

ON THE DEFINITION OF SIGNIFICANT MULTIPLICITY FOR CONTINUOUS TRANSFORMATIONS

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INTRODUCTION

Let T be a continuous transformation from the unit square $Q: 0 \leq u \leq 1, 0 \leq v \leq 1$, in the uv -plane into Euclidean 3-space S_3 and let x designate a point in S_3 . If $T^{-1}(x) \neq \emptyset$ then each component of $T^{-1}(x)$ is called a maximal model continuum under T . The reader is referred to Rado [6] for background material and definitions (square brackets refer to the bibliography at the end of this paper). For a set $E \subset Q$ let $N^*(x, T, E)$ denote the number (possibly $+\infty$) of maximal model continua under T that intersect $T^{-1}(x) \cap E$. Let $A(T)$ denote the Lebesgue area of the surface represented by T . If T is a plane transformation, i.e., $T(Q)$ lies in a plane, and \mathcal{E}^* is the union of the essential maximal model continua under T , then (see Cesari [1] and Rado [7])

$$A(T) = \int N^*(x, T, \mathcal{E}^*) dL_2$$

where the integration is taken with respect to Lebesgue planar measure L_2 in the plane containing $T(Q)$.

The reader is referred to Federer [4] for a discussion and a solution of the problem of introducing a suitable multiplicity function and a suitable measure in S_3 such that a relationship as given above for plane transformations holds for a continuous transformation from Q into S_3 . By using the concept of an essential maximal model continuum for plane transformations the writer [5] defined an essential maximal model continuum under a continuous transformation T from Q into S_3 . If \mathcal{E} is the union of these essential maximal model continua under T then

$$(1) \quad A(T) = \int N^*(x, T, \mathcal{E}) dH^2$$

where the integration is taken with respect to Hausdorff 2-dimensional measure H^2 in S_3 . Rado [9] showed that a set \mathcal{E} of essential maximal model continua could be defined in a simpler manner than that used by the writer in [5] such that (1) holds for this set \mathcal{E} . However, both the definition of Rado and the definition of the writer depend on the coordinate system.

It is the purpose of this paper to use the concept of an essential maximal

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model continuum under a plane transformation to define a significant maximal model continuum under a continuous transformation T from Q into S_3 such that the following two conditions are satisfied. (i) The definition of a significant maximal model continuum under T is independent of the coordinate system. (ii) If S is the union of the significant maximal model continua under T then

$$A(T) = \int N^*(x, T, S) dH^2$$

where the integration is taken with respect to Hausdorff 2-dimensional measure H^2 in S_3 . We use the term significant instead of essential because in the case of plane transformations the two concepts do not agree.

1. SIGNIFICANT MAXIMAL MODEL CONTINUA

1.1. As mentioned before we shall denote Euclidean $x_1x_2x_3$ -space by S_3 and points in S_3 by x . Points on the unit sphere $U: x_1^2 + x_2^2 + x_3^2 = 1$ will be denoted by P . $S_2(P)$ is the plane through the origin which is perpendicular to the line joining P to the origin. Points in $S_2(P)$ will be denoted by x_P . $\pi_P: S_3 \rightarrow S_2(P)$ is the orthogonal projection from S_3 onto $S_2(P)$. The open sphere with center at x and radius $r > 0$ will be denoted by $s(x, r)$.

1.2. We denote by $H^2(E)$ the Hausdorff 2-dimensional measure of a set $E \subset S_3$. We denote by Γ the class of H^2 -measurable sets. Γ contains all open, Borel and analytic sets. For a set E lying in a plane we denote by $L_2(E)$ the Lebesgue exterior planar measure of E . For $P \in U$ we define

$$\Gamma_P = [E \mid E \in \Gamma, L_2\pi_P(E) = 0].$$

For a set $E \in \Gamma$ we define

$$H_P(E) = \text{gr.l.b. } H^2(E - E_P) \text{ for sets } E_P \in \Gamma_P.$$

Then (see Mickle [5]) $H_P(E)$ is a measure for sets $E \in \Gamma$ and for a set $E \in \Gamma$ the following conditions are satisfied. (i) $H_P(E) \leq H^2(E)$. (ii) $H_P(E) \geq L_2\pi_P(E)$. (iii) There exist sets $E', E'' \in \Gamma$ such that $E = E' \cup E'', E' \cap E'' = \emptyset, H_P(E) = H_P(E') = H^2(E')$ and $H_P(E'') = 0$. (iv) If $L_2\pi_P(E) = 0$ then $H_P(E) = 0$.

