

Microlocal analysis of d -plane transform on the Euclidean space

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What this talk is about?

- We study d -plane transform

$$f(x) \mapsto \mathcal{R}_d f(\Xi) := \int_{\Xi} f, \quad \Xi \in G(d, n).$$

$\mathcal{R}_1 f$ for $n = 2$ is considered to be the measurements of CT scanners for normal tissue.

- We give a concrete expression of the canonical relation $\Lambda'_\phi \subset T^*(G(d, n) \times \mathbb{R}^n)$ of \mathcal{R}_d .
- We consider a model of human body f containing a metal region D such as dental implants, stents and etc. We observe that the metal streaking artifact caused by beam hardening effect of measurements, which is the filtered back-projection of nonlinear term

$$(-\Delta_x)^{d/2} \circ \mathcal{R}_d^* [(\mathcal{R}_d \chi_D)^2],$$

is a singular support of some conormal distribution.

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d-plane transform



d -plane transform

- $n = 2, 3, 4, \dots, d = 1, \dots, n - 1$.
- The Grassmannian $G_{d,n}$ is the set of all d -dimensional vector subspaces of \mathbb{R}^n .
 $\dim G_{d,n} = d(n - d)$.
- The affine Grassmannian $G(d, n)$ is the set of all d -dimensional planes in \mathbb{R}^n , that is,
 $G(d, n) = \{x'' + \sigma : \sigma \in G_{d,n}, x'' \in \sigma^\perp\}$. $N(d, n) := \dim G(d, n) = (d + 1)(n - d)$.
We use notation $x'' + \sigma = (\sigma, x'')$.
- Denote $x = x' + x'' \in \sigma \oplus \sigma^\perp = \mathbb{R}^n$. The d -plane transform of
 $f(x) = f(x' + x'') = \mathcal{O}(\langle x \rangle^{-d-\varepsilon})$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{R}_d f(\sigma, x'') := \int_{x'' + \sigma} f = \int_\sigma f(x' + x'') dx', \quad (1)$$

where $\langle x \rangle = \sqrt{1 + |x|^2}$ and dx' is the Lebesgue measure on σ .

- $\mathcal{R}_1 f$ is called the **X-ray transform** of f , and $\mathcal{R}_{n-1} f$ is called the **Radon transform** of f .

Filtered back-projection

The formal adjoint of \mathcal{R}_d is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{R}_d^* \varphi(x) &= \frac{1}{C(d, n)} \int_{\{\Xi \in G(d, n) : x \in \Xi\}} \varphi(\Xi) d\mu(\Xi) \\ &= \frac{1}{C(d, n)} \int_{O(n)} \varphi(x + k \cdot \sigma) dk,\end{aligned}$$

where $x \in \mathbb{R}$, $\varphi \in C(G(d, n))$, $C(d, n) = (4\pi)^{d/2} \Gamma(n/2) / \Gamma((n-d)/2)$, $C(d, n)^{-1} d\mu$ and $C(d, n)^{-1} dk$ are normalized measure, and $\sigma \in G_{d, n}$.

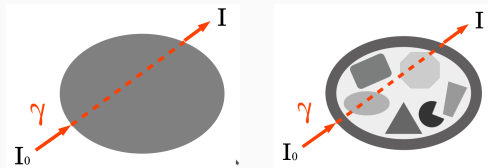
Proposition 1 (FBP (filtered back-projection))

For $f(x) = \mathcal{O}(\langle x \rangle^{-d-\varepsilon})$,

$$f = (-\Delta_x)^{d/2} \mathcal{R}_d^* \mathcal{R}_d f = \mathcal{R}_d^* (-\Delta_{x''})^{d/2} \mathcal{R}_d f, \quad (2)$$

where $-\Delta_x = -\partial_{x_1}^2 - \cdots - \partial_{x_n}^2$, and $-\Delta_{x''}$ is the Laplacian on σ^\perp .

- $f(x, y)$ is the attenuation coefficient distribution of the section of an object.
- The X-ray beam is supposed to have no width, and traverses the object along a line γ . I_0 and I denote the intensities of the beam before and after passing through the object respectively.

