

# IDENTITIES AND EXPONENTIAL INEQUALITIES FOR TRANSFER MATRICES

(Properties of a single transfer matrix)

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- Duality (an identity for determinants of band matrices)
- Theorem by Demko Moss Smith on inverse of band matrices
- The singular values of a transfer matrix are large/small for large  $n$  (with exp bounds)

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## Difference equation & transfer matrix

$$C_k u_{k-1} + A_k u_k + B_k u_{k+1} = E u_k, \quad u_k \in \mathbb{C}^m, \quad k = 1 \dots n.$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{k+1} \\ u_k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} B_k^{-1}(E - A_k) & -B_k^{-1}C_k \\ \mathbb{I}_m & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_k \\ u_{k-1} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{n+1} \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} = T(E) \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix}$$

\* Boundary conditions

\* Large  $n$  asymptotics of  $u_n$

## The Lyapunov spectrum

Singular values  $\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{2m}$  (eigenvalues of  $[T(E)^\dagger T(E)]^{1/2}$ ):

$$\sigma_1 \cdots \sigma_p = \|\Lambda^p T(E)\| = \sup_{v_1 \dots v_p} \frac{\text{Volume P}\{Tv_1, \dots, Tv_p\}}{\text{Volume P}\{v_1, \dots, v_p\}}$$

where  $\text{P}\{v_1, \dots, v_p\} =$  parallelogram with sides  $v_i \in \mathbb{R}^{2m}$  (linear algebra).

If  $T(E)$  is the product of  $n \gg 1$  random matrices,  $\sigma_k \approx e^{\pm n \lambda_k}$  (**Oseledec's theorem**) with Lyapunov exponents  $\lambda_k$  *independent of the realization*. Then:

$$\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_p = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \ln \|\Lambda^p T\|$$

Kunz and Souillard:

$$\frac{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m}{m} = \int dE' \rho(E') \ln |E - E'| + \text{const.}$$

## b.c. and spectrum of a single $T(E)$

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_{n+1} \\ u_n \end{bmatrix} = T(E) \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} = z \begin{bmatrix} u_1 \\ u_0 \end{bmatrix} \quad H(z) = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & B_1 & & \frac{1}{z}C_1 \\ C_2 & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & B_{n-1} \\ zB_n & & C_n & A_n \end{bmatrix}$$

$z$  is eigenvalue of  $T(E)$  [with eigenvector  $(u_1, u_n/z)^t$ ]

$\Leftrightarrow$

$E$  is eigenvalue of  $H(z)$  [with eigenvector  $(u_1, \dots, u_n)^t$ ]

**Theorem (Duality Molinari 1997)**

$$\det[z\mathbb{I}_{2m} - T(E)] = (-z)^m \frac{\det[E\mathbb{I}_{nm} - H(z)]}{\det(B_1 \cdots B_n)}$$

similarity: b.c.  $\Leftrightarrow$  ring geometry

$$H(z^n) = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & B_1 & & \frac{1}{z^n} C_1 \\ C_2 & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & B_{n-1} \\ z^n B_n & & C_n & A_n \end{bmatrix} \sim \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & zB_1 & & \frac{1}{z} C_1 \\ \frac{1}{z} C_2 & \ddots & \ddots & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & zB_{n-1} \\ zB_n & & \frac{1}{z} C_n & A_n \end{bmatrix}$$

