

# Hankel Moore-Penrose Condition Numbers

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# I. Hankel Operators on the Hardy space $H^2$

Hankel: a bounded linear operator  $\Gamma : H^2 \longrightarrow H^2$ ,

$$H^2 = \{f : f = \sum_{k \geq 0} \hat{f}(k)z^k, \sum_{k \geq 0} |\hat{f}(k)|^2 = \|f\|^2 < \infty\}$$

having a matrix

$$\Gamma = \begin{pmatrix} c_0 & c_1 & c_2 & c_3 & \dots & \dots \\ c_1 & c_2 & c_3 & c_4 & \dots & \dots \\ c_2 & c_3 & c_4 & c_5 & \dots & \dots \\ c_3 & c_4 & c_5 & c_6 & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \end{pmatrix}.$$

with respect to the standard basis  $(z^k)_0^\infty$ , or equivalently

$$\Gamma S = S^* \Gamma,$$

where  $Sf = zf(z)$  stands for the shift operator on  $H^2$ .

- **Notation**  $\Gamma = \Gamma_f$  if  $c_k = \hat{f}(k)$ ,  $k \geq 0$  (**Fourier coefficients of  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$** )
- **Nehari's theorem:**  $\Gamma$  is bounded on  $H^2 \Leftrightarrow \Gamma = \Gamma_f$  with  $f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{T})$  **and**

$$\|\Gamma\| = \min\{\|f\|_\infty : \Gamma = \Gamma_f, f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{T})\} = \|f\|_{L^\infty/H_-^\infty}$$

where  $H_-^\infty = \{f : f \in L^\infty(\mathbb{T}), \hat{f}(k) = 0 \text{ for } k \geq 0\}$ .

- **Yet another useful model for Hankel operators:**  $H = \mathcal{J}\Gamma : H^2 \rightarrow H_-^2$ , where  $H_-^2 = L^2 \ominus H^2 = \{f : f \in L^2(\mathbb{T}), \hat{f}(k) = 0 \text{ for } k \geq 0\}$  **and**  $\mathcal{J}f = \bar{z}f(\bar{z})$  ( $z \in \mathbb{T}$ ),  $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$ ;  $\mathcal{J}$  is a unitary symmetry on  $L^2$ ,  $\mathcal{J}z^k = z^{-k-1}$  ( $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ ),  $\mathcal{J}^2 = I$ .
- **Nehari's theorem:** a Hankel  $H : H^2 \rightarrow H_-^2$  is bounded  $\Leftrightarrow \exists g \in L^\infty(\mathbb{T})$  s.t.

$Hx = H_gx =: P_-(gx)$  ( $x \in H^2$ ),  $P_-$  is the orthoprojection on  $H_-^2$ .

- In fact,  $\|H_g\| = \|g\|_{L^\infty/H^\infty}$  and  $\mathcal{J}\Gamma_f = H_{\mathcal{J}f}$ .

# Condition Numbers

- Condition number of a linear operator  $CN(A) = \|A\| \cdot \|A^{-1}\|$
- Important everywhere where the size of inverses  $\|A^{-1}\|$  or the resolvents  $\|(\lambda I - A)^{-1}\|$  matters:
  - for (effective) similarity  $V^{-1}AV$ ,  $CN(V) \leq \dots$ ;
  - for functional calculi  $f(A) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\gamma} (\lambda I - A)^{-1} f(\lambda) d\lambda$ ;
  - for computational linear algebra and  $n \times n$  matrices  $A$ :
  - as the maximal relative errors for perturbed equations:  
$$A(x + \Delta x) = y + \Delta y,$$
$$CN(A) = \max_{x, \Delta y} \frac{\|\Delta x\| / \|x\|}{\|\Delta y\| / \|y\|},$$
  - as a measure for the linear independence of columns  $(Ae_k)_{k=0}^{n-1}$ :  
$$\frac{1}{CN(A)} = \min \left\{ \frac{\|A - B\|}{\|A\|} : \text{rank}(B) < n \right\}.$$

- Condition number  $CN(\Gamma)$  has no sense for a Hankel  $\Gamma$  (always  $0 \in \sigma(\Gamma)$ ).

But  $\Gamma$  can be invertible if we disregard the kernel  $Ker\Gamma$ .

- Inverses disregarding the kernels are called Moore-Penrose inverses:  $A$  and  $B$  are (mutually) Penrose inverse to each other if  $BAB = B$ ,  $ABA = A$  (and  $AB$ ,  $BA$  selfadjoint). It is to say,  $AB = I$  on the  $Range(A)$ ,  $BA = I$  on the range  $B$ , complemented by 0 on complements.

