

# Conformal Mapping

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Suppose you want to solve

$$\nabla^2 \psi = 0 \Rightarrow \psi_{xx} + \psi_{yy} = 0 \text{ in}$$

some domain  $D$ .

Let  $u = u(x, y)$   
 $v = v(x, y)$  be a transformation

such that  $D \rightarrow D'$  where  
 $D'$  is simpler.

Carry out derivations etc. to obtain.

$$\psi_x = \psi_u u_x + \psi_v v_x$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (u_x^2 + u_y^2) \psi_{uu} + (u_x v_x + u_y v_y) (\psi_{uv} + \psi_{vu}) \\ & + (v_x^2 + v_y^2) \psi_{vv} + (u_{xx} + u_{yy}) \psi_u + \\ & + (v_{xx} + v_{yy}) \psi_v = 0 \end{aligned}$$

We made the PDE horrible!  
but if we require.

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$$1) \quad \left. \begin{aligned} u_x &= v_y \\ u_y &= -v_x \end{aligned} \right\} \text{Cauchy Riemann relations!}$$

Then the second term of the above equation vanishes.

$$2) \quad u, v \in C^2 \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} u_{xy} &= u_{yx} \\ v_{xy} &= v_{yx} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} u_{xx} + u_{yy} &= v_{yx} - v_{xy} = 0 \\ v_{xx} + v_{yy} &= -u_{yx} + u_{xy} = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  We get

$$(u_x^2 + u_y^2) (\Psi_{uu} + \Psi_{vv}) = 0$$

$$\text{But } u_x^2 + u_y^2 = u_x u_x + u_y u_y = \\ = \underbrace{u_x v_y - u_y v_x}_{\neq 0} \neq 0$$

Because  $J\left(\frac{u, v}{x, y}\right) \neq 0$

So

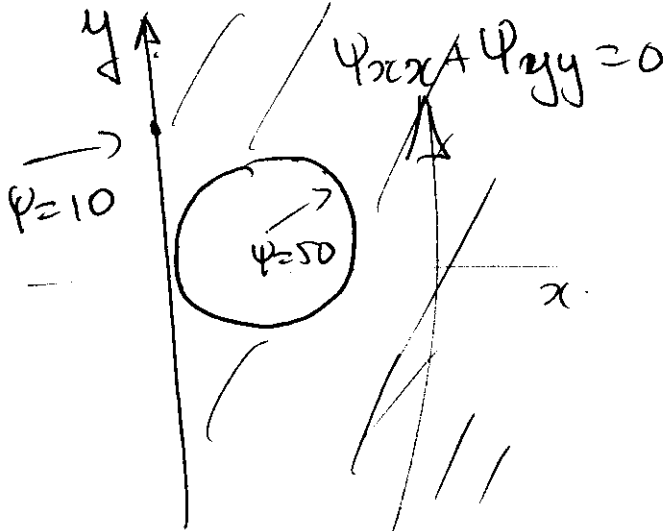
$$3) \quad J\left(\frac{u, v}{x, y}\right) \neq 0 \quad \left( \text{Implicit function theorem} \Rightarrow u, v \text{ have inverse!!!} \right)$$

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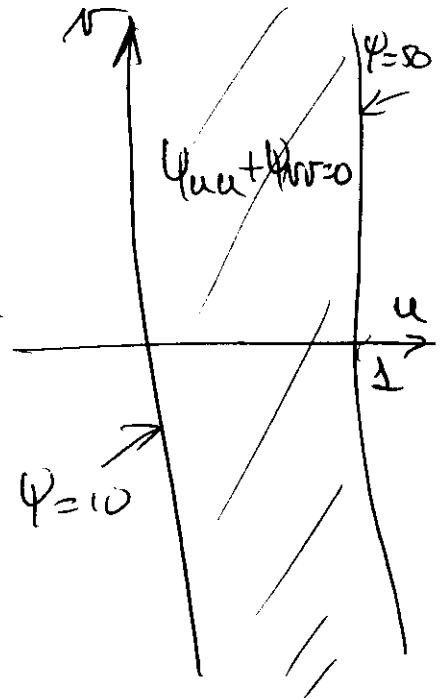
$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\Psi_{uu} + \Psi_{vv} = 0}$$

$\text{in } D!$

### Example



$$w = f(z) = \frac{1}{z}$$



Cannot be solved  
by separation of  
variables!

