

# A survey on the Bernstein Markov Property I

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## First Definitions and Examples

Asymptotic growth assumption on ratios of uniform and  $L^p_\mu$  norms.

## BMP definition

Let  $E \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a compact set and  $\mu$  be a Borel finite measure such that  $\text{supp } \mu \subseteq E$ , assume that

$$\overline{\lim}_k \left( \frac{\|p_k\|_E}{\|p_k\|_{L^2_\mu}} \right)^{1/\deg(p_k)} \leq 1,$$

for any sequence of non zero polynomials  $\{p_k\}$ . Then we say that  $(E, \mu)$  has the **Bernstein Markov property**, **BMP** for short, or equivalently  $\mu$  is a Bernstein Markov measure on  $E$ .



Instead of polynomials one can consider

- sequences of **weighted polynomials**,  $e^{-\deg p_k Q} p_k$  for admissible lsc  $Q$ .
- **rational functions**  $p_k/q_k$ ,  $\max\{\deg p_k, \deg q_k\} \leq k$  with restricted poles, e.g.,  $\cup_k Z(q_k) \subseteq P$ , where  $P \cap E = \emptyset$ .

we refer to such properties as **weighted BMP** and **rational BMP** respectively.

- it is due to Siciak, Berman and Boucksom, this name is mostly used in scv context.
- The name has been chosen (probably) because one can provide examples by using classical polynomial inequalities.
- The definition is very close to the class of **measure with regular asymptotic behaviour** of Stahl and Totik. For  $E$  regular w.r.t. the Dirichlet problem the two classes coincide.
- Historically it is a *very Hungarian* topic: Erdős, Szegő, Totik. . .

Let  $\mathcal{P}_\mu^k$  be the **Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Space** of polynomials of degree at most  $k$  endowed with the scalar product of  $L_\mu^2$ . Let  $\{q_j\}$  be its orthonormal basis (ordered by increasing degree  $j$ ) then the reproducing kernel is

$$K_k^\mu(z, \zeta) := \sum_{j=0}^k q_j(z) \bar{q}_j(\zeta), \text{ notice that } p(z) = \langle K_k^\mu(z, \cdot), p(\cdot) \rangle_{L_\mu^2}.$$

The **Bergman Function** of  $\mathcal{P}_\mu^k$  is

$$B_k^\mu(z) := K_k^\mu(z, z) = \sum_{j=0}^k |q_j(z)|^2.$$

## Bergman Function and BMP

By Parseval Inequality we have

$$B_k^\mu(z) = \sup_{p \in \mathcal{P}^k} \frac{|p(z)|^2}{\|p\|_{L_\mu^2}^2}.$$

Hence  $(E, \mu)$  has the BMP iff

$$\overline{\lim}_k \|B_k^\mu\|_E^{1/2k} = 1.$$

Let  $E = \{z : |z| \leq 1\}$  and  $\mu$  the normalized arclength measure on  $\partial E$ . Then  $q_j(z) = z^j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . We can compute the Bergman function explicitly.

$$B_k^\mu(z) = \sum_{j=0}^k |z|^{2j} = \begin{cases} \frac{1-|z|^{2k-2}}{1-|z|^2}, & |z| \neq 1 \\ k+1, & |z| = 1 \end{cases}.$$

We have

$$\overline{\lim}_k \|B_k^\mu\|_E^{1/2k} = \overline{\lim}_k (k+1)^{1/2k} = 1,$$

thus

$(E, \mu)$  has the BMP.

## Proposition

Let  $E \subset \mathbb{C}$  be any compact set, then there exists a measure  $\mu$  such that

- 1  $\text{supp } \mu \subseteq E$ .
- 2  $\mu$  has a countable carrier.
- 3  $(E, \mu)$  has the BMP.

## Sketch of the Proof

Pick any sequence of Fekete arrays  $\{(z_0^{(k)}, \dots, z_k^{(k)})\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  for  $E$  and set

$$\mu_k := \frac{1}{\dim \mathcal{P}^k(E)} \sum_{j=0}^k \delta_{z_j^{(k)}}, \quad \mu := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\mu_k}{k^2}.$$

Conclude by interpolation at Fekete points...

