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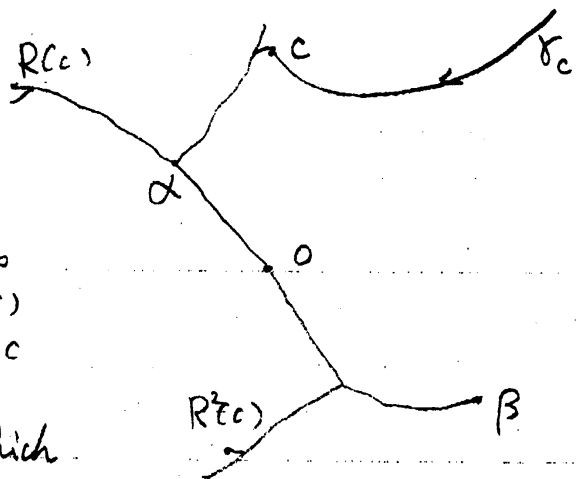
# Microfunctions and a transfer operator for complex dynamical systems.

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## §1. Functions with regular singularities

Let us begin with the following situation. Let  $R(z) = z^2 + c$  be a quadratic polynomial on the Riemann sphere. We assume that the complex dynamical system defined by this quadratic polynomial is postcritically finite, i.e., the forward orbit  $\{f^n(0) \mid n=1, 2, \dots\}$  of the critical point 0 of  $R(z)$  is a finite set. For the sake of simplicity, we denote by  $F$  the Fatou set of  $R(z)$  and by  $J$  the Julia set  $\hat{\mathbb{C}} \setminus F$ . In

order to illustrate the situation, we consider especially the case  $c = i$ . Then the critical point is 0 and its forward orbit is  $\{0, i, i-1, -i\}$  and  $R(i)$  and  $R^2(i)$  form a periodic cycle of period 2.  $R(z)$  has two fixed points, which we denote by  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$

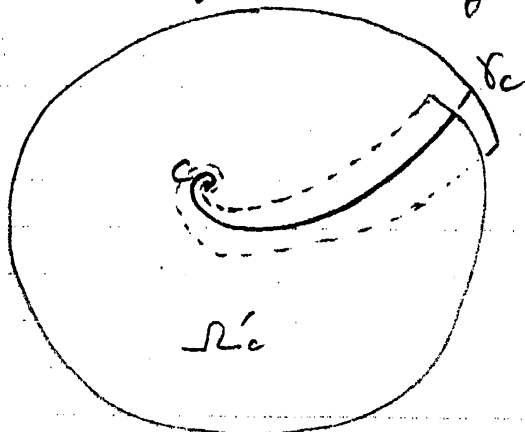
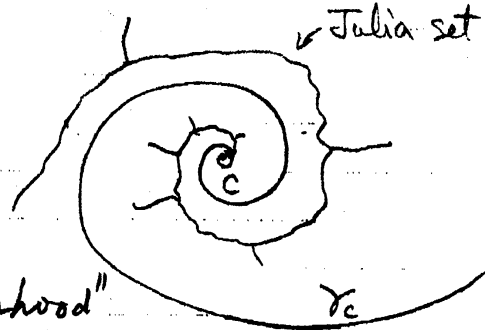


as in the picture. These two fixed points are so-called the  $\alpha$ -fixed point and the  $\beta$ -fixed point.

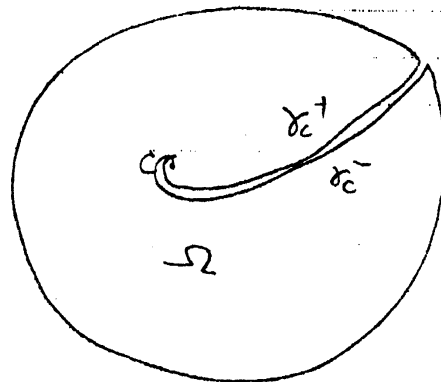
As  $R(\mathbb{Z})$  is postcritically finite, there exists an external ray, say  $\gamma_c$ , landing at the critical value  $c$ . We give an orientation to this curve as  $\infty \rightarrow c$ . Note that this external ray is spiraling near  $c$ .

Let  $\Omega_c = \mathbb{C} \setminus (\gamma_c \cup \{c\})$  be a domain in the complex plane. This domain  $\Omega_c$  has smooth boundaries along the external ray  $\gamma_c$ .

We consider an abstract "neighborhood"  $\Omega'_c$  of  $\Omega_c$  doubly sheeted near  $\gamma_c$ .



The domain  $\Omega_c$  has two smooth curves on the boundary. We add two curves  $\gamma_c^+$  and  $\gamma_c^-$  to this domain to each side of the external ray  $\gamma_c$ , and we



denote this set by  $\bar{\Omega}_c$ .  $\Omega_c$  is an open set containing  $\bar{\Omega}_c$ . For domain  $\Omega$ , we denote by  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega)$  the set of holomorphic functions on  $\Omega$ .

Let  $f: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be a holomorphic function on  $\Omega_c$  which can be extended holomorphically to some "neighborhood"  $\Omega'_c$  of  $\bar{\Omega}_c$ . Such a function  $f$  is said to be equivalent to  $g: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which is a holomorphic function on  $\Omega_c$  and extendable to some "neighborhood"  $\Omega''_c$  of  $\bar{\Omega}_c$  holomorphically, if there exists a "neighborhood"  $\Omega'''_c$  of  $\bar{\Omega}_c$  such that  $f$  and  $g$  coincides on  $\Omega'''_c$ . This equivalence relation defines a concept of germ. Note that  $f: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  itself gives a representative of its germ since analytic continuation is unique if it exists. We call such function  $f$  a (general)

pre-microfunction along  $\delta_c$ . A (general) microfunction at  $c$  along  $\delta_c$  is defined by an equivalence class of germs of (general) pre-microfunctions  $f: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  at  $c$  modulo germs of holomorphic functions at  $c$ . More precisely, (general) pre-microfunctions  $f: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  and  $g: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defines the same microfunction at  $c$  if there exists an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $c$  in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$  and a holomorphic function  $h: U \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f(z) - g(z) = h(z)$  holds for  $z \in U \cap \Omega_c$ . The above definition of (general) microfunction is so general that the singularities of such functions at  $c$  are too much complicated. So, we restrict our singularities to "regular singularities" defined as follows.

Definition 1.1. Pre-microfunction  $f: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is said to have a regular singularity at  $c$  if there exist positive numbers  $\varepsilon$  and  $k$  such that inequality

$$|f(z)| < k |z - c|^{-2+\varepsilon}$$

holds near  $c$ .

Definition 1.2. Pre-microfunction  $f: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is said to have a regular singularity at  $\infty$  if there exist positive numbers  $\varepsilon$  and  $k$  such that inequality

$$|f(z)| < k |z|^{-\varepsilon}$$

holds near the infinity.

We denote by  $M_c$  the set of pre-microfunctions along  $\delta_c$  with regular singularities both at  $c$  and  $\infty$ . More precisely we denote  $M_{\delta_c}$  instead of  $M_c$  when there are more than one external rays landing at  $c$ . The space of equivalence classes of germs of pre-microfunctions with regular singularities at  $c$  modulo the space of germs of holomorphic functions  $\mathcal{O}(c)$  at  $c$ , will be denoted by  $\tilde{M}_c$ .

Let  $P(R)$  denote the postcritical set. For each point

$p \in P(\mathbb{R})$ , the space of pre-microfunctions along its external rays with regular singularities at both  $p$  and  $\infty$  is defined in a similar manner and will be denoted by  $M_p$  for simplicity and by  $M_{\gamma_p}$  when it is necessary to indicate the external ray.

For  $p \in J$  with multiple external rays, say  $\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_r$ , landing at  $p$ , we define the space  $M_p$  by the direct sum

$$M_p = \bigoplus_{k=1}^r M_{\gamma_k}$$

where the sum is taken as a formal sum, since each component belongs to different spaces. However each element of  $M_p$  defines a function holomorphic in the intersection of the domains of definitions and the decomposition of a holomorphic function

$$f: \mathbb{C} \setminus \left( \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^r \gamma_k \right) \cup \{p\} \right) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

defined by an element of  $M_p$  into components  $f_k$  in  $M_{\gamma_k}$ ,

$$f_k: \mathbb{C} \setminus (\gamma_k \cup \{p\}) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

is unique since we are considering the pre-microfunctions with regular singularities at the infinity. We denote

$$M_+ = \bigoplus_{p \in P(\mathbb{R})} M_p$$

$$M_0 = M_{\gamma_0^+} \oplus M_{\gamma_0^-}$$

$$M_- = \bigoplus_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigoplus_{p \in P^k(0)} M_p$$

and

$$M = M_+ \oplus M_0 \oplus M_-$$

Here, the origin 0 is the critical point of our quadratic map  $R(z)$  and there are two external rays landing at 0, which are pre-images of the external ray  $\gamma_0$ .  $\gamma_0^+$  and  $\gamma_0^-$  denotes the external angles  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{7}{2}$  respectively. Note that  $\gamma_0$  is the external angle  $\frac{1}{6}$ , since it is mapped to period two cycle of external rays with angles  $\frac{1}{3}$  and  $\frac{2}{3}$ . Here, the infinite direct sum is only in a formal sense.

## §2 Difference operator and an exact sequence.

Let  $\mathcal{O}(\gamma_c)$  denote the space of holomorphic functions in a neighbour hood of the external ray  $\gamma_c$ . An element of  $\mathcal{O}(\gamma_c)$  is represented by a continuous function  $f: \gamma_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which can be extended to some neighborhood of  $\gamma_c$  holomorphically. The space of holomorphic functions along the external ray  $\gamma_c$  with regular singularities at both  $c$  and the infinity is defined by the following.

$$\mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c) = \left\{ f \in \mathcal{O}(\gamma_c) \mid \begin{array}{l} \exists \varepsilon > 0, \exists k > 0, \exists \text{ nbd of } \gamma_c \text{ s.t.} \\ \text{and } |f(z)| < k |z-c|^{-1+\varepsilon} \text{ near } c \\ |f(z)| < k |z|^{-\varepsilon} \text{ near } \infty \end{array} \right\}$$

Now, we define a difference operator along an external ray.

Definition 2.1 Difference operator  $\Delta_c: \mathcal{M}_c \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c)$  is defined by the difference of boundary values along  $\gamma_c$

$$\Delta_c \varphi(z) = \varphi(z) - \varphi((z-c)e^{-2\pi i} + c).$$

Here  $z \in \gamma_c$  is consider as a point in the boundary of  $\Omega_c$  of the clockwise side and  $(z-c)e^{-2\pi i} + c$  represents the same point but considered as a point in the boundary of  $\Omega_c$  of the counter clockwise side.

For each  $p \in J$  and its external ray  $\gamma_p$ , difference operator  $\Delta_p: \mathcal{M}_p \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_p)$  is defined in a similar way. We denote  $\Delta_{\gamma_p}$  instead of  $\Delta_p$  if there are more than two external rays landing at  $p$  and we need to indicate it.

Remark Difference operator can be defined for functions holomorphic along  $\gamma_c$  in a doubly sheeted domains. The domain of definition of such a holomorphic function need not be connected.

Let us fix a double sheeted neighborhood  $\Omega'_c$  of our domain  $\Omega_c = \mathbb{C} \setminus (\gamma_c \cup \gamma_{\bar{c}})$ , and let  $S_c$  denote the neighborhood of  $\gamma_c$  where  $\Omega'_c$  is double sheeted.

