

MATH 4581 Lecture 13 Tuesday Oct. 5, 2021

✓ calculus of variations

✓ directional derivatives

Fourier's Law: $\vec{\Phi} = -k \nabla u$

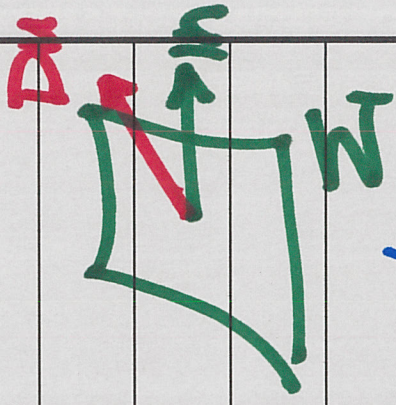
heat energy crossing Σ_1 per time

$$\nabla u = 0 \text{ on } B_a(0) \quad \int_{\Sigma_1} \vec{\Phi} \cdot \vec{n} = -k \int_{\Sigma_1} (\nabla u \cdot \vec{n})$$

• MEAN VALUE PROPERTY

• MAXIMUM PRINCIPLE

• MATHY DEFINITIONS "OPEN", "CLOSE", etc.



→ THE RATE OF CHANGE OF u
(TEMPERATURE) in the direction normal
to Σ_1

Superposition:

$L: A \rightarrow B$ operator (linear)

$$L(u+v) = Lu + Lv$$

$$L(au+bv) = aLu + bLv$$

If $Lu = 0$ and $Lv = 0$, then

$$L(au+bv) = 0.$$

APPLICATION If $\Delta u_j = 0$ for $j=1,2,3,\dots$

Then (maybe) $\Delta \left(\sum_{j \in I} a_j u_j \right) = 0$

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Another kind of superposition:

$$\text{If } (L u_j = f_j)$$

$$\text{Then (maybe) } L(\sum a_j u_j) = \sum a_j f_j$$

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inhomogeneous linear problem

MEAN VALUE PROPERTY:

$\Delta u = 0$ on $B_a(0) \subseteq \mathbb{R}^2$ ($n=2$)

" $\{ (x,y) : x^2 + y^2 < a^2 \}$
(ball of radius a in \mathbb{R}^2)

$u(r, \theta) = a_0 + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} a_j r^j \cos j\theta + \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} b_j r^j \sin j\theta$

$u(0, \cdot) = a_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(a, \theta) d\theta$

" $u|_{\partial B_a(0)}$

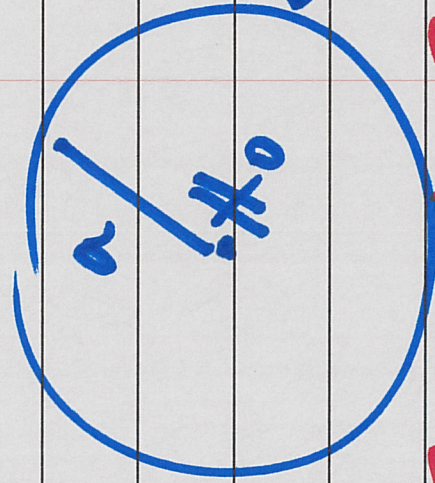
" $r=0$

In general: If $\Delta u = 0$ on \mathcal{U}

and $\overline{B_a(x_0)} \subseteq \mathcal{U}$, then

$$u(x_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi a} \int_{\partial B_a(x_0)} u$$

↑ average of u on $\partial B_a(x_0)$



MEAN VALUE PROPERTY

Integration on $\partial B_a(x_0)$ (integration on a circle)

$$\int_{\partial B_a(x_0)} u = \int_0^{2\pi} u \circ \gamma(t) \underbrace{\sigma dt}_{\text{scaling factor}}$$