## Motivations and Properties

the study of BMP is motivated by

- 1 Approximation Theory (Bernstein Walsh type theorems).
- 2 (pluri-) Potential Theory (recovering of quantities by  $L^2$  methods).
- 3 Statistics and probability applications (random polynomials/matrices, large deviation principles).





## Motivations from Approximation Theory

Upper bound on diagonal of *reproducing kernel* of  $(\mathcal{P}^k, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{L_\mu^2})$  gives good behaviour of **uniform polynomial approximation by  $L_\mu^2$  projection**

$$C(E) \subset L_\mu^2 \ni f \rightarrow \mathcal{L}_k^\mu[f] := \sum_{j=0}^k \langle f, q_j \rangle q_j(z) \in \mathcal{P}^k.$$

For bounded  $f$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{L}_k^\mu[f]\|_E &\leq \left( \sum_{j=0}^k |\langle f, q_j \rangle|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left\| \left( \sum_{j=0}^k |q_j(z)|^2 \right)^{1/2} \right\|_E \\ &\leq \|f\|_{L_\mu^2} \sqrt{\|B_k^\mu(z)\|_E} \leq \|f\|_E \sqrt{\mu(E) \|B_k^\mu(z)\|_E}. \end{aligned}$$

thus (taking  $p_k$  the best unif. norm approx)

$$\|f - \mathcal{L}_k^\mu[f]\|_E \leq \|f - p_k - \mathcal{L}_k^\mu[f - p_k]\|_E \leq d_k(f, E) \left( 1 + \sqrt{\mu(E) \|B_k^\mu\|_E} \right).$$

Recall that (not by definition)

$$g_E(z) = \overline{\lim}_{\zeta \rightarrow z} \left( \left\{ \frac{1}{\deg p} \log^+ |p(\zeta)|, \|p\|_E \leq 1 \right\} \right).$$

## Bernstein Walsh results

Let  $E$  be a compact non polar set, then we have

$$|p(z)| \leq \|p\|_E \exp(\deg p g_E(z)) \quad \forall p \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{C}).$$

(Bernstein Walsh Ineq.)

If  $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is any continuous function and  $E$  is polynomially convex, we set  $d_k(f, E) := \inf\{\|f - p\|_E : p \in \mathcal{P}^k\}$ , then for any real number  $R > 1$  the following are equivalent

- 1  $\lim_k d_k(f, E)^{1/k} < 1/R$
- 2  $f$  is the restriction to  $E$  of  $\tilde{f} \in \text{hol}(D_R)$ , where  $D_R := \{g_E < \log R\}$ .

If  $(E, \mu)$  has the BMP, then

$$d_{k,\mu}(f)^{1/k} := \inf_{p \in \mathcal{P}^k} \|f - p\|_{L^2_\mu}^{1/k}$$

has the same asymptotic of  $d_k(f, E)^{1/k}$ , therefore

## $L^2$ Bernstein Walsh Lemma

Let  $E$  be a regular compact polynomially convex subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mu$  a positive finite Borel measure such that  $\text{supp } \mu = E$  and  $f \in C(E)$ . Then for any  $R > 1$  the following are equivalent.

- 1  $f$  is the restriction to  $K$  of  $\tilde{f} \in \text{hol}(D_R)$ .
- 2  $\overline{\lim}_k d_{k,\mu}(f)^{1/k} \leq 1/R$ .
- 3  $\overline{\lim}_k \|f - \mathcal{L}_k^\mu[f]\|_E^{1/k} \leq 1/R$ .

## Theorem

Let  $K$  be a compact regular subset of  $\mathbb{C}$ , let  $f \in \mathcal{C}(K)$  and let  $r > 1$ . The following are equivalent.

