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ON GROWTH MAJORANTS OF SUBHARMONIC FUNCTIONS

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We describe growth majorants of subharmonic in \mathbb{R}^m ($m \geq 2$) functions. To do this, we exceptionally reduce the problem to problems in the theory of positive monotonous functions.

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Описаны мажоранты роста субгармонических в \mathbb{R}^m ($m \geq 2$) функций. При этом проблема исследования мажорант роста сведена исключительно к задачам из теории положительных монотонных функций.

1. Introduction. Statements of the main results. This communication should be considered as an addition to [1]. So, we follow the notation from [1]. Recall the following definitions briefly.

Let λ be a nonnegative, continuous, nondecreasing, and unbounded function on $(0, +\infty)$, named the growth function and $\lambda(0) = 0$. The set of nonnegative Borel measures μ in \mathbb{R}^m ($m \geq 2$), $0 \notin \text{supp } \mu$, such that $N(r, \mu) \leq a\lambda(br)$ for some $a, b > 0$ and all $r > 0$ is denoted by \mathcal{M}_λ^m . Here

$$N(r; \mu) = \begin{cases} (m-2) \int_0^r n(t; \mu) t^{1-m} dt, & m \geq 3; \\ \int_0^r n(t; \mu) t^{-1} dt, & m = 2; \end{cases} \quad n(t; \mu) = \mu(\{y: |y| \leq t\}).$$

By S_λ^m we denote the set of subharmonic functions u in \mathbb{R}^m ($m \geq 2$), $u(0) = 0$ whose Riesz measure μ_u belongs to \mathcal{M}_λ^m .

Definition 1. Let λ be a growth function. A δ -subharmonic function w in \mathbb{R}^m ($m \geq 2$), $w(0) = 0$, $0 \notin \text{supp } \mu_w$, is said to be a *function of finite λ -type* if there are constants a and b such that $T(r, w) \leq a\lambda(br)$ for all $r > 0$, where $T(r, w)$ is the Nevanlinna characteristic of w [2].

The class of such functions is denoted by $\Lambda_\delta^m(\lambda)$, and by $\Lambda_S^m(\lambda)$ we denote the subclass of subharmonic functions of finite λ -type.

We recall the following definitions from [1].

Definition 2. A class $\Lambda_\delta^m(\lambda)$ admits a *canonical representation* if each function w from $\Lambda_\delta^m(\lambda)$ can be represented as a difference $w = u - v$ of subharmonic functions u, v from $\Lambda_S^m(\lambda)$ such that $\mu_u = \mu_w^+$, $\mu_v = \mu_w^-$. Here μ_w^+ , μ_w^- are positive and negative variations of the Riesz measure μ_w .

Definition 3. A growth function $\tilde{\lambda}$ is called a *growth majorant for S_λ^m* if for an arbitrary measure μ from \mathcal{M}_λ^m there exists a subharmonic function u from $\Lambda_S^m(\tilde{\lambda})$ such that $\mu_u = \mu$.

Definition 4. A growth function $\hat{\lambda}$ is called a *minimal growth majorant for S_λ^m* if it is a growth majorant and for each growth majorant $\tilde{\lambda}$ for S_λ^m there exist constants $a, b > 0$ such that $\hat{\lambda}(r) \leq a\tilde{\lambda}(br)$ for all $r > 0$.

The following results were obtained in [1].

Theorem A. Let λ be a growth function such that the function $r^{m-1}\lambda'(r)$ ($m \geq 2$) is nondecreasing on $(0, +\infty)$, where $\lambda'(r)$ denotes the right-hand derivative.

- i) $\Lambda_\delta^m(\lambda)$ admits a canonical representation if and only if λ is the minimal growth majorant for S_λ^m ;
- ii) λ is the minimal growth majorant for S_λ^m if and only if

$$\int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt \leq ak^l \left(\frac{\lambda(br_1)}{r_1^k} + \frac{\lambda(br_2)}{r_2^k} \right), \quad k \in \mathbb{N} \quad (1)$$

for some a, b, l and for arbitrary r_1, r_2 , such that $0 < r_1 < r_2$.

