

# 21-632 Class I: Intro and overview.

ODE: a few weeks.

PDE: main focus

8 hrs.

Differential equation

$$F(D^k u(x), \dots, Du(x), u(x), x) = 0$$

↓  
unknown ( $k$ -th order derivative) with initial/boundary condition

no general theory to solve all ODEs

cannot solve explicitly, develop methods

PDE.

for analyzing them

first-order

$$F(Du(x), u(x), x) = 0$$

transport equation.

$b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $u: \mathbb{R}^n \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  unknown

$$u_t + b \cdot Du = 0$$

$$u(x, t) = (b \cdot \nabla_x u(x, t) + u(x, t))$$

$$\underbrace{D_{\alpha,t} u(x,t)}_{\substack{\downarrow \\ \partial x_1 u, \dots, \partial x_n u}}$$

$$F(p, z, x) = p \cdot (b, 1) = 0$$

Second order PDE.

• Laplace equation  $\Delta u = 0$

where  $\Delta u := \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i x_i}$ ,  $u: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , unknown.

elliptic equations

$$\Delta u = \text{tr}(D^2 u)$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial_{x_1} u_{x_1} & \partial_{x_1} u_{x_2} & \dots \\ \vdots & \partial_{x_2} u_{x_2} & \\ \partial_{x_n} u_{x_1} & & \partial_{x_n} u_{x_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

• Heat equation  $\partial_t u = \Delta u$

$u: \mathbb{R}^n \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , unknown.

parabolic equation.

• Wave equation.  $\partial_{tt} u = \Delta u$

$u: \mathbb{R}^n \times [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , unknown.

hyperbolic equation.

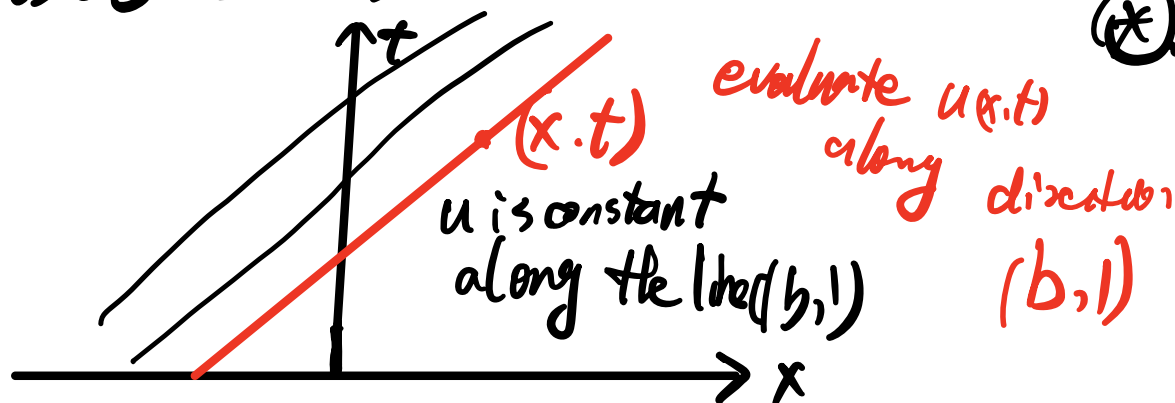
these can be used as a guide.

Transport equation.

Ex.  $u_t + b \cdot Du = 0$

$u(x, t)$

$u_t(x, t) + b \cdot Du(x, t) = 0, \quad \forall (x, t) \in \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty)$  (\*)



suppose  $u$  smooth and solves (\*)

key observation (\*)  $\Rightarrow$  certain partial derivatives vanishes

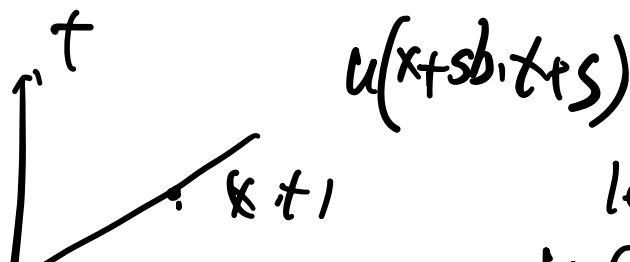
$z(s) = u(x + sb, t + s)$

$z'(s) = Du(x + sb, t + s) \cdot b + \partial_t u(x + sb, t + s) = 0$   
 by transport equation

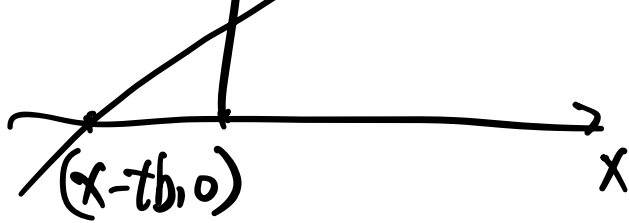
Initial value problem

$$\begin{cases} u_t + b \cdot Du = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times (0, \infty) \\ u = g & \text{in } \mathbb{R}^n \times \{t=0\} \end{cases}$$

Solve (LVP)



let  $s = -t$ ,  $(x + t)$



$$u(x-tb, 0) = g$$

$$u(x, t) := g(x-bt)$$

if  $g \in C^1$

$$u(x, t) = g(x-bt)$$

$$t=0 \leadsto u(x, 0) = g(x)$$

$$\partial_t u + Du \cdot b = 0$$

$$\partial_t u = Dg(x-bt) \cdot (-b)$$

$$Du(x, t) = Dg(x-bt)$$

$$\text{So } \partial_t u(x, t) + Du(x, t) \cdot b =$$

$$= -Dg(x-bt)b + Dg(x-bt) \cdot b = 0$$

solves the transport eqn.

Is a problem well-posed?

$\downarrow$   
 solution exist.  
 unique.

depend continuously on the data

given in the problem  
 what properties do solutions enjoy?

eg, regularity, finite / infinite propagation speeds

$\downarrow$  (wave)  $\downarrow$  (heat)  
 growth or decay or infinity



spatial & temporal. infinity.

What methods apply to analyse classes of equations?  
eg, energy methods, maximum principles, Duhamel  
(integration by part) principles.

Lec 10.

$U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open,  $u: \bar{U} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

Hessian. of  $u(x)$

$\Delta u(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n u_{x_i x_i}(x) = \text{tr}(D^2 u(x))$

$\Delta u = 0$  in  $U$ . Laplace eqn.  $\rightarrow$  harmonic.

$\Delta u = f$  in  $U$  Poisson eqn.  
 $(f: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ given})$

1D:

$u'' = 0$

$\Rightarrow$  Linear.

2D:

Linear ...



$u(x,y) = x^2 - y^2$

$\Delta u(x,y) = u_{xx}(x,y) + u_{yy}(x,y)$

Harmonic fns.

are "saddle shaped"  $= 2 - 2 = 0$

Let  $u: \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be harmonic

Fix  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^2$

choose coords to diagonalize  $D^2 u(x_0)$

$D^2 u(x_0) = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix}$

$0 = \Delta u(x_0) = \lambda_1 + \lambda_2 \Rightarrow \lambda_1 = -\lambda_2$

In  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $0 = \Delta u(x_0) = \text{tr} \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & & 0 \\ & \ddots & \\ 0 & & \lambda_n \end{pmatrix}$

$$\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_n = 0$$

Let's look for a radially sym. harmonic function -  $u(x) = V(r)$ ,  $r = |x| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 \right|^{1/2}$   
 $\nearrow$  function of modulus.

$$V: \mathbb{R}_+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

To write Laplacian of  $u$  in terms of  $V(r)$ .

$$\partial_{x_i} u(x) = \partial_{x_i} V(r(x))$$

$$= V'(r(x)) \cdot \partial_{x_i} r(x) \quad \text{for } \partial_{x_i} r(x) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{r(x)} 2x_i$$

$$= V'(r(x)) \frac{x_i}{r(x)}$$

$$\partial_{x_i} x_i u(x) = V''(r) \frac{x_i^2}{r^2} + V'(r) \left\{ \frac{1}{r} - \frac{x_i^2}{r^2} \cdot \frac{x_i}{r} \right\}$$

$$\Delta u(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n \partial_{x_i} x_i u(x)$$

$$= V''(r) + V'(r) \frac{n-1}{r}$$

Want to find sol'n to  $V''(r) + \frac{n-1}{r} V'(r) = 0$

Case 1.  $V'(r) = 0$  for some  $r$ , on  $(0, +\infty)$

$\exists r: \underline{V' \equiv 0}$  use existence & uniqueness of ODEs

Then  $V$  constant so  $u$  constant.

