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comm. alg. interp: of $\det(1-G^+V)$.

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Look at the discrete case again: Let H be a J -matrix ~~which~~ which is a finite perturbation $H_0 - V$ of H_0 :

$$(H_0 u)_n = \frac{1}{2}(u_{n+1} + u_{n-1}) \quad (\infty \text{ removed})$$

Then we get rank 2 vector bundles over the λ -plane with fibres

1) $\text{Ker}(H_0 - \lambda)$ and $\text{Ker}(H - \lambda)$

Denote by G_z^+ the Green's function for $H_0 - \lambda$ given by

$$G_z^+(n, n') = \frac{z^{|n-n'|}}{\frac{1}{2}(z - z^{-1})}$$

where $\frac{1}{2}(z + z^{-1}) = \lambda$. Better: define G_z^+ by this formula and then state that for $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}(z + z^{-1})$ one has

$$(H_0 - \lambda) G_z^+(n, n') = \delta(n - n')$$

Thus if we pull-back the vector bundles described in 1) to the z -plane with $0, \infty, \pm 1$ removed, we get a map

$$(1 - G_z^+ V): \text{Ker}(H - \lambda) \longrightarrow \text{Ker}(H_0 - \lambda)$$

Let $C = C(\mathbb{Z})$ denotes all sequences, $C_0 = C_0(\mathbb{Z})$ all finite support sequences. Over the z plane we have a diagram of fibre bundles as follows:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(H-\lambda) & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{H-\lambda} & \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow 0 \\
 & & \downarrow & & \downarrow 1-G_z^+V & & \downarrow \text{id} \\
 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(H_0-\lambda) & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C} & \xrightarrow{H_0-\lambda} & \mathbb{C} \longrightarrow 0
 \end{array}$$

Question: Are $H-\lambda$, $H_0-\lambda$ onto? YES For $H_0-\lambda$ it is clear as follows: It suffices to solve $(H_0-\lambda)u=f$ when $f_n = 0$ for $n \leq 0$ whence one can take $u_n = 0$ for $n \leq 0$ and then grind the rest out using the recursion ~~formula~~ formula

$$\frac{1}{2}u_{n+1} - \lambda u_n + \frac{1}{2}u_{n-1} = f_n$$

This amounts to using the Green's function

$$G(n, n') = \begin{cases} 0 & n \leq n' \\ \frac{z^{n-n'} - z^{n'-n}}{z - z^{-1}} & n > n' \end{cases}$$

The same argument works for $H-\lambda$, since H is a J -matrix.

Question: Can you interpret $\det(1-G_z^+V)$ somehow?

Mumford idea: Work with C_0 and the transposed situation:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
0 & \longrightarrow & C_0 & \xrightarrow{H_0 - \lambda} & C_0 & \longrightarrow & C_0 / (H_0 - \lambda) C_0 \longrightarrow 0 \\
& & \parallel \text{id} & & & & \\
0 & \longrightarrow & C_0 & \xrightarrow{H - \lambda} & C_0 & \longrightarrow & C_0 / (H - \lambda) C_0 \longrightarrow 0
\end{array}$$

It's not clear that we get a map ~~map~~ on C_0 from $1 - G_z^+ V$.

~~It~~ It seems that C_0 should be the space of global sections of the rank 2 vector bundle over \mathbb{C} with fibre $C_0 / (H_0 - \lambda) C_0$ at λ . Thus C_0 should be a free module of rank 2 over $\mathbb{C}[H_0]$. Similarly C_0 should be a free rank 2 module over $\mathbb{C}[H]$. Now the ~~map~~ map $\text{Ker}(H - \lambda) \rightarrow \text{Ker}(H_0 - \lambda)$ furnished by $1 - G_z^+ V$ should be some sort of correspondence between these vector bundles.

Let's take simpler case. Let $u_0 = \text{shift on } C_0$ and let u be a finite perturbation. We know C_0 is a free $\mathbb{C}[u_0, u_0^{-1}]$ module of rank 1. ~~and~~ Assuming u bijective on C_0 , C_0 will be a module of rank 1 over $\mathbb{C}[u, u^{-1}]$, so if there is no torsion (bound states) C_0 will be ~~free~~ free of rank 1. So $\text{Ker}(u - z)$ will be one-dimensional for each $z \neq 0, \infty$. (Actually I am ignoring the transposes.)

~~It's the next point is to understand the~~

Let $C_0 = C_0(\mathbb{Z}) \simeq \mathbb{C}[S, S^{-1}]$ with $U_0 =$ right shift \simeq multiplication by S . ~~□~~ We identify the dual of C_0 with $C = C(\mathbb{Z})$. The transpose U_0^t of U_0 is the left shift:

$$(U_0^t(a_n), (b_n)) = ((a_n), (b_{n-1})) = ((a_{n+1}), (b_n))$$

and so $\text{Ker}(U_0^t - z)$ is spanned by the sequence (z^n) . ~~□~~
 Recall the ~~diagram~~ diagram

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(U_0^t - z) & \longrightarrow & C & \xrightarrow{U_0^t - z} & C \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow 1 - G_z^+ V & & \parallel \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \text{Ker}(U_0^t - z) & \longrightarrow & C & \xrightarrow{U_0^t - z} & C \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

where $1 - G_z^+ V = (U_0^t - z)^{-1}(U_0^t - z)$ in this notation. Recall that the left vertical arrow is the map on eigenfunctions induced by the wave operator

$$\Omega = \lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} U^h U_0^{-h} \text{ on } C_0.$$

So I ought to be able to claim that the above diagram results by applying $\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}[z]}(?, \mathbb{C})$ to

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}[z] \otimes C_0 & \xrightarrow{U_0 - z} & \mathbb{C}[z] \otimes C_0 & \xrightarrow{\pi_0} & C_0 \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \downarrow \text{id} & & \downarrow 1 - V^t(G_z^+)^t & & \downarrow \Omega \\ 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathbb{C}[z] \otimes C_0 & \xrightarrow{U - z} & \mathbb{C}[z] \otimes C_0 & \xrightarrow{\pi} & C_0 \longrightarrow 0 \end{array}$$

I have to check that $1 - V^t(G_z^+)^t$ is really well-defd.

