta$ for fixed $l, m$ and $n$, this shows that $A_{\xi}^{\prime}$ is a Borel set.
M. Ohtsuka has proved the next

1) See, Dirichlet problem. I.

Theorem 2.1. If the universal covering surface of the projection is of hyperbolic type, we have

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\omega\left(U_{\xi}, A_{\xi}^{\prime}\right)=\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right),{ }^{2)}
$$

where $\omega\left(U_{\xi}, A_{\xi}^{\prime}\right)$ is the harmonic measure of $A_{\xi}^{\prime}$.
Theorem 2.2. Let the universal covering surface of the projection of $R$ be hyperbolic and map $R^{\infty}$ onto $U_{\xi}:|\xi|<1$ conformally. Let $D$ be the normal polygon of Fuchsian group containing $\xi=0$ with arcs $\alpha_{i}(i=1,2, \ldots)$ on $|\xi|=1$ and let $T_{j}(j=1,2, \ldots)$ be the substitutions of Fuchsian group.

If mes $\left(\sum_{j} T_{j}\left(\sum_{i} \alpha_{i}\right)\right)=2 \pi$, we have

$$
\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)=\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{A}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) .
$$

Proof. Let $A_{\xi}$ be the set of points such that at least one curve determining an A.B.P. on $\left.\mathfrak{H}\left(R, R^{*}\right)\right)$ terminates there. Then $A_{5}$ is measurable and $\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)=\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{M}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}\right)\right)=\omega\left(U_{\xi}, A_{\xi}\right)$. Assume $\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{H}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \supsetneqq \mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$, then there exists, out side of $A_{\xi}$, a set $E_{\delta}$ of positive measure such that $\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$ has angular limits larger than $\delta(\delta>0)$.

Since $\operatorname{mes}\left(E_{\delta} \cap\left(\sum_{j} T_{j} \sum_{i} \alpha_{i}\right)\right)=\operatorname{mes} E_{\delta}$, there exist $\left\{\alpha_{i}\right\}$ and an integer $m$ such that mes $\left(\sum_{j} T_{j}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m}\left(\alpha_{i}-\alpha_{i}^{\prime}\right)\right)<\frac{1}{4}\right.$ mes $E_{\delta}$, where $\alpha_{i}^{\prime}$ is a sub-arc of $\alpha_{i}$ such that $\alpha_{i}$ and $\alpha_{i}^{\prime}$ have no common endpoints. Take closed sets $F_{\delta}^{i}(i=1,2, \ldots m)$ such that $F_{\delta}^{i} \subset\left(\alpha_{i}^{\prime} \cap E_{\delta}\right)$ and mes $\left(\sum_{j} T_{j}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} F_{\delta}^{i}\right)\right)$ $>\frac{1}{2}$ mes $E_{\delta}$. Denote by $\omega(F)$ the harmonic measure of $\sum_{j} T_{j}\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} F_{\delta}^{i}\right)$. Then it is automorphic with respect to Fuchsian group and $\omega(F)$ has limit zero along every curve terminating at ( $\alpha_{i} \cap$ complement of $\left.\sum_{i=1}^{m} F_{\delta}^{i}\right)$. Put $J_{l}^{\lambda}=\varepsilon_{\varepsilon}[\omega(F) \geqq \lambda] \cap C_{l}\left(\sum_{i=1} F_{\delta}^{i}\right)$, where $C_{l}\left(\sum_{i=1} F_{\delta}^{i}\right)$ is the set of point $z$ of $R$ such that $\operatorname{dist}\left(z, \sum^{m} F_{\delta}^{i}\right)>\frac{1}{l}$ on $D$, and let $\omega_{m, m+i}^{\lambda, l}(z)$ be a harmonic function in $R_{m+i}-\left\{\left(R_{m+i}-R_{m}\right) \cap J_{l}^{\lambda}\right\}$ such that $\omega_{m, m+i}^{\lambda, l}(z)$ $=0 \quad$ on $\partial R_{m+i}-J_{l}^{\lambda}$ and $\omega_{m, m+i}^{\lambda, l}(z)=1$ on $\partial J_{l}^{\lambda} \cap\left(R_{m+i}-R_{m}\right)+\partial R_{m} \cap J_{l}^{\lambda}$. Then it is clear $\omega_{m}^{\lambda, l}(z)=\lim _{i=\infty} \omega_{m, m+i}^{\lambda, l}(z)$ is super-harmonic and $\omega^{\lambda, l}(z)$ $=\lim _{m=\infty} \omega_{m}^{\lambda, l}(z)$ has limit 0 on $\alpha_{i} \cap F_{\delta}^{i}$ and moreover $\omega(F)-\lambda \omega^{\lambda, l}(z) \geqq 0$. Thus $\omega^{\lambda, l}(z)=0$, because $\omega^{\lambda, l}(z)$ has the angular limit 0 almost everywhere on $|\xi|=1$. Hence we can easily construct a super-harmonic function $w(z)$ such that $w(z)=\infty$ along every curve tending to the
2) This theorem is proved under a little weaker condition. See, M. Ohtsuka: On covering surfaces over an abstract Riemann surface, Nagoya Math. Journ., 4, 109-118 (1952).
3) See 5).
boundary in $\sum_{l, \lambda>0}^{l=\infty} J_{l}^{\lambda}$. Then $S(z)=\operatorname{Min}[1, v(z)-\delta \omega(F)+\varepsilon w(z)]$ has the limit $l$ along every curve determining an A.B.P. Hence $\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{R}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$ $\leqq \mu\left(R, \mathfrak{P}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)-\delta \omega(F)$. This is absurd, therefore