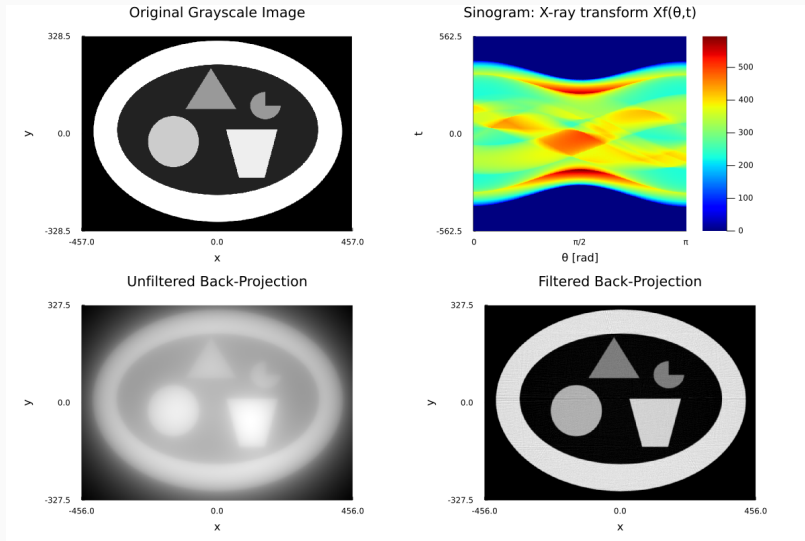
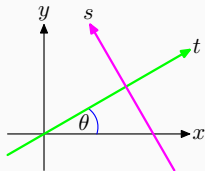


- If the object is uniform, that is, $f = a \cdot \chi_{\Omega}$ and the travel length in the object is ℓ , then the Beer-Lambert law obtains

$$\log \left(\frac{I_0}{I} \right) = a \cdot \ell = \int_{\gamma} f = \mathcal{R}_1 f(\gamma).$$

The same formula can be obtained for more general f , and we can regard $\mathcal{R}_1 f(\gamma)$ as the measurement of CT scanners. c.f. $\log(I_0/I_1) + \log(I_1/I_2) + \dots + \log(I_p/I) = \log(I_0/I)$.

Figures: \mathcal{R}_1 , UFBP and FBP on \mathbb{R}^2



Beam hardening

- There are some factors causing **artifacts** in CT images:
beam width, partial volume effect, beam hardening,
noise in measurements, numerical errors and etc.
- In the formulation of CT scanners in Page 6, the X-ray is supposed to be **monochromatic** with a fixed energy, say $E_0 > 0$.
- Actually, however, the X-ray beam has a wide range of energy E and the attenuation coefficient distribution f_E depends on E . This is described by the **spectral function** $\rho(E)$ which is a probability density function of $E \in [0, \infty)$. Click on [an NIH page](#). The formulation of the measurements P of CT scanners becomes

$$P := \log \left(\frac{I_0}{I} \right) = -\log \left\{ \int_0^\infty \rho(E) \exp(-\mathcal{R}_1 f_E) dE \right\}.$$

If f_E is independent of E , i.e., $f_E = f_{E_0}$, then $\log(I_0/I) = \mathcal{R}_1 f_{E_0}$.

Metal streaking artifacts

- Consider a simple model of the beam hardening:

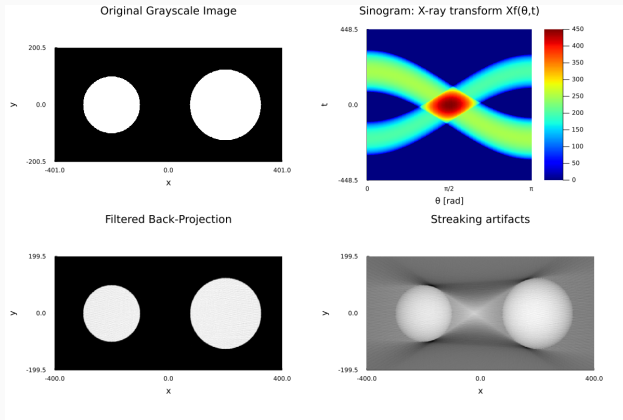
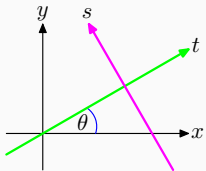
$$\begin{aligned}\rho(E) &= \frac{1}{2\varepsilon} \chi_{[E_0-\varepsilon, E_0+\varepsilon]}(E), \\ f_E(x) &= f_{E_0}(x) + \alpha(E - E_0)\chi_D(x),\end{aligned}$$

where f_{E_0} is an attenuation coefficient distribution of human tissue, ε and α are small positive constants, and D is a metal region. Then the measurement P becomes

$$P - \mathcal{R}_1 f_{E_0} = -\log \left\{ \frac{\sinh(\alpha \varepsilon \mathcal{R}_1 \chi_D)}{\alpha \varepsilon \mathcal{R}_1 \chi_D} \right\} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k (\alpha \varepsilon \mathcal{R}_1 \chi_D)^{2k}.$$

- Park-Choi-Seo (CPAM, 2017) proved that the metal streaking artifacts are propagation of $WF(\chi_D)$.
- Palacios-Uhlmann-Wang (SIAM J. Math. Anal., 2018) proved that the streaking artifacts are conormal distributions.