- i) There exists  $\tilde{f} \in \mathcal{M}_n(D_r)$  such that  $\tilde{f}|_K \equiv f$ .
- ii)  $\overline{\lim}_k d_{k,n}^{1/k}(f, K) \leq 1/r$ .
- iii) For any finite Borel measure  $\mu$  such that  $\text{supp } \mu = K$  and  $(K, \mu, P)$  has the rational Bernstein Markov property for any compact set  $P$  such that  $P \cap K = \emptyset$ , denoting by  $r_{k,n}^\mu$  a best  $L_\mu^2$  approximation to  $f$  in  $\mathcal{R}_{k,n}$ , one has

$$\overline{\lim}_k \left( \|f - r_{k,n}^\mu\|_K \right)^{1/k} \leq 1/r,$$

provided that  $\overline{\{\text{Poles}(r_{k,n})\}}_k \cap K = \emptyset$ .

- iv) With the same hypothesis and notations as in iii) we have

$$\overline{\lim}_k \left( \|f - r_{k,n}^\mu\|_{L_\mu^2} \right)^{1/k} \leq 1/r,$$

## Motivations from Potential Theory

We already got a tasty bite of applications in Potential Theory in the Danka's talk on the asymptotic of orthogonal polynomials. . .

let's see other possible applications/motivations.

# Back to the disk example I



Let  $E = \{z : |z| \leq 1\}$  and  $\mu$  the arclength measure on  $\partial E$ . Then  $q_j(z) = z^j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, k$ . We can compute the Bergman function explicitly.

$$B_k^\mu(z) = \sum_{j=0}^k |z|^{2j} = \begin{cases} \frac{1-|z|^{2k-2}}{1-|z|^2}, & |z| \neq 1 \\ k+1, & |z| = 1 \end{cases}.$$

Hence we have

$$\overline{\lim}_k \|B_k^\mu\|_E^{1/2k} = \overline{\lim}_k (k+1)^{1/2k} = 1,$$

$$\lim_k \log(B_k^\mu(z))^{1/2k} = \begin{cases} \lim_k \log\left(\frac{1-|z|^{2k-2}}{1-|z|^2}\right)^{1/2k}, & |z| \neq 1 \\ \lim_k \log(k+1)^{1/2k}, & |z| = 1 \end{cases} = \log^+ |z|.$$

We can notice that

# Back to the disk example II



- 1  $(E, \mu)$  has the BMP.
- 2  $\log^+ |z|$  is the **Green function** for  $\mathbb{C} \setminus E$  with log pole at  $\infty$

Furthermore, we have that

- 3  $\frac{B_k^\mu(z)}{\dim \mathcal{P}^k}$  is bounded by one on  $E$  for any  $k$ .
- 4 Precisely,  $B_k^\mu(z) = k + 1 = \dim \mathcal{P}^k$   $\mu$ -almost everywhere.
- 5 We can compute the Gram determinant  $G_k^\mu(\mathcal{B}_k)$  w.r.t. the standard monomial basis  $\mathcal{B}_k$ , we get  $G_k^\mu(\mathcal{B}_k) = 1$  and in particular

$$\lim_k G_k^\mu(\mathcal{B}_k)^{\frac{1}{2 \dim \mathcal{P}^k}} = 1 = \delta(E).$$

Here  $\delta(E)$  is the transfinite diameter of  $E$ .

We are somehow cheating:  $\mu$  is a very special choice, it is the equilibrium measure of  $E$ .

Can we recover results of this type for just a BM measure?



## Theorem ( $k$ -th root Bergman asymptotic)

Let  $E$  be a regular compact subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\mu$  a positive finite Borel measure supported on it such that  $(E, \mu)$  has the Bernstein Markov property. Then

$$\lim_k \frac{1}{2k} \log B_k^\mu(z) = g_K(z) \text{ locally uniformly.}$$

Therefore

$$\Delta \left( \frac{1}{2k} \log B_k^\mu(z) \right) \rightarrow^* \mu_E.$$

The second statement follows by the first. For the first, one can prove that

$$(\Phi_{E,k}(z))^2 \leq B_k^\mu(z) \leq \|B_k^\mu\|_E^2 (\Phi_{E,k}(z))^2,$$

where  $\Phi_{E,k}(z) := \sup\{|p(z)| : \|p\|_E \leq 1, p \in \mathcal{P}^k\}$ , using the reproducing property of  $K_k^\mu$  and the extremal property of  $B_k^\mu$ . Then one uses the asymptotic property of the **Siciak function**  $\Phi_{E,k}(z)^{1/k} \rightarrow e^{g_E(z)}$  and that by the BMP property  $\|B_k^\mu\|_E^{1/2k} \rightarrow 1$ .