$$
\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{Y}\left(\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \leqq \mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) .\right.
$$

On the other hand $\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{H}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \leqq \mu\left(R, \mathfrak{H}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$, since every $v(z)$ on $R$ can be considered on $R^{\infty}$.

Corollary. If $R$ is a Riemann surface of finite connectivity and $R$ is hyperbolic, $\quad \mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{H}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)=\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{N}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$.

Since $R$ is a metric space, $R+\mathfrak{Y}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$ is also a metric space. Let $l_{\xi}$ be a continuous curve in $U_{\xi}$ such that whose projection $L$ on $R$ converges to a point of $\mathfrak{Y}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$ with respect to the metric of $R$. Then the projection $\underline{L}$ of $L$ on $\underline{R}$ converges to a point $\underline{p}_{0} \in \underline{R}^{*}$. If $\underline{p}_{0} \in \underline{R}$, the composed function $\underline{z}=\underline{z}(\xi): R^{\infty} \rightarrow \underline{R}$ has an angular limit $\underline{p}_{0}$. It follows that $l_{\xi}$ tends to a point $\xi_{0}$. Therefore $\underline{z}(\xi)$ has the angular limit $\underline{p}_{0}$. Hence $z(\xi): R^{\infty} \rightarrow R+\mathfrak{Y}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$ has the angular limit $p_{0}$. We denote by $A_{\xi}^{\prime \prime}$ the set on $|\xi|=1$ such that at least one $l_{\xi}$ above-mentioned terminates. Let $E_{g}$ be a set on $|\xi|=1$ where the Green's function of $R$ has an angular limit 0 . If $l_{\xi}$ is a Stolz's path terminating at $\xi_{0} \in A_{\xi}^{\prime} \cap E_{g}$, then the projection $L$ of $l_{\xi}$ on $R$ tends to the boundary of $R$ and has the projection $\underline{L}$ on $\underline{R}$ which tends to a point $\underline{p} \in \underline{R}$. Thus $l_{\xi}$ determines an A.B.P. of $\mathfrak{A}(R, \underline{R})$. Hence

$$
A_{\xi}^{4)} \supset A_{\xi}^{\prime \prime} \supset\left(A_{\xi}^{\prime} \supset E_{g}\right) .
$$

Let $\mathfrak{F}$ be a closed subset of $\mathfrak{Y}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$ and let $F$ be the set on $|\xi|=1$ such that at least one curve determining an A.B.P. of $\mathfrak{F}$ terminates. We call $F$ the hyper image ot $\mathfrak{F}$. Put

$$
F^{\prime}=\varepsilon \underset{\theta}{\varepsilon}\left[\prod _ { l } \prod _ { k } \sum _ { m } \prod _ { n } \left(\text { distance }\left(f\left(r_{m, m+n}(\theta) . \widetilde{F}\right) \leqq \frac{1}{k}\right]\right.\right.
$$

where $r_{m, m+n}(\theta)$ is a segment of the radius such that $1-\frac{1}{m} \leq|\xi|<1-\frac{1}{n}$, $\arg \xi=\theta$. Hence $F^{\prime}$ is measurable. We call $F^{\prime}$ the image of $\mathfrak{F}$. Then

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\begin{gathered}
\left(F^{\prime} \cap A_{\xi}^{\prime}\right) \subset F \subset\left\{B_{\xi}+\left(A_{\xi}^{\prime} \cap F^{\prime}\right)\right\} \quad \text { and } \\
\left(F \cap A_{\xi}^{\prime} \cap E_{g}\right) \subset F^{\prime \prime} \subset F,
\end{gathered}
$$

where $B_{\xi}$ is the set where at least one curve determining an A.B.P. of $R$ whose projection lies on $B$ of $\underline{R}$ terminates.