Case 2.  $V'(r) \neq 0, \forall r$ .

$$(\log V'(r))' = \frac{V''(r)}{V'(r)} = -\frac{n-1}{r} = (\log r^{1-n})'$$

$$\log V'(r) = \log r^{1-n} + C$$

$$V'(r) = C r^{1-n}$$

$$n \geq 3, \quad V'(r) = \frac{C}{2-n} (r^{2-n})'$$

$$V(r) = a r^{2-n} + b$$

$$n=2, \quad V'(r) = C (\log r)'$$

$$V(r) = a \log r + b$$



$$\text{Def. } \Phi(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2\pi} \log|x| & n=2 \\ \frac{1}{n(n-2)\omega_n} r^{2-n}, & n \geq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$\omega_n = \text{volume of unit ball in } \mathbb{R}^n = \frac{\pi^{\frac{n}{2}}}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2}+1)}$$

$\frac{1}{\omega_n}$  is constant

$$\Delta \Phi = 0 \text{ on } \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$$

$$\text{For } x \neq 0, \quad \Delta \Phi(x) = 0$$

$$\text{For } x \neq y, \quad \Delta_x \Phi(x-y) = 0$$

$$\text{For any } f \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

$$f(y) \cdot \Delta_x \Phi(x-y) = 0$$

$$\Delta_x \int f(y) \Phi(x-y) dy = 0? \text{ NO}$$

$$\star \quad u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y) \Phi(x-y) dy \text{ is not harmonic}$$

Thm. Let  $f \in C_c^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $u$  as in  $\star$

Then  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$

$-\Delta u(x) = f(x)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$\star$  ( $u$  solves Poisson eqn)

$$\Delta_x \phi(x-y) = -\delta_y(x) \quad \text{why?}$$

$$\Delta u(x) \stackrel{\text{formal}}{=} -\int f(y) \delta y(x)$$

$$\therefore f(x)$$

$f \in C_c^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  means

$f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$   
and  $\exists K \in \mathbb{R}^n$   
compact.

st.  $f(x) = 0$   
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus K$

Lec 11.

Recall.

$$\Phi(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2\pi} \log(|x|) & n=2 \\ \frac{1}{n(n-2)\omega(n)} |x|^{2-n} & n \geq 3 \end{cases} \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{not exist} \\ \text{on } 0 \end{array}$$

Thm. Let  $f \in C_c^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and  $u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(y) \Phi(x-y) dy$

Then. (a)  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$

(b)  $-\Delta u = f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

Pf: ①  $u(x)$  well-defined. i.e.

$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(x, \varepsilon)} f(y) \Phi(x-y) dy$  exists

$y \propto r^n$   
 $dy = r^{n-1} dr$

For  $0 < \varepsilon_1 < \varepsilon_2$

$$|u_{\varepsilon_1}(x) - u_{\varepsilon_2}(x)| = C_n \int_{B(x, \varepsilon_1) \setminus B(x, \varepsilon_2)} f(y) |x-y|^{2-n} dy$$

$d(2\pi n^{2-n})$   
 $\leq \frac{1}{r^{n-1}} dr$



(if  $n \geq 3$ )

$$\leq C_n \|f\|_{C^0} \cdot \int_{B(x, \varepsilon_1) \setminus B(x, \varepsilon_2)} |y|^{2-n} dy$$

$\int_{\varepsilon_1}^{\varepsilon_2} \int_{\partial B_r} |y|^{2-n} d\sigma$   
 $= \int_{\varepsilon_1}^{\varepsilon_2} |y|^{2-n} \cdot \frac{d(2\pi n^{2-n})}{dr} dr$   
 $= \int_{\varepsilon_1}^{\varepsilon_2} r^{2-n} \cdot r^{n-1} dr$   
 $= \int_{\varepsilon_1}^{\varepsilon_2} r dr$

$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(x, \varepsilon_1)} f(y) \Phi(x-y) dy$

$$\leq C_n \|f\|_{C^0} \int_{\varepsilon_1}^{\varepsilon_2} r^{2-n} r^{n-1} dr$$

$$\leq C_n \|f\|_{C^0} \varepsilon_2^2$$

$\int_0^R r dr$

$u_\varepsilon(x)$  Cauchy thus converges.  $u(x)$  well-defined.

Check  $u_\varepsilon$  is continuous

①  $u_\varepsilon(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} f(x-y) \Phi(y) dy.$

local integrability of  $\Phi$   
 $|u(x) - u(y)| = \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \{f(x-y) - f(z-y)\} \Phi(y) dy \right|$

$|u(x) - u(y)| \leq \varepsilon \cdot \int_{\tilde{B}_R} \Phi(y) dy$   
 $\in C_{R,n,\varepsilon}$

For  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $\delta > 0$  small enough  
 $\sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^n} |f(x-y) - f(z-y)| < \varepsilon$



for  $|x-z| < \delta$   
 $f$  cont. on compact set thus uniform cont.

②  $u \in C^1$  with

$\star \partial_{x_i} u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(y) \partial_{x_i} f(x-y) dy$

$Q_n = \frac{u(x+he_i) - u(x)}{h} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(y) \left[ \frac{f(x+he_i-y) - f(x-y)}{h} \right] dy$

$\left| u(x) - \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(y) \partial_{x_i} f(x-y) dy \right| = \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(y) \left[ \frac{f(x+he_i-y) - f(x-y)}{h} - \partial_{x_i} f(x-y) \right] dy \right|$

$\leq \sup_{z \in \tilde{B}_R(x)} \left| \frac{f(z+he_i) - f(z)}{h} - \partial_{x_i} f(z) \right| \cdot \int_{\tilde{B}_R} \Phi(y) dy$   
 $\leq C_{R,n}$

$$= \sup_{z \in B_{2^n}} \frac{1}{h} \int_0^1 \Delta f(v^z(t)) \cdot h e_i dt - \frac{\partial_{x_i} f(z)}{\Delta f(v^z(0))} e_i dt$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } h \rightarrow 0$$

$$\star \underline{v^z(t) = z + t \cdot h e_i}$$

③.  $u \in C^2$  with

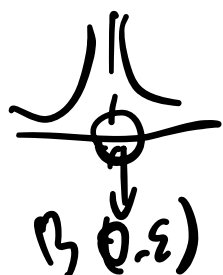
$$\partial_{x_i} \partial_{x_j} u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(y) \partial_{x_i} \partial_{x_j} f(x-y) dy$$

$$\begin{matrix} \xrightarrow{\quad} \\ z & & z + t h e_i \\ \gamma^z(t) = h e_i \end{matrix}$$

$$\text{So } \Delta u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(y) \Delta_x f(x-y) dy$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(y) \Delta_y f(x-y) dy$$

$\downarrow \Delta_y = \Delta_x = 1$



$$= \underbrace{\int_{B(0, \epsilon)} \Phi(y) \Delta_y f(x-y) dy}_{I(\epsilon)} + \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, \epsilon)} \Phi(y) \Delta_y f(x-y) dy}_{II(\epsilon)}$$

$$|I(\epsilon)| \leq n \|f\|_{C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \int_{B(0, \epsilon)} \Phi(y) dy$$

$$\leq n \|f\|_{C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)} \int_0^\epsilon r dr$$

$$\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$



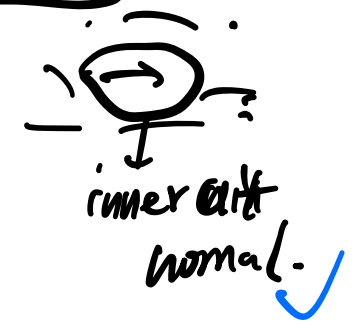
integral by part

$\Phi(y) \nabla_y f(x-y)$  outward to boundary

$$I(\varepsilon) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, \varepsilon)} -\nabla \Phi(y) \cdot \nabla_y f(x-y) dy + \int_{\partial B(0, \varepsilon)} \Phi(y) \nabla_y f(x-y) \cdot \nu dy$$

if  $\Phi \sim |x|^{2-n}$

$b_1(\varepsilon)$



$$\int_{\partial B_\varepsilon} \Phi = \varepsilon^{2-n} \cdot \varepsilon^{n-1} = \varepsilon$$

$\int \frac{\varepsilon |y|^{2-n} (n-1) dy}{n |x|^{2-n}} = C \cdot \varepsilon$

$$|b_1(\varepsilon)| \leq (f|_{C(\mathbb{R}^n)}) \int_{\partial B(0, \varepsilon)} \Phi(y)$$

$$= C_n (f|_{C(\mathbb{R}^n)}) \int_{\partial B(0, \varepsilon)} \varepsilon^{2-n}$$

if  $\Phi \log(x)$   $\partial_k$

$$= b_1(\varepsilon) + \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \underbrace{\text{div}(\nabla \Phi)}_{\Delta \Phi} f(x-y) dy}_{=0}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^n \setminus B(0, \varepsilon)} f(x-y) + \nabla \Phi(y) \cdot \nu dy$$

$$\int_{\partial B(0, \varepsilon)} f(x-y) + \nabla \Phi(y) \cdot \nu dy$$

$$\Delta u(x) = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} b_2(\varepsilon)$$

$$b_2(\varepsilon)$$

$$\nabla \Phi(y) = C_n (2-n) |y|^{-n} y$$

$$\Phi \sim |x|^{2-n}$$

$$\nabla \cdot \Phi(y) = C_n (n-2) |y|^{n-2}$$

$$|\nabla \Phi| \sim |x|^{1-n}$$

$$b_2(\varepsilon) = C_n \int f(x-y) \varepsilon^{1-n}$$

$$\partial R_2(\varepsilon)$$

$$= C_n \int f(x-y) dy$$

$$\partial R_2(\varepsilon)$$

$$= -C_n f(x) \quad \text{choose } \underline{\Phi} \text{ s.t. } C_n = 1$$

Lec 12

Def.  $\Phi(x) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2\pi} \log(x) & n=2 \\ \frac{1}{n(n-2)\omega_n} |x|^{2-n} & n \geq 3 \end{cases}$  dimension = 2.

$\omega(n) = \text{volume of } B(0,1) \subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$= (n-1)$  dim surface area of  $\partial B(0,1) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$f(r) = |B(0,r)| = \omega(n) r^n$

$f'(r) = |\partial B(0,r)| = n \omega(n) r^{n-1}$   $\frac{1}{r} \omega(n) r^n = \frac{n}{r} f(r)$   
 $\boxed{n \omega(n)}$  if  $r=1$ .

