

# Lifting discrete trajectories

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The starting point of this note has been E. Borel's theorem, which states that every formal series can be represented as the Taylor expansion of some  $C^\infty$ -function. This nice fact, gives rise to the following natural question: Can any discrete trajectory of a polynomial matrix be represented as the Taylor expansion of a continuous one?

More precisely. Let  $\mathbb{F}$  be either  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $s$  an indeterminate and  $t = s^{-1}$ . Let  $I$  be an interval containing 0,  $\partial : C^\infty(I) \rightarrow C^\infty(I)$  the differentiation operator,  $\sigma : \mathbb{F}[[t]] \rightarrow \mathbb{F}[[t]]$  the backward shift operator.

Define the operator  $T : C^\infty(I) \rightarrow \mathbb{F}[[t]]$  by the formula

$$T(w) = w(0) + w'(0)t + w''(0)t^2 + \dots$$

This is surjective by E. Borel's theorem. Remark that  $T \circ \partial = \sigma \circ T$ .

Now, let  $R \in \mathbb{F}[s]^{\bullet \times \bullet}$ . In view of the above remark, we clearly have  $T \circ R(\partial) = R(\sigma) \circ T$ . It is immediate from this that  $T$  induces a map

$$\text{Ker} R(\partial) \rightarrow \text{Ker} R(\sigma).$$

In other words,  $T$  transforms continuous trajectories of  $R$  into discrete trajectories of  $R$ . The question is whether this map is surjective.

We shall prove that the map is surjective; even more, we shall find its kernel.

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