

# Lecture 17

Tuesday, March 10

$\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$  open domain

$u: \Omega \rightarrow [-\infty, \infty)$  is subharmonic if

①  $u$  is u.s.c. ( $u(z) \geq \lim_{\xi \rightarrow z} \overline{u(\xi)}$ )

②  $u$  satisfies the submean inequality:

$$u(z) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int u(z + re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$



Aim today: To prove the following claim:

a subharmonic iff  $\Delta u \geq 0$

$\Updownarrow$   
 $\Delta u$  is a positive measure.

Obs:  $u \equiv -\infty$  is NOT subharmonic

(This is just a convention)

$$\text{SH}(\Omega) \subseteq L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$$

Thm 4:  $u \in \text{SH}(\Omega)$ . For any ve  $C_c^2(\Omega)$  with compact support,  $r \geq 0$ , then

then  $\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} u \Delta v \geq 0$ .

Remark: In distribution theory,

$$u \in \text{SH}(\mathbb{R}^2) \Rightarrow \Delta u \geq 0.$$

$$(\Delta u, v) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} u \Delta v \geq 0.$$

Proof: Fix

$$0 < r < \text{dist}(\text{Supp}(v), \partial \mathbb{R}^2)$$

$$z \in \text{Supp}(v)$$

$$\text{for } z \in \text{Supp}(v)$$

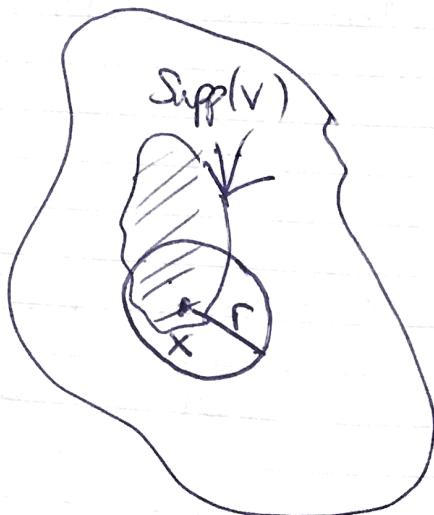
$$u(z) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z + re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

Multiply both sides

by  $v(z)$  to get,

and then integrate

$$\int u(z) v(z) d\text{Leb}(z) \leq \int \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z + re^{i\theta}) v(z) d\theta d\text{Leb}(z)$$



$\Rightarrow \int u(z) \left( \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} V(z - re^{i\theta}) d\theta - V(z) \right) d\theta \geq 0$   
 (after change of variables:  $z + re^{i\theta} \rightarrow z'$ .  
 Taylor expansion + divide  $\log(\frac{1}{r^2}) \sim$  get the result.

$$V(z+w) = V(z) + \frac{\partial V}{\partial x} x + \frac{\partial V}{\partial y} y + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x^2} x^2 + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial x \partial y} xy + \frac{\partial^2 V}{\partial y^2} y^2 \right) + O(u^3)$$

$$w = x + iy$$

$$w = re^{i\theta}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial y} = 0, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial xy} = 0$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^2} = \frac{r^2}{2}$$

$$\int u(z) \Delta V(z) + dr \geq 0.$$

Now let  $r \rightarrow 0$  to get the

result  $\int u(z) \Delta V(z) \geq 0$

which exactly proves  $\Delta u \geq 0$  ✓

Now, we will show the converse

Implication. First, we need to study regularization of subharmonic functions.

Thm 5:  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{S}^1)$ . Then

$u \in SH(\mathbb{S}^1)$  if and only if  $\Delta u \geq 0$ .  
Moreover, when  $\Delta u \geq 0$ , then for  
any  $z \in \mathbb{S}^1$ , the function

$$r \mapsto M(r, z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z + re^{i\theta}) d\theta$$

is non-decreasing

Proof: We just need to prove:

$\Delta u \geq 0 \Rightarrow$  submean value  
inequality.

We shall prove

$M(r, z)$  is non-decreasing.

