

# Herglotz functions and several variables

Recall:  $n=1$

Def:  $h$  is called Herglotz function

$\Leftrightarrow h: \mathbb{C}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^+$  analytic



Theorem (Integral representation)

$h$  Herglotz fct.  $\Leftrightarrow$

$\exists a \geq 0, b \in \mathbb{R}, \mu$  pos. Borel measure on  $\mathbb{R}$  with  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{d\mu(t)}{1+t^2} < \infty$

such that

$$h(z) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left( \frac{1}{t-z} - \frac{t}{1+t^2} \right) d\mu(t) + a \cdot z + b$$

Remarks: • " $\mu(t) = \text{Im } h(t+i0)$ "

• Note: no restriction on the measure (except growth property)

• continuation to the lower half-plane:  $h(\bar{z}) := \overline{h(z)}$

Example  $h_1(z) = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{\mu_j}{x_j - z}$  ( $x_j \in \mathbb{R}, \mu_j > 0$ )

$h_2(z) = \begin{cases} i & z \in \mathbb{C}^+ \\ -i & z \in \mathbb{C}^- \end{cases}$  (OBS:  $h_2$  not analytic in  $\mathbb{R}$   
here  $\mu$  is Lebesgue-measure)

$h_3(z) = \sqrt{z}$  (where  $\sqrt{z} := |z|^{1/2} \cdot e^{i \frac{\text{Arg } z}{2}}$  with  $\text{Arg } z \in (-\pi, \pi]$ )

Definition:  $H$  Herglotz fct. in  $n$  variables :  $\Leftrightarrow$

$H: (\mathbb{C}^+)^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}^+$  analytic (i.e.  $\text{Im } H(z_1, \dots, z_n) \geq 0$  for  $\text{Im } z_j > 0$   $j=1, \dots, n$ )

## Question: Characterization via integral representation?

Partial results in the literature:

### ① Vladimirov

Thm (on p. 263)

Let  $H: (\mathbb{C}^+)^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  be analytic. Then the following are equivalent:

- (1)  $\text{Im } H(z_1, \dots, z_n) \geq 0$  (i.e.  $H$  Herglotz in  $n$  variables)
- (2) "representation via Fourier transform"
- (3) "representation for  $\text{Im } H(z_1, \dots, z_n) = \dots$ "
- (4) 
$$H(z_1, \dots, z_n) = i \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \left[ \frac{2i^n}{(2\pi)^n} \left( \frac{1}{z_1 - t_1} - \frac{1}{-i - t_1} \right) \cdots \left( \frac{1}{z_n - t_n} - \frac{1}{-i - t_n} \right) - \frac{1}{\pi^n |i - t_1|^2 \cdots |i - t_n|^2} \right] d\mu(t_1, \dots, t_n) + (a, z) + b$$

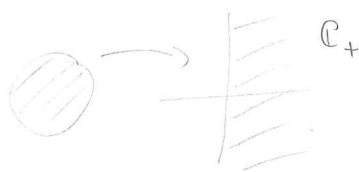
Here " $\mu = \text{Im } H_+$ "  $b = \text{Re } f(i, \dots, i)$   $a_j = \lim_{y_j \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{Im } H(i y_j)}{y_j}$

### Comments

- We are interested in (1)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (4)
- For  $n=1$  this recovers the well-known integral representation
- note: In  $a_j$  there might be a typo (I guess: only  $z_j = iy_j$ )
- Problems - "only one direction"? Which measures  $\mu$  can appear here?  
Examples show: not all
- The proof uses a lot of earlier results and is hence neither direct or transparent.

② Korányi, Pukánsky (Transactions of the AMS, 1963)

Deals with functions from the polydisc  $\mathbb{D}^n := \{ (z_1, \dots, z_n) \in \mathbb{C}^n; |z_j| = 1 \}$   
 $j=1, \dots, n$  }  
 to the right half plane  $\mathbb{C}_+$ .



