

92. Angular Cluster Sets and Oricyclic Cluster Sets

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1. Let G be the unit disk $|z| < 1$ and Γ be its circumference $|z| = 1$. For a point $\zeta \in \Gamma$, let $V = V(\zeta)$ be an angle with vertex at ζ and $K = K(\zeta)$ be an inscribed disk at ζ , that is,

$$K(\zeta) = \{z; |z - \rho\zeta| < 1 - \rho\},$$

where ρ is a constant, $0 < \rho < 1$.

For a function $f(z)$ given in G , we set

$$C(\zeta, K) = C(\zeta, K, f) \\ = \{a; \text{there is a sequence } z_n \in K(\zeta), z_n \rightarrow \zeta, f(z_n) \rightarrow a\}.$$

$C(\zeta, V) = C(\zeta, V, f)$ is defined similarly.

We put

$$C_{\mathfrak{A}}(\zeta, f) = \bigcup_V C(\zeta, V, f), \quad C_{\mathfrak{D}}(\zeta, f) = \bigcap_K C(\zeta, K, f),$$

where summation and intersection are taken over all $V(\zeta)$ and $K(\zeta)$. $C_{\mathfrak{A}}$ and $C_{\mathfrak{D}}$ are called *angular cluster set* and *oricyclic cluster set*, respectively [2].

Obviously $C_{\mathfrak{A}} \subset C_{\mathfrak{D}}$. We will show here that $C_{\mathfrak{A}}(\zeta, f) = C_{\mathfrak{D}}(\zeta, f)$ except on a set of σ -porosity of the order 1/2 (see the definition below), for any arbitrary function $f(z)$.

If $C_{\mathfrak{F}}(\zeta, f)$ is the fine cluster set at ζ [4], Brelot and Doob [4] proved that $C_{\mathfrak{A}}(\zeta, f) \subset C_{\mathfrak{F}}(\zeta, f)$ for harmonic or holomorphic $f(z)$. Since $K(\zeta)$ is a fine neighborhood of ζ , we have $C_{\mathfrak{A}} \subset C_{\mathfrak{F}} \subset C_{\mathfrak{D}}$. Thus the relation between $C_{\mathfrak{A}}$ and $C_{\mathfrak{D}}$ will suggest some relation between $C_{\mathfrak{A}}$ and $C_{\mathfrak{F}}$.

2. Let us define some notions. A *KK* (or *VV*)-singular point is the point $\zeta \in \Gamma$ such that $C(\zeta, K', f) \neq C(\zeta, K'', f)$ (or $C(\zeta, V', f) \neq C(\zeta, V'', f)$) for some pair of inscribed disks $K'(\zeta)$ and $K''(\zeta)$ (or angles $V'(\zeta)$ and $V''(\zeta)$). The set of all *KK* (or *VV*)-singular points is called *KK* (or *VV*)-singular set and denoted by $E_{KK}(f)$ (or $E_{VV}(f)$).

A *GK* (or *GV*)-singular point is the point $\zeta \in \Gamma$ such that $C(\zeta, K, f) \neq C(\zeta, f)$ (or $C(\zeta, V, f) \neq C(\zeta, f)$) for some $K(\zeta)$ (or $V(\zeta)$), where $C(\zeta, f)$ is the cluster set at ζ , that is,

$$C(\zeta, f) = \{a; \text{there is a sequence } z_n \in G, z_n \rightarrow \zeta, f(z_n) \rightarrow a\}.$$

GK (or *GV*)-singular set is denoted by $E_{GK}(f)$ (or $E_{GV}(f)$).

KV-singularity is defined analogously.

For a $\varepsilon > 0$, we set $U_\varepsilon(\zeta) = \{z; |z - \zeta| < \varepsilon\}$ (ε -neighborhood). Sup-

pose a set $E \subset \Gamma$ and a point $\zeta \in \Gamma$ are given. Let $r(\zeta, \varepsilon) = r(\zeta, \varepsilon, E)$ be the largest of lengths of arcs contained in $U_\varepsilon(\zeta) \cap \Gamma$ and not intersecting with E . The set E is of porosity of the order α , $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ (or simply of porosity (α)) at ζ , if

$$\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (r(\zeta, \varepsilon))^\alpha > 0.$$

E is of porosity (α) on Γ if it is so at each $\zeta \in E$. A set which is a countable sum of sets porosity (α) is said to be of σ -porosity (α) .

