

I. Introduction

A New Method for Inverting Integrals

- ▶ Attenuated Radon Transform (SPECT)
- ▶ D to N map for Moving Boundary Value Problems

$$F(k) = \int_0^T e^{k^2 t + i k l(t)} f(t) dt, \quad k \in \mathbb{C}.$$

Integrable Nonlinear PDEs in $4+2$ and $3+1$

- ▶ DS and KP type generalizations.

Notices

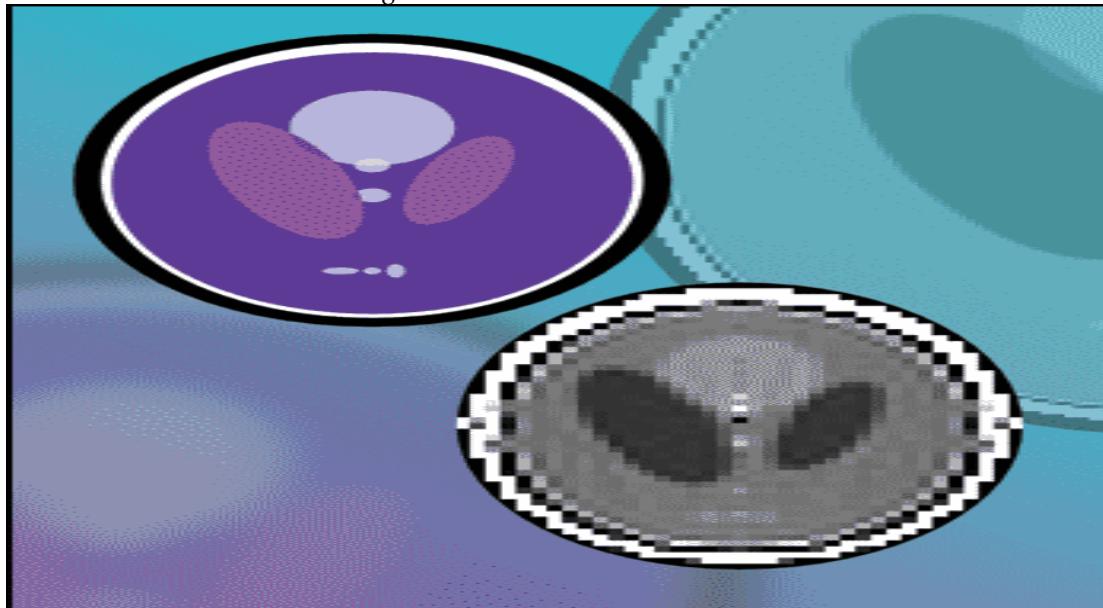
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II. Inversion of Integrals-Imaging

Ablowitz-F, Beals and Coifman (1982)

$$\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial x_1} + i\sigma_3 \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial x_2} - k[\sigma_3, \mu] = Q\mu, \quad k \in \mathbb{C}, \quad (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2,$$

$$\sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q(x_1, x_2) \\ \bar{q}(x_1, x_2) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Nonlinear FT in 2D via the $\bar{\partial}$ formalism
F-Gelfand (1992)

$$(\partial_{x_1} + i\partial_{x_2} - k)\mu(x_1, x_2, k) = q(x_1, x_2)$$

Novel derivation of 2D FT via $\bar{\partial}$

F-Novikov (1992)

$$\left[\frac{1}{2} \left(k + \frac{1}{k} \right) \partial_{x_1} + \frac{1}{2i} \left(k - \frac{1}{k} \right) \partial_{x_2} \right] \mu(x_1, x_2, k) = f(x_1, x_2)$$

Novel derivation of Radon transform

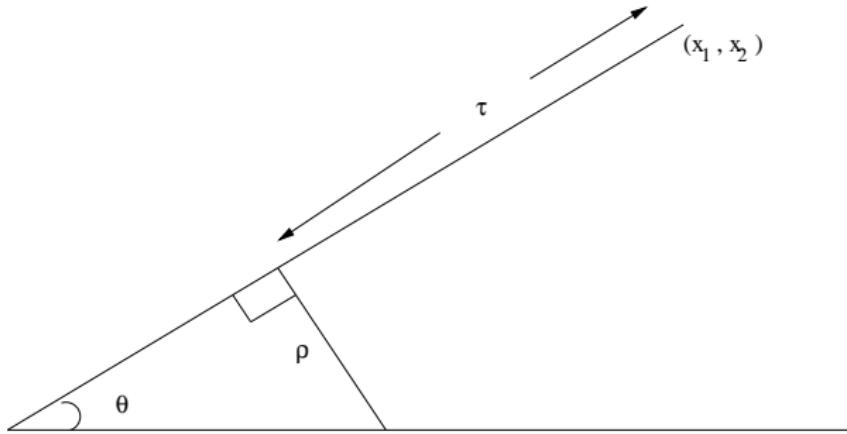
Novikov (2003), F (2004)

$$\begin{aligned} & \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(k + \frac{1}{k} \right) \partial_{x_1} + \frac{1}{2i} \left(k - \frac{1}{k} \right) \partial_{x_2} \right] \mu(x_1, x_2, k) \\ & + f(x_1, x_2) \mu(x_1, x_2, k) = g(x_1, x_2) \end{aligned}$$