Figures: metal streaking artifacts



The principal part of artifact: $\mathcal{R}_1^*(-\Delta_{x''})^{1/2} \left\{ -\frac{1}{3}(\alpha \varepsilon \mathcal{R}_1 \chi_D)^2 \right\}.$

Conormal distributions

Conormal distributions

Definition 2 (Conormal distributions)

Let X be an N -dim manifold, and let Y be a closed submanifold of X . $u \in \mathcal{D}'(X)$ is said to be conormal with respect to Y of degree m if

$$L_1 \cdots L_M u \in {}^\infty H_{(-m-N/4)}^{\text{loc}}(X)$$

for all $M = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ and all vector fields L_1, \dots, L_M tangential to Y . Denote by $I^m(N^*Y)$, the set of all distributions on X conormal with respect to Y of degree m .

Note that $N_y^*Y := T_y^*X / T_y^*Y$ for any $y \in Y$. If $u \in I^m(N^*Y)$, then $\text{WF}(u) \subset N^*Y \setminus 0$.

$$\|u\|_{\infty H_{(s)}(\mathbb{R}^N)} := \sup_{j=0,1,2,\dots} \left(\int_{A_j} \langle \xi \rangle^{2s} |\hat{u}(\xi)|^2 d\xi \right)^{1/2},$$

$$A_0 := \{|\xi| < 1\}, \quad A_j := \{2^{j-1} \leq |\xi| < 2^j\}, j = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Proposition 3 (Characterization of conormal distributions)

*Let $x = (x', x'') \in \mathbb{R}^k \times \mathbb{R}^{N-k}$ and let $Y = \mathbb{R}^k \times \{0\} = \{x'' = 0\}$. Then $u \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}^N)$ belongs to $I^{m+k/2-N/4}(N^*Y)$ if and only if there exists an amplitude $a(x'', \zeta') \in S^m(\mathbb{R}^{N-k} \times \mathbb{R}^k)$ such that*

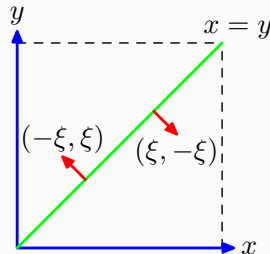
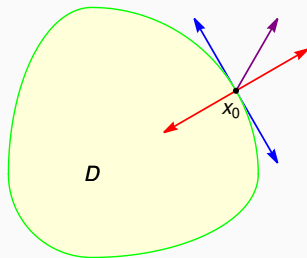
$$u(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^k} e^{ix' \cdot \zeta'} a(x'', \zeta') d\zeta'.$$

We can replace the conormal bundle N^*Y by more general Lagrangian distributions Λ . The elements of $I^m(\Lambda)$ is said to be Lagrangian distributions on X . These are characterized as oscillatory integrals with more general phase functions. The distributions kernels of Fourier integral operators are Lagrangian distributions.

Examples of conormal distributions

- $\chi_D \in I^{-1/2-n/4}(N^*\partial D)$, where D is a domain in \mathbb{R}^n with smooth boundary.
- Set $\Delta = \{(x, x) : x \in \mathbb{R}^N\}$. If $a(x, \xi) \in S^m(\mathbb{R}^N \times \mathbb{R}^N)$, then

$$K(x, y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} e^{i(x-y) \cdot \xi} a(x, \xi) d\xi \in I^m(N^*\Delta).$$



