

So far we have shown that for each  $x$ ,

$\Upsilon(z) = \Upsilon(z; x, u(x), w(x) = u'(x))$  solves a RHP with

jump matrices  $\Upsilon_1 = \Upsilon_1(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p(x) \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $\Upsilon_2 = \Upsilon_2(x) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ q(x) & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \dots$

The question now is how do  $p(x), q(x), r(x)$  move in the case that  $u(x), w = u'(x)$  solve PII. We know that

$$u(x) \text{ solves PII} \iff L_{SC} = P_z + [P, L],$$

where  $P = \begin{pmatrix} -i\gamma & iu \\ -iu & i\gamma \end{pmatrix}$

Now it follows from the general  $\mathcal{I}H^*$  in Wasow that the solution

$\Upsilon(z)$  with standard asymptotics in a sector  $S$

depends smoothly on the parameters  $x, u(x), w = u'(x)$ .

(Check this: exercise) - In particular,  $\frac{\partial \Upsilon}{\partial x}(z; x) \in \mathcal{F}$ .

From  $\frac{\partial \Upsilon}{\partial z} = L\Upsilon$  we obtain

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z} \frac{\partial \Upsilon}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\partial \Upsilon}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} L\Upsilon = L_x \Upsilon + L \Upsilon_x$$

$$= (P_3 + PL - LP)Y + LY_x$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \frac{\partial}{\partial z} (Y_x - PY) &= (P_3 + PL - LP)Y + LY_x \\ &\quad - P_3 Y - PY_x \\ &= PLY - LPY - PLY + LY_x \\ &= L(Y_x - PY) \end{aligned}$$

Hence

$$Y_x - PY = YC$$

for some constant matrix  $C$  indep. of  $z$ . In any

sector we have  $Y = \hat{Y} e^{\theta \sigma_3} = \left( \mathbb{I} + \frac{\gamma_1}{z} + \dots \right) e^{\theta \sigma_3}$

as  $z \rightarrow \infty$ . Moreover the asymptotics can be differentiated

wrt  $x$  (check!). Hence, as  $\theta = -\left(\frac{4i z^3}{3} + izx\right)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \hat{Y} (-iz \sigma_3) + \hat{Y}_x \right) e^{\theta \sigma_3} &= \begin{pmatrix} -iz & i\mu \\ -i\mu & iz \end{pmatrix} \hat{Y} e^{\theta \sigma_3} \\ &= \hat{Y} e^{\theta \sigma_3} C \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$(143.1) \quad iz [\sigma_3, \hat{Y}] - \begin{pmatrix} 0 & i\mu \\ -i\mu & 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{Y} + O\left(\frac{1}{z}\right) = \hat{Y} e^{\theta \sigma_3} C e^{-\theta \sigma_3}$$

From (126.2) we have  $\gamma_1^{(2)} = \gamma_1^{(2)} = u(x)/2$  and so

$$i_z(\sigma_3, \vec{r}) = i \begin{pmatrix} 0 & u \\ -u & 0 \end{pmatrix} + O\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$$

which  $\Rightarrow$  LHS of (143.1) =  $O\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$  as  $z \rightarrow \infty$  in the sector. But each of the 6 sectors contains a representation ray, and so we conclude that  $C=0$ . (why?)

Hence

$$Y_x = P Y$$

But differentiating  $Y_+ = Y_- U$ , we obtain

$$\frac{\partial Y_+}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial Y_-}{\partial x} U + Y_- \frac{\partial U}{\partial x}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore P Y_+ &= P Y_- U + Y_- \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \\ &= P Y_+ + Y_- \frac{\partial U}{\partial x} \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} = 0$$

We have thus proved the following basic result -

Th<sup>m</sup> 144.1 If  $u$  solves P.II, then the associated jump matrix  $U(x, z)$  is indep of  $x$  i.e.

$$(144.2) \quad |p(x)| = \text{const}, \quad |q(x)| = \text{const}, \quad r(x) = \text{const}.$$

The converse of Th<sup>m</sup> 144.1 is true in the following form.

For  $(p, q, r) \in V$ , let  $v$  be the associated jump matrix on  $\Sigma$  i.e.  $v(z) = v_1(z) = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  for  $z \in \Sigma_1$ , etc. Set  $v_x(z) = e^{\theta \sigma_3} v(z) e^{-\theta \sigma_3}$ .