1.3. For $E \in \Gamma, x \in S_3, P \in U$ we define

$$h(x, E) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow 0^+} H^2[E \cap s(x, r)] / \pi r^2, \quad h_P(x, E) = \limsup_{r \rightarrow 0^+} H_P[E \cap s(x, r)] / \pi r^2,$$

$$D(E) = [x \mid h(x, E) > 0], \quad D_P(E) = [x \mid h_P(x, E) > 0].$$

1.4. LEMMA. Let $\Phi(E)$ be a measure for sets $E \in \Gamma$. For each pair of positive integers n and m the set

$$G_{n,m}(E, \Phi) = \{x \mid \Phi[E \cap s(x, r)] > \pi r^2 / n \text{ for some } r, 0 < r < 1/m\}$$

is an open set.

Proof. If $x^* \in G_{n,m}(E, \Phi)$ then there are numbers $r^*, r, 0 < r^* < r < 1/m$ such that $\Phi[E \cap s(x^*, r^*)] > \pi r^2/n$. Hence there is a $\rho > 0$ such that for $x \in s(x^*, \rho)$ we have $s(x, r) \supset s(x^*, r^*)$. Thus $\Phi[E \cap s(x, r)] \geq \Phi[E \cap s(x^*, r^*)] > \pi r^2/n, s(x^*, \rho) \subset G_{n,m}(E, \Phi)$ and $G_{n,m}(E, \Phi)$ is an open set.

1.5. LEMMA. For $E \in \Gamma, P \in U$ we have the following conditions satisfied by the sets $D(E)$ and $D_P(E)$ defined in §1.3. (i) $D(E)$ and $D_P(E)$ are Borel sets. (ii) $H^2[E - D(E)] = 0$. (iii) $H_P[E - D_P(E)] = 0$. (iv) If $H^2(E) < \infty$ then $H^2[D(E) - E] = 0$.

Proof. (i) follows from the lemma in §1.4 since

$$D(E) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} G_{n,m}(E, H^2), \quad D_P(E) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} G_{n,m}(E, H_P).$$

(ii) and (iv) are well known but the proofs of (ii), (iii), and (iv) can be found in Mickle [5].

1.6. Let Q be the unit square $0 \leq u \leq 1, 0 \leq v \leq 1$ in the uv -plane and let T be a continuous transformation from Q into S_3 . For a set $E \subset Q, N(x, T, E)$ will denote the number (possibly $+\infty$) of points in $T^{-1}(x) \cap E$. As mentioned in the introduction a component of $T^{-1}(x) \neq \emptyset$ is called a maximal model continuum (m.m.c.) under T . For a set $E \subset Q, N^*(x, T, E)$ will denote the number (possibly $+\infty$) of m.m.c.'s under T that intersect $T^{-1}(x) \cap E$. If E is an analytic subset of Q then by well known theorems in measure theory $N(x, T, E)$ and $N^*(x, T, E)$ are H^2 and H_P measurable functions.

1.7. For a continuous transformation T from Q into S_3 and for $P \in U$ we set $\mathcal{E}_P(T)$ to be the union of all the essential maximal model continua (see Rado [6, pp. 281–282]) under the continuous plane transformation $T_P = \pi_P T$ from Q into the plane $S_2(P)$. $\mathcal{E}_P(T)$ is a Borel set (see Rado [6, p. 296]).

1.8. For $E \in \Gamma, P \in U$ and pair of positive integers n and m we set

$$G_{n,m}(E, P) = \{x \mid H_P[E \cap s(x, r)] > \pi r^2/n \text{ for some } r, 0 < r < 1/m\}.$$

For a continuous transformation T from Q into S_3 , a Borel set B in the uv -plane and $\mathcal{E}_P = \mathcal{E}_P(T)$ we set

$$D^*(T, B) = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{m=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{P \in U} G_{n,m}[T(B \cap \mathcal{E}_P), P].$$

1.9. LEMMA. For a continuous transformation T from Q into S_3 and a Borel set B in the uv -plane the set $D^*(T, B)$ defined in §1.8 satisfies the following conditions. (i) $D^*(T, B)$ is a Borel set. (ii) For $P \in U, D_P[T(B \cap \mathcal{E}_P)] \subset D^*(T, B)$.

