

# Discrete Pseudo-differential Operators and Boundary Value Problems in Hypercomplex Function Theory

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# From Continuous to Discrete - Principal approaches

- Sampling theorems and spectral decomposition of Laplacian on combinatorial graphs (Pesenson)
- Moving to "higher-dimensional" graphs (quad-graphs, diamond-shaped graphs): finite differences (Forgy/Schreiber)
- DeRham complexes on meshes, Finite Element exterior calculus (Arnold, Christensen, Desbrun)
- Discrete differential geometry: simplicial complexes, (Bobenko)

**Common ground:** Creation of a graded algebra (discrete differential forms)

# From Continuous to Discrete - Clifford Analysis

- First approach in Clifford analysis: Gürlebeck/Sproessig, operator theory/potential theory;

Based on Kirchhoff laws, one has the concept of a *potential function* satisfying to the *discrete star Laplacian*.

$$\Delta_h f(hk) := \frac{1}{h^2} \left[ \sum_{i=1}^n [f(hk + h\mathbf{e}_i) + f(hk - h\mathbf{e}_i)] - 2n f(hk) \right],$$

for  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

- Recently: C., Faustino, Kähler, Ku, de Ridder, Sommen (Dirac operator on upper half lattice).

# Forward and backward differences

The **forward** and **backward differences**  $\partial_h^{\pm j}$  are given by

$$\partial_h^{+j} f(hm) = \frac{1}{h} [f(hm + h\mathbf{e}_j) - f(hm)],$$

$$\partial_h^{-j} f(hm) = -\frac{1}{h} [f(hm) - f(hm - h\mathbf{e}_j)]$$

with lattice constant  $h > 0$  and  $m = m_1\mathbf{e}_1 + \dots + m_n\mathbf{e}_n \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ .

Split the basis element  $\mathbf{e}_j$  ( $j = 1, \dots, n$ ) into two basis elements

$$\mathbf{e}_j = \mathbf{e}_j^+ + \mathbf{e}_j^-$$

corresponding to the forward and backward directions.

# Factorization of the star-Laplacian

- The elements  $\mathbf{e}_j^+, \mathbf{e}_j^-$ , ( $j = 1, \dots, n$ ) form a **Witt basis** for the complexified Clifford algebra  $\mathbb{C}_n$ , satisfying to:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{e}_j^- \mathbf{e}_k^- + \mathbf{e}_k^- \mathbf{e}_j^- & = & 0, \\ \mathbf{e}_j^+ \mathbf{e}_k^+ + \mathbf{e}_k^+ \mathbf{e}_j^+ & = & 0, \\ \mathbf{e}_j^+ \mathbf{e}_k^- + \mathbf{e}_k^- \mathbf{e}_j^+ & = & -\delta_{jk}, \end{cases}$$

with  $\delta_{jk}$  the Kronecker symbol.

- Discrete Dirac operator**  $D_h^{+-} = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{e}_j^+ \partial_h^{+j} + \mathbf{e}_j^- \partial_h^{-j}$  which factorizes the **star-Laplacian** as

$$\Delta_h =: \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_h^{+j} \partial_h^{-j} = -(D_h^{+-})^2,$$

- Its **adjoint Dirac operator**

$$D_h^{-+} = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{e}_j^+ \partial_h^{-j} + \mathbf{e}_j^- \partial_h^{+j}.$$

# Discrete Fourier Transform

- $\ell^p$  spaces ( $1 \leq p < +\infty$ )

$$u \in \ell^p(\Omega) \quad \text{iff} \quad \|u\|_{\ell^p(\Omega)} := \left( \sum_{hm \in \Omega} |u(hm)|^p h^3 \right)^{1/p} < \infty$$

- Discrete Fourier transform  $\mathcal{F}_h : \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^n) \rightarrow L_0^2\left(\left[-\frac{\pi}{h}, \frac{\pi}{h}\right]^n\right)$ ,

$$u \mapsto \mathcal{F}_h u(\xi) = \begin{cases} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} e^{ihm \cdot \xi} u(hm) h^n, & \xi \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{h}, \frac{\pi}{h}\right]^n \\ 0 & \text{other } \xi \end{cases}$$

- Inverse  $\mathcal{F}_h^{-1} = R_h \mathcal{F}$  where  $R_h$  is the restriction to the lattice  $h\mathbb{Z}^n$  and

$$\mathcal{F}f(x) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-ix \cdot \xi} f(\xi) \chi_{\left[-\frac{\pi}{h}, \frac{\pi}{h}\right]^n}(\xi) d\xi, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n.$$

# Discrete Fundamental Solutions

Discrete fundamental solution of  $D_h^{-+}$

$$D_h^{-+} E_h^{-+}(hm) = \delta_h(hm) = \begin{cases} h^{-n} & m = 0 \\ 0 & m \neq 0 \end{cases}, \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}^n$$

where  $\delta_h$  is the discrete Dirac function.