Let $\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{F}\right)$ be the lower envelope of super-harmonic functions $v(z)$ such that $0 \leqq v(z) \leqq 1$, lim $v(z)=1$ along every curve determining an A.B.P. of $R^{\infty}$ lying on $\mathfrak{F}$ and let $\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, B\right)\right), \mu\left(\underline{R}^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(\underline{R}^{\infty}, B\right)\right)$
4) See, the proof of theorem $2.2 \cdots A_{\xi}$ is a hyper image of $\mathfrak{A}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R} *\right)$.
be the lower envelopes of $v_{B}\left(R^{\infty}\right)$ and $v_{B}\left(\underline{R}^{\infty}\right)$ such that $\lim v_{B}\left(R^{\infty}\right)=1$, $\lim v_{B}\left(\underline{R}^{\infty}\right)=1$ along every curve determining an A.B.P. of $R^{\infty}$ and $\underline{R}^{\infty}$ lying on $B$ of $\underline{R}$. Since at every point of $F^{\prime} \cap A_{\xi}^{\prime}, \lim v(z)=1$ along radial segments, $\omega\left(U_{\xi}, F^{\prime} \cap A_{\xi}\right) \leqq \mu\left(R^{\infty}, F \cap A_{\xi}\right) \leqq \mu\left(R^{\infty}, \Im\right) \leqq \mu(R$, $\mathfrak{H}(R, B)+\mu\left(R^{\infty}, A_{\xi}^{\prime} \cap F^{\prime}\right)$. Since $\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, B\right)\right) \leqq \mu\left(\underline{R}^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(\underline{R}^{\infty}, B\right)\right)=0,{ }^{5)}$ mes $\left|A_{\xi}-A_{\xi}^{\prime \prime}\right|=0$ and since $\omega\left(U_{\xi}, F^{\prime} \cap A_{\xi}\right) \geqq \mu\left(R^{\infty}, A_{\xi} \cap F^{\prime}\right)$, we have $\omega\left(U_{\xi}, F^{\prime}\right)=\omega\left(U_{\xi}^{\prime}, F^{\prime} \cap A_{\xi}\right)=\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{\Re}\right)=\omega\left(U_{\xi}, F^{\prime \prime}\right)$, because mes $\left|E_{g}\right|=2 \pi$.

Theorem 2.3. Let $R$ be a positive boundary Riemann surface and let the universal covering surface of the projection of $R$ over $\underline{R}$ be hyperbolic, if $\quad \mu\left(R, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)=\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$, then

$$
\mu(R, \mathfrak{F})=\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{F}\right)=\omega\left(U_{\mathfrak{\xi}}, F^{\prime}\right)
$$