## Theorem (Bergman asymptotic)

Let  $E$  be a compact regular subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\mu$  a positive finite Borel measure with  $\text{supp } \mu = E$  such that  $(E, \mu)$  has the BMP. Then one has

$$\frac{B_k^\mu}{k+1} \mu \rightarrow^* \mu_E$$

In general much more is true

## Theorem (weighted Bergman asymptotic)

Let  $E$  be a compact regular subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  and  $\mu$  a positive finite Borel measure with  $\text{supp } \mu = E$  such that for a given admissible weight  $Q$  the triple  $(E, \mu, Q)$  has the weighted BMP. Then one has

$$\frac{B_k^{\mu, Q}}{k+1} \mu \rightarrow^* \mu_{E, Q}, \text{ where } B_k^{\mu, Q} := \sum_{j=0}^k |q_j(z)|^2 e^{-2Q(z)}.$$

Let us introduce/recall the quantities.

$$G_k^\mu := \det[\langle z^i \bar{z}^j \rangle_{L_\mu^2}]_{i,j=0,\dots,k},$$

$$Z_k^\mu := \int_{E^{k+1}} |\text{VDM}(z_0, \dots, z_k)|^2 d\mu(z_0) \dots d\mu(z_k).$$

■ By Gram Schmidt orthogonalization one can prove that

$$Z_k^\mu = (k+1)! G_k^\mu,$$
$$B_k^\mu(z) = \frac{k+1}{Z_k^\mu} \int_{E^k} |\text{VDM}(z, \dots, z_k)|^2 d\mu(z_1) \dots d\mu(z_k).$$

- Using  $(k + 1)$  times the BMP one can compare  $(Z_k^\mu)^{1/(k(k+1))}$  with the  $k$ -th order diameter of  $E$  and get

$$\lim_k (Z_k^\mu)^{1/(k(k+1))} = \delta(E).$$

Measures having such a property are termed **asymptotically Fekete measures**.

- Now introduce a probability on  $E^{k+1}$  setting

$$\text{Prob}_k(A) := \frac{1}{Z_k^\mu} \int_A |\text{VDM}(z_0, \dots, z_k)|^2 d\mu(z_0) \dots d\mu(z_k).$$

Then extend it to a **probability Prob on sequences in  $E$**  by taking the product space.

- One has a Johansson-type result. Let

$$A_{k,\eta} := \{(z_0, \dots, z_k) \in E^{k+1} : |\text{VDM}(z_0, \dots, z_k)|^2 \geq (\delta(E) - \eta)^{(k+1)^2}\},$$

then  $\forall \eta > 0$  there exists  $k_\eta$  such that  $\forall k > k_\eta$  we have

$$\text{Prob}_k(E^{k+1} \setminus A_{k,\eta}) \leq \left(1 - \frac{\eta}{2\delta((E))}\right)^{(k+1)^2}$$

- To prove weak\* convergence fix a continuous function  $\varphi$ ; it follows by the above equations and by symmetry that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_E \varphi(z) \frac{B_k^\mu(z)}{k+1} d\mu(z) \\ &= \frac{1}{Z_k^\mu} \int_{E^{k+1}} \varphi(z) |\text{VDM}(z, \dots, z_k)|^2 d\mu(z_1) \dots d\mu(z_k) d\mu(z) \\ &= \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{1}{k+1} \int_{E^{k+1}} \varphi(z_j) \frac{|\text{VDM}(z, \dots, z_k)|^2}{Z_k^\mu} d\mu(z_0) \dots d\mu(z_k) \\ &= \int_{E^{k+1}} \sum_{j=0}^k \frac{\varphi(z_j)}{k+1} \text{Prob}_k(z_0, \dots, z_k). \end{aligned}$$

- the above integral can be divided in two parts: one over  $A_{k_j, \eta_j}$  and the other on  $E^{k+1} \setminus A_{k_j, \eta_j}$  for suitable choice of  $\eta_j \rightarrow 0$  and  $k_j > k_{\eta_j}$ .