Thm. Let  $f \in C_c^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(x-y) f(y) dy$

Then  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$  and

$\Delta u(x) = f(x)$

Proof. we have showed.

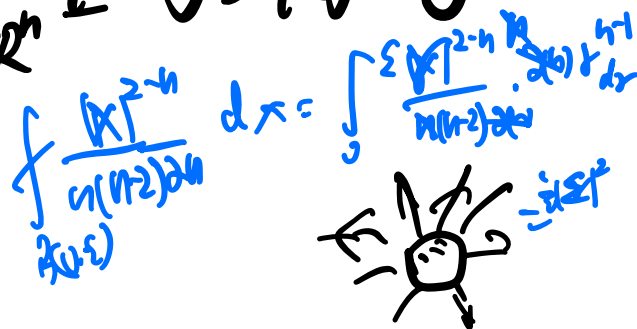
$\Delta u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \Phi(x-y) \Delta f(y) dy$

$= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} b_2(\varepsilon)$

$b_2(\varepsilon) = \int_{\partial B(0,\varepsilon)} f(x-y) \nabla \Phi(y) \cdot \frac{-y}{|y|} dy$  inner unit norm. ?

$n \geq 3$ .  $\nabla \Phi_y = \frac{2-n}{n(n-2)\omega_n} |y|^{1-n} \frac{y}{|y|}$

$\nabla \Phi_y \cdot \frac{-y}{|y|} = \frac{1}{n\omega_n} |y|^{1-n}$



$$b_2(\varepsilon) = \int_{\partial B(0, \varepsilon)} f(x-y) dS(y)$$

$$\frac{-1}{n \alpha(n) \varepsilon^{n-1}} = \frac{-1}{\partial B(0, \varepsilon)} \int_{\partial B(0, \varepsilon)} f(x-y) dS(y) \stackrel{f \text{ continuous}}{=} -f(x) //$$



(harmonic)

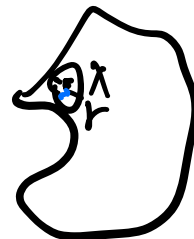
Thm. (Mean Value Formula).

Let  $u \in C^2(U)$  be harmonic ( $\Delta u = 0$  in  $U$ )

only holds for harmonic

Then  $\forall B(x, r) \subset U$

$$u(x) = \int_{\partial B(x, r)} u(y) dS(y) = \int_{B(x, r)} u(y) dy$$



Proof. Let  $\varphi(r) = \int_{\partial B(x, r)} u(y) dS(y) = \frac{1}{n \alpha(n) r^{n-1}} \int_{\partial B(x, r)} u(y) dS(y)$

$$z = \frac{y-x}{r}$$

$$dz = \frac{1}{r} dy$$

$$= \frac{r^{n-1}}{n \alpha(n) r^{n-1}} \int_{\partial B(0, 1)} u(x+rz) dS(z)$$

$$\varphi(r) = \frac{d}{dr} \frac{1}{n \alpha(n)} \int_{\partial B(0, 1)} u(x+rz) dS(z)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n \alpha(n)} \int_{\partial B(0, 1)} \frac{d}{dr} u(x+rz) dS(z)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n \alpha(h)} \int_{\partial B(x,r)} p u(x+rz) z dS(z)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n \alpha(h) r^{n-1}} \int_{\partial B(x,r)} \underbrace{Du(y)}_{\text{}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{y-x}{r}}_{\text{}} d\underbrace{A(y)}_{\text{}} \quad \text{ } \underbrace{\text{}}_{B(x,r)(y)} \quad \text{ } \underbrace{\text{}}_{(y)} \cdot$$

outer unit normal

why?  
Green's formula

$$= \frac{1}{n \alpha(h) r^{n-1}} \int_{B(x,r)} \operatorname{div}(Du(y)) dy = 0$$

Summary.

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \partial_i \left( \frac{1}{r} \right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \partial_i \partial_i u = \Delta$$

$$\varphi'(r) = 0$$

$$\text{so } C = \varphi(r) = \int_{\partial B(x,r)} u(y) dy \stackrel{u.c.t.n.}{=} u(x) \quad \xrightarrow{r \rightarrow 0} \text{measure}$$

$$\int_{B(x,r)} u(y) dy = \int_0^r \int_{\partial B(x,s)} u(y) dS(y)$$

$$\stackrel{\text{MVT}}{=} \int_0^r \underbrace{(u(x) + n \alpha(h) s^{n-1})}_{\text{mean value}} ds$$

$$= u(x) n \alpha(h) \frac{r}{n} = u(x) |B(x,r)|$$

$$\operatorname{div}(u e_r) = \int_{B(x,r)} u(y) dy = u(x)$$

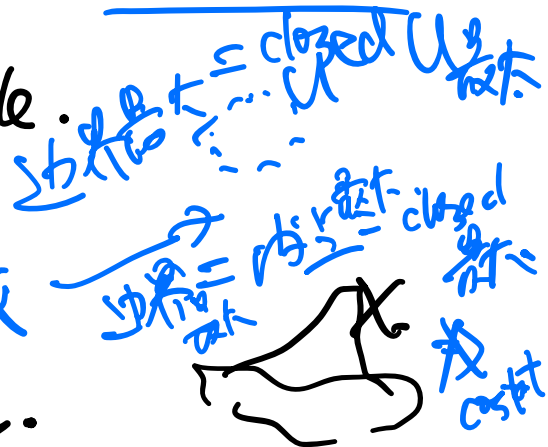
Thm. Let  $U \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be open bounded.

assume  $u \in C^2(U \cup \partial U)$  is harmonic Then.

(i) Weak maximum principle.

holds for general elliptic eqs

$$\max_{x \in \bar{U}} u(x) = \max_{x \in \partial U} u(x)$$



(ii) Strong maximum principle.

If  $U$  is connected and  $\exists x_0 \in U$

s.t.  $u(x_0) = \max_{x \in \bar{U}} u(x)$ , then  $u$  is constant

$\nabla u = 0$  on  $\bar{U} \Leftrightarrow$  constant

Proof Note (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii)

Let  $U = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} U_i$ ,  $U_i$  is connected.

$$(i) \Rightarrow \max_{x \in U_i} u(x) = \max_{x \in \partial U_i} u(x) \leq \max_{x \in \partial U} u(x)$$

$$\sup_{\bar{U}} u(x) \leq \max_{x \in \partial U} u(x) \leq \max_{x \in \bar{U}} u(x)$$

Proof. ETS (i)

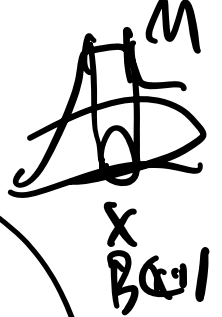
Suppose  $\exists x_0 \in U$  such that  $u(x_0) = \max_{x \in \bar{U}} u(x)$

choose  $r > 0$  s.t.  $B(x_0, r) \subset U$ . Then

$$u(x_0) = \max_{B(x_0, r)} u(y) \leq M$$

mean-value property

$$\Rightarrow \underline{u(y) > M \text{ in } B(x, r)}$$



$$\text{Let } A = \{x \in U : u(x) > M\}$$

-  $A$  is closed by continuity of  $u$

,  $A$  is open by why?

$U$  is connected, so either  $A = \emptyset$  or  $A = U$

$$u(x) = M \checkmark$$

# Lec 13.

Thm.  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open bounded.  $u \in C^2(U) \cap C^0(\bar{U})$  is harmonic. Then

i) Weak maximum prpl.  $\max_{x \in \bar{U}} |u(x)| = \max_{x \in \partial U} |u(x)|$

ii) (Strong maximum prpl.)

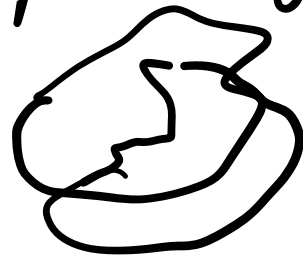
If  $U$  is connected and there is a point  $x_0 \in U$  st.  $u(x_0) = \max_{U \cup \bar{U}} u(x)$  then  $u$  is constant

Application 1.

Dirichlet problem.

given  $\begin{cases} -\Delta u = 0 & \text{in } U \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$   $g \in C(\partial U)$

$U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open bounded.



Bound value problem  $-\Delta u = f$  in  $U$

(BVP) for Poisson equation

$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \text{in } U \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$

if no  $u$ . infinite solution to (1)



Thm (Uniqueness for BVP for Poisson equation)  
Let  $g \in C(\partial U)$

$U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open, bounded,  $f \in C(U)$  Then,  $u \in C^2(U) \cap C^0(\bar{U})$   
there is at most one solution  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\Delta u = f \text{ in } U \\ u = g \text{ on } \partial U \end{array} \right. *$

Proof Let  $u_1, u_2$  be solutions to  $*$ .