Derivation of attenuated Radon transform

II.1 RADON TRANSFORM

Reconstruct f from its line integrals.



$$\begin{aligned}x_1 &= \tau \cos \theta - \rho \sin \theta & \leftrightarrow & \tau = x_1 \cos \theta + x_2 \sin \theta \\x_2 &= \tau \sin \theta + \rho \cos \theta & & \rho = -x_1 \sin \theta + x_2 \cos \theta\end{aligned}$$

$$F(\tau, \rho, \theta) = f(\tau \cos \theta - \rho \sin \theta, \tau \sin \theta + \rho \cos \theta).$$

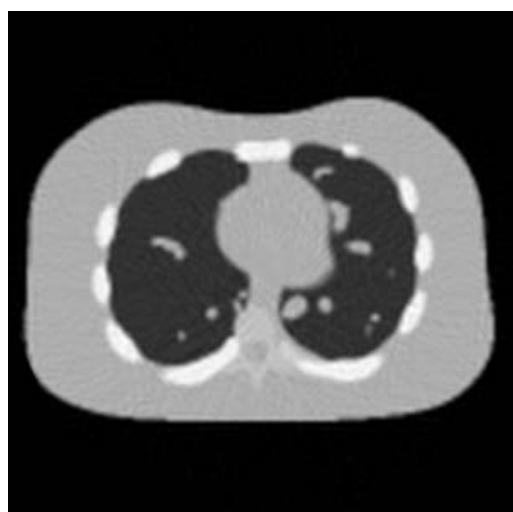
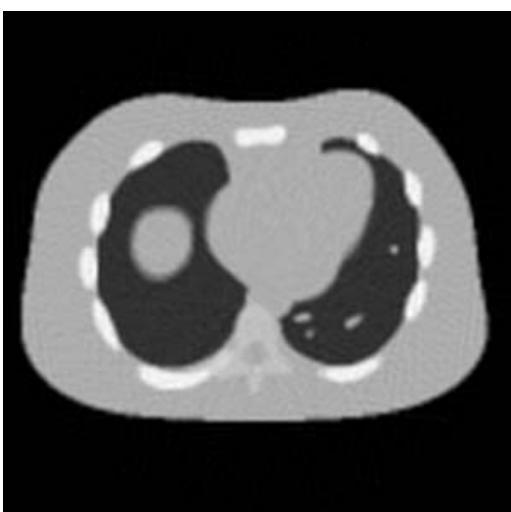
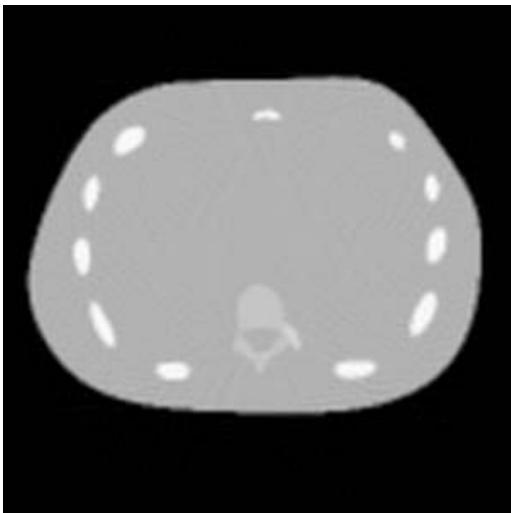
Direct Radon transform

$$\hat{f}(\rho, \theta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\tau, \rho, \theta) d\tau.$$

