

## Lecture 4 The averaging property!

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Last time: Almost done showing that harmonic-PDE  $\Rightarrow$  harmonic-ave.

$u$  harm-PDE:  $u$  cont,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2}, \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$  exist and  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \equiv 0$

(on open set  $\Omega$ ). Can assume  $u$  is harm-PDE on an open set containing  $\overline{D_1(0)}$ . Got  $u$  solving the harm-ave

Dirichlet problem on  $D_1(0)$  with continuous bndry data given by  $u(e^{i\theta})$  on  $C_1(0)$ .

Know  $u =$  Poisson integral of  $u(e^{i\theta})$ , and so  $\Delta u = 0$  on  $D_1(0)$ .

So  $\Delta(u - u) \equiv 0$ . And  $u - u \equiv 0$  on  $C_1(0)$ .

And  $u - u$  is continuous on  $\overline{D_1(0)}$ .

Last time:  $u - u + \underbrace{\varepsilon|z|^2}_{\Delta = 4\varepsilon > 0} = U_\varepsilon$

Cooked up  $\varepsilon < \frac{m}{2}$  so that  $U_\varepsilon$  has a positive

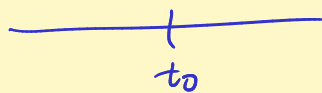
absolute max on  $\overline{D_1(0)}$  inside  $D_1(0)$ , say

at  $w_0$ .

Second deriv test (Freshman calc).  $u$  continuous,

$\frac{du}{dx}, \frac{d^2u}{dx^2}$  exist on  $(a, b)$ .

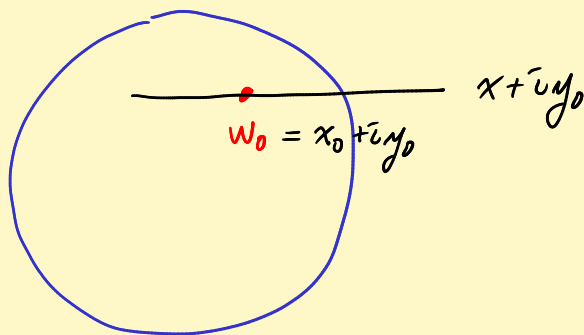
1) If  $\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2}(t_0) > 0$  at  $t_0 \in (a, b)$ , then  $t_0$  is a local absolute min.



2) If  $\frac{d^2 u}{dx^2}(t_0) < 0$ , local abs max. Concave down.

PF MVT

Back to our proof.



If  $\frac{\partial^2 \bar{U}_\varepsilon}{\partial x^2}(x_0 + i y_0) > 0$ , then  $w_0$  is a local abs min. ⚡ contradiction

So  $\frac{\partial^2 \bar{U}_\varepsilon}{\partial x^2}(w_0) \leq 0$ .

Repeat in  $y$ -direction. Get  $\frac{\partial^2 \bar{U}_\varepsilon}{\partial y^2} \leq 0$ .

Conclude  $\Delta \bar{U}_\varepsilon(w_0) \leq 0$ . But  $\Delta \bar{U}_\varepsilon = 4\varepsilon > 0$  at  $w_0$ . ⚡

Assumption that  $u \not\equiv 0$  (or  $u \equiv 0$ ) had a positive value was wrong. So  $u \equiv 0$  on  $\overline{D_1(w_0)}$ .

$u = u$   
 $\uparrow \quad \uparrow$   
 harm-PDE    harm-ave

Cor Harmonic-PDE fns are  $C^\infty$ -smooth!  
 (Elliptic regularity.)

## Importance of averaging property

Fun thing: Ave property  $\Rightarrow$  Fund Thm Alg!

Pf: Suppose  $P(z) = A_N z^N + A_{N-1} z^{N-1} + \dots + A_1 z + A_0$   
 is a complex poly of deg  $N \geq 1$  with no zeroes  
 on  $\mathbb{C}$ . So  $A_N \neq 0$  and  $P(0) = A_0 \neq 0$ .

Basic polynomial estimate There are constants  $a$  and  $A > 0$   
 and a radius  $R > 0$  such that

$$\underline{a|z|^N \leq |P(z)| \leq A|z|^N} \quad \text{when } |z| > R.$$

Cor:  $\left| \frac{1}{P(z)} \right| \leq \frac{1}{a|z|^N}$  when  $|z| > R$ .

$\frac{1}{P(z)}$  is entire and  $\rightarrow 0$  as  $|z| \rightarrow \infty$ .

Let  $A(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{P(re^{i\theta})} d\theta \rightarrow 0$  as  $r \rightarrow \infty$ .

Continuity implies that  $A(r) \rightarrow \frac{1}{P(0)} = \frac{1}{A_0}$  as  $r \searrow 0$ .

Claim: Easy to show that  $A'(r) \equiv 0$ .

So  $A(r)$  can't  $\rightarrow 0$  at  $\infty$  since  $A(0) \neq 0$ . 

$$A(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{1}{P(re^{i\theta})} d\theta$$

$$A'(r) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} - \frac{P'(re^{i\theta})}{P(re^{i\theta})^2} \underbrace{ir e^{i\theta}}_{\frac{2}{2r} [re^{i\theta}]} d\theta$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi ir} \int_{C_r(0)} - \frac{P'(z)}{P(z)^2} dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi ir} \int_{C_r(0)} \frac{d}{dz} \left[ \frac{1}{P(z)} \right] dz$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi ir} \left[ \frac{1}{P(z)} \right]_{\text{START}}^{\text{END}} = 0$$

by Fund Thm Calc.

Missing piece : Analytic-diff  $\Rightarrow$  Analytic (local unif limits of complex polys)  
 complex derivatives exist on open set

Cauchy-Goursat lemma is still the best way to do it.

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 for details (Lectures 6 & 7)