for every closed subset $\mathfrak{F}$ of $\mathfrak{H}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$.
Proof. Put $\mathfrak{Y}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$ in the place of $\mathfrak{F}$ in the above equality and regard that $\underline{z}=z(\xi)$ has angular limits on $\underline{R}$ at a set on $|\xi|=1$ where at least one curve determining an A.B.P. of $\mathfrak{H}(R, \underline{R})$ terminates. Then we have $\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{H}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{N}(R, \underline{R})\right)=\omega\left(U_{\xi}, A_{\xi}\right)$. We denote by $\mathscr{J}_{n}$ all points $z$ of $R+\mathfrak{H}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)$ such that $z$ has a distance $\leqq \frac{1}{n}$ from $\mathfrak{F}$. Then $\mathfrak{F}=\bigcap_{n} \mathscr{F}_{n}$, and the image $F_{n}$ of $\mathscr{F}_{n}$ on $|\xi|=1$ is measurable and $z=z(\xi)$ has angular limits on $R$ at $F_{n}^{\prime}$. Let $\left\{R_{m}\right\}$ be an exhaustion of $R$ with compact relative boundaries $\left\{\partial R_{m}\right\}$ and let $\partial \mathfrak{F}_{n}$ be the relative boundary of $\mathfrak{F}_{n}$. Let $\omega_{m, m+i}^{n}(z)(n, m, i=1,2, \ldots)$ be the harmonic function in $R_{m+i}-\left(F_{n} \cap\left(R_{m+i}-R_{m}\right)\right)$ such that $\omega_{m, m+i}^{n}(z)=1$ on $\left\{\partial \dddot{豸}_{n} \cap\right.$ $\left.\left(R_{m+i}-R_{m}\right)\right\}+\left(\mathfrak{F}_{n} \cap \partial R_{m}\right)$ and $\omega_{n, m+i}^{n}(z)=0$ on $\partial R_{m+i}-\mathfrak{F}_{n}$. Then $\omega_{m}^{n}(z)$ $=\lim _{i=\infty} \omega_{m, m+i}^{n}(z)$ is super-harmonic in $R$ and $\lim _{m} \omega_{m}^{n}(z) \geqq \mu\left(R, \mathfrak{F}_{n}\right)$ for every $n$. Assume, $\mu(R, \mathfrak{F}) \geqq \mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{F}\right)$. Then there exist a number $n$ and a closed subset $E_{\delta}^{\prime}$ in $A_{\xi}^{\prime} \cap C F_{n}^{\prime}$ for sufficiently small number $\delta$ such that $\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{\vartheta}_{n}\right)$ has angular limits larger than $\delta$ and $z=z(\xi)$ converges uniformly inside an angular domain: $|\arg | \xi-e^{i \theta}| |<\frac{\pi}{2}-\delta^{\prime}$ $\left(\delta^{\prime}>0\right)$ for every point $e^{i \theta}$ of $E_{\delta}$, because $\omega\left(U_{\xi}, A_{\xi}^{\prime}\right)=\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{H}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$ $\geqq \mu(R, \mathfrak{F})$ implies that $\mu(R, \mathfrak{F})$ has angular limits 0 almost everywhere on $C A_{\xi}$ (complementary set of $\left.A_{\xi}\right)$. Let $D_{\lambda}\left(E_{\delta}\right)$ be the domain in $U_{\xi}$ such that $D_{\lambda}\left(E_{\delta}\right)$ contains the endpart of the angular domain $\left|\arg \left(1-e^{-i \theta} \xi\right)\right|<\frac{\pi}{2}-\lambda$ at every point $e^{i \theta}$ of $E_{\delta}$. On the other hand the universal covering surface $R_{m}^{\infty}$ is mapped onto a simply connected domain containing $\xi=0$ such that $\bigcup_{m} R_{m}^{\infty}=U_{\xi}$. Let $H_{r}$ be the ring

[^0]domain such that $r<|\xi|<1$. Then there exists $r$ such that $z=z(\xi)$ has a distance $\geqq \frac{1}{2 n}$ from $\mathscr{F}_{n}$, where $\xi \in H_{r} \cap D_{\lambda}\left(E_{\delta}\right)$, because $z=z(\xi)$ has an angular limits of A.B.P.'s of $R$ which have a distance $\geqq \frac{1}{n}$ from $\mathfrak{F}$. Let $D_{\lambda}^{\prime}\left(E_{\delta}\right)$ be a component of $H_{r} \cap D_{\lambda}\left(E_{\delta}\right)$ which has a closed subset of positive measure of $E_{\delta}$ and let $\omega(\xi)$ be a harmonic function such that $\omega(\xi)=1$ on the boundary of $D_{\lambda}^{\prime}\left(E_{\delta}\right)$ except one on $|\xi|=1$ and $\omega(\xi)=0$ on $|\xi|=1$. Consider $\omega_{m}^{n}(z)$ in $U_{\xi}$, we see easily that $\omega_{m}^{\operatorname{sn}}(z) \leqq \omega(\xi)$ for every $m$, because the image of $\partial \dddot{y}_{n}$ does never fall in $D_{\lambda}^{\prime}\left(E_{\delta}\right)$. Since the boundary of $D_{\lambda}^{\prime}\left(E_{\delta}\right)$ is rectifiable, there exists a set of positive measure on $|\xi|=1$ where $\omega(\xi)=0$. Hence $\mu(R, \mathfrak{F})$ $\leqq \lim _{n} \omega^{2 n}(z) \leqq \omega(\xi)$, whence $\mu(R, \mathfrak{F})$ has an angular limit 0 almost everywhere on $E_{\delta}$. This is a contradiction. Thus we have
$$
\mu(R, \mathfrak{F})=\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{F}\right) .
$$

