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§ Dirichlet problem / Riemann mapping (2/26)

Recall the Poisson integral formula

(Stein CA p.67, p.109; Ahlfors Thm 22, p.168, or G-T)

$u \in C(\overline{B_R(0)})$ and $\Delta u = 0$ in $B_R(0)$, then

$$(*) \quad u(z) \equiv P_{u|_{\partial B_R}}(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{R^2 - |z|^2}{|Re^{i\theta} - z|^2} u(Re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Conversely any $U \in C(\partial B_R)$, $u := P_U$ solves the Dirichlet problem

Ex. (Schwarz) why $\lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta \in \partial B_R} P_U(z) = U(\zeta)$?

Also, deduce (*) from MVT & Mobius transform.

if $z = \rho e^{i\varphi}$

Since

$$\frac{R-\rho}{R+\rho} \leq \frac{R^2 - |z|^2}{|Re^{i\theta} - z|^2} \stackrel{\text{e.g.}}{=} \frac{R^2 - \rho^2}{R^2 + \rho^2 - 2R\rho \cos(\theta - \varphi)} \leq \frac{R+\rho}{R-\rho}$$

if $U \geq 0$ on ∂B_R , then $*$ \Rightarrow Harnack inequality

$$\frac{R-\rho}{R+\rho} u(0) \leq u(z) \leq \frac{R+\rho}{R-\rho} u(0)$$

Cor. let u_n non-decreasing, harmonic on Ω

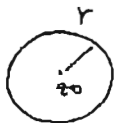
then either $u_n(z) \nearrow \infty$ unif on φ + subset,

or $u_n \nearrow u$ a harmonic function, unif on φ + subset.

In fact, a conti fun is harmonic \Leftrightarrow MVT holds

$$u(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta \quad \forall z_0, r$$

say,



construct harmonic v in $B_r(z_0)$ using Poisson

then max/min $\Rightarrow v \equiv u$ in $B_r(z_0)$.

lemma Harnack $\Rightarrow u_n - u_{n-1} \geq 0$ has unif conv sum u on φ + set

if $u \neq \infty$, pass to $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int$ get MVT for $u \Rightarrow u$ harmonic $*$

Def. S.h. : $v \in C(\Omega)$ is subharmonic p. 2
 if v harmonic u in $\Omega' \subset \Omega$,



$v = u$ st. max principle holds :

if no max in Ω' unless const.
fact : enough to check locally.
 ex -

$\Delta v > 0 \Rightarrow v$: s.h. (for C^2 , (\Rightarrow))

Th. v s.h. $(\Leftrightarrow) v(z_0) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} v(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta \quad \forall r$

pf \Leftarrow trivial (since u st. =)

\Rightarrow consider $P_v(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{r^2 - |z|^2}{|re^{i\theta} - z|} v(re^{i\theta}) d\theta$
 $v - P_v = 0$ on $B_r(z_0)$ Poisson integral

if max $> 0 \Rightarrow$ in interior, \neq const \neq

hence $v \leq P_v$ on $B_r(z_0)$, in particular for $z = z_0$ *

Facts : 1. v s.h. $k \geq 0 \Rightarrow kv$ s.h.) \in Th.
 2. v_1, v_2 s.h. $\Rightarrow v_1 + v_2$ s.h.

3. $\max(v_1, v_2)$ s.h. (by def)

4. harmonic lift $P_{\Delta, v}$ is s.h. for any disk $\bar{\Delta} \subset \Omega$

Poisson family, $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ bdd open & connected, $P_{\Delta, v} = P_v$ in Δ
 f bdd fun on $P = \partial\Omega$

$\mathcal{F}_f = \{ v \in C(\Omega) \mid v \text{ s.h. } \& \lim_{z \rightarrow \zeta \in P} v(z) \leq f(\zeta) \} = v$ in $\Omega \cup \Delta$
 $\neq \emptyset$ since if $|f| \leq M$ then $-M \in \mathcal{F}_f$.

Lemma 1 : $u(z) := \sup_{v \in \mathcal{F}_f} v(z)$ is harmonic in Ω .

pf : $v \in \mathcal{F}_f \Rightarrow v \leq M$ in Ω : let $E_\epsilon = \{ z \mid v(z) \geq M + \epsilon \}$
 $\neq \emptyset$ E_ϵ is closed, bdd (cpt) then E_ϵ^c is open

if $E_\epsilon \neq \emptyset$, take max of v in E_ϵ , hence in $\Omega \neq$
 take $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ get $v \leq M$.

let $z_0 \in \Delta$, $\bar{\Delta} \subset \Omega$, by def, $\exists v_n \in \mathcal{F}_f$ st $v_n(z_0) \rightarrow u(z_0)$.