Let  $w = u_1 - u_2$ , Then  $w$  solves

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} -\Delta w = 0 \text{ in } U \\ w = 0 \text{ on } \partial U \end{array} \right.$$

On each connected component of  $U$ ,  
apply (strong) max principle   
weak is OK

$w \leq 0$  in  $\bar{U}$  with strictly  $<$  unless  $w \equiv 0$   
apply min. principle (max principle to  $-w$ )

$$\begin{aligned} -w &\leq 0 \text{ with } < \text{ unless } -w \equiv 0 \\ \Rightarrow w &\equiv 0 \end{aligned}$$

Alt proof of weak maximum principle  
(for multiple diff eqs)

to show

$$\Delta u = 0 \text{ in } U \Rightarrow \max_{\bar{U}} u = \max_{\partial U} u$$

(Mean Value property)  
cannot generalize

Step 1. If  $\Delta v > 0$ , the  $v$  cannot have  
an interior maximum in  $U$  (strong maxim.)  
If it did, say  $x_0 \in U$ .

$$\begin{aligned} Dv(x_0) &= 0 \\ D^2v(x_0) &\leq 0 \quad \text{NSD} \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \Delta v(x_0) \leq 0$$

trace  $(D^2v(x_0)) \leq 0$   
by diagonalization

Step 2. Let  $v^\varepsilon(x) = u(x) + \varepsilon e^{x_1} \Rightarrow \Leftarrow$

$$\text{Then } \Delta v^\varepsilon = 0 + \varepsilon e^{x_1} > 0$$

$$\text{So } \max_{x \in \bar{U}} v^\varepsilon(x) = \max_{x \in \partial U} v^\varepsilon(x)$$

(apply step 1)

pass  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,  $\underline{v^\varepsilon \rightarrow u}$  uniformly so

$$\max_{x \in \bar{U}} u(x) = \max_{x \in \partial U} u(x)$$

(Regularity)

Thm.  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open bounded, if  $u \in C(U)$  satisfies the mean value property, then  $u \in C^\infty(U)$  *very strong*

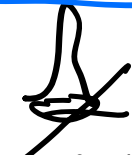
Proof. Let  $\eta = \begin{cases} c \exp(\frac{1}{r^2-1}) & \text{if } r < 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } r \geq 1 \end{cases}$   *$r \rightarrow 1^- \rightarrow -\infty$*

$\eta(x)$

$w/c$  such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \eta(|x|) dx = 1$$

$$\eta_\varepsilon(x) := \frac{1}{\varepsilon^n} \eta\left(\frac{|x|}{\varepsilon}\right)$$

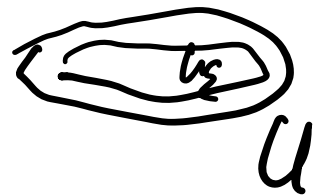


support of  $\eta_\varepsilon$   
 $\subset B(0, \varepsilon)$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \eta_\varepsilon dx = 1$$

$$\text{Let } U_\varepsilon = \{x \in U \mid \text{dist}(x, \partial U) > \varepsilon\}$$

Def  $u_\varepsilon = U_\varepsilon \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by



$$u_\varepsilon(x) = u * \eta_\varepsilon(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} u(y) \eta_\varepsilon(x-y) dy$$

Key property of convolutions.

*\**

Since  $\eta_\varepsilon \in C^\infty$ ,  $u_\varepsilon \in C^\infty(U_\varepsilon)$

Claim  $u_\varepsilon(x) = u(x)$  in  $U_\varepsilon$

Thus,  $u \in C^\infty(U_\varepsilon)$   $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ , thus  $u \in C^\infty(U)$

Proof of claim Fix  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$u_\varepsilon(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \eta_\varepsilon(x-y) u(y) dy$$

$\mathbb{R}^n$  outside  $u$  vanish.

$$= \frac{1}{\varepsilon^n} \int \eta\left(\frac{|x-y|}{\varepsilon}\right) u(y) dy$$

$B(x, \varepsilon) \rightarrow \eta$  vanish outside  $B(x, 1)$ .

$$= \frac{1}{\varepsilon^n} \int_0^\varepsilon \int_{\partial B(x, r)} \eta\left(\frac{|x-y|}{\varepsilon}\right) u(y) dS(y) dr$$

$$= \frac{1}{\varepsilon^n} \int_0^\varepsilon \eta\left(\frac{r}{\varepsilon}\right) \left( \int_{\partial B(x, r)} u(y) dS(y) \right) dr \quad (\text{circle around } x)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\varepsilon^n} \int_0^\varepsilon \eta\left(\frac{r}{\varepsilon}\right) \cdot u(x) \cdot \omega_n r^{n-1} dr$$

change of variable

$$= u(x) \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}} \eta_\varepsilon(x) dx = u(x) //$$

Cor.  $u \in C^2$ ,  $u$  harmonic  $\Rightarrow u \in C^\infty$

△ Thm (Converse to Mean Value Theorem)

Suppose  $u \in C^1$  satisfies mean value property

$$u(x) = \frac{1}{\omega_n r^n} \int_{\partial B(x, r)} u(y) dS(y), \quad \forall B(x, r) \subset U$$

(\*).

$$= \int_{\partial B(x, r)} u(y) dy$$

Then  $u \in C^2$ , and  $\Delta u = 0$

Proof: By previous theorem,  $u \in C^\infty$

Suppose  $u$  not harmonic so  $\exists x_0 \in U$

Since  $u \in C^2$ ,  $\exists r > 0$  s.t.  $\Delta u(x) > 0$   <sup>$\nearrow$  (in log).</sup>  $\Delta u(x_0) > 0$   
in  $B(x_0, r)$ . Taking  $\varphi(r) = \int_{\partial B(x_0, r)} u(y) dS(y)$   
we showed ★

$$\varphi'(r) = \frac{1}{n \omega(r)^{n-1}} \int_{\partial B(x_0, r)} \Delta u(y) dy > 0$$

$$B_0 \varphi(r) = 0 \text{ by } (*).$$

$$\text{Ex. } \int_{\partial B(x_0, r)} u dS \equiv \text{const.}$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \int_{\partial B(x_0, r)} u dy \equiv \text{const.}$$

Let 14.

(Notation)

• multi-index  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$   $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$

• order of  $\alpha$  is  $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n$

$$D^\alpha u(x) = \frac{\partial^{|\alpha|} u}{\partial x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots \partial x_n^{\alpha_n}}$$

eg.  $n=2$ .

$$\text{Eg: } \alpha = (1, 2)$$

$$\Rightarrow D^\alpha u(x)$$

$$|\alpha|=3 = \frac{\partial^3 u(x)}{\partial x_1 \partial x_2^2}$$

$$|D^k u(x)| = \left( \sum_{|\alpha|=k} |D^\alpha u(x)|^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Thm. Assume  $u$  is harmonic in  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open.

Then  $\forall B(x_0, r) \subset U$  for every multi index  $\alpha$

$$|D^\alpha u(x_0)| \leq \frac{C_{k,n}}{r^{n+k}} \int_{B(x_0, r)} |u| dx, \text{ where } k = |\alpha|$$

$$n=2 \quad |D^2 u(x)| = \left( (\partial_{11} u)^2 + (\partial_{12} u)^2 + (\partial_{21} u)^2 + (\partial_{22} u)^2 \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

Proof,  $k=0$

$$\left| u(x_0) \right| = \frac{1}{2(n)r^n} \int_{B(x_0, r)} u \quad \text{MVT} \quad \leq \frac{1}{2(n)r^n} \int_{B(x_0, r)} |u|$$

$k=1$ , wlog

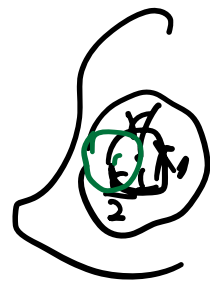
$\alpha = (1, 0, \dots, 0)$ , Since  $u \in C^\infty$

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{2(n)} \quad C_k = \frac{(2^{n+1} n k)^k}{2(n)}$$

$\Delta u = \Delta \frac{\partial u}{\partial x_i}$  harmonic, can compute.

$$\partial_i u(x_0) = \int_{B(x_0, \frac{r}{2})} u_{x_i} dx \quad (\text{MVT}).$$

$$= \frac{2^n}{2(n)r^n} \int_{B(x_0, \frac{r}{2})} \nabla u \cdot e_i dx$$



$$= \frac{2^n}{2(n)r^n} \int_{\partial B(x_0, \frac{r}{2})} u \tilde{e}_i \cdot \gamma - \int_{B(x_0, \frac{r}{2})} \text{div} \tilde{e}_i = 0 \quad (\text{integrated by part}).$$

$$|\partial_i u(x_0)| \leq |u|_{L^\infty(\partial B(x_0, \frac{r}{2}))} \cdot \frac{2^n}{2(n)r^n} \cdot n \cdot \frac{r^n}{2} = |u|_{L^\infty(\partial B(x_0, \frac{r}{2}))} \cdot \frac{2^n}{2(n)r^n} \cdot \frac{2^n}{2} \cdot \frac{r^n}{2}$$

For each  $x \in \partial B(x_0, \frac{r}{2})$ ,  $B(x, \frac{r}{2}) \subset B(x_0, r)$

$$\text{So } u(x) = \frac{2^n}{2(n)r^n} \int_{B(x, \frac{r}{2})} u(y) dy \leq \frac{2^n}{2(n)r^n} \int_{B(x_0, r)} |u| dy$$

$$|\partial_i u(x_0)| \leq \frac{2^n}{r} \cdot \frac{2^n}{2(n)r^n} \int_{B(x_0, r)} |u| dy$$