Theorem 2.2 The following sequence is exact.

$$0 \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\}) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{O}(\Omega'_c) \xrightarrow{\Delta_c} \mathcal{O}(S_c) \rightarrow 0.$$

Proof We gave an orientation to the external ray  $\gamma_c$  defining an order to the points in  $\gamma_c$  so that  $\infty < p < c$ . Take points  $r_j, s_j \in \gamma_c$  for  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  ordered along  $\gamma_c$  as

$$\infty < \dots < r_j < s_{j-1} < r_{j+1} < s_j < \dots < c$$

$$\text{and } \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} s_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow -\infty} r_k = \infty,$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} s_k = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} r_k = c.$$

Then open arcs  $\overline{r_j s_j}$  ( $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ ) form an open covering of the external ray  $\gamma_c$ . The space  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\})$  of holomorphic functions on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\}$  can be injectively embedded in the space of holomorphic functions on  $\Omega'_c$  and the values of such a function on the two sheets of  $\Omega'_c$  coincide on the overlapped sector  $S_c$ , hence the difference of these values vanishes. So, we need only to prove the onto-ness of the difference operator  $\Delta_c$ . For  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}(S_c)$ , we want to construct a holomorphic function in  $\mathcal{O}(\Omega'_c)$ . Note that such a function is not unique since the kernel of  $\Delta_c$  contains  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\})$ .

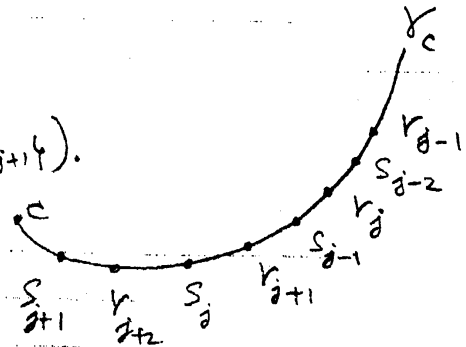
Let

$$F_j(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{r_{j-1}}^{s_{j+1}} \frac{\varphi(\tau)}{\tau - z} d\tau$$

for  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ . Such integration is called a Cousin's integral along the arc  $\overline{r_{j-1} s_{j+1}}$ . Note that

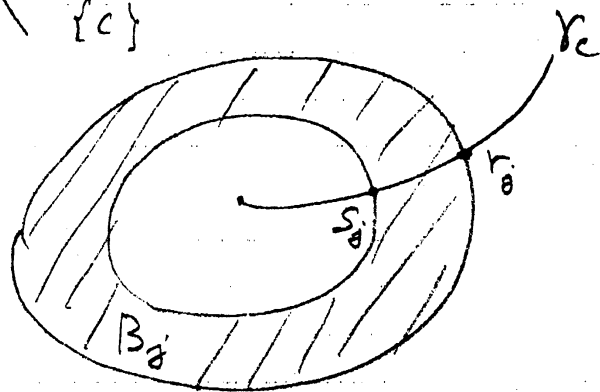
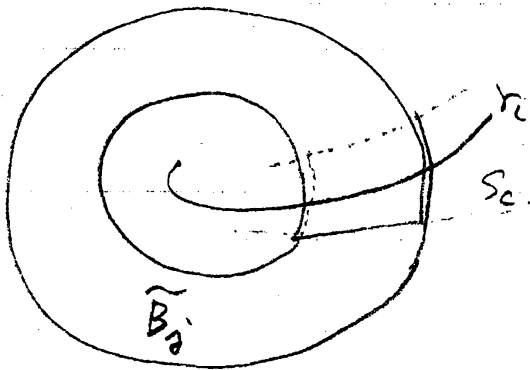
this arc includes the arc  $\overline{r_j s_j}$  in its interior. The function  $F_j(z)$  is holomorphic in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (\overline{r_{j-1} s_{j+1}} \cup \overline{r_{j-2} s_{j-1}} \cup \overline{r_{j+1} s_{j+2}})$ .

By deforming the path of integration of the Cousin's integral we see that  $F_j(z)$  can be holomorphically extended beyond the arc from both sides into the other sides, except



at  $r_{j-1}$  and  $s_{j+1}$ . Next let us take a family of annuli in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\}$  separating  $c$  and  $\infty$  with smooth boundaries as follows. We take annulus  $B_j$  for each  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$  so that the intersection of  $B_j$  with the external ray  $\gamma_c$  is the arc  $\overline{r_j s_j}$ , and  $r_j, s_j$  belong to the outer and inner boundary of  $B_j$  respectively. Furthermore, we for  $j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $B_j \cap B_k$  is empty if  $|k-j| > 1$  hold, and for each  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $B_j \cap B_{j+1}$  is an annulus. We impose that

$$\bigcup_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} B_j = \mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\}$$



For each  $j$ , we denote by  $\tilde{B}_j$  a covering of  $B_j$  such that  $\tilde{B}_j$  covers twice on the sector  $S_c \cap B_j$ . Our function  $F_j(z)$  defined by Cousin's integration can be extended holomorphically to  $\tilde{B}_j$ . It is further extendable to a wider domain  $\tilde{B}_{j-1} \cup \tilde{B}_j \cup \tilde{B}_{j+1}$ . Hence  $F_j(z)$  is bounded in  $\tilde{B}_j$ . As is easily verified by considering the integration, we have

$$F_j(z) - F_j((z-c)e^{-2\pi i} + c) = \varphi(z)$$

for  $z \in S_c \cap B_j$ .

For  $j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$  with  $B_j \cap B_k \neq \emptyset$ , define a holomorphic function

$$H_{jk} : B_j \cap B_k \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

by

$$H_{jk}(z) = F_j(z) - F_k(z).$$

$F_j(z)$  and  $F_k(z)$  are holomorphic on  $\tilde{B}_j \cap \tilde{B}_k$ . But, as we have

$$\begin{aligned} & F_j((z-c)e^{-2\pi i} + c) - F_k((z-c)e^{-2\pi i} + c) \\ &= F_j(z) - F_k(z) \end{aligned}$$



along  $\gamma_c$ ,  $H_{jk}((z-c)e^{-2\pi i} + c) = H_{jk}(z)$  holds on  $S_c \cap B_j \cap B_k$ , so that  $H_{jk}(z)$  is well defined and holomorphic on the annulus  $B_j \cap B_k$ . This family of holomorphic functions  $\{H_{jk}\}$  forms a "Cousin data", i.e. for  $i, j, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$H_{ij} + H_{jk} + H_{ki} = 0 \quad \text{on } B_i \cap B_j \cap B_k.$$

As we assumed  $B_j \cap B_k = \emptyset$  if  $|j-k| > 1$ , this above fact is easily verified.

For each  $j \in \mathbb{Z}$ , take a loop  $\gamma_j$  in  $B_j \cap B_{j+1}$ , making a clockwise turn once and define  $h_j(z)$  and  $k_j(z)$  by

$$h_j(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_j} \frac{H_{i,i+1}(\tau)}{\tau - z} d\tau$$

defined and holomorphic in  $\bigcup_{k=-\infty}^j B_k \cup \{\infty\}$  (outside of the annulus), and

$$k_{j+1}(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{j+1}} \frac{H_{i,i+1}(\tau)}{\tau - z} d\tau$$

define and holomorphic in  $\bigcup_{k=j+1}^{\infty} B_k \cup \{c\}$  (inside of the annulus).

By deforming the integration path we see that they are well defined and we have

$$H_{j,j+1}(z) = h_j(z) - k_{j+1}(z) \quad (z \in B_j \cap B_{j+1})$$

By Runge's theorem,  $k_{j+1} : \bigcup_{k=j+1}^{\infty} B_k \cup \{c\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  can be approximated by polynomials in the sense of uniform convergence on compact sets, and  $h_j : \bigcup_{k=-\infty}^j B_k \cup \{\infty\}$  can be approximated by rational functions with poles only at  $c$ .

For each  $j \geq 0$ , find a rational function  $g_j : \mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$|g_j(z) - h_j(z)| < \frac{1}{2^j} \quad \text{for } z \in \bigcup_{i=-\infty}^j B_i \cup \{\infty\}.$$

And for each  $j < 0$ , find a polynomial  $g_j : \mathbb{C} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that

$$|g_j(z) - k_{j+1}(z)| < \frac{1}{2^{|j|}} \quad \text{for } z \in \bigcup_{i=j+1}^{\infty} B_i \cup \{c\}.$$

Note that these functions  $g_j$  are all holomorphic in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\}$ .

Let  $\tilde{h}_j = h_j - g_j : \bigcup_{i=-\infty}^{j-1} B_i \cup \{\infty\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$   
for  $j \geq 0$ , and

$$\tilde{k}_{j+1} = k_{j+1} - g_j : \bigcup_{i=j+1}^{\infty} B_i \cup \{\infty\} \rightarrow \mathbb{C},$$

for  $j < 0$ . Then we have

$$|\tilde{h}_j| < \frac{1}{2^j} \quad (j \geq 0)$$

and  $|\tilde{k}_{j+1}| < \frac{1}{2^{|j|}} \quad (j < 0).$

We still have

$$H_{j,j+1}(z) = \tilde{h}_j(z) - \tilde{k}_{j+1}(z) \quad \text{for } z \in B_j \cap B_{j+1}.$$

Now, we set

$$H_j(z) = - \sum_{i=-\infty}^j \tilde{k}_i(z) - \sum_{i=j}^{\infty} \tilde{h}_i(z).$$

For  $i \leq j$ ,  $\tilde{k}_i(z)$  is holomorphic in  $\bigcup_{l=i}^{\infty} B_l \cup \{\infty\}$ , hence they are all holomorphic in the smallest disk  $\bigcup_{l=i}^{\infty} B_l \cup \{\infty\}$  and that we have the estimate of the supremum of the functions, the sum of  $\tilde{k}_i$ 's is uniformly convergent on  $B_j$ .

Similarly, the sum of  $\tilde{h}_i$ 's converge uniformly convergent on  $B_j$ , too. Hence  $H_j(z)$  is holomorphic in  $B_j$ .

In the overlapping annulus  $B_j \cap B_{j+1}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} H_{j+1} - H_j &= - \sum_{i=-\infty}^{j+1} \tilde{k}_i - \sum_{i=j+1}^{\infty} \tilde{h}_i + \sum_{i=-\infty}^j \tilde{k}_i + \sum_{i=j}^{\infty} \tilde{h}_i \\ &= \tilde{h}_j - \tilde{k}_{j+1} = H_{j,j+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, in  $\tilde{B}_j$ , let  $G_j(z) = H_j(z) + F_j(z)$ . These functions  $\{G_j\}$  on  $\tilde{B}_j$  defines a holomorphic function

$$G: \Omega'_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$$

define on the overlapped neighborhood  $\Omega'_c$  of  $\Omega_c$ . We can verify that these functions coincide and  $G$  is well defined by an immediate calculations as follows.

In  $B_j \cap B_{j+1}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} G_{j+1}(z) &= H_{j+1}(z) + F_{j+1}(z) = H_j(z) + H_{j,j+1}(z) + F_{j+1}(z) \\ &= H_j(z) + F_j(z) - F_{j+1}(z) + F_{j+1}(z) = H_j(z) + F_j(z) = G_j(z) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we conclude that  $G \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{R}_c)$  and

$$\Delta_c G = \varphi$$

holds. This completes the proof of our Theorem 2.2.

We remark that such a function  $G$  satisfying  $\Delta_c G = \varphi$  is not unique since  $\text{Ker } \Delta_c = \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\})$ .

### § 3. Cousin's integral operator and decomposition of pre-microfunctions.

In the previous section, we discussed the surjectivity of the difference operator  $\Delta_c$ . In this section, we restrict the space of (general) pre-microfunctions to the space of pre-microfunctions with regular singularities, and consider an inverse operator of  $\Delta_c$ , which we call a Cousin's integral operator.

Definition 3.1  $\mathcal{I}_c : \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_c$  is defined by

$$\mathcal{I}_c[\varphi](z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} \frac{\varphi(\tau)}{\tau - z} d\tau$$

for  $\varphi \in \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c)$ .

Here, we use notation  $\mathcal{I}_c[\varphi]$  as  $\mathcal{I}_c : \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_c$  is an operator and we want to emphasise it, i.e. the argument of the operator is a function and not its value.

