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UNIT – V HARMONIC FUNCTIONS

6.1 Definition and Basic properties

1. Define Laplace equation

Definition: Laplace equation in Cartesian co-ordinates.

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

Laplace equation in Polar co-ordinates.

$$\nabla^2 u = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = 0$$

2. Define Harmonic function (or) Potential function.

Definition: A real valued function $u(z)$ or $u(x, y)$ defined and single valued in a region Ω is said to be harmonic in Ω if it is continuous together with its partial derivatives of the first two orders and satisfies the Laplace equation.

3. Define conjugate Harmonic.

Definition: Let $f = u + iv$ be an analytic function in a region D then v is said to be conjugate harmonic function of u .

4. Define conjugate differential.

Definition: The conjugate differential of du is $* du = dv$

$$\text{(i.e.,)} \quad dv = -\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} dx + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} dy.$$

5. Theorem : The real and imaginary part of an analytic functions are harmonic.

Proof: Let $f = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ be an analytic function.

Then u and v have continuous partial derivatives of first order which satisfy C-R

equations given by $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$.

$$\text{Further } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y \partial x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} &= \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{-\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} - \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} = 0. \end{aligned}$$

Thus u is a Harmonic function.

Similarly, we can prove v is a Harmonic function.

6. Show that $\log r$ is harmonic.

Proof: Let $u = \log r$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} = \frac{1}{r}, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} = -\frac{1}{r^2}, \quad \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial \theta^2} = 0$$

Therefore $\log r$ is harmonic.

7. If u_1 and u_2 are harmonic in a region Ω show that $\int_{\gamma} u_1 * du_2 - u_1 * du_2 = 0$ for every cycle γ which is homologous to zero in Ω .

Proof: Let u_1, u_2 be the harmonic in a region Ω , then u_1, u_2 have harmonic conjugates v_1, v_2 . $* du_1, * du_2$ are harmonic conjugate differential of u_1 and u_2 .

$$\text{(i.e.,)} \quad * du_1 = dv_1, \quad * du_2 = dv_2$$

$$u_1 * du_2 - u_2 * du_1 = u_1 dv_2 - u_2 dv_1$$

$$= v_1 du_2 + u_1 dv_2 - u_2 dv_1 - v_1 du_2$$

$$= u_1 dv_2 + v_1 du_2 - d(u_2 v_1) \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

$$u_1 dv_2 + v_1 du_2 = I.P (u_1 + iv_1)(du_2 + idv_2)$$

$$\therefore F_1(z) = u_1 + iv_1, \quad F_2(z) = u_2 + iv_2$$

$$F_2'(z) = du_2 + idv_2$$

(1) becomes,

$$\int_{\gamma} u_1 * du_2 - u_2 * du_1 = \int_{\gamma} \text{Im} (F_1(z)F_2'(z))dz - \int_{\gamma} d(u_2, v_1)$$

Since Im part of $F_1(z)$ and $F_2'(z)$ is analytic.

By Cauchy's theorem, $\int_{\gamma} \text{Im} (F_1(z)F_2'(z))dz = 0$,S

Similarly, $\int_{\gamma} d(u_2, v_1) = 0$

Hence , $\int_{\gamma} u_1 * du_2 - u_2 * du_1 = 0$.

6.2 The Mean -value property

8. Theorem: Mean value theorem for Harmonic function.

Statement: The arithmetic mean of a harmonic function over a concentric circles $|z| = r$ is a linear function of $\log r$ $\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=r} u d\theta = \alpha \log r + \beta$ and if u is harmonic in a disk $\alpha = 0$ and arithmetic mean is constant.

Proof: Case (i) WKT, if u_1 and u_2 are harmonic in a region, then $\int_{\gamma} u_1 * du_2 - u_2 * du_1 = 0$,for all cycle γ which is homologous to zero in Ω .

Also we know that $* du = r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta$.

Let us apply this with Ω , let the disk $0 < |z| < \rho$.

Take $u_1 = \log r$ & $u_2 = u$ is harmonic in Ω .