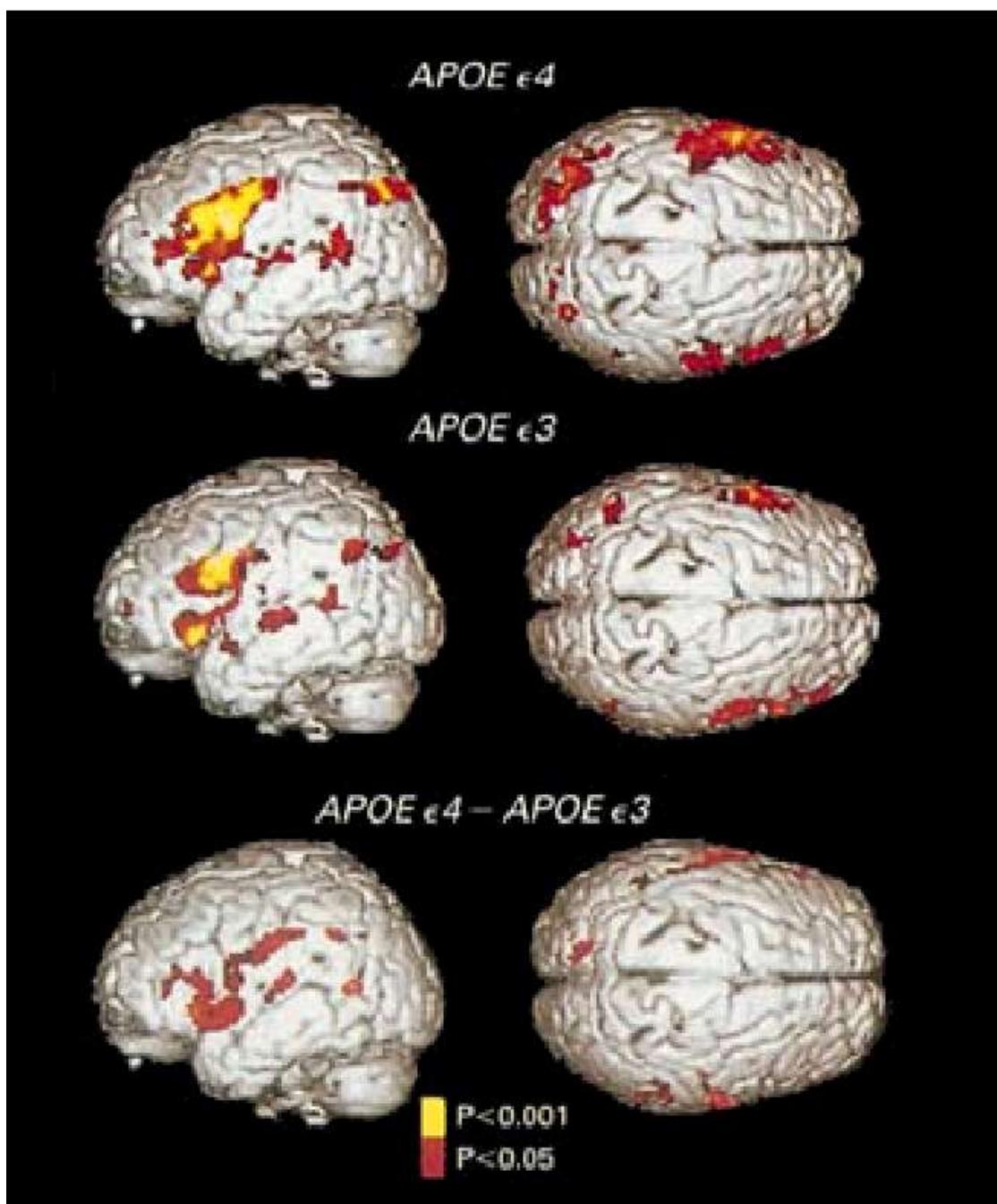
Inverse Radon transform (Filter Back Projection)

$$H(\theta, \rho) = \frac{1}{i\pi} \oint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\hat{f}(\rho', \theta)}{\rho' - \rho} d\rho',$$

$$f(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_{x_1} - i\partial_{x_2}) \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\theta} H(\theta, -x_1 \sin \theta + x_2 \cos \theta) d\theta.$$



The reconstruction of the phantoms before the filtering procedure.



II.2 MATHEMATICS OF SPECT

Reconstruct g from its weighted line integrals

$$I = \int_L e^{-\int_{L(x)} f ds} g d\tau.$$

Direct Attenuated Radon transform

$$\hat{g}_f(\rho, \theta) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\int_{\tau}^{\infty} F(s, \rho, \theta) ds} G(\tau, \rho, \theta) d\tau$$

Inverse Attenuated Radon transform

$$P^{\pm} g(\rho) = \pm \frac{g(\rho)}{2} + \frac{1}{2i\pi} \oint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{g(\rho')}{\rho' - \rho} d\rho'$$

$$H(\theta, \tau, \rho) = e^{\int_{\tau}^{\infty} F(s, \rho, \theta) ds} \left\{ e^{P^- \hat{f}(\rho, \theta)} P^- e^{-P^- \hat{f}(\rho, \theta)} + \right. \\ \left. + e^{-P^+ \hat{f}(\rho, \theta)} P^+ e^{P^+ \hat{f}(\rho, \theta)} \right\} \hat{g}_f(\rho, \theta),$$

$$g(x_1, x_2) = \frac{1}{4\pi} (\partial_{x_1} - i\partial_{x_2}) \cdot \\ \cdot \int_0^{2\pi} e^{i\theta} H(\theta, x_1 \cos \theta + x_2 \sin \theta, x_2 \cos \theta - x_1 \sin \theta) d\theta.$$

Spectral analysis of a SINGLE equation → Analytic inversion of integrals

$$\left\{ \frac{1}{2} \left(k + \frac{1}{k} \right) \partial_{x_1} + \frac{1}{2i} \left(k - \frac{1}{k} \right) \partial_{x_2} \right\} \mu(x_1, x_2, k) = f(x_1, x_2)$$
$$k \in \mathbb{C}, \quad (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad f(x) \in S(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

(i) Solve for μ in terms of f for ALL $k \in \mathbb{C}$

$$z \doteq \frac{1}{2i} \left(k - \frac{1}{k} \right) x_1 - \frac{1}{2} \left(k + \frac{1}{k} \right) x_2$$

$$\frac{1}{2i} \left(\frac{1}{|k|^2} - |k|^2 \right) \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \bar{z}} = f(x_1, x_2), \quad (x_1, x_2) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

Impose: $\mu = O\left(\frac{1}{z}\right)$, $z \rightarrow \infty$.