Remark that the symbol  $d^2$  of the discrete star Laplacian is known

$$\mathcal{F}_h(-\Delta_h u)(\xi) = \frac{4}{h^2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sin^2\left(\frac{\xi_j h}{2}\right) \mathcal{F}_h u(\xi) := d^2 \mathcal{F}_h u(\xi)$$

and that

$$\mathcal{F}_h(D_h^{-+} u)(\xi) := \tilde{\xi}_- \mathcal{F}_h u(\xi) = \sum_{j=1}^n \left( \mathbf{e}_j^+ \xi_{-j}^D + \mathbf{e}_j^- \xi_{+j}^D \right) \mathcal{F}_h u(\xi),$$

with  $\xi_{\pm j}^D = \mp h^{-1} (1 - e^{\mp i h \xi_j})$ .



# Computation in Fourier Domain - 1

These leads to

$$E_h^{-+} = R_h \mathcal{F} \left( \frac{\tilde{\xi}_-}{d^2} \right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{e}_j^+ R_h \mathcal{F} \left( \frac{\xi_{-j}^D}{d^2} \right) + \mathbf{e}_j^- R_h \mathcal{F} \left( \frac{\xi_{+j}^D}{d^2} \right),$$

with

- $D_h^{-+} E_h^{-+}(hm) = \delta_h(hm), \quad hm \in h\mathbb{Z}^n,$
- $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\tilde{\xi}_-}{d^2} = \frac{-i\xi}{|\xi|^2};$
- $\left| \int_{[-\frac{\pi}{h}, \frac{\pi}{h}]^n} \frac{\xi_{\pm j}^D}{d^2} e^{-i\langle hm, \xi \rangle} d\xi \right| \approx \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{1}{|hm|^{n-1}}\right),$

so that  $E_h^{-+} \in \ell_p(\mathbb{Z}^n, \mathbb{C}_n)$  for  $p > \frac{n}{n-1}$ .

# Computation in Fourier Domain - 2

## Lemma

For each fix point  $m \in h\mathbb{Z}^n$  of the lattice, there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$|E_h^{-+}(m) - E(m)| \leq C \frac{h}{|m|^n}, \quad m \neq \mathbf{0},$$

where  $E$  is the fundamental solution of the Dirac operator in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Similarly for  $E_h^{+-} = R_h \mathcal{F} \left( \frac{\tilde{\xi}_{\pm}}{d^2} \right) = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{e}_j^+ R_h \mathcal{F} \left( \frac{\xi_{+j}^D}{d^2} \right) + \mathbf{e}_j^- R_h \mathcal{F} \left( \frac{\xi_{-j}^D}{d^2} \right)$ .

# Discrete Borel-Pompeiu Formulae

From the **discrete Stokes formula** and **translates of the fundamental solution** we obtain

## Lemma (Upper Discrete Borel-Pompeiu Formula)

For  $f \in \ell^p(\mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_+; \mathbb{C}_n)$ ,  $1 \leq p < +\infty$ , we have

$$\sum_{\underline{\eta} \in \mathbb{Z}^n} [E_h^{-+}(\underline{\eta} - \underline{m}, -m_n) \mathbf{e}_n^+ f(\underline{\eta}, 1) + E_h^{-+}(\underline{\eta} - \underline{m}, 1 - m_n) \mathbf{e}_n^- f(\underline{\eta}, 0)] h^n$$

$$+ \sum_{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{Z}_+} E_h^{-+}(\eta - m) [D_h^{+-} f(\eta)] h^n = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } m \notin \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_+, \\ -f(m), & \text{if } m \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_+. \end{cases}$$

where  $m = (\underline{m}, m_n)$ .

Similar lemma holds for the lower half Lattice  $\mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_-$ .