A set of σ -porosity (α) is of the first Baire category. When $\alpha = 1$ and E is measurable, it is of measure 0. But when $0 < \alpha < 1$, it may be of positive measure.

Examples of sets, which are of the first category but not of σ -porosity (α) , can be constructed by procedures of the Cantor-type.

A set of (σ -)porosity of the order 1 ($\alpha = 1$) is simply said of (σ -)porosity.

σ -porosity of the order α can be considered as a precise version of the first Baire category.

Dolzhenko [1] proved the following theorem: *For any arbitrary function $f(z)$, not necessarily one-valued, $E_{VV}(f)$ is of type $G_{\delta\sigma}$ and of σ -porosity. $E_{GV}(f)$ is F_σ and of the first category.*

He also showed that: For any set of σ -porosity there is a bounded holomorphic function $f(z)$ such that $E_{VV}(f) \supset E$. Even for bounded holomorphic $f(z)$, $E_{GV}(f)$ may be of measure 2π .

Now we prove the following theorem by the method of Dolzhenko's paper.

Theorem 1. *For any arbitrary function $f(z)$, $E_{KK}(f)$ is of $G_{\delta\sigma}$ and of σ -porosity.*

Proof. Let $\{\rho_m\}$ be all rational numbers satisfying $0 < \rho_m < 1$, and $K_m = K_m(\zeta)$ be the inscribed disk $\{z; |z - \rho_m \zeta| < 1 - \rho_m\}$. Let $\{D_n\}$ be the sequence of all closed disks in the w -plane, having rational radii r_n and having rational points a_n as centers.

$E_{n,m}$ is the set of points $\zeta \in \Gamma$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{the set } \{w = f(z); z \in K_m(\zeta), \text{dis}(z, \Gamma) < 1/m\} \\ & \text{lies at a distance } \geq r_n \text{ from } D_n. \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

$F_{n,p,q}$ is the set of points $\zeta \in \Gamma$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{the set } \{w = f(z); z \in K_p(\zeta), 1/3q < \text{dis}(z, \Gamma) < 1/q\} \\ & \text{has common points with } D_n. \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Then $E_{n,m}$ is closed and $F_{n,p,q}$ is open. We put

$$F_{n,p} = \bigcap_{s=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{q=s}^{\infty} F_{n,p,q} \quad \text{and} \quad A_{n,m,p} = E_{n,m} \cap F_{n,p} \tag{3}$$

We will show that

$$E_{KK}(f) = \bigcup_{n,m,p} A_{n,m,p} \tag{4}$$

Take a point $\zeta \in E_{KK}(f)$. There exist $K'(\zeta)$ and $K''(\zeta)$, $K' \supset K''$, for which $C(\zeta, K') \supseteq C(\zeta, K'')$. Choose numbers p and s such that $K_p(\zeta) \supset K'(\zeta)$ and

$$D_s \cap C(\zeta, K_p) \neq \phi, \quad \text{dis}(D_s, C(\zeta, K'')) > 5r_s. \tag{5}$$

Then we can find a number m such that $K''(\zeta) \supset K_m(\zeta)$ and

$$\text{dis}(D_s, f(z)) > 4r_s \quad \text{for } z \in K_m(\zeta) \cap \{z; \text{dis}(z, \Gamma) < 1/m\}.$$

If D_n is a disk with radius $r_n = 2r_s$ and concentric with D_s ,

$$\text{dis}(D_n, f(z)) > r_n \quad \text{for } z \in K_m(\zeta) \cap \{z; \text{dis}(z, \Gamma) < 1/m\},$$

which shows $\zeta \in E_{n,m}$. In view of (5) there exists an infinite number of q such that $D_n \cap \{w = f(z); z \in K_p(\zeta), 1/3q < \text{dis}(z, \Gamma) < 1/q\} \neq \phi$, which shows $\zeta \in F_{n,p}$. Thus $\zeta \in A_{n,m,p}$ and $E_{KK}(f) \subset A_{n,m,p}$.

