

# A continuous moment problem for locally convex spaces.

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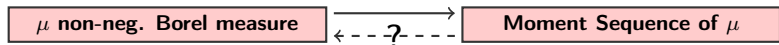
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# The classical moment problem in one dimension

Let  $\mu$  be a non-negative Borel measure defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ . The  $n$ -th moment of  $\mu$  is:

$$m_n^\mu := \int_{\mathbb{R}} x^n \mu(dx)$$

If all moments of  $\mu$  exist and are finite, then  $(m_n^\mu)_{n=0}^\infty$  is the **moment sequence** of  $\mu$ .



Let  $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$  and  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  closed.

## The one-dimensional $K$ -Moment Problem (MP)

Given a sequence  $m = (m_n)_{n=0}^N$  of real numbers, does there exist a nonnegative Radon measure  $\mu$  supported on a closed  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  s.t. for any  $n = 0, 1, \dots, N$  we have

$$m_n = \underbrace{\int_K x^n \mu(dx)}_{n\text{-th moment of } \mu} \quad ?$$

Remember:  $\mu$  is **supported on**  $K$  if  $\mu(\mathbb{R} \setminus K) = 0$ .

$N = \infty \rightsquigarrow$  Full MP

$N \in \mathbb{N} \rightsquigarrow$  Truncated MP

# Riesz's Functional

## Riesz's Functional

Let  $m = (m_n)_{n=0}^{\infty}$  be such that  $m_n \in \mathbb{R}$ .

$$L_m: \mathbb{R}[x] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$p(x) := \sum_{n=0}^N a_n x^n \mapsto L_m(p) := \sum_{n=0}^N a_n m_n.$$

### Note:

If  $m$  is represented by a non-negative measure  $\mu$  on  $K$ , then

$$L_m(p) = \sum_{n=0}^N a_n m_n = \sum_{n=0}^N a_n \int_K x^n \mu(dx) = \int_K p(x) \mu(dx).$$

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Given a sequence  $m = (m_n)_{n=0}^{\infty}$  of real numbers, does there exist a nonnegative Radon measure  $\mu$  supported on a closed  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  s.t. for any  $p \in \mathbb{R}[x]$  we have

$$L_m(p) = \int_K p(x) \mu(dx) ?$$

# The classical $K$ -moment problem in finite dimensions

Let  $\mathbf{x} := (x_1, \dots, x_d)$  with  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ .

## The $d$ -dimensional $K$ -Moment Problem (MP)

Given a linear functional  $L : \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , does there exist a nonnegative Radon measure  $\mu$  supported on a closed  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  s.t. for any  $p \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$  we have

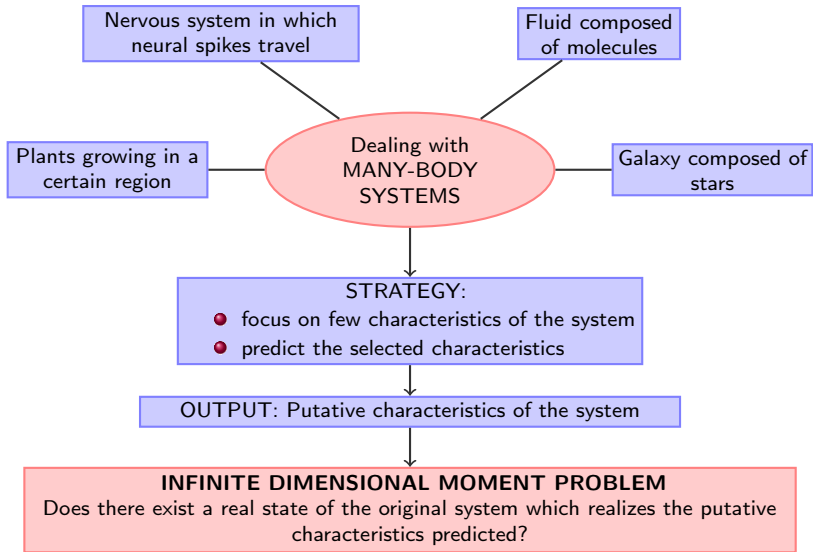
$$L(p) = \int_K p(\mathbf{x}) \mu(d\mathbf{x}) ?$$

- What if we have infinitely many variables?
- What if we take a generic  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space  $V$  (even infinite dim.) instead of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ?
- What if we take a  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebra  $A$  instead of the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$  ?