- Fact: The restriction  $\Gamma|(Ker\Gamma)^\perp$  can be invertible, and moreover  $|\Gamma| |(Ker\Gamma)^\perp$  is an arbitrary positive operator, up to unitary equivalence (S.Treil, 1990/1991).
- Moreover,  $KerH_f = Ker\Gamma_{Jf} \neq \{0\} \Leftrightarrow$  there exist  $\varphi \in H^\infty$  and a Beurling inner function  $\Theta$  ( $\Theta \in H^\infty$  and  $|\Theta| = 1$  a.e. on  $\tau$ ) such that  $KerH_f = \Theta H^2$ , and  $H_f = H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}$ .

- Let  $H : H^2 \rightarrow H_-^2$  be a Hankel having a kernel,

$$KerH = \Theta H^2, \Theta \text{ inner}, H = H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}, \varphi \in H^\infty,$$

and let  $K_\Theta = (KerH)^\perp = H^2 \ominus \Theta H^2$  the so-called "model space" and  $M_\Theta : K_\Theta \rightarrow K_\Theta$  the model operator,

$$M_\Theta x = P_\Theta(zx), x \in K_\Theta,$$

$P_\Theta$  stands for the orthogonal projection on  $K_\Theta$ .

- D.Clark, 1972:  $\Theta H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi} = \varphi(M_\Theta)P_\Theta$ , and hence ( $H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}$  is Penrose invertible)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (Range( $H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}$ ) closed)  $\Leftrightarrow$   $\varphi(M_\Theta)$  invertible  $\Leftrightarrow$  A Bezout equation  $\varphi h + \Theta g = 1$  is solvable in  $h, g \in H^\infty$ , and moreover

$$\|H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}^{(-1)}\| = \|\varphi(M_\Theta)^{-1}\| = \min\|h\|_\infty,$$

the  $\inf$  ( $\min$ ) is taken over all these solutions.

- **Comments:** The quantity  $\inf\|h\|_\infty$ ,  $\varphi h + \Theta g = 1$ , could be estimated in terms of  $\inf_{z \in \mathbb{D}}(|\varphi(z)|^2 + |\Theta(z)|^2)$ , but usually the latter it is not available...

The available quantity is

$$\delta_\varphi =: \inf\{|\varphi(z)| : z \in \sigma(M_\Theta)\} \text{ (if } \varphi \in H^\infty \cap C(\overline{\mathbb{D}})),$$

or even only  $\delta_\varphi = \inf\{|\varphi(\lambda)| : |\lambda| < 1, \Theta(\lambda) = 0\}$ .

- The set  $\{\lambda : |\lambda| < 1, \Theta(\lambda) = 0\} = \sigma_p(M_\Theta)$  is the point spectrum of  $M_\Theta$ , the reproducing kernels  $k_\lambda(z) = \frac{1}{1-\lambda z}$ ,  $\Theta(\lambda) = 0$ , are still eigenvectors of  $\varphi(M_\Theta)^*$ :

$$\varphi(M_\Theta)^* k_\lambda = \overline{\varphi(\lambda)} k_\lambda, \Theta(\lambda) = 0.$$

- The problem is whether there exists a function  $t \mapsto c(t)$ ,  $t > 0$  such that

$$\|H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}^{(-1)}\| = \|\varphi(M_\Theta)^{-1}\| \leq c(\delta_\varphi), \forall \varphi \in H^\infty ?$$

- Given an inner function  $\Theta$  we define  $c(\delta) = \sup\{\|H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}^{(-1)}\| = \|\varphi(M_\Theta)^{-1}\| : \delta \leq \delta_\varphi = \inf_{\sigma(\Theta)} |\varphi| \leq \|\varphi\|_\infty \leq 1\}$ , where  $0 < \delta < 1$ ,  $\sigma(\Theta) = \sigma(M_\Theta) = \{z : |z| \leq 1, \lim_{\zeta \rightarrow z} |\Theta(\zeta)| = 0\}$  and  $\varphi \in H^\infty \cap C(\overline{\mathbb{D}})$  (the disc algebra).
- Comments: (1) Normalization  $\|\varphi\|_\infty \leq 1$  is necessary to have an estimate for condition numbers  $CN(H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}) = CN(\varphi(M_\Theta))$ .

