

## Lctures on PDE Lecture 8 harmonic functions V. I. Arnold

1. The function  $u(x, y, z) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2 + z^2}}$  is harmonic everywhere except at the

origin. (與位勢理論有關)

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = -x(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = -(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-3/2} + 3x^2(x^2 + y^2 + z^2)^{-5/2}$$

$$\text{靜電場 電位 } V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r}, \quad \text{重力場 } \phi = -\frac{GM}{r}$$

## 定理 1

Every harmonic function in a simply connected domain of the plane is the real part of a holomorphic function (全純函數) which is defined in that domain up to an additive purely imaginary constant.

在單連通區域  $D$  上，任何調和函數  $u$  都是某個全純函數  $f$  的實部，且  $f$  在相差一個純虛常數的意義下唯一。

找一個 holomorphic function  $f = u + iv$ ，其中  $u$  是給定的 harmonic function，要找  $v$ 。

考慮  $F = (-\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial u}{\partial x})$  for a 2-dim vector field  $F = (P, Q)$   $\text{cur}F = \frac{\partial Q}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial P}{\partial y}$

$$\text{So } \text{cur}F = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) - \left( -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) \right) = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

在單連通區域中  $\text{cur}=0$  的向量場  $\Rightarrow$  保守場

(在  $\mathbf{R}^3$  中，對於一個向量場  $F$ ，封閉對應的就是  $\nabla \times F = 0$  (無旋場))

存在  $v$  使得  $\nabla v = F = (-u_y, u_x)$

Let  $f = u + iv$  then  $f$  holomorphic and  $\text{Re}(f) = u$

若  $v_1, v_2$  皆為 harmonic conjugate 則  $\nabla(v_1 - v_2) = 0$   $v_1 - v_2 = \text{const}$

Arnold 是用 differential form 的方式解說：

考慮  $\alpha = (-u_y)dx + (u_x)dy$  則  $d\alpha = -u_{yy}dy \wedge dx + u_{xx}dx \wedge dy = (u_{xx} + u_{yy})dx \wedge dy = 0$

又  $u_x = v_y, u_y = -v_x$ ， $\alpha = (-u_y)dx + (u_x)dy = v_x dx + v_y dy = dv$

$d\alpha = 0$  區域的單連通性保證  $v$  的存在。

在一個單連通區域，一個 closed form 是 exact form。

§ A holomorphic function  $f(z)$  :

(1) 複可微

(2) 滿足 Cauchy-Riemann 方程  $f(z)=f(x+iy)=u(x,y)+iv(x,y)$   $u_x = v_y, u_y = -v_x$

例如

(1)  $f(z) = z^2$

(2)  $f(z) = e^z$

(3)  $f(z) = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}, a, b, c, d \in \mathbb{C}, ad-bc \neq 0$

(4)  $f(z)=\log(z)$ 是多值函數，不是在整個  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  上 holomorphic

$$z = re^{i\theta} \quad \log z = \log r + i(\theta + 2k\pi)$$

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$\log(z)$ 不是定義在平面上 而是定義在 Riemann surface 上的單值 holomorphic 函數。

在單連通區域  $U \subset \mathbb{C} - \{0\}$  上，一定可以定義一個 holomorphic 的  $\log(z)$  :

在單連通區域上，若  $f$  是 holomorphic 則對所有閉曲線  $\gamma$ ， $\oint_{\gamma} f(z)dz = 0 \Leftrightarrow f$  有原始函數。

始函數。

$\frac{1}{z}$  在  $\mathbb{C} - \{0\}$  是 holomorphic，但是它在整個  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \{0\}$  上沒有原始函數，因為

$$\oint_{|z|=1} \frac{1}{z} dz = 2\pi i$$

定義  $\log z := \int_{z_0}^z \frac{1}{\zeta} d\zeta$  因為與路徑無關 所以是 well-defined 且  $(\log z)' = \frac{1}{z}$

$$\bar{\partial} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \right) \text{ 稱為 D-bar operator (or CR operator)}$$

$f$  是全純函數  $\Leftrightarrow \bar{\partial}f = 0$ 。 $\bar{\partial}$  是二維 PDE 的重要工具。

回到原定理：找  $f=u+iv$  全純，即  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0$  ( $u$  已知， $v$  未知)

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{\partial(u+iv)}{\partial \bar{z}} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{z}} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{z}} = i \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}} \quad (\text{因為 } u \text{ 是 real value 所以 } \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}} = \overline{\left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial z} \right)})$$

Let  $\varphi(z) := \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}}$  原命題就是要找  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{z}} = i\varphi(z)$  的解  $v(z)$  這是一個  $\bar{\partial}$  非齊次方程

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}(\bar{z}\varphi(z)) = \varphi(z) + \bar{z} \frac{\partial \varphi(z)}{\partial \bar{z}} = \varphi(z) \quad (\text{因為 } \Delta u = 0 \Leftrightarrow \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z \partial \bar{z}} = 0)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}(i\bar{z}\varphi(z)) = i\varphi(z)$$