# Discrete Cauchy Transforms

## Definition (Upper Cauchy transform)

For a discrete  $\ell^p$ -function  $f$ ,  $1 \leq p < +\infty$ , defined on the boundary layers  $(\underline{\eta}, 0), (\underline{\eta}, 1), \underline{\eta} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1}$ , we define the upper Cauchy transform for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_+$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}^+[f](m) = & - \sum_{\underline{\eta} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1}} [E_h^{-+}(\underline{\eta} - \underline{m}, -m_n) \mathbf{e}_n^+ f(\underline{\eta}, 1) \\ & + E_h^{-+}(\underline{\eta} - \underline{m}, 1 - m_n) \mathbf{e}_n^- f(\underline{\eta}, 0)] h^{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

## Definition (Lower Cauchy Transform)

For a discrete  $\ell^p$ -function  $f$ ,  $1 \leq p < +\infty$ , defined on the boundary layers  $(\underline{\eta}, -1), (\underline{\eta}, 0), \underline{\eta} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1}$ , we define the lower Cauchy transform for  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_-$  as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{C}^-[f](m) = & \sum_{\underline{\eta} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1}} [E_h^{-+}(\underline{\eta} - \underline{m}, -1 - m_n) \mathbf{e}_n^+ f(\underline{\eta}, 0) + \\ & + E_h^{-+}(\underline{\eta} - \underline{m}, -m_n) \mathbf{e}_n^- f(\underline{\eta}, -1)] h^{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

# Discrete upper / lower Hilbert transform

## Theorem (C./Kähler/Ku/Sommen 2014)

Let  $f \in \ell^p(\mathbb{Z}^{n-1}, \mathbb{C}_n)$  be a boundary value of a discrete monogenic function in the upper (lower) half space. Then its  $(n-1)$ D-Fourier transform  $F = \mathcal{F}_h f$  satisfies

$$\pm \frac{\tilde{\xi}_{-}}{\underline{d}} \left( \mathbf{e}_n^{\mp} \frac{2}{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4 + h^2 \underline{d}^2}} + \mathbf{e}_n^{\pm} \frac{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4 + h^2 \underline{d}^2}}{2} \right) F = F.$$

## Definition (Discrete upper (lower) Hilbert transform)

$$H_{\pm} f = \mathcal{F}_h^{-1} \left[ \pm \frac{\tilde{\xi}_{-}}{\underline{d}} \left( \mathbf{e}_n^{\mp} \frac{2}{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4 + h^2 \underline{d}^2}} + \mathbf{e}_n^{\pm} \frac{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4 + h^2 \underline{d}^2}}{2} \right) \right] \mathcal{F}_h f.$$

Moreover

$$(H_+)^2 = id = (H_-)^2$$

# Discrete Riesz transforms (arbitrary $nD$ domains)

The discrete Riesz transforms are obtained by discrete convolution with the Fourier kernels

$$R_i^+ := \Phi^{-1} \mathcal{F}_h^{-1} \left[ \frac{\tilde{\xi}_{-,i}}{\underline{d}} \left( \mathbf{e}_i^+ \frac{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4 + h^2 \underline{d}^2}}{2} + \mathbf{e}_i^- \frac{2}{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4 + h^2 \underline{d}^2}} \right) \right],$$

and

$$R_i^- := \Phi^{-1} \mathcal{F}_h^{-1} \left[ \frac{\tilde{\xi}_{-,i}}{\underline{d}} \left( \mathbf{e}_i^+ \frac{2}{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4 + h^2 \underline{d}^2}} + \mathbf{e}_i^- \frac{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4 - h^2 \underline{d}^2}}{2} \right) \right],$$

where  $\Phi$  denotes a mapping of individual boundary parts to the real line.

# Plemelj-Sokhotzki Formulae

Due to the properties of  $H_+$  and  $H_-$  we can introduce the **projectors** into the respective Hardy spaces

## Definition

$$P_+ = \frac{1}{2}(I + H_+), \quad Q_+ = \frac{1}{2}(I - H_+).$$
$$P_- = \frac{1}{2}(I + H_-), \quad Q_- = \frac{1}{2}(I - H_-).$$

## Lemma

$$f \in h_p^+ \quad \text{iff} \quad P_+ f = f; \quad f \in h_p^- \quad \text{iff} \quad P_- f = f.$$

# Discrete half Dirichlet problems

## Problem I


Given  $g \in \ell^p(\mathbb{Z}^{n-1})$  ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) we want to find  $f : \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{Z}_0^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_n$  such that

$$\begin{cases} D_h^{-+} f(h\mathbf{m}) = 0, & \mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \times \mathbb{Z}^+ \\ f(h(\underline{\mathbf{m}}, 1)) = g(h\underline{\mathbf{m}}), & \underline{\mathbf{m}} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1}. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

## Theorem

Problem I is uniquely solvable if and only if  $g \in h_p^+$ .  
Moreover, its solution is given by  $f = C^+[G_+g]$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_+^n$ .