(2) In fact, the estimate given by  $c(\delta)$  can be written directly in  $CN$ -terms, as follows

$$\frac{1}{\Delta(\varphi)} \leq CN(H_{\overline{\Theta}\varphi}) = CN(\varphi(M_\Theta)) \leq c\left(\frac{1}{\Delta(\varphi)}\right),$$

(sharp estimates) where  $\Delta(\varphi) = r(\varphi(M_\Theta)^{-1})\|\varphi(M_\Theta)\|$  is a "SPECTRAL CONDITION NUMBER" (the norm  $\|\varphi(M_\Theta)^{-1}\|$  is replaced by the spectral radius  $r(\varphi(M_\Theta)^{-1})$ ).

(3) The problem is to decide whether  $c(\delta) < \infty$  for all (certain)  $0 < \delta < 1$ .

- More notation:
- The pseudohyperbolic distance between  $z, w \in \mathbb{D}$  is  $\rho(z, w) = |b_z(w)|$ , where  $b_z(w) = \frac{z-w}{1-\bar{z}w}$  stands for a Blaschke factor.
- An inner function  $\Theta$  can be factored into  $\Theta = BS$  where

$$B = \prod_{k \geq 1} b_{\lambda_k} \text{ and } S = \exp\left(-\int_{\mathbb{T}} \frac{\zeta + z}{\zeta - z} d\nu(\zeta)\right)$$

are, respectively, a Blaschke product over the zeroes  $Z(\Theta) = (\lambda_k)_{k \geq 1}$  of  $\Theta$  in the disc  $\mathbb{D}$  and a singular inner function,  $\nu \geq 0$  being a singular Borel measure on  $\mathbb{T}$ .

- A Borel measure  $\mu \geq 0$  on the disc  $\mathbb{D}$  is said to be a "Carleson measure" if  $H^2 \subset L^2(\mu)$ ;  $\mu$  is Carleson if and only if

$$\sup_{z \in \mathbb{D}} \int_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{1 - |z|^2}{|1 - \bar{z}\zeta|^2} d\mu(\zeta) < \infty$$

(the Reproducing Kernel Test).

- A measure associated with a Blaschke product  $B$  is defined as  $\mu_B = \sum_{k \geq 1} (1 - |\lambda_k|^2) \delta_{\lambda_k}$ .

- THEOREM 1 (P.Gorkin, R.Mortini, N.N. -2008). Given an inner function  $\Theta$ , with the above notation, the following properties are equivalent.

- (1)  $\forall \delta, 0 < \delta < 1 \Rightarrow c(\delta) < \infty$ .
- (2) If  $\varphi \in H^\infty$  and  $\delta_\varphi = \inf_{\Theta(\lambda)=0} |\varphi(\lambda)| > 0$  then  $\varphi(M_\Theta)$  is invertible ( $H_{\Theta\varphi}$  Penrose invertible).
- (3)  $\Theta = BS$ , and  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \eta > 0$  s.t.  $\{|S| \leq \eta\} \subset \{|B| \leq \epsilon\}$  and  $\mu_B$  is a "Weak Carleson measure":  $\forall \epsilon > 0$

$$\sup_{\rho(w, Z(\Theta)) \geq \epsilon} \int_{\mathbb{D}} \frac{1 - |w|^2}{|1 - \bar{w}\zeta|^2} d\mu_B(\zeta) < \infty.$$

- (4)  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \eta(\epsilon) =: \inf\{|\Theta(w)| : \rho(w, Z(\Theta)) \geq \epsilon\} > 0$ .

Moreover,  $c(\delta) \leq \frac{a}{\eta(\delta/3)^2} \log \frac{1}{\eta(\delta/3)}$  for every  $\delta, 0 < \delta < 1$  ( $a > 0$  is a numerical constant), and so

$$\|H_{\Theta\varphi}^{(-1)}\| = \|\varphi(M_\Theta)^{-1}\| \leq c(\delta_\varphi) (\forall \varphi \in H^\infty, \|\varphi\|_\infty \leq 1).$$

- **Comments:** (a) If  $\sigma(M_\Theta)$  is in a Stolz angle then  $(3) \Leftrightarrow (3')$   
 $\Theta = BS$ ,  $S = 1$  and  $\mu_B$  is a Carleson measure (not only "weak Carleson").  
(b) In the latter case  $(3')$ ,  $Z(B) = (\lambda_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is a finite union of interpolating sequences (say,  $N$ ) and

$$c(\delta) \leq \frac{a}{\delta^{2N}} \log \frac{e}{\delta}, \quad 0 < \delta < 1.$$