$v_0(z) = i\bar{z}\varphi(z) = i\bar{z} \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}}$  即為  $f$  所需的  $v$  的一個特別解。

或者由  $\frac{\partial v}{\partial \bar{z}} = i \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{z}}$  因為 simply connected

$$v(z) := \text{Im} \left( \int_{z_0}^z 2i \frac{\partial u}{\partial \bar{\zeta}} d\bar{\zeta} \right) \text{ 即可。}$$

§ 6.1 Laplace equation  $\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  Walter A. Strauss

或者寫成  $\Delta u = \nabla \cdot \nabla u$  (subharmonic  $\Leftrightarrow \Delta u \geq 0$ )

$u: \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (or  $\mathbb{C}$ ) 滿足  $\Delta u = 0$  則  $u$  稱為 harmonic function。

$E(u) = \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx$  是能量泛函。

$\Delta u = f$  with a given function is called Poisson equation。

$$f: (M, g) \rightarrow (N, h)$$

$$\forall p \in M, \exists \lambda(p) > 0 \ni f^*h = \lambda(p)^2 g \text{ i.e.}$$

$$\langle df_p(v), df_p(w) \rangle_h = \lambda(p)^2 \langle v, w \rangle_g \text{ 則稱 } f \text{ 為 conformal map}$$

若  $f: M \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^3$  是共形且調和，則其像為 minimal surface。

例如懸鏈面(catenoid)

$$f(u, v) = (\cosh u \cos v, \cosh u \sin v, u)$$

$$I = \cosh^2 u (du^2 + dv^2) \cdots \text{表示 conformal}$$

$\Delta$  ( the **Laplace operator** ) is defined as :  $\Delta u = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i^2}$

Polar coordinates  $(r, \theta)$  :

$$\Delta u = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2}$$

Spherical coordinates  $(r, \theta, \phi)$  :  $\Delta u = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) + \dots$

**Laplace-Beltrami operator**  $\Delta_g$  is a generalization of the Laplace operator to functions defined on Riemannian manifolds ◦

$$f : M \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \ , \ \Delta_g f = \operatorname{div}_g (\operatorname{grad}_g f) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|g|}} \partial_i (\sqrt{|g|} g^{ij} \partial_j f)$$

in local coordinates  $(x^1, \dots, x^n)$

$$f : \Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

Key properties :

1. Mean value property

$$\text{For any ball } B(x, r) \subset \Omega \ , \ u(x) = \frac{1}{|\partial B(x, r)|} \int_{\partial B} u(y) dS(y)$$

2. Maximum principle

3. Smoothness

4. Liouville theorem

A bounded harmonic function on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  must be constant ◦

There is no non-constant negative harmonic function defined on the Euclidean space ◦

There is no non-constant negative subharmonic function on  $\mathbb{R}^2$  ◦

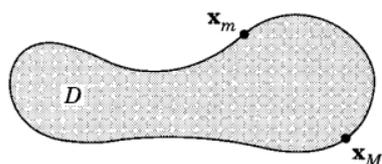
Examples :

2. Electrostatics(靜電學)

$$\operatorname{curl} E = 0 \ , \ \operatorname{div} E = 4\pi\rho$$

For the electric potential  $\phi$ ,  $\Delta\phi = \text{div}(\text{grad}\phi) = -\text{div}\mathbf{E} = -4\pi\rho$

### § maximum principle



Let  $D$  be a connected bounded open set. Let  $u(x,y,z)$

be a harmonic function in  $D$  that is continuous on  $\bar{D}$  ( $= D \cup \partial D$ ). Then the maximum and the minimum values of  $u$  are attained on  $\partial D$  and nowhere

inside. (unless  $u \equiv \text{const}$ )

有朋自遠方來 訪問 Robert Finn 提到 Eberhard Hopf 的 strong maximum principle。

恰好看到此章提到 maximum principle。

[maximum principle  $u_t = ku_{xx}$  is a one-dimensional diffusion equation PDE102-

### § rotational invariance

The Laplace equation is invariant under all rigid motions.