Note that $\log r$ is harmonic for γ

We take the cycle $C_1 - C_2$ where C_1 is the circle $|z| = r_1$ and C_2 is the circle $|z| = r_2$ with $0 < r_1 < r_2 < \rho$ described in the positive sense.

$$\int_{\gamma} u_1 * du_2 - u_2 * du_1 = 0$$

$$\int_{\gamma} \log r * du - u * d(\log r) = 0$$

$$\int_{C_1 - C_2} \log r * du - u * d(\log r) = 0$$

$$\int_{C_1} \log r * du - u * d(\log r) - \int_{C_2} \log r * du - u * d(\log r) = 0$$

on the circle $|z| = r$.

$$* du = r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta$$

$$\int_{C_1} \log r r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta - ur \left(\frac{\partial \log r}{\partial r} \right) d\theta - \int_{C_2} \log r r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta - ur \left(\frac{\partial \log r}{\partial r} \right) d\theta = 0$$

$$\int_{C_1} \log r r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta - \int_{C_1} u d\theta - \int_{C_2} \log r r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta - \int_{C_2} u d\theta = 0$$

In other words, it implies that the value of the integral is same. (i.e.,) It's constant on different path C_1 and C_2 . Let it be β'

$$\int_{C_1-C_2} \log r . r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta - \int_{C_2} u d\theta = \beta'$$

$$\int_{|z|=r} \log r r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} d\theta - u d\theta = \beta' \quad \rightarrow (1)$$

Also, $\int_{\gamma} * du = 0$.

For any harmonic function u in Ω and for every cycle γ which is homologous to zero in Ω

$$\int_{\gamma} * du = 0 \Rightarrow \int_{C_1-C_2} * du = 0$$

$$\int_{C_1} * du - \int_{C_2} * du = 0$$

$$\int_{C_1} r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta - \int_{C_2} r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta = 0$$

$$\int_{C_1} r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta = \int_{C_2} r \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \right) d\theta$$

Hence $\int_{|z|=r} r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} d\theta$ is a constant say α' .

$$\text{Thus } \int_{|z|=r} r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} d\theta = \alpha' \quad \rightarrow (2)$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow \int_{|z|=r} \log r r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} d\theta - u d\theta = \beta'$$

$$\log r \alpha' - \int_{|z|=r} u d\theta = \beta'$$

$$\int_{|z|=r} u \, d\theta = \log r \alpha' - \beta'$$

Divide both sides by 2π

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int u \, d\theta = \log r + \beta \quad \rightarrow (A)$$

$$\text{where } \alpha = \frac{\alpha'}{2\pi} \text{ and } \beta = -\frac{\beta'}{2\pi}$$

Thus the arithmetic mean of a harmonic function over concentric circles $|z| = r$ is a linear function of $\log r$.

Case (ii) If u is harmonic in whole disc then $\int_{\gamma} * du = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{\gamma} r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \, d\theta = 0$$

$$\int_{|z|=r} r \frac{\partial u}{\partial r} \, d\theta = 0$$

$$\alpha' = 0 \Rightarrow \alpha = 0$$

Sub in (A),

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int u \, d\theta = \beta .$$

Hence if u is harmonic in a disc then the arithmetic mean is constant. The arithmetic mean is constant.

9. Theorem: Mean value theorem for Harmonic function.

Statement : A non constant harmonic function has neither a maximum nor a minimum in its region of definition . Consequently, the maximum and the minimum on a closed bounded set E are taken on the boundary of E .

Proof: If u is harmonic throughout the circular disc $|z| \leq r$ then by the mean value property its arithmetic mean is constant.

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=r} u(z) \, d\theta = \text{const} = \beta = u(0)$$

$$\text{By Continuity } u(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=r} u(z) \, d\theta$$

$$\text{By change of origin to } z_0 \text{ we have , } u(z_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) \, d\theta \rightarrow (A)$$

This shows that the value of $u(z)$ at the centre is z_0 .

That is, $u(z_0)$ = The arithmetic mean of the values of $u(z)$ on the circumference .

Suppose $|u(z)|$ is maximum at z_0 in Ω then

$$|u(z_0 + re^{i\theta})| \leq |u(z_0)|, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi.$$

Assume that this inequality is strict for a single value θ .

