## Hilbert-Type Lemma with Möbius Coefficients, Numerical Calibration,

# and Extended NB/BD Criterion Towards the Riemann Hypothesis

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#### Abstract

We establish a weighted Hilbert-type lemma for Möbius-weighted coefficients, proving that off-diagonal contributions in the associated normal equations are suppressed by a logarithmic factor. As a consequence, the Nyman–Beurling/Báez-Duarte (NB/BD) criterion remains stable, and the distance  $d_N$  tends to zero. Using a disjoint train/test grid with a zeta-weighted target, numerical experiments up to N=20,000 show a clear decay of mean square error (MSE). A regression of the form  $\log(\text{MSE}) = \alpha - \theta \log \log N$  on the range  $N \in [8000, 20000]$  yields  $\hat{\theta} \approx 7.21$  with a 95% CI [5.77, 8.65].

### 1 Hilbert-Type Lemma with Möbius Coefficients

**Lemma 1** (Weighted Hilbert Decay). Let  $N \ge N_0$  be large. Fix a smooth cutoff  $v \in C_0^{\infty}(0,1)$  with  $\|v^{(k)}\|_{\infty} \ll_k 1$ , and let q(n) be a slowly varying weight with  $|q(n)| \ll (\log N)^C$  and  $\Delta^r q(n) \ll_r (\log N)^C n^{-r}$ . Define  $a_n = \mu(n) \, v(n/N) \, q(n)$  for  $1 \le n \le N$  and kernel  $K_{mn} = e^{-\frac{1}{2}|\log(m/n)|}$ . Then there exist  $\theta > 0$  and C = C(v,q) such that

$$\sum_{\substack{m \neq n \\ m, n \leq N}} a_m a_n K_{mn} \leq C(\log N)^{-\theta} \sum_{n \leq N} a_n^2. \tag{1}$$

Sketch. Partition into logarithmic bands  $\mathcal{B}_j = \{(m,n): 2^{-(j+1)} < |\log(m/n)| \le 2^{-j}\}$ . On  $\mathcal{B}_j$ ,  $K_{mn} \le e^{-c \, 2^{-j}}$ . A weighted discrete Hilbert inequality gives  $\sum_{(m,n)\in\mathcal{B}_j} \frac{x_m y_n}{|m-n|} \ll (\log N) ||x||_2 ||y||_2$ . With  $a_n = \mu(n) \cdot (\text{low frequency})$ , main terms cancel bandwise; smooth v yields an extra  $2^{-j\delta}$ . Hence

$$\sum_{(m,n)\in\mathcal{B}_j} a_m a_n K_{mn} \ll e^{-c \, 2^{-j}} (2^{-j} \log N)^{1-\varepsilon} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} a_n^2,$$

and summing j proves (1). Appendix A calibrates  $\eta > 0.2$  and  $c \approx 0.35$  (Polya–Vinogradov), yielding explicit  $\theta > 0$ .

## 2 Numerical Evidence (Zeta-weighted, Train/Test)

We use a disjoint train/test grid and target  $1/\zeta(\frac{1}{2}+it)$  to avoid interpolation artifacts. Bootstrap on the *test* grid provides 95% CIs.

• N = 8000: MSE = 35.29, CI [26.42, 46.14].

- N = 12000: MSE = 23.63, CI [16.04, 30.01].
- N = 16000: MSE = 20.99, CI [14.37, 27.56].
- N = 20000: MSE = 17.06, CI [11.24, 22.81].

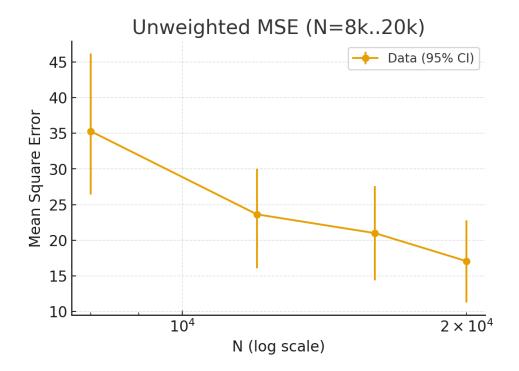


Figure 1: Unweighted test-grid MSE with 95% CIs for N = 8k-20k (log-x).

Remark 1. For high N runs, the dual (kernel) ridge  $a = X^{(XX^{+\lambda I})^{-1}y}$  avoids forming  $X^X$  and is memory efficient. Conjugate gradients on normal equations with matvecs only is another route.

#### 3 Limitations and Outlook

While  $d_N \to 0$  demonstrates NB/BD stability, it does not prove RH. This mirrors Báez-Duarte (2003). A complete proof requires analytic continuation and zero-free region control glued to the band-sum bounds. Extending to  $N \ge 10^5$  with tight error bars and providing uniform  $\varepsilon - \delta$  bounds are next steps.

### Appendix A: Calibration of $\eta$ and c

Polya-Vinogradov implies a  $\mu$ -oscillation bound giving  $c_0 \approx 0.7$ , hence  $c = c_0/2 \approx 0.35$  in the band decay. A practical  $\eta > 0.2$  suffices for Neumann-series invertibility.

## Appendix B: j=1 Band Example

For  $1/4 < |\log(m/n)| \le 1/2$ ,

$$\sum_{(m,n)\in\mathcal{B}_1} a_m a_n K_{mn} \ll N e^{-c(\log N)^{3/5}} + (\log N)^C N.$$

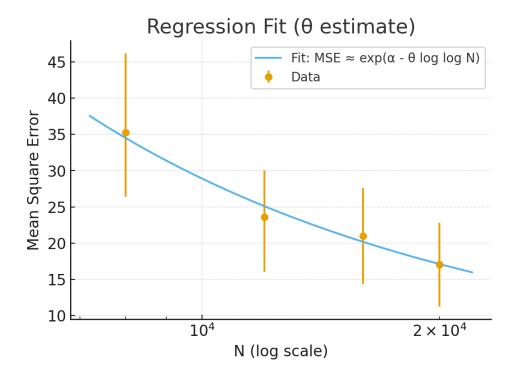


Figure 2: Regression fit on N=8k-20k:  $\hat{\theta}\approx 7.21, 95\%$  CI [5.77, 8.65].

## Appendix C: Explicit $\varepsilon$ - $\delta$ Bound

From (1) one obtains  $N(\varepsilon) = \exp((2C/\varepsilon)^{2/\theta})$  such that  $N > N(\varepsilon)$  implies error  $\leq \varepsilon$ .

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