Definition 3.2 Let  $f$  be bi-valued function defined in a neighborhood of  $\gamma_c$ , both of the two branches are holomorphic and the difference  $\Delta_c f$  of  $f$  has regular singularities at  $c$  and at  $\infty$ , i.e.  $\Delta_c f \in \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c)$ . The  $\mathcal{M}_c$  component of  $f$  is defined as

$$[f]_c = [f]_{\gamma_c} = \mathcal{I}_c[\Delta_c f].$$

This mapping  $[ ]_c$  is a projection map onto  $\mathcal{M}_c$ .

We have the following identities.

Theorem 3.3

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_c \circ \Delta_c &= \text{id} \quad \text{on } \mathcal{M}_c, \\ \Delta_c \circ \Gamma_c &= \text{id} \quad \text{on } \mathcal{O}_c(\gamma_c). \end{aligned}$$

Proof These identities are easily verified.

For each point  $p \in J$  (and an external ray  $\gamma_p$  landing at  $p$ ), projection  $L \uparrow_p$  is similarly defined.

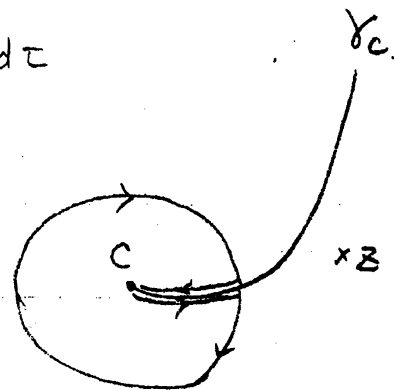
Let  $\mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c)$  denote the space of holomorphic functions  $f: \Omega_c \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  such that  $f$  can be extended holomorphically to some double sheeted neighborhood  $\Omega'_c$  and satisfies  $\Delta_c f \in \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c)$ . Function  $f \in \mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c)$  is holomorphic in  $\Omega_c = \mathbb{C} \setminus (\gamma_c \cup \{c\})$  and has singularities at  $c$  and at the infinity together with its difference along  $\gamma_c$ .

Let  $\mathcal{H}_c$  denote the space of hyperfunctions supported at  $c$ , i.e.  $\varphi \in \mathcal{H}_c$  if and only if  $\varphi$  is holomorphic in  $(\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}) \setminus \gamma_c$ . The space of entire functions is denoted by  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$ . Let us define the operators that extract singularities of  $f$ .

Definition 3.4. Operator  $\Gamma_c: \mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_c$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} \Gamma_c[f](z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\tau-c|=\varepsilon} \frac{f(\tau)}{\tau-z} d\tau \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_\varepsilon} \frac{(\Delta_c f)(\tau)}{\tau-z} d\tau \end{aligned}$$

where  $z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma_c$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$  is chosen sufficiently small so that the  $\varepsilon$ -ball around  $c$  does not contain  $z$ , and  $\gamma_\varepsilon \in \gamma_c$  is the intersection point of  $\gamma_c$  and the circle  $|\tau-c|=\varepsilon$ . The orientation of the path of integration along the circle is the counter clockwise with respect to  $z$ .



As  $\Delta_c f$  has a regular singularity at  $c$ , this defines a holomorphic function on  $(\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}) \setminus \{c\}$ . That is,  $\Gamma_c[f] \in \mathcal{H}_c$ .

Definition 3.5. Operator  $\Gamma_\infty : \mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$  is defined by

$$\Gamma_\infty[f](z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\tau-c|=w} \frac{f(\tau)}{\tau-z} d\tau + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{r_w}^{\infty} \frac{(\Delta_c f)(\tau)}{\tau-z} d\tau$$

where  $w > 0$  is taken sufficiently large for each  $z$ , so that the circle of integration path surrounds  $z$ , and  $r_w \in \gamma_c$  is the intersection point of  $\gamma_c$  and the big circle. The orientation is taken as the counterclockwise with respect to  $z$ .

As  $\Delta_c f$  has a regular singularity at  $\infty$ , this defines an entire function. Hence  $\Gamma_\infty[f] \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$ .

Just for the sake of consistence of notation we define

$$\Gamma_M : \mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_c$$

by  $\Gamma_M[f] = [f]_c$ . We have the following decomposition.

Theorem 3.6.  $\mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c) = \mathcal{H}_c \oplus \mathcal{M}_c \oplus \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$

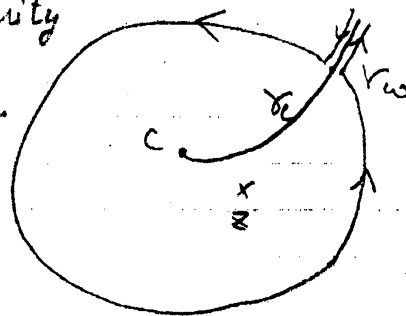
and  $\Gamma_c : \mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_c$ ,  $\Gamma_M : \mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_c$

$\Gamma_\infty : \mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$

gives the projections to components.

Proof. Clearly, the kernel of the difference operator  $\Delta_c$  is  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\})$  and  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C} \setminus \{c\}) = \mathcal{H}_c \oplus \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$ .

Note that these operators can be defined if  $f$  is defined and holomorphic in a double covered neighborhood of  $\gamma_c$ . In this case,  $\Gamma_c + \Gamma_M + \Gamma_\infty$  defines a projection to  $\mathcal{O}_0(\Omega_c) = \mathcal{H}_c \oplus \mathcal{M}_c \oplus \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C})$  if  $\Delta_c f \in \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c)$ .



## §4 Space of pre-microfunctions and a transfer operator

Let us go back to our complex dynamical system  $R(z)$ . Let  $J$  denote the Julia set of  $R(z)$  and let  $F$  denote the Fatou set of  $R(z)$ . We suppose  $R(z)$  is postcritically finite, especially the case of  $c=i$ . We denote by  $O(J)$  the space of germs of continuous functions  $f: J \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which are holomorphic in some neighborhood of  $J$ . The space of holomorphic functions  $f: F \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  of the Fatou set satisfying  $f(\infty) = 0$  will be denoted by  $O_0(F)$ . The postcritical set of  $R(z)$  is denoted by  $P(R)$ . The space of pre-microfunctions at  $P(R)$  is defined by

$$\mathcal{M}_{P(R)} = \bigoplus_{P \in P(R)} \mathcal{M}_P$$

and

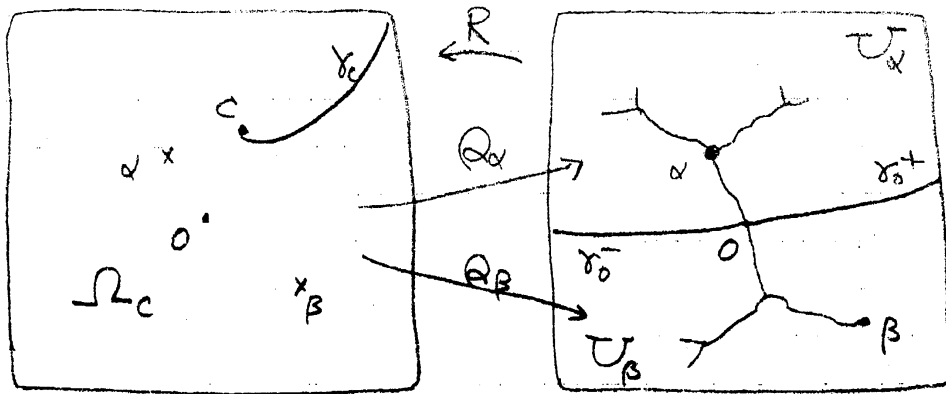
$$\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{M}_{P(R)} \oplus \bigoplus_{k=0}^{\infty} \bigoplus_{P \in R^k(0)} \mathcal{M}_P$$

denotes the space of formal sup of pre-microfunctions at the grand orbit of the critical point 0.

Let  $f \in O(\mathbb{C}) \oplus \mathcal{M}_{P(R)} \oplus O_0(F)$  and  $P \in P(R)$  with  $\gamma_P$  its external ray. Then the  $\mathcal{M}_P$ -component  $[f]_P$  of  $f$  is given by a projection

$$[f]_P(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_P} \frac{(\Delta_P f)(z)}{\tau - z} d\tau.$$

Let us consider the most simple postcritically finite case (except  $c=-2$  case) of  $R(z) = z^2 + i$ . Fixed points of  $R$  are denoted by  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ . The preimage of the external ray  $\gamma_c$  consists of two external rays, say  $\gamma_0^+$  and  $\gamma_0^-$ , of the critical point 0, with external angles  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{7}{2}$  respectively. These external rays are oriented as  $\infty \rightarrow 0$ . Let  $U_\alpha$  denote the upper connected component of  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (\gamma_0^+ \cup \gamma_0^-)$  which contains the critical value  $c=i$ . The  $\alpha$ -fixed point belongs to this domain. We denote the other connected point by  $U_\beta$ . It contains the  $\beta$ -fixed point. The quadratic map  $R$  is of degree two. The critical value  $c$  is a branch point. We denote the two branches of  $R^{-1}$  by  $\Omega_\alpha$  and  $\Omega_\beta$  defined in  $\Omega_c = \mathbb{C} \setminus (\gamma_c \cup \{c\})$ .



$$Q_\alpha: \mathbb{C} \setminus (\gamma_c \cup \{c\}) \longrightarrow U_\alpha$$

$$Q_\beta: \mathbb{C} \setminus (\gamma_c \cup \{c\}) \longrightarrow U_\beta$$

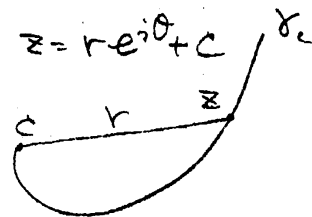
with  $Q_\alpha(z) = -\sqrt{z-c}$ ,  $Q_\beta(z) = \sqrt{z-c}$ , where the branch of the square root is chosen by assigning  $Q_\beta(c+1)=1$ . If we regard  $Q_\alpha$  and  $Q_\beta$  as holomorphic functions on  $\Omega_c$ , we can naturally consider holomorphic functions  $(Q_\alpha(z))^s$  and  $(Q_\beta(z))^s$  for  $0 < s < 2$ . They can be extended to a double sheeted neighborhood  $\Omega'_c$  holomorphically. We define a holomorphic function

$$\psi_s(z) = \frac{1}{(2Q_\beta(z))^s}$$

defined in  $\Omega'_c$ .

For  $z = c + r e^{i\theta} \in \gamma_c$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\Delta_c \psi_s)(z) &= \psi_s(z) - \psi_s((z-c)e^{-2\pi i} + c) \\ &= \frac{1 - e^{s\pi i}}{(2\sqrt{r}e^{\frac{\theta}{2}i})^s} \end{aligned}$$



Hence

$$|\Delta_c \psi_s| = \text{const. } r^{-\frac{s}{2}}$$

which implies  $\Delta_c \psi_s$  has regular singularities at  $c$  and  $\infty$  if  $0 < s < 2$ . Therefore  $\psi_s \in M_c$ .

