

Lecture 33 The Poisson kernel

$$K_N(z, w) = \sum_{n=1}^N \bar{z}^n w^n + \sum_{n=0}^N z^n \bar{w}^n$$

$$w = e^{i\theta} \\ z \in D(0) : |z| < 1$$

$$\downarrow \\ = \bar{z}w \cdot \frac{1 - (\bar{z}w)^N}{1 - \bar{z}w} + \frac{1 - (z\bar{w})^{N+1}}{1 - z\bar{w}}$$

$$K(z, w) = \frac{\bar{z}w}{1 - \bar{z}w} + \frac{1}{1 - z\bar{w}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 + \bar{z}w) + \frac{1}{2}(-1 + \bar{z}w)}{1 - \bar{z}w} + \frac{\frac{1}{2}(1 + z\bar{w}) + \frac{1}{2}(1 - z\bar{w})}{1 - z\bar{w}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1 + \bar{z}w}{1 - \bar{z}w} + \frac{1 + z\bar{w}}{1 - z\bar{w}} \right] - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}$$

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{1 + z\bar{w}}{1 - z\bar{w}} \right] \quad w = e^{i\theta}, \quad \bar{w} = e^{-i\theta}$$

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{w + z}{w - z} \right]$$

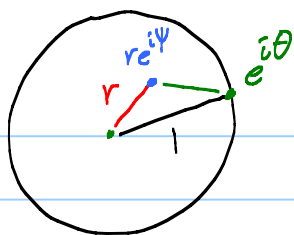
Solⁿ to D. Prob is given by

$$u(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \right] \mathcal{Q}(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Aha! Harmonic conjugate operator:

$$u \mapsto v = \operatorname{Im} \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \mathcal{Q}(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

$$\text{Poisson kernel : } P(z, \theta) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \operatorname{Re} \left[\frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \right]$$



$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|e^{i\theta} - z|^2} \quad z = re^{i\psi}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \frac{1 - r^2}{1 - 2r \cos(\theta - \psi) + r^2}$$

Nice fact: A domain bounded by a quadratic:

$$\Omega = \{ r(x, y) < 0 \} \quad r(x, y) = Ax^2 + By^2 + Cxy + Dx + Ey + F$$

($\Omega = \text{circle or ellipse}$) satisfies (Poly data) $\rightarrow$ (Poly solutions to D. Prob.). [Khavinson-Shapiro Conj: Only ones]

Pf: $\mathcal{P}_N$ = polys in x and y of deg N . Finite dim^l vector space.

Fisher map: $p \mapsto \Delta(rp)$ $\hookrightarrow \mathcal{P}_N$ Linear

$\uparrow$ order 2 $\uparrow$ deg 2

Claim: Fisher map is 1-1:

Suppose $\Delta(p) = 0$

$\Delta(rp) = 0 \leftarrow$ So rp is harmonic.

But $r=0$ on bndry.

Max Princ $\Rightarrow rp \equiv 0$.

But $r < 0$ inside Ω . So $p \equiv 0$. ✓

Consequently $\Delta: \mathcal{P}_N \xrightarrow{1-1} \mathcal{P}_N$ is onto. [Linear algebra!]

How to solve D. Prob: Given poly q .

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$\approx$ onto. So $\exists p$ with $\Delta(rp) = \underbrace{\Delta q}_{\text{poly}}$

$q-rp$ solves the D. Prob.

- 1) $q-rp = q$ on bndry ✓ $r=0$ on bndry
- 2) $\Delta(\underbrace{q-rp}_{\text{harmonic}}) = \Delta q - \Delta(rp) \equiv 0$ ✓

Proof that Ave Prop $\Rightarrow$ harmonic: Suppose u satisfies ave prop on $D_R(0)$ with $R > 1$, u continuous. Define

$$\tilde{u}(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} P(z, \theta) u(e^{i\theta}) d\theta, \quad \text{Know } \tilde{u} \text{ is continuous on}$$

$\overline{D}(0)$ and harmonic on $D_1(0)$, and $\tilde{u} = u$ on $C_1(0)$.

Harmonic fns satisfy Ave Prop. So $u - \tilde{u}$ satisfies ave prop. But Ave Prop $\Rightarrow$ Max, Min Princ and $u - \tilde{u}$ is zero on the bndry. So $u - \tilde{u} \equiv 0$.

Aha! $u = \tilde{u} \leftarrow$ harmonic!

The classic way of solving the D. Prob Schwarz

Notation abuse: $\mathcal{Q}(\theta)$, $\mathcal{Q}(e^{i\theta})$, $\mathcal{Q}(x, y)$ all stand for same thing: A continuous fn on $C_1(0)$. $\mathcal{Q}(z, \bar{z})$ too!

Problem: Look for a "Cauchy Integral Formula" for harmonic fns.

f analytic: $f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} f(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$

$u = \operatorname{Re} f$ $u(z) = \operatorname{Re} \int = \int \operatorname{Re} f$

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$$\text{So } u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(e^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Write $\varphi_{-a}(z) = \frac{z+a}{1+\bar{a}z}$. $\varphi_{-a}(a) = a$

Fact: Harmonic fcn composed with an analytic fcn is harmonic. $\text{Re}[f \circ g]$

$= \text{Re } f$ g

locally.

$u \circ \varphi_{-a}$ is harmonic. Ave Prop:

$$u(a) = (u \circ \varphi_{-a})(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u\left(\frac{e^{i\theta} + a}{1 + \bar{a}e^{i\theta}}\right) d\theta$$

$\underbrace{1 + \bar{a}e^{i\theta}}_{e^{i\psi}}$

Hairy calculus exercise: $d\theta = \frac{1-|a|^2}{|e^{i\psi} - a|^2} d\psi$

Get Poisson Formula. (p. 66: Problem 11 in Stein)

We have: u harmonic on $D_R(0)$, $R > 1$, then

$$u(z) = \int_0^{2\pi} P(z, \theta) u(e^{i\theta}) d\theta.$$

Standard trick: u continuous on $\overline{D_1(0)}$, harmonic inside.

Then Poisson Formula holds.

Let $\tilde{u}(z) = u(pz)$ where $0 < p < 1$. $\tilde{u}$ harm on $D_R(0)$.

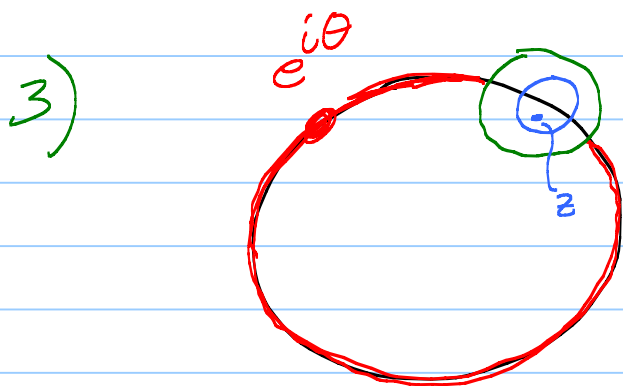
$\tilde{u} =$ Poisson Formula. Now let $p \nearrow 1$. Use unit continuity, etc.

Schwarz Thm: Poisson Formula solves D. Prob.

Key properties of $P(z, \theta)$:

1) $P(z, \theta) > 0$ in $z \in D_1(0)$

2) $\int_0^{2\pi} P(z, \theta) d\theta = 1$ for $z \in D_1(0)$.



$P(z, \theta)$ is really small
on red part. $\rightarrow 0$
unif as $z \rightarrow$ boundary.

4) $P(z, \theta)$ is harmonic z .