In engineering the Laplacian is a model for isotropic physical situations, in which there is no preferred direction.

$$\Delta f = \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \theta^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2} \quad \dots (*)$$

$$x = r \cos \theta, y = r \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} = \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos \theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$$

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{y}{x} \text{ to find } \frac{\partial r}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial r}{\partial y}, \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x}, \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y}$$

$$\text{例如 } \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + y^2}} = \frac{r \cos \theta}{r} = \cos \theta, \quad \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = \frac{-y/x^2}{1 + (y/x)^2} = \frac{-y}{x^2 + y^2} = \frac{-y}{r^2} = \frac{-\sin \theta}{r}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos \theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta}$$

$$u_x = \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial x} = u_r \cos \theta - u_\theta \frac{\sin \theta}{r}$$

$$u_y = \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial y} = u_r \sin \theta + u_\theta \frac{\cos \theta}{r}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
u_{xx} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( u_r \cos \theta - u_\theta \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \right) = \left( \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} - \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \left( u_r \cos \theta - u_\theta \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \right) \\
&= \cos \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( u_r \cos \theta - u_\theta \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \right) - \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( u_r \cos \theta - u_\theta \frac{\sin \theta}{r} \right) \\
&= \cos^2 \theta u_{rr} + \cos \theta \left( -\frac{\sin \theta}{r} u_{r\theta} + \frac{\sin \theta}{r^2} u_\theta \right) + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r} u_r - \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{r} u_{r\theta} + \frac{\sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} u_\theta + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r^2} u_{\theta\theta} \\
&= \cos^2 \theta u_{rr} - \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r} u_{r\theta} + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r} u_r + \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} u_\theta + \frac{\sin^2 \theta}{r^2} u_{\theta\theta}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{同理 } u_{yy} = \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{\cos \theta}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \right) \left( u_r \sin \theta + u_\theta \frac{\cos \theta}{r} \right)$$

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$$= \sin^2 \theta u_{rr} - \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r^2} u_\theta + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r} u_r + \frac{2 \sin \theta \cos \theta}{r} u_{r\theta} + \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{r^2} u_{\theta\theta}$$

合併得

$$u_{xx} + u_{yy} = u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r + \frac{1}{r^2} u_{\theta\theta}$$

若 harmonic functions 本身是旋轉不變，則(\*)變成  $0 = u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r$ ，若 u 與  $\theta$  無關，

此方程變成  $(ru_r)_r = 0$ ， $u = c_1 \ln r + c_2$

後面證明 3 維 Laplacian 在空間剛體運動下皆為不變量(暫略)。

習作

1. Show that a function which is a power series in the complex variable  $x+iy$  must satisfy the Cauchy - Riemann equations and therefore Laplace equation。

$$z=x+iy, f(z)=u(z)+iv(z)=u(x,y)+iv(x,y), f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n z^n$$

因為冪級數在收斂區域內逐項可微，因此對  $x$  和  $y$  微分：

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n (x+iy)^{n-1}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = i \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n (x+iy)^{n-1}$$

$$i \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + i \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}, \text{ 可以得到 Cauchy-Riemann equations:}$$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \text{ and } \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}.$$

$$u_{xx} = v_{yx} = v_{xy} = -u_{yy} \text{ then } \Delta u = 0$$

$$\text{同理 } \Delta v = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = -\left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = 0$$

2. Find the solutions that depend only on  $r$  of the equation  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = k^2 u$ , where

$k$  is a positive constant.

球坐標系  $(r, \theta, \phi)$  下,  $x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi, y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi, z = r \cos \theta$

Laplacian 的表式為:

$$\nabla^2 f = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial \phi^2}$$

與  $\theta$  無關時, Laplacian 用球面座標表示為  $\nabla^2 u = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{du}{dr} \right)$

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{du}{dr} \right) = k^2 u \Rightarrow \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{du}{dr} \right) = k^2 r^2 u, \text{ let } v(r) = ru(r), u = \frac{v}{r} \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dr} = \frac{v'}{r} - \frac{v}{r^2}$$

$$r^2 \frac{du}{dr} = rv' - v, \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{du}{dr} \right) = \frac{d}{dr} (rv' - v) = v' + rv'' - v' = rv''$$

$$rv'' = k^2 r^2 u = k^2 r^2 \times \frac{v}{r} = k^2 rv \Rightarrow v'' = k^2 v$$

$$v(r) = Ae^{kr} + Be^{-kr} \quad u = \frac{Ae^{kr} + Be^{-kr}}{r}$$

3. Find the solutions that depend only on  $r$  of the equation  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = k^2 u$ , where  $k$  is a

positive constant.

The given equation is the Helmholtz equation.

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) = k^2 u \Rightarrow u_{rr} + \frac{1}{r} u_r = k^2 u \cdots (1)$$

Let  $s=kr$ , (1)兩邊同乘以  $r^2$ , the equation becomes:

$$s^2 \frac{d^2 u}{ds^2} + s \frac{du}{ds} - s^2 u = 0 \quad (\text{a modified Bessel differential equation})$$

$$u(r) = c_1 I_0(kr) + c_2 K_0(kr)$$

where  $I_0$  and  $K_0$  are the modified Bessel functions of the first and second kind ,

The Bessel differential equation :

$$x^2 \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} + x \frac{dy}{dx} + (x^2 - \nu^2)y = 0$$

General solution is  $y(x) = c_1 J_\nu(x) + c_2 Y_\nu(x)$

The modified Bessel differential equation :

respectively , and  $c_1, c_2$  are constants .

4. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 0$  in the spherical shell  $0 < a < r < b$  with the boundary condition

$u=A$  on  $r=a$  and  $u=B$  on  $r=b$  , where A and B are constants .

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{du}{dr} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow u = -\frac{c_1}{r} + c_2 \Rightarrow u = \frac{C_1}{r} + c_2$$

At  $r=A$  ,  $A = \frac{C_1}{a} + c_2$  ; at  $r=B$  ,  $B = \frac{C_1}{b} + c_2$  解出  $C_1, c_2$

$$u(r) = \frac{Aa(b-r) + Bb(r-a)}{r(b-a)}$$

5. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 1$  in  $r < a$  with  $u(x,y)$  vanishing on  $r=a$  .

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r \frac{du}{dr} \right) = 1 \quad \text{with } u(a)=0$$

$$u(r) = \frac{1}{4}(r^2 - a^2)$$

6. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 1$  in the annulus(圓環)  $a < r < b$  with  $u(x,y)$  vanishing on both parts of the boundary  $r=a$  and  $r=b$  .

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r \frac{du}{dr} \right) = 1 \Rightarrow u(r) = \frac{1}{4} r^2 + c \ln r + d \quad \text{with } u(a)=u(b)=0$$

$$u(r) = \frac{1}{4} \left\{ r^2 - \frac{b^2 \ln\left(\frac{r}{a}\right) + a^2 \ln\left(\frac{b}{r}\right)}{\ln\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)} \right\}$$

7. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 1$  in the spherical shell  $a < r < b$  with  $u(x,y,z)$  vanishing on both the inner and outer boundaries ◦

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r^2 \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) = 1$$

$$u(r) = \frac{1}{6} r^2 - \frac{c_1}{r} + c_2, \quad \text{set } u(a)=u(b)=0 \quad \text{解 } c_1 = \frac{-ab(a+b)}{6}, c_2 = -\frac{a^2 + ab + b^2}{6}$$

$$u(r) = \frac{1}{6} \left( r^2 - \frac{ab(a+b)}{r} - a^2 - ab - b^2 \right)$$

8. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} + u_{zz} = 1$  in the spherical shell  $a < r < b$  with  $u=0$  on  $r=a$  and  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = 0$  on  $r=b$  ◦ Then let  $a \rightarrow 0$  in your answer and interpret the result ◦

$$u(r) = \frac{r^2 - a^2}{6} + \frac{b^3}{3} \left( \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{a} \right)$$

9. A spherical shell with inner radius 1 and outer radius 2 has a steady-state temperature distribution ◦ Its inner boundary is held at  $100^\circ\text{C}$  ◦ Its outer boundary satisfies

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = -\gamma < 0, \quad \text{where } \gamma \text{ is a constant.}$$

- (a) Find the temperature ◦ (Hint : the temperature depends only on the radius ◦ )  
 (b) What are the hottest and coldest temperatures ?  
 (c) Can you choose  $\gamma$  so that the temperature on its outer boundary is  $20^\circ\text{C}$  ?

- (a) Steady-state means the temperature has stabilized and remains constant over time at every point in the shell ◦

The steady-state temperature distribution within the spherical shell is determined by solving Laplace's equation in spherical coordinates with radial symmetry ◦

$$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{du}{dr} \right) = 0, \quad u(r) = \frac{A}{r} + B$$

$$r=1, u(1)=100, \text{ at } r=2, \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = -\gamma < 0 \Rightarrow A = 4\gamma$$

$$u(r) = \frac{4\gamma}{r} + 100 - 4\gamma$$

(b)  $\because u(r)$  is decreasing  $\circ$  The hottest temperature is  $u(1)=100^\circ\text{C}$ , the coldest

$$\text{temperature is } u(2) = 100 - 2\gamma^\circ\text{C}$$

(c)  $\gamma = 40$  at  $r=2$

10. Prove the uniqueness of the Dirichlet problem  $\Delta u = f$  in  $D$ , with  $u=g$  on  $\text{bdy}D$  by the energy method  $\circ$  That is, after subtracting two solutions  $w=u-v$ , multiply the Laplace equation for  $w$  by  $w$  itself and use the divergence theorem  $\circ$

(1) Assume two solutions  $u_1, u_2$  and define  $w = u_1 - u_2$

$$\text{Since } \Delta u_1 = \Delta u_2 = f, \text{ we have } \Delta w = 0 \text{ in } D$$

$$\text{On the boundary, } w = u_1 - u_2 = g - g = 0$$

(2) Apply Green first identity

$$\int_D w \Delta w dx = 0$$

$$\int_D |\nabla w|^2 dx = \int_{\partial D} w \frac{\partial w}{\partial n} dS - \int_D w \Delta w dx = 0$$

$$|\nabla w|^2 \geq 0 \Rightarrow \nabla w \equiv 0 \Rightarrow w \text{ is constant, but } w=0 \text{ on } \partial D, \text{ implies the constant is}$$

zero  $\circ$  Therefore  $u_1 = u_2$

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$$1. \text{ Divergence theorem : } \iint_S \vec{E} \cdot \vec{n} dS = \iiint_V \text{div} \vec{E} dV$$

$$2. \text{ Green first identity : } \int_{\Omega} (u \Delta v + \nabla u \cdot \nabla v) d\Omega = \int_{\partial\Omega} u \frac{\partial v}{\partial n} dS$$