Take $\zeta \in A_{n,m,p}$. From (1), $C(\zeta, K_m) \cap D_n = \phi$. On the other hand from (2), $C(\zeta, K_p) \cap D_n \neq \phi$. Thus we have $C(\zeta, K_m) \neq C(\zeta, K_p)$ and $E_{KK}(f) \supset A_{n,m,p}$.

The equality (4) shows that $E_{KK}(f)$ is of type $G_{\delta\sigma}$. It remains to prove that $A = A_{n,m,p}$ is of porosity. If $\rho_m \leq \rho_p$, $C(\zeta, K_m) \supset C(\zeta, K_p)$ and A must be void. Hence we assume $\rho_p < \rho_m$.

Suppose A is not of porosity at a point $\zeta \in A$. Then for sufficiently small $\varepsilon > 0$, $K_p(\zeta) \cap U_\varepsilon(\zeta)$ is covered by the set $\bigcup_{\xi \in A} K_m(\xi)$. Thus if $z \in K_p(\zeta) \cap U_\varepsilon(\zeta)$, there is a point $\xi \in A$, $z \in K_m(\xi)$. Therefore $w = f(z)$ lies at a distance $\geq r_n$ from D_n , and $C(\zeta, K_p, f) \cap D_n$ must be void. This contradicts with the definition of $F_{n,p}$ and the porosity of A is proved.

3. Theorem 2. *For any arbitrary function $f(z)$, $E_{KV}(f)$ is $G_{\delta\sigma}$ and of σ -porosity of the order $1/2$.*

Proof. Let $\{\rho_m\}$, $\{K_m\}$, $\{D_n\}$ have the same meanings as in the proof of Theorem 1. We denote by $V_{m,k} = V_{m,k}(\zeta)$ the angle of opening $\rho_m\pi/2$ with vertex at ζ and with bisector forming an angle $\rho_k\pi/2$ with inner normal to Γ at ζ .

$E_{n,m,k}$ is the set of points $\zeta \in \Gamma$ such that

$$\text{the set } \{w = f(z); z \in V_{m,k}(\zeta) \cap G, \text{dis}(z, \Gamma) < 1/m\}$$

$$\text{lies at a distance } \geq r_n \text{ from } D_n.$$

$E_{n,m,k}$ is closed. Put $A_{n,m,k,p} = E_{n,m,k} \cap F_{n,p}$, where $F_{n,p}$ is the one used in proof of the former theorem. Then we can show as before that

$$E_{KV}(f) = \bigcup_{n,m,k,p} A_{n,m,k,p},$$

which shows E_{KV} is $G_{\delta\sigma}$. To see that $A = A_{n,m,k,p}$ is of porosity $(1/2)$, we take G as the upper half plane, Γ as the real axis, and ζ as the origin. Then ∂K is the circle $x^2 + y^2 = 2\rho y$, writing ρ instead of $1 - \rho_p$.

Let $M = \bigcup_{\xi \in A} V_{m,k}(\xi)$. Suppose there exists a sequence $z_\nu = x_\nu + iy_\nu \rightarrow 0$, $z_\nu \in K_p \setminus M$. Then the set A must omit intervals $\{I_\nu\}$, where I_ν is the intersection of an angle $\bar{V}^{(\nu)} = -V_{m,k}(0) + z_\nu = \{z; z = -Z + z_\nu,$

$Z \in V_{m,k}(0)$ with the real axis. $|I_\nu|$ (the length of I_ν) is $ay_\nu \geq \frac{1}{2}a\rho x_\nu^2$, where a is a constant depending on ρ_m and ρ_k . From this we can infer that if $z_\nu \in U_\varepsilon(0)$, $r(0, \varepsilon) \geq bx_\nu^2$, where b is a constant. Thus we have

$$\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} (r(0, \varepsilon))^{\frac{1}{2}} > 0,$$

and obtain a contradiction to the assumption that 0 is not a point of porosity (1/2) for A . Therefore, for $\varepsilon > 0$ small enough, $K_p(0) \cap U_\varepsilon(0)$ is covered by the set M . If $z \in K_p \cap U_\varepsilon$ there is a point $\xi \in A$, $z \in V_{m,k}(\xi)$, and $w = f(z)$ lies at a distance $\geq r_n$ from D_n . Thus $C(0, K_p) \cap D_n = \phi$. This is absurd in view of the definition of $F_{n,p}$.