Start with deriving the LS equation

$$({}^t U - z)\psi = 0$$

$$({}^t U_0 - z)\psi = ({}^t U_0 - {}^t U)\psi = {}^t U_0 V \psi$$

Put ${}^t U = {}^t U_0 (I - V)$

$$(1 - z {}^t U_0^{-1})\psi = V\psi$$

$$\text{or } \psi - \varphi = G_z^+ V \psi = \sum_{n \geq 0} z^n ({}^t U_0^{-1})^n V \psi$$

We need the transpose of this operator $G_z^+ V$ which is

$$\sum_{n \geq 0} z^n {}^t V U_0^{-n} = {}^t V (1 - z U_0^{-1})^{-1}$$

Notice that this operator is well-defined on $\mathbb{C}[z] \otimes C_0$ because if $f \in C_0$, then ${}^t V U_0^{-n} f$ will be zero for n large. As a check note that

$$\left\{ 1 - {}^t V (1 - z U_0^{-1})^{-1} \right\} (U_0 - z) = U_0 - z - {}^t V U_0 = U - z$$

since $U = (I - {}^t V) U_0$.

Now what the diagram at the bottom of preceding page suggests is that in some sense Ω has a determinant which is an element in $\mathbb{C}[z]$ (or at least in $\mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]$) and

$$\det(\Omega) = \det(1 - {}^t V G_z^+) = \det(1 - G_z^+ V)$$

I see I have forgotten to check Ω is compatible with $1 - {}^t V (1 - z U_0^{-1})^{-1}$. But $\Pi: \mathbb{C}[z] \otimes C_0 \rightarrow C_0$ sends z to U

so for $f \in C_0$

$$\pi \left((1 - {}^t V (1 - z U_0^{-1})^{-1}) f \right) = \sum_{n \geq 0} U^n {}^t V U_0^{-n} f$$

$$= f - \sum_{n \geq 0} \underbrace{U^n {}^t V U_0 U_0^{-n-1}}_{-(U - U_0)} f$$

$$= f + \sum_{n \geq 0} U^n (U - U_0) U_0^{-n-1} f$$

$$= f + (U U_0^{-1} - 1) f + U (U - U_0) U_0^{-2} f + \dots$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} U^n U_0^{-n} f = \Omega f.$$

The question arises as to whether it is possible to define the determinant of Ω more directly. The idea is that Ω is a map between ~~two~~ free rank 1 modules over ~~the~~ $\mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]$, so up to a choice of bases it has a determinant. Can the identity map provide ~~you~~ you with compatible bases?

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Question: Let M be a free rank 1 module over $\mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]$ and let J be an endomorphism of M as a \mathbb{C} -vector space. ~~What does one~~ What does one have to assume so as to be able to define $\det(J)$ as an element of the ring $\mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]$?

Example: Take $M = \mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]$ and let $U_0 = \text{mult. by } z$, $U = (1-V)U_0$ a finite perturbation. ~~Then~~ Then we can take $J = \Omega = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U^n U_0^{-n}$. Why should J have a determinant which is a poly in z ?

Now we know that

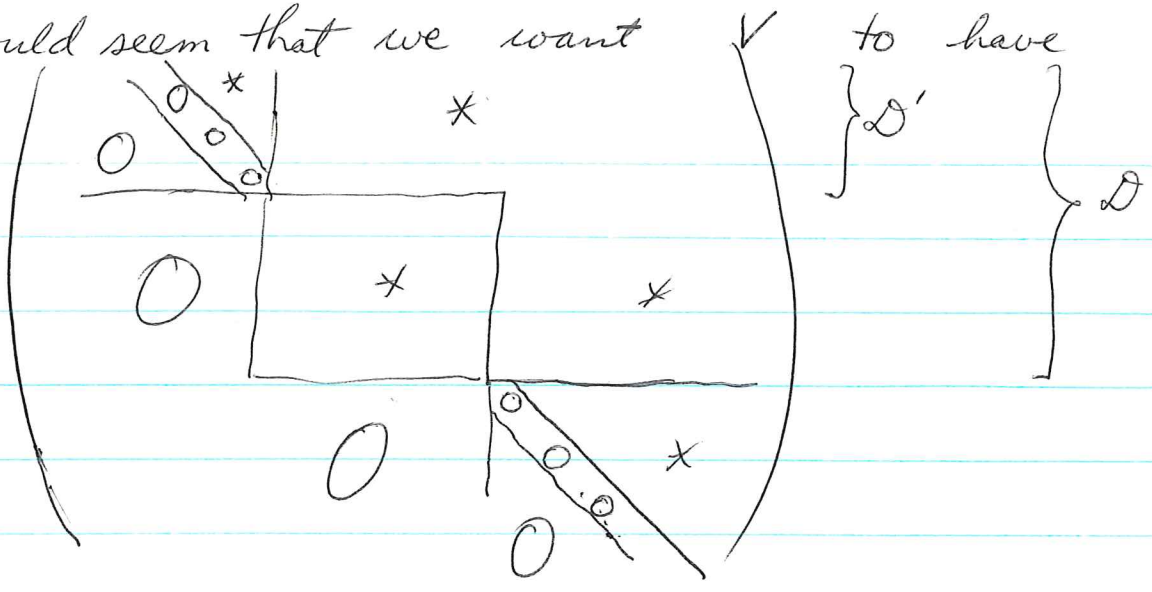
$$UJ = JU_0$$

and that ~~there are~~ there are $\mathbb{C}[z^{-1}]$ -lattices D, D' such that $J = \text{id}$ on D' and D is J -stable.