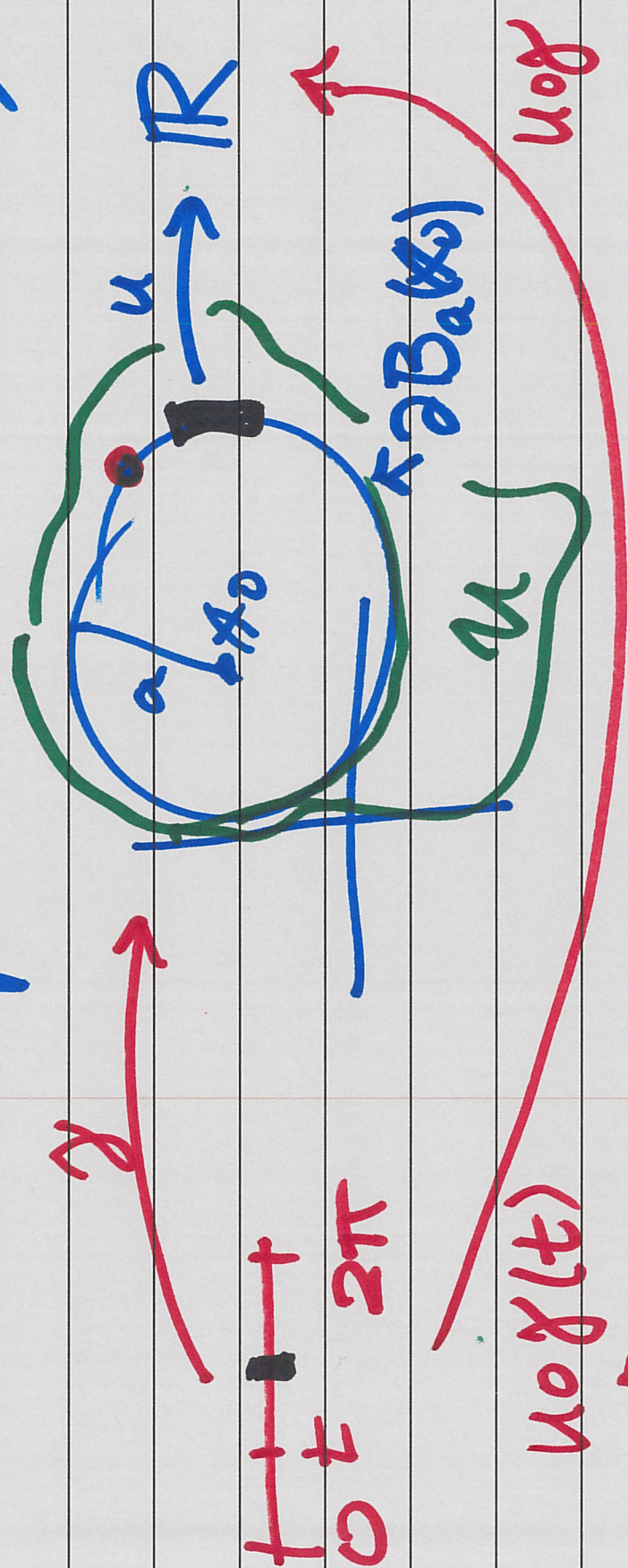
Parameterize the circle

$$\gamma(t) = (a \cos t, a \sin t) + x_0$$

$$\gamma: [0, 2\pi] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$$

↑ parameter domain

Function Composition (in this case):



The composition of u with γ

$$\int_{\partial B_a(x_0)} u = \int_0^{2\pi} u(\gamma(t)) \sigma \, dt$$

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 $u(a \cos t, a \sin t)$

$$\sum_1 u(P_j^*) \Delta A_j$$

$$\sum_1 u(\gamma(t_j^*)) \Delta t_j$$



What is the scaling factor σ ?

For curves:

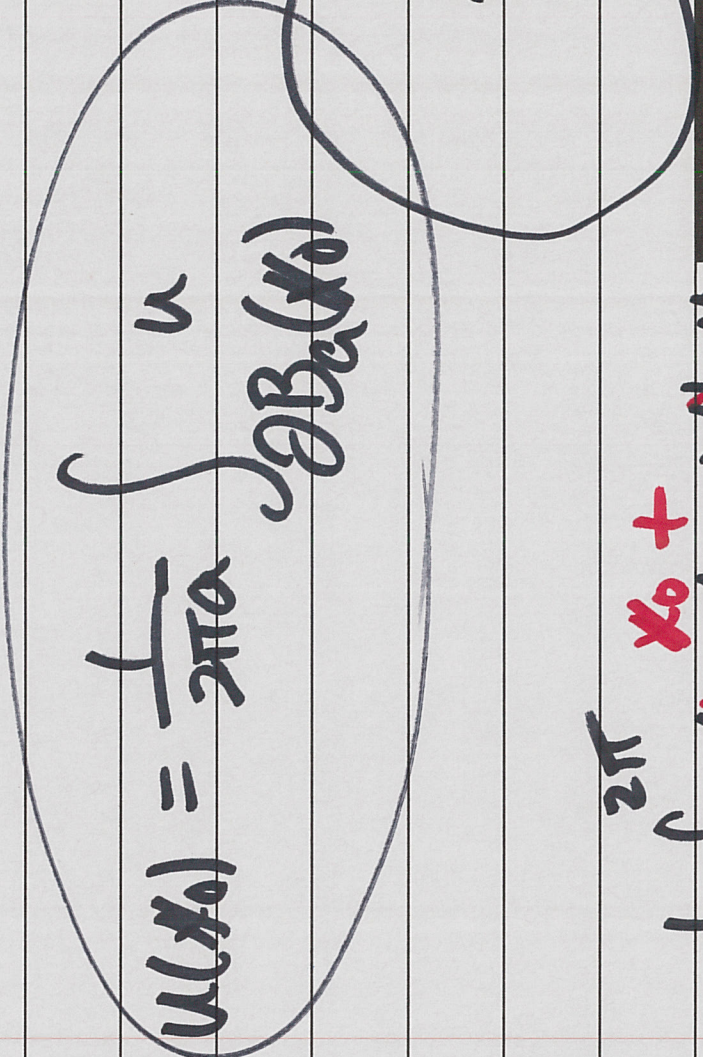
$$\sigma = |\gamma'(t)|$$

$$\gamma(t) = x_0 + (a \cos t, a \sin t), \quad \gamma'(t) = \underline{(-a \sin t, a \cos t)}$$

