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Math 4200

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We're in the middle of proving the maximum modulus principle, via the mean value property.

Theorem: $A \subset \mathbb{C}$, A open, connected, bounded
 $f: A \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ analytic, $f: \bar{A} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ continuous.

Let $M = \max \{ |f(z)| : z \in \bar{A} \}$.

Then $M = \max \{ |f(z)| : z \in \partial A \}$ (max occurs on the bdy).

Furthermore, if $\exists z_0 \in A$ s.t. $|f(z_0)| = M$ then f is constant, $f(z) \equiv f(z_0)$

pf: It suffices to show that if $\exists z_0 \in A$ s.t. $|f(z_0)| = M$, then f is constant.

Let $B = \{ z \in A : |f(z)| = M \}$. We ^{first} show B is open and closed in A , which implies $B = A$. } Step 1

Then we show that

$|f(z)| \equiv M \Rightarrow f(z) \equiv f(z_0)$. } Step 2

Step 1
pf: B is not empty, since $z_0 \in B$.

B is closed: (in A): Let $\{z_k\} \subset B$, $z_k \rightarrow z \in A$. Then $|f(z_k)| = M$, f is cont $\Rightarrow |f(z)| = M \Rightarrow z \in B$. ■

B is open: Let $z_1 \in B$, $D(z_1; R) \subset A$. We show $D(z_1; R) \subset B$:

pf: Let $0 < r < R$.

$$\text{MVP} \Rightarrow f(z_1) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} f(z_1 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

$$\Rightarrow M = |f(z_1)| \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(z_1 + re^{i\theta})| d\theta \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} M d\theta = M$$

Thus $|f(z_1 + re^{i\theta})| = M$

$\forall 0 < r < R, 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$

If $|f(z_1 + re^{i\theta})|$ is NOT $\equiv M$ ($0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$) then this is a strict inequality which would be a contradiction.

This follows from the real analysis

Lemma: Let $g(t) \leq M$ on $[a, b]$
 $g \in C([a, b])$.

Then $\int_a^b g(t) dt \leq M(b-a)$

with equality iff $g(t) \equiv M, a \leq t \leq b$.

Step 2 $|f(z)| \equiv M \Rightarrow f(z) \equiv f(z_0)$

pf: (better than before).

Write $f = u + iv$.

Then $|f|^2 = M^2 = u^2 + v^2$. If $M = 0$ then $f(z) \equiv 0$ & done.

Else, $2(uu_x + vv_x) \equiv 0$
 $2(uu_y + vv_y) \equiv 0$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{bmatrix} u_x & v_x \\ u_y & v_y \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u \\ v \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Thus matrix is singular!

$\text{CR} \Rightarrow \det$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_x & v_x \\ u_y & v_y \end{bmatrix} = \det \begin{bmatrix} u_x & v_x \\ u_y & v_y \end{bmatrix} = u_x^2 + v_x^2 (= u_y^2 + v_y^2)$$

$= |f'(z)|^2$. Thus $f' \equiv 0$
 so $f \equiv f(z_0)$.

Exercise 1: Suppose two analytic functions on A are continuous on $\bar{A}$,
and have the same values on ∂A .

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What can you say about the two functions? (A is bounded/
open, connected)

Sol'n: Let f & g be these two functions.

Then $h = f - g$ is analytic. $h = 0$ on $\partial A \Rightarrow |h| = 0$ on $\partial A \Rightarrow |h| \equiv 0$ in A by maximum modulus principle.

Thus $h \equiv 0$, i.e. $f \equiv g$!

Exercise 2 If u is harmonic (and C^2) on A and continuous on $\bar{A}$, (A is bd, open, connected)
what can you say about $M = \max \{u(z), z \in \bar{A}\}$
 $m = \min \{u(z), z \in \bar{A}\}$?

Ans: M & m are attained on the boundary. If either is attained as ~~at~~ $u(z_0)$ with $z_0 \in A$, then u is constant!

proof: in case $\exists z_0 \in A$ with $u(z_0) = M$, show $B := \{z \in A \text{ s.t. } u(z) = M\}$ is open and closed in A .