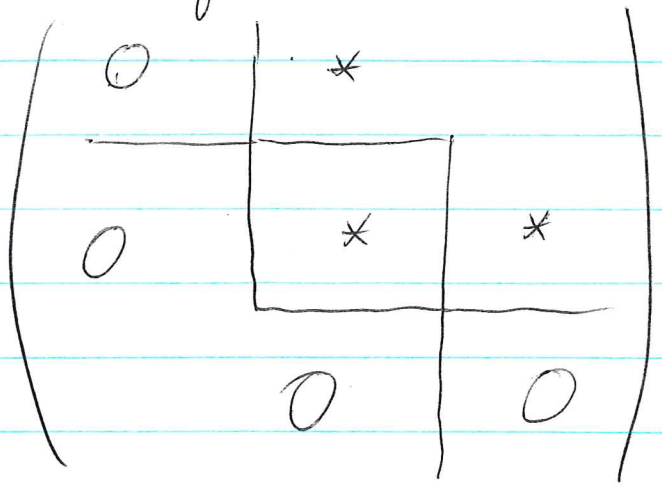
Let's try to generalize the construction. Let's see what one needs to define the determinant of $1 - V(1 - zU_0^{-1})^{-1}$. Let $z \in \mathbb{C}$. $(1 - zU_0^{-1})^{-1} = 1 + zU_0^{-1} + z^2U_0^{-2} + \dots$ has the matrix

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & z & z^2 & \cdot & \cdot \\ & 1 & z & z^2 & \cdot \\ & & 1 & z & z^2 \\ & & & 1 & z \\ & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

so it would seem that we want the form



In other words $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}'$ should be stable under V and V should be nilpotent with respect to the filtration on \mathcal{D}' and on C_0/\mathcal{D} . simplest way of meeting these requirements is



i.e. $\text{Im } V \subset \mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}' \subset \text{Ker } V$. or in words, V leaves the filtration $0 \subset \mathcal{D}' \subset \mathcal{D} \subset C_0$ fixed and induces 0 on C_0/\mathcal{D} and on \mathcal{D}' .

so therefore we should be able to ~~work~~ work with a polynomial ring.

Let $\mathcal{D} = \mathbb{C}[S]$ with $U_0 = \text{mult. by } S$ and let $U: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{D}$ be an ~~endomorphism~~ endomorphism such that

$U = U_0$ on $D' = \mathbb{N}D$. For any $z \in \mathbb{C}$ we consider the operator on D given by

$$\begin{aligned} (1 - zU)(1 - zU_0)^{-1} &= \boxed{1 - z(U - U_0)(1 - zU_0)^{-1}} \\ &= 1 - z(U - U_0) \sum_{n \geq 0} z^n U_0^n \end{aligned}$$

There is no problem with convergence of the series because $(U - U_0)U_0^N = 0$. This endomorphism is the identity on D' , and hence its determinant can be evaluated on D/D' .

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Let k be a field, let A be a k -algebra, and \mathfrak{m} an ideal in A such that A/\mathfrak{m} , $\mathfrak{m}/\mathfrak{m}^2$ are finite dimensional over k . Let ~~θ~~ θ be a k -linear endomorphism of A such that

$$1) \quad \theta(\mathfrak{m}^n) \subset \mathfrak{m}^{n+1} \quad \text{for } n \gg 0.$$

Then I can define $\det(1 - z\theta)$ as follows.

~~θ~~ For $n \gg 0$, θ induces an endom. θ_n of A/\mathfrak{m}^n . Since

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} 0 & \longrightarrow & \mathfrak{m}^n/\mathfrak{m}^{n+1} & \longrightarrow & A/\mathfrak{m}^{n+1} & \longrightarrow & A/\mathfrak{m}^n \longrightarrow 0 \\ & & \uparrow & & \uparrow & & \uparrow \\ & & \text{id} & & 1 - z\theta_{n+1} & & 1 - z\theta_n \end{array}$$

it follows $\det(1 - z\theta_n)$ doesn't depend on n , so we

can define $\det(1-z\theta)$ to be this poly.

An example where 1) holds occurs when there is an element $\alpha \in \mathfrak{m}$ such that $\theta - \alpha = 0$ on \mathfrak{m}^N . In this case we can write formally

$$\begin{aligned} (1-z\theta)(1-z\alpha)^{-1} &= [1-z\alpha + z(\alpha-\theta)](1-z\alpha)^{-1} \\ &= 1 + z(\alpha-\theta) \sum_{n \geq 0} z^n \alpha^n \\ &= 1 + z(\alpha-\theta) \sum_{0 \leq n < N} z^n \alpha^n \end{aligned}$$

since $(\alpha-\theta)\alpha^n = 0$ for $n \geq N$. Notice that the second term is an endomorphism of A of finite rank since it vanishes on \mathfrak{m}^N . Thus if we define $(1-z\theta)(1-z\alpha)^{-1}$ by the above formula it has a determinant, and since this determinant can be evaluated by restriction to A/\mathfrak{m}^N - on which α is nilpotent we see

$$\det_A((1-z\theta)(1-z\alpha)^{-1}) = \det(1-z\theta) \quad \text{as defined above.}$$