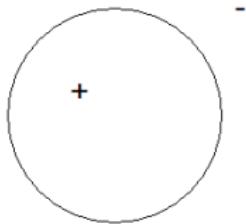
$$\mu(x_1, x_2, k) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \operatorname{sgn}\left(\frac{1}{|k|^2} - |k|^2\right) \iint_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{f(x'_1, x'_2) dx'_1 dx'_2}{z' - z}, \quad |k| \neq 1$$

(ii) Solve for μ in terms of \hat{f}

$$\mu^\pm = \mp \left(P^\mp \hat{f} \right) - \int_\tau^\infty F(\rho, s, \theta) ds, \quad (\rho, \tau) \in \mathbb{R}^2, \quad \theta \in (0, 2\pi)$$

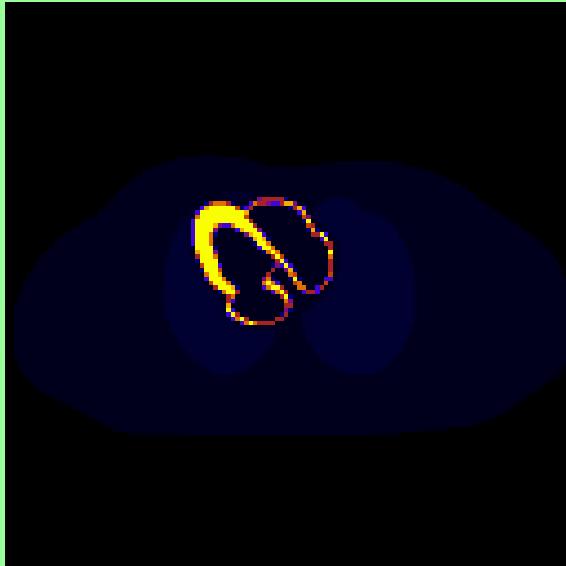
$$\mu(x_1, x_2, k) = -\frac{1}{2i\pi^2} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{e^{i\theta}}{e^{i\theta} - k} \left(\oint_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\hat{f}(\rho, \theta) d\rho}{\rho - (x_2 \cos \theta - x_1 \sin \theta)} \right) d\theta$$

complex k -plane :

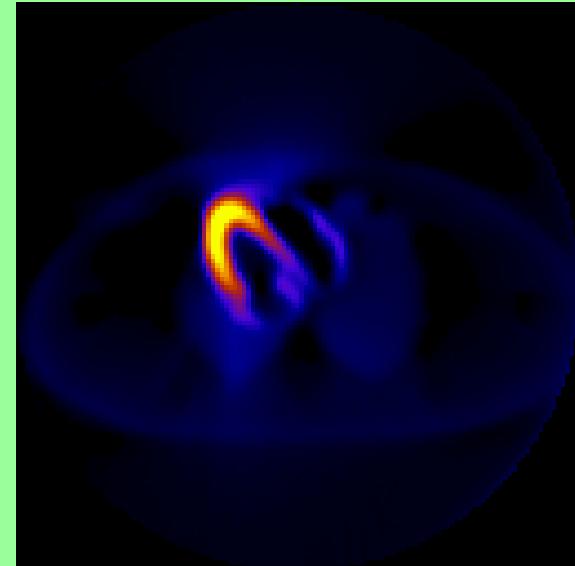


NCAT phantom

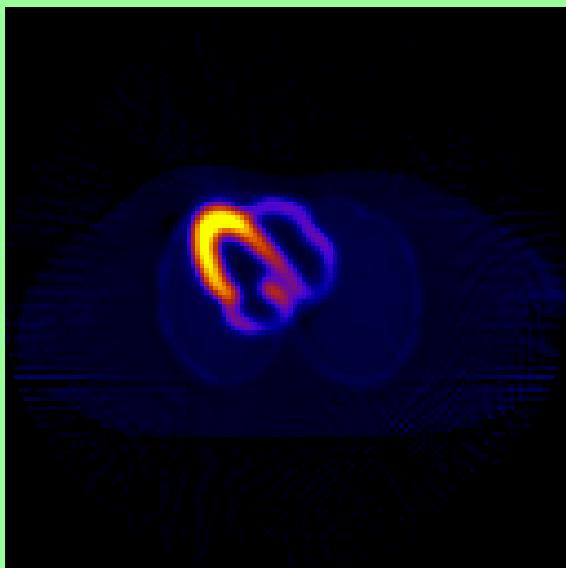
gaussian blur, $\sigma = 0.021$ (GP collimator), noise free, R=28cm, 200 projections



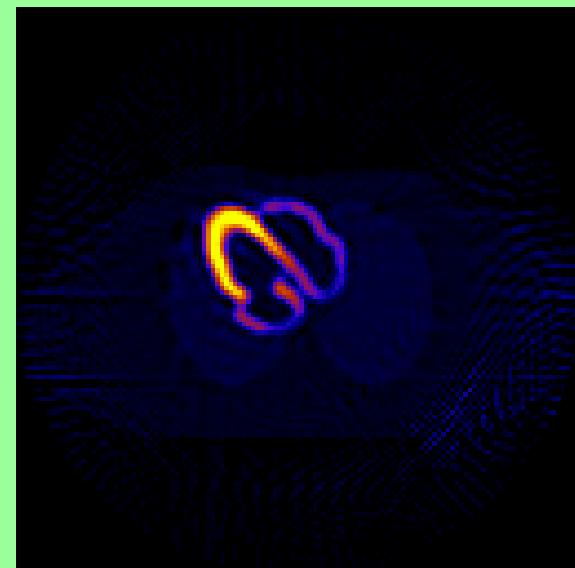
Original



FBP, no attenuation correction



IART, no deblurring



IART, with deblurring

III. Inverting Integrals: The D to N Map

$$q_t = q_{xx}, \quad 0 < x < \infty, 0 < t < T.$$

$$q(x, 0) = 0, \quad q_x(0, t) = g_1(t).$$

$$q(0, t) = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \int_0^t \frac{g_1(s)}{\sqrt{t-s}} ds, \quad 0 < t < T.$$

