

# An inverse spectral problem for NSA

Jacobi and Schrödinger op.

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1) SA Jacobi op.: assum.:  $a_n > 0$ ,  $b_n \in \mathbb{R}$  both bounded

$$J := \begin{bmatrix} b_0 & a_0 & & \\ a_0 & b_1 & a_1 & \\ & a_1 & b_2 & a_2 \\ & & \ddots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \text{ on } \ell^2(\mathbb{N}_0)$$

↪  $J$  bounded,  $J = J^*$ ,  $J$  has cyclic vector  $\delta_0$ .

Spectral meas.:

$$\mu := \langle \delta_0, E_J \delta_0 \rangle$$

Spectral map:  $\Lambda : J \mapsto \mu$

Thm.: 1) Injectivity of  $\Lambda$ : The spectral meas.  $\mu$  determines uniquely

2) Surjectivity of  $\Lambda$ : If  $\mu$  is a probability meas. on  $\mathbb{R}$  with compact & infinite support, then  $\exists J$  s.t.  $\Lambda(J) = \mu$ .

2) NSA Jacobi op.: assum.: relax  $b_n \in \mathbb{R}$ , i.e.  $b_n \in \mathbb{C}$ . ( $J \neq J^*$ )

(Pushnitski - S., '24, '25)

Hermitisation:  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & J \\ J^* & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $\ell^2(\mathbb{N}_0) \oplus \ell^2(\mathbb{N}_0) \simeq \ell^2(\mathbb{N}_0; \mathbb{C}^2)$

unit. equiv. to

$$J = \begin{bmatrix} B_0 & A_0 & & \\ A_0 & B_1 & A_1 & \\ & A_1 & B_2 & A_2 \\ & & \ddots & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \quad A_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & a_n \\ a_n & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B_n = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & b_n \\ \overline{b_n} & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$J = J^* \rightsquigarrow$  Spec. measure  $J$ :  $\Sigma := P_0 E_J P_0^*$

2x2 matrix-valued measure

Thm.: There  $\exists$ , even probability meas.  $\nu$  with compact and infinite support in  $\mathbb{R}$  &  $\exists, \psi \in L^\infty(\nu)$  odd and  $\|\psi\|_\infty \leq 1$  such that

$$d\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \psi \\ \bar{\psi} & 1 \end{pmatrix} d\nu.$$

Def.: The pair  $(\nu, \psi)$  is called spectral data of  $J$ .

Prop.: 1)  $\nu \restriction [0, \infty) = \langle \delta_0, E_{IJ} \delta_0 \rangle$ , ( $|J| = \sqrt{J^* J}$ ).

2) Spectrum of  $|J|$  has multiplicity equal to

1 on  $S_1 := \{s > 0 \mid |\psi(s)| = 1\}$ ,

2 on  $S_2 := \{s > 0 \mid |\psi(s)| < 1\}$ .

3)  $J = J^*$   $\Leftrightarrow \psi$  real-valued.

4)  $J = J^* \Rightarrow d\nu = (1 + \psi) d\nu$ .

5)  $J^* J$  has simple spectrum  $\Leftrightarrow |\psi| = 1$   $\nu$ -a.e.

6)  $b_n = 0 \Leftrightarrow \psi \equiv 0$ .

$\Lambda(J) := (\nu, \psi)$  ... spectral map

Thm. (Pushnitski - § 24):

1) Injectivity:  $J$  is uniquely determined by its spectral data

2) Surjectivity: Given i)  $\nu$  even prob. meas. on  $\mathbb{R}$  with comp & infinite support ;  
ii)  $\psi \in L^\infty(\nu)$ ,  $\|\psi\|_\infty \leq 1$ ,  $\psi$  odd ;

then  $\exists J$  s.t.  $\Lambda(J) = (\nu, \psi)$ .

3) SA Schrödinger op.: assum.:  $q$  real-valued meas. bounded function on  $\mathbb{R}_+$

$$H := -\frac{d}{dx^2} + q \quad \text{in } L^2(\mathbb{R}_+)$$

$$\text{Dom } H = \{ f \in W^{2,2}(\mathbb{R}_+) \mid f(0) \cos \alpha + f'(0) \sin \alpha = 0 \}$$

$$\alpha \in [0, \pi/2]$$

Fund. sys.:  $\varphi, \theta$  sol. to  $-f'' + qf = \lambda f$  satis.

