

Math 846

Lecture 21

We continue to discuss a DRG  $\Gamma = (X, R)$

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with diameter  $D \geq 1$ , that is  $Q$ -polynomial with respect to  $\{E_i\}_{i=0}^D$ . Let  $F = \mathbb{R} \text{ or } \mathbb{C}$

For  $x \in X$  and nodes  $T = T(x)$  etc.

Proof of Thm 1 First assume  $D \geq 3$ .

By LEM 5 (with  $R = A^2$  and  $S = A$ )  $\exists Z \in M$  st.

$$A^2 A^* A - A A^* A^2 = Z A^* - A^* Z \quad (*)$$

Recall  $\{A^i\}_{i=0}^D$  is a basis for  $M$ , so  $\exists p \in F[x]$  with degree  $\leq D$  st  $Z = p(A)$ . Let  $d = \deg(p)$ .

We show  $d=3$ . First suppose  $d > 3$ . Multiply each term in  $(*)$  on left by  $E_d^*$  and on right by  $E_0^*$ .

Evaluate using LEM 4 to get

$$0 = \underbrace{c (e_0^* - a_2^*)}_{\neq 0} \underbrace{E_d^* A^d E_0^*}_{\neq 0 \text{ by LEM 3}} \quad c = \text{leading coeff of } p$$

Contradiction. Next suppose  $d < 3$ . Multiply each term in  $(*)$  on left by  $E_3^*$  and on right by  $E_0^*$ . Evaluate

using LEM 4 to get

$$\underbrace{(a_1^* - a_2^*)}_{\neq 0} \underbrace{E_3^* A^3 E_0^*}_{\neq 0 \text{ by LEM 3}} = 0$$

for a contradiction.

We have shown  $d=3$ .

Abbrev  $\beta = c^2 - 1$

Divide both sides of (\*) by  $c$  to find  $\exists \gamma, \delta \in \mathbb{F}$   
s.t.

$$(\beta+1)(A^2 A^* A - A A^* A^2) = A^3 A^* - A^* A^3$$

$$- \gamma (A A^* - A^* A^2) - \delta (A A^* - A^* A)$$

Rearranging terms, we get TD1, To get TD2, pick

$i$  ( $2 \leq i \leq p-1$ ), Multiply each term in TD1

on the left by  $E_{i-2}^*$  and on the right by  $E_{in}^*$ .

Simplify using LEM 4 to get

$$0 = \underbrace{E_{i-2}^* A^3 E_{in}^*}_{\neq 0} \underbrace{\left( \theta_{i-2}^* - (\beta+1)\theta_{i-1}^* + (\beta+1)\theta_i^* - \theta_{in}^* \right)}_{\text{must be } 0}$$

So  $\{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^p$  is  $\beta$ -recurrent.

So  $\exists \gamma^* \in \mathbb{F}$  s.t.  $\{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^p$  is  $(\beta, \gamma^*)$ -rec

So  $\exists \delta^* \in \mathbb{F}$  st.  $\{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^D$  is  $(\beta, \gamma, \delta^*)$ -rec.

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We have

$$P^*(\theta_{i-1}^*, \theta_i^*) = 0 \quad (1 \leq i \leq D)$$

Now  $\beta, \gamma, \delta^*$  satisfy TD2 by LEM 7\*

We are done for  $D \geq 3$ .

Next assume  $D < 3$ . Let  $\beta \in \mathbb{F}$  (arbitrary)

If  $D = 2$  define  $\gamma = \theta_0 - \beta\theta_1 + \theta_2$

and if  $D = 1$  let  $\gamma \in \mathbb{F}$  (arb).

By constr  $\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^D$  is  $(\beta, \gamma)$ -rec.

So  $\exists \delta \in \mathbb{F}$  st.  $\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^D$  is  $(\beta, \gamma, \delta)$ -rec.

We have

$$P(\theta_{i-1}, \theta_i) = 0 \quad (1 \leq i \leq D)$$

Now  $\beta, \gamma, \delta$  satisfy TD1 by Lem 7.

Interchanging the roles of  $A, A^*$  in the above

argument, we find  $\exists \gamma^*, \delta^* \in \mathbb{F}$  st

$\beta, \gamma^*, \delta^*$  satisfy TD2.