$$q_t + q_{xxx} = 0, \quad 0 < x < \infty, 0 < t < T.$$

$$q(x, 0) = 0, \quad q_{xx}(0, t) = g_2(t).$$

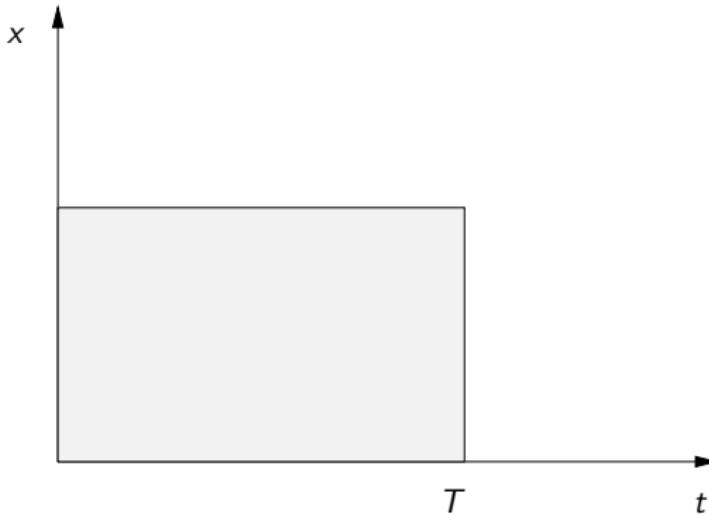
$$q(0, t) = c_1 \int_0^t \frac{g_2(s)}{(t-s)^{\frac{1}{3}}} ds, \quad q_x(0, t) = c_2 \int_0^t \frac{g_2(s)}{(t-s)^{\frac{2}{3}}} ds$$

The Global Relation and Lax pairs

$$\left[e^{-ikx+k^2t} q(x, t) \right]_t - \left[e^{-ikx+k^2t} (q_x(x, t) + ikq(x, t)) \right]_x = 0, \quad k \in \mathbb{C}$$

$$\int_{\partial D} e^{-ikx+k^2t} [q(x, t) dx + (q_x(x, t) + ikq(x, t)) dt] = 0, \quad k \in \mathbb{C}.$$

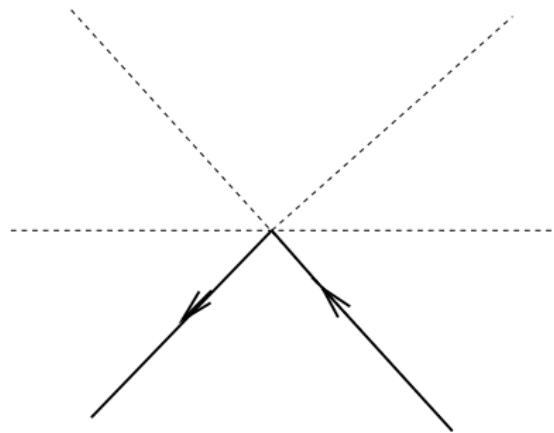
$$\underline{0 < x < \infty}$$



$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^T e^{k^2 s} [q_x(0, s) + ikq(0, s)] ds &= \\ \int_0^\infty e^{-ikx} q(x, 0) dx - e^{k^2 T} \int_0^\infty e^{-ikx} q(x, T) dx, & \quad \text{Im } k \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

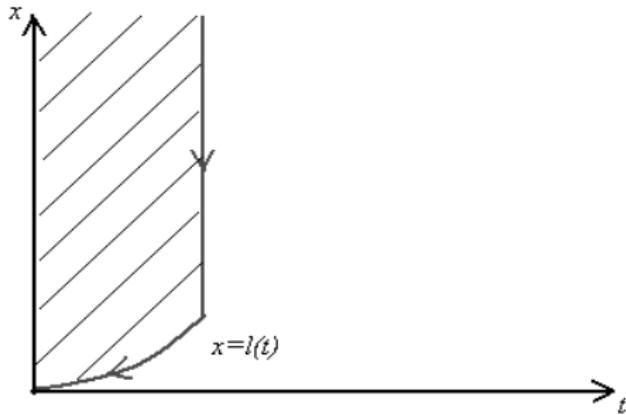
$$e^{-k^2 t} :$$

$$\int_0^T e^{k^2 s} [q_x(0, s) + ikq(0, s)] ds = -e^{k^2 T} \int_0^\infty e^{-ikx} q(x, T) dx, \quad \operatorname{Im} k \leq 0$$



$$\begin{aligned}\mu_x + ik\mu &= q \\ \mu_t + k^2\mu &= q_x + ikq\end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{l(t) < x < \infty}$$



$$\ddot{l}(t) > 0, \quad 0 < t < T,$$

$$l(0) = 0$$

$$\int_0^T e^{k^2 s - i k l(s)} \left[q_x(l(s), s) + (\dot{l}(s) + ik) g_0(s) \right] ds =$$

$$\hat{q}_0(k) - e^{k^2 T} \int_{l(T)}^{\infty} e^{-ikx} q(x, T) dx.$$

(F, Pelloni, JMP 2007)