Th<sup>m</sup> 145.1

Let  $v = v(p, q, r)$  be as above. Suppose that for some  $x_0 \in \mathbb{C}$  the normalized RHP  $(\Sigma, v_{x_0})$  has a solution  $m = m(z; x_0)$ ,

- $m_+(z; x_0) = m_-(z; x_0) v_{x_0}(z), z \in \Sigma$
- $m_{\pm} - I \in \mathcal{O}Rem(L^2), m_{\pm}^{-1} - I \in \mathcal{O}Rem(L^2)$ .

Then there exist analytic functions  $u = u(x), w = u'(x)$  defined in a neighborhood  $N_0$  of  $x_0$  such that

(145.1)  $\frac{\partial Y}{\partial z} = L Y, \frac{\partial Y}{\partial x} = P Y, z \in \mathbb{C} \setminus \Sigma,$

where  $Y = m e^{\theta \sigma_3} = \left( I + \frac{m_1(x)}{z} + \dots \right) e^{\theta \sigma_3}$   $x \in N_0$

and

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} -4iz^2 - ix & -2iu(x) & 4u(x)iz - 2w(x) \\ -4u(x)iz - 2w(x) & & 4iz^2 + ix + 2iu(x) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} -iz & iu(x) \\ -iu(x) & iz \end{pmatrix}$$

9<sup>m</sup> particular  $u(x)$   $\times$  solves  $P\Pi$

$$u'' = 2u^3 + xu$$

for  $x \in \mathbb{N}_0$ ,  $\square$

The proof of this theorem is rather lengthy and we will not reproduce it here, but the key idea is the same old mantra we mentioned many times before viz  $\Upsilon = m e^{\theta \sigma_3}$  solves a RHP on  $\Sigma$

$\Upsilon_+ = \Upsilon_- \nu$  where  $\nu$  is indep of  $x$  and  $z$ .

Differentiation wrt  $x \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \Upsilon}{\partial x} = P \Upsilon$ , and  
 differentiation wrt  $z \Rightarrow \frac{\partial \Upsilon}{\partial z} = L \Upsilon$ , and finally  
 matching cross derivatives,  $\partial_z \partial_x \Upsilon = \partial_x \partial_z \Upsilon \Rightarrow P\Pi$ .

The technicalities that need to be done are

- (1) to prove that  $\exists$  normalized solution of the RHP  $(\Sigma, \nu_{\Sigma})$  for  $x$  in a nbhd  $N_0$  of  $x_0$ .
- (2) to prove that the solution  $Y = me^{\theta \sigma_3}$  can be differentiated appropriately.
- (3) to use Liouville to conclude  $Y_x = PY$ ,  $Y_z = LY$  for the appropriate matrices  $P$  and  $L$ .

We now indicate how one proves the Painlevé property for  $P\Pi$ .

Th<sup>m</sup> 147.1 (Painlevé property)

Every solution  $u(x)$  of  $P\Pi$ ,

$$(147-2) \quad \begin{aligned} u'' &= 2u^3 + xu \\ u(x_0) &= u_0, \quad u'(x_0) = u'_0 \end{aligned}$$

continues as a meromorphic function of  $x$  to all of  $\mathbb{C}$ .

In particular, any essential singularities, if any, of

$u(x)$  are located at the point  $x = \infty \in \bar{\mathbb{C}}$ , indep. of

$u_0$  or  $u'_0$ .

Again the proof is lengthy: we only indicate the key steps (see F.I.K.Nov. "Painlevé transcendents" for all the details).

Recall that a bounded operator  $A$  from a Banach space  $X$  to a Banach space  $Y$  is Fredholm if

$$(148.1) \quad \begin{cases} \text{(i)} & \ker A \text{ is finite dimensional} \\ \text{(ii)} & \operatorname{coker} A \text{ is finite dimensional} \end{cases}$$

Here,  $\ker A = \{u \in X : Au = 0\}$ . Also

$$\dim(\operatorname{coker} A) < \infty \iff \exists \underbrace{y_1, \dots, y_n}_{\text{independent}} \in Y, \quad n < \infty,$$

such that for any  $y \in Y$ ,  $\exists x \in X$  and  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$

$$\alpha_i \in \mathbb{C} \text{ such that } y = Ax + \sum_{i=1}^n \alpha_i y_i. \quad \text{In this case } n = \dim(\operatorname{coker} A)$$

The index of a Fredholm operator is defined by

$$(148.2) \quad \operatorname{ind} A \equiv \dim(\ker A) - \dim(\operatorname{coker} A)$$

key facts:

$$(148.3) \quad \text{If } A \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y) \text{ is Fredholm then } \exists \varepsilon > 0 \text{ st}$$

(149)

