

Fourier Analysis 04-23

Review

Thm (Uniqueness)

Let $U(x, y) \in C^2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+) \cap C(\overline{\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+})$.

Suppose $\begin{cases} \Delta U = \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 U}{\partial y^2} = 0 \text{ on } \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \\ U(x, 0) = 0 \end{cases}$

Moreover, suppose $U(x, y) \rightarrow 0$ as $|x| + y \rightarrow +\infty$

Then $U(x, y) \equiv 0$ on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+$.

Remark: The assumption $U \rightarrow 0$ "at infinity"
Can not be dropped.

For example: If letting $U(x, y) = y, \dots$

Lemma (Mean value property of harmonic functions)

Let Ω be an open set in \mathbb{R}^2 . Let

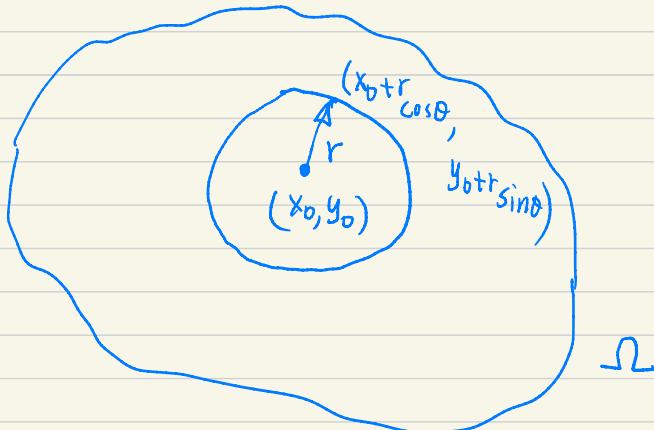
$u \in C^2(\Omega)$. Suppose $B_R(x_0, y_0) \subseteq \Omega$

$$\Delta u = 0$$

where $B_R(x_0, y_0) := \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : (x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2 \leq R^2\}$

Then $\forall 0 < r < R$,

$$u(x_0, y_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(x_0 + r \cos \theta, y_0 + r \sin \theta) d\theta$$



Maximum principle for harmonic functions.

Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$ be open and connected. Suppose

$u \in C(\bar{\Omega})$ and $\Delta u = 0$.

If furthermore u takes

the maximum (or minimum) at some point $(x_0, y_0) \in \Omega$. Then u is constant on Ω .

Proof. Let $\gamma = u(x_0, y_0) = \sup_{(x,y) \in \Omega} u(x, y)$.

Set $\tilde{\Omega} = \{(x, y) \in \Omega : u(x, y) = \gamma\}$.

Then $(x_0, y_0) \in \tilde{\Omega}$, so $\tilde{\Omega} \neq \emptyset$.

As $u \in C(\bar{\Omega})$, $\tilde{\Omega}$ is a relatively closed in Ω , that is, if $(x_n, y_n) \in \tilde{\Omega}$ converges to some $(x, y) \in \Omega$, then $(x, y) \in \tilde{\Omega}$. Hence, $\Omega \setminus \tilde{\Omega} = \{(x, y) \in \Omega : u(x, y) < \gamma\}$ is open.

Next we prove that $\tilde{\Omega}$ is open. To this end, let $(x_1, y_1) \in \tilde{\Omega}$. Choose $r > 0$ such that

$$B_r(x_1, y_1) \subset \Omega.$$

By the mean value property, for any $0 < r' < r$,

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(x_1 + r' \cos \theta, y_1 + r' \sin \theta) d\theta = \gamma.$$

By the maximality of γ , we have

$$u(x_1 + r' \cos \theta, y_1 + r' \sin \theta) = \gamma$$

for all $0 < r' < r, 0 \leq \theta < 2\pi$. Therefore

$$\{(x, y) : (x - x_1)^2 + (y - y_1)^2 < r^2\} \subset \tilde{\Omega},$$

so $\tilde{\Omega}$ is open.