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$$\int \frac{u}{\partial B_a(x_0)} = \int_0^{2\pi} u(a \cos t, a \sin t) \cdot a dt$$

" σ



MV Prop:

$$u(x_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi a} \int_0^{2\pi} \partial B_a(x_0)$$

" In coordinates "

$$u(x_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(a \cos t, a \sin t) dt$$

Strong Maximum Principle:

If $\Delta u = 0$ on \mathcal{U} and \mathcal{U} is bounded and connected
And say u is continuous to $\partial\mathcal{U}$

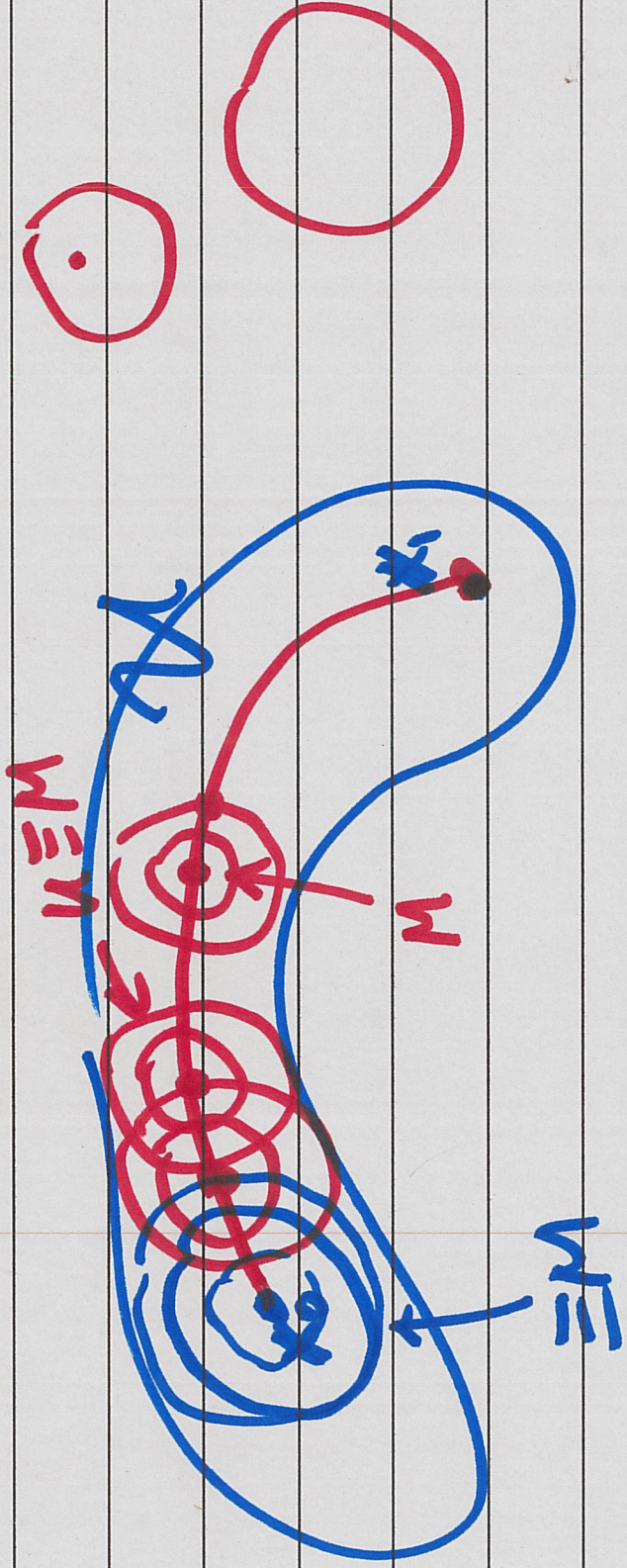
Then

$$u(x_0) < \max_{x \in \partial\mathcal{U}} u(x) \text{ for } x_0 \in \mathcal{U}$$

unless $u \equiv \text{constant}$. " \equiv " only if $u|_{\partial B_0(x_0)} \equiv M$.

Proof: $u(x_0) = \frac{1}{2\pi\alpha} \int_{\partial B_0(x_0)} u \leq M$

$M = \max_{\partial\mathcal{U}} u = \max_{\partial\mathcal{U}} u$



$$u(x) \equiv M \Leftrightarrow u \equiv M \equiv M$$