

THE EXISTENCE FOR THE SOLUTION OF THE ELLIPTIC CAUCHY PROBLEM

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Let D be a simply connected domain of the $z=x+iy$ plane, whose boundary contains a portion σ of the x -axis. Also let $A(z, \zeta)$, $B(z, \zeta)$ be holomorphic functions for $z, \zeta \in D \cup \sigma \cup \bar{D}$, where $\bar{D} = \{z | \bar{z} \in D\}$. The aim of this note is to announce some recent results on the global existence for the Cauchy problem of the first order linear elliptic equations (in complex normal form):

$$(1) \quad \partial W / \partial \bar{z} = A(z, \bar{z})W + B(z, \bar{z})\bar{W}$$

where

$$\partial / \partial \bar{z} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial / \partial x + i\partial / \partial y) \cdot W = u + iv.$$

The notations in this note are taken from Yu [8], [9]. For general reference to the elliptic Cauchy problem, the reader is referred to the survey article by Payne [6], and to equation (1), the reader is referred to Vekua [7] and Yu [8], [9].

By using transformation

$$W(z, \bar{z}) = W_0(z, \bar{z}) \exp \int_{\zeta_1}^z A(z, t) dt$$

where ζ_1 is a fixed point in \bar{D} , the equation (1) can be reduced to the form

$$(2) \quad \frac{\partial W_0}{\partial \bar{z}} = c(z, \bar{z})\bar{W}_0; \quad c(z, \bar{z}) = B(z, \bar{z}) \exp \left[\int_{\zeta_1}^z A^*(\bar{z}, t) dt - \int_{\zeta_1}^z A(z, t) dt \right].$$

The following integral representation for the solution of (1) in a simply connected domain $G \subset D \cup \sigma \cup \bar{D}$ has been established by Vekua [7], and later extended to the boundary ∂G of G by Yu [9].

LEMMA 1. *Every solution $W(z)$ of (1) in G , continuous in $G \cup \partial G$, has the integral representation*

$$(3) \quad W(z) = \left\{ \phi(z) + \int_{z_0}^z \Gamma_1(z, \bar{z}, t, \zeta_0) \phi(t) dt + \int_{\zeta_0}^z \Gamma_2(z, \bar{z}, z_0, \tau) \phi^*(\tau) d\tau \right\} \exp \int_{\zeta_1}^z A(z, t) dt,$$

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