N. Hatano and D. R. Nelson, Localization transitions in non-Hermitian quantum mechanics, PRL **77** (1996)

$$e^{\xi}u_{k+1} + \epsilon_k u_k + e^{-\xi}u_{k-1} = E u_k,$$

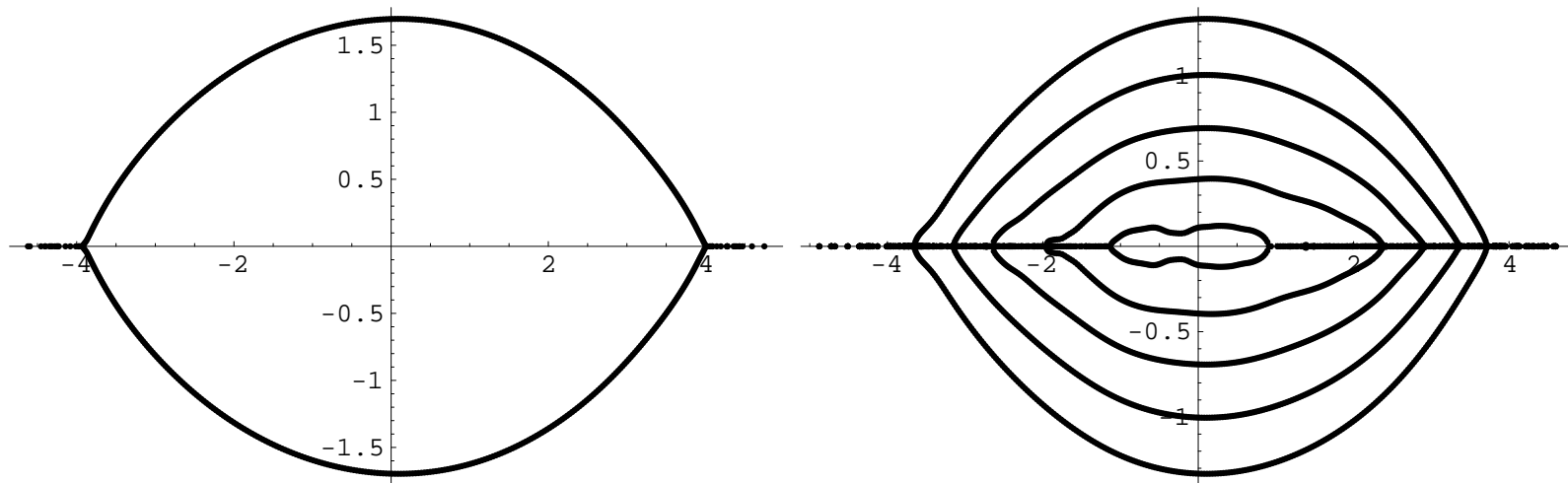


Figure 1: Left: the complex eigenvalues of a Hatano Nelson tridiagonal matrix ( $n = 600$ ,  $\xi = 1$ ) with diagonal elements in  $[-3.5, +3.5]$ . Real eigenvalues correspond to states with localization length less than  $1/\xi$ . Right: same system with  $\xi$  from 0 to 1, to show the expanding curve.

L. G. Molinari and G. Lacagnina, Disk-annulus transition and localization in random non-Hermitian tridiagonal matrices, JPA **42** (2009)

$$e^{\xi}c_k u_{k+1} + a_k u_k + e^{-\xi}b_k u_{k-1} = E u_k, \quad a_k, b_k, c_k \in [-1, 1]$$