Lemma B. Let $m \in \mathbb{N} \cap [2, +\infty)$. If a growth function $\lambda(r)$ is such that the function $r^{m-1}\lambda'(r)$ ($m \geq 2$) is nondecreasing on $(0, +\infty)$ and $\tilde{\lambda}(r)$ is a growth majorant for S_λ^m , then

1. $\lambda(r) \leq a\tilde{\lambda}(br)$ for some $a, b > 0$ and all $r > 0$;
2. each function w from $\Lambda_\delta^m(\lambda)$ is representable as a difference $w = u - v$ of subharmonic functions u, v from $\Lambda_S^m(\tilde{\lambda})$ such that $\mu_u = \mu_w^+$, $\mu_v = \mu_w^-$.

From Theorem A it follows that for an arbitrary growth function λ the class $\Lambda_\delta^m(\lambda)$ need not admit a canonical representation. Lemma B lets us to set a more general statement on solvability of the problem on a canonical representation. The following theorem describes the growth majorants.

Theorem 1. Let λ be a growth function such that function $r^{m-1}\lambda'(r)$ ($m \geq 2$) is nondecreasing on $(0, +\infty)$. Then a growth function $\tilde{\lambda}$ is a growth majorant for S_λ^m if and only if

$$\int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt \leq ak^l \left(\frac{\tilde{\lambda}(br_1)}{r_1^k} + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}(br_2)}{r_2^k} \right), \quad k \in \mathbb{N} \quad (2)$$

for some a, b, l and for arbitrary r_1, r_2 , such that $0 < r_1 < r_2$.

The proof of this theorem is similar (mutatis mutandis) to that of Theorem A so, we omitted it.

The following result follows from Theorem 1.

Theorem 2. Let λ be a growth function such that function $r^{m-1}\lambda'(r)$ ($m \geq 2$) is nondecreasing on $(0, +\infty)$ and $q(t)$ is nondecreasing, positive, integer function such that the integral $\int_r^{+\infty} \left(\frac{r}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt$ is finite for any $r > 0$. Then the function

$$\tilde{\lambda}(r) = \int_0^r \left(\frac{r}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \int_r^{+\infty} \left(\frac{r}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt \quad (3)$$

is the growth majorant for S_λ^m .

2. Proof of Theorem 2. Let us show that $\tilde{\lambda}(r)$ from Theorem 1 satisfies condition (2).

Let $\{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_i, \dots\}$, $n_i \in \mathbb{N}$ be the set of values for the function $q(t)$. Note that the elements are placed in the ascending order. We set $y_i = \inf\{t: q(t) = n_i\}$.

For arbitrary r_1, r_2 ($0 < r_1 < r_2$), $i \in \mathbb{N}$, we have (a) there exists $n_i \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $r_1 \leq y_i \leq r_2$ or (b) such n_i does not exist.

For the case (a), we have

$$\int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt = \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt + \sum_{i=j}^{l-1} \int_{y_i}^{y_{i+1}} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt + \int_{y_l}^{r_2} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt, \quad (4)$$

where $j = \min\{i \in \mathbb{N}: r_1 \leq y_i\}$, $l = \max\{i \in \mathbb{N}: y_i \leq r_2\}$. Now we estimate the first summand from the right-hand side of (4). For $k \geq n_{j-1}$, we get

$$\int_{r_1}^{y_j} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt = \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^k \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt \leq \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{n_{j-1}} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt = \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt.$$

For $k \leq n_{j-1} - 1$, we obviously have

$$\int_{r_1}^{y_j} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt = \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^k \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt \leq \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{n_{j-1}-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt = \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt.$$

Therefore,

$$\int_{r_1}^{y_j} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt \leq \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{r_1}^{y_j} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt. \quad (5)$$

As above, for the other integrals in the right-hand side of (4), we obtain

$$\int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt \leq \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{y_j}^{y_{j+1}} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt, \quad j \leq i \leq l-1, \quad (6)$$

$$\int_{y_i}^{r_2} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt \leq \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{y_i}^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{y_i}^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt. \quad (7)$$

Using (4)–(7), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt &\leq \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_0^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt \leq \frac{\tilde{\lambda}(r_1)}{r_1^k} + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}(r_2)}{r_2^k}. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, for the case (b), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t^{k+1}} dt &\leq \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(r_1)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(r_1)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt = \\ &= \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{r_1^k} \int_{r_1}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{r_1}{t}\right)^{q(t)} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt + \frac{1}{r_2^k} \int_0^{r_2} \left(\frac{r_2}{t}\right)^{q(t)-1} \frac{\lambda(t)}{t} dt \leq \frac{\tilde{\lambda}(r_1)}{r_1^k} + \frac{\tilde{\lambda}(r_2)}{r_2^k}. \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 2 is proved.

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