- Finally one combines the Johansson type result with the fact that asymptotically Fekete points tends weak\* to  $\mu_E$  : notice that sequence of arrays lying in  $A_{k_j, \eta_j}$  are asymptotically Fekete.



## Remark

We used just

- 1 Asymptotically Fekete points converge to  $\mu_E$ .
- 2 Free-energy asymptotic  $\lim_k (Z_k^\mu)^{1/(k(k+1))} = \delta(E)$ .

We will compare this with its several variables counterpart in lecture #2...

## Open problem

We saw that

BMP  $\Rightarrow Z_k^\mu$ -asymptotic  $\Rightarrow$  Bergman asymptotic,

what about the converse implications?

Bloom proved that the first arrow can be replaced by **iff**, in **one complex variable** and in the **un-weighted case**.

Applications Motivations from Probability and statistics

We consider families of **random polynomials** of the form

$$p_a(z) := \sum_{j=0}^k a_j z^j,$$

where for each  $k$  the random coefficients are normal  $(0, 1)$  complex variables

$$a := (a_0, \dots, a_k) \sim e^{-\sum_{j=0}^k |a_j|^2} dm(a_0) \dots dm(a_k)$$

We define the random measure  $Z_a := \frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{\zeta \text{ zero of } p_a} \delta_{\zeta}$  and for sequences  $\{a^{(k)}\}$ ,  $a^{(k)} = (a_0^{(k)}, \dots, a_k^{(k)})$ , we introduce

$$\langle \mathbb{E}(Z_{a^{(k)}}), \varphi \rangle := \int \int \varphi(z) dZ_{a^{(k)}} e^{-\sum_{j=0}^k |a_j|^2} dm(a_0) \dots dm(a_k) \quad \forall \varphi \in C_c(\mathbb{C}).$$

which is the asymptotic of

- 1  $\mathbb{E}(Z_{a^{(k)}})$  and
- 2  $\frac{1}{k+1} \log |p_{a^{(k)}}|$  ?

It turns out that

- 1  $\mathbb{E}(Z_{a^{(k)}}) \rightarrow^* \mu_{\mathbb{S}^1}$  and
- 2  $\frac{1}{k+1} \log |p_{a^{(k)}}| \rightarrow g_{\mathbb{S}^1}$  a.s. with respect to the probability induced by  $e^{-|a|^2} dm(a)$  on the space of sequences.

Why  $\mathbb{S}^1$ ?

- The monomial basis  $z^j$  is the orthonormal basis w.r.t.  $ds$ ,
- $(\mathbb{S}^1, ds)$  has the BMP

## Theorem (random polynomial asymptotic)

Let  $\{a^{(k)}\}$  be a sequence of i.i.d.  $(0, 1)$  Normal random variables,  $\mu$  a finite positive Borel measure having regular compact support  $E \subset \mathbb{C}$  and such that  $(E, \mu)$  has the BMP. Let  $\{q_j\}_{j=0, \dots, k}$  be the orthonormal basis for  $\mathcal{P}_\mu^k$  and set  $p_{a^{(k)}}(z) := \sum_{j=0}^k a_j^{(k)} q_j(z)$ . Then the following holds.

- 1  $\mathbb{E}(Z_{a^{(k)}}) \rightarrow^* \mu_E$  and
- 2  $\left(\frac{1}{k+1} \log |p_{a^{(k)}}|\right)^* \rightarrow g_E$  in  $L_{\text{loc}}^1(\mathbb{C})$ , a.s. with respect to the probability induced by  $e^{-|a|^2} dm(a)$  on the space of sequences.

Further generalizations are possible (e.g., more general probabilities), see Bloom-Levenberg and Shiffman.