1. **Green's First Identity** (used to derive the second identity):

$$\iiint_D \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dV = \iint_{\partial D} u \frac{\partial v}{\partial n} \, dS - \iiint_D u \Delta v \, dV.$$

2. **Second Identity:** Subtract the first identity for  $u$  and  $v$  swapped:

$$\iint_{\partial D} \left( u \frac{\partial v}{\partial n} - v \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \right) \, dS = \iiint_D (u \Delta v - v \Delta u) \, dV.$$

11. Show that there is no solution of  $\Delta u = f$  in  $D$ ,  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = g$  on  $\partial D$  in three dimensions, unless  $\iiint_D f \, dx \, dy \, dz = \iint_{\partial D} g \, dS$ . Also show the analogue in one and two dimensions.

To demonstrate the necessity of the compatibility condition for the existence of a solution to the Neumann problem  $\Delta u = f$  in  $D$  with  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = g$  on  $\partial D$ , we proceed as follows:

1. Integrate both sides of the Poisson equation over the domain  $D$

$$\iiint_D \Delta u \, dV = \iiint_D f \, dV$$

2. Apply the divergence theorem to the left-hand side  $\iiint_D \nabla \cdot (\nabla u) \, dV = \iint_{\partial D} \nabla u \cdot n \, dS$

Where  $n$  is the outward unit normal.

Substituting the Neumann boundary condition  $\nabla u \cdot n = g$

3. Then  $\iiint_D f \, dV = \iint_{\partial D} g \, dS$

If this equality fails, the assumption that a solution  $u$  exists leads to a contradiction.

12. Check the validity of the maximum principle for the harmonic function

$$u(x, y) = \frac{1 - x^2 - y^2}{1 - 2x + x^2 + y^2} \quad \text{in the disk } \overline{D} = \{x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\}$$

$u(x, y)$  is singular at  $(1, 0)$ , where it becomes discontinuous.

The maximum principle requires harmonicity in the open domain and continuity on the closure.

Since  $u$  fails to be continuous on the closed disk  $\overline{D}$ , the maximum principle does not apply.

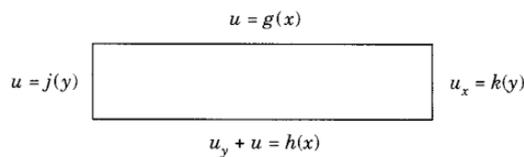
13. A function  $u(x)$  is subharmonic in  $D$  if  $\Delta u \geq 0$  in  $D$ .

Prove that its maximum value is attained on  $\partial D$ . (Note that this is not true for the minimum value.)

§ 6.2 Rectangles and cubes

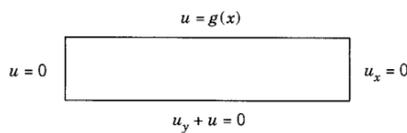
$\Delta u = u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in  $D$ . Where  $D$  is a rectangle  $\{0 < x < a, 0 < y < b\}$ , on each sides one of the standard boundary conditions is prescribed. (inhomogeneous Dirichlet, Neumann, or Robin)

Examples



1. Boundary conditions indicates as in the left figure.

2. For simplicity, assume  $h=0, j=0, k=0$ .



We separate the variables

$u(x, y) = X(x) \cdot Y(y)$ , then we get

$$\frac{X''}{X} + \frac{Y''}{Y} = 0$$

Hence there is a constant  $\lambda$  such that  $X'' + \lambda X = 0$ , for  $0 \leq x \leq a$ ,  $Y'' - \lambda Y = 0$  for  $0 \leq y \leq b$

$$X'' = -\lambda X \quad \text{with} \quad X(0) = X'(a) = 0$$

$$Y'' = \lambda Y \quad \text{with} \quad Y'(0) + Y(0) = 0$$

3. ...

