## DIFFERENT BOUNDARY VALUE PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH A HIGH ORDER SINGULAR PERTURBATION

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In this lecture we report on joint work with A.Dijksma and P.Kurasov. Let  $\mathcal{H}, \langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  be a Hilbert space, L be a positive self-adjoint operator in  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\varphi$  be an element of the space  $\mathcal{H}_{-n} \setminus \mathcal{H}_{-n+1}, n \geq 3$ . Here  $\mathcal{H}_m$ 's are the Hilbert scale spaces with the inner products  $\langle (L+1)^m \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ . Also we choose n-1 positive real points  $a_1, a_2, \ldots, a_{n-1}$  and associate with them the polynomials  $b_0(z) = 1$  and  $b_j(z) = (z+a_1)(z+a_2)\cdots(z+a_j), j = 1, \ldots, n-1$ .

With the L and  $\varphi$  we associate two suitable inner product spaces and two maximal operators whose domains contain the the elements  $\frac{1}{L-z}\varphi$ ,  $z \in \rho(L)$ . This gives rise to two different kinds of self-adjoint realizations (two models A and B) of the formal singular perturbation  $L_{\theta} = L + \operatorname{tg} \theta \langle \cdot, \varphi \rangle \varphi$  and we explain what the models have in common and where they differ. More precisely the B-model describes minimal realization of the generalized Nevanlinna function

$$Q_B(z) = b_{n-1}(z) \langle \frac{1}{L-z}\varphi, \frac{1}{b_{n-1}(L)}\varphi \rangle + p_{n-2}(z),$$

where  $p_{n-2}(z) = c_0 + c_1 b_1(z) + \cdots + c_{n-2} b_{n-2}(z)$  is a polynomial with real coefficients. The function  $Q_B(z) \in N_{\kappa}$  with  $\kappa = \left[\frac{n-1}{2}\right]$  and admits representation

$$Q_B(z) = b_{n-2}(z)Q_A(z), \ Q_A(z) = (z + a_{n-1})\langle \frac{1}{L-z}\varphi, \frac{1}{b_{n-1}(L)}\varphi \rangle + \frac{p_{n-2}(z)}{b_{n-2}(z)}$$

The function  $Q_A(z)$  belongs to the class  $N_{\kappa'}$  with  $0 \leq \kappa' \leq n-2$ negative squares and the A-model describes a minimal realization of this function. The generalized Nevanlinna function  $Q_A(Q_B)$  is a Qfunction of a symmetric operator  $A_{\min}(B_{\min})$  and a self-adjoint extension  $A_0(B_0)$  in a Pontryagin space  $\mathcal{H}_A(\mathcal{H}_B)$  correspondingly. The one-parameter family of self-adjoint extensions of  $A_{\min}(B_{\min})$  is interpreted as the family of realizations  $A_{\theta}(B_{\theta})$  of  $L_{\theta}$  in the A(B)-model correspondingly.

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Considering the realizations  $A_{\theta}$  and  $B_{\theta}$  as suitable restrictions of the corresponding maximal operators  $A_{\min}^*$  and  $B_{\min}^*$  we get different boundary value problems associated with  $L_{\theta}$ . From their comparison we obtain a complete correspondence between models A and B.