Now, take a function  $f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}) \oplus M_{\mathbb{P}(\mathbb{R})} \oplus \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ . Here, we abuse the formal sum of function in different spaces and the sum as a functions defined in the common domain of definition. So,  $f$  is defined and holomorphic in  $F \setminus (\bigcup_{P \in \mathbb{P}(\mathbb{R})} \gamma_P)$ . For an external ray  $\gamma_P$ , we denote by

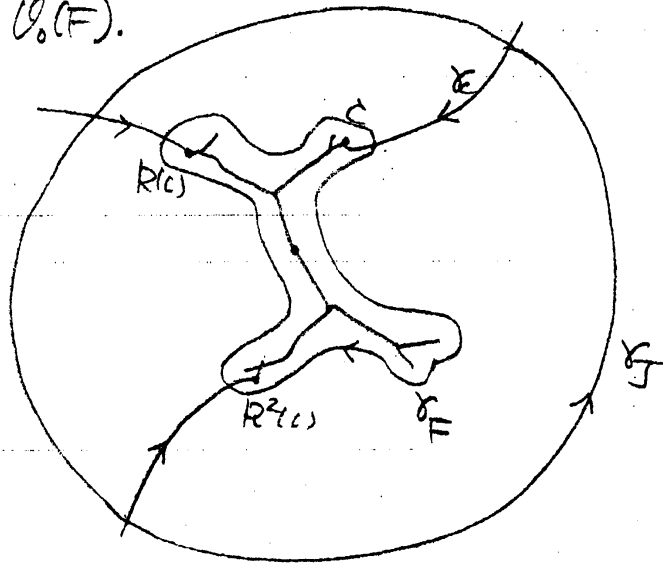
$\tilde{\gamma}_p$  the path of integration coming from  $\infty$  to  $p$  along  $\gamma_p$  taking the clockwise side value of the integrand function and going back from  $p$  to  $\infty$  along  $\gamma_p$  taking the counter-clockwise side value of the integrand function. That is,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\tilde{\gamma}_p} f(z) dz &= \int_{\gamma_p} f(z) dz - \int_{\gamma_p} f((z-p)e^{2\pi i} + p) dz \\ &= \int_{\gamma_p} Q_p f(z) dz. \end{aligned}$$

By  $\gamma_F$  we represent an integration path along the boundary of the Fatou set, passing near the Julia set and taking values of the function on the Fatou set. And finally by  $\gamma_J$  we represent an integration path turning around the Julia set in the counter-clockwise direction.

Let  $\mathcal{H}_+ = \mathcal{U}(\mathbb{C}) \oplus \mathcal{M}_{\mathbb{R}(\mathbb{R})} \oplus \mathcal{V}_0(F)$ .

Definition 4.1 Transfer operator  $\mathcal{L}_s : \mathcal{H}_+ \rightarrow \mathcal{H}_+$  is defined for  $0 < s < 2$  and for  $f \in \mathcal{H}_+$  by

$$(\mathcal{L}_s f)(z) = \sum_{y \in R^{-1}(z)} \gamma_s(R(y)) f(y).$$


We can rewrite the transfer operator in an integral operator form as

$$(\mathcal{L}_s f)(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F + \tilde{\gamma}_{R(R)} + \gamma_J} \frac{\gamma_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau$$

and as

$$(\mathcal{L}_s f)(z) = \gamma_s(z) (f \circ Q_\alpha(z) + f \circ Q_\beta(z)).$$

Refinement 4.2 Push forward operator  $R_*$  is defined by

$$R_* f = f \circ Q_\alpha + f \circ Q_\beta.$$



For point  $\eta \in \mathbb{C}$ , we denote by  $\chi_\eta(z) = \frac{1}{z-\eta}$  the unit pole at  $\eta$ . If  $\eta \in J$  then  $\chi_\eta \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ . If  $\eta \in \delta_P$  then  $\chi_\eta \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega_P)$ . Note that  $\chi_{\bar{z}(\eta)} = -\chi_\eta(z)$ .

Proposition 4.3 For  $\eta \in J \cup \bigcup_{P \in \mathcal{P}(R)} \delta_P$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}_s \chi_\eta = R'(\eta) \psi_s(R(\eta)) \chi_{R(\eta)} + R'(\eta) [\psi_s \cdot \chi_{R(\eta)}]_c.$$

Proof. By a direct computation, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_s \chi_\eta)(z) &= \psi_s(z) (\chi_\eta \circ Q_\alpha(z) + \chi_\eta \circ Q_\beta(z)) = \psi_s(z) \sum_{y \in R^{-1}(z)} (-\chi_y(\eta)) \\ &= \psi_s(z) \sum_{y \in R^{-1}(z)} \frac{1}{y-\eta}. \end{aligned}$$

By the residue formula, we have

$$0 = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} \frac{R'(y)}{(z-R(y))(y-\eta)} dy = \sum_{y \in R^{-1}(z)} \frac{1}{y-\eta} + \frac{R'(\eta)}{z-R(\eta)}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence } (\mathcal{L}_s \chi_\eta)(z) &= \psi_s(z) \frac{R'(\eta)}{z-R(\eta)} = \psi_s(z) R'(\eta) \chi_{R(\eta)}(z) \\ &= \psi_s(R(\eta)) R'(\eta) \chi_{R(\eta)}(z) + [R'(\eta) \cdot \psi_s \cdot \chi_{R(\eta)}]_c. \end{aligned}$$

Here  $[R'(\eta) \psi_s \cdot \chi_{R(\eta)}]_c(z) = (\psi_s(z) - \psi_s(R(\eta))) R'(\eta) \chi_{R(\eta)}(z)$  is holomorphic near  $R(\eta)$  so that it belongs to  $\mathcal{M}_c$ . The first term  $\psi_s(R(\eta)) R'(\eta) \chi_{R(\eta)}(z)$  is a multiple of unit pole at  $R(\eta)$ .

Unit poles  $\{\chi_\eta\}_{\eta \in J}$  form a basis of function space  $\mathcal{O}(F)$  and the family of unit poles  $\{\chi_\eta\}_{\eta \in \delta_P}$  form a basis of space of pre-microfunctions  $\mathcal{M}_P$ . This splitting of the transfer operator  $\mathcal{L}_s$  gives a decomposition of the operator into components of the direct sum decomposition of function spaces.

Theorem 4.4 For  $P \in J$  and  $g \in \mathcal{M}_P$  we have the following decomposition

$$\mathcal{L}_s g = [g \circ Q_P \cdot \psi_s]_{R(P)} + [\psi_s \cdot [g \circ Q_P]_{R(P)}]_c$$

where  $Q_P = Q_\alpha$  or  $Q_\beta$  according to  $P \in \mathcal{U}_\alpha$  or  $\mathcal{U}_\beta$ .

Proof. As  $g \in M_p$ ,  $g(z)$  can be expressed in an integration of Cauchy type for  $z \in \Omega_p = \mathbb{C} \setminus (\delta_p \cup \{P\})$  as

$$g(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_p} (\Delta_p g)(t) \frac{dt}{t-z} = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_p} (\Delta_p g)(t) (-\chi_t(z)) dt.$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{L}_s g(z) &= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_p} (\Delta_p g)(\eta) (\mathcal{L}_s \chi_\eta)(z) d\eta \\ &= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_p} (\Delta_p g)(\eta) (\chi_s(R(\eta)) \cdot R'(\eta) \chi_{R(\eta)} + [\chi_s \cdot R(\eta) \cdot \chi_{R(\eta)}]_c) d\eta \\ &= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_p} (\Delta_p g)(\eta) \cdot \chi_s(R(\eta)) \cdot R'(\eta) \cdot \chi_{R(\eta)} d\eta - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_p} (\Delta_p g)(\eta) [\chi_s \cdot R(\eta) \cdot \chi_{R(\eta)}]_c d\eta \\ &= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R(p)}} (\Delta_{R(p)} (g \circ Q_p))(\xi) \cdot \chi_s(\xi) \chi_\xi d\xi + [\chi_s \cdot \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_p} (\Delta_p g)(\eta) \cdot R'(\eta) \chi_{R(\eta)} d\eta]_c \\ &= [(g \circ Q_p) \cdot \chi_s]_{R(p)} + [\chi_s \cdot [g \circ Q_p]_{R(p)}]_c. \end{aligned}$$

Note that in the above calculations,  $\eta \in \gamma_p$  is a variable along  $\gamma_p$  and we changed variables by  $\xi = R(\eta)$  and  $d\xi = R'(\eta) d\eta$ .

This theorem shows that the transfer operator  $\mathcal{L}_s$  sends  $M_p$  into  $M_{R(p)} \oplus M_c$  for  $p \in J$ . In the case of postcritically finite complex dynamical system case, the space of pre-microfunctions for postcritical set is invariant for  $\mathcal{L}_s$ , i.e.

Proposition  $\mathcal{L}_s(M_+) \subset M_+$ .

### §5. Decomposition of the transfer operator

Our space of pre-microfunctions  $\mathcal{H}_+$  has a direct sum decomposition

$$\mathcal{H}_+ = \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}) \oplus M_+ \oplus \mathcal{O}(F)$$

and the transfer operator  $\mathcal{L}_s$  maps this space into itself. We denote the components of  $\mathcal{L}_s$  in a matrix form as

$$\mathcal{L}_s = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{L}_{JJ} & \mathcal{L}_{JM} & \mathcal{L}_{JF} \\ \mathcal{L}_{MJ} & \mathcal{L}_{MM} & \mathcal{L}_{MF} \\ \mathcal{L}_{PJ} & \mathcal{L}_{PM} & \mathcal{L}_{PF} \end{pmatrix}.$$

For  $f_J \in U(\mathbb{C})$  we have the following proposition.

Proposition 5.1  $\mathcal{L}_s f_J = \psi_s \cdot R_* f_J = \mathcal{L}_{JJ} f_J + \mathcal{L}_{MJ} f_J + \mathcal{L}_{FJ} f_J$

with

$$\mathcal{L}_{JJ} f_J = \psi_s \cdot R_* f_J - [\psi_s \cdot R_* f_J]_c,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{MJ} f_J = [\psi_s \cdot R_* f_J]_c,$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{FJ} f_J = 0.$$

Proof As  $0 < s < 2$ , we have

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_\varepsilon} \frac{\psi_s(R(\tau)) \cdot R'(\tau) f_J(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau = 0,$$

where  $z \neq c$  and  $C_\varepsilon$  the integration path  $C_\varepsilon$  is the circle of radius  $\varepsilon$  around the critical point 0, since the singularity at the origin is of order  $1-s$ . In the next calculation, integration paths are as explained in the previous section. We have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{JJ} f_J)(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} \frac{\psi_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_J(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left\{ \int_{\gamma_J} + \int_{\delta_0^+ + \tilde{\gamma}_0^-} - \int_{\tilde{\gamma}_0^+ + \tilde{\gamma}_0^-} + \int_{C_\varepsilon} - \int_{C_\varepsilon} \right\} \frac{\psi_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_J(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\ &= \psi_s(z) \sum_{y \in R^{-1}(z)} f_J(y) - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\tilde{\gamma}_0^+ + \tilde{\gamma}_0^-} \frac{\psi_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_J(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\ &= \psi_s(z) \sum_{y \in R^{-1}(z)} f_J(y) - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\tilde{\gamma}_0^+ + \tilde{\gamma}_0^-} \frac{(\Delta_c \psi_s)(R(\tau)) f_J(\tau) R'(\tau) d\tau}{R(\tau) - z} \\ &= \psi_s(z) (R_* f_J)(z) - \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} \frac{(\Delta_c \psi_s)(\sigma) (f_J \circ Q^+(\sigma) + f_J \circ Q^-(\sigma))}{\sigma - c} d\sigma \end{aligned}$$

Here we made a change of variables by  $\sigma = R(\tau)$  and  $d\sigma = R'(\tau) d\tau$ .  $Q^+ : \gamma_c \rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}_0^+$  and  $Q^- : \gamma_c \rightarrow \tilde{\gamma}_0^-$  denotes the inverse branches of  $R$  along  $\gamma_c$ .  $R_* f_J = f_J \circ Q^+ + f_J \circ Q^-$  holds along  $\gamma_c$  and  $R_* f_J = f_J \circ Q_0 + f_J \circ Q_\beta$  elsewhere. We continue the calculation.

$$(\mathcal{L}_{JJ} f_J)(z) = \psi_s(z) \cdot (R_* f_J)(z) - \int_c [(\Delta_c \psi_s) \cdot R_* f_J]$$

$$= \psi_s(z) \cdot R_* f_J(z) - [\psi_s \cdot R_* f_J]_c.$$

This completes the first line. Note that  $\mathcal{L}_s f_J = \psi_s \cdot R_* f_J$  has singularities along  $\gamma_c$  only. Next, compute the component  $\mathcal{L}_{MJ} f_J$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathcal{L}_{MJ} f_J)(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_M} \frac{\psi_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_J(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\
 &= [\psi_s \cdot R_* f_J]_c
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathcal{L}_{FJ} f_J)(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} \frac{\psi_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_J(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|p-c|=\rho} \frac{\psi_s(\sigma) (R_* f_J)(\sigma)}{\sigma - z} d\sigma \\
 &= 0
 \end{aligned}$$

since  $|\mathcal{L}_{FJ} f_J| \leq \frac{2\pi\rho}{2\pi} \frac{|2\rho|^{1-s} |f_J(0) + f_J'(0)\rho|}{|z-c|-\rho} \rightarrow 0$  (as  $\rho \rightarrow 0$ )

For the second column of the operator matrix, we have the following.