B closed in A ✓

B open in A : let $z_1 \in B$, $D(z_1; R) \subset A$.

Write analogous ineq to page 1: let $0 < r < R$

$$M = u(z_1) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z_1 + re^{i\theta}) d\theta \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} M d\theta = M$$

in case $\exists z_0 \in A$ with $u(z_0) = m$,

proof is same, except $\geq$ replaces $\leq$

strict ineq unless $u(z_1 + re^{i\theta}) = M$
 $\forall 0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$.

Exercise 3. The Dirichlet Problem for harmonic functions is:

let $A \subset \mathbb{C}$, ∂A piecewise C^1 . let $f: \partial A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be continuous (the boundary values).

Find $u \in C^2(A) \cap C(\bar{A})$ s.t.

$$\begin{cases} \Delta u = 0 & \text{in } A \\ u = f & \text{on } \partial A. \end{cases}$$

Why can there be at most 1 solution to the Dirichlet Problem?

ans Because if u, v are 2 sol's then $w = u - v$ is also harmonic and is zero on the boundary. Thus $m = 0 = M$ so $w \equiv 0$; so $u \equiv v$ ■

There's an analogous formula to the Cauchy integral formula for harmonic functions. ③
In the case the domain is a disk it's called the Poisson Integral formula:

Let u be harmonic on $D(0; r)$, continuous on $\overline{D(0; r)}$. Then for $\rho < r$,

$$u(\rho e^{i\theta}) = \frac{r^2 - \rho^2}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{u(re^{i\theta})}{r^2 - 2\rho r \cos(\theta - \phi) + \rho^2} d\theta$$

pf: We'd like to just take the real part of C.I.F.

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=r} \frac{f(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta, \quad |z| < r \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{f(re^{it})}{re^{it} - z} r e^{it} dt \end{aligned}$$

In fact, if $u(re^{i\theta}) := f(re^{i\theta})$
 $0 \leq \theta \leq 2\pi$,
this formula gives a (unique) soln to Dirichlet Problem, provided f is continuous

but, unfortunately, u & v get jumbled on RHS.

A mysterious ("reflection point") trick saves us.

For $|z| < r$ define $\tilde{z} = \frac{r^2}{\bar{z}}$ ($= \frac{r^2}{\bar{z}}$), the "reflection" of z through the circle $|\zeta| = r$



then

$$f(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|\zeta|=r} f(\zeta) \left(\frac{1}{\zeta - z} - \frac{1}{\zeta - \tilde{z}} \right) d\zeta \quad \text{because } I(\gamma; \tilde{z}) = 0!$$

inscrutable calculation: $|\zeta| = r$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\zeta - z} - \frac{1}{\zeta - \tilde{z}} &= \frac{1}{\zeta - z} - \frac{1}{\zeta - \frac{r^2}{\bar{z}}} \\ &= \frac{1}{\zeta - z} - \frac{\bar{z}}{\zeta \bar{z} - r^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{\zeta - z} - \frac{\bar{z}}{\zeta(\bar{z} - \bar{z})} \\ &= \frac{1}{\zeta - z} + \frac{\bar{z}}{\zeta(\bar{z} - \bar{z})} \\ &= \frac{\zeta(\bar{z} - \bar{z}) + \bar{z}(\zeta - z)}{\zeta|\zeta - z|^2} \\ &= \frac{|\zeta|^2 - |z|^2}{\zeta|\zeta - z|^2} \end{aligned}$$

so, using calc. at left (and writing $z = \rho e^{i\theta}$)

$$(u + iv)(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^{2\pi} f(re^{i\theta}) \left(\frac{r^2 - |z|^2}{|re^{i\theta} - \rho e^{i\theta}|^2} \right) \frac{1}{re^{i\theta}} d\theta$$

Now, take real part:

$$u(\rho e^{i\theta}) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{(r^2 - \rho^2) u(re^{i\theta})}{(r \cos \theta - \rho \cos \phi)^2 + (r \sin \theta - \rho \sin \phi)^2} d\theta$$

gives *

assuming u harmonic on A , $\overline{D(0; r)} \subset A$,
since we can construct open conjugate v .

Limiting argument gives P.I.F.