For  $k \geq 2$ , Sps est holds for all  $\beta$ , with  $|\beta| \leq k-1$ . Fix  $\alpha$  a multi-index of order  $k$

$$D^2 u = \partial_i (D^\beta u) \text{ for some } i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$$

$$\text{and } \beta, (|\beta| = k-1)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x_i \partial x_i} = \partial_{x_i} (D^\beta u)$$

$$\text{Fix } B(x_0, r) \subset U$$

$D^2 u$  is harmonic

$$\Delta D^2 u = D^2 \Delta u = 0$$

$$D^2 u(x_0) \stackrel{\text{MVP}}{=} \frac{K^n}{2(n)r^n} \int_{\partial B(x_0, r)} \underbrace{D^2 u \cdot e_i}_{\nabla D^\beta u \cdot e_i} dx$$

intend. by part.

$$\frac{K^n}{2(n)r^n} \int_{\partial B(x_0, r/k)} D^\beta u \cdot e_i \cdot \nu$$

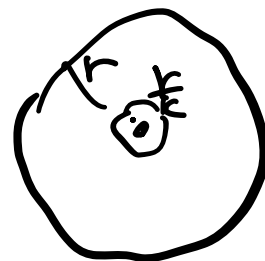
surface area

$$|D^2 u(x_0)| \leq \frac{K^n}{2(n)r^n} |D^\beta u|_{L^\infty(\partial B(x_0, r/k))} \cdot \frac{n \cdot 2\pi^{n/2} r^{n-1}}{2(n)r^n}$$

$$\leq \frac{K^n}{2(n)r^n} (r \ln(1/r))^{k-1}$$

can be bounded

$$\int_{B(x_0, r)} |u|$$



Then (Liouville's Thm)

Suppose  $u: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  harmonic and bounded



Then  $u$  is constant

Proof. Fix  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , any  $r$ . ( $|u| \leq M$ .)

Derived ests  $\Rightarrow |\partial_i u(x_0)| \leq \frac{C_1}{r^{n+1}} \int_{B(x_0, r)} |u|$

$$\leq \frac{MC_1}{r^{n+1}} 2^n \pi^{n/2} r^n$$

$$= \frac{CC_1 2^n \pi^{n/2}}{r}$$

$$\xrightarrow{r \rightarrow \infty} 0.$$

$|\partial u(x_0)| = 0, \forall x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$ .  
 $\Rightarrow u \equiv \text{const.}$  (MVT, using mean value theorem to prove.)

Thm Let  $f \in C_c^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ ,  $n \geq 3$ . Then any bounded  
 \* solution to  $-\Delta u = f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  is of form

$$u(x) = \hat{\Phi} * f(x) + C$$

First we claim  $\bar{u} = \hat{\Phi} * f$  is bounded

$$|\bar{u}(x)| = \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \hat{\Phi}(y) f(x-y) dy \right|$$

$$\leq \|f\|_{C^0(\mathbb{R}^n)} \int_{B(x, R)} |\hat{\Phi}(y)| dy$$

$n \geq 3$  uniformly  
 $\xrightarrow{\|f\|_{C^0} \rightarrow \infty} 0$   
 $n=2 \rightarrow \infty$

Now let  $u$  be any bounded  
sol'n to  $-\Delta u = f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

$u - \bar{u} = w$  solves  $\Delta w = 0$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$   
and is bounded Liouville  $\Rightarrow w \equiv C$

$$u = \bar{u} + C$$

(If  $n \geq 3$   
 $-\Delta u = f$ ,  $u$  bounded  $\Rightarrow u = \bar{u} + C$ )  
&  $C$  is unique.

but if  $-\Delta u = f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$

$|u(x)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$   $\rightarrow$  homogenous conditions  
at  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$   
 $u$  bounded  $u = \bar{u} + C$

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f, & u. \\ u = g, & \partial u \end{cases}$$



lec 15.

$\Delta u = 0$  in  $U$  open  $\subset \mathbb{R}^n$

$$|D^\alpha u(x_0)| \leq \frac{C_k}{r^{n+k}} \int_{B(x_0, r)} |u| dx$$

for all  $\alpha$  w/  $|\alpha| = k$ ,  $B(x_0, r) \subset U$

$$C_0 = \frac{1}{2(n)}, C_k = \frac{(2^{n+1} n k)^k}{2(n)}$$

For a multi-index  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n)$ , let  $\alpha! = \alpha_1! \dots \alpha_n!$   
and  $x^\alpha = x_1^{\alpha_1} \dots x_n^{\alpha_n}$

Def.  $u: U \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is analytic in  $U$  if  
 $\forall x_0 \in U, \exists r > 0$  st  $\forall x \in B(x_0, r)$

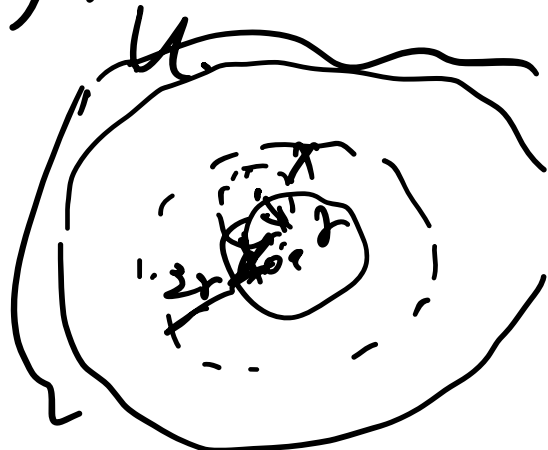
$$\underline{u(x)} = \sum_{\alpha} \frac{1}{\alpha!} D^\alpha u(x_0) \underline{(x - x_0)^\alpha}$$

Thm: If  $\Delta u = 0$  in  $U$ , then  $u$  is analytic in  $U$ .

Tool 2. Multinomial thm.

$$(x_1 + \dots + x_n)^k = \sum_{|\alpha|=k} \binom{|\alpha|}{\alpha} x^\alpha$$

$$\underline{\binom{|\alpha|}{\alpha} = \frac{|\alpha|!}{\alpha!}}$$



Lec 16.

Thm (Harnack inequality)

For  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open,  $V$  <sup>connected</sup> open,  $V \Subset U$

$\exists C > 0$  depending on  $V, U$  st. for any  $u \geq 0$

$$\sup_V u \leq C \cdot \inf_V u$$

harmonic on  $U$ .

(last <sup>diff</sup> either  $> 0$  or const)

Proof Fix  $r < \frac{1}{4} \text{dist}(V, \partial U)$ , last time.

$\forall x, y \in V$  st.  $|x - y| \leq r$   <sup>$u(x)$  &  $u(y)$</sup>

$$2^{-n} u(y) \leq u(x) \leq 2^n u(y) \rightarrow \text{close to each other}$$

Cover  $V$  by balls  $\{B(z_i, \frac{r}{2})\}_{i=1}^N$

(Note  $\bigcup_{i=1}^N B(z_i, \frac{r}{2})$  connected)



by connected. Connect  $V$

Fix  $x, y \in V$ .  $x \in B_i \Rightarrow |x - z_i| < \frac{r}{2} \Rightarrow u(x) \leq 2^n u(z_i)$



$y \in B_j \Rightarrow |y - z_j| < \frac{r}{2} \Rightarrow u(y) \geq 2^{-n} u(z_j)$

can find seq of centers  $\{z_k\}_{k=1}^L$  st.

$$|z_k - z_{k+1}| \leq r$$

$$z_{k_1} = z_i, z_{k_L} = z_j, L \leq N$$

$$u(x) \leq 2^n u(z_i) \leq \dots \leq 2^{n(L-1)} u(z_j) \leq 2^{n(2N)} u(y)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_V u \leq 2^{n(2N)} \inf_V u$$

( $N$ -only depends on  $V, U$ )

(or Liouville)

Suppose  $\Delta u = 0$ , on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $u$  is bounded below  
Then  $u$  is constant. (~~not~~ bounded above) or one side

Proof.  $u \geq -M$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , ( $M \geq 0$ )

Let  $\tilde{u} = u + 2M > 0$  ( $2 > 0$ )

$\Delta \tilde{u} = \Delta u = 0$ . harmonic.

By Harnack, fixing  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$  any  $r > 0$

for all  $y \in B(x, r)$

$$\tilde{u}(y) \leq 2^n \tilde{u}(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow M \leq \tilde{u}(y) \leq 2^n \tilde{u}(x), \forall y \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

$\Rightarrow u$  bounded. harmonic, so by Liouville.

$$\tilde{u} \equiv C \Rightarrow u \equiv C - M //$$

§ Assume  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open bounded,

$\partial U \in C^1$

Thm. Let  $f \in C^0(\bar{U})$

$g \in C^0(\partial U)$  There is at most one solution to

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \text{on } U \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

Maximal Principle (Proved).

From Harnack.

Remark.

We proved that

if  $\Delta u = 0$  on  $U$

$|x - y| \leq r$  and

$B(x, 4r) \cap B(y, 4r)$

$\subset U$  then

$$2^{-n} \tilde{u}(y) \leq \tilde{u}(x)$$

$$\leq 2^n \tilde{u}(y)$$

Energy methods. multiply equation by a  
 smart choice of function.  
 integrate (by parts).

Proof. Let  $u_1, u_2$  solves  $\star$  so  $w = u_1 - u_2$ .