Proposition 5.2. For  $f_M \in \mathcal{M}_p \subset \mathcal{M}_+$  ( $p \neq 0$ ),

$$\mathcal{L}_{JM} f_M = 0$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{MM} f_M = [\psi_s \cdot R_* f_M]_c + [\psi_s \cdot f_M \circ \theta_p]_{R(p)}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{FM} f_M = 0$$

Remark  $\mathcal{L}_s f_M \in \mathcal{M}_c \oplus \mathcal{M}_{R(p)}$  if  $f_M \in \mathcal{M}_p$

Proof. As  $f_M \in \mathcal{M}_p$ , there exists a positive number  $\varepsilon$  and a positive constant  $K$  such that

$$|f_M(z)| < K|z|^{-\varepsilon}$$

holds near the infinity. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |(\mathcal{L}_{JM} f_M)(z)| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\gamma_J} \frac{|\psi_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_M(\tau)|}{|R(\tau) - z|} d\tau \\
 &\leq \frac{2\pi|\tau|}{2\pi} |2\tau|^{1-s} \frac{1}{|\tau|^2 |1 + \frac{c}{2\tau} - \frac{z}{4\tau}|} K|\tau|^{-\varepsilon} \\
 &\leq \text{const. } |\tau|^{-s-\varepsilon} \longrightarrow 0 \quad (|\tau| \rightarrow \infty)
 \end{aligned}$$

and  $\mathcal{L}_{JM} f_M = 0$ .

Next, we show that  $\mathcal{L}_{FM} = 0$  in the following.

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathcal{L}_{FM} f_M)(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} \frac{\gamma_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_M(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left( \int_{|t-p|=p} + \int_{|t|=p} \right) \frac{\gamma_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_M(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau.
 \end{aligned}$$

This goes to zero as  $p \rightarrow 0$ .

For,  $\gamma_s$  belongs to  $\mathcal{M}_c$  so that the second term vanishes and the first term vanishes since  $f_M$  belongs to  $\mathcal{M}_p$ . Note that in this computation,  $z$  is taken from the Fatou set and the integration path  $\gamma_F$  runs near the Julia set. Note that this argument cannot be applied if  $p=0$  since the integrand might have a singularity at  $p$  which is not regular. We need regularity of the singular points to have this kind of integral vanish. Finally,

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\mathcal{L}_{MM} f_M)(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_M} \frac{\gamma_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_M(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\
 &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_0^+ + \gamma_0^-} \frac{\gamma_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_M(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_p} \frac{\gamma_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_M(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\
 &= \mathcal{I}_c[(\Delta_c \gamma_s) \cdot R_* f_M] + \mathcal{I}_{R(p)}[\gamma_s \cdot (\Delta_p f_M) \circ Q_a] \\
 &= [\gamma_s \cdot R_* f_M]_c + [\gamma_s \cdot f_M \circ Q_p]_{R(p)}. \text{ This completes the}
 \end{aligned}$$

proof of Proposition 5.2.

Remark If  $f_M \in \mathcal{M}_0$ , then the integrand may have a non-regular singularity, since we have a product of two regular singularities at  $p=0$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{FM} f_M &= [\gamma_s \cdot R_* f_M]_F \\
 \mathcal{L}_{MM} f_M &= [\gamma_s \cdot R_* f_M]_c \\
 \mathcal{L}_{JM} f_M &= [\gamma_s \cdot R_* f_M]_J.
 \end{aligned}$$

For  $f_F \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ , we have the following

Proposition 5.3

$$\begin{aligned}
 \mathcal{L}_{JF} f_F &= 0 \\
 \mathcal{L}_{MF} f_F &= [\gamma_s \cdot R_* f_F]_c \\
 \mathcal{L}_{FF} f_F &= \gamma_s \cdot R_* f_F - [\gamma_s \cdot R_* f_F]_c
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof As  $f_F \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ , we have an estimate  $|f_F(\tau)| < k|\tau|^{-1}$  near  $\infty$ . Hence

$$|(L_{JF} f_F)(z)| \leq \frac{2\pi|\tau|}{2\pi} \frac{|2\tau|^{-5} |2\tau| \cdot k|\tau|^{-1}}{|\tau^2| |1 + \frac{c}{\tau^2} + \frac{z}{\tau^2}|} \xrightarrow{(\text{as } \tau \rightarrow \infty)} 0$$

Therefore we have  $L_{JF} f_F = 0$ . For the second component,

$$L_{MF} f_F = \mathcal{I}_c [(K_c \psi_s) \cdot R_x f_F] = [\psi_s \cdot R_x f_F]_c.$$

And the third component is computed similarly.

$$\begin{aligned} (L_{FF} f_F)(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} \frac{\psi_s(R(\tau)) R'(\tau) f_F(\tau)}{R(\tau) - z} d\tau \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} \frac{\psi_s(\sigma) (R_x f_F)(\sigma)}{\sigma - z} d\sigma \\ &= \psi_s(z) \cdot (R_x f_F)(z) - [\psi_s \cdot R_x f_F]_c. \end{aligned}$$

Putting the above propositions together, we have the decomposition of our transfer operator into components.

$$\begin{pmatrix} L_{JJ} & L_{JM} & L_{JF} \\ L_{MJ} & L_{MM} & L_{MF} \\ L_{FJ} & L_{FM} & L_{FF} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_J \\ f_M \\ f_F \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \psi_s \cdot R_x f_J - [\psi_s \cdot R_x f_J]_c & [\psi_s \cdot R_x f_M]_J & 0 \\ [\psi_s \cdot R_x f_J]_c & [\psi_s \cdot R_x f_M]_c & [\psi_s \cdot R_x f_F]_c \\ 0 & + [\psi_s \cdot f_M \cdot \partial_r]_{R(p)} & \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} f_J \\ f_M \\ f_F \end{pmatrix}$$

Note that if  $f_J$  or  $f_F$  are not identically zero, then  $[\psi_s \cdot R_x f_J]_c \neq 0$  or  $[\psi_s \cdot R_x f_F]_c \neq 0$ . Hence, there is no eigenfunction in subspace  $\mathcal{O}(\mathbb{C}) \oplus \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ .

## §6. Invariant subspace of the transfer operator

Our transfer operator  $L_s : \mathcal{M}_+ \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_+$  maps the space of pre-microfunctions supported on the forward orbit of the critical point. For  $h_0 \in \mathcal{M}_c$ ,  $h_0(z)$  can be written in a form of Cauchy integral.

$$h_0(z) = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} (\Delta_c h_0)(t) \chi_t(z) dt = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} (\Delta_c h_0)(t) \chi_z(t) dt.$$

In the following, we denote as  $\psi_{s,k}(z) = \psi_s(R_k(z)) \cdot \psi_s(R_{k-1}(z)) \cdots \psi_s(R(z))$ .

Where  $R_k(z) = R \circ R_{k-1}(z)$  denote the  $k$ -th iteration of  $R(z)$ .  
 Note that  $\gamma_s \circ R_k \in \mathcal{M}_{R^{-k+1}(c)}$  and that  $\gamma_{s,k}$  are regular  
 on  $\gamma_{P(R)}$ .

For each  $k=1, 2, \dots$ , we consider a pre-microfunction  $h_k$   
 in  $\mathcal{M}_{R_k(c)}$  expressed in terms of a pre-microfunction  $g_k$  in  $\mathcal{M}_c$ .  
 For  $g_k \in \mathcal{M}_c$ , let

$$G_k(z) = g_k(z) \cdot \gamma_{s,k}(z)$$

and define  $h_k \in \mathcal{M}_{R_k(c)}$  by

$$h_k(z) = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} (\Delta_c G_k)(t) R_k'(t) \chi_{R_k(t)}(z) dt.$$

Let  $Q_k = (R_k|_{\gamma_c})^{-1} : \gamma_{R_k(c)} \rightarrow \gamma_c$  be the inverse branch  
 of  $R_k$ . By a change of variables  $\sigma = R_k(t)$ ,  $d\sigma = R_k'(t) dt$   
 and  $t = Q_k(\sigma)$ , we have

$$h_k(z) = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_k(c)}} (\Delta_{R_k(c)} [G_k \circ Q_k])(\sigma) \chi_\sigma(z) d\sigma$$

This implies  $h_k = [G_k \circ Q_k]_{R_k(c)}$  and  $h_k \in \mathcal{M}_{R_k(c)}$ .

We have

$$\Delta_c G_k = (\Delta_{R_k(c)} h_k) \circ R_k \text{ along } \gamma_c.$$

So, this correspondence induces an isomorphism  $\mathcal{M}_{R_k(c)} \cong \mathcal{M}_c$ .

As  $h_k \in \mathcal{M}_{R_k(c)}$ , we have  $L_s h_k \in \mathcal{M}_{R_{k+1}(c)} \oplus \mathcal{M}_c$ .

More precisely, we have the following explicit formula.

Proposition 6.1 If  $h_k = [G_k \circ Q_k]_{R_k(c)} \in \mathcal{M}_{R_k(c)}$  with  $G$  as  
 above, we have the following decomposition.

$$L_s h_k = [G_k \circ Q_{k+1} \cdot \gamma_s]_{R_{k+1}(c)} + [\gamma_s \cdot [G_k \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(c)}]_c$$

Proof This is immediately verified by applying Theorem 4.4.

By an immediate calculation, we can obtain the proof as follows.

First component of  $L_s h_k$  is given by,

$$\begin{aligned} [L_s h_k]_{R_{k+1}(c)} &= \left[ L_s \left[ \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_k(c)}} (\Delta_{R_k(c)} [G_k \circ Q_k])(\sigma) \chi_\sigma(z) d\sigma \right] \right]_{R_{k+1}(c)} \\ &= \left[ \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_k(c)}} (\Delta_{R_k(c)} [G_k \circ Q_k])(\sigma) L_s [\chi_\sigma] d\sigma \right]_{R_{k+1}(c)} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_k(c)}} (\Delta_{R_k(c)} [G_k \circ Q_k])(\sigma) [L_S \chi_\sigma]_{R_{k+1}(c)} d\sigma \\
&= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_k(c)}} (\Delta_{R_k(c)} [G_k \circ Q_k])(\sigma) \psi_S(R(\sigma)) R'(\sigma) \chi_{R(\sigma)} d\sigma \\
&= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_{k+1}(c)}} (\Delta_{R_{k+1}(c)} [G_k \circ Q_{k+1}])(p) \psi_S(p) \chi_p dp \\
&= [\psi_S \cdot G_k \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(c)},
\end{aligned}$$

where we made change of variables  $p = R(\sigma)$ ,  $dp = R'(\sigma)d\sigma$ . Similarly, the second component is computed as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
[L_S \chi_k]_c &= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_k(c)}} (\Delta_{R_k(c)} [G_k \circ Q_k])(\sigma) [L_S \chi_\sigma]_c d\sigma \\
&= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_k(c)}} (\Delta_{R_k(c)} [G_k \circ Q_k])(\sigma) \cdot R'(\sigma) [\psi_S \cdot \chi_{R(\sigma)}]_c d\sigma \\
&= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_{k+1}(c)}} (\Delta_{R_{k+1}(c)} [G_k \circ Q_{k+1}])(p) \cdot [\psi_S \cdot \chi_p]_c dp \\
&= [\psi_S \cdot \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_{R_{k+1}(c)}} (\Delta_{R_{k+1}(c)} [G_k \circ Q_{k+1}])(p) \chi_p d\sigma]_c \\
&= [\psi_S \cdot [G_k \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(c)}]_c.
\end{aligned}$$

## §7 Eigenvalue problem

In this section, we consider the eigenvalue problem for our transfer operator  $L_S$  restricted to an invariant subspace of pre-microfunctions  $M_{P(R)}$  defined in section 4 as

$$M_{P(R)} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} M_{R_k(c)}.$$

Here, the sum is considered as formal sum. In the case of postcritically finite maps, the post critical set  $P(R)$  is a finite set and the sum is finite. In this case

$$M_{P(R)} = \bigoplus_{P \in P(R)} M_P.$$



In order to analyze the eigenvalue problem of  $L_s$ , we consider a formal sum of pre-microfunctions.

$$h = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} h_k \quad \text{with } h_k \in \mathcal{M}_{R_k(c)}$$

Proposition 7.1. If  $h$  is an eigenfunction of  $L_s$  satisfying

$$\lambda L_s h = h \quad \text{and } P(R) \text{ is infinite,}$$

then  $\lambda [L_s h_k]_{R_{k+1}(c)} = h_{k+1}$  and  $\lambda \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [L_s h_k]_c = h_0$ .

