

# V. Toledano-Laredo : Stokes Matrices & Stability Condition

Note Title

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Stokes interpretation of Joyce's generating function  
for counting invariants in abelian categories  
( $\mathcal{A} = \text{Mod } R$  f.d. algebra)

- Review of Stokes data
- Computations via multilog
- application to Joyce's work

$G$  affine alg. group /  $\mathbb{C} \Rightarrow \{ -1 \}$  torus

$\mathfrak{g} \supset \mathfrak{h}$  Lie algebras

$\mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}_0 \oplus_{\lambda \in \Phi} \mathfrak{g}_\lambda$        $\Phi = \mathfrak{h}^*$  "root" system  
( $\mathbb{C}$  not nec. semisimple)

Examples:

I.  $G$  semisimple  $\Rightarrow$  fl. max. torus

II.  $G = GL(n)$      $H = (\mathbb{C}^*)^n$  non-maximal torus

III.  $G = N \rtimes \mathbb{A}^1$  unipotent with torus action

e.g.  $\hat{N}(\mathcal{A}) \supset \text{fl} = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(K_0(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{C}^*)$

$\mathfrak{h} = \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(K_0(\mathcal{A}), \mathbb{C}) \supset \text{Stab } \mathcal{A}$

$P$  trivial principal  $G$ -bundle on  $P'$

$$\nabla = d - \left( \frac{z}{t^2} + \frac{f}{t} \right) dt \quad z, f \in \mathfrak{g}$$

$$= d + \left( z + \frac{f}{c} \right) dc \quad \tau = t^{-1}$$

Assumptions: I.  $z \in \mathfrak{h}$  ( $\Rightarrow z$  semisimple  
 $\Rightarrow \mathfrak{g} = \mathfrak{g}^z \oplus [z, \mathfrak{g}]$ )

II.  $\pi_{\mathfrak{g}^z}(f) = 0$  i.e.  $f \in [z, \mathfrak{g}]$

Aim Constant solutions of  $\nabla$  having good asymptotic properties,  $\bar{\Phi} \sim e^{-z/t}$

i.e.  $\bar{\Phi} = F \cdot e^{-z/t}$  where  $F = F(t)$  holomorphic on  $\mathbb{C}$   
 $F(0) = 1$

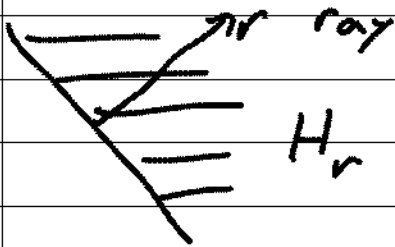
Problem: can only find such  $F$  formally

$$[\text{Exercise: } \nabla = d - \left( \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ t^2 & \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ t \end{pmatrix} \right) dt]$$

[Note if  $f$  had nontrivial diagonal part  
look for  $\bar{\Phi} = F e^{-z/t} + \pi_{\mathfrak{g}^z}(f)$  :

formally  $\nabla \sim d - \frac{Z}{t} + \frac{\pi g t}{t}$

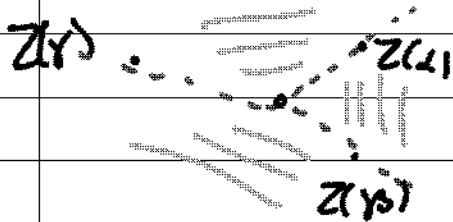
Next best: look for solutions  $\underline{\Phi} \sim e^{-\frac{Z}{t}}$  on halfplanes:



Def A Stokes ray of  $\nabla$  is a ray of the form

$$\mathbb{R}_{>0} \cdot Z(\alpha) \quad \alpha \in \Phi$$

...  $Z(\alpha)$  = nonzero eigenvalues of  $Z$  on  $e_\alpha$



Classically:  $Z$  diagonal

$$Z = \begin{pmatrix} z_1 & & \\ & \dots & \\ & & z_n \end{pmatrix} \quad \&$$

Stokes rays are  $\mathbb{R}_{>0} (z_i - z_j)$


For simplicity in this talk assume  $Z$  is regular  
 $Z(\alpha) \neq 0 \quad \forall \alpha$

Stokes sectors: connected components of  $\mathbb{C}^* \setminus \text{rays}$

(Sibuya, Balser-Jurkiewicz-Lutz, Baulch, B-TL)

Theorem If  $r$  is not a Stokes ray  
 $\exists!$  fundamental solution of  $\nabla$   $\phi_r$

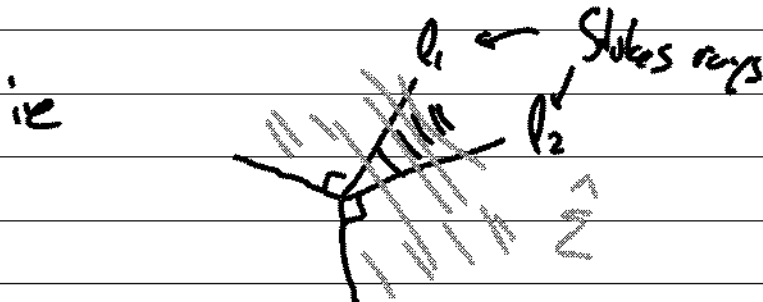
- holomorphic on  $\mathbb{H}_r$
- $\phi e^{z/t} \rightarrow 1$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$  in  $\mathbb{H}_r$