Proof. (i) follows from the lemma in §1.4. If $x \in D_P[T(B \cap \mathcal{E}_P)]$ then there is an n_0 such that $x \in G_{n_0,m}[T(B \cap \mathcal{E}_P), P]$ for every positive integer m . Hence $x \in D^*(T, B)$ and (ii) follows.

1.10. Let Ω be the class of open sets in the uv -plane. For a continuous

transformation T from Q into S_3 an m.m.c. γ under T will be called a *significant maximal model continuum* (s.m.m.c.) under T if for every open set $O \in \Omega$ such that $\gamma \subset O$ we have that $T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O)$ (see §1.8). We denote by $\mathfrak{s}(T)$ the union of the s.m.m.c.'s under T . Obviously, $\mathfrak{s}(T)$ is *independent of the coordinate system*.

1.11. Let $T = lm, m: Q \Rightarrow M, l: M \rightarrow S_3$ be a monotone-light factorization of a continuous transformation T from Q into S_3 (See Rado [6, p. 54]). Let a_1, a_2, \dots , be a dense denumerable set of points in M and for each pair of positive integers i and j let $s(a_i, 1/j)$ be the open sphere with center at a_i and radius $1/j$. We set

$$\Omega_T = \{O_{i,j} \mid O_{i,j} = m^{-1}[s(a_i, 1/j)], i, j = 1, 2, \dots\}.$$

Note that for each $O \in \Omega_T, O$ is open relative to Q , i.e., there is an $O^* \in \Omega$ such that $O = Q \cap O^*$.

1.12. LEMMA. *Let T be a continuous transformation from Q into S_3 . An m.m.c. γ under T is an s.m.m.c. under T if and only if for each $O \in \Omega_T$ such that $\gamma \subset O$ we have $T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O)$.*

Proof. Let γ be an s.m.m.c. under T and let $O \in \Omega_T$ be such that $\gamma \subset O$. Then there is an $O^* \in \Omega$ such that $O = Q \cap O^*$. For $P \in U$, we have $\mathcal{E}_P \subset Q$ and hence $G_{n,m}[T(O^* \cap \mathcal{E}_P), P] = G_{n,m}[T(O^* \cap Q \cap \mathcal{E}_P), P] = G_{n,m}[T(O \cap \mathcal{E}_P), P]$. Hence $T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O^*) = D^*(T, O)$.

Let γ be an m.m.c. under T such that for $O \in \Omega_T, \gamma \subset O$, we have $T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O)$. Let $O^* \in \Omega$ be such that $\gamma \subset O^*$. Let O_0^* be the union of all the m.m.c.'s under T that lie entirely in O^* . Then O_0^* is open relative to Q . For the monotone transformation m given in §1.11, $m(O_0^*)$ is an open set in $M, m^{-1}m(O_0^*) = O_0^*$ and $m(\gamma) \in m(O_0^*)$. Thus there are integers i and j such that $m(\gamma) \in s(a_i, 1/j) \subset m(O_0^*)$. Thus $\gamma \subset O_{i,j} \subset O_0^* \subset O^*$ and $T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O_{i,j}) \subset D^*(T, O^*)$. Thus γ is an s.m.m.c. under T .

1.13. LEMMA. *For a continuous transformation T from Q into $S_3, \mathfrak{s}(T)$ is a Borel set.*

Proof. We shall show that for the sets $O_{i,j}, i, j = 1, 2, \dots$, defined in §1.11

$$(1) \quad \mathfrak{s}(T) = \bigcap_{j=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \{O_{i,j} \cap T^{-1}[D^*(T, O_{i,j})]\}.$$

By (i) of the lemma in §1.9 the right side of (1) is a Borel set. Note that the left side of (1) and the right side of (1) are the union of m.m.c.'s under T .

(i) Let γ be an s.m.m.c. under T . Then for each positive integer j there is a positive integer i such that $\gamma \subset O_{i,j}$ and hence, by the lemma in §1.12, such that $T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O_{i,j})$. Thus γ is in the right side of (1). Hence the left side of (1) is a subset of the right side of (1).

(ii) Let γ be an m.m.c. under T lying in the right side of (1). Let $O \in \Omega_T$ be such that $\gamma \subset O$. Then there exists an integer j_0 such that if $m(\gamma) \in s(a_i, 1/j_0)$ then $s(a_i, 1/j_0) \subset m(O)$. Now there is an integer i_0 such that

$$\gamma \subset O_{i_0, j_0} \cap T^{-1}[D^*(T, O_{i_0, j_0})], \quad T(\gamma) \in D^*[(T, O_{i_0, j_0})],$$

and hence, since, $O_{i_0, j_0} \subset O$,

$$T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O_{i_0, j_0}) \subset D^*(T, O).$$

By the lemma in §1.12, γ is an s.m.m.c. under T and the right side of (1) is a subset of the left side of (1).