Recall from previous page that  
we have already proved one of  
the implications:

$$u \in SH(\mathbb{S}^1) \Rightarrow \forall v \in C^2$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{S}^1} u \Delta v \geq 0 \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{S}^1} \Delta u \cdot v \geq 0$$

We use polar coordinates:

$$\Delta = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial \theta^2}$$

$$0 \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta (\Delta u(z+re^{i\theta}))$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \left( \frac{\partial^2}{\partial r^2} u(z+re^{i\theta}) + \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} u(z+re^{i\theta}) \right)$$

$$= M''(r, z) + \frac{1}{2} M'(r, z)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (rM'(r, z))$$

Thus, the function  $r \rightarrow rM'(r, z)$   
is non-decreasing.

As  $r \rightarrow 0$ ,  $rM'(r, z) \rightarrow 0$

and thus  $rM'(r) \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow M$  is non-decreasing!

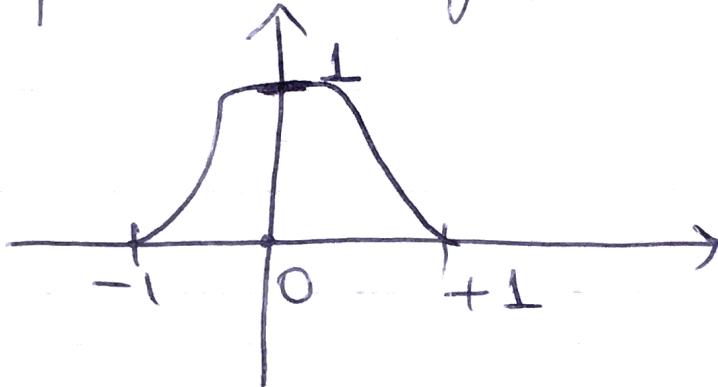
Remark: One can find other proofs  
in the literature, e.g. in Demailly's  
book based on the representation of  
harmonic functions using Poisson kernels.

We need to develop regularization techniques for subharmonic functions

$u \in SH(\Omega) \rightsquigarrow u * p_\varepsilon \in C^\infty \cap SH(\Omega)$   
and  $u * p_\varepsilon \searrow u$  as  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ .

### Choice of a regularizing Kernel

bump function  $p: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$



$C^\infty$ , and  $\text{supp}(p) \subseteq [-1, +1]$

and  $\int p = +1$  and we also

assume that  $p = +1$  in a neighborhood of 0.

Smoothing kernel

$$p_\varepsilon(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi\varepsilon^2} \varphi\left(\frac{|z|}{\varepsilon}\right)$$

Then,  $p_\varepsilon \in C^\infty$ ,  $\int p_\varepsilon = +1$

and  $\text{Supp}(p_\varepsilon) \subseteq D(0, \varepsilon)$

Thm 6: Take  $u \in SH(\mathbb{S}^1)$  and

define  $u_\varepsilon = u * p_\varepsilon$

$$u_\varepsilon(z) = \int u(z + \omega) p_\varepsilon(\omega) d\text{Leb}(\omega)$$

is  $C^\infty$ , subharmonic (whenever it is defined)

$$\text{on } \mathcal{S}_\varepsilon = \{z \mid \text{dist}(z, \partial \mathbb{S}^1) > \varepsilon\}$$

Moreover,

$$u_\varepsilon(z) \downarrow u(z) \text{ as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$$

pointwise convergence (not uniform)

Corollary:  $u \in SH(\mathbb{S}^1)$ . For any  $z \in \mathbb{S}^1$

$$r \rightarrow M(r, z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z + r e^{i\varphi}) d\varphi$$

is non-decreasing.

Proof: We know it is true for  $u_\varepsilon$ ,  
and so can apply monotone convergence  
theorem.  
(Assuming Theorem 6).  $\square$ .