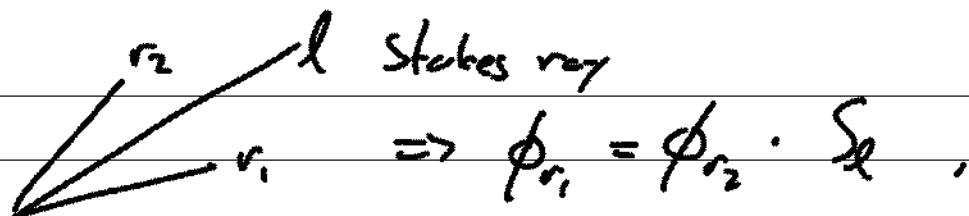
Comparing rays:   $\Sigma = \mathbb{H}_{r_1} \cap \mathbb{H}_{r_2}$

$$\phi_{r_1} = \phi_{r_2} \cdot S_\Sigma, \quad S_\Sigma \in G$$

Prop  $S_\Sigma$  is unimodular &  $\log S_\Sigma \in \bigoplus_{\substack{\alpha \in \mathbb{Z} \\ \alpha \neq 0}} \mathbb{C} \sigma_\alpha$

Cor If  $\Sigma$  does not contain any Stokes rays  
 $\Rightarrow S_\Sigma = 1 \Rightarrow \phi_r$  extends to a  
 solution of  $\nabla$  having required asymptotics  
 on the Stokes subsector  $\hat{\Sigma} = \bigcup_{r \in \Sigma} \mathbb{H}_r$





$S_l \in G$  indep of  $r_1, r_2$   $\leftarrow$

$$\log S_l \in \bigoplus_{\mathbb{Z}(d) \setminus \mathbb{Z}} \mathfrak{g}_d$$

Stokes map  $S_l = \exp \left( \sum_{\mathbb{Z}(d) \setminus \mathbb{Z}} E_d e^{c_d} \right)$

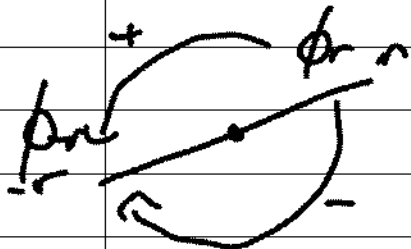
$$S : [z, \infty] \rightarrow [z, \infty]$$

$$f \mapsto \mathcal{E} = \sum E_d$$

Booldu:  $G$  red-ble  $\Rightarrow S$  is a local analytic isomorphism.

Stokes multiplications

$r$  a ray s.t.  $r, -r$  not Stokes rays



$$\phi_{-r} \cdot S_{\pm} = \phi_r$$

$S_{\pm} \in G$  Stokes multipliers of  $r$

Stokes factors vs Stokes multipliers:

$$S_+ = \prod_{l=1}^{\infty} S_l \quad S_- = \prod_{l=1}^{\infty} S_l^{-1}$$

... reminiscent of Riemann's Hurwitz-Namika product  $I_\mu = \prod S S_l$  semisimple objects with  $Z(\Lambda) \in \mathcal{L}$

Theorem (BTL)

1) The Stokes map  $S$  is given by a Lie series of the form

$$S_\mu = \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{d_1 + \dots + d_n = \mu} L_n(z_1, \dots, z_n) f_{z_1} \dots f_{z_n}$$

which is absolutely convergent in  $\mathfrak{a}, \mathfrak{L}$

$$L_n(z_1, \dots, z_n) = \int_{[0, s]} \frac{dt}{t \cdot s_1} \circ \dots \circ \frac{dt}{t \cdot s_{n-1}}$$

$s_i = z_1 + \dots + z_i$  (provided  $s_i \notin ]0, s_i[$   $i=1, \dots, n-1$ )  
(multivalued  $f_{z_i}$ )

Lie series: only involves commutators...

11) The Taylor series of  $\varepsilon = 0$  of the inverse of  $S$  is given by a bit series of the form

$$(*) \quad f_\alpha = \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{\substack{\alpha_1 + \dots + \alpha_n = \alpha}} J_n(z(\alpha_1), \dots, z(\alpha_n)) \varepsilon_{\alpha_1} \dots \varepsilon_{\alpha_n}$$

where  $J_n$  is holomorphic in  $\{ \underline{z} \in (\mathbb{C}^*)^n : \frac{z_{i+1}}{z_i} \notin \mathbb{R}_{>0} \}$

& coincide with Joye's generating functions  $F_n$ .

