

(47.0) Recall that we proved in Lecture 46 - (Riemann maps at the boundary)

- Let Ω_1 and Ω_2 be two subsets of \mathbb{C} which are interiors of two contours C_1, C_2 .

$$\Omega_j = \text{Interior}(C_j) \quad ; \quad j=1,2.$$

Let $f: \Omega_1 \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_2$ be a conformal equivalence. (obtained from Riemann mapping theorem $\Omega_1 \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathbb{D} \xrightarrow{\sim} \Omega_2$. Then f extends to a

continuous $\tilde{f}: \bar{\Omega}_1 \rightarrow \bar{\Omega}_2$ (closures of Ω_j 's : $\bar{\Omega}_j = \Omega_j \cup C_j$) admitting a continuous inverse (by switching the rôle of Ω_1, Ω_2).

This theorem allows us to reduce Dirichlet's Boundary Value Problem for $\Omega = \text{Interior of a contour } C$; to the unit disc \mathbb{D} .

(47.1) Solution to Dirichlet's BVP for \mathbb{D} is obtained via Poisson's kernel*

Poisson Kernel : For $z \in \mathbb{D}$; $\phi \in \mathbb{R} \pmod{2\pi}$, define

$$P(z; \phi) := \frac{e^{i\phi} + z}{e^{i\phi} - z}$$

$$\text{Let } K_p(z; \phi) = \text{Re}(P(z; \phi)) = \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|e^{i\phi} - z|^2} \quad (\text{easy check}).$$

$$= \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos(\theta - \phi) + r^2} \quad \text{if } z = re^{i\theta}.$$

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Theorem: Let $g: \partial\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function,

written as $g(\phi)$ ($\phi \in \mathbb{R}$) - so that $g(\phi + 2\pi) = g(\phi)$. Then

$$u(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} K_p(z; \phi) g(\phi) d\phi : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

is a harmonic function such that for every ϕ_0

$$\lim_{\substack{z \rightarrow e^{i\phi_0} \\ z \in \mathbb{D}}} u(z) = g(\phi_0).$$

Remark. - As we have seen previously (Lectures 40. §40.5; Lecture 46) solution to Dirichlet's BVP is unique (if exists). Thus the theorem above gives the solution to this BVP for \mathbb{D} .

(47.2) Derivation of Poisson Kernel - I. (using power series)

Let $u: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a harmonic function (i.e. $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$).

Then $u = \operatorname{Re}(f)$ for a holomorphic function $f: \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$

(see Lecture 14, §14.1). Recall that $f = u + iv$ is found by

solving Cauchy-Riemann equations

$$\begin{cases} v_x = -u_y \\ v_y = u_x \end{cases}$$

and we will

put the initial condition $v(0) = 0$ (i.e. $f(0) = u(0) \in \mathbb{R}$)

to fix the constant of integration.

Let $f(z) = a_0 + \sum_{n \geq 1} a_n z^n$ be the Taylor Series expansion ③
of f near 0. ($a_0 = f(0) \in \mathbb{R}$).

$$\Rightarrow u(z) = \operatorname{Re}(f(z)) = \frac{1}{2} (f(z) + \overline{f(z)})$$

$$= a_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \geq 1} (a_n z^n + \overline{a_n} (\overline{z})^n)$$

$$= a_0 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \geq 1} r^n (a_n e^{in\theta} + \overline{a_n} e^{-in\theta}) ; \text{ if } z = r e^{i\theta}.$$

Using $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} e^{ik\theta} d\theta = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } k = 0 \end{cases}$, we get:

$$(*) \quad a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(r e^{i\theta}) d\theta ; \quad a_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{u(r e^{i\theta}) e^{-in\theta}}{r^n} d\theta.$$

Note - we can take $0 < r < 1$ as large as we want. If u extends to a continuous $\overline{\mathbb{D}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, we can set $r = 1$. I will change θ to ϕ to match with previous notation.