Next suppose that we have a k -linear endomorphism θ of the quotient field F of a d.v.r. (A, \mathfrak{m}) such that

$$\theta(\mathfrak{m}^n) \subset \mathfrak{m}^{n+1} \quad \text{for } |n| \gg 0$$

Then we can define $\det(1-z\theta)$ by looking at the effect of θ on $\mathfrak{m}^{-N}/\mathfrak{m}^N$ for N large. On the other hand ^{suppose} there is an element $\alpha \in \mathfrak{m}$ such that

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$$\text{Ker}(\theta - \alpha) \supset \mathfrak{m}^N$$

$$\text{Im}(\theta - \alpha) \subset \mathfrak{m}^{-N}$$

for N large. Then the transformation of F

$$1 + z(\theta - \alpha) \sum_{n \geq 0} z^n \alpha^n$$

is well-defined, since for any $x \in F$ one has $\alpha^n x \in \mathfrak{m}^N$ for $n \gg 0$. On the other hand, this transformation ~~_____~~ is the identity on \mathfrak{m}^{-N} , and is the identity modulo \mathfrak{m}^{-N} , hence it has a determinant which one can evaluate on $\mathfrak{m}^{-N}/\mathfrak{m}^N$.

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Let $U_0 =$ multiplication by δ on $\mathcal{O}[\delta, \delta^{-1}] = \mathcal{C}_0$ and let $H_0 = \frac{1}{2}(U_0 + U_0^{-1})$. Let H be a finite perturbation of H_0 . We wish to compute

~~$(H-\lambda)(H_0-\lambda)^{-1} = 1 - V(H_0-\lambda)^{-1}$~~ $(H-\lambda)(H_0-\lambda)^{-1} = 1 - V(H_0-\lambda)^{-1}$

formally. Recall that the Green's function for $H_0-\lambda$ is

$$G_z^+(n, n') = \frac{z^{|n-n'|}}{\frac{1}{2}(z-z^{-1})}$$

where $\frac{z+z^{-1}}{2} = \lambda$ and for $\lambda \notin [-1, 1]$, z is chosen with $|z| < 1$. Thus

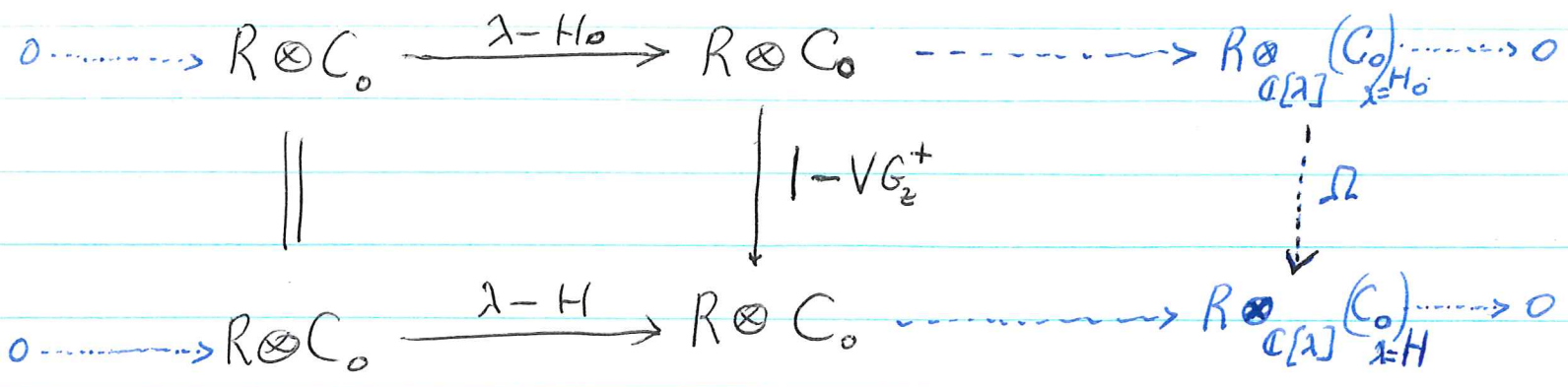
$$\begin{aligned} (G_z^+ f)(n) &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}(z-z^{-1})} \sum_{n'} z^{|n-n'|} f(n') \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}(z-z^{-1})} \left(\sum_m z^{|m|} U_0^{-m} f \right)(n) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} G_z^+ &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}(z-z^{-1})} \left((1-zU_0)^{-1} + zU_0^{-1}(1-zU_0^{-1})^{-1} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}(z-z^{-1})} (1-zU_0)^{-1} \underbrace{\left[1-zU_0^{-1} + (1-zU_0)zU_0^{-1} \right]}_{1-z^2} (1-zU_0^{-1})^{-1} \\ &= -2z (1-zU_0)^{-1} (1-zU_0^{-1})^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Check:

$$\begin{aligned} H_0 - \lambda &= \frac{U_0 + U_0^{-1}}{2} - \frac{z+z^{-1}}{2} = +\frac{1}{2z} \left\{ zU_0 + zU_0^{-1} - z^2 - 1 \right\} \\ &= -\frac{1}{2z} (1 - zU_0 - zU_0^{-1} + z^2) = -\frac{1}{2z} (1-zU_0)(1-zU_0^{-1}) \end{aligned}$$

so we can  set up the diagram



where R is the minimal ring over which VG_z^+ is defined, since $\lambda = \frac{1}{2}(z + z^{-1})$ and $z \in R$ and

$$(*) \quad VG_z^+ = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}(z - z^{-1})} \left\{ V \cdot \sum_m z^{|m|} U_0^{-m} \right\}$$

it is clear that we want

$$R = \mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}, \frac{1}{z - z^{-1}}]$$

What about the cokernels of the horizontal arrows in the above diagram? One knows for any $\mathbb{C}[\lambda]$ -module M that

$$0 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}[\lambda] \otimes M \xrightarrow{\lambda \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes \lambda} \mathbb{C}[\lambda] \otimes M \rightarrow M \rightarrow 0$$

is exact. Also R is flat over $\mathbb{C}[\lambda]$. Hence the above can be filled in as indicated in pens.