Canonical relation of d -plane transform

The canonical relation of the d -plane transform

Theorem 4

\mathcal{R}_d is an elliptic Fourier integral operator whose distribution kernel belongs to

$$I^{-d(n-d+1)/4}(G(d, n) \times \mathbb{R}^n; \Lambda_\phi),$$

$$\begin{aligned}\Lambda'_\phi &= \{(\sigma, y - \pi_\sigma y, y; \eta(y \cdot \omega_1, \dots, y \cdot \omega_d, 1, 1)) : \\ &\quad \sigma = \langle \omega_1, \dots, \omega_d \rangle \in G_{d,n}, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_d \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}, y \in \mathbb{R}^n, \eta \in \sigma^\perp\} \\ &= \{(\sigma, x'', x'' + t_1 \omega_1 + \dots + t_d \omega_d; \xi(t_1, \dots, t_d, 1, 1)) : \\ &\quad (\sigma, x'') \in G(d, n), \sigma = \langle \omega_1, \dots, \omega_d \rangle \in G_{d,n}, \\ &\quad \omega_1, \dots, \omega_d \in \mathbb{S}^{n-1}, t_1, \dots, t_d \in \mathbb{R}, \xi \in \sigma^\perp\},\end{aligned}$$

where π_σ is the orthogonal projection of \mathbb{R}^n onto $\sigma \in G_{d,n}$.

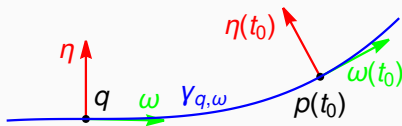
What is the meaning of Lemma 4?

Let \mathcal{G} be the manifold of all the normal geodesics of a Riemannian manifold (M, g) . The canonical relation of the geodesic X-ray transform on (M, g) is a conic Lagrangian submanifold of $T^*(\mathcal{G} \times M) \setminus 0$:

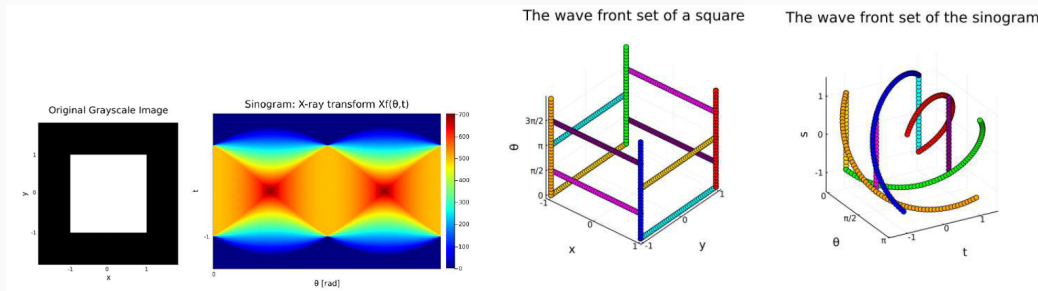
$$\Lambda' = \{(\gamma_{q,\omega}, q; \eta(t_0), -\Gamma_{jk}^i(p(t_0))\omega_j(t_0)\eta_k(t_0), \eta) : (q, \eta) \in T^*(M) \setminus 0, \omega \in S_q^*(M) \cap \eta^\perp\}$$

where $\gamma_{q,\omega} = \exp_p \cdot \omega$, $p(t) = \gamma_{q,\omega}(t)$, $\omega(t) = \dot{\gamma}_{q,\omega}(t)$, $\eta(t)$ is the parallel transport of η along $\gamma_{q,\omega}$ at $p(t)$, and $t_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ is some constant. Λ' says that

the geodesic X-ray transform maps the visible singularity η at point q to the horizontal lift of the parallel transport of η along the geodesic flow $(\gamma_{q,\omega}, \dot{\gamma}_{q,\omega})$.



Figures: Canonical relation of \mathcal{R}_1 on \mathbb{R}^2



$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda' &= \left\{ \left(\theta, t, \begin{bmatrix} t \cos \theta - s \sin \theta \\ t \sin \theta + s \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}; -\tau s \begin{bmatrix} -\sin \theta \\ \cos \theta \end{bmatrix}, \tau, \tau \begin{bmatrix} \cos \theta \\ \sin \theta \end{bmatrix} \right) : t, s, \tau \in \mathbb{R}, \theta \in [0, \pi] \right\} \\ &= \left\{ \left(\frac{\xi}{|\xi|}, \frac{x \cdot \xi}{|\xi|}, x; \mp |\xi| \left(x - \frac{x \cdot \xi}{|\xi|^2} \right) \xi, \pm |\xi|, \xi \right) : (x, \xi) \in T^*(\mathbb{R}^2) \setminus 0 \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Analysis of streaking artifacts