## Proof of Thm 6

- $u_\varepsilon \in C^\infty$ ,  $\mu_\varepsilon \xrightarrow{\text{loc}} \mu$  convolution theory.
- $u_\varepsilon(z) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\mathbb{D}(0,1)} u(z + \varepsilon w) p(|w|) d\text{Leb}(w)$
- $= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^1 t dt \int_0^{2\pi} u(z + \varepsilon t e^{i\theta}) p(t) d\theta$   
 $\underbrace{\qquad\qquad\qquad}_{u}(st, z) M_u(st, z)$

Claim:  $u_\varepsilon$  satisfies the sub-mean value inequality

- $\mu = \text{measure } \geq 0 \text{ supported on } [0, \delta]$ .
- $u(z) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int d\mu(t) \int u(z + te^{i\theta}) d\theta$
- $u \leq u * \varphi_\mu$  since  $u \in SH(S^2)$   $\varphi_\mu(z) = \hat{\varphi}_\mu(|z|)$
- $\text{Formal computation}$  and  $t \hat{\varphi}_\mu(t) dt = d\mu(t)$

$$u * p_\varepsilon \leq (u * \varphi_\mu) * p_\varepsilon$$

because  $(u - u * \varphi_\mu) * p_\varepsilon \geq 0$

By change of variables formula,

$$(u * \varphi_\mu) * p_\varepsilon = (u * p_\varepsilon) * \varphi_\mu$$

$$\Rightarrow u * p_\varepsilon \leq (u * p_\varepsilon) * \varphi_\mu$$

$$\Rightarrow u \in \text{SH}(\Omega_\varepsilon)$$

$$u * p_\varepsilon * p_\eta = \int_0^1 M_{u_\varepsilon}(\eta t, z) + p(t) dt$$

true for  $\eta > 0$ .

Now,  $t \mapsto M_{u_\varepsilon}(\eta t, z)$  is non-decreasing.

and the right hand side above  $\downarrow u * p_\varepsilon$  as  $\eta \rightarrow 0$ . So we proved that

$$u * p_\varepsilon * p_\eta \downarrow u * p_\varepsilon \quad \text{as } \eta \downarrow 0$$

$\Rightarrow$  For  $\eta > 0$ ,  $u * p_\varepsilon * p_\eta \downarrow$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$ .

$\varepsilon \mapsto u * p_\varepsilon * p_\eta$  is non-decreasing

Let  $\eta \downarrow 0$ , get  $\varepsilon \mapsto u * p_\varepsilon$  is non-decreasing.

$u \in \text{SH}(\Omega) \Rightarrow u * p_\varepsilon \geq u(z)$  by

Submean value inequality.

• Since  $u$  is upper semi-continuous.  
 for  $\varepsilon \ll 1$ ,  $u * p_\varepsilon(z) \leq u(z) + \gamma$   
 for any  $z, \gamma > 0$ .

$$\underline{\gamma > 0} \quad u(z) * \gamma$$

$\{u < u(z) * \gamma\}$  open and containing  $z$ .

$\overset{u_1}{\text{P}}(z, \varepsilon)$  for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ .

Theorem 7:  $u \in L^1_{loc}$  such that

$\Delta u \geq 0$  (distribution theory)

( $\forall v \in C_0^2(\Omega)$ ,  $v \geq 0$

$$\int u \Delta v \geq 0$$

then there exists a unique  $\tilde{u} \in SH(\Omega)$   
 such that  $\tilde{u} = u$  a.e.

Proof: Take  $u_\varepsilon = u * p_\varepsilon$

$$\Rightarrow \int u_\varepsilon \Delta v \geq 0 \quad \forall v \in C_0^2 \quad v \geq 0$$

Integration by Parts

$$\Rightarrow \Delta u_\varepsilon \geq 0$$

thm 5

$$u_\varepsilon \in \text{SH}(\mathcal{S})$$

$$\Rightarrow u_\varepsilon \downarrow \text{ as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0.$$

↑  
from proof  
of thm 6.

Now define  $\tilde{u} = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} u_\varepsilon$

- $\tilde{u} = u$  a.e.  $u \in L^1_{\text{loc}}$
- $\tilde{u}$  is u.s.c.

(because it is decreasing limit  
of continuous functions)

- $\tilde{u} \in \text{SH}(\mathcal{S})$  ← already did this  
couple lectures ago.  
(maybe last lecture).