Let $\underline{R}^{\prime}$ be the projection of $R$ on $\underline{R}$. If $\underline{R}^{\prime \infty}$ of $R$ is parabolic ( $\underline{R}^{\prime \infty}$ cannot be mapped onto a unit-circle conformally) we remove a finite number of points $p_{1}, p_{2}, \ldots, p_{n}$ (if $R$ is closed and its genus is zero or one, then the number of points which are to be remove, is three or one respectively) and remove all the points $p_{i_{j}}(j=1,2, \ldots)$ lying on $p_{i}$ from $R$. Denote the remaining surface by $\widetilde{R}$ and define $\mu\left(\widetilde{R}, \mathfrak{n}\left(\widetilde{R}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$ and $\mu\left(\widetilde{R}^{\infty}, \mathfrak{H}\left(\widetilde{R}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)$ similarly. In the following we assume that $R$ has at least one A.B.P. M. Ohtsuka has proved the following:
$\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{A}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)=\mu\left(\widetilde{R}, \mathfrak{H}\left(\widetilde{R}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \geqq \mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{H}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \geqq \mu\left(\widetilde{R}, \mathfrak{H}\left(\widetilde{R}, R^{*}\right)\right)$ and if $R$ is a null-boundary Riemann surface, $\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{H}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)=\mu(\widetilde{R}, \mathfrak{H}(\widetilde{R}$, $\left.\left.\underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)=1$ and $\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{Y}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right)=0$. He proposed the problem: does there exist a case when the inequality holds? We show that there are these cases.

Example. Let $B_{2 n}, B_{2 n-1}: n$ $=1,2, \ldots$ be the system of closed domains in $|z|<1$ such that


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\begin{aligned}
& B_{2 n}: 1-\frac{1}{4 n+3} \leqq r \leqq 1-\frac{1}{4 n+4}: \frac{3}{4} \pi \leqq \theta \leqq \frac{\pi}{4} \quad\left(\text { containing }-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\
& B_{2 n-1}: 1-\frac{1}{4 n} \leqq r \leqq 1-\frac{1}{4 n+1}:-\frac{3}{4} \pi \geqq \theta \geqq-\frac{5 \pi}{4} \quad\left(\text { containing } \frac{\pi}{2}\right) .
\end{aligned}
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We can construct a holomorphic function $f(z):|z|<1$ by Runge's theorem such that $|f(z)-1|<\frac{1}{n}$ in $B_{2 n}$ and $|f(z)|<\frac{1}{n}$ in
$B_{2-1}$. It is clear that $f(z)$ is not bounded in $|z|<1$. Since the value $w=f(z)=\infty$ is an exceptional point, there exists at least one asymptotic path along which $f(z)$ tends to $\infty$, when $z$ converges to the boundary of the unit-circle. Let $l$ be an asymptotic path with starting point $p_{0}$ where $\left|f\left(p_{0}\right)\right|=M_{0}$. Then $l$ is not contained in $\sum_{m=n_{0}}^{\infty}\left(B_{2 n}+B_{2 n-1}\right)$ for a number $n_{0}$ and determines an A.B.P. $\mathfrak{P}$ lying over $w=\infty$. Let $p_{r}$ be the first point where $l$ passes $|z|=r$, and let $l_{r}$ be the part of $l$ between $p_{0}$ and $p_{r}$. Let $v_{l}(z)$ be a continuous super-harmonic function such that $0 \leqq v_{l}(z) \leqq 1$ and $\lim v_{l}(z)=1$, when $z$ tends to $|z|=1$ along $l$. Then there exists $r_{\delta}$ such that $v_{l}(z) \geqq 1-\delta$ on $l-l_{r_{\delta}}$ for a given number $\delta$. Consider the part $l_{r_{2} r_{1}}=l_{r_{2}}-l_{r_{1}}$, then $l_{r_{2} r_{1}}$ connects two circles $|z|=r_{1}$ and $|z|=r_{2}\left(r_{2}>r_{1}>1-\frac{1}{4 n}: n \geqq n_{0}\right)$. Without loss of generality, we can suppose that $l$ has a branch in the left semi-circle. Let $A, B, C, D, E$ and $F$ be points shown in the figure and let $D_{n}$ be the simply connected domain with boundary $\overline{A B}+\overparen{B C}+\overparen{C D}+\overparen{D E F A}$ and let $\omega_{n}(z)$ be the harmonic measure of $\overparen{B C}$ with respect to $D_{n}$. Then we see that $v_{l}(z) \geqq(1-\delta) \omega_{n}(z)$ and $v_{l}(0)$ $\geqq(1-\delta) \omega_{n}(0) \geqq \delta_{1}\left(\delta_{1}>0\right)$ for every $n$. We denote by $U$ the unit-circle and let $v(U, z, \mathfrak{F})$ be a continuous super-harmonic function such that $0 \leqq v(U, z, \mathfrak{F}) \leqq 1$ and $\lim v(U, z, \mathfrak{F})=1$ along $l$ every curve tending to $\mathfrak{F}$ and let $\mu(U, z, \mathfrak{F})$ be their lower envelope. Since $\{v(U, z, \mathfrak{F})\}$ is contained in the class $\left\{v_{t}(z)\right\}$, we have $\mu(U, z, \mathfrak{F}) \geqq \delta_{1}$ at 0 .