Theorem  $\varphi: \mathbb{D}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  analytic. Then

$\operatorname{Re} \varphi(w_1, \dots, w_n) \geq 0$  for  $|w_j| < 1$   $\iff$

$$\varphi(w_1, \dots, w_n) = \int_{\Pi^n} \left[ 2 \frac{u_1}{u_1 - w_1} \cdots \frac{u_n}{u_n - w_n} - 1 \right] d\sigma(u_1, \dots, u_n) + i \operatorname{Im} \varphi(0, \dots, 0)$$

with  $\sigma$  pos. Borelmeasure on  $\Pi^n$  such that

$$\int_{\Pi^n} u_1^{k_1} \cdots u_n^{k_n} d\sigma(u_1, \dots, u_n) = 0 \quad \text{except for } k_j \geq 0 \quad j=1, \dots, n$$

or  $k_j \leq 0 \quad j=1, \dots, n$

Comment: •  $n=1$  no condition on the measure!

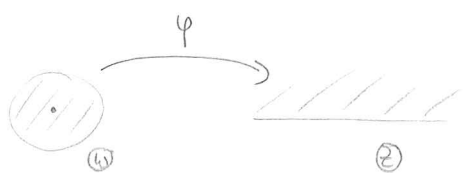
Aim (not yet reached because of lack of time):

Transform this result to Herglotz functions.

We demonstrate the idea for  $n=1$ :

$$\varphi(w) := i \frac{1+w}{1-w}$$

$$\varphi^{-1}(z) = \frac{z-i}{z+i}$$



note  $\varphi(1) = \infty$

$\varphi: \mathbb{D}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_+ \iff H(z) := i \varphi(\varphi^{-1}(z_1), \dots, \varphi^{-1}(z_n))$  Herglotz

So for  $n=1$ :  $\varphi(w) = \int_{|u|=1} \left( 2 \frac{u}{u-w} - 1 \right) d\sigma(u) + i \operatorname{Im} \varphi(0) : \mathbb{D} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}_+$

we have

$$h(z) = i \varphi(\bar{\varphi}^{-1}(z)) = i \varphi\left(\frac{z-i}{z+i}\right)$$

$$= i \int_{|u|=1} \left( 2 \frac{u}{u - \frac{z-i}{z+i}} - 1 \right) d\sigma(u) + \operatorname{Re} h(0)$$

$$= i \int_{\substack{|u|=1 \\ u \neq 1}} \left( 2 \frac{u}{u - \frac{z-i}{z+i}} - 1 \right) d\sigma(u) + i \int_{u=1} \left( 2 \frac{1}{1 - \frac{z-i}{z+i}} - 1 \right) d\sigma(u) + \operatorname{Re} h(0)$$

$$= \left[ d\sigma(u) = \frac{2}{t^2+1} d\tilde{\sigma}(t) \right] = i \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( 2 \frac{\frac{t-i}{t+i}}{\frac{t-i}{t+i} - \frac{z-i}{z+i}} - 1 \right) \frac{2}{t^2+1} d\tilde{\sigma}(t) + \underbrace{z \cdot \underbrace{\sigma(0)}_{=: a}}_{\geq 0} + \underbrace{\operatorname{Re} h(0)}_{\geq 0}$$

$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \frac{1}{t-z} - \frac{t}{t^2+1} \right) \underbrace{2 d\tilde{\sigma}(t)}_{=: d\mu(t)} + az + b \quad \square$$

$n=2$  Note  $\iint_{|u_1|=|u_2|=1} \dots d\sigma(u_1, u_2)$  gives after reparametrization  $u_j = e^{i\xi_j}$

$$\iint_{[0, 2\pi]^2} \dots d\sigma_1(\xi_1, \xi_2) \quad \square$$

Hence the integral becomes

$$\iint_{(0, 2\pi)^2} \dots d\sigma_1(\xi_1, \xi_2) + \int_{(0, 2\pi)} \dots d\sigma_1(0, \xi_2) + \int_{(0, 2\pi)} \dots d\sigma_1(\xi_1, 0) + (\dots) \sigma_1(0, 0)$$

Double integral becomes the integral term in Vladimirov

Remaining terms have to become  $(a, z)$  in Vladimirov (but we don't see this yet)

Ongoing work:

- identify  $(a, z)$  and describe more explicit
- translate the restrictive property of the measure

Further questions:

- integral identities (moments?)
- operator representations