This shows the existence part.

Uniqueness: If  $u=v$  a.e. and  $u, v \in \text{SH}(\mathcal{S})$

$$u_\varepsilon = u * p_\varepsilon = v * p_\varepsilon = v_\varepsilon$$

$\downarrow \text{as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$        $\downarrow \text{as } \varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

$$u_\varepsilon \downarrow u \quad v_\varepsilon \downarrow v \quad \Rightarrow u = v.$$

Theorem 8:  $f: \mathbb{S}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{S}'$  hol.

If  $u \in \text{SH}(\mathbb{S}'')$ , then  $u \circ f \in \text{SH}(\mathbb{S}^2)$   
(or  $u \circ f = -\infty$ )

Proof: Reduce to the case  $u \in \mathcal{C}^\infty$   
using regularization  $u_\varepsilon \downarrow u$ .

We need to show that the  
Laplacian of  $u \circ f$  is  $\geq 0$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta(u \circ f) &= \partial \bar{\partial}(u \circ f) = \partial(\bar{\partial}u \circ f + \bar{\partial}f) \\ &= \partial \bar{\partial}u \circ f + |\partial f|^2 \geq 0\end{aligned}$$

as desired.

## Lecture 18

Thursday, March 12

### PluriSubharmonic Functions (p.s.h.).

(This is in §3.2. of the book).

$\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$  connected, open domain

Def:  $u: \Omega \rightarrow [-\infty, +\infty)$

We say that  $u$  is psh if  $u \not\equiv -\infty$  and

- 1)  $u$  is USC (upper semi-continuous)
- 2) the restriction of  $u$  to any  $\mathbb{C}$ -line is either  $\equiv -\infty$  or subharmonic.

For any  $z \in \Omega$ , any vector  $v \in \mathbb{C}^n$ ,

$t \mapsto u(z + tv)$  is subharmonic.

$$u(z) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u(z + re^{i\theta}v) d\theta$$

Observation:  $n=1 \rightsquigarrow$  for all  $r < \text{dist}(z, \partial\Omega)$

psh functions = subharmonic functions.

#### Basic Properties:

$$\text{PSH}(\Omega) = \{ u \mid \text{psh on } \Omega \}$$

$$(1) u, v \in \text{PSH}(\Omega) \Rightarrow cu + ve \in \text{PSH}(\Omega) \quad c > 0$$

$$\max\{u, v\} \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$$

(2)  $(u_i)_{i \in I} \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$

$$u = \sup_{i \in I} u_i$$

Suppose that  $u$  is usc, and  $u < +\infty$ , then  $u \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$ .

(3)  $u_n \searrow u \quad u_n \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$

Then: either  $u = -\infty$  or  $u \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$ .

(4)  $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^P \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  convex, increasing  
in each variable.

Extend  $\varphi$  by continuity to:

$$[-\infty, +\infty)^P \longrightarrow [-\infty, \infty)$$

$u_1, u_2, \dots, u_P \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$

$\varphi(u_1, u_2, \dots, u_P) \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$

Examples:  $f \in \mathcal{O}(\Omega)$  (hol, and  $\not\equiv 0$ )

$\log |f| \in \text{PSH}(\Omega) \rightarrow \mathcal{E}^\circ: \Omega \rightarrow [-\infty, +\infty)$

More examples :  $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_p \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{S}^2)$

$$u = \max_{i=1}^p \{\log |f_i|\} \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2)$$

$$\{u = -\infty\} = \bigcap \{f_i = 0\}$$

analytic subset

$$\bullet \log \left( \sum |f_i|^{\alpha_i} \right) \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2) \quad \alpha_i > 0$$

$$\text{Take } \varphi = \log \left( \sum |t_i|^{\alpha_i} \right)$$

$$\bullet \varphi = |t|^\alpha \quad \text{in particular } |f|^2 \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2) \\ \alpha > 1 \qquad \qquad \qquad f \in \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{S}^2)$$

Aim: characterize psh functions  
in terms of  $\partial \bar{\partial}$ -operator.