4. From the Theorems 1, 2 and the Dolzhenko's theorem quoted in §2, we have

Theorem 3. *For any arbitrary function $f(z)$, there holds $C_{\mathfrak{A}}(\zeta, f) = C_{\mathfrak{D}}(\zeta, f)$ at every $\zeta \in \Gamma$ except on a set of porosity (1/2).*

Remark. Let $u = h(t) \geq 0$, $t \geq 0$, be a continuous and increasing function. A set $E \subset \Gamma$ can be defined to be of porosity in the $h(t)$ -measure at ζ if

$$\overline{\lim}_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} h(r(\zeta, \varepsilon)) > 0.$$

If $t = h^{-1}(u)$ is the inverse of $h(t)$ and $\int_0^1 h^{-1}(u)u^{-2}du < \infty$, the set $\{z = re^{i\theta}; \theta < h(1-r)\}$ is a fine neighborhood of ζ [4]. We can show that the set $F = \{\zeta; C_{\mathfrak{A}}(\zeta, f) \setminus C_{\mathfrak{D}}(\zeta, f) \neq \phi\}$ is of σ -porosity in the $h(t)$ -measure, where $h(t)$ satisfies the above condition. Probably F would be characterized more precisely.

Theorem 4. *There is a bounded holomorphic function $f(z)$ for which $E_{K^V}(f)$ is of measure 2π .*

Proof. Fix an inscribed disk $K(1) = \{z; |z - \rho| < 1 - \rho\}$, $0 < \rho < 1$. There is a constant β such that an arc $\gamma = \{z = re^{i\theta}; \theta = \beta\sqrt{1-r}\}$ is contained in $K(1)$. Choose t_n , $0 < t_n < 1$, $t_n \nearrow 1$ such that $\sum \sqrt{1-t_n} < \infty$. We define

$$f(z) = \prod \frac{z^{k_n} - t_n^{k_n}}{(t_n z)^{k_n} - 1},$$

where the integers k_n are determined by $k_n = [3\pi/\beta\sqrt{1-t_n}] + 1$. This product converges since $\sum k_n(1-t_n) < \infty$. For every point $\zeta \in \Gamma$, $K(\zeta)$ contains an infinite number of zeros of $f(z)$ and $C(\zeta, K, f)$ contains 0, but $f(z)$ has angular limits of modulus 1 at almost every point of Γ . Thus $E_{K^V}(f)$ is of measure 2π (and of σ -porosity (1/2)).

This gives by the way an example $f(z)$ for which $E_{G^V}(f)$ is of measure 2π .

5. Theorem 4 can be sharpened as follows.

Theorem 5. *Let $E \subset \Gamma$ be a closed set of porosity $(1/2)$. Then there is a bounded holomorphic function $f(z)$ such that $E_{KV}(f) = E$.*

Proof. E^c consists of a countable number of arcs $I_\nu = (\zeta'_\nu, \zeta''_\nu)$. Let $L(\zeta) = \partial K(\zeta)$ be an inscribed circle at $\zeta : L(\zeta) = \{z ; |z - \rho\zeta| = 1 - \rho\}$. Except at most finite number of ν 's, $L(\zeta'_\nu) \cap L(\zeta''_\nu) \neq \phi$. Let $z'_{\nu,1} = z''_{\nu,1}$ be the one of intersection points of $L(\zeta'_\nu)$ and $L(\zeta''_\nu)$ which is nearer to Γ . For every $n > 1$, $z'_{\nu,n}$ be the point on $L(\zeta'_\nu)$ such that $(1 - |z'_{\nu,n}|) / |\zeta'_\nu - z'_{\nu,n}| = \frac{1}{2}(1 - |z'_{\nu,n-1}|) / |\zeta'_\nu - z'_{\nu,n-1}|$. The sequence $\{z'_{\nu,n}\}$ on $L(\zeta'_\nu)$ is defined analogously.