Nor by Laplace or Fourier  
Transform. (Why?)

Fourier  
transform  
will work  
here!

Indeed:  $\Psi_{uu} + \Psi_{vv} = \Psi_{uu}$  because there are  
no BC on  $v$ .

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$$\Rightarrow \psi = 10 + 40\mu.$$

$$\mu + i\nu = \frac{1}{x+iy} = \frac{x-iy}{x-iy} \frac{1}{x+iy} = \frac{x-iy}{x^2+y^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \mu = \frac{x}{x^2+y^2} \\ \nu = -\frac{y}{x^2+y^2} \end{array} \right.$$

$$\Rightarrow \psi = 10 + \frac{40x}{x^2+y^2}$$

Remarkably  
Simple!!

## Bilinear transformation

$$w = \frac{az+b}{cz+d}$$

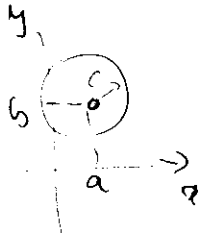
Analytic  
everywhere  
except at  
 $z = -d/c$

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Image regarding  
to be at  $\infty$

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How do circles map?

let  $(x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 = c^2$



let  $x = \frac{z + \bar{z}}{2}$      $y = \frac{z - \bar{z}}{2i}$

$\Rightarrow (x-a)^2 + (y-b)^2 = x^2 + y^2 - 2ax - 2by + a^2 + b^2 = c^2$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\underbrace{z\bar{z} - Az - \bar{A}\bar{z}}_{= a-ib} = \underbrace{B}_{c^2 - a^2 - b^2}$$

let

$z = \frac{1}{w}$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{1}{w\bar{w}} - \frac{A}{w} - \frac{\bar{A}}{\bar{w}} = B$$

$B \neq 0 \Rightarrow$

Multiply by  $w\bar{w}$ , divide by  $B$

$$w\bar{w} + \frac{\bar{A}}{B}w + \frac{A}{B}\bar{w} = \frac{1}{B}$$

Same form as  $z\bar{z} - Az - \bar{A}\bar{z} = B$   
 $\Rightarrow$  CIRCLE in  $w$ !

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$B = 0$

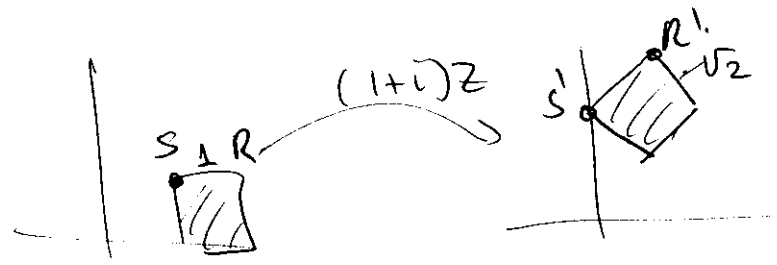
$1 - A\bar{w} - \bar{A}w = 0$

$A = a - ib$   
 $w = u + iv$   $\Rightarrow 1 - 2au + 2bv = 0$   
straight line

$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{z}$  makes  $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{circles} \rightarrow \text{circles} \\ \qquad \qquad \rightarrow \text{lines} \end{array} \right.$

or circles  $\rightarrow$  circles  
(line considered as a circle with  $\infty$  radius)

Finally  $w = Az$  rotation with scaling



$w = z + B$  translation (self evident)

$w = \frac{1}{z}$  inversion