Exercises

1. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in the rectangle  $0 < x < a, 0 < y < b$  with the following boundary conditions :

$$u_x = -a \quad \text{on} \quad x=0, \quad u_x = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad x=a; \quad u_y = b \quad \text{on} \quad y=0, \quad u_y = 0 \quad \text{on} \quad y=b$$

$$u(x, y) = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - ax - \frac{1}{2}y^2 + by + c$$

2. Find the harmonic function  $u(x,y)$  in the square  $D = \{0 < x < \pi, 0 < y < \pi\}$  with the boundary conditions :  $u_y = 0$  for  $y=0$  and for  $y = \pi$

$$u=0 \text{ for } x=0 \text{ and } u = \cos^2 y = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2y) \text{ for } x = \pi$$

Assume  $u(x, y) = X(x)Y(y)$

$$\nabla^2 u = 0 \Rightarrow \begin{cases} X'' - \lambda X = 0 \\ Y'' + \lambda Y = 0 \end{cases}$$

Boundary condition :  $Y'(0) = Y'(\pi) = 0$

$$Y'' + \lambda Y = 0 \Rightarrow Y = A \sin \sqrt{\lambda} y + B \cos \sqrt{\lambda} y$$

$$Y'(0) = Y'(\pi) = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_n = n^2, Y_n(y) = \cos(ny), n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$$X'' - n^2 X = 0 \Rightarrow X_n = A e^{nx} + B e^{-nx}, u(0,y)=0 \Rightarrow A + B = 0$$

Hence  $X_n = C_n \sinh(nx)$  (except  $n=0$ )

$$u(x, y) = \frac{A_0 x}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sinh(nx) \cos(ny)$$

Apply boundary condition at  $x = \pi$ ,

$$\frac{A_0 \pi}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \sinh(n\pi) \cos(ny) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2y) \Rightarrow A_0 = \frac{1}{\pi}, C_2 = \frac{1}{2 \sinh(2\pi)}$$

$$u(x, y) = \frac{x}{2\pi} + \frac{\sinh(x/2) \cos 2y}{2 \sinh(2\pi)}$$

3. Find the harmonic function in the square  $\{0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1\}$  with the boundary conditions  $u(x, 0) = x, u(x, 1) = 0, u_x(0, y) = 0, u_x(1, y) = y^2$

Assume  $u(x,y) = v(x,y) + w(x,y)$

$$v(x,0) = x, v(x,1) = 0, v(0,y) = v(1,y) = 0$$

$$w_x(0, y) = 0, w_x(1, y) = y^2, w(x,0) = w(x,1) = 0$$

分別解  $v, w$  然後相加。

$$\text{其中用變數分離法解 } v(x,y), \text{ 得 } v(x,y) = x - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{2}{n\pi} \sin(n\pi x) \sinh(n\pi y)$$

$$w(x,y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \cosh(n\pi x) \sinh(n\pi y), \text{ 其中 } C_n = \frac{2(-1)^n}{\pi^3 n^3 \sinh(n\pi)}$$

4. Solve the following Neumann problem in the cube  $\{0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1, 0 < z < 1\}$  :

$\Delta u = 0$  with  $u_z(x, y, 1) = g(x, y)$  and homogeneous Neumann conditions on the

other five faces, where  $g(x, y)$  is an arbitrary function with zero average ◦

$$u(x, y, z) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{-4^{1-\delta_{n0}}}{m\pi\sqrt{m^2+n^2} \sinh(\pi\sqrt{m^2+n^2})} \left( \int_0^1 \int_0^1 g(x', y') \cos(m\pi x') \cos(n\pi y') \right. \\ \left. dx' dy' \right) \cos(m\pi x) \cos(n\pi y) \cosh(\pi\sqrt{m^2+n^2}z)$$

Where  $\delta_{n0} = 1$  if  $n=0$ , and 0 otherwise ◦

DeepSeek 給出一個例子  $g(x, y) = \cos(\pi x)\cos(\pi y)$ , zero average 的意思是 :

$$\int_0^1 \int_0^1 \cos(\pi x)\cos(\pi y) dx dy = 0, \text{ 是 Fourier series 解中的基本函數 } \cos(m\pi x)\cos(n\pi y)$$

上面恐怖的係數變成 0, 取  $g(x, y) = \cos(m\pi x)\cos(n\pi y), m \geq 1, n \geq 0$

取  $m=2, n=1, g(x, y) = \cos(2\pi x)\cos(\pi y)$  則此 Neumann 問題的解為 :

$$u(x, y, z) = \frac{-1}{2\pi\sqrt{5} \sinh(\pi\sqrt{5})} \cos(2\pi x)\cos(\pi y) \cosh(\pi\sqrt{5}z)$$

5. Find the harmonic function in the semi-infinite strip  $\{0 \leq x \leq \pi, 0 \leq y < \infty\}$  that

satisfies the boundary condition :  $u(0, y) = u(\pi, y) = 0, u(x, 0) = h(x), \lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} u(x, y) = 0$

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin(nx) e^{-ny}, \quad B_n = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} h(x') \sin(nx') dx'$$

$$u(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} h(x') \sin(nx') dx' \right) \sin(nx) e^{-ny}$$

What would go awry(歪曲) if we omitted the condition at infinity ?