## Infinite dimensional $K$ -Moment Problem (IMP)

# Motivations for IMP: analysis of complex systems



# A general formulation of MP

## Terminology and Notations:

- $A = \mathbb{R}$ -algebra, i.e. a  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space with a bilinear product.
- $X(A) =$  character space of  $A$ , i.e. the set of all ring homomorphisms  $\alpha : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .
- For  $a \in A$ ,  $\hat{a} : X(A) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is defined by  $\hat{a}(\alpha) := \alpha(a)$  for all  $\alpha \in X(A)$ .
- $X(A)$  is given the weakest topology s.t. the functions  $\hat{a}$ ,  $a \in A$  are continuous.

## The $K$ -moment problem for $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras

Given a linear functional  $L : \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , does there exist a nonnegative Radon measure  $\mu$  supported on a Borel  $K \subseteq X(\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]) = \mathbb{R}^d$  s.t. for any  $a \in \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}]$  we have

$$L(a) = \int_{X(\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}])} \hat{a}(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} a(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha) ?$$

Remember that a measure  $\mu$  is supported on a Borel  $K \subseteq \mathbb{R}^d$  if  $\mu(\mathbb{R}^d \setminus K) = 0$ .

NB: Finite dimensional MP is a particular case

If  $A = \mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}] = \mathbb{R}[x_1, \dots, x_d]$  then  $X(A) = X(\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}])$  is identified (as tvs) with  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Ring homomorphisms  $\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  correspond to point evaluations  $f \mapsto f(\alpha)$ ,  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and so  $X(\mathbb{R}[\mathbf{x}])$  corresponds to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

# The $K$ -moment problem for $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras

## The $K$ -moment problem for $\mathbb{R}$ -algebras

Given a linear functional  $L : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , does there exist a nonnegative Radon measure  $\mu$  supported on a Borel  $K \subseteq X(A)$  s.t. for any  $a \in A$  we have

$$L(a) = \int_{X(A)} \hat{a}(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha)?$$

- **Pos(K)** :=  $\{a \in A : \hat{a} \geq 0 \text{ on } K\}$
- $M := 2d\text{-power module}$  generated by  $p_1, \dots, p_s \in A$   
 $= \sum A^{2d} + p_1 \sum A^{2d} + \dots + p_s \sum A^{2d}$  ( $M$  can be also infinitely generated!).
- $\mathbf{X}_M := \{\alpha \in X(A) : \hat{p}_i(\alpha) \geq 0, i = 1, \dots, s\}$
- $M$  **Archimedean** if  $\forall a \in A, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} : N \pm a \in M$ .

**NOTE:** If  $\mu$  is a representing measure for  $L$  and  $\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq K$ , then:

$$L(\text{Pos}(K)) \subseteq [0, +\infty) \text{ and in particular } L(M) \subseteq [0, +\infty).$$

**What about the converse?**

Thm (M. Ghasemi, M. Marshall, S. Wagner 2014; M. Ghasemi, S. Kuhlmann 2013)

Let  $M$  be an archimedean  $2d$ -power module of  $A$  and  $L : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a linear functional.  
 $(L(M) \subseteq [0, +\infty)) \Leftrightarrow (\exists ! \mu : \forall a \in A, L(a) = \int_{X(A)} \hat{a}(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha) \ \& \ \text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq X_M).$