set $V_n = \max(v_1, \dots, v_n) \in \mathcal{F}_f$ and $V_n \uparrow$ in Ω

$V_n' := P_{\Delta, V_n} \in \mathcal{F}_f \uparrow$ in Ω non-decreasing

$v_n(z_0) \leq V_n(z_0) \leq V_n'(z_0) \leq u(z_0) \Rightarrow V_n'(z_0) \rightarrow u(z_0)$

Harmonick $\Rightarrow V_n' \rightarrow$ harm. U in Δ .

for another $z_1 \in \Delta$, $w_n(z_1) \rightarrow u(z_1)$

do one more step: $\bar{w}_n = \max(v_n, w_n)$ first
 $W_n = \max(\bar{w}_1, \dots, \bar{w}_n)$

and then W_n via Poisson integral, then har. limit U_1 .
 then $U \leq U_1 \leq u$ and $U_1(z_1) = u(z_1)$
 $U - U_1$ has max = 0 at z_0 , hence $U \equiv U_1$
 and so $u(z_1) = U(z_1)$

Hence, U is har. in any disk Δ , hence Ω $\forall z_1 \in \Delta$.

- if U solves one Dirichlet problem with ∂ -value f then $U \in \mathcal{H}_f$ and so $u \geq U$. But $U - u \leq 0$ by def (max. p.) \Rightarrow any sol (! if \exists) must coincide with Perron sol.

3/3. Lemma 2: Suppose \mathcal{F} has w in Ω , unti on $\bar{\Omega}$ st
 $w|_{\partial\Omega} = 0$, $s_0 \in \Gamma$ and $w(z) > 0 \forall z \in \Omega \setminus \{s_0\}$ (~~Barrier at s_0~~)
 if f is unti at s_0 , then $\lim_{z \rightarrow s_0} u(z) = f(s_0)$. > 0 or < 0 is NOT important for har fcn.

pf: $\lim_{z \rightarrow s_0} u(z) \leq f(s_0) + \epsilon \forall \epsilon > 0$.
 take Δ hbd of s_0 st. $|f(z) - f(s_0)| < \epsilon$ for $z \in \Delta$
 w has pos. min $w_0 > 0$ in $\Omega \setminus (\Omega \cap \Delta)$ (max. p. of w)

$W(z) := f(s_0) + \epsilon + \frac{w(z)}{w_0} (M - f(s_0))$; ∂ -values:

$z \in \Delta$: $W(z) \geq f(s_0) + \epsilon \geq f(z)$
 $z \notin \Delta$: $W(z) \geq f(s_0) + \epsilon + M - f(s_0) \geq f(z)$



$\Rightarrow v(z) < W(z) \forall z \in \mathcal{H}_f \Rightarrow u \leq W$ Red: Use W har. $\Rightarrow W \in \mathcal{H}_f \Rightarrow W \leq u$

$\Rightarrow \lim_{z \rightarrow s_0} u(z) \leq W(s_0) = f(s_0) + \epsilon$ *

for $\lim_{z \rightarrow s_0} u(z) \geq f(s_0) - \epsilon$, simply use red color *

Examples: (1)



$w(z) := \text{Im } e^{-i\alpha}(z - s_0)$

Rmk: for \mathbb{R}^n
 (1) works, (2) but not (2).



$\mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\} \setminus \overline{s_0 s_1}$ is simply connected
 $\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{z - s_0}{z - s_1}}$ has a single-valued $f(z)$, a branch on it, valued in a half plane $\Rightarrow \exists \alpha$ st. $w(z) := \text{Im } e^{-i\alpha} f(z)$

Rmk: Barrier can be defined locally using sh. fcn in $\Omega \cap \Delta$, < 0 in ∂ outside s_0 .

Riemann's pf of RMT

upt & simply

$E \subset \mathbb{C}^* \cong S^2$ a continuum if E is conn & \neq one pt

lemma: let $S_0 \in \Gamma = \partial\Omega$, if S_0 is in a continuum E in $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Omega$, then S_0 is regular.

pf: let $S_0 \neq S_1 \in E$. $S^2 \setminus E$ is simply conn.

$\Rightarrow \log \frac{z-S_0}{z-S_1}$ has a branch $f(z)$ on $\mathbb{C} \setminus E$

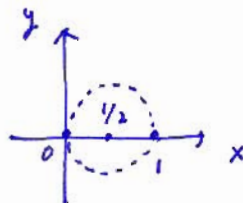
$S_0 \in D_0 = \left\{ \left| \frac{z-S_0}{z-S_1} \right| < \frac{1}{2} \right\}$ is a disk $\xrightarrow{w=f(z)}$ $\left\{ \operatorname{Re} w < -1 \right\}$



$\Rightarrow -\operatorname{Re} \frac{1}{f}$ is a harmonic barrier at $S_0 \rightarrow 0$ \neq
ps. weaker than Ahlfors' def'n

$u = \frac{-1}{w}$

Now, in the pf of RMT, may assume Ω is bounded (step 1), $o \in \Omega$ & 1-connected. so all pts on $\partial\Omega$ are regular.



