

Problem 7:

Let $u \in C^0(\Omega)$.

Let u be subharmonic in Ω . Then u satisfies the mean value properties for any ball compactly contained in Ω ; it is clear that this implies that u satisfies the mean value properties locally.

Now, let u satisfy the mean value properties locally. Fix $y \in \Omega$. Then there is a $\delta > 0$ such that $u(y) \leq \frac{1}{n\omega_n R^{n-1}} \int_{\partial B_R(y)} u ds$ for all $R \leq \delta$.

So, on $B_R(y)$, we have:

$$u(y) \leq \frac{1}{n\omega_n R^{n-1}} \int_{\partial B_R(y)} u ds$$

Problem 9:

Let $u \in C^2(\Omega)$.

First, $\Delta u \geq 0$ in Ω , if and only if u is subharmonic in Ω , by definition.

Next: let u be subharmonic in Ω . Then $\Delta u \geq 0$ in Ω . Let $\phi \geq 0$ be a function in $C_c^2(\Omega)$. So

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} u \Delta \phi dx &= \int_{\Omega} \phi \Delta u dx + \int_{\partial \Omega} u \partial_{\nu} \phi - \phi \partial_{\nu} u dS \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \phi \Delta u dx \quad (\text{Note: } \phi \text{ vanishes on } \partial \Omega, \text{ as } \phi \text{ has compact support.}) \\ &\geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

That is, u is weakly subharmonic if u is subharmonic.

Now, let u be weakly subharmonic. Then for any $\phi \geq 0$ with $\phi \in C_c^2(\Omega)$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{\Omega} u \Delta \phi dx &= \int_{\Omega} \phi \Delta u dx + \int_{\partial \Omega} u \partial_{\nu} \phi - \phi \partial_{\nu} u dS \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \phi \Delta u dx\end{aligned}$$

Thus, the three conditions given are equivalent.