Proof. By a straightforward calculation, we have

$$L_s h_k = [L_s h_k]_{R_{k+1}(c)} + [L_s h_k]_c.$$

Theorem 7.2. The eigenvalue problem  $\lambda L_s h = h$  of our transfer operator  $L_s: \mathcal{M}_{P(R)} \rightarrow \mathcal{M}_{P(R)}$  reduces to an "eigenvalue" problem of an integral operator

$$T_s: \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_c) \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_0(\delta_c)$$

defined by

$$(T_s[\varphi])(u) = (\Delta_c \gamma_s)(u) \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} H_s(u, t; \lambda) \varphi(t) dt$$

where

$$H_s(u, t; \lambda) = - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \lambda^k \gamma_{s,k}(t) R'_{k+1}(t) \chi_{R_{k+1}(t)}(u),$$

with  $\lambda T_s h_0 = h_0$ ,  $h_0 = \Delta_c h$ .

Proof. As  $h_{k+1} = \lambda [L_s h_k]_{R_{k+1}(c)} = \lambda [\gamma_s \circ G_k \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(c)}$

$$= \lambda [g_k \circ Q_{k+1} \cdot \gamma_s \circ R_{k+1} \circ Q_{k+1} \cdot \gamma_{s,k} \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(c)}$$

$$= \lambda [g_k \circ Q_{k+1} \cdot \gamma_{s,k+1} \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(c)}$$

$$\text{and } h_{k+1} = [G_{k+1} \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(c)} = [g_{k+1} \circ Q_{k+1} \cdot \gamma_{s,k+1} \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(c)}$$

we have  $g_{k+1} = \lambda g_k$  for  $k \geq 0$ .

Hence  $g_k = \lambda^k h_0$ , which implies

$$h_k = [G_k \circ Q_k]_{R_k(c)} = [\lambda^k h_0 \circ Q_k \cdot \gamma_{s,k} \circ Q_k]_{R_k(c)}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{and } h_0 &= \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [L_s h_k]_c = \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [\psi_s \cdot [G_{k+1} \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(z)}]_c \\
&= \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [\psi_s \cdot \lambda^k [h_0 \circ Q_{k+1} \cdot \psi_{s, k} \circ Q_{k+1}]_{R_{k+1}(z)}]_c \\
&= \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [\psi_s \cdot \lambda^k \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{R_{k+1}(z)} (\Delta_{R_{k+1}(z)} [h_0 \circ Q_{k+1}]) (\sigma) \cdot \psi_{s, k} \circ Q_{k+1} (\sigma) \chi_{\sigma} d\sigma]_c \\
&= \lambda \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} [\psi_s \cdot \lambda^k \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} (\Delta_c h_0) (\tau) \psi_{s, k} (\tau) \cdot R'_{k+1} (\tau) \chi_{R_{k+1}(\tau)} d\tau]_c
\end{aligned}$$

(here we changed variables  $\tau = Q_{k+1}(\sigma)$  and  $d\sigma = R'_{k+1}(\tau) d\tau$ )

$$= \frac{-\lambda}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} (\Delta_c \psi_s)(u) \left( \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \lambda^k \psi_{s, k}(t) \cdot R'_{k+1}(t) \chi_{R_{k+1}(t)} (u) (\Delta_c h_0)(t) dt \right) \chi_u du$$

This yields an integral equation for  $h_0 \in \mathcal{M}_c$ :

$$(\Delta_c h_0)(u) = \lambda (\Delta_c \psi_s)(u) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} H_s(u, t; \lambda) (\Delta_c h_0)(t) dt$$

more briefly

$$h_0 = \lambda \left[ \psi_s \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} H_s(u, t; \lambda) (\Delta_c h_0)(t) dt \right]_c,$$

$$\text{by setting } H_s(u, t; \lambda) = - \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \lambda^k \psi_{s, k}(t) R'_{k+1}(t) \chi_{R_{k+1}(t)}(u).$$

## §8. Dual spaces and Cauchy's transformations.

Let  $\mathcal{O}(J)$  denote the space of germs of holomorphic function along the Julia set  $J = J(R)$ . Each element of  $\mathcal{O}(J)$  has a representative  $f: J \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  which can be extended to a holomorphic function in a neighborhood of  $J$ . As  $J$  is a perfect set, the analytic continuation is uniquely determined by  $f$ .

Topology in  $\mathcal{O}(J)$  is given by the uniform convergence on  $J$ .

Linear functional  $G^J: \mathcal{O}(J) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is said to be holomorphic if for any holomorphic family  $f_\lambda: \Lambda \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(J)$ ,  $G^J[f_\lambda]: \Lambda \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is holomorphic. We require the continuity of  $G$  with respect to the sup norms on  $\mathcal{O}(J)$ . The space of continuous holomorphic linear functionals  $G^J: \mathcal{O}(J) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  will be denoted by  $\mathcal{O}^*(J)$ .

As in the previous sections,  $\mathcal{O}_0(F)$  denotes the space of holomorphic functions in the Fatou set  $F$  vanishing at the infinity.

If  $p \in F$  then  $\chi_p = \frac{1}{z-p}$  belongs to  $\mathcal{O}(J)$ . For holomorphic linear functional  $G^J$  in  $\mathcal{O}^*(J)$ , define a holomorphic function  $g^J \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$  by  $g^J(z) = G^J[-\chi_z]$ . Then, family

of holomorphic functions  $F \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(J)$  defined by  $z \mapsto -\chi_z$  is a holomorphic family,  $g^J: F \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a holomorphic function, since the functional  $G^J$  is holomorphic. By the continuity of  $G^J$ , we see immediately  $g^J(\infty) = 0$  and hence  $g^J \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ .

This correspondence between  $\mathcal{O}^*(J)$  and  $\mathcal{O}_0(F)$  is called the Cauchy transformation.

Proposition 8.1. For  $f_J \in \mathcal{O}(J)$ ,  $G^J[f_J]$  can be expressed in a integration form

$$G^J[f_J] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\delta_F} f_J(\tau) g^J(\tau) d\tau,$$

where the integration path  $\delta_F$  goes around the Julia set in the clockwise direction.

Proof As  $f_J$  is holomorphic near  $J$ , for  $z$  in a neighborhood of  $J$ ,

$$f_J(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} f_J(\tau) \chi_z(\tau) d\tau = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} f_J(\tau) \chi_\tau(z) d\tau,$$

where  $\gamma_J$  runs around the Julia set in the counter-clockwise direction. The right hand side of this equality gives an expression of  $f_J(z)$  as a "linear combination" of unit poles.

We have

$$\begin{aligned} G^J[f_J] &= \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} f_J(\tau) G^J[\chi_\tau] d\tau = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} f_J(\tau) g^J(\tau) d\tau \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\delta_F} f_J(\tau) g^J(\tau) d\tau. \end{aligned}$$

In the following, we shall denote such pairings of functions as

$$\langle g^J, f_J \rangle_F = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\delta_F} f_J(\tau) g^J(\tau) d\tau.$$

Proposition 8.2  $\mathcal{O}^*(J) \approx \mathcal{O}_0(F)$

Proof. The Cauchy transformation defines a complex linear map from  $\mathcal{O}^*(J)$  to  $\mathcal{O}_0(F)$ , and the pairing along  $\delta_F$  defines a complex linear map from  $\mathcal{O}_0(F)$  to  $\mathcal{O}^*(J)$ . These two transformations are mutually inverse.

Let  $\mathcal{O}_0^*(F)$  denote the space of holomorphic linear and continuous functional  $G^F: \mathcal{O}_0(F) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

Proposition 8.3  $\mathcal{O}(J) \subset \mathcal{O}_0^*(F)$

Proof. If  $z \in J$  then  $-\chi_z \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ . For  $G^F \in \mathcal{O}_0^*(F)$ , let  $g^F(z) = G^F[-\chi_z]$ . Then  $g^F: J \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a continuous function.

If  $g^F \in \mathcal{O}(J)$ , then for  $f_F \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$  with

$$f_F(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} f_F(\tau) \chi_z(\tau) d\tau = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} f_F(\tau) \chi_z(z) d\tau,$$

we have

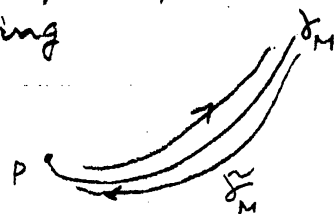
$$\begin{aligned} G^F[f_F] &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} f_F(\tau) G^F[\chi_z] d\tau = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} f_F(\tau) g^F(\tau) d\tau \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} f_F(\tau) g^F(\tau) d\tau = \langle g^F, f_F \rangle_J, \end{aligned}$$

where the integration path  $\gamma_J$  is given by  $g^F$  which is holomorphic in a neighborhood of  $J$ . This pairing will be denoted as  $\langle g^F, f_F \rangle_J$ .

We define the third pairings  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_M$  and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_M^*$  related to the external rays and pre-microfunctions. Let  $\mathcal{M}$  denote the space of pre-microfunctions and let  $\delta_M$  denote the "sum" of external rays supporting the pre-microfunctions. We use symbol  $M$  to indicate the object is related to the pre-microfunction component. When we apply operations  $\Delta_M, \mathcal{I}_M$  etc. we take the "sum" of the objects over external rays. The dual space  $\mathcal{M}^*$  is the space of holomorphic linear and continuous functionals  $G^M: \mathcal{M} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ .

For  $\delta_M$ , we denote by  $\tilde{\delta}_M$  the integration path passing along the external ray both sides of  $\delta_M$  coming from the infinity to  $p$  on the negative side of  $\delta_M$  and coming back from  $p$  to the infinity on the positive side of  $\delta_M$ . If  $g^M \in \mathcal{O}_0(\delta_M)$ , that is,

$g^M$  is a holomorphic function in a neighborhood of  $\delta_M$  with regular singularities at the infinity and each landing points.