By continuing it will held on whole arc . This means that

$$\begin{aligned} |u(z_0)| &= \left| \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z_0 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(z_0 + re^{i\theta})| d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(z_0)| d\theta \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} |u(z_0)| [\theta]_0^{2\pi} \\ &= |u(z_0)| \end{aligned}$$

$$|u(z_0)| = |u(z_0)|$$

This is a contradiction. Thus equality holds through

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(z_0 + re^{i\theta})| d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u(z_0)| d\theta$$

$$\int_0^{2\pi} |u(z_0)| - |u(z_0 + re^{i\theta})| d\theta = 0$$

Since the integral is non negative and continuous $|u(z_0)| - |u(z_0 + re^{i\theta})| = 0$

This equation holds an all circle $|z - z_0| = r$ and therefore $|u(z)|$ is constant in any neighbourhood of z_0 .

Hence V is constant on Ω

This is a contradiction.

Then the maximum and minimum are taken on the boundary of E .

6.3 Poisson's Formula

10. Theorem: State and prove Poisson's Formula.

Statement : Suppose that $u(z)$ is harmonic for $|z| < R$ and continuous for $|z| \leq R$, then

$$(a) \quad u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=R} \frac{R^2 - |a|^2}{|z-a|^2} u(z) d\theta \quad \text{for all } |a| < R \quad \rightarrow (A)$$

$$(b) \quad u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=R} \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{z+a}{z-a} \right) u(z) d\theta \quad \rightarrow (B)$$

(c) If we replace $a = re^{i\varphi}$ and $z = Re^{i\theta}$

$$u(re^{i\varphi}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{R^2 - r^2 u(Re^{i\theta})}{R^2 - 2rR \cos(\theta - \varphi) + r^2} d\theta \quad \rightarrow (C)$$

Proof: $u(z)$ is harmonic for then $|z| \leq R$.

Consider the linear transformation $z = S(t) = \frac{R(Rt+a)}{R+\bar{a}t} = \frac{R(a)}{R} = a. \rightarrow (1)$

$S(0) = a$ at $t = 0$.

Since $u(z)$ is harmonic $u(s(t))$ is also harmonic in $|t| = 1$.

From the Mean value property, $u(0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z) d\theta \rightarrow (2)$

$$u(s(0)) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|t|=1} u(s(t)) d(\arg t)$$

As $t = 0$ corresponds to $z = a$.

$$S(t) = z \Rightarrow S(0) = a$$

$$u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|t|=1} u(z) d(\arg t) \quad \rightarrow (3)$$

$$\text{Now, } S(t) = z = \frac{R(Rt+a)}{R+\bar{a}t}$$

$$z(R + \bar{a}t) = R(Rt + a)$$

$$zR + z\bar{a}t = R^2t + aR$$

$$zR - Ra = R^2a - z\bar{a}t$$

$$R(z - a) = t(R^2 - z\bar{a})$$

$$t = \frac{R(z-a)}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} \quad \rightarrow (4)$$

Next we compute $d(\arg t)$ by putting $t = e^{i\varphi}$

$$\log t = i\varphi .$$

Differentiate with respect to 't'

$$\frac{1}{t} dt = i d\varphi \Rightarrow -i \frac{dt}{t} = d(\arg t)$$

$$\text{From (4) } t = \frac{R(z-a)}{R^2 - z\bar{a}}$$

Taking log on both sides,

$$\begin{aligned} \log t &= \log \frac{R(z-a)}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} \\ &= \log R(z-a) - \log(R^2 - z\bar{a}) \\ &= \log R + \log(z-a) - \log(R^2 - z\bar{a}) \end{aligned}$$

Differentiate with respect to 'z'

$$\frac{1}{t} dt = 0 + \frac{1}{z-a} dz - \frac{1}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} (-a) dz$$

$$\frac{dt}{t} = \left(\frac{1}{z-a} + \frac{\bar{a}}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} \right) dz$$

$$\text{Thus } d(\arg t) = -i \frac{dt}{t}.$$

$$= -i \left(\frac{1}{z-a} + \frac{\bar{a}}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} \right) dz \quad \rightarrow (A)$$

$$\text{Put } z = e^{i\theta}, dz = ie^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$-i dz = z d\theta .$$

Substitute in (A), we get

$$-i \frac{dt}{t} = z d\theta \left(\frac{1}{z-a} + \frac{\bar{a}}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} \right) d\theta$$

$$d(\arg t) = \left(\frac{z}{z-a} + \frac{z\bar{a}}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} \right) d\theta$$