Assumption and notation

- **Assumption on the metal region.** The metal region $D \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ is supposed to be a disjoint union of D_j ($j = 1, \dots, J$) which are simply connected, strictly convex and bounded with smooth boundaries $\Sigma_j := \partial D_j$. Set $\Sigma := \partial D$.
- Denote by $\nu(y_j)$ the unit outer normal vector of Σ_j at $y_j \in \Sigma_j$. We consider the set of pairs $(y_j, y_k) \in \Sigma_j \times \Sigma_k$ such as

$$\mathcal{M}_{jk}^{(\pm)} := \{(y_j, y_k) \in \Sigma_j \times \Sigma_k : y_j + T_{y_j}\Sigma_j = y_k + T_{y_k}\Sigma_k, \nu(y_j) = \pm \nu(y_k)\},$$

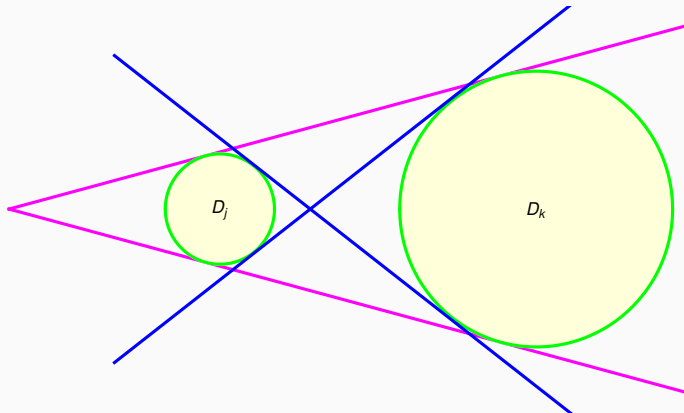
which is an $(n-2)$ -dimensional submanifold of $\Sigma_j \times \Sigma_k$. We introduce the set of lines

$$\mathcal{L}_{jk}^{(\pm)} := \{y_j + t(y_k - y_j) : (y_j, y_k) \in \mathcal{M}_{jk}^{(\pm)}, t \in \mathbb{R}\},$$

Then $\mathcal{L}_{jk}^{(\pm)}$ becomes a cylindrical surface or a cone which is tangent to Σ_j at y_j and to Σ_k at y_k for all $(y_j, y_k) \in \mathcal{M}_{jk}^{(\pm)}$. Set $\mathcal{L}_{jk} := \mathcal{L}_{jk}^{(+)} \cup \mathcal{L}_{jk}^{(-)}$ and $\mathcal{L} := \bigcup_{j < k} \mathcal{L}_{jk}$.

Figures: D_j , D_k , Σ_j , Σ_k , $\mathcal{L}_{jk}^{(+)}$ and $\mathcal{L}_{jk}^{(-)}$

Σ_j , Σ_k , $\mathcal{L}_{jk}^{(+)}$, and $\mathcal{L}_{jk}^{(-)}$.



Main Theorem

The nonlinear part of the CT image is

$$f_{MA} := f_{CT} - f_{E_0} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k (a\varepsilon)^{2k} \mathcal{R}_d^* (-\Delta_{x''})^{d/2} [(\mathcal{R}_d \chi_D)^{2k}]$$

Theorem 5

Away from Σ ,

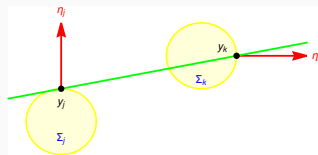
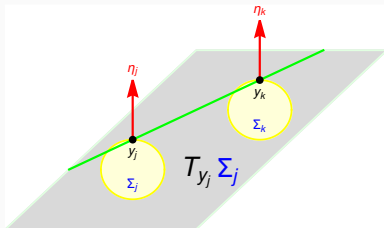
$$f_{MA} \in I^{-(d+2+n/4)+d(n-d)/2}(N^* \mathcal{L}), \quad \text{WF}(f_{MA}) \subset N^* \mathcal{L}.$$

The principal symbol of the FBP of $(\mathcal{R}_d \chi_D)^2$ does not vanish.

- Note that $\chi_D \in I^{-1/2-n/4}(N^* \Sigma)$.
- For $(n, d) = (2, 1)$,
 - Park-Choi-Seo (2017) proved that $\text{WF}(f_{MA}) \subset N^* \mathcal{L}$.
 - Palacios-Uhlmann-Wang (2018) proved Theorem 5.

What does Theorem 5 say?

- If Σ_j and Σ_k have a common tangential hyperplane, then the common conormal singularity propagates all over the line connecting the tangential points. This is the true identity of the metal streaking artifacts.
- If Σ_j and Σ_k have a common tangential plane of codimension two, then the normal directions at the tangential points are different and no singularity propagates along the connecting line.



Clean intersection and transversal intersection

Definition 6

Let X be a smooth manifold, and let Y and Z be submanifolds of X .