(Delillo , F, Inverse Problems 2007)

$$F(k) = \int_0^T e^{k^2 s - i k l(s)} f(s) ds, \quad k \in \mathbb{C}.$$

$$\mu_t(t, k) + \left(k^2 - i k \dot{l}(t) \right) \mu(k, t) = k f(t), \quad k \in \mathbb{C}, \quad 0 < t < T.$$

$$\frac{3}{4} f(t) = -\frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma(t)} k e^{-k^2 t + ikI(t)} F(k) dk + \int_0^t f(s) K(s, t) ds, \quad 0 < t < T,$$

$\Gamma(t) :$

$$\left\{ k = k_R + ik_I, k_R^2 - k_I^2 + k_I I(t) = 0; -\infty < k_R < \infty, k_I < 0; 0 < t < T \right\},$$

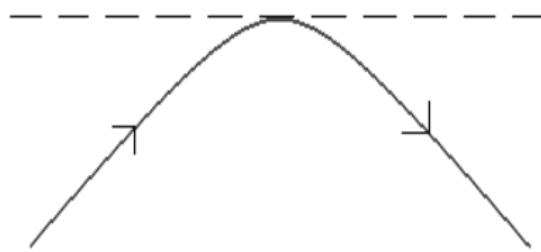


Figure: The curve $\Gamma(t)$

$$K(s, t) = -\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \left[1 - \frac{i}{2} \left(\frac{\nu}{\sqrt{\nu^2 - l(s)\nu}} + \frac{\sqrt{\nu^2 - l(s)\nu}}{\nu} \right) B(\nu, s, t) \right] d\nu,$$

$$\begin{aligned} B(\nu, s, t) &= \left(\sqrt{\nu^2 - l(s)\nu} + i\nu \right) \exp \left[-\nu(l(s) - \vartheta(t, s))(s - t) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + i\sqrt{\nu^2 - l(s)\nu} (2\nu - \vartheta(t, s))(s - t) \right], \quad \vartheta(t, s) = \frac{l(t) - l(s)}{t - s}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\mu(t, k) = \mu_j(t, k), \quad k \in \Omega_j(t), \quad 0 < t < T, \quad j = 1, 2, 3$$

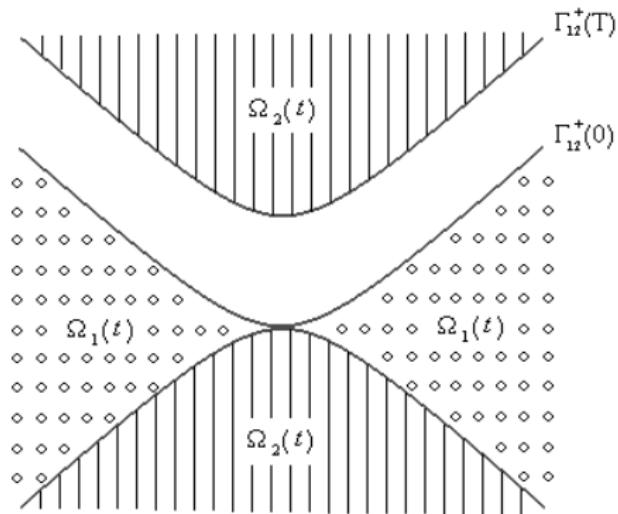


Figure: The domains $\Omega_1(t)$ and $\Omega_2(t)$.

$$\Omega_1(t) : \left\{ k_I > 0, k_R^2 - k_I^2 + k_I i(0) > 0 \right\} \cup \left\{ k_I < 0, k_R^2 - k_I^2 + k_I i(t) > 0 \right\},$$

$$\Omega_2(t) : \left\{ k_I > 0, k_R^2 - k_I^2 + k_I i(T) < 0 \right\} \cup \left\{ k_I < 0, k_R^2 - k_I^2 + k_I i(t) < 0 \right\}.$$

$$\Gamma_{12}^+(t) : \left\{ k_R^2 - k_I^2 + k_I i(t) = 0, k_I > 0 \right\}.$$

$$\mu_j(t, k) = k \int_{t_j}^t e^{k^2(s-t) - ik(l(s) - l(t))} f(s) ds, \quad 0 < t < T, \quad k \in \Omega_j, \quad j = 1, 2, 3.$$

$$t_1 = 0, \quad t_2 = T, \quad t_3 = S(k_R, k_I),$$

$$k_R^2 - k_I^2 + k_I l(t) = 0, \quad 0 < t < T, \quad k_I > 0, \quad -\infty < k_R < \infty : \quad t = S(k_R, k_I).$$

$$\mu_j = O\left(\frac{1}{k}\right), \quad k \rightarrow \infty, \quad k \in \Omega_j, \quad j = 1, 2, 3.$$