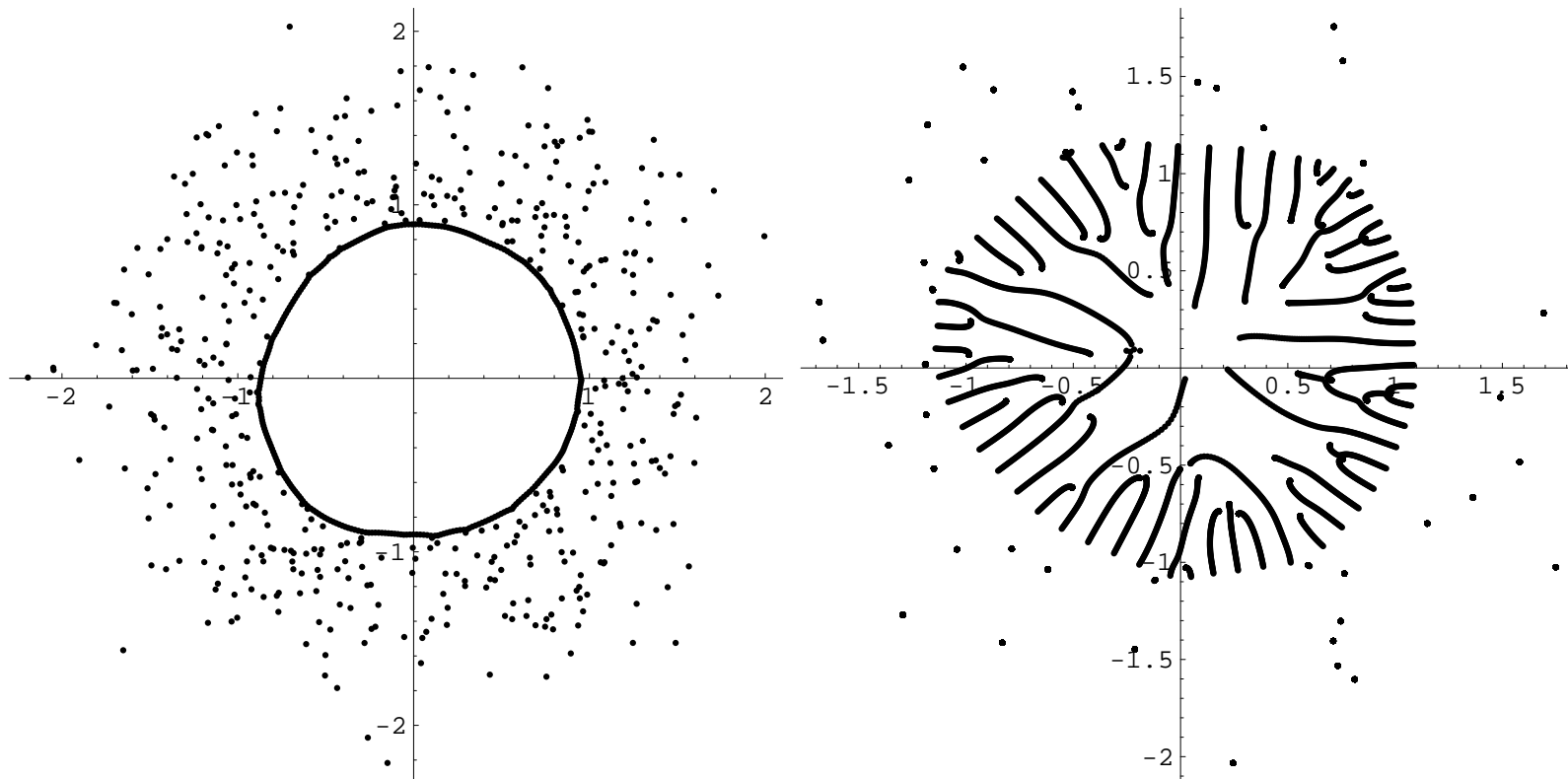


Figure 2: Left: the eigenvalues of a tridiagonal matrix ( $n = 800$ ,  $\xi = 0.5$ ). Right:  $n = 100$ ; motion of eigenvalues for  $\xi$  from 0.3 to 0.6. Outer eigenvalues numerically unaffected before being reached.

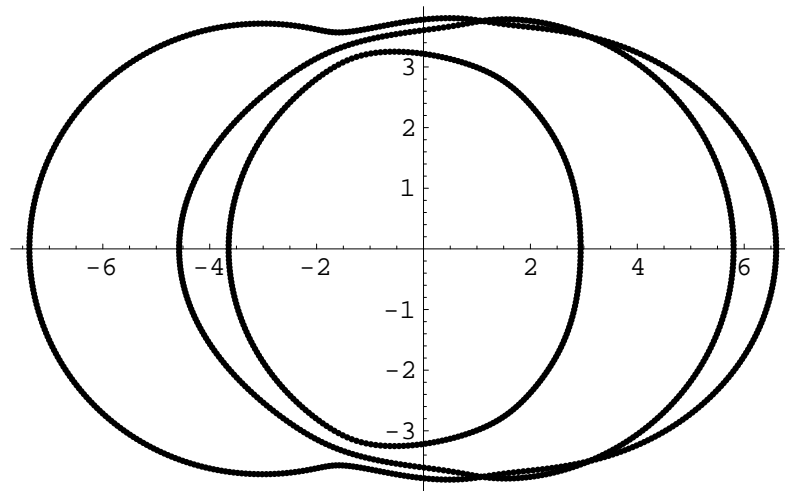


Figure 3: 2D Anderson model on lattice  $(n = 8) \times (m = 3)$ , disorder  $w = 7$ ,  $|z| = \exp 1.5$ . As  $\arg z$  changes, the 24 eigenvalues trace  $m = 3$  closed loops of equations  $|z_k(E)| = |z|$ .



## Transfer matrix and resolvent

$$h = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 & B_1 & & & \\ C_2 & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & B_{n-1} & \\ & & C_n & A_n & \end{bmatrix}, \quad [h - E]^{-1} =: \begin{bmatrix} g_{1,1} & \cdots & g_{1,n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ g_{n,1} & \cdots & g_{n,n} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$T(E) = \begin{bmatrix} -B_n^{-1}(g_{1,n})^{-1} & -B_n^{-1}(g_{1,n})^{-1}g_{1,1}C_1 \\ g_{n,n}(g_{1,n})^{-1} & g_{n,n}(g_{1,n})^{-1}g_{1,1}C_1 - g_{n,1}C_1 \end{bmatrix}$$

S. Demko, W. F. Moss and P. W. Smith, Decay rates for inverses of band matrices, *Math. Comp.* (1984) **43** 491-499.

1) Error of best approximation of  $1/x$  on  $[a, b]$  by a monic polynomial  $p_k$  (Chebyshev):

$$\inf_{p_k \in P_k} \left\{ \sup_{x \in [a, b]} \left| \frac{1}{x} - p_k(x) \right| \right\} = C q^{k+1},$$

$$C = \frac{(\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{a})^2}{2ab}, \quad q = \frac{\sqrt{b} - \sqrt{a}}{\sqrt{b} + \sqrt{a}}$$

2) In block tridiagonal matrix  $A_{ij}$ , blocks  $[p_k(A)]_{i,j} = 0$  for  $|i - j| > k$ .