**Idea of proof:**  $g \notin h_p^+$  implies it doesn't exist a discrete monogenic  $f$  such that its 1-layer fulfils the given boundary condition. So,  $g \in h_p^+$ .

Now,  $f = C^+[G_+g]$  is a discrete monogenic function on the upper half lattice with  $f(h(\underline{\mathbf{m}}, 1)) = g(\underline{\mathbf{m}})$  and uniqueness ensured by the maximum principle. 



# Jump problem

## Problem II

Given  $g \in \ell^p(h\mathbb{Z}^{n-1})$ , ( $1 \leq p < \infty$ ) determine a discrete function  $f : h\mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_n$  subjected to a jump condition,

$$\begin{cases} D_h^{-+} f(h\mathbf{m}) = 0, & \mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^n \setminus \{m_n = 0\} \\ \mathbf{e}_n^- f_+(h\mathbf{m}) - \mathbf{e}_n^+ f_-(h\mathbf{m}) = \mathbf{e}_n g(h\mathbf{m}), & \mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^{n-1} \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

## Theorem

The Riemann boundary value problem (2) is uniquely solvable, and its solution is explicitly given by

$$f(h\mathbf{m}) = \begin{cases} C^+ \mathcal{G}_+[g_+](h\mathbf{m}) & , m_n \geq +1 \\ C^- \mathcal{G}_-[-g_-](h\mathbf{m}) & , m_n \leq -1 \end{cases} ,$$

where  $g_- := g^1 + \mathbf{e}_n^- g^3$ ,  $g_+ := g^1 - g^4 + \mathbf{e}_n^+ g^2$ .

# Convergence Result - Discrete to Continuous

- $g \in L_p(\mathbb{R}^{n-1}, \mathbb{C}_n) \cap C^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^{n-1}, \mathbb{C}_n)$  ( $0 < \alpha < 1$ ), and  $1 < p < \infty$ , then we have

$$\|R_h g\|_{\ell^{p+\frac{n-1}{\alpha}}} \leq C \|g\|_{L_p};$$

- The continuous Cauchy transform

$$C_\Gamma f(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n-1}} E(x-y)(-\mathbf{e}_n) f(x) d\Gamma_x, \quad y = (\underline{y}, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n, y_n > 0,$$

with  $E(x)$  being the fundamental solution to the Dirac operator

$$D = \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbf{e}_j \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}$$

## Theorem (C./Kähler/Ku 2015)

Let  $g \in H_p^+ \cap C^\alpha(\mathbb{R}^{n-1}, \mathbb{C}_n) \cap W_p^1(\mathbb{R}^{n-1}, \mathbb{C}_n)$ , for  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ , and  $1 < p < n$ . Then, the following estimate for the point-wise error between the discrete solution of (1) and its continuous counterpart holds:

$$|C_\Gamma[g](mh) - C^+ \mathcal{G}_+[g](mh)| \leq (Ah^{n-1} + Bh) \|g\|_{L^p}, \quad (3)$$

for all  $m \in \mathbb{Z}_+^n$ , with  $A, B > 0$  constants independent of  $h$  and  $g$ .

# $\Psi$ DO's on $\mathbb{R}^n$ (Kohn/Nirenberg, Hörmander)

## Definition [pseudo-differential operator ( $\Psi$ DO)]

We say that

$$Af(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \sigma_A(x, \xi) e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi.$$

is a **pseudo-differential operator** with **symbol**  $\sigma_A(x, \xi)$ .