## Relation to Joye's Work

$$A = \text{Mod}(R) \quad R \text{ f.d. algebra } / \mathbb{C}$$

$\mathcal{H}(A) = \text{Holl algebra} = \text{constructible functions on}$

$$\bigcup_{d \geq 0} \mathcal{M}(A) = \bigsqcup_{d \geq 0} \text{Rep}_d(R) / \text{GL}_d$$

$\mathcal{C}(A) = \text{algebra generated by } \chi_\alpha = \text{char. function of objects of class } \alpha \in K_0(A)$

$$Z \in \text{Stats } A : \{ Z \in \text{Hom}_{\mathbb{Z}}(K_0(A), \mathbb{C}) : Z(K_{\neq 0}) \subset \mathbb{N} \}$$

$SS_\ell =$  char fn. of  $\mathbb{Z}$ -semi-stable objects of class  $\lambda$   
s.t.  $\mathbb{Z}(\alpha) \in \lambda$

$\widehat{\mathbb{N}}(\lambda)$

$\mathbb{1}_\lambda =$  char fn of all objects

$\mathbb{1}_0 =$  char fn. of 0 object.

Remark:  $\mathbb{1}_\lambda = \prod_{\rho \in H} SS_\rho$

$\widehat{\mathbb{N}}(\lambda)$ : group-like elements

$\widehat{\mathbb{B}}(\lambda) = \widehat{\mathbb{N}}(\lambda) \rtimes H$      $H = \text{Hom}(\mathbb{K}_0(\lambda), \mathbb{C}^*)$

$\widehat{\mathbb{P}}$  = principal  $\widehat{\mathbb{B}}(\lambda)$  bundle on  $\mathbb{P}^1$

$\nabla_{\lambda, z} = d - \left( \frac{z}{t^2} + \frac{f}{t} \right) dt$

$z \in \text{Stab } \lambda \subset h$      $\lambda$

$f \in \widehat{\mathbb{N}}(\lambda)$

Can construct  $\phi_f$  fundamental solutions as above ---  
but note there can be  $\infty$  many Stokes rays!



Can still define Stokes multipliers  $S_{\pm}$  & factors  
(can still define in the pro setting too  
as limits of (d) versions)

... use  $S_{\pm} = S_{\pm}(\mathbb{R}_{>0})$  : use  
base ray  $\mathbb{R}_{>0}$ .

$S_{+} = \prod S_{\alpha}$  : infinite product but  
well defined in projective limit.

Note: our root system only has positive roots  
 $z(\alpha) \in \mathbb{H}!$

Corollary Done f by (\*) above

where  $\varepsilon_{\alpha} = \varepsilon_{\alpha}^{\mathbb{S}}$  defined last time

(modifications of char. functions of suitable  
objects of class  $\alpha$  :

... ie  $\log SS_{\alpha} =: \sum_{z(\alpha) \in \mathbb{H}} \varepsilon_{\alpha}^{\mathbb{S}\mathbb{S}}$  )

1) The Stokes factor  $S_{\pm}$  of  $\prod_{\alpha} z$  is  $SS_{\alpha}$

2) The Stokes multipliers are  $S_{+} = 1_{\neq}$   
 $S_{-} = 1_0$

[no Stokes rays in lower half plane!]

Isomonodromy [back to general setting]

Family of connections  $\nabla = d - \left( \frac{Z}{t^2} + \frac{f(Z)}{t} \right) dt$

is isomonodromic if  $\exists$  flat holomorphic total connection  $\bar{\nabla}$  on  $\mathbb{P}^1 \times (t \neq 0)$  (small patch)

s.t.  $\bar{\nabla}|_{\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{Z\}} = \nabla$  [ & require poles of order at most 2 on  $t=0$  ]

Theorem (Jimbo-Miwa-Ueno  $G = GL_n$ ,  
Beitch  $G$  reductive)

TFAE : I.  $\nabla$  is an isomonodromic family

II. Up to shrinking  $U \ni$  a ray  $\sigma$ .

$\pm r$  not Stokes rays for  $\bar{\nabla}|_{\mathbb{P}^1 \setminus \{Z\}}$

& the corresponding Stokes multipliers  $S_{\pm} = S_{\pm}(r, Z)$  are constant in  $Z$ .

$$\text{III} \quad d^{\log} = \sum_{\beta+\gamma=d} [f_{\beta}, f_{\gamma}] d b_{\gamma} \left( \frac{\beta}{\gamma} \right)$$

"Schlesinger" equation for second order pole.

## Theorem (BTL)

- i) The  $f_\alpha(z)$  defined by \* depends holomorphically on  $Z$
- ii)  $df_\alpha = \sum_{\beta \neq \alpha} [f_\alpha, f_\beta] d \log \frac{f_\beta}{f_\alpha}$

..... the Stokes multipliers  $S_+ = I_+$ ,  $S_- = I_0$  are independent of  $Z$ !

[  $\nabla_{\alpha, Z}$  is completely determined by  $Z$ ,  $S_+ = I_+$ ,  $S_- = I_0$  ! ]