

Example: Bessel

$$J_n(x) = \int_0^1 \cos(n\pi t - x \sin(\pi t)) dt.$$

$$= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \int_0^1 e^{n\pi i t} e^{-ix \sin(\pi t)} dt \right\}$$

$$\varphi(t) = -\sin(\pi t), \quad f(t) = e^{n\pi i t}$$

In  $[0,1]$ ,  $\varphi(t)$  is stationary only at  $a = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\varphi'(t) = -\pi \cos(\pi t)$$

$$\varphi'(a) = -\pi \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \neq 0$$

$$\varphi''(t) = \pi^2 \sin(\pi t)$$

$$\varphi''(a) = \pi^2 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \pi^2 \neq 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P=2$$

$$\begin{aligned} I(x) &\sim \operatorname{Re} \left\{ e^{n\pi i/2} e^{i(-x + \pi/4)} \left( \frac{2!}{x\pi^2} \right)^{1/2} \frac{\Gamma(1/2)}{2} \right\} \\ &= \operatorname{Re} \left\{ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi x}} \exp \left[ -i \left( x - \frac{n\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \right] \right\} \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi x}} \cos \left( x - \frac{n\pi}{2} - \frac{\pi}{4} \right) \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

Example: Waves of Klein-Gordon

$$E^2 - p^2 = m^2$$

$$u(x,t) = a e^{i(kx - \omega t)}$$

Harmonic wave

$k$ := Wave number

$\omega$ := frequency

For dispersive media we consider  $\omega = \omega(k)$

A continuous super-position of waves brings

$$u(x,t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(k) e^{i(kx - \omega(k)t)} dk$$

We want to apply the principle of stationary phase for the case  $t \rightarrow \infty$  and fixed ratio.

$$V := \frac{x}{t}$$

First consider the "group velocity".

In the discrete case:

$$U(x,t) = a_0(x,t) e^{i(\bar{k}x - \bar{\omega}t)}$$

where

$$a_0(x,t) = 2 A_0 e^{i(k_m x - \omega_m t)}$$

is the resulting amplitude.

$$V_g := - \left( \frac{\partial a_0(x,t)/\partial t}{\partial a_0(x,t)/\partial x} \right) = \frac{\omega_m}{k_m} \frac{1/2 (\omega_2 - \omega_1)}{1/2 (k_2 - k_1)} = \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta k}$$

In the appropriate limit

$$V_g = \frac{d\omega}{dk}$$

We want to consider stationary points such that  $\omega'(k) = 0$ .

Label one such point  $\xi$ .

$$\rightarrow U(x,t) \sim (a(\xi) e^{ix\xi}) e^{-i\omega(\xi)t + i(\pi/4)\operatorname{sgn}(\omega''(\xi))} \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2t|\omega''(t)|}}$$

Consider now the Klein-Gordon equation

$$U_{tt} - \gamma^2 U_{xx} + C^2 U = 0, \quad t > 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}$$

such that  $U(x,0)$  and  $U_t(x,0)$  are specified.

$$U(k,t) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ikx} U(x,t) dx$$

Fourier transform in  $x$ .

$$U(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} U(k,t) dk$$

$$U_{tt} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} \frac{\partial^2 U(k,t)}{\partial t^2} dk$$

$$U_{xx} = \frac{-k^2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} U(k,t) dk.$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\partial^2 U(k,t)}{\partial t^2} + (\gamma^2 k^2 + c^2) U(k,t) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow U(k,t) = A_+(k) e^{i\sqrt{\gamma^2 k^2 + c^2} t} + A_- e^{-i\sqrt{\gamma^2 k^2 + c^2} t}$$

$A_{\pm}(k)$  fixed by initial conditions.

$$\text{Define } \omega_{\pm} := \pm\sqrt{\gamma^2 k^2 + c^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow U(x,t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_+(k) e^{i(\omega_+(k)t - kx)} dk.$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} A_-(k) e^{i(\omega_-(k)t - kx)} dk.$$

Both integrals are of the form previously seen, thus we already know its asymptotic behaviour!

## Steepest descent method.

$$I(\lambda) = \int_C f(z) e^{\lambda \varphi(z)} dz$$

Complex integral.

$f(z)$  and  $\varphi(z)$  are analytic,  $\lambda$  large positive parameter, and  $C$  contour of integration.

Idea: Deform the contour of integration  $C$  into a new contour  $C^*$  such that.