The cokernels should have something to do with the wave equation and so perhaps they have appropriate lattices $\mathcal{D}, \mathcal{D}'$.

Note that $(*)$ is a perfectly good finite rank endo of C_0 for any $z \in \mathbb{C} - \{0, 1, -1\}$, so our problem is to interpret the determinant.

There is a chance that

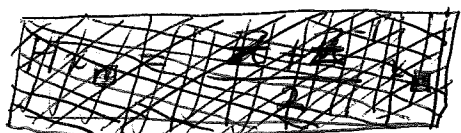
$$\mathbb{C}[u, u^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[H]} C_0$$

$$H = \frac{1}{2}(u + u^{-1})$$

can be interpreted via a wave equation. Note that its dual

$$\text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}[z, z^{-1}]} (\mathbb{C}[u, u^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[H]} C_0, X) = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}[H]} (C_0, X)$$

can be identified with the set of sequences (x_n) in X such that



$${}^t H x = \left(\frac{z + z^{-1}}{2} \right) x$$

This is what one gets when one takes the F.T. of a solution of the wave equation:

$${}^t H u(t) = \frac{u(t+1) + u(t-1)}{2}$$

namely

$$u(t) = \int z^t x_n(z) \frac{d\theta}{2\pi}$$

On the other hand we can get a direct interpretation as follows. Note that $\mathbb{C}[u, u^{-1}]$ is a free module over $\mathbb{C}[H]$ with basis $1, u^{-1}$, hence any element of $\mathbb{C}[u, u^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathbb{C}[H]} C_0$ can be uniquely written

$$u^{-1} \otimes a - 1 \otimes b$$

with $a, b \in C_0$. Then

$$u(u^{-1} \otimes a - 1 \otimes b) = 1 \otimes a - u \otimes b$$

and $u \otimes b + u^{-1} \otimes b = 1 \otimes 2Hb$ so

$$u(u^{-1} \otimes a - 1 \otimes b) = 1 \otimes a - 1 \otimes 2Hb + u^{-1} \otimes b$$

$$= u^{-1} \otimes b - 1 \otimes (2Hb - a)$$

Thus I can think of $\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathcal{O}[H]} C_0$ as pairs $\begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$ in C_0 with

$$U \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} b \\ 2Hb - a \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 2H \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} a \\ b \end{pmatrix}$$

On the other hand a solution of the wave equation


$$\frac{u(t+1) + u(t-1)}{2} = Hu(t)$$

where $u: \mathbb{Z} \rightarrow C_0$ is determined by $u(0), u(1)$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} u(1) \\ u(2) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} u(1) \\ 2Hu(1) - u(0) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 2H \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} u(0) \\ u(1) \end{pmatrix}$$

Thus elements of $\mathcal{O}[u, u^{-1}] \otimes_{\mathcal{O}[H]} C_0$ can be interpreted in an ad hoc fashion as solutions of a wave equation.

What I am trying to do is to identify $\det(1 - V G_2^+)$ with a Lax-Phillips determinant $\det(1 - zU)$ where U is time evolution on a space \mathcal{D}/\mathcal{D}' . I still seem to be missing the key points. 

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Let us consider a J -matrix H which is a finite perturbation of $H_0 = \frac{1}{2}(U_0 + U_0^{-1})$ where U_0 is the shift on $C_0(\mathbb{Z})$. Think of $C_0(\mathbb{Z})$ as contained in $C(\mathbb{Z})$ = all sequences. ~~□~~

We consider solutions of the wave equation:

$$(*) \quad \frac{u(t+1) + u(t-1)}{2} = Hu(t)$$

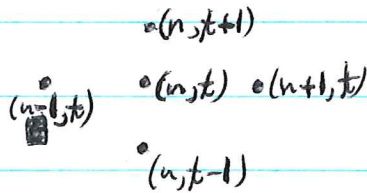
where $u(t)$ is a sequence $u(n, t)$ for each $t \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Obviously ~~□~~ any solution is determined by two consecutive t values.

~~□~~ The above equation can be written

$$\frac{1}{2} u(n, t+1) + \frac{1}{2} u(n, t-1) = a_n u(n+1, t) + b_n u(n, t) + a_{n-1} u(n-1, t)$$

~~□~~ For $|n|$ large $a_n = \frac{1}{2}$, $b_n = 0$ so if we plot a solution in the n, t plane at each point (n, t) , with $|n| > N$ say, ~~□~~ we have the sum of the up & down neighbors is the sum of the right + left ones