For  $f_M \in \mathcal{M}$ , we can rewrite it in the following form.

$$f_M(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_M} (\Delta_M f_M)(\tau) \chi_z(\tau) d\tau = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_M} (\Delta_M f_M)(\tau) \chi_z(z) d\tau$$

For  $g^M \in \mathcal{O}(\gamma_M)$  define a holomorphic functional  $G^M \in \mathcal{M}^*$  by

$$G^M[f_M] = \langle g^M, \Delta_M f_M \rangle_M = \langle g^M, f_M \rangle_M.$$

$G^M[f_M]$  is defined if  $\Delta_M f_M \cdot g^M \in L_1(\gamma_M)$ . Note that

$$G^M[-\chi_z] = \langle g^M, -\chi_z \rangle_M = g^M(z)$$

by Cauchy's integration formula. Note that if  $g^M \in \mathcal{O}_0(\gamma_M)$  and  $\tilde{g}^M = \mathcal{I}_M[g^M]$ , then for  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma_M$

$$g^M(\zeta) = \langle \tilde{g}^M, \chi_\zeta \rangle_M = \langle g^M, \chi_\zeta \rangle_M$$

holds. If  $f_M \in \mathcal{M}$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} G^M[f_M] &= G^M \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_M} (\Delta_M f_M)(\tau) (-\chi_\tau) \cdot d\tau \right] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_M} (\Delta_M f_M)(\tau) G^M[-\chi_\tau] d\tau \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_M} (\Delta_M f_M)(\tau) g^M(\tau) d\tau = \langle g^M, \Delta_M f_M \rangle_M. \end{aligned}$$

We have a splitting of pre-microfunctions,

$$f = f_J \oplus f_M \oplus f_F \in \mathcal{O}_0(J) \oplus \mathcal{M} \oplus \mathcal{O}_0(F)$$

and a splitting of its dual space

$$G = G^J \oplus G^M \oplus G^F \in \mathcal{O}_0^*(J) \oplus \mathcal{M}^* \oplus \mathcal{O}_0^*(F),$$

with Cauchy's transforms given by

$$G^J[-\chi_z] = g^J(z), \quad z \in F, \quad g^J \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$$

$$G^M[-\chi_z] = g^M(z), \quad z \in \gamma_M, \quad g^M \in \mathcal{O}(\gamma_M)$$

$$G^M[\chi_\zeta] = \tilde{g}^M(\zeta), \quad \zeta \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma_M, \quad \tilde{g}^M \in \hat{\mathcal{M}}$$

$$G^F[-\chi_z] = g^F(z), \quad z \in J, \quad g^F \in \mathcal{O}(J).$$

The pairing of  $f$  and  $G$  is defined by

$$\begin{aligned} G[f] &= G^J[f_J] + G^M[f_M] + G^F[f_F] \\ &= \langle g^J, f_J \rangle_J + \langle g^M, \Delta_M f_M \rangle_M + \langle g^F, f_F \rangle_F. \end{aligned}$$

Projections of  $\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{O}_0(J) \oplus \mathcal{M} \oplus \mathcal{O}_0(F)$  to components are denoted by  $f \mapsto [f]_J$ ,  $f \mapsto [f]_M$ ,  $f \mapsto [f]_F$  respectively.

These projections are given by

$$[f]_J(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} f(\tau) \chi_z(\tau) d\tau \quad (z \in J),$$

$$[f]_M(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_M} (\Delta_M f)(\tau) \chi_z(\tau) d\tau \quad (z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma_M),$$

$$[f]_F(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} f(\tau) \chi_z(\tau) d\tau \quad (z \in F).$$

And the projections of  $\mathcal{N}^* = \mathcal{O}^*(J) \oplus \mathcal{M}^* \oplus \mathcal{O}_0^*(F)$  are denoted

$$as \quad [ ]^J : \mathcal{N}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}_0(F) \subset \mathcal{O}^*(J)$$

$$[ ]^M : \mathcal{N}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(\gamma_M) \subset \mathcal{M}^*$$

$$[ ]^F : \mathcal{N}^* \rightarrow \mathcal{O}(J) \subset \mathcal{O}_0^*(F).$$

Let  $\mathcal{L}_s^*$  denote the dual of our transfer operator  $\mathcal{L}_s$ . We abuse notations and confuse functionals and its Cauchy's transforms.  $\mathcal{L}_s^* : \mathcal{O}_0(F) \oplus \mathcal{O}(\gamma_M) \oplus \mathcal{O}(J) \rightarrow$  is decomposed as

$$\mathcal{L}_s^* = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{L}_{JJ}^* & \mathcal{L}_{JM}^* & \mathcal{L}_{JF}^* \\ \mathcal{L}_{MJ}^* & \mathcal{L}_{MM}^* & \mathcal{L}_{MF}^* \\ \mathcal{L}_{FJ}^* & \mathcal{L}_{FM}^* & \mathcal{L}_{FF}^* \end{pmatrix}.$$

In the rest of this section, we compute these components more explicitly.

Proposition 8.4.  $\mathcal{L}_{JJ}^* g^J = \gamma_\xi \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^J \circ R - [\gamma_\xi \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^J \circ R]_0$   
 $\mathcal{L}_{MJ}^* g^J = \Delta_0 [\gamma_\xi \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^J \circ R]$   
 $\mathcal{L}_{FJ}^* g^J = 0$

Proof. For  $g^J \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ , we compute  $(\mathcal{L}_{JJ}^* g^J)(z)$  for  $z \in F$ .

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{JJ}^* g^J)(z) &= [(\mathcal{L}_J^* G^J)[- \chi_z]]^J = [G^J[- \mathcal{L}_J \chi_z]]^J \\ &= [G^J[- \gamma_\xi(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)} - [\gamma_\xi \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}]_c]]^J \\ &= [G^J[- \gamma_\xi(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}]]^J \quad (\text{since } [ ]_c \in \mathcal{M}_c) \\ &= [\gamma_\xi(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) G^J[- \chi_{R(z)}]]^J = [\gamma_\xi(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) \cdot G^J[- \chi_{R(z)}]]_F \\ &= \gamma_\xi(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) g^J(R(z)) - [\gamma_\xi \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^J \circ R]_0(z). \end{aligned}$$

Next, for  $\zeta \in \mathcal{X}_M$ ,  $\mathcal{L}_{M\mathbb{F}}^* g^J \in \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{X}_M)$  is computed as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{M\mathbb{F}}^* g^J)(\zeta) &= [(\mathcal{L}_s^* G^J)[-X_\zeta]]^M \\ &= [G^J[-\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \chi_{R(\zeta)} - [\gamma_s \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c]]^M \\ &= [\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) G^J[-\chi_{R(\zeta)}]]^M = [\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot g^J(R(\zeta))]^M \\ &= \Delta_0[\gamma_s \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^J \circ R](\zeta) = \Delta_c \gamma_s \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^J \circ R. \end{aligned}$$

For  $\zeta \in \mathcal{J}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{F}\mathcal{J}}^* g^J)(\zeta) &= [(\mathcal{L}_s^* G^J)[-X_\zeta]]^F \\ &= [G^J[-\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)} - [\gamma_s \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c]]^M \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

The last equality holds since  $\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)} \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$  and  $[\gamma_s \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c \in \mathcal{M}_c$ .

Proposition 8.5  $\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{F}\mathbb{F}}^* g^F = 0$

$$\mathcal{L}_{M\mathbb{F}}^* g^F = \Delta_0[\gamma_s \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^F \circ R]$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{F}\mathbb{F}}^* g^F = \gamma_s \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^F \circ R - [\gamma_s \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^F \circ R]_0$$

Proof. For  $\zeta \in F$ , we have  $-X_\zeta \in \mathcal{O}(J)$ . For  $g^F \in \mathcal{O}(J)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{F}\mathbb{F}}^* g^F)(\zeta) &= [(\mathcal{L}_s^* G^F)[-X_\zeta]]^J = [G^F[-\mathcal{L}_s X_\zeta]]^J \\ &= [G^F[-\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)} - [\gamma_s \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c]]^J \\ &= [\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot G^F[-\chi_{R(\zeta)}]]^J = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Here, the last equality holds since  $\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)} \in \mathcal{O}(J)$ ,  $[\gamma_s \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c \in \mathcal{M}_c$  and  $G^F[-\chi_{R(\zeta)}] = 0$ .

For  $\zeta \in \mathcal{J}$ ,  $-X_\zeta$  belongs to  $\mathcal{O}_0(F)$ . Hence

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{\mathbb{F}\mathbb{F}}^* g^F)(\zeta) &= [(\mathcal{L}_s^* G^F)[-X_\zeta]]^F = [G^F[-\mathcal{L}_s X_\zeta]]^F \\ &= [G^F[-\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)} - [\gamma_s \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c]]^F \\ &= [\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot G^F[-\chi_{R(\zeta)}]]^F = [\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot g^F(R(\zeta))]^F \\ &= \gamma_s \circ R(\zeta) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot g^F \circ R(\zeta) - [\gamma_s \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^F \circ R]_0(\zeta). \end{aligned}$$

We used the fact  $-\gamma_s(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)} \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$  and  $[\gamma_s \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c \in \mathcal{M}_c$ .

To compute  $\mathcal{L}_{MF}^* g^F$ , we take  $\zeta \in \gamma_M \subset F$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{MF}^* g^F)(\zeta) &= [(\mathcal{L}_\zeta^* G^F)[-X_\zeta]]^M \\ &= [G^F[-\psi_\zeta(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \chi_{R(\zeta)} - [\psi_\zeta \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c]]^M \\ &= [\psi_\zeta(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot G^F[-X_{R(\zeta)}]]^M = [\psi_\zeta(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot g^F(R(\zeta))]^M \\ &= \Delta_0 [\psi_\zeta \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^F \circ R](\zeta). \end{aligned}$$

In the above calculations, we used the fact  $[\psi_\zeta \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c \in \mathcal{M}_c$ . During the computations,  $\zeta$  is regarded as constant and the final result gives the formula as a function of  $\zeta$ .

Proposition 8.6.  $\mathcal{L}_{JM}^* g^M = [\psi_\zeta \circ R \cdot R' \cdot (I_M g^M) \circ R]_F$

$$\mathcal{L}_{MM}^* g^M = \begin{cases} [\psi_\zeta \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g^M \circ R]^{M_p} + [I_0 [g^M \circ R \cdot \Delta_0 \psi_\zeta] \circ R \cdot R']^{M_p} & (\zeta \in \partial_F \text{ and } p \neq 0) \\ \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_\zeta} g^M(R(\sigma)) \psi_\zeta(R(\sigma)) \cdot R'(\sigma) \chi_{R(\sigma)} d\sigma \right]^{M_0} & (\zeta \in \gamma_0) \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{L}_{FM}^* g^M = [\psi_\zeta \circ R \cdot R' \cdot (I_M g^M) \circ R]_F$$

Proof. For  $G^M \in \mathcal{M}^*$ , let  $g^M(z) = G^M[-X_z]$ ,  $z \in M$ ,  $g^M \in \mathcal{O}(M)$ . For  $\zeta \in F$ , (and  $\zeta \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma_M$ ),

$$\begin{aligned} (\mathcal{L}_{JM}^* G^M)(\zeta) &= [(\mathcal{L}_\zeta^* G^M)[X_\zeta]]^J = [G^M[\mathcal{L}_\zeta X_\zeta]]^J \\ &= [G^M[\psi_\zeta(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)} + [\psi_\zeta \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c]]^J \\ &= [\psi_\zeta(R(\zeta)) \cdot R'(\zeta) G^M[\chi_{R(\zeta)}] + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_\zeta} g^M(\tau) (\Delta_0 \psi_\zeta)(\tau) R'(\zeta) \chi_{R(\zeta)}(\tau) d\tau]^J \\ &= [\psi_\zeta \circ R \cdot R' \cdot (I_M g^M) \circ R]_F(\zeta) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} \frac{dz}{z-\zeta} \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_\zeta} g^M(\tau) (\Delta_0 \psi_\zeta)(\tau) \cdot R'(z) \chi_{R(z)}(\tau) d\tau \\ &= [\psi_\zeta \circ R \cdot R' \cdot (I_M g^M) \circ R]_F(\zeta) + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_\zeta} g^M(\tau) (\Delta_0 \psi_\zeta)(\tau) d\tau \cdot \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_F} \frac{R'(z) dz}{(z-\zeta)(\tau-R(z))} \\ &= [\psi_\zeta \circ R \cdot R' \cdot (I_M g^M) \circ R]_F(\zeta). \end{aligned}$$

Here, the last equality holds since  $\zeta \in F \cap (\mathbb{C} \setminus \gamma_M)$  and  $\tau$  moves near  $\partial F$  along  $\gamma_F$ .