# Previous results for the infinite dimensional moment problem

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# Framework

- $V = \mathbb{R}$ -vector space
- $\tau :=$  a **locally convex (lc)** topology on  $V$   
= a topology on  $V$  generated by some family  $\mathcal{S}$  of seminorms on  $V$   
= the weakest topology on  $V$  s.t. each  $\rho \in \mathcal{S}$  is continuous.
- $\rho : V \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is a **seminorm** on  $V$  if
  - (1)  $\forall a \in V$  and  $\forall r \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\rho(ra) = |r|\rho(a)$ ,
  - (2)  $\forall a, b \in V$ ,  $\rho(a + b) \leq \rho(a) + \rho(b)$ .
- W.l.o.g. we assume that the family  $\mathcal{S}$  is **directed**, i.e.  
 $\forall \rho_1, \rho_2 \in \mathcal{S}$ ,  $\exists \rho \in \mathcal{S} \exists C > 0$  s.t.  $C\rho(v) \geq \max\{\rho_1(v), \rho_2(v)\}$ ,  $\forall v \in V$ .
- $V^* :=$  **algebraic dual** of  $V = \{\ell : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \ell \text{ is a linear functional}\}$
- $V' :=$  **topological dual** of  $V = \{\ell : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \ell \text{ is a } \tau\text{-continuous linear functional}\}$
- $S(V) =$  the **symmetric algebra** of  $V$   
= the tensor algebra  $T(V)$  factored by the ideal gen. by  $v \otimes w - w \otimes v$
- $S(V)_k =$  the  **$k$ -th homogeneous part** of  $S(V)$   
= the image of  $k$ -th homogeneous part  $V^{\otimes k}$  of  $T(V)$  under the canonical map  $\sum_{i=1}^n v_{i1} \otimes \cdots \otimes v_{ik} \mapsto \sum_{i=1}^n v_{i1} \cdots v_{ik}$ .

# IMP for symmetric algebras on a lc space

$(V, \tau)$  with  $\tau$  lc-topology. Then:

- $X(S(V)) = \text{Hom}(S(V), \mathbb{R}) \cong V^* = \text{Hom}(V, \mathbb{R})$  via the isomorphism  $\ell \mapsto \ell|_V$
- $\forall f \in S(V), \hat{f} : X(S(V)) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is given by  $\alpha \mapsto \hat{f}(\alpha) := \alpha(f)$

## The IMP for symmetric algebras on a lc space

Given a linear functional  $L : S(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , does there exist a nonnegative Radon measure  $\mu$  on  $V^*$  s.t. for any  $f \in S(V)$  we have

$$L(f) = \int_{V^*} \hat{f}(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha)?$$

Is  $\mu$  unique? What is the support of  $\mu$ ?

## QUESTION: continuous functionals

What happens when  $L : S(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous?

Which topology is natural to consider on  $S(V)$ ? Can  $\tau$  on  $V$  be extended to  $S(V)$ ?

# Continuous functionals on $S(V)$

(I. case)

(I. case):  $\tau$  is generated by  $S = \{\rho\}$ , i.e.  $(V, \rho)$  with  $\rho$  seminorm on  $V$ .

Proposition (Ghasemi, I., Kuhlmann, Marhsall, 2015)

Any seminorm  $\rho$  on  $V$  can be extended to a **submultiplicative seminorm**  $\bar{\rho}$  on  $S(V)$ , i.e.  $\bar{\rho}(fg) \leq \bar{\rho}(f)\bar{\rho}(g)$ ,  $\forall f, g \in S(V)$ .

1 tensor seminorm  $\rho^{\otimes k}$  on  $V^{\otimes k}$ :

$$(\rho^{\otimes k})(f) := \inf\left\{\sum_{i=1}^n \rho(f_{i1}) \cdots \rho(f_{ik}) : f = \sum_{i=1}^n f_{i1} \otimes \cdots \otimes f_{ik}, f_{ij} \in V, n \geq 1\right\}.$$

2 Let  $\pi_k : V^{\otimes k} \rightarrow S(V)_k$  be the canonical map.

For  $k \geq 1$  define  $\bar{\rho}_k$  to be the **quotient seminorm on  $S(V)_k$**  induced by  $\rho^{\otimes k}$ :

$$\bar{\rho}_k(f) = \inf\left\{\sum_{i=1}^n \rho(f_{i1}) \cdots \rho(f_{ik}) : f = \sum_{i=1}^n f_{i1} \cdots f_{ik}, f_{ij} \in V, n \geq 1\right\}.$$

Define  $\bar{\rho}_0$  to be the usual absolute value on  $\mathbb{R}$ .