(1) follows from (i) and (ii).

1.14. LEMMA. For a continuous transformation T from Q into S_3 and $P \in U$,

$$(1) \quad N^*[x, T, s(T)] \geq N^*[x, T, \varepsilon_P(T)]$$

except on a set of H_P measure zero.

Proof. The fact that (1) holds except on set of H_P measure zero will follow when we have shown that for $\varepsilon_P = \varepsilon_P(T)$, $s = s(T)$,

$$(2) \quad H_P[T(\varepsilon_P - s)] = 0.$$

Let γ be an m.m.c. under T such that $\gamma \subset \varepsilon_P - s$. By the lemma in §1.12 there is a set $O \in \Omega_T$ such that $\gamma \subset O$, $T(\gamma) \in T(O \cap \varepsilon_P)$, $T(\gamma) \notin D^*(T, O)$. By (ii) of the lemma in §1.9, $T(\gamma) \notin D_P T(O \cap \varepsilon_P)$. Thus

$$(3) \quad T(\varepsilon_P - s) \subset \bigcup_{O \in \Omega_T} \{T(O \cap \varepsilon_P) - D_P[T(O \cap \varepsilon_P)]\}.$$

By (iii) of the lemma in §1.5 and the definition of Ω_T the right side of (3) is the union of a denumerable number of sets of H_P measure zero. Thus (2) holds.

1.15. THEOREM. If T is a continuous transformation from Q into S_3 such that $A(T) = \infty$ then

$$A(T) = \int N^*[x, T, s(T)] dH^2.$$

Proof. $A(T) = \infty$ implies that there is a $P \in U$ such that $A(T_P) = \infty$ (see Cesari [1]). By (i) of §1.2, the lemma in §1.14 and (ii) of §1.2, for $s = s(T)$, $\varepsilon_P = \varepsilon_P(T)$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int N^*(x, T, s) dH^2 &\geq \int N^*(x, T, s) dH_P \geq \int N^*(x, T, \varepsilon_P) dH_P \\ &\geq \int N^*(x_P, T_P, \varepsilon_P) dL_2 = A(T_P) = \infty. \end{aligned}$$

2. DIFFERENTIABLE ESSENTIALLY ABSOLUTELY CONTINUOUS TRANSFORMATIONS

2.1. Let

$$T: x_1 = x_1(u, v), \quad x_2 = x_2(u, v), \quad x_3 = x_3(u, v), \quad (u, v) \in Q,$$

be a continuous transformation from Q into S_3 . At a point where the partial derivatives that are involved exist we set

$$\begin{aligned} J_1(u, v) &= x_{2u}x_{3v} - x_{2v}x_{3u}, & J_2(u, v) &= x_{3u}x_{1v} - x_{3v}x_{1u}, \\ J_3(u, v) &= x_{1u}x_{2v} - x_{1v}x_{2u}, & W(u, v) &= [J_1^2 + J_2^2 + J_3^2]^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

If T is such that $W(u, v)$ exists almost everywhere on Q , is summable on Q and

$$(1) \quad A(T) = \iint_Q W(u, v) dudv,$$

then T is essentially absolutely continuous (see Rado [6, pp. 504-505]). We shall call such a transformation a *differentiable absolutely continuous transformation*. Throughout this section we shall assume that T is a fixed differentiable essentially absolutely continuous transformation. B_0 will be a fixed Borel set in Q^0 (the interior of Q) such that $W(u, v)$ exists everywhere on B_0 and $L_2(Q - B_0) = 0$. For any Borel set $B \subset B_0$ we have that (see Federer [3])

$$(2) \quad \iint_B W(u, v) dudv = \int N(x, T, B) dH^2.$$

For $P \in U$, $J_P(u, v)$ will designate the ordinary Jacobian of the plane mapping T_P . Then $J_P(u, v)$ exists everywhere on B_0 ,

$$(3) \quad A(T_P) = \iint_Q |J_P(u, v)| dudv,$$

and for any Borel set $B \subset B_0$

$$(4) \quad \iint_B |J_P(u, v)| dudv = \int N(x_P, T_P, B) dL_2.$$

2.2. LEMMA. For any Borel set $B \subset Q$ and $P \in U$,

$$(1) \quad \iint_B |J_P(u, v)| dudv = \int N[x_P, T_P, B \cap \mathcal{E}_P(T)] dL_2.$$