- (c) In general,  $\delta \mapsto c(\delta)$  is a non-increasing function on  $(0, 1)$  which can be infinite for some  $\delta$ ,  $\delta \in (0, \delta(\Theta))$ , and finite for  $\delta \in (\delta(\Theta), 1)$ . For every  $\delta_1 \in [0, 1]$  there exists  $\Theta = B$  such that  $\delta(B) = \delta_1$  (Vasyunin + N., 2011).
- (d) Even if  $\delta(\Theta) = 0$ ,  $c(\delta)$  can grow arbitrarily fast as  $\delta \downarrow 0$  (Borichev, 2013).
- (e) In fact,  $\delta(\Theta) = \inf\{\epsilon > 0 : \eta(\epsilon) > 0\}$  (Borichev-Nicolau-Thomas, 2017).

## II. Cripto-Hankel Integral Operators

- ”(Almost) every operator is Hankel”

Below  $A : H \longrightarrow H$  is a bounded Hilbert space operator.

- Every non-negative operator  $A \geq 0$  having  $0 \in \sigma_{ess}(A)$  and  $\dim \text{Ker } A \in \{0, \infty\}$  is the modulus  $|\Gamma|$  of a Hankel  $\Gamma$  with respect to an orthonormal basis (S.Treil, 1990).
- Every  $A$  with  $0 \in \sigma_{ess}(A)$  and  $\dim \text{Ker } A \in \{0, \infty\}$ , being multiplied by a unitary operator, has a Hankel matrix  $\Gamma$  with respect to an orthonormal basis (is a ”cripto-hankel operator”).

In particular,  $CN(A) = CN(\Gamma)$ .

- Every selfadjoint operator with simple spectrum has a Hankel matrix with respect to an orthonormal basis (A.Megretsky- V.Peller- S.Treil, 1995).

## An example: lower triangular integral operators

- Let  $\mu$  be Borel probability measure on  $[0, 1]$  and  $J_\mu$  an integration operator

$$J_\mu f(x) = \int_{[0,x]} f d\mu, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1,$$

on the spaces  $L^p([0, 1], \mu)$ .

- $[0, x]$  can be  $[0, x)$  or  $[0, x]$ , or - which is better for a symmetry reason between  $J_\mu$  and  $J_\mu^*$  - an arithmetic mean of these two:

$$J_\mu f(x) = \int_{[0,x]} f d\mu = \int_{[0,x)} f d\mu + \frac{1}{2}\mu(\{x\})f(x), \quad x \in [0, 1].$$

- We use the standard decomposition of  $\mu$ ,  $\mu = \mu_c + \mu_d$ , in the discrete  $\mu_d = \sum_{y \in [0,1]} \mu(\{y\})\delta_y$  and the continuous components. If  $\mu_d = 0$ , then

$$J_\mu f(x) = \int_0^x f d\mu.$$

- $J_\mu : L^p(\mu) \longrightarrow L^p(\mu)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ , is a compact operator whose spectrum

$$\sigma(J_\mu : L^p(\mu) \longrightarrow L^p(\mu))$$

does not depend on  $p$  and consists of  $\{0\}$  and the eigenvalues  $\frac{1}{2}\mu(\{y\})$ ,  $y \in [0, 1]$ .

- Consider the algebra of lower triangular integral operators generated by  $J_\mu$ ,

$$A_{\mu,p} = \text{alg}_{L^p(\mu)}(J_\mu),$$

the norm closure of polynomials in  $J_\mu : L^p(\mu) \longrightarrow L^p(\mu)$ ,  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,  $J_\mu^0 =: \text{id}$ .

- We will bounding condition numbers of operators in  $A_{\mu,p}$  in terms of the spectral condition numbers.

The question is treated as the well/ill-posedness of the inversion problem in  $A_{\mu,p}$ , in the following sense.

- The problem (as before) is to find a bound  $CN(S) \leq c(1/\Delta(S))$  in terms of the spectral condition number  $\Delta(S) = r(S^{-1})\|S\|$ ,  $S \in A_{\mu,p}$ .

- Define

$$\delta_S = \min(|\lambda| : \lambda \in \sigma(S)), \text{ where } S \in A_{\mu,p},$$

$$c(\delta) = \sup\{\|S^{-1}\| : \delta \leq \delta_S \leq \|S\| \leq 1, S \in A_{\mu,p}\}, \quad 0 < \delta \leq 1,$$

$$\delta(A_{\mu,p}) = \inf\{\delta \in (0, 1] : c(\delta) < \infty\},$$

(a "critical constant":  $c(\delta) = \infty$  for  $0 < \delta < \delta(A_{\mu,p})$ , and  $c(\delta) < \infty$  for  $\delta(A_{\mu,p}) < \delta \leq 1$ ).