$A+B$  is Fredholm  $\forall B \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$  with  $\|B\| < \varepsilon$  and  
 $\text{ind}(A+B) = \text{ind } A$

(149.1)  $\forall A \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$  is Fredholm, and  $B \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$

is compact, then  $A+B$  is Fredholm, and  
 $\text{index}(A+B) = \text{index } A$

~~We will need the following result  
Theorem (149.2) (Analytic Fredholm)~~

(149.2) Pseudo-inverses

$A \in \mathcal{L}(X, Y)$  is Fredholm if and only if  $\exists$

$S_1, S_2 \in \mathcal{L}(Y, X)$

(149.3)  $S_1 A = 1_X + K_1, \quad A S_2 = 1_Y + K_2$

for some compact operators  $K_1 \in \mathcal{L}(X), K_2 \in \mathcal{L}(Y)$ .

Example: Suppose  $K \in \mathcal{L}(X)$  is compact. Then  
 $A = 1 + K$  is Fredholm. (Riesz-Schauder Theory!).

We will need the following basic and important  
result, which we present without proof:



(150)

Th<sup>m</sup> 150.1 (Analytic Fredholm Th<sup>m</sup>).

Suppose  $z \rightarrow A(z)$  is an analytic map from an open connected set  $D \subset \mathbb{C}$  into the Fredholm operators from a Banach space  $X$  to a Banach space  $Y$ .

Suppose

(150.2)  $A(z_0)^{-1} \exists$  for some  $z_0 \in D$

Then  $A(z)^{-1} \exists$  for all  $z \in D \setminus J$  where  $J$  is a discrete subset of  $D$  and  $A(z)^{-1}$  is meromorphic in  $D$  and analytic in  $D \setminus J$  with finite rank residues at the points of  $J$ .

Note:  $J$  discrete in  $D$  means that  $J$  has no accumulation pts in  $D$ .

The proof of Th<sup>m</sup> 147.1 proceeds in the following way:

Step 1

~~[Given  $x_0 = u(x_0)$ ,  $u_0 = u'(x_0)$  we construct]~~

For any  $(p, q, r) \in U$ , construct

~~$p_0 = p(x_0, u_0)$ ,  $q_0 = q(x_0, u_0)$ ,  $r_0 = r(x_0, u_0)$~~

~~Expressing in~~ the jump matrices  $v_i = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p_i \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , etc and normalized RHP

consider the  $\lambda(\Sigma, v_x)$  as above, where  $v_x = e^{\theta \sigma_3} v e^{-\theta \sigma_3}$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{C}$ .

The solution  $m_{\pm} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \\ & e^{-\theta \sigma_3} \end{pmatrix}$  of the RHP is computed

from the solution  $\mu \equiv \mu_x$ , if it is of the associated

singular integral equation on  $\Sigma$ ,

(151.1)  $(I - C_{w_x}) \mu_x = I$ ,  $\mu_x \in I + L^2(\Sigma)$ ,

where  $C_{w_x} h = C^+ h w_x^- + C^- h w_x^+$  and

$$v_x = (v_x^-)^{-1} v_x^+ = (I - w_x^-)^{-1} (I + w_x^+)$$
 is a pointwise

factorization of  $v_x$ . Indeed if  $\mu_x$  solves (151.1)

then

(151.2)  $m_{\pm} = I + C^{\pm} [\mu_x (w_x^+ + w_x^-)] \in I + \mathcal{O}C(L^2)$

solves the normalized RHP  $(\Sigma, v_x)$ . Step 1 consists

in showing that we can factorize  $v = v^-^{-1} v^+$ ,

and hence  $v_{21} = (v^-)^{-1}_x (v^+)_x$ , appropriately so that

$I - C_{\omega_x}$  has a pseudo-inverse for all  $x$ , and hence is Fredholm for all  $x$

### Step 2

In this step one shows that the <sup>Fredholm</sup> operator

$I - C_{\omega_x}$  has index zero,  $\text{ind}(I - C_{\omega_x}) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{C}$ .

Step 3 Now let  $x = x_0$ ,  $u_0 = u(x_0)$ ,  $u'_0 = u'(x_0)$

as in (147.2) and consider the associated jump

parameters

$$p_0 = p(x_0, u_0, u'_0), \quad q_0 = q(x_0, u_0, u'_0), \quad r_0 = r(x_0, u_0, u'_0),$$

$(p_0, q_0, r_0) \in V$ , which comprise the jump matrix  $v^0$ ,

$v^0 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & p_0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ , etc., The solution  $Y(x_0, z)$  of  $\frac{\partial Y}{\partial z} = LY$

with standard asymptotics in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \Sigma$  gives rise to a

solution  $m = m(x_0, z) = Y(x_0, z) e^{-\theta \sigma_3}$  of the normalised

RHP  $(\Sigma, v^0_{x_0})$ , where  $v^0_{x_0} = e^{\theta \sigma_3} v^0 e^{-\theta \sigma_3}$ ,  $\theta = \theta(x_0, z)$ .