Proof. Set $B^* = Q - B$, $\mathcal{E}_P = \mathcal{E}_P(T)$. Since $L_2(\mathcal{E}_P - B_0) = 0$ we have that $L_2[T_P(\mathcal{E}_P - B_0)] = 0$ (see Rado [8]). Thus

$$(2) \quad A(T_P) = \int N(x_P, T_P, \mathcal{E}_P) dL_2 = \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap \mathcal{E}_P) dL_2.$$

From (2) we thus have

$$(3) \quad A(T_P) = \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B \cap \mathcal{E}_P)dL_2 + \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B^* \cap \mathcal{E}_P)dL_2.$$

From (3) and (4) of §2.1

$$(4) \quad A(T_P) = \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B)dL_2 + \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B^*)dL_2.$$

Subtracting (3) from (4) gives

$$(5) \quad \left[\int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B)dL_2 - \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B \cap \mathcal{E}_P)dL_2 \right] + \left[\int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B^*)dL_2 - \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B^* \cap \mathcal{E}_P)dL_2 \right] = 0.$$

Since each of the quantities in the square brackets in (5) is non-negative,

$$(6) \quad \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B)dL_2 = \int N(x_P, T_P, B_0 \cap B \cap \mathcal{E}_P)dL_2.$$

Since $L_2T_P(\mathcal{E}_P - B_0) = 0$ the right side of (6) is equal to the right side of (1). Since $L_2(B - B_0) = 0$, by (4) of §2.1, the left side of (6) is equal to the left side of (1). (1) thus follows from (6).

2.3. LEMMA. Let B_0^* be the union of all the m.m.c.'s under T that intersect B_0 . Then

$$(1) \quad A(T) = \int N^*(x, T, B_0^*)dH^2.$$

Proof. Since B_0^* is an analytic set the integral on the right side of (1) exists either finite or infinite. Let F be the union of all the nondegenerate m.m.c.'s under T . Then (1) will follow from (1) and (2) of §2.1 if we establish the relationship

$$(2) \quad H^2[T(F \cap B_0)] = 0.$$

F is a Borel set. Since F is the union of nondegenerate m.m.c.'s under T , for $P \in U$, $\mathcal{E}_P = \mathcal{E}_P(T)$, we have that $N(x_P, T_P, F \cap \mathcal{E}_P)$ is either 0 or $+\infty$ for each point $x_P \in S_2(P)$. Thus, since $|J_P(u, v)|$ is summable, by the lemma in §2.2,

$$(3) \quad \int N(x_P, T_P, F \cap \mathcal{E}_P)dL_2 = 0 \quad \text{for } P \in U.$$

Let U^* be the set of points $(1, 0, 0)$, $(0, 1, 0)$, $(0, 0, 1)$ on U . By (2) of §2.1 and the lemma in §2.2

$$\begin{aligned}
 H^2[T(F \cap B_0)] &\leq \int N(x, T, F \cap B_0) dH^2 = \iint_{F \cap B_0} W(u, v) dudv \\
 (4) \qquad &= \iint_F W(u, v) dudv \leq \sum_{P \in U^*} \iint_F |J_P(u, v)| dudv \\
 &= \sum_{P \in U^*} \int N(x_P, T_P, F \cap \varepsilon_P) dL_2.
 \end{aligned}$$

(2) thus follows from (3) and (4) and (1) holds.

2.4. LEMMA. For $P \in U, E \in \Gamma$ and any Borel set B in the uv -plane

$$(1) \qquad H_P[T(B \cap \varepsilon_P) \cap E] = H_P[T(B \cap B_0) \cap E].$$

Proof. Since $L_2(B - B_0) = 0$ we have (see Rado [8]) $L_2\pi_P T[(B - B_0) \cap E_P] = L_2 T_P[(B - B_0) \cap \varepsilon_P] = 0$. By (iv) of §1.2

$$H_P\{T[(B - B_0) \cap \varepsilon_P]\} = 0.$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2) \qquad H_P[T(B \cap \varepsilon_P) \cap E] &\leq H_P\{T\{[(B - B_0) \cap \varepsilon_P] \cup (B \cap B_0)\} \cap E\} \\
 &\leq H_P\{T[(B - B_0) \cap \varepsilon_P] \cap E\} + H_P[T(B \cap B_0) \cap E] \\
 &= H_P[T(B \cap B_0) \cap E].
 \end{aligned}$$