3 Extend  $\rho$  to a submultiplicative seminorm  $\bar{\rho}$  on  $S(V)$  by taking the **projective extension of  $\rho$  to  $S(V)$**  defined for any  $f = f_0 + \cdots + f_r$ ,  $f_k \in S(V)_k$ ,  $k = 0, \dots, r$  by:

$$\bar{\rho}(f) := \sum_{k=0}^r \bar{\rho}_k(f_k).$$

# Continuous functionals on $S(V)$ (I. case)

## Proposition

$(V, \rho)$  s.t.  $\rho$  seminorm



$(S(V), \bar{\rho})$  s.t.  $\bar{\rho}$  submult. seminorm

## Thm (Ghasemi, Kuhlmann, Marshall, 2014)

Let  $(A, \sigma)$  be a submult. seminormed  $\mathbb{R}$ -alg. and  $M$  a  $2d$ -power module of  $A$ . If  $L : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a  $\sigma$ -continuous linear functional, then:

$$(L(M) \subseteq [0, +\infty)) \Leftrightarrow (\exists ! \mu \text{ on } X(A): \\ L(a) = \int_{X(A)} \hat{a}(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha) \ \& \ \text{supp } \mu \subseteq X_M \cap \text{sp}(\sigma))$$

## Theorem (Ghasemi, I., Kuhlmann, Marhsall, 2015)

Let  $(V, \rho)$  be a seminormed  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space and  $M$  be a  $2d$ -power module of  $S(V)$ . If  $L : S(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a  $\bar{\rho}$ -continuous linear functional, then:

$$(L(M) \subseteq [0, +\infty)) \Leftrightarrow (\exists ! \mu \text{ on } V^*: L(f) = \int_{V^*} \hat{f}(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha) \ \& \ \text{supp } \mu \subseteq X_M \cap \bar{B}_1(\rho'))$$

### Notation:

- Gelfand spectrum of  $\rho$ :  $\text{sp}(\rho) := \{\alpha \in X(A) : \alpha \text{ is } \rho\text{-continuous}\}$ .
- operator norm in  $V^*$  w.r.t.  $\rho$ :  $\rho'(v^*) := \inf\{C \in [0, \infty) : |v^*(f)| \leq C\rho(f) \ \forall f \in V\}$
- closed unitary ball in  $V^*$  w.r.t.  $\rho$ :  $\bar{B}_1(\rho') := \{v^* \in V^* : \rho'(v^*) \leq 1\}$ .

# Continuous functionals on $S(V)$

(II. case)

(II. case):  $\tau$  is a lc topology on  $V$  generated by a directed family  $\mathcal{S}$  of seminorms

## Lemma

Suppose that  $\tau$  is a lc topology on  $V$  generated by a directed family  $\mathcal{S}$  of seminorms.  
 $(L : V \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ is } \tau\text{-continuous}) \Leftrightarrow (\exists \rho \in \mathcal{S} \text{ s.t. } L \text{ is } \rho\text{-continuous}).$

## Proposition (Ghasemi, I., Kuhlmann, Marhsall, 2015)

$(V, \tau)$  s.t.  $\tau$  lc topology  $\rightarrow (S(V), \bar{\tau})$  s.t.  $\bar{\tau}$  lmc topology  
 $-\bar{\tau}$  defined by the directed family of submultiplicative seminorms  $\bar{i}_\rho, \rho \in \mathcal{S}, i \in \mathbb{N}$   
 $-\bar{\tau}$  is the finest lmc topology on  $S(V)$ .

**RECALL:** A **locally multiplicatively convex** (lmc) topology on an  $\mathbb{R}$ -algebra  $A$  is a topology on  $A$  generated by some family of submultiplicative seminorms on  $A$ .