**Theorem 0.1.**  $A > 0$  is block tridiagonal matrix with blocks  $m \times m$ ,  $sp(A) \subseteq [a, b]$ . If  $A^{-1}[i, j]$  is a matrix element in block  $(A^{-1})_{ij}$  then:

$$\boxed{|A^{-1}[i, j]| \leq C q^{|i-j|}}$$

Proof:

$$\begin{aligned}
|A^{-1}[i, j]| &= |A^{-1}[i, j] - p_k(A)[i, j]| \leq \|A^{-1} - p_k(A)\| \\
&= \sup_{\lambda \in sp(A)} \left| \frac{1}{\lambda} - p_k(\lambda) \right| \leq \sup_{\lambda \in [a, b]} \left| \frac{1}{\lambda} - p_k(\lambda) \right|
\end{aligned}$$

inf over monic  $p_k$  is taken. Minimum exists, error gives main inequality. If  $i = j$ :  $|A^{-1}[i, i]| \leq \|A^{-1}\| = 1/a$ .

If  $A$  block tridiagonal but non positive:  $A^{-1} = A^\dagger (AA^\dagger)^{-1}$ .

**Theorem 0.2.**  *$A$  is an invertible block tridiagonal matrix,  $sp(AA^\dagger) \subseteq [a, b]$ , let  $A^{-1}[i, j]$  be any matrix element in the block  $(A^{-1})_{ij}$ . Then:*

$$|A^{-1}[i, j]| \leq C' q^{\frac{1}{2}|i-j|}$$

$$|g[1, n]| \leq C'' q^{\frac{1}{2}(n-3)}, \quad |g[n, 1]| \leq C'' q^{\frac{1}{2}(n-3)}$$

**Lemma 0.3.** *If  $\theta_1 \dots \theta_m$  singular values of  $T_{11}$ , then  $\theta_k > Kq^{-n/2}$   
 $\sum_{k=1}^m \theta_k^{-2} = \text{tr}[(T_{11}^\dagger T_{11})^{-1}] = \text{tr}[B_n B_n^\dagger g_{1n}^\dagger g_{1n}] \leq \text{const } q^n \Rightarrow \theta_k > Kq^{-n/2}$ .*

**Main Theorem 0.1.** *If  $q < 1$  and  $n \gg m$ ,  $T(E)$  has singular values  
 $\sigma_1 \geq \dots \geq \sigma_m > Kq^{-n/2}$  and singular values  $\sigma_{m+1} \geq \dots \geq \sigma_{2m} < \frac{1}{K}q^{n/2}$ .*

*Interlacing property:*

$$\sigma_k \geq \theta_k \geq \sigma_{m+k}, \quad k = 1, \dots, m$$

*Therefore, at least  $m$  singular values of  $T(E)$  are larger than  $q^{-n/2}$ .  
 Same holds true for  $T(E)^{-1}$  (similar to a transfer matrix)  $\Rightarrow$  precisely  $m$   
 singular values of  $T(E)$  are larger than  $q^{-n/2}$  and  $m$  are smaller than  $q^{n/2}$ .*

## Jensen's formula and exponents

$\det [z\mathbb{I}_{2m} - T(E)]$  has zeros  $z_1, \dots, z_{2m}$  (eigenvalues of  $T(E)$ ), and zeros  $E_1, \dots, E_{nm}$  (eigenvalues of  $H(z)$ ). *Exponents* of the transfer matrix:

$$\xi_k =: \frac{1}{n} \ln |z_k|$$

Jensen:  $f$  holomorphic with zeros  $z_k$  in disk of radius  $r$ ,  $f(0) \neq 0$ , then

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} \ln |f(re^{i\theta})| = \ln |f(0)| - \sum_k \ln(|z_k|/r)$$

Proposition:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\xi_k < \xi} (\xi - \xi_k) - \xi = \\ &= \frac{1}{mn} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\varphi}{2\pi} \ln |\det [H(e^{n\xi+i\varphi}) - E]| - \frac{1}{mn} \sum_{j=1}^n \ln |\det C_j| \end{aligned}$$

## Sum of positive exponents

One matrix (exact):

$$\frac{\xi_1 + \dots + \xi_k}{m} = \frac{1}{nm} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\theta}{2\pi} \ln |\det[H(e^{i\theta}) - E]| - \frac{1}{n} \ln |\det[B_1 \cdots B_n]|$$

Anderson model (Kunz Souillard):

$$\frac{\lambda_1 + \dots + \lambda_m}{m} = \int dE' \rho(E') \ln |E' - E| + \text{const.}$$