Next, we compute  $\mathcal{L}_{FM}^*$ . For  $\zeta \in J$ , note that  $R(\zeta) \in J$  and  $[\psi_\zeta \cdot R'(\zeta) \cdot \chi_{R(\zeta)}]_c \in \mathcal{M}$ . Hence,



$$\begin{aligned}
(L_{FM}^* G^M)(z) &= [(L^* G^M)[\chi_z]]^F \\
&= [G^M[\psi_s(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)} + [\psi_s \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}]_c]]^F \\
&= [\tau_s(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) \cdot (\mathcal{I}_M g^M)(R(z))]^F + \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g^M(\tau) \cdot (\Delta_c \psi_s)(\tau) \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}(\tau) d\tau \right]_J
\end{aligned}$$

The second term of the above line is computed as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
&\left[ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g^M(\tau) \cdot (\Delta_c \psi_s)(\tau) \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}(\tau) d\tau \right]_J \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} \frac{dz}{z-z} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g^M(\tau) \cdot (\Delta_c \psi_s)(\tau) R'(\tau) \frac{d\tau}{\tau-R(z)} \\
&= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g^M(\tau) (\Delta_c \psi_s)(\tau) d\tau \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_J} \frac{R'(z) dz}{(z-z)(\tau-R(z))} \\
&= 0.
\end{aligned}$$

The last equality holds since  $R'(z)$  is of degree one and the denominator  $(z-z)(\tau-R(z))$  is of degree three with respect to the variable of integration and the integration path  $\gamma_J$  turns around the Julia set along a circle of infinitely large radius. Hence we have

$$(L_{FM}^* G^M)(z) = [\tau_s(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) (\mathcal{I}_M g^M)(R(z))]_J.$$

Finally, let us compute  $L_{MM}^* G^M \in \mathcal{O}^*(M)$ .

For  $z \in \gamma_p$  with  $p \in \mathbb{P}(R)$ , the component  $(L_{MM}^* G^M)_p \in \mathcal{C}(\gamma_p)$  is computed as follows.

$$\begin{aligned}
(L_{MM}^* G^M)(z) &= [(L_{\mathcal{L}_s}^* G^M)[-\chi_z]]^{M_p} = [G^M[-L_s \chi_z]]^{M_p} \\
&= [\psi_s(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) \cdot G^M[-\chi_{R(z)}] + \langle g^M, [\psi_s \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}]_c \rangle_M]^{M_p} \\
&= [\psi_s(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) \cdot g^M(R(z))]^{M_p} + \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g^M(\tau) (\Delta_c \psi_s)(\tau) \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}(\tau) d\tau \right]^{M_p} \\
&= [\psi_s \circ R \cdot R' \cdot g_{R(p)}^M]^{M_p}(z) + [R'(z) \cdot (\mathcal{I}_c [g_c^M \cdot \Delta_c \psi_s]) \circ R]^{M_p} \\
&= [R' \cdot (\psi_s \cdot g_{R(p)}^M) \circ R]^{M_p}(z) + [R' \cdot [\psi_s \cdot g_c^M]_c \circ R]^{M_p}(z).
\end{aligned}$$

In the case of  $p=0$ , i.e. for  $z \in \gamma_0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(L_{MM}^* G^M)(z) &= [(L_{\mathcal{L}_s}^* G^M)[-\chi_z]]^{M_0} = [G^M[-L_s \chi_z]]^{M_0} \\
&= [G^M[-\psi_s \cdot R'(z) \chi_{R(z)}]]^{M_0} = [\langle g^M, \psi_s \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)} \rangle_{\mathcal{L}_c}]^{M_0}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g^M(\tau) \psi_s(\tau) \cdot R'(z) \frac{d\tau}{\tau - R(z)} \right]^{M_0} \\
&= \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_0} g^M(R(\sigma)) \psi_s(R(\sigma)) \cdot R'(z) \chi_z(\sigma) d\sigma \right]^{M_0} \\
&= R'(z) \cdot (\Delta_0 [g_c^M \cdot \psi_s] \circ R)(z).
\end{aligned}$$

### §9. Example

In this section, we compute the operator  $\mathcal{L}_{MM}^*$  more precisely for  $R(z) = z^2 + i$  case. In this case, the critical value  $c=i$  is preperiodic and the postcritical set  $P(R) = \{i, i-1, -i\}$  consists of three points.

Let us compute  $\mathcal{L}_{MM}^* g_c^M$  for  $g_c^M \in \mathcal{O}(\gamma_c)$ , where  $G_c^M \in \mathcal{M}_c^*$  and  $g_c^M(z) = G_c^M[-\chi_z]$  for  $z \in \gamma_c$ .

For  $z \in \gamma_p$  with  $p \neq 0$ ,  $p \in P(R)$

$$\begin{aligned}
(\mathcal{L}_{MM}^* G^M)(z) &= [(\mathcal{L}_s^* G_c^M)[- \chi_z]]^{M_p} = [G_c^M[-\mathcal{L}_s \chi_z]]^{M_p} \\
&= [G_c^M [-\psi_s(R(z)) \cdot R'(z) \chi_{R(z)} - [\psi_s \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}]_c]]^{M_p}.
\end{aligned}$$

Here, as  $p \neq 0$ ,  $R(z) \notin \gamma_c$ ,  $\chi_{R(z)} \notin \mathcal{M}_c$ . And as  $[\psi_s \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}]_c$  belongs to  $\mathcal{M}_c$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
(\mathcal{L}_{MM}^* G^M)(z) &= [G_c^M [- [\psi_s \cdot R'(z) \cdot \chi_{R(z)}]_c]]^{M_p} \\
&= \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g_c^M(\tau) \cdot \Delta_c \psi_s(\tau) \cdot R'(z) \chi_{R(z)}(\tau) d\tau \right]^{M_p} \\
&= \left[ R'(z) \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g_c^M(\tau) (\Delta_c \psi_s)(\tau) \chi_{R(z)}(\tau) d\tau \right]^{M_p} \\
&= [R'(z) \mathcal{I}_c [g_c^M \cdot \Delta_c \psi_s] \circ R(z)]^{M_p} \\
&= (R' \cdot \mathcal{I}_c [g_c^M \cdot \Delta_c \psi_s] \circ R)(z).
\end{aligned}$$

For  $z \in \gamma_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
(\mathcal{L}_{MM}^* G_c^M)(z) &= [(\mathcal{L}_s^* G_c^M)[- \chi_z]]^{M_0} = [G_c^M [-\mathcal{L}_s \chi_z]]^{M_0} \\
&= [G_c^M [-\psi_s \cdot R'(z) \chi_{R(z)}]]^{M_0} = \left[ R'(z) \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma_c} g_c^M(\tau) \psi_s(\tau) \chi_{R(z)}(\tau) d\tau \right]^{M_0}.
\end{aligned}$$

$$= \left[ R(z) \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\tilde{\gamma}_c} g_c^M(\tau) \psi_s(\tau) \frac{d\tau}{\tau - R(z)} \right]^{M_0}$$

$$= \left[ R(z) \{ \psi_s \cdot g_c^M \}_c \circ R(z) \right]^{M_0}$$

where  $\{ \psi_s \cdot g_c^M \}_c$  denotes the regular part of  $\psi_s \cdot g_c^M$  along  $\gamma_c$ .

i.e.  $\{ \psi_s \cdot g_c^M \}_c = \psi_s \cdot g_c^M - \int_c [\Delta_c \psi_s \cdot g_c^M]$

and is defined as

$$\{ \psi_s \cdot g_c^M \}_c(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\tilde{\gamma}_c} \psi_s(\tau) \cdot g_c^M(\tau) \frac{d\tau}{\tau - z} \quad \text{for } z \in \gamma_c$$

We have a decomposition

$$\psi_s \cdot g_c^M = [\psi_s \cdot g_c^M]_c + \{ \psi_s \cdot g_c^M \}_c$$

with  $[\psi_s \cdot g_c^M]_c \in M_c$  and  $\{ \psi_s \cdot g_c^M \}_c \in \mathcal{O}(\gamma_c)$ .

### §10. Complex conformal measures.

Let  $G \in \mathcal{O}_0^*(\mathbb{J}) \oplus \mathcal{M}^* \oplus \mathcal{O}_0^*(F)$ . Let  $A \subset \mathbb{C}$  be an open set with smooth boundary  $\partial A$  (oriented by the counter clockwise direction). The characteristic function  $\chi_A(z)$  of  $A$  is expressed as

$$\chi_A(z) = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} \chi_\eta(z) d\eta = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} \frac{d\eta}{z - \eta}$$

So, we can rewrite

$$\chi_A = \frac{-1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} \chi_\eta d\eta.$$

Hence,

$$G[\chi_A] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} G[-\chi_\eta] d\eta$$

defines a set function. If  $G = G^J + G^M + G^F$ , then

$$G[-\chi_\eta] = g^J + g^M + g^F$$

with  $g^J \in \mathcal{O}_0(F)$ ,  $g^M \in \mathcal{M}$ ,  $g^F \in \mathcal{O}_0(\mathbb{J})$ , and

$$G[\chi_A] = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} (g^J(\eta) + g^M(\eta) + g^F(\eta)) d\eta$$

defines an additive set function. Suppose  $\lambda$  be a characteristic value of our transfer operator  $\mathcal{L}_s$  and let  $f \in \mathcal{H} = \mathcal{O}_0(\mathbb{J}) \oplus \mathcal{M} \oplus \mathcal{O}_0(F)$  be an eigenfunction

of  $L_S$  for singular value  $\lambda$ , i.e.  $\lambda L_S f = f$ . And let  $G \in \mathcal{H}^* = \mathcal{O}_0^*(\mathbb{T}) \oplus \mathcal{M}^* \oplus \mathcal{O}_0^*(F)$  be the co-eigenfunctional of  $L_S^*$  for  $\lambda$ , i.e.,  $\lambda L_S^* G = G$ , with  $g(z) = G[-\chi_z]$ ,  $g \in \mathcal{O}_0(F) \oplus \mathcal{M} \oplus \mathcal{O}_0(\mathbb{T})$ .

Define a set function  $\mu_{fg}$  by

$$\mu_{fg}(A) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} f(\tau) g(\tau) d\tau.$$

Then, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{fg}(R^{-1}(A)) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial R^{-1}(A)} f(z) g(z) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial R^{-1}(A)} f(z) \cdot \lambda (L_S^* g)(z) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{R^{-1}(\partial A)} \lambda f(z) R'(z) \gamma_S(R(z)) g(R(z)) dz \end{aligned}$$

Then by a change of variables  $\zeta = R(z)$  with  $d\zeta = R'(z) dz$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{fg}(R^{-1}(A)) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} \lambda \gamma_S(\zeta) \cdot g(\zeta) \left( \sum_{z \in R^{-1}(\zeta)} f(z) \right) d\zeta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} \lambda (L_S f)(\zeta) \cdot g(\zeta) d\zeta \\ &= \mu_{fg}(A), \end{aligned}$$

where we used  $L_S f = \gamma_S \circ R_* f$  and  $L_S^* g = R'(\gamma_S \circ g) \circ R$ . Our set function  $\mu_{fg}$  is backward invariant under  $R$ .

Finally, we consider the pull-back of the set function defined by the co-eigenfunctional  $g$ . Suppose  $L_S^* g = g$  then, for  $A$  with  $R|_A: A \rightarrow R(A)$  injective, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_g(R(A)) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial R(A)} g(\zeta) d\zeta = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} g(R(z)) R'(z) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} \gamma_S(R(z))^{-1} \cdot R'(z) \cdot \gamma_S(R(z)) \cdot g(R(z)) dz \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\partial A} \gamma_S(R(z))^{-1} g(z) dz. \end{aligned}$$

This shows a kind of complex conformal property of the set function  $\mu_g$  for co-invariant function  $g$ .