□

Prop 12 Given  $\beta, \gamma, \gamma^*, \delta, \delta^* \in \mathbb{F}$  that satisfy

TD1, TD2,

(i) the scalars

$$\left( \frac{\theta_{i-2} - \theta_{i+1}}{\theta_{i-1} - \theta_i}, \quad \frac{\theta_{i-2}^* - \theta_{i+1}^*}{\theta_{i-1}^* - \theta_i^*} \right)$$

are both equal to  $\beta$  for  $2 \leq i \leq n$ .

(ii)  $\gamma = \theta_{i+1} - \beta \theta_i + \theta_{i-1} \quad (1 \leq i \leq n)$

(iii)  $\gamma^* = \theta_{i+1}^* - \beta \theta_i^* + \theta_{i-1}^* \quad (1 \leq i \leq n)$

(iv)  $\delta = \theta_{i+1}^2 - \beta \theta_{i+1} \theta_i + \theta_i^2 - \gamma (\theta_{i+1} + \theta_i) \quad (1 \leq i \leq n)$

(v)  $\delta^* = \theta_{i+1}^{*2} - \beta \theta_{i+1}^* \theta_i^* + \theta_i^{*2} - \gamma^* (\theta_{i+1}^* + \theta_i^*) \quad (1 \leq i \leq n)$

p.f (iv) By TD1 and Lem 7

(v) By TD2 and Lem 7\*

(ii) By LEM 11 and (iv)

(iii) By LEM 11 and (v)

(i)  $\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^n$  is  $(\beta, \gamma)$ -rec by (ii) so  $\{\theta_i\}_{i=0}^n$  is  $\beta$ -rec.

Similarly  $\{\theta_i^*\}_{i=0}^n$  is  $\beta$ -rec. The result follows.  $\square$

Cor 13 The scalars  $\beta, \gamma, \delta, \delta^*$  in THM 1

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are unique if  $D \geq 3$ .

pf By Prop 12.

□

Thm 2 is immediate from Prop 12 (i).

Our next goal is to solve the recurrence in Thm 2 to get the eigenvalues and dual eigenvalues of  $T$  in closed form.

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LEM 14 Given a sequence of scalars

$\{\sigma_i\}_{i=0}^p$  in  $\mathbb{C}$ , and given  $\beta \in \mathbb{C}$ , then

$\{\sigma_i\}_{i=0}^n$  is  $\beta$ -recurrent iff  $\exists a, b, c \in \mathbb{C}$  such that

Case  $\beta \neq \pm 2$

$$\sigma_i = a + b\gamma^i + c\gamma^{-i} \quad (0 \leq i \leq n)$$

$$\text{where } \beta = \gamma + \gamma^{-1}$$

Case  $\beta = 2$

$$\sigma_i = a + bi + ci^2 \quad (0 \leq i \leq n)$$

Case  $\beta = -2$

$$\sigma_i = a + b(-1)^i + ci(-1)^i \quad (0 \leq i \leq n)$$

pf (For case  $\beta \neq \pm 2$ ) Assume  $p \geq 3$ ; else trivial.

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Let  $L$  denote the set of all vectors  $(\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_p) \in \mathbb{C}^{p+1}$

that are  $\beta$ -rec, i.e.

$$\sigma_{i-2} - (\beta+1)\sigma_{i-1} + (\beta+1)\sigma_i - \sigma_{i+1} = 0 \quad (2 \leq i \leq p-1) \quad (*)$$

$L$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{C}^{p+1}$ .

In  $(*)$ ,  $\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2$  are free and  $\sigma_3, \sigma_4, \dots, \sigma_p$  are determined by  $\sigma_0, \sigma_1, \sigma_2$ . So

$$\dim L = 3$$

Pick  $0 \neq q \in \mathbb{C}$  s.t.

$$\beta = q + q^{-1}$$

obs  $q \neq 1, q \neq -1$

One checks the three vectors

$$(1, 1, 1, \dots, 1) \quad (1, q, q^2, \dots, q^p), \quad (1, q^{-1}, q^{-2}, \dots, q^{-p})$$

are in  $L$  and linear indep. So they form a basis for  $L$ .

Result follows.

□



Note 15 Ref to LEM 14 for  $\beta \neq \pm 2$

Sometimes we replace  $q$  by  $q^2$  and adjust  $a, b, c$   
to write

$$\sigma_i = a + bq^{2i-1} + cq^{1-2i} \quad (0 \leq i \leq D)$$