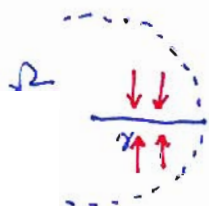
Solve $\begin{cases} \Delta u = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ u(\zeta) = \log |\zeta| & \text{in } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$ with v harmonic conjugate in Ω

let $\varphi(z) = z e^{-(u(z)+iv(z))}$ holo in Ω

- $|\varphi(z)| \rightarrow 1$ as $z \rightarrow \partial\Omega$ by construction $\Rightarrow |\varphi(z)| < 1$ for $z \in \Omega$
- $\varphi(z)$ has only a zero at $z=0$, which is simple argument principle $\Rightarrow \varphi(z) - w$ has simple zero $\forall w \in B_1$ \neq

Remark (cf. Gamelin p. 404-405, Gilbarg-Trudinger p. 26) subharmonic barrier w is required to have "limit" < 0 on $\partial\Omega \cap \Delta \setminus \{S_0\}$ only, hence the δ -value in solving the Dirichlet problem

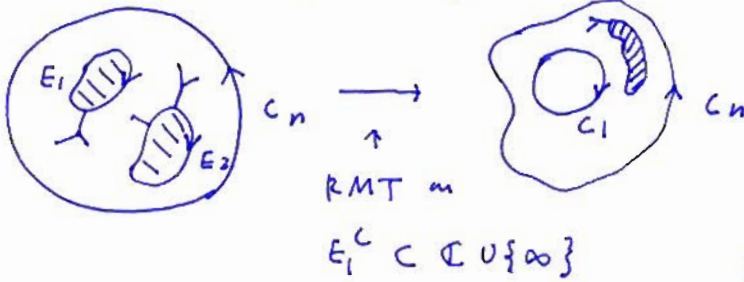
can be assigned with different values if γ is a "common ∂ " as in LHS picture,



Ahlfors: ch 6, §5. Con. mapping of mult. conn. regions p.5

let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{C}$ bdd conn. open of connectivity $n > 1$:
 $\Omega \setminus \Omega = E_1 \cup \dots \cup E_n$, E_k m bdd component
 (each E_i is simply conn.)
 $E_n^c \xrightarrow{\sim} D$ by RMT st.

in \mathbb{C} $E_n = \{|z| \geq 1\}$



key point: C_n is mapped to an analytic curve
 keep going $E_2^c \subset \mathbb{C} \cup \{\infty\}$
 etc. get all C_i 's are analytic.
 $\partial\Omega = iC = C_1 + \dots + C_n$.

Def: Harmonic measure $w_k(z)$ of C_k wrt Ω :

$$\begin{cases} \Delta w_k = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \\ w_k = 1 & \text{on } C_k \text{ and } = 0 \text{ on } C_i, i \neq k \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} 0 < w_k < 1 & \text{in } \Omega \\ w_1 + \dots + w_n = 1 & \end{cases}$$

Moreover, w_k is harmonic in a larger region $\Omega' \supset \Omega$
 by reflection principle on each C_i .

C_1, \dots, C_{n-1} is a basis of $H_1(\bar{\Omega}, \mathbb{Z})$.

Def: conjugate (harmonic) differential $*dw_k := -\frac{\partial w_k}{\partial y} dx + \frac{\partial w_k}{\partial x} dy$
 or wrt. outer normal $n: \equiv \frac{\partial w_k}{\partial n} ds$

Fact: If u has conj. har. fun. v , then $*du = dv$.
 in general, v may not be single-valued, then use $*du$.

3/5 Claim: No $\lambda_1 w_1 + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} w_{n-1}$ has single-valued conjugate unless $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_{n-1} = 0$. ($\lambda_i \in \mathbb{R}$)

pf: If $\lambda_1 w_1 + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} w_{n-1} = \text{Re}(f)$, then f extends to $\Omega' \supset \Omega$.
 but $\text{Re}(f)|_{C_i} = \lambda_i$, $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ and $\text{Re}(f)|_{C_n} = 0$
 i.e. each C_i is mapped to a line segment

let w_0 & any line segment above, so $\arg(f - w_0)$ is defined (single-valued) on each C_i .