Substituting (*) in the series $f(z) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} a_l z^l$, we get

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) d\phi + 2 \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) \left(\frac{z}{e^{i\phi}}\right)^n d\phi$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) \left\{ 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (z \cdot e^{-i\phi})^n \right\} d\phi$$

($\int \sum = \sum \int$ by uniform convergence of geometric series - Lectures 19, 20)

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\phi}) \left\{ 1 + \frac{2 \cdot z \cdot e^{-i\phi}}{1 - z \cdot e^{i\phi}} \right\} d\phi$$

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\phi} + z}{e^{i\phi} - z} u(e^{i\phi}) d\phi \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{D}$$

Taking real part of this equation gives

$$u(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|e^{i\phi} - z|^2} u(e^{i\phi}) d\phi \quad ; \text{ written, equivalently}$$

in polar form as $u(re^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos(\theta - \phi) + r^2} u(e^{i\phi}) d\phi$

[calculation of the real part of $P(z; \phi)$:

$$P(z; \phi) = \frac{e^{i\phi} + z}{e^{i\phi} - z} = \frac{(e^{i\phi} + z)(e^{-i\phi} - \bar{z})}{(e^{i\phi} - z)(e^{-i\phi} - \bar{z})}$$

$$= \frac{1 - |z|^2 + \underbrace{(z e^{-i\phi} - \bar{z} e^{i\phi})}_{\text{purely imaginary}}}{|e^{i\phi} - z|^2}$$

$z - \bar{z}$ is purely imaginary

$$\Rightarrow K_p(z; \phi) = \text{Re}(P(z; \phi)) = \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|e^{i\phi} - z|^2}$$

If $z = r e^{i\theta}$, the denominator becomes

$$\begin{aligned} & (\cos \phi - r \cos \theta)^2 + (\sin \phi - r \sin \theta)^2 \\ &= 1 + r^2 - 2r(\cos \phi \cos \theta + \sin \phi \sin \theta) \\ &= 1 - 2r \cos(\theta - \phi) + r^2 \end{aligned}$$

(47.3) Derivation of $K_p(z; \phi)$ - II. using $\text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$: Möbius transf.

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Recall the mean value property of harmonic functions:

$$u(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{it}) dt \quad (\text{Lecture 16, §16.1}).$$

Let $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$ and $\varphi(z) = \frac{z + z_0}{1 + \bar{z}_0 z} \in \text{Aut}(\mathbb{D})$ ($\varphi(0) = z_0$).

(Easy) Exercise: $w(z) = u(\varphi(z))$ is again harmonic

$$w(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} w(e^{it}) dt \quad (\text{mean value prop. of } w)$$

$$\Rightarrow u(\varphi(0)) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(\varphi(e^{it})) dt$$

i.e. $u(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u\left(\frac{e^{it} + z_0}{1 + e^{it} \bar{z}_0}\right) dt$. Perform the change of

variables $e^{i\phi} = \frac{e^{it} + z_0}{1 + e^{it} \bar{z}_0} \rightsquigarrow e^{it} = \frac{e^{i\phi} - z_0}{1 - e^{i\phi} \bar{z}_0}$

$\Rightarrow dt = \frac{1 - |z_0|^2}{|e^{i\phi} - z_0|^2} d\phi$. Hence, (limits of \int can be adjusted via a rotation)

$$u(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1 - |z_0|^2}{|e^{i\phi} - z_0|^2} u(e^{i\phi}) d\phi.$$

(47.4) Properties of $K_p(z; \phi) = \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|e^{i\phi} - z|^2}$.

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• $K_p(z; \phi) > 0 \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{D}$ - obviously.

• $K_p(z; \phi) = 0$ for $|z| = 1$; $z \neq e^{i\phi}$.