### § 6.3 Poisson formula

A much more interesting case is the Dirichlet problem for a circle ◦

The rotational invariance of  $\Delta$  provides a hint that the circle is a natural shape for harmonic functions ◦

Example

$$\Delta u(x, y) = u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0 \text{ for } x^2 + y^2 < a^2$$

$$u = h(\theta) \text{ for } x^2 + y^2 = a^2$$

Separate variables in polar coordinates :

$$u = R(r)\Theta(\theta) , \quad u_{xx} + u_{yy} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2}$$

$$R''\Theta + \frac{1}{r}R'\Theta + \frac{1}{r^2}R\Theta'' = 0 , \quad \frac{r^2R'' + rR'}{-R} = \frac{\Theta''}{\Theta} = -\lambda$$

With BC :  $\Theta(\theta + 2\pi) = \Theta(\theta)$  for  $-\infty < \theta < \infty$

Thus ,  $\lambda = n^2$  and  $\Theta(\theta) = A \cos n\theta + B \sin n\theta$   $n=1,2,3,\dots$

There is also the solution  $\lambda = 0$  with  $\Theta(\theta) = A$

$$r^2R'' + rR' - \lambda R = 0$$

$$R = r^\alpha , R' = \alpha r^{\alpha-1} , R'' = \alpha(\alpha-1)r^{\alpha-2}$$

$$\alpha(\alpha-1) + \alpha - n^2 = 0 , \quad \alpha = \pm n \Rightarrow R = Cr^n + Dr^{-n} \quad (\text{因為 } r=0 \text{ 所以排除 } r^{-n})$$

$$u(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{2}A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n (A_n \cos(n\theta) + B_n \sin(n\theta))$$

...經過一番魔幻步驟 , 最後得到 Poisson formula :

$$u(r, \theta) = (a^2 - r^2) \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{h(\phi)}{a^2 - 2ar \cos(\theta - \phi) + r^2} \frac{d\phi}{2\pi}$$

Exercises

1. Suppose that  $u$  is a harmonic function in the disk  $D = \{r < 2\}$  and that  $u = 3 \sin 2\theta + 1$  for  $r=2$  . Without finding the solution , answer the following questions

(a) Find the maximum value of  $u$  in  $\bar{D}$

(b) Calculus the value of  $u$  at the origin .

$$u(r, \theta) = 1 + \frac{3r^2}{4} \sin 2\theta$$

2. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in the disk  $\{r < a\}$  with the boundary condition  $u = 1 + 3 \sin \theta$  on

$r=a$

$$u(r, \theta) = \frac{1}{2}A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} r^n (A_n \cos(n\theta) + B_n \sin(n\theta))$$

邊界條件為  $u(a, \theta) = 1 + 3 \sin \theta$  , 展開傅立葉級數

$$1 + 3 \sin \theta = A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a^n (A_n \cos n\theta + B_n \sin n\theta) \dots$$

$$u(r, \theta) = 1 + \frac{3r}{a} \sin \theta$$

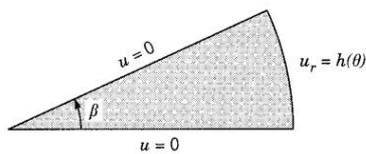
3. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in the disk  $\{r < a\}$  with the boundary condition  $u = \sin^3 \theta$

$$\sin^3 \theta = \frac{3}{4} \sin \theta - \frac{1}{4} \sin 3\theta$$

$$u(r, \theta) = \left(\frac{3r}{4a}\right) \sin \theta - \left(\frac{r^3}{4a^3}\right) \sin 3\theta$$

§ 6.4 circles, wedges, and annuli

Example 1 The wedge



$$\{0 < \theta < \beta, 0 < r < a\}$$

Boundary condition :

$$u(r, 0) = u(r, \beta) = 0, \frac{\partial u}{\partial r}(a, \theta) = h(\theta)$$

$r^2 R'' + rR' - \lambda R = 0$  and  $\Theta'' + \lambda \Theta = 0$  (變數分離法對圓的結果依然可用)

Now  $\Theta(0) = \Theta(\beta) = 0$

這是標準的 eigenvalue problem, 其解為  $\lambda = \left(\frac{n\pi}{\beta}\right)^2, \Theta(\theta) = \sin \frac{n\pi\theta}{\beta}$

$r^2 R'' + rR' - \lambda R = 0$  是一個 ODE, 解為  $R(r) = r^\alpha$ ,  $\alpha^2 - \lambda = 0$ ,  $\alpha = \sqrt{\lambda} = \frac{n\pi}{\beta}$

(在原點  $r^{-\frac{n\pi}{\beta}} \rightarrow \infty$ , 所以排除。)  $u(r, \theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n r^{\frac{n\pi}{\beta}} \sin \frac{n\pi\theta}{\beta}$