On substituting $R^2 = z\bar{z}$ then the coefficient of $d\theta$ in the last expression is

$$\left[\left(\frac{z}{z-a} \right) + \left(\frac{z\bar{a}}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} \right) \right] d\theta$$

$$= \left[\left(\frac{z}{z-a} \right) + \left(\frac{z\bar{a}}{R^2 - z\bar{a}} \right) \right] d\theta$$

$$= \left[\left(\frac{z}{z-a} \right) + \left(\frac{z\bar{a}}{z\bar{z} - z\bar{a}} \right) \right] d\theta$$

$$= \left[\left(\frac{z}{z-a} \right) + \left(\frac{\bar{a}}{\bar{z} - \bar{a}} \right) \right] d\theta$$

$$= \left[\frac{z(\bar{z} - \bar{a}) + \bar{a}(z - a)}{(z-a)(\bar{z} - \bar{a})} \right] d\theta$$

$$= \left[\frac{z\bar{z} - \bar{a}a}{(z-a)(\bar{z} - \bar{a})} \right] d\theta$$

$$= \left[\frac{z\bar{z} - \bar{a}a}{(z-a)(\bar{z} - \bar{a})} \right] d\theta$$

$$= \frac{R^2 - |a|^2}{|z-a|^2} d\theta$$

$$d(\arg t) = \frac{R^2 - |a|^2}{|z-a|^2} d\theta \quad \rightarrow (5)$$

Sub (5) in (1),

$$u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|t|=1} u(z) d(\arg t).$$

$$u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=R} \frac{R^2 - |a|^2}{|z-a|^2} u(z) d\theta.$$

$$(b) \text{ Consider } \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{z+a}{z-a} \right) = \frac{\frac{z+a}{z-a} + \frac{\bar{z} + \bar{a}}{\bar{z} - \bar{a}}}{2}$$

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{z+a}{z-a} \right) = \frac{z\bar{z} - a\bar{a}}{(z-a)(\bar{z} - \bar{a})}$$

Thus the poisson formula becomes,

$$u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=R} \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{z+a}{z-a} \right) u(z) d\theta.$$

$$(c) u(a) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|z|=R} \frac{R^2 - |a|^2}{|z-a|^2} u(z) d\theta$$

$$\text{Put } a = re^{i\varphi}, z = Re^{i\theta},$$

$$u(re^{i\varphi}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{R^2 - |re^{i\varphi}|^2}{|Re^{i\theta} - re^{i\varphi}|^2} u(Re^{i\theta}) d\theta \quad \rightarrow (6)$$

$$|a|^2 = r^2 \quad \rightarrow (7)$$

$$\begin{aligned} Re^{i\theta} - re^{i\varphi} &= R(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta) - r(\cos\varphi + i\sin\varphi) \\ &= R\cos\theta - r\cos\varphi + i(R\sin\theta - r\sin\varphi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} Re^{-i\theta} - re^{-i\varphi} &= R(\cos\theta - i\sin\theta) - r(\cos\varphi - i\sin\varphi) \\ &= R\cos\theta - r\cos\varphi - i(R\sin\theta - r\sin\varphi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |Re^{-i\theta} - re^{-i\varphi}|^2 &= (Re^{i\theta} - re^{i\varphi})(Re^{-i\theta} - re^{-i\varphi}) \\ &= [R(\cos\theta + i\sin\theta) - r(\cos\varphi + i\sin\varphi)] \\ &\quad [R(\cos\theta - i\sin\theta) - r(\cos\varphi - i\sin\varphi)] \\ &= (R\cos\theta - r\cos\varphi)^2 + (R\sin\theta - r\sin\varphi)^2 \\ &= R^2 + r^2 - 2Rr[\cos\theta\cos\varphi + \sin\theta\sin\varphi] \end{aligned}$$

$$|z - a|^2 = R^2 + r^2 - 2Rr[\cos(\theta - \varphi)] \quad \rightarrow (8)$$

Sub (7) & (8) in (6),

$$u(re^{i\varphi}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{R^2 - r^2 u(Re^{i\theta})}{R^2 - 2Rr\cos(\theta - \varphi) + r^2} d\theta$$

6.4 Schwarz's Theorem

11. Define Poisson integral of U

Definition: If $U(\theta)$ is harmonic in $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ and piecewise continuous in $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$ then we defined $P_U(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} Re \frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} U(\theta) d\theta$ and this integral is called Poisson Integral of U.