## Definition [symbol class $S_{\rho, \delta}^m(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n)$ ]

We say that  $\sigma_A = \sigma_A(x, \xi) \in S_{\rho, \delta}^m(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n)$  if

- 1  $\sigma_A = \sigma_A(x, \xi)$  is smooth on  $\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n$ ;
- 2 for all  $x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n$  and all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$  there exists a constant  $C_{\alpha, \beta}$  such that

$$\left| \partial_\xi^\alpha \partial_x^\beta \sigma_A(x, \xi) \right| \leq C_{\alpha, \beta} \langle \xi \rangle^{m - \rho|\alpha| + \delta|\beta|}, \quad \langle \xi \rangle := \left( 1 + |\xi|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Then

- 1  $\sigma_A \in S^m(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n) \Leftrightarrow A \in \Psi^m(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{R}^n)$ ;
- 2  $L = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} a_\alpha(x) \partial_x^\alpha$  has symbol  $\sigma_L(x, \xi) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq m} a_\alpha(x) (2\pi i \xi)^\alpha$ .
- 3 we write  $A = \sigma_A(x, D)$ .

# The torus case $\mathbb{T}^n = \mathbb{R}^n / \mathbb{Z}^n$

*Agranovich 1979, Ruzhansky/Turunen/Wirth since 2006*

- For  $\hat{f} : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  we define the **difference operator**  $\Delta_{\xi_j}$  as

$$\Delta_{\xi_j} \hat{f} = \hat{f}(\xi + \mathbf{e}_j) - \hat{f}(\xi), \quad j = 1, \dots, n,$$

and

$$\Delta_{\xi}^{\alpha} \hat{f} = \Delta_{\xi_1}^{\alpha_1} \dots \Delta_{\xi_n}^{\alpha_n} \hat{f}, \quad \alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n) \in \mathbb{N}_0^n.$$

- For periodic  $f : \mathbb{T}^n = \mathbb{R}^n / \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  we have

$$\hat{f}(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} e^{-2\pi i x \cdot \xi} f(x) dx, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n.$$

Then,

$$Af(x) = \sum_{\xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \sigma(x, \xi) e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \hat{f}(\xi),$$

with symbol class  $S_{1,0}^m(\mathbb{R}^n \times \mathbb{Z}^n)$  defined as

$$\left| \Delta_{\xi}^{\alpha} \partial_x^{\beta} \sigma(x, \xi) \right| \leq C_{\alpha, \beta} \left( 1 + |\xi|^2 \right)^{(m - |\alpha|)/2}$$

# Discrete symbols (*Botchway / Kibiti / Ruzhansky, 2020*)

Let  $\sigma : \mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be measurable.

- We define the **pseudodifferential operator** acting on  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  and associated to  $\sigma$  as

$$Op(\sigma)f(x) := \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \sigma(x, \xi) \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi, \quad x \in \mathbb{Z}^n.$$

- The **discrete Schwartz space**  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{Z}^n)$  (space of rapidly decreasing function) is the space of  $\varphi : \mathbb{Z}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  if for any  $M > 0$  there exists  $C_{\varphi, M} > 0$  such that

$$|\varphi(x)| \leq C_{\varphi, M} (1 + |x|^2)^{-M/2}, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{Z}^n,$$

endowed with the topology induced by the seminorms

$$p_j(\varphi) := \sup_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n} (1 + |x|^2)^{j/2} |\varphi(x)|.$$

- The **space of tempered distributions**  $\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{Z}^n)$  is the topological dual to  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{Z}^n)$ .

# Symbol class

## Definition (symbol class $S_{\rho,\delta}^m(\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n)$ )

We say that  $\sigma : \mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  belongs to the class  $S_{\rho,\delta}^m(\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n)$  if

- $\sigma(x, \cdot) \in C^\infty(\mathbb{T}^n)$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ ;
- for all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$  there exists  $C_{\alpha,\beta} > 0$  s. t.

$$\left| \partial_\xi^\beta \Delta_x^\alpha \sigma(x, \xi) \right| \leq C_{\alpha,\beta} (1 + |x|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}(m - \rho|\alpha| + \delta|\beta|)},$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{Z}^n, \xi \in \mathbb{T}^n$ .

Of particular interest is the class  $S_{1,0}^m$

$$\left| \partial_\xi^\beta \Delta_x^\alpha \sigma(x, \xi) \right| \leq C_{\alpha,\beta} (1 + |x|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}(m - |\alpha|)},$$

thus corresponding to controlled decay in "space"-variable.