- We say that Y and Z intersect transversely if $N_x^*Y \cap N_x^*Z = \{0\}$ for all $x \in Y \cap Z$. Note that this condition is equivalent to that $T_x Y \cup T_x Z = T_x X$ for all $x \in Y \cap Z$.
- We say that Y and Z intersect cleanly if $Y \cap Z$ is smooth and $T_x Y \cap T_x Z = T_x(Y \cap Z)$ for all $x \in Y \cap Z$. Moreover,

$$e := \operatorname{codim}(Y) + \operatorname{codim}(Z) - \operatorname{codim}(Y \cap Z)$$

is said to be the excess of the intersection.

Note that transverse intersection is clean intersection with no excess.

Clean intersection or not

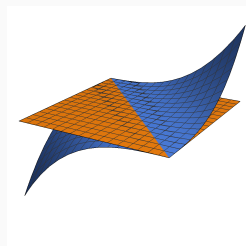
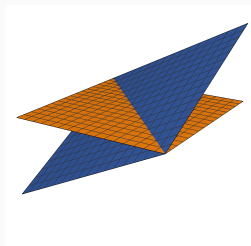
In xyz-space \mathbb{R}^3 , set

$$Y_1 = \{z = x + y\}, \quad Y_3 = \{z = (x + y)^3\}, \quad Z = \{z = 0\}.$$

Then $Y_k \cap Z = \{(x, -x, 0)\}$. For any $p \in Y_k \cap Z$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_p(Y_k \cap Z) &= T_p Y_1 \cap T_p Z = \langle (1, -1, 0) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}} \\ &\subsetneq T_p Y_3 \cap T_p Z = \langle (1, -1, 0), (1, 1, 0) \rangle_{\mathbb{R}} = T_p Z. \end{aligned}$$

$Y_1 \cap Z$ is clean and $Y_3 \cap Z$ is not clean.



The canonical transform of D

We need to consider

$$(\mathcal{R}_d \chi_D)^2 = \sum_{j=1}^J (\mathcal{R}_d \chi_{D_j})^2 + 2 \sum_{1 \leq j < k \leq J} \mathcal{R}_d \chi_{D_j} \cdot \mathcal{R}_d \chi_{D_k},$$

$$\Lambda'_\phi \circ N^* \Sigma_j = \{(\sigma, y - \pi_\sigma y; \eta(\cdots, 1)) : (y, \eta) \in N^* \Sigma_j, \sigma \in G_{d,n} \cap \eta^\perp\},$$

$$S_j := \pi_{G(d,n)}(\Lambda'_\phi \circ N^* \Sigma_j) = \{(\sigma, y - \pi_\sigma y) : y \in \Sigma_j, \sigma \in G_{d,n} \cap T_y \Sigma_j\}.$$

Set $S_{jk} := S_j \cap S_k \subset G(d, n)$.

Lemma 7

- $\text{codim } S_j = 1$, and $N^* S_j = \Lambda'_\phi \circ N^* \Sigma_j$.
- If $j \neq k$ and $S_j \cap S_k \neq \emptyset$, then S_j intersects S_k transversally, that is, $N_{(\sigma, x'')}^* S_j \cap N_{(\sigma, x'')}^* S_k = \{0\}$ for any $(\sigma, x'') \in S_j \cap S_k$.

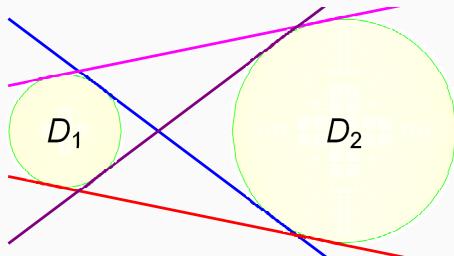
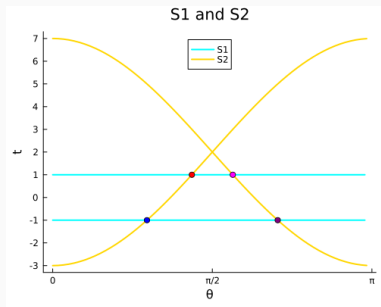
Figures: Examples of $S_j \cap S_k \neq \emptyset$

Let $n = 2$, and let

$$D_1 = \{x^2 + y^2 < 1\}, \quad D_2 = \{(x - 5)^2 + y^2 < 4\}.$$

Then

$$S_1 = \{(\theta, \pm 1) : \theta \in [0, \pi]\}, \quad S_2 = \{(\theta, 2 \pm 5 \cos \theta) : \theta \in [0, \pi]\}.$$