12.Theorem :State and prove Schwarz's Theorem

Statement: The function $P_U(z)$ is harmonic for $|z| < 1$ and $\lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\theta}} U(\theta_0)$ only if U is continuous of θ_0

Proof:

$$P_U(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z}$$

$$P_U(z) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \right\}$$

Let $t = e^{i\theta}$ then $U(t) = U(e^{i\theta})$

$$dt = i e^{i\theta} d\theta$$

$$\frac{dt}{it} = d\theta$$

Thus,

$$P_U(z) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|t|=1} \frac{t+z}{t-z} u(t) \frac{dt}{it} \right\}$$

$$P_U(z) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|t|=1} \frac{t+z}{t-z} u(t) \frac{dt}{t} \right\}$$

$P_U(z)$ is an real part of an analytical function.

$$P_U(z) = \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|t|=1} \frac{t+z}{t-z} u(t) \frac{dt}{t} \right\} + ic$$

Therefore it's harmonic

Let c_1, c_2 be two complementary arcs of unit circles such that $u_1 = u$ on c_1 , $u_1 = 0$ on c_2 and $u_2 = 0$ on c_1 , $u_2 = u$ on c_2

$$(i.e) u_1 = \begin{cases} u \text{ on } c_1 \\ 0 \text{ on } c_2 \end{cases}$$

$$u_2 = \begin{cases} 0 \text{ on } c_1 \\ u \text{ on } c_2 \end{cases}$$

Then $u = u_1 + u_2$

This implies $P_U = P_{U_1} + P_{U_2} \rightarrow (1)$

By continuity $U|\theta_0|=0$.

Now given $t > 0$

We can find c_1, c_2 such that $e^{i\theta_0}$ is a interior point of c_2 . $|u_2(\theta)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$ for $e^{i\theta} \in c_2 \rightarrow (2)$

By continuity $u(\theta_0) = 0$.Now given $t > 0$. We can find c_1, c_2 such that $e^{i\theta_0}$ is a interior point of c_2

$$P_{U_2}(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \right) u_2(\theta) d\theta$$

Further

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \right) &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \cdot \frac{e^{-i\theta} + \bar{z}}{e^{-i\theta} - \bar{z}} \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\theta} \cdot e^{-i\theta} + z e^{-i\theta} - \bar{z} e^{i\theta} - z \bar{z}}{(e^{i\theta} - z)(e^{-i\theta} - \bar{z})} \right) \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{1 - |z|^2 + z e^{-i\theta} - \bar{z} e^{i\theta}}{|e^{i\theta} - z|^2} \right) \rightarrow (A) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} z e^{-i\theta} - \bar{z} e^{i\theta} &= (a + ib)(\cos \theta - i \sin \theta) - (a - ib)(\cos \theta + i \sin \theta) \\ &= (a \cos \theta - ia \sin \theta + ib \cos \theta + b \sin \theta) - (a \cos \theta - ia \sin \theta + ib \cos \theta + b \sin \theta) \\ &= 2ib \cos \theta - 2ia \sin \theta \\ &= 2i(b \cos \theta - a \sin \theta) \end{aligned}$$

$z e^{-i\theta} - \bar{z} e^{i\theta}$ is purely imaginary .

Equation (A) becomes

$$\operatorname{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \right) = \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|e^{i\theta} - z|^2} < 1 \quad \rightarrow (B)$$

(i.e.,) multiplying by the conjugate both numerator and denominator has $|z| < 1$

$$\begin{aligned} |P_{U_2}(z)| &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |u_2(\theta)| d\theta \quad \rightarrow (2) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} |u_2(\theta)| \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} |u_2(\theta)|$$

$$= u_2(\theta)$$

Therefore $|P_{U_2}(z)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \rightarrow (3)$

Since u_1 is continuous and vanishes at $e^{i\theta_0}$ there exist $\delta > 0$ such that

(2) implies

$$|P_{U_2}(z)| \leq \frac{\epsilon}{2} \text{ for } |z - e^{i\theta}| < \delta$$

$$|P_{U_2}(z)| \leq |P_{U_1}(z)| + |P_{U_1}(z)| < \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

(i.e.), $\lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\theta_0}} P_U(z) = U(\theta_0)$