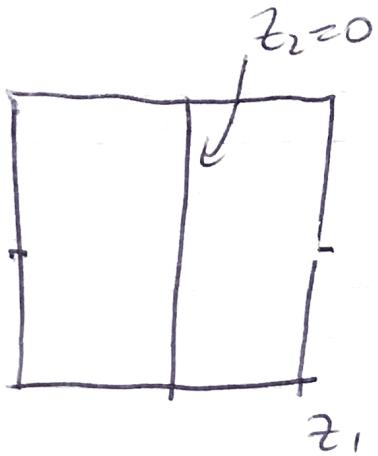
Thm:  $u \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2)$

$$\Rightarrow u \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{S}^2)$$

Proof: By Fubini ( $n=2$ )

$$u(0) > -\infty \quad \text{We prove } u \in L^1(\mathbb{D})$$

$\mathbb{D}$  = polydisk centered at 0  $\subset \mathbb{S}^2$ .



$u(z_1, 0) \in L^1_{loc}(|z_1| \leq 1)$

for a.e.  $z_1$ , we have

$$u(z_1, 0) > -\infty.$$

$$\text{OZ } \int_{|z_1| \leq 1} u(z_1, z_2) d\text{Leb}(z_2) \geq u(z_1, 0) > -\infty.$$

$$\underline{\text{Fubini}}: \int u(z_1, z_2) d\text{Leb}(z_1) d\text{Leb}(z_2)$$

$$\geq \int u(z_1, 0) d\text{Leb}(z_1) > u(0) > -\infty.$$

Fubini

Regularization procedure for  
Psh functions

Take a smoothing kernel:

$$\rho : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+ \quad \mathcal{C}^\infty$$

$$\text{Supp}(\rho) \subseteq [-1, +1]^m$$

$p \equiv +1$  in a neighborhood of 0

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^n_+} p = c > 0.$$

$$p_\varepsilon(z_1, \dots, z_n) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^{2n}} p\left(\frac{|z_1|}{\varepsilon}, \dots, \frac{|z_n|}{\varepsilon}\right) \cdot \frac{1}{c \cdot \text{Vol}(S^{2n-1})}$$

$\mathcal{C}^\infty$ ,  $\text{Supp}(p_\varepsilon) \subseteq D^n(0, \varepsilon)$

$$\int p_\varepsilon d\text{Leb}(z) = +1.$$

Thm:  $u \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2)$ , Define

$$u_\varepsilon = u * p_\varepsilon$$

Then  $u_\varepsilon \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2_\varepsilon) \cap \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{S}^2_\varepsilon)$ ,

and  $u_\varepsilon \searrow u$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  pointwise.

"Fubini".

$$u_\varepsilon(z) = \int u(z - \varepsilon w) p(|w_1|, \dots, |w_n|) d\text{Leb}(w)$$

let's just do the case  $n=2$

(for simplicity)

$$\begin{aligned}
 u_\varepsilon(z) &= \int u(z - \varepsilon w) p(|w_1|, |w_2|) d\text{Leb}(w) \\
 &= \int d\text{Leb}(w) \left[ \int u(z_1 - \varepsilon w_1, z_2 - \varepsilon w_2) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. p(|w_1|, |w_2|) d\text{Leb}(w_2) \right] \\
 &\stackrel{\text{using Thm } 6}{\geq} \int u(z_1 - \varepsilon w_1, z_2 - \varepsilon' w_2) \\
 &\quad p(|w_1|, |w_2|) d\text{Leb}(w_2) \\
 &\geq \int u(z_1 - \varepsilon' w_1, z_2 - \varepsilon' w_2) \\
 &\quad p(|w_1|, |w_2|) d\text{Leb}(w_2)
 \end{aligned}$$

$u_\varepsilon \in \text{PSH}(\Omega_\varepsilon)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\int u(z - \varepsilon w) p(|w|) d\text{Leb}(w) \\
 &\geq u(z_1 - \varepsilon w_1, 0) \cdot p(|w_1|, 0)
 \end{aligned}$$

We proved  $\varepsilon \mapsto u_\varepsilon(z) \nearrow$   
and  $u_\varepsilon(z) \geq u(z)$

• By using U.S.C, we got  $\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} u_\varepsilon(z) \leq u(z)$ .