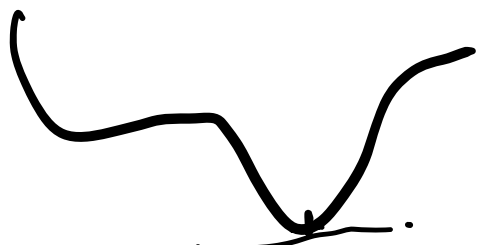
$$\begin{cases} -\Delta w = 0 & \text{on } U \\ -w = 0 & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

$$0 = \int_U 0 \cdot \underline{w} = \int_U -\Delta w \cdot \underline{w} = \int_U |\nabla w|^2 + \int_{\partial U} w \frac{\partial w}{\partial \nu} \downarrow 0$$

$$\Rightarrow |\nabla w|^2 = 0 \Rightarrow w = C \text{ in } U = \int_U |\nabla w|^2$$

$$\underline{w = 0 \text{ on } \partial U} \Rightarrow \underline{w = 0 \text{ in } U}.$$

$$\Rightarrow u_1 = u_2$$



Euler-Lagrange.

Dirichlet Principle.

$$A = \{w \in C^2(\bar{U}) : w = g \text{ on } \underline{\partial U}\}$$

$$E[w] = \int_U \left[ \frac{1}{2} |\nabla w|^2 - w f \right] dx \quad \begin{matrix} g \in C(\partial U) \text{ given.} \\ f \in C(\bar{U}) \end{matrix}$$

↓  
energy functional

Thm: A function  $u \in A$  minimizes  $E(u)$   
 i.e.  $(E(u) = \inf\{E(w) : w \in A\})$

$$\Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} u \text{ solves } \Delta u = f & \text{in } \Omega \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

$E(u)$  convex.  
 $u$  is gradient

$*$  is the Euler-Lagrange eqn. of  $E(u)$

Proof.  $\Leftarrow$  Suppose  $u$  solves  $*$

Choose any  $w \in A$  (want to show  $E(u) \leq E(w)$ )

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \int_{\Omega} \underbrace{(-\Delta u - f)}_{\text{w}} (u - w) = \int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 - \nabla u \cdot \nabla w - f(u - w) \\ &\quad + \int_{\partial\Omega} (u - w) \cdot \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} \stackrel{0}{=} \int_{\Omega} (|\nabla u|^2 - \nabla u \cdot \nabla w - fu + fw) \quad (u, w \in A, u = g) \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 - fu = \int_{\Omega} \nabla u \cdot \nabla w - fw$$

Young's - Cauchy-Schwarz.  $\nabla u \cdot \nabla w \leq |\nabla u| |\nabla w|$

$$\leq \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 + \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} |\nabla w|^2 - fw$$

$\leq \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 + \frac{1}{2} |\nabla w|^2$

$E(w)$

$$\Rightarrow E(u) = \int_{\Omega} \frac{1}{2} (|\nabla u|^2 - fu) \leq E(w)$$

Proof. Fix  $x_0 \in U$ ,  $r = \text{dis}(x_0, \partial U)/4$

Set  $M = \frac{1}{2^n r^n} \int_{B(x_0, 2r)} |u|$   $\nearrow CB(x, 2r)$

For  $x \in B(x_0, r)$ , we have  $B(x, r) \subset U$ .

so  $|D^\alpha u(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2^n} \frac{(2^{n+1} n |\alpha|)^{|\alpha|}}{r^{n+|\alpha|}} \int_{B(x, r)} |u| dx$   
 $\leq M \left( \frac{2^{n+1} n |\alpha|}{r} \right)^{|\alpha|}$

To bound  $|\alpha|^{|\alpha|}$ ,  $|\alpha|^{|\alpha|}$  grows fastest.  
 $e^k = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \frac{k^j}{j!} \geq \frac{k^k}{k!}$

$\Rightarrow e^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|! \geq |\alpha|^{|\alpha|}$

Multinomial,  $n^k = (1 + \dots + 1)^k = \sum_{|\alpha|=k} \binom{k}{\alpha} \frac{|\alpha|!}{\alpha!}$

$\Rightarrow e^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|! \leq e^k |\alpha|!$

So  $\sim \leq M \left( \frac{2^{n+1} n^2 e}{r} \right)^{|\alpha|} |\alpha|!$

$\geq \frac{|\alpha|!}{\alpha!}$

Also,

$n^k \geq \sum_{|\alpha|=k} 1$

For  $x \in B(x_0, r)$ , let  $N-1 = \frac{\epsilon}{2}$   
 $R_N(x) = u(x) - \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \sum_{|\alpha|=k} \frac{D^\alpha u(x_0)}{\alpha!} (x-x_0)^\alpha$

want to show



Claim For  $|x-x_0| < \frac{1}{2^{n+2}n^2e}$ ,  $|R_N(x)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$

rewrite,  $R_N(x)$  for some  $t \in [0,1]$

By Taylor's expn,  $R_N(x) = \sum_{|a| \geq N} \frac{D^a u(x_0 + t(x-x_0))}{2!} (x-x_0)^a$

$$|R_N(x)| \leq \sum_{|a| \geq N} \frac{1}{2!} M \left( \frac{2^{n+1}n^2e}{r} \right)^{|a|} 2! |x-x_0|^{|a|}$$

exercise  $|y^a| \leq |y|^{|a|}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{bound} &= M \left( \frac{2^{n+1}n^2e}{r} |x-x_0| \right)^N \cdot \sum_{|a| \geq N} 1 \\ \text{choice of } |x-x_0| &\leq M \left( \frac{1}{2n} \right)^N n^N = M \frac{1}{2^N} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } N \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

Thm (Harnack inequality). (hold for general elliptic). Quotient version of maximum principle.

Fix  $U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ , open. For each connected open.

completely contained  $V \subset U$ ,  $\exists C > 0$  depending on  $V$  only

st. for any nonnegative harmonic function  $u$  on  $U$ .

$\sup_V u \leq C \inf_V u$

for  $x, y \in V$ .  $u(x) \leq C u(y) \leq C^2 u(x)$

$$u(x) \leq \sup_V u \leq C \inf_V u \leq C^2 u(x)$$

Proof. Fix  $V$ , let  $r = \frac{1}{4} \text{dist}(V, \partial U)$   
 $= \inf_{x_0 \in V} \text{dist}(x, \partial U)$

Take  $x, y \in V$ , with  $|x - y| \leq r$

$$u(x) = \int_{B(x, 2r)}^{MVP} u(z) dz = \frac{1}{d(n)(2r)^n} \int_{B(x, 2r)} u$$

$(B(x, 2r) \subset U)$

$$\underbrace{B(y, r) \subset B(x, 2r)}_{\substack{\text{if } |x-y| \leq r \\ \text{then } B(y, r) \subset B(x, 2r)}} \geq \frac{1}{d(n)(2r)^n} \int_{B(y, r)} u$$

$$\geq \frac{1}{2^n} \int_{B(y, r)} u = \frac{1}{2^n} u(y)$$


To summarize if  $x, y \in V$   $|x - y| \leq r$   
 then

$$\frac{1}{2^n} u(y) \leq u(x) \leq 2^n u(y)$$

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$$A = \{w \in C^2(\bar{U}), w = g \text{ on } \partial U\}$$

$U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open bounded  $C^1$  boundary

by Harnack { 3 hours  
Mid term } 5 questions  
No exams No Green's

Thm. A function  $u \in A$  solves  $\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f \text{ in } U \\ u = g \text{ on } \partial U \end{cases}$

$$\Leftrightarrow \min \left\{ \int_U \frac{1}{2} (|\nabla w|^2 - w f) dx \right\}$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$E(w) : w \in A \} = E(U)$$

Pf: Last time  $\Rightarrow$  multiply eqn for  $a$  by

$\Leftarrow$  Let's compute and integrate by part.  
the Euler Lagrange equation. (IBP)  
associated to  $\star$

Since  $u$  minimize  $E(u)$  in  $A$ , we know  
that for any  $\varphi \in C_c^2(U)$  only affect interior.  
 $E(u + \varepsilon \varphi) \geq E(u)$

$$E[u + \varepsilon \varphi] = \int_U \frac{1}{2} |\nabla u|^2 + \varepsilon \nabla u \cdot \nabla \varphi + \frac{\varepsilon^2}{2} |\nabla \varphi|^2 - f u - \varepsilon f \varphi dx$$

smooth to  $\varepsilon$

$$0 \stackrel{\text{minimize}}{=} \frac{d}{d\varepsilon} \bigg|_{\varepsilon=0} E[u + \varepsilon \varphi] = \int (\nabla u \cdot \nabla \varphi - f \varphi) dx$$

$$\text{IBP. (d)} \\ = \int (\Delta - f) \varphi dx + \int_{\partial U} \varphi \nabla u \cdot \nu \downarrow \approx 0$$

So for every  $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(U)$

$$\int (\Delta u - f) \varphi = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\Delta u = f \text{ in } U$$

$$\text{Show } u \in A \begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \text{on } U \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

c.s.

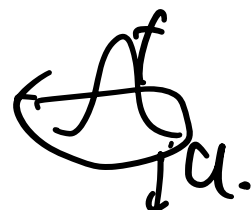
$U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open bounded,  $C^1$  boundary.

Q: Can we find a representation formula for solutions to

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \text{in } U \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$$

akin to  $\Phi * f$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$

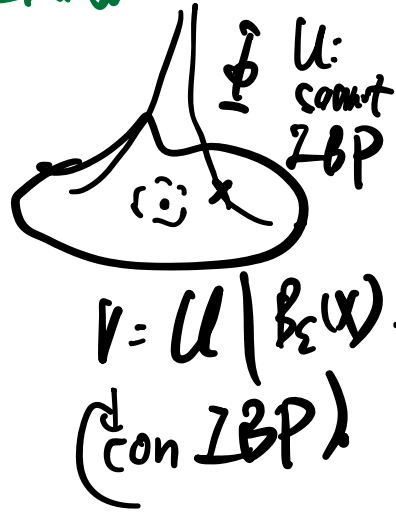
$\Phi$  is for  $\mathbb{R}^n$  but not on  $U \dots$



$g$ : boundary error...