For $B^* = (B - \varepsilon_P) \cap B_0, N(x_P, T_P, B^* \cap \varepsilon_P) = 0$. Hence, by (4) of §2.1 and the lemma in §2.2,

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_2\pi_P T(B^*) = L_2 T_P(B^*) &\leq \int N(x_P, T_P, B^*) dL_2 = \iint_{B^*} |J_P(u, v)| dudv \\
 &= \int N(x_P, T_P, B^* \cap \varepsilon_P) dL_2 = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

By (iv) of §1.2

$$H_P\{T[(B - \varepsilon_P) \cap B_0]\} = 0.$$

Thus, by the same reasoning as in (2),

$$(3) \qquad H_P[T(B \cap B_0) \cap E] \leq H_P[T(B \cap \varepsilon_P) \cap E].$$

(1) thus follows from (2) and (3).

2.5. LEMMA. For $E \in \Gamma$ and any Borel set B in the uv -plane,

$$(1) \qquad H^2[T(B \cap B_0) \cap E] \leq \sum_{P \in U^*} H_P[T(B \cap \varepsilon_P) \cap E],$$

where U^* is the set of points $(1, 0, 0), (0, 1, 0), (0, 0, 1)$ on U and $\varepsilon_P = \varepsilon_P(T)$.

Proof. By (iii) of §1.2, for $P \in U, T(B \cap B_0) \cap E = A'_P \cup A''_P$ where $A'_P,$

$A'_P \in \Gamma, A'_P \cap A''_P = \emptyset, H_P[T(B \cap B_0) \cap E] = H_P(A'_P) = H^2(A'_P)$ and $H_P(A''_P) = 0$. Then

$$(2) \quad T(B \cap B_0) \cap E = A \cup \bigcup_{P \in U^*} A'_P, \quad A = \bigcap_{P \in U^*} A''_P, \quad L_2 \pi_P(A) = 0 \quad \text{for } P \in U^*.$$

Since $H^2(A) \leq H^2(B_0) < \infty$, there is a Borel set $A^* \subset A$ such that $H^2(A^*) = H^2(A)$. Set $B^* = T^{-1}(A^*) \cap B_0$. For $P \in U^*, N(x_P, T_P, B^*) = 0$ for $x_P \notin \pi_P(A^*)$ and from (2), $L_2 \pi_P(A^*) \leq L_2 \pi_P(A) = 0$. Thus

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} H^2(A) &= H^2(A^*) \leq \int N(x, T, B^*) dH^2 \leq \sum_{P \in U^*} \int \int_{B^*} |J_P(u, v)| \, dudv \\ &= \sum_{P \in U^*} \int N(x_P, T_P, B^*) dL_2 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, from (2), (3) and the lemma in §2.4,

$$\begin{aligned} H^2[T(B \cap B_0) \cap E] &\leq \sum_{P \in U^*} H^2(A'_P) = \sum_{P \in U^*} H_P[T(B \cap B_0) \cap E] \\ &= \sum_{P \in U^*} H_P[T(B \cap \varepsilon_P) \cap E], \end{aligned}$$

and (1) holds.

2.6. LEMMA. *An m.m.c. γ under T is an s.m.m.c. under T if and only if for each set $O \in \Omega_T$ (see §1.11) such that $\gamma \subset O$ we have $T(\gamma) \in D[T(O \cap B_0)]$.*

Proof. Let γ be an s.m.m.c. under T . Let $O \in \Omega_T$ be such that $\gamma \subset O$. Then $T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O)$ and there is a positive integer n_0 such that for $m = 1, 2, \dots$ there is a $P_m \in U$ such that for $\varepsilon_{P_m} = \varepsilon_{P_m}(T)$,

$$(1) \quad H_{P_m}[T(O \cap \varepsilon_{P_m}) \cap s(T(\gamma), r)] > \pi r^2/n_0 \quad \text{for some } r, \quad 0 < r < 1/m.$$

By (i) of §1.2 and the lemma in §2.4,

$$(2) \quad H^2[T(O \cap B_0) \cap s(T(\gamma), r)] \geq H_{P_m} T(O \cap \varepsilon_{P_m}) \cap s(T(\gamma), r)].$$

From (2) and (1) it follows that $T(\gamma) \in D[T(O \cap B_0)]$.

