

## Examples of subharmonic functions.

1. If  $f \in \text{Hol}(\Omega)$ , then  $\ln|f| \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$ :

• If  $f(z_0) \neq 0$ , then  $\ln|f|$  is harmonic in a neighborhood of  $z_0$ .

$$\Rightarrow \ln|f(z_0)| = \frac{1}{\pi r^2} \iint_{|z-z_0| < r} \ln|f(z)| dA(z).$$

• If  $f(z_0) = 0$ ,

$$-\infty = \ln|f(z_0)| \leq \frac{1}{\pi r^2} \iint_{|z-z_0| < r} \ln|f(z)| dA(z).$$

2. If  $f \in \text{Harm}(\Omega)$ ,  $p \geq 1$ , then  $|f|^p$  is SH:

$$\cdot |f(z_0)|^p = \left( \int_{|z-z_0|=r} f(z) \frac{|dz|}{2\pi r} \right)^p \leq \left( \int_{|z-z_0|=r} |f| \frac{|dz|}{2\pi r} \right)^p \leq \int_{|z-z_0|=r} |f|^p \frac{|dz|}{2\pi} \cdot \left( \int_{|z-z_0|=r} \frac{|dz|}{2\pi} \right)^{\frac{p-1}{p}}.$$

3. If  $f \in \text{Hol}(\Omega)$   $p > 0$ , then  $|f|^p \in \text{SH}$ :

Lemma, If  $v \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$ ,  $\varphi: [-\infty, \infty) \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty)$ ,  $\varphi \uparrow$   
convex, continuous at  $-\infty$ ,  
then  $\varphi \circ v \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$ .

So, if we apply this lemma to  $v = \ln|f|$  and  $\varphi(t) = e^t$ , then we get  $|f|^p \in \text{SH}$ .

Lemma (Jensen's inequality)

$$X, \mu, \mu(X) = 1, \quad v: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R},$$

$$\varphi: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ convex.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \varphi\left(\int_X v d\mu\right) \leq \int_X \varphi(v) d\mu.$$

## Harmonic majorant & conformal invariance.

def of HP,

$$v \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$$

$$\exists u \text{ s.t. } u \in \text{Harm}(\Omega) \quad v \leq u.$$

Prop.  $v \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$ ,  $v$  has a harmonic majorant.

$\Rightarrow \exists!$  least harmonic majorant of  $v$ .

sketch of

the proof.

$$u(z) = \inf \{ f(z) : -f \text{ subharmonic, } f \geq v \}$$

$$= -\sup \{ g(z) : g \text{ subharmonic, } g \leq -v \} \quad \text{let } g = -f.$$

Clearly, if  $u \in \text{Harm}(\Omega)$  &  $v \leq u$ , then  $u \in U$ ,  $\forall z \in \Omega$ .

Want to show that  $u$  is harmonic.

Lemma,  $g_\alpha \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$ ,  $G(z) = \sup_\alpha g_\alpha(z)$ .

$\Rightarrow \forall z_0 \in \Omega \forall r$  s.t.  $D(z_0, r) \subset \Omega$

$$G(z_0) = \int_{|z-z_0|=r} G(z) \frac{|dz|}{2\pi r}$$

pf. Exercise.

Lemma,  $G(z) = \sup \{g(z) : g(z) \in \text{SH}(\Omega), g \leq -v\}$ .

$\forall D(z_0, r) \subset \Omega$ ,  $\tilde{G}(z) = \begin{cases} G(z) & z \in D(z_0, r) \\ \text{Harmonic extension} \\ \text{of } G|_{|z-z_0|=r} \text{ to } D(z_0, r). \end{cases}$

$\Rightarrow \tilde{G}(z) \leq -v$ .

(Easy to check  $\tilde{G} \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$ .)

( $\Rightarrow \tilde{G} = G$ .)

see ex. 2 in HW assignment 2 for details

This is "Perron process".

Ex.  $\Omega = \mathbb{D}$ .

$v \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$ .

$u_r$  on  $D_r = \{z : |z| < r\}$ .

$\uparrow$  Harmonic extension of  $v|_{|z|=r}$  by Poisson integral formula.

$z \in \mathbb{D}$ ,  $u_r(z) \uparrow u(z)$   $r > |z|$ .

$\Rightarrow u(z)$  - harmonic or  $\equiv \infty$

(Why?  $z_0 \in \mathbb{D}$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,  $\overline{D(z_0, \varepsilon)} \subset \mathbb{D}$ )

$\Rightarrow \overline{D(z_0, \varepsilon)} \subset D_r \quad \forall r > r_0$ , ( $r_0 < 1$ ),

$$u_r(z_0) = \int_{|z-z_0|=\varepsilon} u_r(z) \frac{|dz|}{2\pi\varepsilon}$$

$r \rightarrow 1$   $\downarrow$   $\downarrow$  Monotone Convergence Theorem.

$$u(z_0) = \int_{|z-z_0|=\varepsilon} u(z) \frac{|dz|}{2\pi\varepsilon}$$

Def.  $\Omega$

$H^p(\Omega) = \{f \in \text{Hol}(\Omega) \text{ s.t. } |f|^p \text{ has harmonic majorant}\}$ ,

Fix  $z_0 \in \Omega$ ,  $\|f\|_{HP}^p = u(z_0)$ . ... Norm of  $H^p(\Omega)$ . (Different choice of  $z_0 \Rightarrow$  different norm.)  
 $\Rightarrow$  But equivalent

If  $\Omega = \mathbb{D}$ ,  $z_0 = 0$ , then  $H^p(\Omega)$  is a classical  $H^p$  space.