$\Rightarrow u_\varepsilon(z) \downarrow u(z)$  pointwise.

•  $u_\varepsilon \in PSH(\mathbb{S}^2_\varepsilon)$  now check the submean value inequality on any  $C$ -lines.

$$u_\varepsilon(z) \leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} u_\varepsilon(z + r e^{i\theta} v) d\theta$$

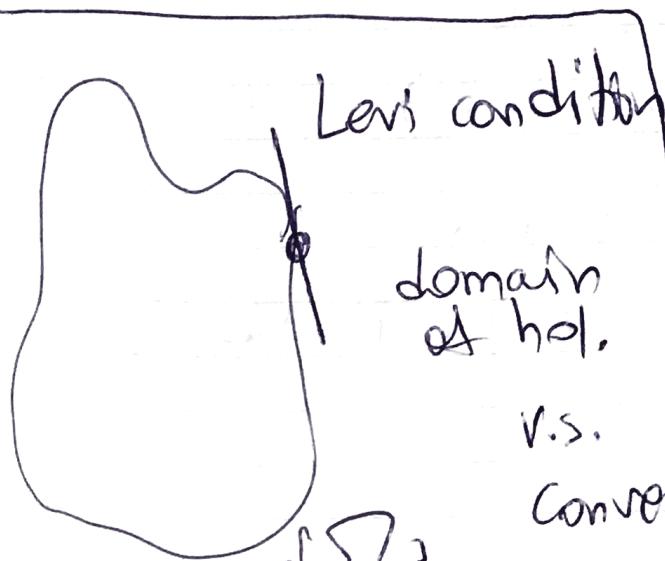
|| (\*) ||

$$u^* p_\varepsilon(z) \quad u^* p_\varepsilon$$

Since  $u$  satisfies submean value inequality, we get (\*) holds.

Thm:  $u \in C^2(\mathbb{S}^2)$

$$u \in PSH(\mathbb{S}^2) \text{ iff } \sum_{k, j \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} \lambda_i \bar{\lambda}_j \geq 0$$



for any  
 $\vec{\lambda} = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$

v.s.  
Convexity at the boundary.

Proof of Thm:  $u \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}\Sigma)$

$t \mapsto u(z + t\lambda)$  is  $C^\infty$  and subharmonic.

$$\partial_t \bar{\partial}_t u(z + t\lambda) \geq 0$$

$$\bar{\partial}_t(u(z + t\lambda)) = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{\bar{\partial}u}{\partial \bar{z}_j}(z + t\lambda) \bar{\lambda}_j$$

$$\partial_t \bar{\partial}_t(u(z + t\lambda)) = \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq n} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j}(z + t\lambda) \lambda_i \bar{\lambda}_j$$

The reverse implication is the same  
(just follows the steps in back).

Thm:  $f: \mathbb{S}\Sigma' \rightarrow \mathbb{S}\Sigma$  holomorphic  
map

$$\mathbb{S}\Sigma' \subseteq \mathbb{C}^{n'}, \text{ and } \mathbb{S}\Sigma \subseteq \mathbb{C}^n$$

open and connected (domain)

Pick  $u \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}\Sigma)$ . Then:

either  $u \circ f \equiv -\infty$ , or  $u \circ f \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}\Sigma')$

Proof: Reduces to  $u \in C^\infty$  by regularization + stability of psh functions along sequences!

$$\frac{\partial^2 (u \circ f)}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} = \sum_{k, l} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial w_k \partial \bar{w}_l} \cdot \frac{\partial f_k}{\partial z_i} \cdot \frac{\partial \bar{f}_l}{\partial \bar{z}_j} \geq 0$$

$1 \leq i, j \leq n'$

$(z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^{n'}$

$1 \leq k, l \leq n$

$(w_1, \dots, w_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n$

purely linear algebra argument

Change of basis (at least when  $n=n'$ )

## Complements

①  $u \in L^1_{loc}$ , define  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j}$  as:

$$\left( \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} \right) (\varphi) = \int u \frac{\partial^2 \varphi}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j}$$

linear form

$\varphi \in C_0^\infty$

Thm :  $u \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2)$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}^n$

$H(u) \cdot \lambda = \sum \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z_i \partial \bar{z}_j} \lambda_i \bar{\lambda}_j$  is

a positive measure.