## Theorem (Ghasemi, I., Kuhlmann, Marhsall, 2015)

Let  $(V, \tau)$  be a lc  $\mathbb{R}$ -vector space and  $M$  be a  $2d$ -power module of  $S(V)$ .  
 If  $L : S(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a  $\bar{\tau}$ -continuous linear functional, then:

$(L(M) \subseteq [0, +\infty)) \Leftrightarrow (\exists ! \mu \text{ on } V^*: L(f) = \int_{V^*} \hat{f}(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha) \text{ \& \text{supp } \mu \subseteq } X_M \cap \bar{B}_i(\rho')$   
 for some  $\rho \in \mathcal{S}$  and some integer  $i \geq 1$ )

## Previous results on lc nuclear spaces

$(V, \tau)$  is assumed to be:

- **separable**
- **projective limit** of a directed family  $(H_s)_{s \in S}$  of **Hilbert spaces**
- **nuclear**:  $\forall s_1 \in S \exists s_2 \in S$  s.t.  $H_{s_2} \hookrightarrow H_{s_1}$  is quasi-nuclear.
- $\tau =$  **projective topology**: lc topology on  $V$  defined by the directed family  $S$  of norms of  $V$  which are induced by the embeddings  $V \hookrightarrow H_s, s \in S$ .

**Theorem (Berezansky, Kondratiev 1988–Berezansky, Sifrin 1975)**

Let  $(V, \tau)$  be a nuclear space as above and  $L : S(V) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  a linear functional. If

- 1  $L(\sum S(V)^2) \subseteq [0, \infty)$
- 2 for each  $k \geq 0$  the restriction map  $L : S(V)_k \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous w.r.t. the lc topology  $\bar{\tau}_k$  on  $S(V)_k$  induced by the norms  $\{\bar{\rho}_k : \rho \in S\}$ ;
- 3  $\exists E \subset V$  countable with  $\text{span}(E)$  dense in  $(V, \tau)$  s.t.  $C\{m_k\}$  is quasi-analytic, where:

$$m_0 := \sqrt{L(1)}, \text{ and } m_k := \sqrt{\sup_{f_1, \dots, f_{2k} \in E} |L(f_1 \dots f_{2k})|}, \text{ for } k \geq 1$$

Then  $\exists!$   $\mu$  on  $V^*$  s.t.  $\forall f \in S(V), L(f) = \int \hat{f}(\alpha) \mu(d\alpha)$  &  $\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq V'$ .

**Notation:** (2)+(3) =  $L$  is **determining** In [I., Kuna, Rota, 2014] an improvement of this theorem is given for  $V = C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

# Comparison with previous results on lc nuclear spaces

<b>Ghasemi, I.,                      Kuhlmann, Marhsall</b>	<b>Berezansky,                      Kondratiev,                      Sifrin</b>	<b>I., Kuna, Rota</b>
$(V, \tau)$ lc	$(V, \tau)$ lc and nuclear	$(C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d), \tau_{proj})$ lc and nuclear
$S(V)$	$\mathcal{P}_V(V') \cong S(V)$	$\mathcal{P}_{C_c^\infty}(\mathcal{G}'_{proj}) \cong S(C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d))$
$L$ is $\bar{\tau}$ -continuous on $S(V)$	$L$ is determining	$L$ is determining
$M=2d$ -power module of $S(V)$	$M = \sum S(V)^2$	$Q$ =quadratic module of $S(V)$
$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(\mu) &\subseteq X_M \cap \bar{B}_i(\rho') \\ &\subseteq X_M \cap V' \end{aligned}$	$\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq V'$	$\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq X_Q \cap V'$



## Open questions and work in progress

- Can we generalize our main result by assuming only the determining condition on  $L$ ?
- Can we generalize our main result by assuming only the continuity of  $L$  on each  $S(V)_k$ ?
- Would this still give a better characterization of the support than the previous results on the nuclear spaces?

For more details see:



M. Ghasemi, M. Infusino, S. Kuhlmann, M. Marshall, **Moment problem for symmetric algebras of locally convex spaces**, arXiv:1507.06781.

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