$$\mu(t, k, \bar{k}) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\Gamma(t)} \frac{"jump"}{\lambda - k} d\lambda - \frac{1}{\pi} \iint_{\Omega(t)} \frac{\partial \mu(t, \lambda, \bar{\lambda})}{\partial \lambda} \frac{d\lambda_R d\lambda_I}{\lambda - k}$$

$$0 < t < T, \quad k \in \mathbb{C}$$

Above inversion and global relation imply:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{3}{4} g_1(t) &= \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\pi}} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \int_0^\infty e^{-\frac{(I(t)-x)^2}{4t}} \dot{q}_0(x) dx - \int_0^t \frac{e^{-\frac{(I(t)-I(s))^2}{4(t-s)}}}{\sqrt{t-s}} \dot{g}_0(s) ds \right] \\ &+ \int_0^t g_1(s) K(s, t) ds, \quad 0 < t < T \end{aligned}$$

IV. Nonlinear PDEs in 4+2 and 3+1

(F, PRL, May 2006)

$$\frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \bar{x}} + \sigma_3 \frac{\partial \mu}{\partial \bar{y}} - k[\sigma_3, \mu] + Q\mu = 0, \quad (*)$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}(\xi + \eta), y = \frac{1}{2}(\xi - \eta), k = k_1 + ik_2,$$

$$\xi = \xi_1 + i\xi_2, \quad \eta = \eta_1 + i\eta_2$$

$$\sigma_3 = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad Q = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & q_1(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) \\ q_2(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Nonlinear FT in 4D

$$\{q_1, q_2\} \rightarrow \{f_1, f_2\}$$

$$f_1(k_1, k_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = c \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} e^{-4i(k_2\xi_1 - k_1\xi_2 + \lambda_2\eta_1 - \lambda_1\eta_2)} q_1 \mu_{22} d\xi_1 d\xi_2 d\eta_1 d\eta_2,$$

$$f_2(k_1, k_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) = c \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} e^{-4i(-\lambda_2\xi_1 + \lambda_1\xi_2 - k_2\eta_1 + k_1\eta_2)} q_2 \mu_{11} d\xi_1 d\xi_2 d\eta_1 d\eta_2,$$

$$c = (2/\pi)^3.$$

$\mu(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2, k_1, k_2)$ is determined in terms of
 $\{q_j(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2)\}_1^2$ by (*) with

$$\mu \sim I \quad \text{as} \quad |\xi_1|^2 + |\xi_2|^2 + |\eta_1|^2 + |\eta_2|^2 \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\{f_1, f_2\} \rightarrow \{q_1, q_2\}$$

$$q_1(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} e^{4i(k_2\xi_1 - k_1\xi_2 + \lambda_2\eta_1 - \lambda_1\eta_2)} f_1 \mu_{11} dk_1 dk_2 d\lambda_1 d\lambda_2$$

$$q_2(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} e^{4i(-\lambda_2\xi_1 + \lambda_1\xi_2 - k_2\eta_1 + k_1\eta_2)} f_2 \mu_{22} dk_1 dk_2 d\lambda_1 d\lambda_2,$$

μ is determined in terms of $\{f_j(k_1, k_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2)\}_1^2$ by

$$\frac{\partial \mu(k_1, k_2)}{\partial k} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \mu(\lambda_1, \lambda_2) \cdot$$

$$\cdot \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^{-4i(k_2\xi_1 - k_1\xi_2 + \lambda_2\eta_1 - \lambda_1\eta_2)} f_1 \\ e^{-4i(-\lambda_2\xi_1 + \lambda_1\xi_2 - k_2\eta_1 + k_1\eta_2)} f_2 & 0 \end{pmatrix} d\lambda_1 d\lambda_2,$$

$$\mu \sim I + O\left(\frac{1}{k}\right), \quad k \rightarrow \infty$$

Integrable PDEs in 4+2

$$\left\{ q_j^{(0)}(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2) \right\}_1^2 \longrightarrow \left\{ f_j^{(0)}(k_1, k_2, \lambda_1, \lambda_2) \right\}_1^2$$

$$\left\{ f_1^{(0)} E, f_2^{(0)} E^{-1} \right\} \longrightarrow \{ q_j(\xi_1, \xi_2, \eta_1, \eta_2, t_1, t_2) \}_1^2$$

$$E = e^{4i(\lambda_1\lambda_2+k_1k_2)t_2 - 2i(\lambda_1^2 - \lambda_2^2 + k_1^2 - k_2^2)t_1}$$

Then,

$$(-1)^j \partial_{\bar{t}} q_j + \frac{1}{4} (\partial_{\bar{\xi}}^2 + \partial_{\bar{\eta}}^2) q_{\bar{j}} - q_j \partial_{\bar{\xi}}^{-1} (q_1 q_2)_{\bar{\eta}} = 0, \quad j = 1, 2,$$

$$\partial_{\bar{\xi}}^{-1} q = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \frac{q(\xi'_1, \xi'_2)}{\xi - \xi'} d\xi_1 d\xi_2.$$

Implicit Reductions to 3+1

independence of $t_1 \leftrightarrow \lambda_1\lambda_2 + k_1k_2 = 0$

Linear limit:

$$\frac{\partial^2 q}{\partial \xi_1 \partial \xi_2} + \frac{\partial^2 q}{\partial \eta_1 \partial \eta_2} = 0.$$

