Simultaneous Identification of the Diffusion Coefficient and the Potential for the Schrödinger Operator with only one Observation

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Abstract

This article is devoted to prove a stability result for two independent coefficients for a Schrödinger operator in an unbounded strip. The result is obtained with only one observation on an unbounded subset of the boundary and the data of the solution at a fixed time on the whole domain.

Let $\Omega = \mathbb{R} \times (d, 2d)$ be an unbounded strip of \mathbb{R}^2 with a fixed width d > 0. Let ν be the outward unit normal to Ω on $\Gamma = \partial \Omega$. We denote $x = (x_1, x_2)$ and $\Gamma = \Gamma^+ \cup \Gamma^-$, where $\Gamma^+ = \{x \in \Gamma; x_2 = 2d\}$ and $\Gamma^- = \{x \in \Gamma; x_2 = d\}$. We consider the following Schrödinger equation

$$\begin{cases}
Hq := i\partial_t q + a\Delta q + bq = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times (0, T), \\
q(x,t) = F(x,t) & \text{on } \partial\Omega \times (0,T), \\
q(x,0) = q_0(x) & \text{in } \Omega,
\end{cases}$$
(0.1)

where a and b are real-valued functions such that $a \in C^3(\overline{\Omega})$, $b \in C^2(\overline{\Omega})$ and $a(x) \ge a_{min} > 0$. Moreover, we assume that a is bounded and b and all its derivatives up to order two are bounded. Our problem can be stated as follows:

Is it possible to determine the coefficients a and b from the measurement of $\partial_{\nu}(\partial_t^2 q)$ on Γ^+ ?

Let q (resp. \tilde{q}) be a solution of (0.1) associated with (a, b, F, q_0) (resp. $(\tilde{a}, \tilde{b}, F, q_0)$). We assume that q_0 is a real valued function.

Our main result is

$$\begin{aligned} \|a - \widetilde{a}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} + \|b - \widetilde{b}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega)}^{2} &\leq C \|\partial_{\nu}(\partial_{t}^{2}q) - \partial_{\nu}(\partial_{t}^{2}\widetilde{q})\|_{L^{2}((-T,T)\times\Gamma^{+})}^{2} \\ &+ C \sum_{i=0}^{2} \|\partial_{t}^{i}(q - \widetilde{q})(\cdot, 0)\|_{H^{2}(\Omega)}^{2}, \end{aligned}$$

where C is a positive constant which depends on (Ω, Γ, T) and where the above norms are weighted Sobolev norms.