

Harmonic functions.

The function 'u' is said to be harmonic in a domain

$$D, \text{ if } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 0 \quad \{\text{Laplace eqn } \nabla^2 u = 0\}.$$

Similarly the function 'v' is said to be harmonic in a

$$\text{domain 'D' if } \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = 0.$$

Problems.

1. Show that $u = x^2 - y^2$ is harmonic.

Soln:- Given, $u = x^2 - y^2$.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 2x, \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -2y.$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = 2, \quad \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = -2.$$

$$\text{Consider, } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = 2 - 2 = 0.$$

\therefore The given funⁿ is harmonic.

2. S.T $v = 2xy$ & $u = \frac{1}{2} \log(x^2 + y^2)$ is harmonic

Soln:- (i) Given, $v = 2xy$.

$$v_x \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = 2y, \quad \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 2x$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} = 0 \right\rangle \quad \left\langle \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = 0 \right\rangle$$

$$\text{Consider, } \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = 0 + 0 = 0.$$

\therefore The funⁿ $v = 2xy$ is harmonic.

Given, $u = \frac{1}{2} \log(x^2 + y^2)$.

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2} (2x) \quad , \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{x^2 + y^2} (2y)$$

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

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(1) - x(2x)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{(x^2 + y^2)(1) - y(2y)}{(x^2 + y^2)^2}$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \right\rangle$$

$$\left\langle \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} \right\rangle$$

Consider,

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{y^2 - x^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} + \frac{x^2 - y^2}{(x^2 + y^2)^2} = 0$$

\therefore The given funⁿ is harmonic.

Theorem 3:- P.T the real & imaginary parts of analytic funⁿ are harmonic.
(or).

P.T the real & imaginary parts of analytic funⁿ satisfies Laplace Eqⁿ.

Proof:- let $f(z) = u + iv$ be the analytic funⁿ.

$$\text{Then, } \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \& \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

D.B Spwrt 'x'.

D.B Spwrt 'y'.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$-\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$\text{From (1) \& (2), } \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = -\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

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

$\therefore u$ is harmonic.

i.e., Real part of analytic funⁿ is harmonic.

Consider,

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y}$$

&

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

Differentiate w.r.t 'y'.

Differentiate w.r.t 'x'.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = -\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

From (3) & (4).

$$\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = -\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} = 0$$

$\therefore v$ is harmonic.

i.e., Imaginary part of analytic funⁿ is harmonic.