• $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} K_p(z; \phi) d\phi = 1$ "Total mass = 1"

(take $u =$ constant fn. 1 in $u(\frac{z}{e^{i\theta}}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} K_p(z; \phi) u(e^{i\phi}) d\phi$)

In conclusion: $K_p(z; \phi)$ defines a "probability distribution" on $\partial\mathbb{D}$, and as $z \rightarrow \partial\mathbb{D}$, it is concentrated near $e^{i\phi}$. (Dirac δ -style).

(47.5) Proof of Theorem 47.1 (see page 2 above)

Given $g(\theta)$ (cnts $\partial\mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$) define $u(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} K_p(z; \phi) g(\phi) d\phi$.

As $u = \text{Re} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\phi} + z}{e^{i\phi} - z} g(\phi) d\phi \right) =$ real part of a hol. fn.

u is harmonic

(Ex: verify this directly.)

It remains to show: $\lim_{\substack{r \rightarrow 1^- \\ \theta \rightarrow \theta_0}} u(re^{i\theta}) = g(\theta_0)$.

Note: $u(re^{i\theta}) - g(\theta_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} K_p(re^{i\theta}; \phi) (g(\phi) - g(\theta_0)) d\phi$ (7)

because $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} K_p(re^{i\theta}; \phi) d\phi = 1$ ("Total mass = 1").

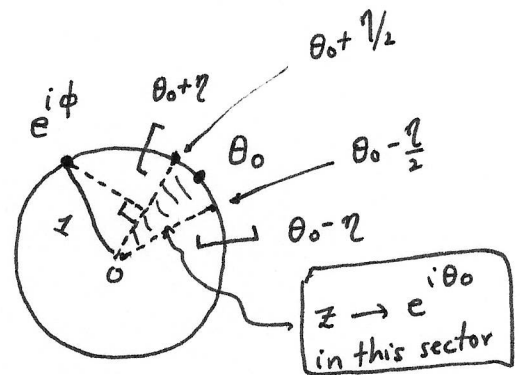
Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be given.

By continuity of g , there exists $\eta > 0$

so that

$$|g(\phi) - g(\theta_0)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for every ϕ so that $|\phi - \theta_0| < \eta$



Write

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|\phi - \theta_0| < \eta} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|\phi - \theta_0| \geq \eta}$$

$$\left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|\phi - \theta_0| < \eta} K_p(z; \phi) (g(\phi) - g(\theta_0)) d\phi \right|$$

$$\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} K_p(z; \phi) d\phi \right) \text{ by positivity of } K_p(z; \phi)$$

$$= \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \text{ ("Total mass = 1")}$$

• for ϕ s.t. $|\phi - \theta_0| \geq \eta$: as $z = re^{i\theta} \rightarrow e^{i\theta_0}$; we may

restrict to $|\theta - \theta_0| < \frac{\eta}{2}$. For this range, $|\theta - \phi| \geq \frac{\eta}{2}$ and

(see picture above) hence $|re^{i\theta} - e^{i\phi}| \geq \sin\left(\frac{\eta}{2}\right)$

$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|\phi - \theta_0| \geq \eta} K_p(re^{i\theta}; \phi) (g(\phi) - g(\theta_0)) d\phi \right| \leq \frac{M \cdot (1-r^2)}{\sin\left(\frac{\eta}{2}\right)}$$

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where $M = \text{Max}_{0 \leq \phi \leq 2\pi} |g(\phi) - g(\theta_0)|$.

Since $r \rightarrow 1$; we can make $1 - r_0^2 < \frac{\sin(\eta/2)}{M} \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ for some $r_0 \in (0, 1)$

Combining all this, we conclude that - given $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $\eta > 0$

and $r_0 > 0$ such that - for $z = re^{i\theta}$, $|\theta - \theta_0| < \frac{\eta}{2}$
 $r_0 < r < 1$

$$\left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} K_p(re^{i\theta}, \phi) g(\phi) d\phi - g(\theta_0) \right| < \epsilon$$

i.e. $\lim_{\substack{r \rightarrow 1^- \\ \theta \rightarrow \theta_0}} u(re^{i\theta}) = g(\theta_0)$ as claimed. □