Let γ be an m.m.c. under T such that for every $O \in \Omega_T$ such that $\gamma \subset O$, we have $T(\gamma) \in D[T(O \cap B_0)]$. By the lemma in §2.5,

$$(3) \quad H^2[T(O \cap B_0) \cap s(T(\gamma), r)] \leq \sum_{P \in U^*} H_P[T(O \cap \varepsilon_P) \cap s(T(\gamma), r)] \quad \text{for } r > 0.$$

Since $T(\gamma) \in D[T(O \cap B_0)]$ it follows from (3) that $T(\gamma) \in D_P[T(O \cap \varepsilon_P)]$ for some $P \in U^* \subset U$. By (ii) of the lemma in §1.9, $T(\gamma) \in D^*[(T, O)]$. By the lemma in §1.12, γ is an s.m.m.c. under T .

2.7. THEOREM. *Let T be a differentiable essentially absolutely continuous transformation from Q into S_3 and let $s(T)$ be the union of the significant maxi-*

mal model continua under T . Then

$$(1) \quad A(T) = \int N^*[x, T, s(T)] dH^2.$$

Proof. By the lemma in §2.3 and the set B_0^* defined there we have that

$$(2) \quad A(T) = \int N^*(x, T, B_0^*) dH^2.$$

Then (1) will follow from (2) if for $s = s(T)$ we establish the equalities

$$(3) \quad H^2[T(s - B_0^*)] = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad H^2[T(B_0^* - s)] = 0.$$

For $E_\infty = [x | N^*(x, T, B_0^*) = \infty]$ we have

$$(4) \quad H^2(E_\infty) = 0.$$

Let γ be an s.m.m.c. under T such that $\gamma \subset (s - B_0^*)$, $T(\gamma) \notin E_\infty$. Then there is an $O \in \Omega_T$ such that $\gamma \subset O$, $T(\gamma) \notin T(O \cap B_0)$. By the lemma in §2.6 $T(\gamma) \in \{D[T(O \cap B_0)] - T(O \cap B_0)\}$. Thus

$$(5) \quad T(s - B_0^*) \subset E_\infty \cup \bigcup_{O \in \Omega_T} \{D[T(O \cap B_0)] - T(O \cap B_0)\}.$$

Since $H^2[T(B_0)] < \infty$, by (iv) of the lemma in §1.5 and by (4) the right side of (5) is the union of a denumerable number of sets of H^2 measure zero. Hence, the first equality of (3) is satisfied.

Let γ be an m.m.c. under T such that $\gamma \subset (B_0^* - s)$. By the lemma in §2.6 there is an $O \in \Omega_T$ such that $\gamma \subset O$, $T(\gamma) \in \{T(O \cap B_0) - D[T(O \cap B_0)]\}$. Thus

$$(6) \quad T(B_0^* - s) \subset \bigcup_{O \in \Omega_T} \{T(O \cap B_0) - D[T(O \cap B_0)]\}.$$

By (ii) of the lemma in §1.5 the right side of (6) is the union of a denumerable number of sets of H^2 measure zero. Hence the second equality of (3) is satisfied.

3. FRÉCHET EQUIVALENT TRANSFORMATIONS

3.1. Let T and T^* be two Fréchet equivalent continuous transformations from Q into S_3 (see Rado [6, p. 57]). Then (see Youngs [10]) there exist simultaneous monotone-light factorizations of them

$$T = lm, m: Q \Rightarrow M, l: M \rightarrow S_3, T^* = lm^*, m^*: Q \Rightarrow M, l: M \rightarrow S_3,$$

such that m and m^* are Fréchet equivalent. Let a_1, a_2, \dots be a dense denumerable set of points in M . For the open spheres $s(a_i, 1/j)$ with center at a_i and radius $1/j$ we set

$$O_{i,j} = m^{-1}[s(a_i, 1/j)], \quad O_{i,j}^* = m^{*-1}[s(a_i, 1/j)], \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots$$

3.2. LEMMA. *Under the conditions of §3.1, γ is an m.m.c. under T if and only if $m^{*-1}m(\gamma)$ is an m.m.c. under T^* and $O_{i,j}^* = m^{*-1}[m(O_{i,j})]$, $O_{i,j} = m^{-1}m^*(O_{i,j}^*)$, $i, j = 1, 2, \dots$*

Proof. The proof of the statements of the lemma follows from the definition of a monotone-light factorization.