$$\varphi(0, \lambda) = \sin \alpha \quad \theta(0, \lambda) = \cos \alpha$$

$$\varphi'(0, \lambda) = -\cos \alpha \quad \theta'(0, \lambda) = \sin \alpha$$

m-func.:  $\exists, m = m(\lambda)$  s.t.  $\theta(0, \lambda) - m(\lambda) \varphi(0, \lambda) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}_+)$

$$\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \mathbb{R}$$

Spectr. measure:  $m$  is Herglotz-Nevanlinna  $\Rightarrow$

$$m(\lambda) = \operatorname{Re} m(i) + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \frac{1}{t-\lambda} - \frac{t^2}{1+t^2} \right) d\mu(t)$$

↑  
spectral meas. of  $q$

Spectr. map:  $\Lambda: H \mapsto \mu$

Thm. (Borg):  $H$  (or  $q$ ) is uniquely determined by  $\mu$ .

$$(q \in L^1_{loc}(\mathbb{R}_+))$$

Thm. (Marchenko): As  $r \rightarrow \infty$ , we have

$$G([- \infty, r]) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{\pi \sin^2 \alpha} \sqrt{r} + o(\sqrt{r}) \\ \frac{2}{3\pi} r^{3/2} + o(r^{3/2}) \end{cases},$$

#### 4) NSA Schrödinger op.:

assum.:  $g$  complex-valued bounded meas. fctn on

Hermitisation:  $\begin{pmatrix} 0 & H \\ H^* & 0 \end{pmatrix}$  on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}_+) \oplus L^2(\mathbb{R}_+) \simeq L^2(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{C}^2)$

$$H := - \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{=: E} \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + \underbrace{\begin{pmatrix} 0 & g \\ \bar{g} & 0 \end{pmatrix}}_{=: Q}$$

Fund. sys.:  $\Phi_1$   $\textcircled{H}$  matrix-val. sol. of  $-EF^* + QF = \lambda F$

$$\Phi(0, \lambda) = \sin \alpha \cdot I \quad \Theta(0, \lambda) = \cos \alpha \cdot E$$

$$\Phi'(0, \lambda) = -\cos \alpha \cdot I \quad \Theta'(0, \lambda) = \sin \alpha \cdot E$$

M-function:  $\exists M = M(\lambda)$  s.t.  $\Theta(0, \lambda) - \Phi(0, \lambda) M(\lambda) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}_+, \mathbb{C}^2)$

Spectral measure:  $M(\lambda)^* = M(\bar{\lambda})$ ,  $\frac{\operatorname{Im} M(\lambda)}{\operatorname{Im} \lambda} \geq 0$

$$M(\lambda) = \operatorname{Re} M(i) + \int_R \left( \frac{1}{t-i} - \frac{t}{1+t^2} \right) d\Sigma(t)$$

Spectral measure of  $H$

Thm.: We have  $d\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \gamma \\ \bar{\gamma} & 1 \end{pmatrix} d\nu$ , where

$\nu$  is even meas. on  $\mathbb{R}$  &  $\gamma \in L^\infty(\nu)$  odd,  $\|\gamma\|_\infty \leq 1$ .

Def.: The pair  $(\nu, \gamma)$  is called spectral data of  $H$ .

Thm. (à la Borg ): Potential  $Q$  is uniquely determined by the spectral measure. Consequently, potential  $q$  is uniquely determined by the spectral data  $(\nu, \psi)$

Thm. (à la Marchenko ): As  $r \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\nu([0, r]) = \begin{cases} \frac{r^{1/2}}{\pi \sin^2 \alpha} + o(r^{-1/2}) & , \alpha \neq 0, \\ \frac{r^{3/2}}{3\pi} + o(r^{3/2}) & , \alpha = 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\int_0^r \psi(s) d\nu(s) = \begin{cases} - & / / \\ - & - \end{cases}$$

(  $\psi(s) \rightarrow 1$  " in a weak average sense" )

Further properties :

$$1) \Lambda(H) = (\nu, \psi) \Rightarrow \Lambda(H^*) = (\nu, \bar{\psi})$$

In particular,  $H = H^* \Leftrightarrow \psi \text{ real.}$

$$2) \text{ If } H = H^* \Rightarrow d\mu = (1 + \psi) d\nu$$

3) If  $\lambda$  is a simple singular value of  $H$  (i.e. eigenval. of  $H$ ), then we have "formulas" for

$$\nu(\{\lambda\}) = \dots \quad \& \quad \psi(\{\lambda\}) = \dots$$

in terms of a sol. to  $-f'' + qf = \lambda f$ .