Intersection calculus of S_{jk}

Lemma 7 implies that $\text{codim } S_{jk} = 2$. If $(\sigma, x'') \in S_{jk}$, then there exist $y_j \in \Sigma_j$ and $y_k \in \Sigma_k$ such that $\sigma \subset T_{y_j}\Sigma_j \cap T_{y_k}\Sigma_k$ and $x'' = y_j - \pi_\sigma y_j = y_k - \pi_\sigma y_k$. S_{jk} is a disjoint union of

$$S_{jk}^{(1)} = \{(\sigma, x'') \in S_{jk} : N_{y_j}^* \Sigma = N_{y_k}^* \Sigma\}, \quad S_{jk}^{(2)} = \{(\sigma, x'') \in S_{jk} : N_{y_j}^* \Sigma \neq N_{y_k}^* \Sigma\}.$$

Lemma 8

We have clean intersections

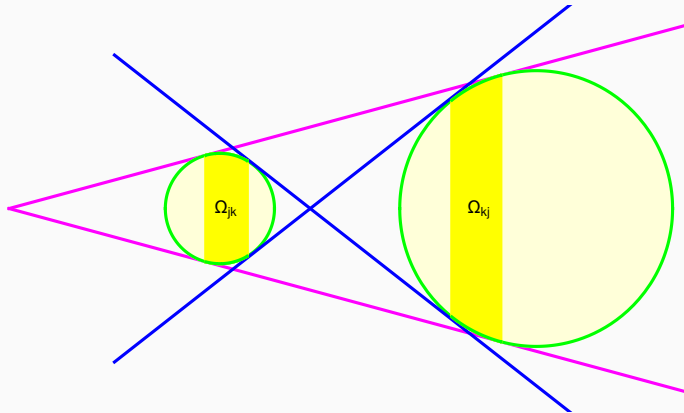
$$(\Lambda'_\phi)^* \circ N^* S_j = N^* \Sigma_j \setminus 0, \quad (\Lambda'_\phi)^* \circ N^* S_{jk}^{(1)} = N^* \mathcal{L}_{jk} \setminus 0, \quad e = d(n-d-1),$$

$$(\Lambda'_\phi)^* \circ N^* S_{jk}^{(2)} = (N^* \Omega_{jk} \setminus 0) \cup (N^* \Omega_{kj} \setminus 0), \quad e = d(n-d-2),$$

where Ω_{jk} is the connected subdomain in Σ_j enclosed by

$$B_{jk}^{(\pm)} := \{y_j \in \Sigma_j \mid \exists y_k \in \Sigma_k \text{ s.t. } (y_j, y_k) \in \mathcal{M}_{jk}^{(\pm)}\}.$$

Figure: Ω_{jk} and Ω_{kj}



Definition 9 (Paired Lagrangian distributions)

Let $\mu, \nu \in \mathbb{R}$. Suppose that Λ_0 and Λ_1 are cleanly intersecting conic Lagrangian submanifolds of $T^*X \setminus 0$, that is,

$$T_{(x,\xi)}\Lambda_0 \cap T_{(x,\xi)}\Lambda_1 = T_{(x,\xi)}(\Lambda_0 \cap \Lambda_1), \quad \forall (x,\xi) \in \Lambda_0 \cap \Lambda_1.$$

We say that $u \in \mathcal{D}'(X)$ belongs to $I^{\mu,\nu}(\Lambda_0, \Lambda_1)$ if $\text{WF}(u) \subset \Lambda_0 \cup \Lambda_1$ and away from $\Lambda_0 \cap \Lambda_1$, we have $u \in I^{\mu+\nu}(\Lambda_0 \setminus \Lambda_1)$ and $u \in I^\mu(\Lambda_1)$.