I)  $C^*$  passes through one more zeros of  $\varphi'(z)$

II) The imaginary part of  $\varphi(z)$  is constant on  $C^*$

Write  $z := x + iy$ ,  $\varphi(z) = u(x, y) + iv(x, y)$ .

First "recall",  $\varphi(z)$  is analytic.

- Cauchy-Riemann:

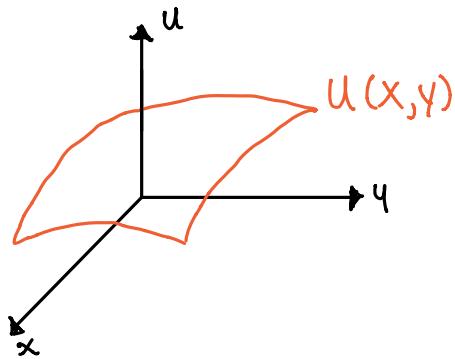
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$$

- $\nabla^2 u = 0 \longrightarrow u$  is harmonic.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) &= \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x \partial y} = \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y \partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right) \\ &= -\frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \end{aligned}$$

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

Suppose we consider a 3D space coordinates  $(x, y, u)$ , the  $u = u(x, y)$  defines a surface  $S$



Suppose that  $z_0 = x_0 + iy_0$  is a zero for  $\varphi'(z)$ , that is,  $\varphi'(z_0) = 0$ .

Following Cauchy-Riemann

$$\varphi(z) = u_x + iv_x = u_x - iu_y$$

at  $z_0$

$$\varphi(z_0) = 0 = u_x - iu_y$$

$$\implies u_x(x_0, y_0) = 0 = u_y(x_0, y_0)$$

That is,  $(x_0, y_0)$  is a critical point for the real function  $u(x_0, y_0)$ .

**Theorem:** Let  $u(x, y)$  be a harmonic function on a bounded region  $\Omega$ , then an isolated critical point of  $u$  in  $\Omega$  cannot give a relative max or min of  $u$ .

**Proof:** Let  $p$  be an isolated critical point and suppose  $p$  gives a local max for  $u$ . Thus  $u(q) \leq u(p)$  if  $q \in \Omega$  in a neighbourhood of  $p$ . Now, for  $\epsilon > 0$ , we may consider the level surface

$$S = \{ q \in B / u(q) = u(p) - \varepsilon \}$$

where  $B$  is a closed ball about  $p$  such that  $\nabla u(q) \neq 0$  and  $u(q) \geq u(p) - \varepsilon$ ,  $q \neq p$ .

Thus the outer unit normal to  $S$  is given by

$$\hat{n} = -\frac{\nabla u}{|\nabla u|}, \text{ at each point of } S$$

*minus sign needed to denote the direction of greatest increase.*

$$\Rightarrow \iint_S \nabla u \cdot \hat{n} dS < 0, \text{ but the divergence theorem.}$$

$$\iint_S \nabla u \cdot \hat{n} dS = \iiint_E \nabla^2 u dV = 0 \quad E \text{ region bounded by } S$$

$\Rightarrow p$  cannot denote a local max. Similarly, it cannot denote a local min.

$\therefore p$  must be a saddle point.

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In hour notation  $p = (x_0, y_0)$ .

In order to get the condition  $u(x, y) = \text{constant}$  on  $C^*$ , we will consider a curve  $\gamma$  such that points in  $\gamma$  are parametrized by a parameter  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  as

$$x = x(s), \quad y = y(s), \quad u = u(s) = u(x(s), y(s))$$

In particular, one may consider  $s$  as the arc-length of the curve  $\gamma$ .

$$\Rightarrow dx^2 + dy^2 = ds^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{dx}{ds}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{ds}\right)^2 = 1$$

Define a parameter  $\theta$  by introducing.

$$\cos(\theta) = \frac{dx}{ds} , \quad \sin(\theta) = \frac{dy}{ds}.$$

and thus

$$\frac{du}{ds} = \frac{du}{dx} \frac{dx}{ds} + \frac{du}{dy} \frac{dy}{ds} = u_x \cos(\theta) + u_y \sin(\theta).$$

The steepness of the curve  $(x(s), y(s), u(s))$  is measured with the  $u$ -axis by introducing an angle  $\alpha$ .

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{du/ds}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{ds}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{ds}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{du}{ds}\right)^2}} = \frac{du/ds}{\sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{du}{ds}\right)^2}}$$

**Note:** If we have tricky functions, we need to approach by all directions just to prove that this function is differentiable in one point.

We need to find two directions to prove this.