KP type

$$\frac{\partial q}{\partial \bar{t}} = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\partial^3 q}{\partial \bar{x}^3} - \frac{3}{2} q \frac{\partial q}{\partial \bar{x}} + \frac{3}{4} \partial_{\bar{x}}^{-1} \frac{\partial^2 q}{\partial \bar{y}^2}$$

independence of $t_2 \leftrightarrow k_1^3 - \lambda_1^3 + 3\lambda_1\lambda_2^2 - 3k_1k_2^2 = 0$

Explicit Reductions to 3+1

Potential KdV

$$q_{\bar{t}} = \frac{1}{4}q_{\bar{x}\bar{x}\bar{x}} - \frac{3}{4}q_{\bar{x}}^2, \quad t = t_1 + it_2, \quad x = x_1 + ix_2, \quad (1)$$

To preserve reality:

$$q_t = \frac{1}{4}q_{xxx} - \frac{3}{4}q_x^2. \quad (2)$$

$(q_{\bar{t}})_t = (q_t)_{\bar{t}}$:

$$(q_{\bar{x}\bar{x}\bar{x}} - 3q_{\bar{x}}^2)_t = (q_{xxx} - 3q_x^2)_{\bar{t}}.$$

Use $\partial_{\bar{x}} = \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{x_1} + i\partial_{x_2})$:

$$(\Delta q)(\Delta q_{x_2}) = 0, \quad \Delta = \partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2.$$

(1)±(2):

$$q_{t_1} = \frac{1}{16} (\partial_{x_1}^3 - 3\partial_{x_1}\partial_{x_2}^2) q - \frac{3}{8} (q_{x_1}^2 - q_{x_2}^2), \quad (3)$$

$$q_{t_2} = \frac{1}{16} (-\partial_{x_2}^3 + 3\partial_{x_2}\partial_{x_1}^2) q - \frac{3}{4} q_{x_1} q_{x_2}. \quad (4)$$

$$q_{t_1} = \frac{1}{4}q_{x_1 x_1 x_1} - \frac{3}{8}(q_{x_1}^2 - q_{x_2}^2), \quad \Delta q = 0, \quad (5)$$

$$q_{t_2} = -\frac{1}{4}q_{x_2 x_2 x_2} - \frac{3}{4}q_{x_1} q_{x_2}, \quad \Delta q = 0. \quad (6)$$

Claim : $\Delta q_{t_1} = \Delta q_{t_2} = 0$

Let $q(x_1, x_2, 0) = q_0(x_1, x_2)$ be a harmonic function. Then $q(x_1, x_2, t_1)$ and $q(x_1, x_2, t_2)$ satisfy the integrable systems (5) and (6) respectively. If q_0 is real, then q remains real.

Potential KP

$$q_{\bar{t}} = \frac{1}{4} q_{\bar{x}\bar{x}\bar{x}} - \frac{3}{4} q_{\bar{x}}^2 + \frac{3}{4} \bar{L}q, \quad L = \partial_x^{-1} \partial_y^2,$$

where

$$y = y_1 + iy_2, \quad \partial_{\bar{x}}^{-1} f = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} f(x'_1, x'_2) \frac{dx'_1 dx'_2}{x - x'}.$$

$$(\Delta q)(\Delta q_{x_2}) + q_{\bar{x}} L q_{\bar{x}} - q_x \bar{L} q_x + \frac{1}{2} (\bar{L} q_x^2 - L q_{\bar{x}}^2) = 0.$$

$$\Delta q = q_{\bar{x}y} = 0, \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Delta q = 0, \quad q_{y_2} = -\partial_{x_1}^{-1} q_{x_2 y_1}$$

$$q_{t_1} = \frac{1}{4}q_{x_1 x_1 x_1} - \frac{3}{8}(q_{x_1}^2 - q_{x_2}^2) + \frac{3}{4}\partial_{x_1}^{-1}q_{y_1 y_1}, \quad \Delta q = 0,$$

$$q_{t_2} = -\frac{1}{4}q_{x_2 x_2 x_2} - \frac{3}{4}q_{x_1}q_{x_2} - \frac{3}{4}\partial_{x_2}^{-1}q_{y_1 y_1}, \quad \Delta q = 0.$$

$$\Delta = \partial_{x_1}^2 + \partial_{x_2}^2$$

Example: $-\infty < x_1 < \infty$, $x_2 > 0$.

$$q(x_1, 0, y_1, 0) = Q_0(x_1, y_1).$$

$$q_{x_2}(x_1, 0, y_1, t) = Hq_{x_1}(x_1, 0, y_1, t)$$

$$q(x_1, 0, y_1, t) = Q(x_1, y_1, t)$$

$$Q_{t_1} = \frac{1}{4}Q_{x_1 x_1 x_1} - \frac{3}{8} [Q_{x_1}^2 - (HQ_{x_1})^2] + \frac{3}{4}\partial_{x_1}^{-1}Q_{y_1 y_1},$$

$$Q(x_1, y_1, 0) = Q_0(x_1, y_1).$$

Laplace's equation with $q(x_1, 0, y_1, t) = Q(x_1, y_1, t)$, yields $q(x_1, x_2, y, t)$