- Use  $Z_{a^{(k)}} = \Delta\left(\frac{1}{k+1} \log |p_{a^{(k)}}|\right)$  and integrate by parts.
- Normalize the basis by a factor  $\sqrt{B_{\mu}^k(z)}$  using  $\|(q_0, \dots, q_k)(z)\|^2 = B_{\mu}^k(z)$ ,
- exchange integration order by Fubini to take the integration "over sequences" in the inner integral defining  $\langle \mathbb{E}(Z_{a^{(k)}}), \varphi \rangle$

The integration is cut in two pieces because

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{k+1} \log |p_{a^{(k)}}| = \\ &= \frac{1}{2(k+1)} \log B_k^{\mu}(z) + \frac{1}{k+1} \log \left\langle \left( \frac{(1, q_j(z), \dots, q_k(z))}{(B_k^{\mu}(z))^{1/2}}, (a_0^{(k)}, \dots, a_k^{(k)}) \right) \right\rangle \end{aligned}$$

- on one piece we use the BMP property of  $\mu$  to compare  $\frac{1}{k+1} \log B_\mu^k$  with  $\Phi_{k,E}$  and get the convergence to  $g_E$ , then we unwind the argument to use  $\Delta(\frac{1}{k+1} \log B_\mu^k) \rightarrow \Delta g_E = \mu_E$ .
- The other piece is treated using the i.i.d. assumption on the normal variables and rotational invariance of the product space to show that

$$\int \log \left\| \left\langle \frac{(1, q_j(z), \dots, q_k(z))}{(B_k^\mu(z))^{1/2}}, (a_0^{(k)}, \dots, a_k^{(k)}) \right\rangle \right\| \text{Prob}_k = \text{const}$$

The proof of 2 involves

- Borel Cantelli Lemma
- Hartog's Lemma on subharmonic functions
- Dominated Convergence Theorem.

- $(z_0^{(k)}, \dots, z_k^{(k)}) \rightsquigarrow \frac{1}{k+1} \sum_{j=0}^k \delta_{z_j^{(k)}} =: \mu_{\mathbf{z}^{(k)}}.$
- $\text{Prob}_k(A) := \int_A |\text{VDM}(z_0^{(k)}, \dots, z_k^{(k)})|^2 d\mu(z_0^{(k)}) \dots d\mu(z_k^{(k)})$   
and extend it to a probability  $\text{Prob}$  on sequences of arrays in  $E$   
by taking the product measure space.
- By Johansson estimate  $\text{Prob}$ -a.e. sequence is asymptotically Fekete, thus  $\text{Prob}$ -a.e.  $\mu_k \rightarrow^* \mu_E.$
- Given any test function  $\varphi$  define  $f_k(\mathbf{z}^{(k)}) := \int \varphi d\mu_{\mathbf{z}^{(k)}}$  and  
extend it to a (uniformly bounded) sequence of functions  $F_k$   
on sequences of arrays.
- Use the a.s. convergence  $\mu_{\mathbf{z}^{(k)}} \rightarrow^* \mu_E$  and Dominated  
Convergence Theorem to get  $\mathbb{E}(\mu_{\mathbf{z}^{(k)}}) \rightarrow^* \mu_E.$
- we saw that this is equivalent to Bergman asymptotic.



## Sufficient conditions

The most powerful tool for proving BMP is the following theorem due to Stahl and Totik;  $\Lambda^*$  condition.

## Mass density sufficient condition for BMP

Let  $K \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a regular compact set and  $\mu$  a finite Borel measure with  $\text{supp } \mu = K$ , the following condition is sufficient for  $(\mu, K)$  to have the BM property. There exists  $t > 0$  such that

$$\text{Cap}(K) = \lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Cap}(\{z \in K : \mu(B(z, r)) \geq r^t\}).$$

The main elements/tools are

- If  $\text{Cap}(K_j) \rightarrow \text{Cap}(K)$  for  $K_j \subset K$ , then  $g_{K_j} \rightarrow g_K$  locally uniformly.
- Bernstein Walsh inequality gives an upper bound for  $|p(z)|$  in term of  $\|p\|_{K_j}$  and  $g_{K_j}(z)$ .
- Cauchy integral formula to give a lower bound to  $|p(\zeta)|$  for  $\zeta \in B(z, r)$ , where  $\|p\|_{K_j} = |p(z)|$ .
- mass density to compare  $L^2_\mu$  norms with  $|p(z)|$ .