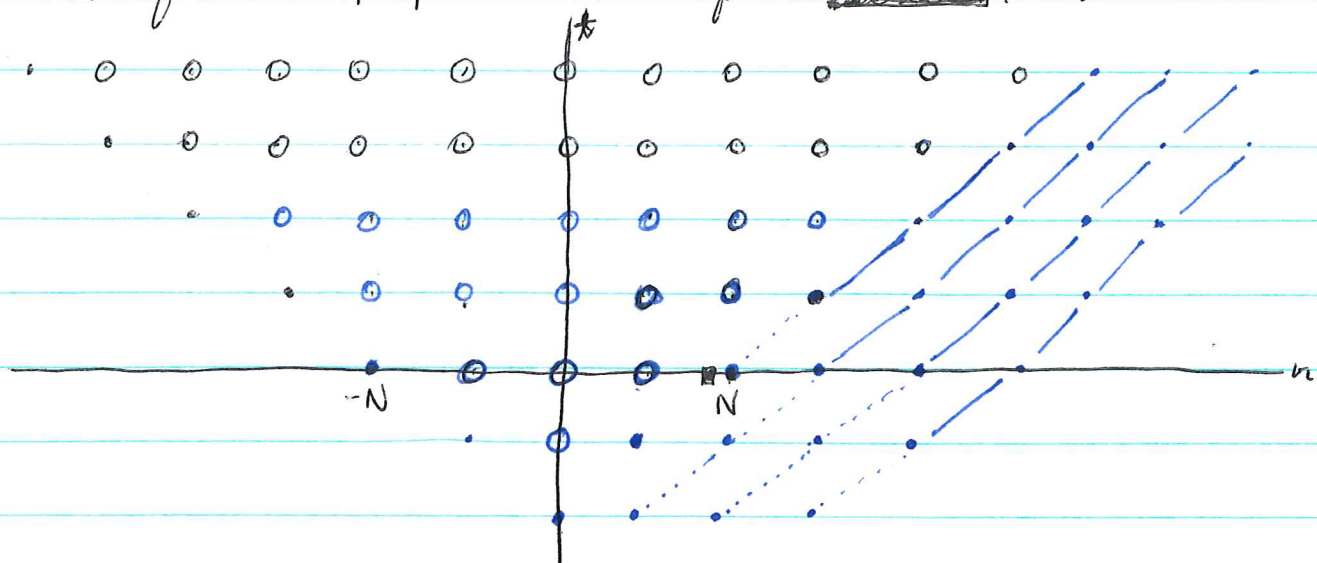
~~□~~ It's ~~□~~ clear what one means about domain of dependence for solutions of the wave equations. For example ~~□~~ one has

$$u(n, 0) = 0 \quad n \leq 0$$

$$u(n, -1) = 0 \quad n \leq -1$$

then $u(n, t) = 0$ for $n \leq t$

My problem is to get at the Lax-Phillips space D/D' . So the first thing to understand is the outgoing space D' . This consists of solutions $u(n,t)$ which leave the obstacle, so that they vanish for $|n| < N+t$ for all $t \gg 0$



Such a solution is a sum

$$u(n,t) = f(n-t) + g(n+t) \quad \begin{array}{l} t \gg 0 \text{ all } n \\ \text{or } |n| > N \text{ all } t \gg 0 \end{array}$$

with $\text{Supp } f \subset [N, \infty)$ and $\text{Supp } g \subset (-\infty, -N]$.

Notice also that if g is zero, then $u(n,t) = 0$ for all points above $t = n - N$, i.e.

$$t > n - N \text{ or } n - t < N.$$

Maybe if I change D' so that $u(n,t) = 0$ for $|n| \leq N+t$ and $t \gg 0$, I can describe D by conditions on $u(n,0)$ and $u(n,1)$:

$$u(n,1) = u(n-1,0) \quad n \geq N+1$$

$$u(n,1) = u(n+1,0) \quad n \leq N-1$$

other values zero.

Better description: D' consists of $u(n,t)$ such that

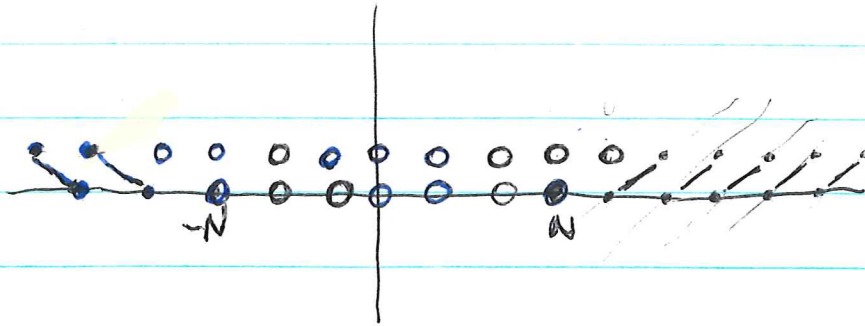
$$u(n,0) = 0 \quad |n| \leq N$$

$$u(n,1) = 0 \quad |n| \leq N+1$$

$$u(n,0) = u(n+1,1) \quad \text{if } n > N$$

$$u(n,0) = u(n-1,1) \quad \text{if } n < -N$$

and the picture is:



Next we want to determine D . The idea to keep in mind is that we want to think of a solution of the ^{free} wave equation as being a sum of a left-moving and a right-moving waves.

Let's define D tentatively to consist of all u such that for $t \ll 0$, $u(n,t)$ is supported in $[-N-t, N-t]$. Another possibility is to ~~kill~~ ~~the waves~~ ~~running~~ ~~the~~ ~~wrong~~ ~~way~~. For $n \gg 0$ we want ~~to~~ as $t \rightarrow -\infty$ to kill the waves running to the ^{right} ~~left~~, i.e. those of the form

$$f(n-t)$$

hence killed by $u \mapsto u(n+1, t+1) - u(n, t)$. Thus we might

be interested in $v(n,t) = u(n+1, t+1) - u(n, t)$ which satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} v(n,t) &= -u(n-1, t+1) + u(n, t+2) \\ &= +v(n-1, t+1) \end{aligned}$$

away from the obstacle.