$\forall \varphi \in \mathcal{C}_0^\infty$ ,  $\varphi \geq 0$

$(H(u) \cdot \lambda, \varphi) \geq 0$ .

Observation :  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial z_j \partial \bar{z}_j}$  are positive measures.

diagonal terms

Thm :  $v \in L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{S}^2)$  and  $H(v) \cdot \lambda \geq 0$

$\Rightarrow \exists u \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2)$ ,  $v = u$  a.e.

Proof : Define  $v_\varepsilon = v * \rho_\varepsilon$  check  
that  $v_\varepsilon \in \text{PSH}(\mathbb{S}^2)$ , and  $\|v_\varepsilon\|$   
as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$ . Set  $u = \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} v_\varepsilon$ .

$v_\varepsilon \downarrow v$  in  $L^1_{\text{loc}}$

$\Rightarrow u = v$  a.e.

There is a natural topology on p.s.h functions.

$$\text{PSH}(\Omega) \subseteq L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$$

is a convex cone.

(a)  $\text{PSH}(\Omega)$  is closed in  $L^1_{\text{loc}}(\Omega)$ .

$$\text{PSH}(\Omega) \ni u_n \xrightarrow{L^1_{\text{loc}}} u \Rightarrow u = \tilde{u} \text{ a.e.}$$

$$\tilde{u} \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$$

(b) Every bounded relatively compact subset is compact.

$u_n \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$ . Suppose that:

$$\forall K \subset \Omega \text{ compact} \quad \sup_n \|u_n\|_{L^1(K)} < +\infty$$

$$\exists u_{n_K} \xrightarrow{L^1_{\text{loc}}} u \in \text{PSH}(\Omega)$$

Sketch of proof when  $\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{C}$

$$\mu_n = \Delta u_n \geq 0 \text{ on } \Omega$$

$$\text{Fix } \omega \subset \bar{\omega} \subseteq \Omega$$

$$\text{Take } \varphi \in C_0^\infty \quad \varphi|_\omega = 1$$



We want to check:  
 $\int \varphi d\mu_n$  is bounded.

$$\int \varphi \Delta u_n = \sum_n \Delta \varphi$$

But  $\int \varphi d\mu_n \geq \mu_n(\omega) > 0$ .

And for the upper bound,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_n \Delta \varphi &\leq \sum_n \sup_{\omega} |\Delta \varphi| \\ &\leq \sum_{\text{Supp}(\varphi)} |h_n| \cdot C < C(\varphi) + \infty. \end{aligned}$$

$$\varphi_{\mu_{n_k}} \rightarrow \mu$$

Suppose  $\omega$  is a disk.

$$g_\mu(z) = \int \log|z-w| d\mu(w)$$

$\Delta g_\mu = \mu \leftarrow$  This is the claim.  
 one of the important

$$g_{\mu_{n_k}} \rightarrow g_\mu$$

$h_K = g_{\varphi_{\mu_{n_K}}} - \mu_{n_K}$  = harmonic on  $\omega$   
 with uniformly  
 bounded  $L^1$ -norm.

Then we get bounds on  $L^\infty$ -norms  
 on  $h_K$  and its derivatives

$\Rightarrow$  Pick equicontinuous family  
 and then pick a further subsequence.

$$\downarrow h = h * P_\Sigma$$

$\bigcup$

L<sup>1</sup> norm

we get  $\epsilon^k$  bound for  $k \geq 1$

$\Rightarrow \epsilon^\infty$ -bound.