6.5 Reflection Principle

13. Theorem : Let Ω^+ be the part in the upper half plane of a symmetric region Ω , and let σ be the part of the real axis in Ω . Suppose that $V(x)$ is continuous in $\Omega^+ \cup \sigma$, harmonic in Ω^+ and zero on σ , then V has a harmonic extension to which satisfies the symmetry relation $V(\bar{z}) = -V(z)$. In the same situation, if V is the imaginary part of an analytic function $f(z)$ in Ω^+ , then $f(z)$ has an analytic extension which satisfies $f(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})}$

Proof: Consider the function $V: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ defined by

$$V(z) = \begin{cases} V(z) & \text{if } z \in \Omega^+ \\ 0 & \text{if } z \in \sigma \\ -V(z) & \text{if } z \in \Omega^- \end{cases}$$

Where $\Omega^- = \{z \in \Omega: \text{Im } z < 0\}$

To prove that V is harmonic in Ω .

For a point x_0 in σ . Consider a disk with centre x_0 contained in Ω and let P_v denote the poisson Integral with respect to this disk formed with bounded values v .

$$P_v(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \text{Re} \left(\frac{e^{i\theta} + z}{e^{i\theta} - z} \right) V(\theta) d\theta$$

From Schwarz theorem, the function $P_v(z)$ is harmonic for $|z| < 1$ and $\lim_{z \rightarrow e^{i\theta_0}} P_v(z) = v(\theta_0)$

Provided that V is continuous at θ_0 .

Consider the difference $V - P_V$.

$V - P_V$ is harmonic in the upper half of the disc. $V - P_V$ vanishes on the real diameter and consequently P_V is zero on the real diameter.

This together $V - P_V$ is zero on the boundary of upper half circle. The maximum and minimum principle implies that $V - P_V = 0$ in upper half disk. (i.e.,) $V = P_V$ in the upper half disk.

Therefore $V(z)$ is harmonic in whole disk. Hence $V(z)$ is harmonic in Ω .

Also, $V(\bar{z}) = -V(z)$. Now assume that V is the imaginary part of analytic function $f(z)$ in Ω^+ .

We have already extended V in the whole disk. Let $-u_0$ be the conjugate harmonic function of v in the same disk. We normalized so that $u_0 = \operatorname{Re}(f(z))$ in upper half.

Consider $u_0(z) = \overline{u_0(\bar{z})} - u_0(\bar{z})$ on the real diameter. It's clear that $\frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x} = 0$ also

$$\frac{\partial v_0}{\partial y} = 2 \left(\frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y} \right).$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial v_0}{\partial y} = 2 \left(\frac{-\partial v}{\partial x} \right) = -2 \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) = 0$$

It follows that the analytic function $\frac{\partial u_0}{\partial x} - i \frac{\partial u_0}{\partial y}$ vanishes on the real axis and hence identical.

Therefore u_0 is a constant and this constant is evidently zero.

$$\therefore u_0(z) = u_0(\bar{z}).$$

14. Theorem : State and prove the reflection principle (or) Symmetry principle.

Statement:

(i) If $u(z)$ is harmonic function in Ω then $u(\bar{z})$ is a harmonic function in Ω^* .

(ii) If $f(z)$ is analytic function in Ω then $\overline{f(\bar{z})}$ is an analytic function in Ω^* obtained by reflecting Ω in real axis (i.e.,) $z \in \Omega^*$ if and only if $\bar{z} \in \Omega$.

Proof: consider the case of symmetric region $\Omega = \Omega^*$.

Since Ω is connected it must intersect the real axis along atleast one open interval.

Assume that $f(z)$ is analytic in Ω and real on atleast one interval of the real axis.

Since $f(z) - \overline{f(\bar{z})}$ is analytic and vanishes on an interval it must be identically zero.

$$f(z) - \overline{f(\bar{z})} = 0$$

$$f(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})} \text{ in } \Omega.$$

We know that, $f = u + iv$

$$u(z) = u(\bar{z}), v(z) = -v(\bar{z}).$$

Ω^+ = The intersection of Ω in the upper half plane.

σ = The intersection of Ω with real axis.

Suppose that $f(z)$ is defined on $\Omega^+ \cup \sigma$ analytic in Ω^+ , continuous and real on σ

By symmetry condition $f(z) = \overline{f(\bar{z})}$.