# Spectral theory for Clifford valued operators

## Problems:

- due to the non-commutativity of the Clifford setting we can only work on right-Clifford modules  $\mathcal{H} \otimes \mathcal{Cl}_{0,n}$  with

$$\langle\langle x, y \rangle\rangle = \sum \langle x_A, y_B \rangle_{\mathcal{H}} \mathbf{e}_A \bar{\mathbf{e}}_B, \quad \langle x, y \rangle = [\langle\langle x, y \rangle\rangle]_0;$$

- for a bounded complex linear operator  $A$  acting on a Banach space  $\mathcal{B}$

$$\sigma(A) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} : \lambda I - A \text{ is not invertible}\}.$$

But for a  $\mathcal{Cl}_{0,n}$ -valued operator  $T$

$$Tv = sv \quad (\text{right linear})$$

while

$$Tv = vs \quad (\text{non-linear}).$$

Furthermore, the “eigenvalue”  $s$  acts as an equivalence class.

# Quaternionic case: S-spectrum

We are interested on left linear operators since

$$-(T^2 - 2s_0 T + |s|^2) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} T^n s^{-1-n} = T - \bar{s}$$

In praxis,

$$(\lambda I - A)^{-1} \rightsquigarrow -(T^2 - 2s_0 T + |s|^2)^{-1} (T - \bar{s}).$$

For a **bounded quaternionic left linear operator**  $T$  we have

$$\text{S-spectrum } \sigma_S(T) := \{s \in \mathbb{H} : T^2 - 2s_0 T + |s|^2 \text{ is invertible}\}.$$

The **pseudo-resolvent operator**

$$Q_S(T) := (T^2 - 2s_0 T + |s|^2)^{-1}$$

is defined on the **S-resolvent**

$$\rho_S(T) = \mathbb{H} \setminus \sigma_S(T).$$



# Clifford pseudo-differential operator

## Definition

We say that

$$Tf(x) = \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} \sigma_T(x, \xi) e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi,$$

is a **pseudo-differential operator** with **symbol**  $\sigma_T(x, \xi)$  with values in  $\mathcal{Cl}_{0,n}$ .

We say that  $\sigma_T = \sigma_T(x, \xi) \in \mathcal{S}_{\rho, \delta}^m(\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n)$  if

- 1  $\sigma_T = \sigma_T(x, \xi)$  is smooth on  $\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n$ ;
- 2 for all  $x, \xi \in \mathbb{Z}^n$  and all  $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{N}_0^n$  there exists a constant  $C_{\alpha, \beta}$  such that

$$\left| \partial_{\xi}^{\alpha} (D_h^{+-})_x^{\beta} \sigma_T(x, \xi) \right| \leq C_{\alpha, \beta} \langle x \rangle^{m - \rho|\alpha| + \delta|\beta|}, \quad \langle x \rangle := \left( 1 + |x|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Special case:  $\rho = 1, \delta = 0$ .

# Convolutional kernel representations

For a measurable symbol  $\sigma : \mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_n$  we define the **pseudo-difference operator**

$$f \in \ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^n) \rightarrow Op(\sigma)f(x) := \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \sigma(x, \xi) \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi,$$

and the quantization  $\sigma \mapsto Op(\sigma)$  is called the **lattice quantization**.

These operators have a (convolutional) kernel representation

$$\begin{aligned} Op(\sigma) &= \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \sigma(x, \xi) \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi = \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi} \sigma(x, \xi) \sum_{s \in \mathbb{Z}^n} e^{-2\pi i s \cdot \xi} f(s) d\xi \\ &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \left( \int_{\mathbb{T}^n} e^{2\pi i m \cdot \xi} \sigma(x, \xi) d\xi \right) f(x - m) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \kappa(x, m) f(x - m). \end{aligned}$$

# Ellipticity

## Definition

We say  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{1,0}^m(\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n)$  is **elliptic of order  $m$**  if it exists constants  $C, M > 0$  such that

$$|\sigma(x, \xi)| \geq C(1 + |x|^2)^{m/2},$$

for all  $\xi \in \mathbb{T}^n$  and  $x \in \mathbb{Z}^n : |x| \geq M$ .

**But** the discrete star Laplacian

$$\Delta_h f := \sum_{i=1}^n [f(\cdot + \mathbf{e}_i) + f(\cdot - \mathbf{e}_i)] - 2n f$$

has symbol

$$\sigma(x, \xi) = \frac{1}{2 \sum_{j=1}^n \cos(2\pi\xi_j) - 2n} = \frac{1}{4 \sum_{j=1}^n \sin^2(\pi\xi_j)}$$

and, hence it is **not** a discrete elliptic operator.