Let's say  $u \in C^1(\bar{U})$  solves  $\Delta u = f$ . Then.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_U f(y) \underbrace{\Phi(x-y)}_{G(x,y)} dy &= \int_U -\Delta u(y) \underbrace{\Phi(x-y)}_{G(x,y)} dy \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[ \int_V -\Delta u(y) \underbrace{\Phi(x-y)}_{G(x,y)} dy \right] \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[ \int_V \nabla u(y) \cdot \underbrace{\nabla \Phi(x-y)}_{\nabla_y G(x,y)} dy \right. \\ &\quad \left. - \int_{\partial V} \underbrace{\Phi(x-y)}_{G(x,y)} \nabla u(y) \cdot \nu ds(y) \right] \end{aligned}$$



$$= \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \left[ \int_V -u(y) \underbrace{\Delta \Phi(x-y)}_{\Delta G(x,y)} dy + \int_{\partial V} u(y) \underbrace{\nabla \Phi(x-y) \cdot \nu}_{\nabla_y G(x,y) \cdot \nu} dy \right]$$

So sending  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,  $f \neq \Phi(x)$

$$\begin{aligned} &= - \int_U \underbrace{\Phi(x-y)}_{G(x,y)} \nabla u(y) \cdot \nu dy \\ &\quad + u(x) \quad (\text{by HW. Prob. 1}) \end{aligned}$$

$\int_{\partial B_\varepsilon(x)} u(y) \nabla \Phi(x-y) \cdot \nu dy \xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} u(x)$   
 (by HW. Prob. 1)

$$u(x) = f(x) - \int_U \underbrace{g(y) \nabla \Phi(x-y) \cdot \nu}_{\nabla_y G(x,y) \cdot \nu} dy + \int_U \underbrace{\Phi(x-y) \nabla u(y) \cdot \nu}_{\nabla_y G(x,y) \cdot \nu} dy$$

not good for generally  
 want  $\Phi$

$x \in U$  fixed.

Let  $\Phi^*$  solve  $\begin{cases} \Delta \Phi^* = 0 \\ \Phi^*(y) = \Phi(k-y) \end{cases}$

to vanish  
on  $\partial U$

formulas for  
BVP  
gives f.g

Let  $G(x,y) = \Phi(x-y) - \Phi^*$

Now replace  $\Phi$  with  $G$ .

$\downarrow \int f(y) G(x,y) dy = \int_{\partial U} g(y) \nabla_y G(k,y) \cdot \nu$   
 $\xrightarrow{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} u$   
 $+ \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\partial B(k,\varepsilon)} u(y) \nabla_y G(x,y) \cdot \nu = u(x)$   
 $+ \int_{\partial U} G(x,y) \nabla u \cdot \nu \stackrel{\text{By def. of } G}{=} 0$   
 $+ \int_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{\partial B(k,\varepsilon)} G(k,y) \cdot \nabla u \cdot \nu \stackrel{''}{=} 0$

$\Rightarrow$  Existence & uniqueness s.t. exist.

$u(x) = \int_U f(y) G(x,y) dy - \int_{\partial U} g(y) \nabla_y G(k,y) \cdot \nu$

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$U \subset \mathbb{R}^n$  open bounded  $\partial U \in C^1$

$\Delta$  can we find representation formula for solutions  
for  $\begin{cases} -\Delta u = f & \text{in } U \\ u = g & \text{on } \partial U \end{cases}$

We showed if  $u \in C^2(U) \cap C^1(\bar{U})$  solve  $\Delta u = f$

$$u(x) = \int_U G(x,y) f(y) dy - \int_{\partial U} g(y) \nabla_y G(x,y) \cdot \nu dS(y)$$

where  $G(x,y) = \Phi(x-y) - \Phi^*(y)$

Green's function

$$\Delta \Phi^*(y) = 0 \text{ in } U$$

$$\Phi^*(y) = \Phi(x-y) \text{ on } \partial U$$

Then  $G(x,y) = G(y,x)$  if  $x \neq y$

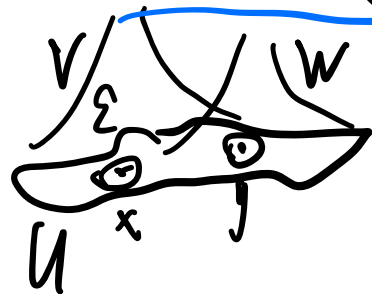
Pf. Let  $V(z) = G(x,z)$  and  $W(z) = G(y,z)$

want to show  $V(y) = W(x)$

$$V_\varepsilon = U \setminus (B(x,\varepsilon) \cup B(y,\varepsilon))$$

$$\Delta V = \Delta W = 0 \text{ on } V_\varepsilon$$

$$0 = \int_{V_\varepsilon} \Delta V \cdot W - \Delta W \cdot V = \int_{V_\varepsilon} 0 + \int_{\partial V_\varepsilon} W \nabla V \cdot \nu - V \nabla W \cdot \nu$$



$$\int_{\partial V_\varepsilon} w \nabla v \cdot \nu = \int_{\partial B(x, \varepsilon)} w \nabla v \cdot \nu + \int_{\partial B(y, \varepsilon)} w \nabla v \cdot \nu + \int_{\partial U} w \nabla v \cdot \nu$$

identity

$$\int_{\partial B(x, \varepsilon)} w \nabla v \cdot \nu \rightarrow \underline{w(x)} \text{ since } w \in C(\overline{B(x, \varepsilon)})$$

$x \leftrightarrow \nabla v \rightarrow 1$

$$\left| \int_{\partial B(y, \varepsilon)} w \cdot \nabla v \cdot \nu \right| \leq |v|_{C^1(\overline{B(y, \varepsilon)})} \int_{\partial B(y, \varepsilon)} |w| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0.$$

$y \leftrightarrow w \rightarrow \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = w(x) - v(y)$$

Half Space  $\mathbb{R}_+^n = \{x = (x_1, \dots, x_n); x_n > 0\}$

Can we explicitly find  
for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$ ,

a sol'n to  $\begin{cases} -\Delta \phi^*(y) = 0 & \text{on } \mathbb{R}_+^n \\ \phi^*(y) = \phi(x-y) & \text{on } \partial \mathbb{R}_+^n \end{cases}$

find  $\phi^*$

Then we'll let  $G(x, y) = \phi(x-y) - \phi^*(y)$

Let  $\phi^*(y) = \bar{\phi}(y - \tilde{x})$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta \phi^*(y) = 0 & \text{in } \mathbb{R}_+^n \\ \text{Since } \forall y \in \partial \mathbb{R}_+^n, \end{cases}$$

$n \geq 3$

$\phi(x-y) = \frac{|x-y|^{2-n}}{n(2-n)\omega_n}$

$\tilde{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_{n-1}, -x_n)$

$x = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$

$|x-y| = |\tilde{x}-y|$ , so  $\bar{\phi}(\tilde{x}-y) = \bar{\phi}(x-y)$

$$G(x, y) = \frac{1}{n(2-n)\omega_n} (|x-y|^{2-n} - |\tilde{x}-y|^{2-n})$$



Let's compute  $-\nabla_y G(x, y) \cdot \nu$   $\nu = -e_n$   $\rightarrow$  Poisson kernel.

$$= \nabla_y G(x, y) \cdot e_n$$

$$= \partial_{y_n} G(x, y)$$

$$= \frac{2-n}{n \alpha(n)(n-2)} \left( -|x-y|^{1-n} \frac{x-y}{|x-y|} e_n + \frac{|x-y|^{1-n}}{|x-y|} \frac{\tilde{x}-y}{|x-y|} e_n \right)$$

$$y \in \partial \mathbb{R}_+^n \Rightarrow |x-y| = |\tilde{x}-y|$$

$$= \frac{1}{n \alpha(n)} |x-y|^{-n} \left( (x-y) e_n - (\tilde{x}-y) e_n \right)$$

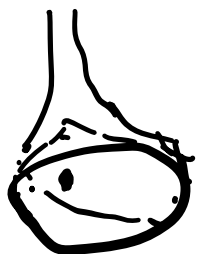
$$= \frac{2x_n}{n \alpha(n)} \frac{1}{|x-y|^n}$$

Poisson kernel

$$B = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^n : |x| < 1\}$$

Can we find explicit solution to  
for each  $x \in B$

$$\begin{cases} \Delta \phi^*(y) = 0 & \text{in } B \\ \phi^*(y) = \phi(x, y) & \text{on } \partial B \end{cases}$$



For  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n \setminus \{0\}$  let  $\tilde{x} = \frac{x}{|x|^2}$

$x \mapsto \tilde{x}$  called inversion through  $\partial B$



n23 If  $x \in B$  then  $\tilde{x} \notin B$

Let  $\phi^*(y) = \mathbb{I}(|x|(y - \tilde{x}))$

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Greens fn on  $B \supset B(0,1)$   
for each  $x \in B$