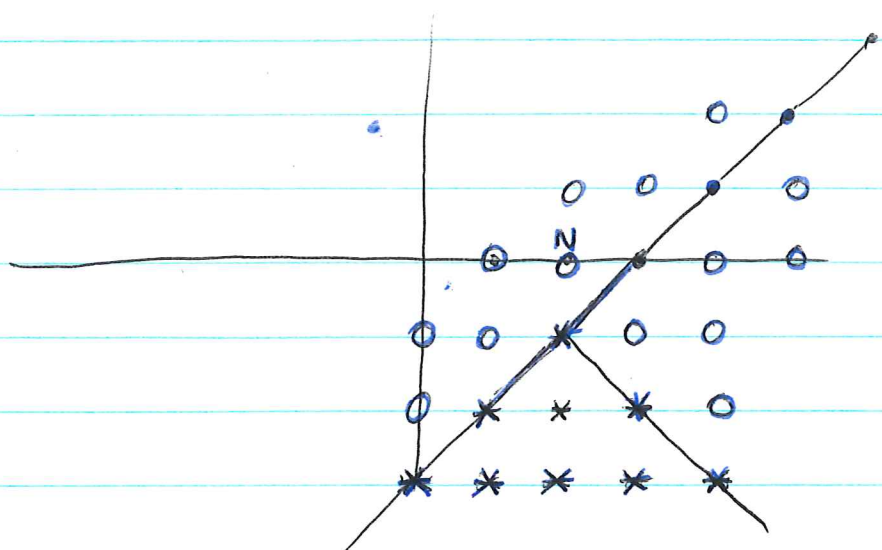
Then we could define D by requiring that $v(n,t) = 0$ for $n > N-t$ and a similar condition on the other side.

~~So the result is completely clear~~

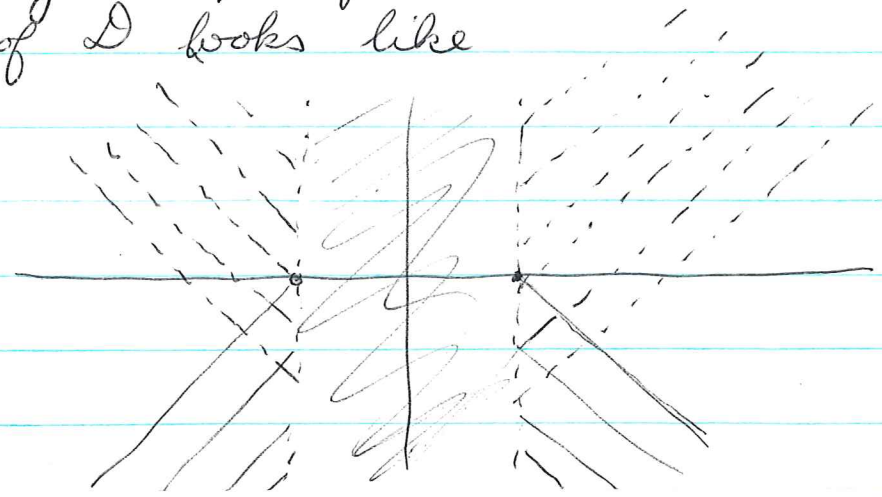
So what else can we do? We should show $D' \subset D$ and that D/D' is finite-dimensional.

The two possibilities for D are probably the same if we restrict to compact support solutions, i.e. $u(n,t) = 0$ for $|n| \gg 0$ and t fixed.

Why is $D' \subset D$? It suffices to take $u(n,t) = f(n-t)$ where $\text{Supp}(f) \subset [N+1, N']$. Take $f = \delta$ -function on $N+1$. Then the support of u looks as follows

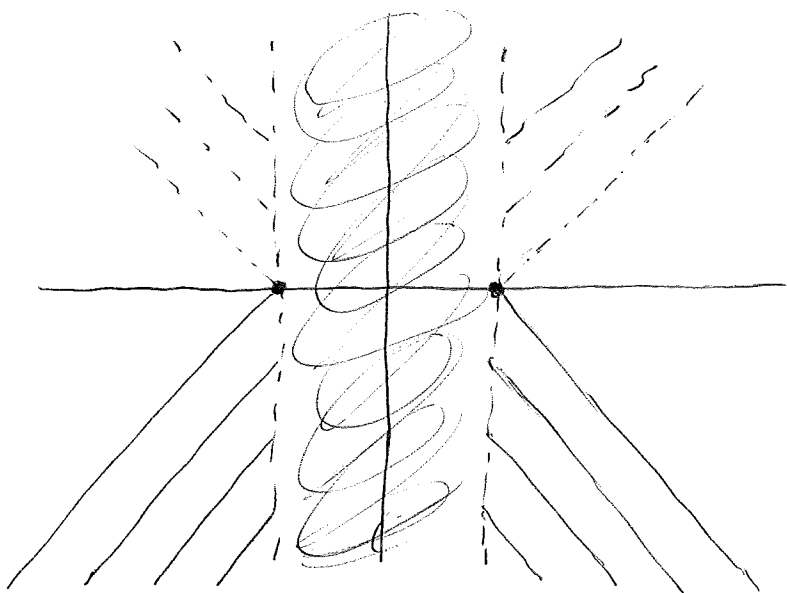


Why is D/D' finite-dimensional? A typical element of D looks like



Modulo elements of D' it becomes

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and the space of solutions of the wave equation with support $u(t)$ in $[-N-|t|, N+|t|]$ is evidently finite-dimensional.