# Boundedness on $\ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^n)$

## Mikhlin type of boundedness on $\ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^n)$

Let  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $N > n/2$ . Suppose that the symbol  $\sigma : \mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n \mapsto \mathbb{R}_{0,n}$  satisfies

$$|\partial_\xi^\beta \sigma(x, \xi)| \leq C, \quad \text{for all } (x, \xi) \in \mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n, \text{ and all } |\beta| \leq N.$$

Then  $Op(\sigma)$  extends to a bounded operator on  $\ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^n)$ .

For  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $1 \leq p < \infty$  we consider the weighted space  $\ell_p^s(\mathbb{Z}^n)$  via

$$\|f\|_{\ell_p^s(\mathbb{Z}^n)} := \left( \sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^n} (1 + |x|^2)^{sp/2} |f(x)|^p \right)^{1/p} < \infty$$

## Weighted boundedness on $\ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^n)$

Let  $m \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\sigma \in \mathbf{S}_{0,0}^m(\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n)$ . Then  $Op(\sigma)$  is bounded from  $\ell_2^s(\mathbb{Z}^n)$  to  $\ell_2^{s-m}(\mathbb{Z}^n)$  for all  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ .

# Compactness in $\ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^n)$

For a bounded quaternionic left linear operator  $T$  on a Hilbert module its essential spectrum is defined as

$$\Sigma_{\text{ess}}(T) = \{s \in \mathbb{H} : T^2 - 2s_0 T + |s|^2 \text{ is Fredholm and its index is } 0\}.$$

## Compactness

Let  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{1,0}^0(\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n)$ . Define  $d := \limsup_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\xi \in \mathbb{T}^n} |\sigma(x, \xi)|$ . Then  $Op(\sigma)$  is compact on  $\ell^2(\mathbb{Z}^n)$  if and only if  $d = 0$ .

## Gohberg lemma

Let  $\sigma \in \mathcal{S}_{1,0}^0(\mathbb{Z}^n \times \mathbb{T}^n)$ . Then for all compact operators  $K$  on  $\ell_2(\mathbb{Z}^n)$  we have

$$\|Op(\sigma) - K\| \geq d.$$

# Overview of the classical continuous case

Operator	symbol	class
Laplace operator $\Delta$	$\sigma_{\Delta}(x, \xi) = - \xi ^2$	$S_{1,0}^2$
Dirac operator $D$	$\sigma_D(x, \xi) = -i\xi$	$S_{1,0}^1$
Teodorescu operator $T$	$\sigma_T(x, \xi) = \frac{i\xi}{ \xi ^2}$	$S_{1,0}^{-1}$
Hilbert transform $H$	$\sigma_H(x, \xi) = \frac{i\xi}{ \xi }$	$S_{1,0}^0$

## ... versus the discrete case

Operator	symbol $\sigma(x, \xi)$ , $x \in h\mathbb{Z}^n, \xi \in \mathbb{T}^n$	class
star-Laplace operator $\Delta_h$	$d^2 := \frac{4}{h^2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sin^2 \left( \frac{h\xi_j}{2} \right)$	$S_{1,0}^0$
Dirac operator $D_h^\mp$	$\sum_{j=1}^n \left( \mathbf{e}_j^+ \xi_{-j}^D + \mathbf{e}_j^- \xi_{+j}^D \right)$	$S_{1,0}^0$
Teodorescu operator $T_h$	$\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n \left( \mathbf{e}_j^+ \xi_{-j}^D + \mathbf{e}_j^- \xi_{+j}^D \right)}{\frac{4}{h^2} \sum_{j=1}^n \sin^2 \left( \frac{h\xi_j}{2} \right)}$	$S_{1,0}^0$
Hilbert transforms $H_\pm$	$\pm \frac{\xi_j^-}{\underline{d}} \left( \mathbf{e}_n^\mp \frac{2}{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4+h^2\underline{d}^2}} + \mathbf{e}_n^\pm \frac{h\underline{d} - \sqrt{4+h^2\underline{d}^2}}{2} \right)$	$S_{1,0}^0$

# Possible applications?







In difference to the continuous case, the star-Laplacian and the discrete Dirac are now bounded operators.

Furthermore, none of the operators satisfies the compactness condition (in particular, the [discrete Teodorescu operator](#)).

Study of discrete Riemann-problems with non-constant coefficients.



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