The mass-density condition has been used to prove other instances of the BMP, for instance

- 1 weighted polynomials
- 2 rational functions with restricted poles
- 3 Müntz polynomials
- 4 multivariate polynomials (in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ ); see the next lecture (if you do not feed up with this)

## Definition

Let  $P$  be a compact set,  $P \cap E = \emptyset$  and set

$$\mathcal{R}(P) := \left\{ \{p_k/q_k\} : p_k, q_k \in \mathcal{P}^k, Z(q_k) \subseteq P \forall k \in \mathbb{N} \right\}.$$

The triple  $(E, \mu, P)$ , where  $\mu$  is a positive finite Borel measure  $\mu$  supported on  $E$  has the **rational BMP** if

$$\overline{\lim}_k \left( \frac{\|r_k\|_E}{\|r_k\|_{L^2_\mu}} \right)^{1/k} \leq 1 \quad \forall \{r_k\} \in \mathcal{R}(P),$$

## Theorem (Mass-density I)

Let  $K \subset \mathbb{C}$  be a compact regular set and  $P \subset \Omega_E$  be compact. Let  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}^+(E)$ ,  $\text{supp } \mu = E$  and suppose that there exists  $t > 0$  such that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Cap}(\{z \in E : \mu(B(z, r)) \geq r^t\}) = \text{Cap}(E). \quad (1)$$

Then  $(E, \mu, P)$  has the rational Bernstein Markov Property.

### Sketch of the proof

- If  $\text{Cap}(E_j) \rightarrow \text{Cap}(E)$  then  $g_{E_j}(z, a) \rightarrow g_E(z, a)$  locally uniformly in  $z \in \mathbb{C}$  and uniformly in  $a \in P$ .
- Bernstein Walsh Lemma for rational functions,
- the same overall technique of the polynomial case.

If  $P \cap \hat{E} \neq \emptyset$  we can not use this theorem, but we can build a suitable conformal mapping...

## Lemma

Let  $E, P \subset \mathbb{C}$  be compact sets, where  $E \cap \hat{P} = \emptyset$ . Then there exist  $w_1, w_2, \dots, w_m \in \mathbb{C} \setminus (E \cup \hat{P})$  and  $R_2 > R_1 > 0$  such that denoting by  $f$  the function  $z \mapsto \frac{1}{\prod_{j=1}^m (z-w_j)}$  we have

$$E \subset\subset \{|f| < R_1\}, \quad P \subset\subset \{R_1 < |f| < R_2\}.$$

The proof is based on properties of Fekete points.

## Theorem (Mass- density II)

Let  $E, P \subset \mathbb{C}$  be compact disjoint sets where  $E$  is regular with respect to the Dirichlet problem and  $\hat{P} \cap E = \emptyset$ . Let  $\mu \in \mathcal{M}^+(E)$  be such that  $\text{supp } \mu = E$  and suppose that there exist  $t > 0$  and  $f$  as in the lemma above such that the following holds

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Cap}(\{z \in f(E) : f_*\mu(B(z, r)) \geq r^t\}) = \text{Cap}(f(E)).$$

Then  $(E, \mu, P)$  has the rational Bernstein Markov Property.



We say that  $[E, \mu, Q]$  has the weighted BMP if for any sequence of polynomials  $\{p_k\}$  one has

$$\overline{\lim}_k \left( \frac{\|p_k e^{-\deg p_k Q}\|_E}{\|p_k e^{-\deg p_k Q}\|_{L^2_\mu}} \right)^{1/\deg p_k} \leq 1.$$

## Mass-density for weighted BMP

Let  $\mu$  be a positive finite Borel measure and  $E := \text{supp } \mu$  be a compact regular set. Suppose that there exists  $T > 0$  such that

$$\lim_{r \rightarrow 0^+} \text{Cap}(\{z \in E : \mu(B(z, r)) \geq r^t\}) = \text{Cap}(E).$$

Then  $[E, \mu, Q]$  has the weighted BMP for any continuous weight  $Q$ .

The proof is a modification of the un-weighted one.



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