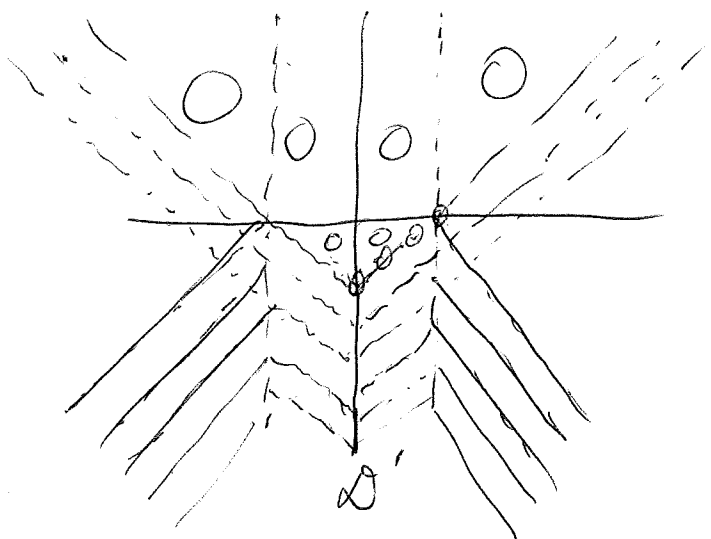
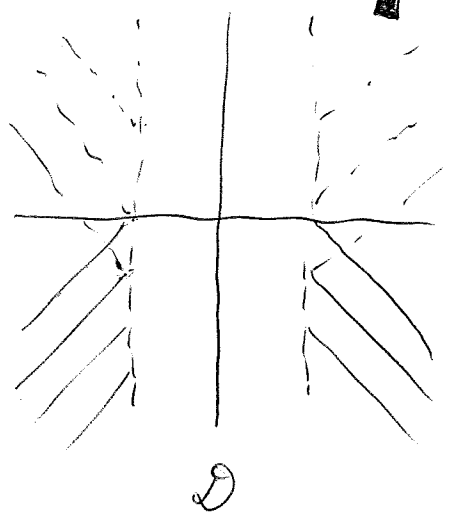
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Yesterday we looked at solutions of

$$\frac{u(t+1) + u(t-1)}{2} = Hu(t)$$

such that ~~u(n,t)~~ $u(n,t)$ has finite support for each t .

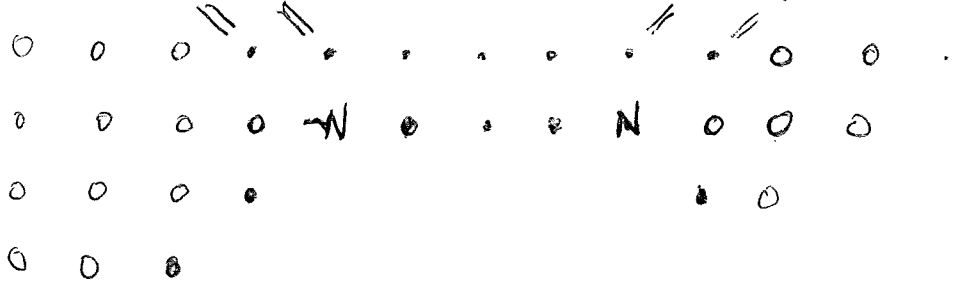
\mathcal{D} is the space consisting of $u(n,t)$ supported in $|n| \leq N - |t|$ for $t \ll 0$, \mathcal{D}' is the space of solutions vanishing for $|n| \leq N + |t|$ for all $t \geq 0$. Pictures:



So it is clear that modulo \mathcal{D}' any element of \mathcal{D} is equivalent to one with

$$\text{Supp } u \subset [-N - |t|, N + |t|]$$

Such a solution is determined by $u(0)$ which has support $\subset [-N, N]$, and $u(1)$ which has support in $[-N-1, N+1]$:



These are arbitrary, so $\dim \mathcal{D}/\mathcal{D}' = (2N+1) + (2N+3)$

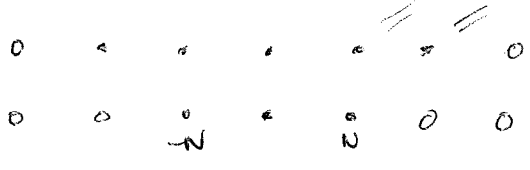
It seems we get slightly better results if we allow D' to consist of solutions vanishing for $|n| < N+t$ whence our model for D/D' consists of solutions looking like



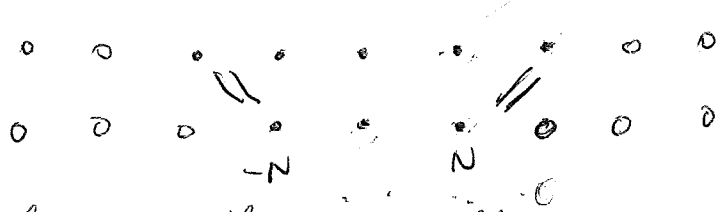
~~the~~ This time $\dim(D/D')$ is $2(2N+1)$ dimensional. Note that time evolution consists of computing $u(2)$ from $u(0), u(1)$ and throwing away the ends.

The problem is now to compute $\det(1-zU)$ on D/D' , and ~~to~~ connect it up with the LS determinant $\det(1-VG_z^+)$.

Note that if we take D/D' to consist of



then time shifting lands you into the subspace consisting of data of the form



which is the more efficient model with $\dim = 2(2N+1)$.