Then $\sum_{\nu,n} (1 - |z'_{\nu,n}|) + \sum (1 - |z''_{\nu,n}|) < \infty$, whence the Blaschke product

$$f(z) = \prod \frac{\bar{z}'_{\nu,n}}{|z'_{\nu,n}|} \frac{z - z'_{\nu,n}}{1 - \bar{z}'_{\nu,n}z} \prod \frac{\bar{z}''_{\nu,n}}{|z''_{\nu,n}|} \frac{z - z''_{\nu,n}}{1 - \bar{z}''_{\nu,n}z}$$

converges and defines a bounded holomorphic function in G . Since for each $\zeta \in E$ $|\zeta - z'_{\nu,n}| \geq |\zeta'_\nu - z'_{\nu,n}|$ and $(1 - |z'_{\nu,1}|) / |\zeta'_\nu - z'_{\nu,1}| \leq K |\zeta'_\nu - z'_{\nu,1}|$ for sufficiently large ν , where K is a constant, we have

$$\sum_{\nu,n} \frac{1 - |z'_{\nu,n}|}{|\zeta - z'_{\nu,n}|} + \sum_{\nu,n} \frac{1 - |z''_{\nu,n}|}{|\zeta - z''_{\nu,n}|} < \infty,$$

thus $f(z)$ has an angular limit of modulus 1 at each point $\zeta \in E$ (Frostman [3]). But if $1 > \rho > \rho'$, $K'(\zeta)$ for $\zeta \in E$ contains an infinite number of points from $\{z'_{\nu,n}, z''_{\nu,n}\}_{\nu,n}$ because of the porosity $(1/2)$ of E . Thus $C(\zeta, K') \ni 0$, and all $\zeta \in E$ belong to $E_{KV}(f)$.

Since $\zeta \in E^c$ is not a limit point of zeros of $f(z)$, $f(z)$ is continuous there. Hence at every $\zeta \in E^c$ $C(\zeta, V) = C(\zeta, K)$ and $\zeta \notin E_{KV}(f)$.

Theorem 6. *If $E = \cup E^{(\mu)}$ where $E^{(\mu)}$ is closed and of porosity $(1/2)$, there is a bounded holomorphic function $f(z)$ for which $E_{KV}(f) \supset E$.*

Proof. We can assume that $E^{(\mu)} \cap E^{(\nu)} = \phi$ if $\mu \neq \nu$. For, if not so, set $F^{(1)} = E^{(1)}$. Since $(E^{(1)})^c$ consists of a countable set of open arcs $\{I_k^{(1)}\}$, $E^{(2)} \setminus E^{(1)} = \cup_k (E^{(2)} \cap I_k^{(1)})$ and each $E^{(2)} \cap I_k^{(1)} = P_k^{(2)}$ is closed. As $(E^{(2)} \cup E^{(1)})^c$ is also a countable collection of open arcs, we see that $E^{(3)} \setminus (E^{(2)} \cup E^{(1)})$ can be written as a countable sum of closed sets $P_k^{(3)}$, pairwise disjoint. Repeating this indefinitely and renumbering $\{P_k^{(\nu)}\}$ as $\{F^{(\nu)}\}$, our assertion follows.

Corresponding to $E^{(\mu)}$ we construct a sequence of zeros $\{z_{\nu,n}^{(\mu)}\}$ and Blaschke product $f_\mu(z)$, as in Theorem 5. Set

$$f(z) = \sum 2^{-\mu} f_\mu(z).$$

If $\zeta \in E_\mu$, all $f_\nu(z)$ ($\nu \neq \mu$) are continuous at ζ . Put $B = \sum 2^{-\nu} f_\nu(\zeta)$, $B_1 = B - f_\mu(\zeta)$, where $f_\mu(\zeta)$ is the angular limit of $f_\mu(z)$ at ζ . It is easily seen that $f(z) \rightarrow B$ as z approaches ζ angularly, but $f(z_{\nu,n}^{(\mu)}) \rightarrow B_1$ as $z_{\nu,n}^{(\mu)} \rightarrow \zeta$ in the inscribed disk $K'(\zeta)$ (used in Theorem 5). Thus $C(\zeta, V) = \{B\}$

$\neq C(\zeta, K', f)$ and $\zeta \in E_{K'}(f)$.

6. We state the following theorems without proofs.

Theorem 7. *If $E = \cup E^{(\rho)}$, where $E^{(\rho)}$ is closed and of porosity, there is a bounded holomorphic function $f(z)$ for which $E_{KK}(f) \supset E$.*

Theorem 8. *For any arbitrary function $f(z)$, $E_{GK}(f)$ is F_σ and of the first category. E_{GK} may be of measure 2π even for bounded holomorphic $f(z)$.*

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