As Ω is connected, both $\tilde{\Omega}$ and $\Omega \setminus \tilde{\Omega}$ are open, we have $\tilde{\Omega} = \Omega$.



Corollary: Let Ω be a bounded open region on \mathbb{R}^2 . Suppose

$$u \in C^2(\Omega) \cap C(\bar{\Omega}) \text{ and } \Delta u = 0$$

Moreover suppose $u = 0$ on $\partial\Omega$

Then $u \equiv 0$ on Ω .

Proof. Since $\bar{\Omega}$ is compact, so u takes maximum value in $\bar{\Omega}$. If both these two

minimum value

values are taken on $\partial\Omega$, then $u \equiv 0$ on $\bar{\Omega}$.

Otherwise, if one of them is taken in Ω , then u is constant on $\bar{\Omega} \Rightarrow u \equiv 0$ on $\bar{\Omega}$.

Poisson summation formula.

Let $f \in M(\mathbb{R})$ and suppose also that $\hat{f} \in M(\mathbb{R})$.

Set $F(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(x+n)$. Then

F is a continuous 1-periodic function on \mathbb{R} .

Thm 1 (Poisson summation formula)

$$F(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n) e^{2\pi i n x}, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}.$$

In particular

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(n) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n).$$

Pf. We first calculate the Fourier coefficients of F on the unit circle.

$$\hat{F}(n) = \int_0^1 F(x) e^{-2\pi i n x} dx$$

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$$= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_m^{m+1} f(y) e^{-2\pi i n (y-m)} dy$$

$$= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_m^{m+1} f(y) e^{-2\pi i n y} dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(y) e^{-2\pi i n y} dy$$

$$= \hat{f}(n).$$

Since $\hat{f} \in \mathcal{M}(\mathbb{R})$, $\sum |\hat{f}(n)| < \infty$,

So

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Example 1:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \frac{y}{x^2+y^2} \quad (y > 0)$$

$$(f(x) \equiv \hat{f}_y(x)).$$

$$\hat{f}(z) = e^{-2\pi|z| \cdot y}$$

By Poisson summation formula, we have

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} f(x+n) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \hat{f}(n) e^{2\pi i n x}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{y}{(x+n)^2 + y^2} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-2\pi|n|y} e^{2\pi i n x}$$

Letting $x=0$ gives

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{y}{n^2 + y^2} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-2\pi|n|y}$$

$$= 1 + 2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-2\pi|n|y}$$

$$= 1 + 2 \cdot \frac{e^{-2\pi y}}{1 - e^{-2\pi y}}$$

$$= \frac{1 + e^{-2\pi y}}{1 - e^{-2\pi y}}$$

Hence

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{n^2 + y^2} = \frac{\pi}{y} \cdot \frac{1 + e^{-2\pi y}}{1 - e^{-2\pi y}},$$

Letting $y=1$ gives

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{n^2 + 1} = \pi \cdot \frac{1 + e^{-2\pi}}{1 - e^{-2\pi}}.$$

Example 2: Consider the Theta function

$$\Theta(s) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-\pi n^2 s}, \quad s > 0$$

It satisfies the following property

$$s^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \Theta(\frac{1}{s}) = \Theta(s), \quad s > 0.$$

To see this, let

$$f(x) = e^{-\pi x^2 \cdot s} \quad (s > 0)$$

$$\left(e^{-\pi x^2} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} e^{-\pi \frac{x^2}{s}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &\xrightarrow{\mathcal{F}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}} \cdot e^{-\pi \left(\frac{x}{\sqrt{s}}\right)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}} e^{-\pi \frac{x^2}{s}}. \end{aligned}$$

By Poisson Summation formula

$$\sum f(n) = \sum \hat{f}(n)$$

$$\text{i.e. } \sum_n e^{-\pi n^2 s} = \sum_n \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}} e^{-\pi n^2/s}$$

$$\text{So } \mathcal{H}(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{s}} \mathcal{H}\left(\frac{1}{s}\right).$$