Products of paired Lagrangian distributions

Lemma 10 (Greenleaf-Uhlmann, 1993)

Let X be an N -dimensional manifold, and let Y and Z be transversally intersecting submanifolds of X . Set $\text{codim } Y = k_1$, $\text{codim } Z = l_1$, $\text{codim } Y \cap Z = k_1 + k_2 = l_1 + l_2$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & I^{\mu+k_1/2-N/4}(N^*Y) \cdot I^{\nu+k_1/2-N/4}(N^*Z) \\ & \subset I^{\mu+k_1/2-N/4, \nu+k_2/2}(N^*(Y \cap Z), N^*Y) \\ & + I^{\nu+l_1/2-N/4, \mu+l_2/2}(N^*(Y \cap Z), N^*Z). \end{aligned}$$

The transversality $N^*Y \cap N^*Z = \{0\}$ guarantees that the product can be well-defined since

$$\xi + \eta \neq 0 \quad \text{for} \quad \xi \in N_x^*Y, \quad \eta \in N_x^*Z, \quad x \in Y \cap Z.$$

Outline of Proof of Theorem 5 i

- Set $\mathcal{A} := \sum_{j \neq k} I^{-(d+1)/2 - N(d,n)/4, -(d+1)/2} (N^* S_{jk}, N^* S_j)$.
- Note that $\chi_{D_j} \in I^{-1/2 - n/4} (N^* \Sigma_j)$, $\mathcal{R}_d \chi_{D_j} \in I^{-(d+1)/2 - N(d,n)/4} (N^* S_j) \subset \mathcal{A}$.
- Lemma 10 proves that $(\mathcal{R}_d \chi_D)^2 \in \mathcal{A}$.
- It follows that \mathcal{A} is an algebra. In particular $P_{MA} := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k (\alpha \varepsilon)^{2k} (\mathcal{R}_d \chi_D)^{2k} \in \mathcal{A}$.
- Applying Lemmas 8, 11, and 12 to P_{MA} , we prove Theorem 5.

Outline of Proof of Theorem 5 ii

Lemma 11

$\mathcal{R}_d^*(-\Delta_{x''})^{d/2}$ is a FIO of order $\frac{d}{2} + \frac{N(d, n)}{4} - \frac{n}{4}$ with a canonical relation

$$(\Lambda'_\phi)^* := \{(x, y, \xi, \eta) : (y, x, \eta, \xi) \in \Lambda'_\phi\}.$$

Lemma 12 (Hörmander IV, Theorem 25.2.3)

Assume that

$$A_1 \in I^{m_1}(X \times Y, C'_1), \quad A_2 \in I^{m_2}(Y \times Z, C'_2)$$

are properly supported, and that $C := C_1 \circ C_2$ is clean with excess e , proper and connected. Then

$$A_1 \circ A_2 \in I^{m_1+m_2+e/2}(X \times Z, C').$$

$I^{\mu,\nu}(N^*S_{jk}, N^*S_j)$ is given by oscillatory integrals.

If $u \in I^{-(d+1)/2-N(d,b)/4, -(d+1)/2}(N^*S_{jk}, N^*S_j)$, we can choose local coordinates $(x, y, z) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{N(d,n)-2}$ and find $a(x, y, z, \xi, \eta)$ such that $S_j = \{x = 0\}$, $S_{jk} = \{x = y = 0\}$,

$$\partial_{x,y,z}^\gamma \partial_\xi^\alpha \partial_\eta^\beta a(x, y, z, \xi, \eta) = \mathcal{O}(\langle \xi \rangle^{-(d+2)/2-\alpha} \langle \eta \rangle^{-(d+2)/2-\beta}),$$

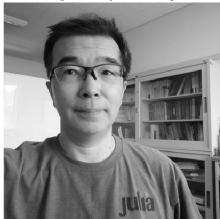
$$u(x, y, z) = \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{i(x\xi+y\eta)} a(x, y, z, \xi, \eta) d\xi d\eta$$

near $(x, y, z) = 0$. Using formulas like this, we can obtain

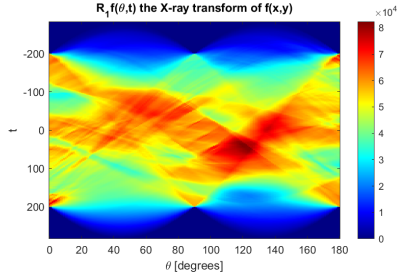
$$\begin{aligned} (I^{\mu,\nu}(N^*S_{jk}, N^*S_j))^2 &\subset \mathcal{A}, \\ I^{\mu,\nu}(N^*S_{jk}, N^*S_{\textcolor{violet}{j}}) \cdot I^{\mu,\nu}(N^*S_{jk}, N^*S_{\textcolor{violet}{k}}) &\subset \mathcal{A}. \end{aligned}$$

Thank you for your attention!

Original Grayscale Image



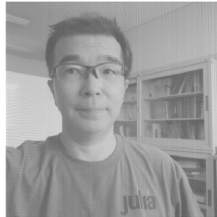
$R_{\theta}f(\theta, t)$ the X-ray transform of $f(x, y)$











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