Taking  $v = v^0$  in Step 3 we see that the operator  $1 - C_{w_{x_0}^0}$  is Fredholm of index zero for all  $x \in \mathbb{C}$ , but for  $x = x_0$  in particular, it follows from the existence of the solution  $u(x_0, 3)$  of the normalized RHP  $(\Sigma, v_{x_0}^0)$  that in fact  $\ker(1 - C_{w_{x_0}^0}) = 0$ . But  $\dim \ker(1 - C_{w_{x_0}^0}) = -\text{ind}(1 - C_{w_{x_0}^0}) + \dim \ker(1 - C_{w_{x_0}^0}) = 0 - 0 = 0$ . Thus  $1 - C_{w_{x_0}^0}$  is invertible.

Step 4 One sees easily that the map

$$x \mapsto (1 - C_{w_x^0}) \quad \text{is analytic in } \mathbb{C}$$

Hence as  $(1 - C_{w_{x_0}^0})^{-1}$  exists at  $x = x_0$ , it follows by the analytic Fredholm theorem that the map  $x \mapsto (1 - C_{w_x^0})^{-1}$  exists in  $\mathbb{C} \setminus J$  for some discrete set  $J \subset \mathbb{C}$  and, moreover,  $(1 - C_{w_{x_0}^0})^{-1}$ .

has finite <sup>dimensional</sup> residues at  $J$ .

Step 5

From the formula

$$m_+(x, z) = \Gamma + C^+ \mu(x, \cdot) (\omega_x^+ + \omega_x^-)$$

we see that as  $m_+ = \gamma_+ e^{-\theta \sigma z} = \hat{\gamma}_+(x, z)$   
 $= \Gamma + \frac{\gamma_{1,x}}{z} + \dots$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \gamma_{1,x} &= - \int_{\Sigma} \mu(x, s) (\omega_x^+ + \omega_x^-) \frac{ds}{2\pi i} \\ &= - \int_{\Sigma} \left( \frac{1}{1 - C \omega_x^0} (\omega_x^+ + \omega_x^-) \right) \frac{ds}{2\pi i} \\ &= - \int_{\Sigma} (\omega_x^+ + \omega_x^-) \frac{ds}{2\pi i} \end{aligned}$$

$$= - \int_{\Sigma} \left[ \frac{1}{(1 - C \omega_x^0)} C \omega_x^0 \right] (\omega_x^+ + \omega_x^-) \frac{ds}{2\pi i}$$

from which it is clear that  $\gamma_{1,x}$  is meromorphic in

$\mathbb{C}$  with at worst poles of finite order at  $J$ , as

hence the same is true for  $u(x) = 2(\gamma_{1,x})_{1,2} - \square$ .

If  $v = v_-^{-1} v_+ = (I - w_-)^{-1} (I + w_+)$  is any pointwise

factorization of  $v$  and  $Cw = C^+ w_- + C^- w_+$

Then we saw earlier that for  $1 < p < \infty$ ,

$I - Cw$  is invertible in  $L^p$

$\Leftrightarrow$

IRHP1  $L^p$  has a unique solution for each  $f \in L^p$

$$m_+ = m_- v, \quad m_+ - f \in \mathcal{OC}(L^p)$$

$$\text{and } \|m_{\pm}\|_{L^p} \leq c \|f\|_{L^p}$$

$\Leftarrow$

IRHP2  $L^p$  has a unique solution for each  $F \in L^p$

$$M_+ = M_- v + F, \quad M_{\pm} \in \mathcal{OC}(L^p)$$

$$\text{and } \|M_{\pm}\|_{L^p} \leq c \|F\|$$

Recall that we say  $m_{\pm}$  solves

$$\boxed{\cancel{m_+} \cancel{m_-} \cancel{m_+} \cancel{m_-}}$$

the normalized RHP  $(\Sigma, v)$  if  $m_{\pm}$  solves

the IRHP1  $L^p$  with  $f = I$

$$m_+ = m_- v \quad \text{on } \Sigma \quad \text{and} \quad m_{\pm} - I \in \mathcal{OC}(L^p)$$