

# Generalized Carleman Boundary Value Problem

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## Abstract

We consider the following boundary value problem for a simply connected domain in the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ :

Find a function  $\Phi^+$  analytic in a domain  $D^+$ , bounded by a simple closed Lyapunov curve  $\Gamma$ , and satisfying a Hölder condition in  $D^+ \cup \Gamma$ , by the boundary condition

$$\Phi^+(\alpha(t)) = a(t)\Phi^+(t) + b(t)\overline{\Phi^+(t)} + h(t), \quad (1)$$

where  $\alpha$  is a direct or an inverse Carleman shift,  $\alpha'(t) \neq 0$ ,  $\alpha'(t) \in H_\mu(\Gamma)$ ;  $a(t)$ ,  $b(t)$ ,  $h(t) \in H_\mu(\Gamma)$ . This problem was considered for the first time by N. P. Vekua [2] and is called the *generalized Carleman boundary value problem*. Note that if  $\alpha$  is a inverse Carleman shift and  $b(t) = 0$ , we obtain the *Carleman boundary value problem* that was considered by T. Carleman [1].

In this work we study the solvability theory of problem (1) on the unit circle with a direct or an inverse linear fractional Carleman shift. To this end, we reduce problem (1) to the singular integral operator with shift

$$K \equiv WP_+ - a(t)P_+ + b(t)tP_-,$$

where  $(W\varphi)(t) = \varphi(\alpha(t))$ ,  $P_\pm$  are projections of Riesz. It is well know that, in this case, this operator can be reduced to a singular operator without shift

$$P_+ + AP_-,$$

where  $A$  is a matrix function. The matrix  $A$  can be represented as the product of an hermitian matrix function with negative determinant by diagonal rational matrix functions. We estimate the partial indices of the matrix function  $A$ , and then we obtain estimates of the defects numbers of problem (1). Afterwards, we consider the direct shift  $\alpha(t) = -t$  and the inverse shift  $\alpha(t) = \frac{1}{t}$  to show that the mentioned estimates are exact.

## References

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