- Comment: this is a kind of the well/ill-posedness of the inversion problem for polynomials in  $J_{\mu,p}$ :

- **well-posed if  $\delta(A_{\mu,p}) = 0$ , and**
- **ill-posed if  $\delta(A_{\mu,p}) > 0$  (... there exists an "invisible" but numerically detectable spectrum).**

- Today, I can manage the problem for two following cases only:
  - $p = 1$  or  $\infty$  AND  $\mu = \mu_c$  (continuous measure),
  - $p = 2$ ,  $\mu$  arbitrary.
- We say that a sequence of positive numbers  $(a_n)_{n \geq 1}$  geometrically decrease if  $\sup_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_{n+1}}{a_n} < 1$ .

- **Theorem 1.** For the case  $p = 1$ ,  $\mu = \mu_c$ , we have

$$\delta(A) = 1/2, \text{ and } c(\delta) = \frac{1}{2\delta-1} \text{ for } 1/2 < \delta \leq 1.$$

- **Theorem 2.** For the case  $p = 2$ , the following alternative holds.

(1) Either,  $\mu_c = 0$  and  $\sigma(J_\mu)$  is a (finite) union of  $N$  geometrically decreasing sequences, and then

$$\delta(A_{\mu,2}) = 0 \text{ and } c(\delta) \leq a \frac{\log \frac{1}{\delta}}{\delta^{2N}}, \quad 0 < \delta < 1,$$

where  $a > 0$  depends on  $N$  and ratios of geometric sequences in  $\sigma(J_\mu)$ .

(2) Or, this is not the case, and then  $\delta(A_{\mu,2}) = 1$  (so that,  $c(\delta) = \infty$  for every  $0 < \delta < 1$ ).

- **Hints to the proof of Theorem 2:**

**1) The operator**  $J_\mu : L^2(\mu) \longrightarrow L^2(\mu)$  **has a nonnegative real part:**

$$J_\mu^* = \int_{\langle x, 1 \rangle} f d\mu, 2\operatorname{Re}(J_\mu)f = \int_{[0,1]} f d\mu = (f, 1)_{L^2(\mu)} 1, f \in L^2(\mu),$$

and  $\operatorname{rank}(\operatorname{Re}(J_\mu)) = 1$ .

Consequently, its *Cayley transform*  $C_\mu$  is a contraction,

$$C_\mu =: (I - J_\mu)(I + J_\mu)^{-1}, \|C_\mu\| \leq 1,$$

having *rank 1 defects*,  $\operatorname{rank}(I - C_\mu^* C_\mu) = \operatorname{rank}(I - C_\mu C_\mu^*) = 1$ .

**2)  $\operatorname{alg}(J_\mu) = \operatorname{alg}(C_\mu)$ ,  $\sigma(C_\mu) = \omega(\sigma(J_\mu)) \subset [0, 1]$  where  $\omega(z) = (1 - z)(1 + z)^{-1}$ .**

**3)  $C_\mu$  is unitarily equivalent to its *functional model*  $M_\Theta : K_\Theta \longrightarrow K_\Theta$  where  $\Theta = \theta_\mu$  stands for the *characteristic function* of  $C_\mu$ .**

- Hints to the proof of Theorem 2 (cont'd/end):

4) Computing the characteristic function,

$$\theta_\mu(z) = ((I + i\sqrt{2Re(J_\mu)}(J_\mu^* - zI)^{-1}\sqrt{2Re(J_\mu)})1, 1)_{L^2(\mu)} \|1\|^{-2},$$

$$\theta_\mu(z) = \prod_{k \geq 1} b_{\lambda_k}(z) \cdot \exp(-\mu_c([0, 1]) \frac{1+z}{1-z}),$$

where  $\lambda_k = \frac{1 - \frac{\mu(\{x_k\})}{2}}{1 + \frac{\mu(\{x_k\})}{2}}$  are eigenvalues of  $C_\mu$ ,  $b_{\lambda_k}(z) = \frac{\lambda_k - z}{1 - \lambda_k z}$  an elementary Blaschke factor.

5) Applying the above GMN theorem we get the result. ■

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Thank you!