We remove all points $\left\{z_{i}\right\}$ where $f\left(z_{i}\right)=0$, or 1 or 2 from $U_{1}$ and denote by $\tilde{U}$ the remaining surface. Map $\widetilde{U}^{\infty}$ onto $U_{\xi}:|\xi|<1$ conformally. Let $\left\{\Re_{\infty}\right\}$ be the set of all A.B.P.'s of $\tilde{U}$ whose projection lie on $w=\infty$ and let $E_{\xi, \infty}$ be the hyper image of $\left\{\mathfrak{F}_{\infty}\right\}$. Then $E_{\xi, \infty}$ is a set of linear measure zero. Let $v\left(U_{\xi},\left\{\mathfrak{B}_{\infty}\right\}\right)$ and $v\left(U_{\xi}, E_{\xi, \infty}\right)$ be superharmonic function in $U_{\xi}$ such that $\lim v\left(U_{\xi},\left\{\Re_{\infty}\right\}\right)=1$ when $z$ tends to $E_{\xi, \infty}$. Then
$\mu\left(\tilde{U}^{\infty}, \mathfrak{P}\right) \leqq \mu\left(\tilde{U}^{\infty},\left\{\mathfrak{P}_{\infty}\right\}\right) \leqq \omega\left(U_{\xi}, E_{\xi, \infty}\right)=0$, where $\mu\left(\tilde{U}^{\infty}, \mathfrak{P}\right)$ and $\mu\left(\tilde{U},\left\{\mathfrak{P}_{\infty}\right\}\right)$ are the lower envelopes of $v\left(U_{\xi}, \mathfrak{P}\right)$ and $v\left(U_{\xi},\left\{\mathfrak{P}_{\infty}\right\}\right)$.
Since $\mathfrak{F}$ is closed, we can conclude by Theorem 2.3 that

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\begin{gathered}
\mu(U, \mathfrak{P})=\mu(\tilde{U}, \mathfrak{P}) \mu \nRightarrow\left(\widetilde{U}^{\infty}, \mathfrak{P}\right) \text { implies } \\
\mu\left(\widetilde{U}, \mathfrak{M}\left(U, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \gtreqless \mu\left(\widetilde{U}^{\infty}, \mathfrak{H}\left(U, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) .
\end{gathered}
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We consider $U$ as a Riemann surface $R$, then we have

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\mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{y t}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \geqq \mu\left(\widetilde{R}^{\infty}, \mathfrak{A}\left(\widetilde{R}^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) .
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Similarly, if we consider $\tilde{U}$ as a Riemann surface $R$, then we have

$$
\mu\left(R, \mathfrak{A}\left(R, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) \geqq \mu\left(R^{\infty}, \mathfrak{A}\left(R^{\infty}, \underline{R}^{*}\right)\right) .
$$


[^0]:    5) Map $R$ of a null-boundary Riemann surface onto $U_{\xi}:|\xi|<1$ and let $E$ the image of the ideal boundary of $R$. Then mes $E=0$. See, M. Tuji: Some metrical theorems on Fuchsian groups, Kodai Math. Sem. Rep., Nos. 4-5, 27-44 (1950).