Finally, the inhomogeneous boundary condition requires that

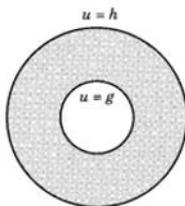
$$h(\theta) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \frac{n\pi}{\beta} a^{-1+n\pi/\beta} \sin \frac{n\pi\theta}{\beta}$$

This is just a Fourier sine series in the interval  $[0, \beta]$ , so

$$A_n = a^{1-n\pi/\beta} \frac{2}{n\pi} \int_0^\beta h(\theta) \sin \frac{n\pi\theta}{\beta} d\theta$$

以下暫略

The Annulus



The exterior of a circle

Exercises

1. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in the the exterior  $\{r > a\}$  of a disk , with the boundary condition  $u = 1 + 3\sin \theta$  on  $r=a$  , and the condition at infinity that  $u$  be bounded as  $r \rightarrow \infty$
2. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in the disk  $r < a$  with the boundary condition  $\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - hu = f(\theta)$  , where  $f(\theta)$  is an arbitrary function . Write the answer in terms of the Fourier coefficients of  $f(\theta)$  .
3. Find the steady-state temperature distribution inside an annular plate  $\{1 < r < 2\}$  , whose outer edge ( $r=2$ ) is insulated , and on whose inner edge ( $r=1$ ) the temperature is maintained as  $\sin^2 \theta$  .
4. Find the harmonic function  $u$  in the semidisk  $\{r < 1, 0 < \theta < \pi\}$  with  $u$  vanishing on the diameter ( $\theta = 0, \pi$ ) and  $u = \pi \sin \theta - \sin 2\theta$  on  $r=1$
- 5.
8. An annular plate with inner radius  $a$  and outer radius  $b$  is held at temperature  $B$  at its outer boundary and satisfies the boundary condition  $\partial u / \partial r = A$  at its inner boundary, where  $A$  and  $B$  are constants. Find the temperature if it is at a steady state. (*Hint:* It satisfies the two-dimensional Laplace equation and depends only on  $r$ .)
9. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in the wedge  $r < a, 0 < \theta < \beta$  with the BCs  $u = \theta$  on  $r = a$ ,  $u = 0$  on  $\theta = 0$ , and  $u = \beta$  on  $\theta = \beta$ . (*Hint:* Look for a function independent of  $r$ .)
10. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in the quarter-disk  $\{x^2 + y^2 < a^2, x > 0, y > 0\}$  with the following BCs:
 
$$u = 0 \quad \text{on } x = 0 \text{ and on } y = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = 1 \quad \text{on } r = a.$$
 Write the answer as an infinite series and write the first two nonzero terms explicitly.

11. Prove the uniqueness of the Robin problem

$$\Delta u = f \quad \text{in } D, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} + au = h \quad \text{on bdy } D,$$

where  $D$  is any domain in three dimensions and where  $a$  is a positive constant.

12. (a) Prove the following still stronger form of the maximum principle, called the Hopf form of the maximum principle. If  $u(\mathbf{x})$  is a non-constant harmonic function in a connected plane domain  $D$  with a smooth boundary that has a maximum at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  (necessarily on the boundary by the strong maximum principle), then  $\partial u / \partial n > 0$  at  $\mathbf{x}_0$  where  $\mathbf{n}$  is the unit *outward* normal vector. (This is difficult: see [PW] or [Ev].)
- (b) Use part (a) to deduce the uniqueness of the Neumann problem in a connected domain, up to constants.
13. Solve  $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$  in the region  $\{\alpha < \theta < \beta, a < r < b\}$  with the boundary conditions  $u = 0$  on the two sides  $\theta = \alpha$  and  $\theta = \beta$ ,  $u = g(\theta)$  on the arc  $r = a$ , and  $u = h(\theta)$  on the arc  $r = b$ .

習作

1. True or false :
- (a) Every harmonic polynomial is homogeneous . 反例  $f(x, y) = x^2 - y^2 + x$
- (b) Every homogeneous polynomial is harmonic . 反例  $f(x, y) = x^2$
2. Let  $A$  be a constant nonsingular  $3 \times 3$  matrix ,  $u(x)$  a  $C^1$  scalar field , and  $v(x)$  a  $C^1$  vector field . Set  $U(x) = u(Ax)$  and  $V(x) = v(Ax)$  . Prove that
- (a)  $\nabla U(x) = A^T \nabla u(Ax)$
- (b)  $\nabla \cdot V(x) = w(Ax)$  where  $w(x) = \nabla \cdot (Av)(x)$
3. The Weak Maximum Principle : Let  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  be a bounded domain . Let  $u(x, y, z)$  solve the Poisson equation  $-\Delta u = f(x, y, z)$  , where  $f(x, y, z) < 0$  for all  $(x, y, z) \in \Omega$  .
- (a) Prove that the maximum value of  $u$  occurs on the boundary  $\partial\Omega$  .
- (b) Generalize your result to the case  $f(x, y, z) \leq 0$

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