Argument. P. $\Rightarrow f(z) \neq w_0$ in Ω for all such w_0 unless $f \equiv \text{const}$ and $\text{Re}(f) \equiv 0$, i.e. $\lambda_i = 0 \forall i$.

Cor. Let $\alpha_{kj} := \int_{C_j} *dw_k$ be the "periods". Then

$$\lambda_1 \alpha_{1j} + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} \alpha_{n-1,j} = 0 \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, n-1 \Rightarrow \lambda_i = 0 \forall i = 1, \dots, n-1.$$

pf: Any non-trivial sol $\Rightarrow \lambda_1 w_1 + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} w_{n-1}$ has single-valued conj. v

In particular, ∃! Sol to

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_1 \alpha_{1,1} + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} \alpha_{n-1,1} &= 2\pi \\ (*) \quad \lambda_1 \alpha_{1,2} + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} \alpha_{n-1,2} &= 0 \\ &\vdots \\ \lambda_1 \alpha_{1,n-1} + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} \alpha_{n-1,n-1} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

and hence $\Rightarrow \lambda_1 \alpha_{1,n} + \dots + \lambda_{n-1} \alpha_{n-1,n} = -2\pi$ since $\alpha_{k_1} + \dots + \alpha_{k_n} = 0$.
 i.e. int. f is multiple valued with period $2\pi i$ on C_1 , $-2\pi i$ on C_n .
 $= 0$ on other C_i 's. $\text{Re}(f) = \lambda_k$ on C_k , $\lambda_n = 0$.

$\Rightarrow f(z) := e^{f(z)}$ is single valued.

Thm: $F : \Omega \xrightarrow{\sim} \{1 < |w| < e^{\lambda_1}\} \setminus \bigcup_{i=2}^{n-1} (\text{arc in } |w| = e^{\lambda_i})$.

pf: # of roots of $F(z) = w_0$ is $(w_0 \notin C_i)$

$$(*) \quad \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_1} \frac{F'(z) dz}{F(z) - w_0} + \dots + \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{C_n} \frac{F'(z) dz}{F(z) - w_0}$$

for $w_0 = 0$, get $1, 0, \dots, 0, -1$ by def in (*)
 since $(\log F)' = f'$.

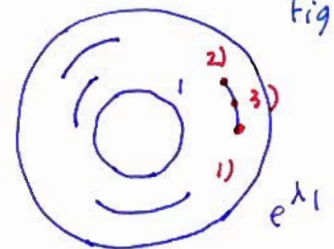


Fig 1.

imagine each slit inside has "2-side".

• The picture is for $\lambda_1 > 0$, but this needs to be proved!

$$I_1 = 1 \text{ as long as } |w_0| < e^{\lambda_1}$$

$$0 \text{ for } |w_0| > e^{\lambda_1}$$

$$I_n = -1 \text{ as long as } |w_0| < 1 = e^{\lambda_n}$$

$$0 \text{ for } |w_0| > 1$$

$$I_i = 0 \quad \forall i \neq 1, n \text{ and } |w_0| \neq e^{\lambda_i}$$

choose $|w_0| \neq e^{\lambda_i} \quad \forall i=1, \dots, n \Rightarrow 1 < |w_0| < e^{\lambda_1} > 0$

Now, if $|w_0| = e^{\lambda_k}$, then in the residue thm we should use Cauchy principle value p.v.

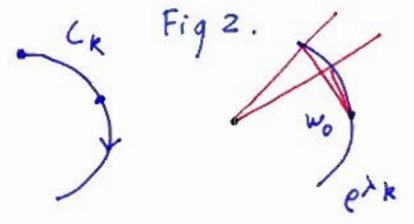


Fig 2.

and the multiplicity is counted by $1/2$.

$$\text{p.v.} \int_{C_k} \frac{F'(z) dz}{F(z) - w_0} = \text{p.v.} \int_{C_k} d \arg(F(z) - w_0) \underset{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{junior high school geometry} \\ \text{in Fig 2.}}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_{C_k} d \arg F(z) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{C_k} \frac{F'(z) dz}{F(z)}$$

The case $w_0 = 0$.

$$(**) = \frac{1}{2}, 0, \dots, 0, -\frac{1}{2} \text{ resp.}$$

$\Rightarrow F$ is 1-1 on C_1 and $C_n \Rightarrow 0 < \lambda_j < \lambda_1 \quad \forall j \neq 1, n$

Now if $1 < |w_0| < e^{\lambda_1}$, then $(**) = 1$, hence $f(z)$ maps to w_0 :

- 1) once in the interior
- 2) twice on boundary, or
- 3) once on boundary, mult 2

\Rightarrow Thm. as in Fig 1. \square

eg. end pts of arc corr. to max and min.