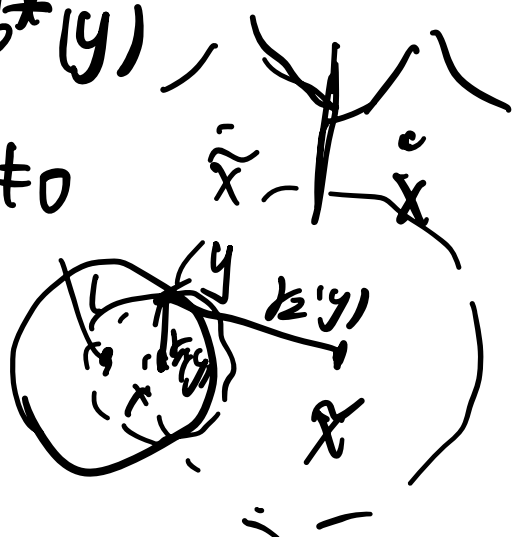
$$\begin{cases} -\Delta \phi^*(y) = 0 & \text{in } B \\ \phi^*(y) = \hat{\phi}(y-x) & \text{on } \partial B \end{cases}$$

goal is to find explicit sol'n then

$$G(x,y) = \hat{\phi}(x-y) - \phi^*(y)$$

Inversion through  $\partial B$ : for  $x \neq 0$

$$x \mapsto \tilde{x} = \frac{x}{|x|^2}$$



(a.s.  $\forall y \in B$ )

$$r_1(y) = |x| r_2(y)$$

Proof.  $r_2(y)^2 = |\tilde{x} - y|^2 = |\tilde{x}|^2 - 2\tilde{x} \cdot y + 1$

$$= \frac{|x|^2}{|x|^4} - \frac{2xy}{|x|^2} + 1$$

$$= \frac{1}{|x|^2} (1 - 2xy + |x|^2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{|x|^2} |x-y|^2$$

$$= \left( \frac{1}{|x|} r_1(y) \right)^2$$

Upshot for  $y \in \partial B$

$$n23 \quad |x|^{2-n} \Phi(y-\tilde{x}) = \Phi(|x|(y-\tilde{x})) \quad \text{since } |y-x| = |x|(y-\tilde{x})$$

$$= \Phi(y-x) \quad \text{and } \Phi \text{ is radial}$$

Since  $x \in B$ ,  $\tilde{x} \notin B$  so.

$y \mapsto |x|^{2-n} \Phi(y-\tilde{x})$  is harmonic.

So  $\int \Phi^*(y) = |x|^{2-n} \int \Phi(y-\tilde{x})$  and  $G(x,y) = \int \Phi(x-y) - \int \Phi^*(y)$

Computing Poisson kernel

$$-\nabla_y G(x,y) \underbrace{\nu_B(y)}_y = \frac{-(2-n)}{n \omega(n-2)} \int \frac{1}{|x-y|^{n-1}} \frac{(y-x)}{|y-x|} \cdot y$$

$$= \frac{1}{n \omega(n)} \frac{1-|x|^2}{|x-y|^n} - |x|^{2-n} \frac{1}{|y-\tilde{x}|^{n-1}} \frac{(y-\tilde{x})}{|y-\tilde{x}|} \cdot y$$


$y \in \partial B$   
 $x \in B$

Ex. on  $B(0,r)$ ,  $K(x,y) = \frac{1}{n \omega(n) (r^2 - |x|^2)} \frac{r^2 - |x|^2}{|x-y|^n}$

use  
 $|x-y| = |x| r^2 y$

$\tilde{x} = \frac{x}{|x|}$

Thm. Assume  $g \in C(\partial B(0,r))$  and let

$$u(x) := \int_{\partial B(0,r)} g(y) K(x,y) dS(y)$$

Then  $u$  is smooth and  $\Delta u = 0$  in  $B(0,r)$

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow x} u(y) = g(x^0), \quad \forall x^0 \in \partial B(0, r)$$

$$\text{Def. } \tilde{u}(x) = \begin{cases} u(x) & x \in B \\ g(x) & x \in \partial B \end{cases}$$

Then  $\tilde{u} \in C(\bar{B})$

Proof. For each  $y \in \partial B(0, r)$ ,  $x \mapsto K(x, y)$  is smooth  
 So  $u(x)$  is smooth and  

$$\Delta u(x) = \int_{\partial B(0, r)} g(y) \Delta_x K(x, y) dS(y)$$

What is  $\Delta_x K(x, y)$ ?

Since  $\Delta_y G(x, y) = 0$  for  $x \neq y$

and  $G(x, y) = G(y, x)$ , so  $\Delta_x G(x, y) = 0$  for  $x \neq y$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta_x K(x, y) &= \Delta_x (-\nabla_y G(x, y) \cdot \nu) \\ &= \Delta_x \left( -\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{G(x, y + h\nu) - G(x, y)}{h} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Delta u(x) = \int_{\partial B(0, r)} g(y) \Delta_x K(x, y) dS(y)$$

$$= 0$$

Next class.

$x \mapsto g(x)$  as

Ex.

If  $u_h$  of

Ex. Difference equations

converge locally uniformly

$u \mapsto 0$   
 $x \mapsto x^0 \in \partial B$

seq. of  
harmonic fns wrt.  $x^0$

St.  $u_n \rightarrow$  locally uniformly  
then  $\Delta u = 0$

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Recall on  $B_r(0)$

$$K(x, y) = \frac{1}{n\omega_n} \frac{1}{|x-y|^n} \frac{r^2 - |x|^2}{r} \quad (r=1).$$

Thm. Assume  $g \in C(\partial B(0, r))$ . Let  
 $\forall x \in B_r(0), u(x) := \int_{\partial B(0, r)} K(x, y) g(y) dS(y)$

then  $u \in C^\infty(B_r(0))$  and  $\Delta u = 0$  in  $B_r(0)$   
(smooth) ↪ last Lec  
 and  $\forall x^0 \in \partial B_r(0) \lim_{x \rightarrow x^0} u(x) = g(x^0)$

Proof of attainment of boundary data

Fix  $\varepsilon > 0$ . Let  $\delta > 0$  s.t if  $|y - x^0| < 2\delta$

then  $|g(x^0) - g(y)| < \varepsilon$ . Let  $y \in \partial B$

and take  $x \in B$  s.t  $|x - x^0| < \delta$ .  $0 < \delta < r$  be fixed.

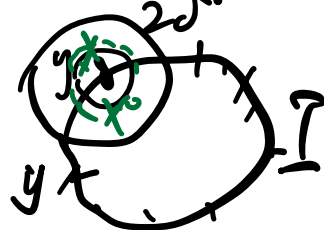
We want to show

$$|u(x) - g(x^0)| \leq 2\varepsilon$$

$$|u(x) - g(x^0)| = \left| \int_{\partial B} K(x, y) g(y) dS(y) - g(x^0) \right|$$

Obs  $\int_{\partial B} K(x, y) dS(y) = 1 = u(x)$   $\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \Delta^k u = 0$  Dirichlet boundary.

$$= \left| \int_{\partial B} K(x, y) (g(y) - g(x^0)) dS(y) \right|$$



$$\leq \int_{\partial B} \frac{|g(y) - g(x)|}{|x - y|} |K(x, y)| dS(y) \\ \leq \int_{\partial B \cap B(x^0, 2\delta)} \frac{|g(y) - g(x)|}{|x - y|} |K(x, y)| dS(y) + \int_{\partial B \setminus B(x^0, 2\delta)} \frac{|g(y) - g(x)|}{|x - y|} |K(x, y)| dS(y).$$

$\leq \epsilon$   $\leq \epsilon$

$$I \leq 2 \|g\|_{C^0(\partial B)} \int_{\partial B \setminus B(x^0, 2\delta)} |K(x, y)| dS(y)$$

$$= C_n \|g\|_{C^0(\partial B)} (1 - |x|^2) \int_{\partial B \setminus B(x^0, 2\delta)} \frac{1}{|x - y|^n} dS(y)$$

Since  $y \in \partial B$ ,  $|x - x^0| \leq \delta$   
 for  $y$  in domain of integral  $(\partial B \setminus B(x^0, 2\delta))$ ,  $|y - x^0| > 2\delta$ ,  $|y - x| = |y - x^0 - (x - x^0)| \geq |y - x^0| - |x - x^0| > 2\delta - \delta = \delta$

$$|x - y| > \delta \\ \Rightarrow |x - y|^{-n} < \delta^{-n}$$

$$\leq C_n \|g\|_{C^0(\partial B)} \delta^{-n} (1 - |x|^2)$$

$$\leq C_n \|g\|_{C^0(\partial B)} \delta^{-n} \delta < \epsilon$$

$$I < \epsilon.$$

$$\frac{|x^0|^2 - |x|^2}{|x - x^0|} \frac{|x^0 + x|}{|x^0 - x|} \leq 1$$



Thm. Let  $g \in C(\mathbb{R}^{n-1}) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{n-1}) \rightarrow$  bounded

For  $x \in \mathbb{R}_+^n$  Let  $\rightarrow$  Poisson kernel on  $\mathbb{R}_+^n$

$$u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-1}} P(x, y) g(y) dS(y)$$

$\rightarrow$  e.h.  
c.i.

Then  $u \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^n) \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+^n)$

$$\Delta u = 0 \text{ on } \mathbb{R}_+^n$$

and  $\forall x' \in \partial \mathbb{R}_+^n$ ,  $\lim_{\substack{\mathbb{R}_+^n \ni x \rightarrow x'}} u(x) = g(x')$