3.3. LEMMA. *Under the conditions of §3.1 for $P \in U$, $\mathcal{E}_P(T^*) = m^{*-1}[m\mathcal{E}_P(T)]$.*

Proof. See Mickle [5].

3.4. LEMMA. *Under the conditions of §3.1 (see §1.8)*

$$(1) \quad D^*(T, O_{i,j}) = D^*(T^*, O_{i,j}^*), \quad i, j = 1, 2, \dots$$

Proof. To prove (1) we need only to show that for $P \in U$, $\mathcal{E}_P = \mathcal{E}_{P'}(T)$, $\mathcal{E}_P^* = \mathcal{E}_P(T^*)$

$$(2) \quad G_{s,t}[T(O_{i,j} \cap \mathcal{E}_P), P] = G_{s,t}[T(O_{i,j}^* \cap \mathcal{E}_P^*), P], \quad s, t, i, j = 1, 2, \dots$$

Since $O_{i,j}$, \mathcal{E}_P are the union of m.m.c.'s under T and $O_{i,j}^*$, \mathcal{E}_P^* are the union of m.m.c.'s under T^* , $m(O_{i,j} \cap \mathcal{E}_P) = m(O_{i,j}) \cap m(\mathcal{E}_P)$ and $m^*(O_{i,j}^* \cap \mathcal{E}_P^*) = m^*(O_{i,j}^*) \cap m^*(\mathcal{E}_P^*)$. Thus, by the lemmas in §3.2 and §3.3

$$\begin{aligned} G_{s,t}[T(O_{i,j} \cap \mathcal{E}_P), P] &= G_{s,t}[lm(O_{i,j} \cap \mathcal{E}_P), P] = G_{s,t}\{l[m(O_{i,j}) \cap m(\mathcal{E}_P)], P\} \\ &= G_{s,t}\{l[m^*(O_{i,j}^*) \cap m^*(\mathcal{E}_P^*)], P\} \\ &= G_{s,t}[lm^*(O_{i,j}^* \cap \mathcal{E}_P^*), P] = G_{s,t}[T^*(O_{i,j}^* \cap \mathcal{E}_P^*), P] \end{aligned}$$

for $s, t, i, j = 1, 2, \dots$, and (2) holds.

3.5. LEMMA. *Under the conditions of §3.1 an m.m.c. γ under T is an s.m.m.c. under T if and only if $\gamma^* = m^{*-1}m(\gamma)$ is an s.m.m.c. under T^* .*

Proof. Let γ be an s.m.m.c. under T . Let $O_{i,j}^*$ be such that $\gamma^* = m^{*-1}m(\gamma) \subset O_{i,j}^*$. By the lemmas in §3.2 and §3.4, $\gamma \subset O_{i,j}$, $T^*(\gamma^*) = T(\gamma) \in D^*(T, O_{i,j}) = D^*(T^*, O_{i,j}^*)$. By the lemma in §1.12, γ^* is an s.m.m.c. under T^* .

Let γ be an m.m.c. under T . If $\gamma^* = m^{*-1}m(\gamma)$ is an s.m.m.c. under T^* then the fact that γ is an s.m.m.c. under T follows by the same argument.

3.6. THEOREM. *Let T and T^* be two Fréchet equivalent continuous transformations from Q into S_3 . Then*

$$N^*[x, T, s(T)] = N^*[x, T^*, s(T^*)] \quad \text{for } x \in S_3.$$

Proof. The proof of the statement of the theorem follows directly from the lemma in §3.5.

3.7. THEOREM. Let T be a continuous transformation from the unit square $Q: 0 \leq u \leq 1, 0 \leq v \leq 1$ in the uv -plane into Euclidean three space S_3 . The Lebesgue area $A(T)$ of the surface represented by T is given by the formula

$$(1) \quad A(T) = \int N^*[x, T, s(T)] dH^2,$$

where $s(T)$ is the union of the significant maximal continua under T as defined in §1.10.

Proof. Case 1. $A(T) = \infty$. (1) then follows from the theorem in §1.15.

Case 2. $A(T) < \infty$. By Cesari [2] there is a differentiable essentially absolutely continuous transformation T^* from Q into S_3 that is Fréchet equivalent to T . Then $A(T) = A(T^*)$ (see Rado [6, p. 468]) and by the theorems in §3.6 and §2.7

$$A(T) = A(T^*) = \int N^*[x, T^*, s(T^*)] dH^2 = \int N^*[x, T, s(T)] dH^2.$$

Thus (1) holds.

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