ON A GENERALIZATION OF THE THREE SPECTRAL INVERSE PROBLEM

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Abstract. We consider a generalization of the three spectral inverse problem, that is, for given spectrum of the Dirichlet-Dirichlet problem (the Sturm-Liouville problem with Dirichlet conditions at both ends) on the whole interval $[0, a]$, parts of spectra of the Dirichlet-Neumann and Dirichlet-Dirichlet problems on $[0, a/2]$ and parts of spectra of the Dirichlet-Neuman and Dirichlet-Dirichlet problems on $[a/2, a]$, we find the potential of the Sturm-Liouville equation.

1. Introduction

The theory of direct and inverse spectral problems is based on the base of classical results of Yu. M. Berezansky, V. A. Marchenko, M. G. Krein, B. M. Levitan (see [1], [15], [12], [14]). The so-called half-inverse problem and three spectral problem are branches of this theory.

In the present paper we show the relations between the three spectral problem and the Hochstadt-Lieberman problem. We use the same equation (see equation (2.9)) and similar methods for recovering the potential in these problems.

Uniqueness of solution for the three spectral problem was considered in many publications (see [8], [2], [3], [4], [7], [23], [5], [6]), the problem of existence of its solution has been treated in [21], [18] and [11]. Let us describe the three spectral problem.

Let $\{\lambda_k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} \cap \{\nu_{(2)}^k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} = \emptyset$ if and only if $\{\lambda_k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} \cap \{\nu_{(1)}^k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} = \emptyset$. In this case this three spectra uniquely determine the potential $q$.

Let us consider also the problems

\begin{align*}
(1.1) & \quad \begin{cases} -y'' + q(x)y = \lambda^2 y, \\
y(0) = y(a) = 0,
\end{cases} \\
(1.2) & \quad \begin{cases} -y'' + q(x)y = \lambda^2 y, \\
y(0) = y \left( \frac{a}{2} \right) = 0,
\end{cases} \\
(1.3) & \quad \begin{cases} -y'' + q(x)y = \lambda^2 y, \\
y \left( \frac{a}{2} \right) = y(a) = 0,
\end{cases}
\end{align*}

respectively, where $q \in L_2(0, a)$ is a real valued function.

It is known [15] that $\{\nu_{(1)}^k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} \cap \{\nu_{(2)}^k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} = \emptyset$ if and only if $\{\lambda_k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} \cap \{\nu_{(2)}^k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} = \emptyset$ if and only if $\{\lambda_k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} \cap \{\nu_{(1)}^k\}_{-\infty, k \neq 0} = \emptyset$. In this case this three spectra uniquely determine the potential $q$.

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with the spectra denoted by \( \{\mu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) and \( \{\mu_k^{(2)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), respectively.

It is clear and it will be shown below that \( \{\mu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \cap \{\mu_k^{(2)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} = \emptyset \) if and only if \( \{\lambda_k\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \cap \{\mu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} = \emptyset \) if and only if \( \{\lambda_k\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \cap \{\mu_k^{(2)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} = \emptyset \).

In this case these three spectra \( \{\lambda_k\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), \( \{\nu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), and \( \{\nu_k^{(2)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) uniquely determine the potential \( q(x) \) on \([0, a]\).

Let us consider another three spectral problem: given \( \{\lambda_k\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), \( \{\nu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), and \( \{\nu_k^{(2)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), find \( q \). Since knowledge of \( \{\mu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) and \( \{\nu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) is equivalent to the knowledge of the projection of \( q \) onto \((0, \frac{a}{2})\), this problem is nothing but the Hochstadt-Lieberman problem [10] (see also [9], [22], [8], [16], [17]). It is known that these data uniquely determine \( q \) on the whole interval \((0, a)\).

The aim of the present paper is to show that one may use \( \{\lambda_k\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) and certain parts of the spectra \( \{\mu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), \( \{\mu_k^{(2)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), \( \{\nu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \), and \( \{\nu_k^{(2)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) to determine \( q \). Namely, under certain conditions, if the spectrum \( \{\lambda_k\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) is given, the eigenvalues \( \{\nu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) and \( \{\nu_k^{(2)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) are given not all but excluding a finite number \( 2n_1 \) of \( \nu_k^{(1)} \)'s and a finite number \( 2n_2 \) of \( \nu_k^{(2)} \)'s then it is possible to use \( 2n_1 \) eigenvalues \( \mu_k^{(1)} \) and \( 2n_2 \) eigenvalues \( \mu_k^{(2)} \) instead to determine \( q \) on \((0, a)\).

2. MAIN RESULT

Let us rewrite problem (1.1) as follows

\[
\begin{align*}
(2.1) & \quad -y''_j + q_j(x) y_j = \lambda^2 y_j, \quad x \in [0, a/2], \quad j = 1, 2, \\
(2.2) & \quad y_1(0) = 0, \\
(2.3) & \quad y_2(0) = 0, \\
(2.4) & \quad y_1(a/2) = y_2(a/2), \\
(2.5) & \quad a_j y'_2(a/2) + y'_2(a/2) = 0.
\end{align*}
\]

We rewrite problems (1.2) and (1.3) as

\[
\begin{align*}
(2.6) & \quad -y''_j + q_j(x) y_j = \lambda^2 y_j, \quad x \in (0, a/2), \quad j = 1, 2, \\
& \quad y_j(0) = y_j(a/2) = 0,
\end{align*}
\]

Also we rewrite (1.4) and (1.5) as

\[
\begin{align*}
(2.7) & \quad -y''_j + q_j(x) y_j = \lambda^2 y_j, \quad x \in (0, a/2), \quad j = 1, 2, \\
& \quad y_j(0) = y'_j(a/2) = 0,
\end{align*}
\]

Definition 2.1. \( L^a \) is the Paley-Wiener class of entire functions of exponential type \( \leq a \) which belong to \( L^2(-\infty, \infty) \) for real \( \lambda \).

By the Paley-Wiener theorem \( L^a \)-functions are the Fourier images of all square summable functions supported on \([-a, a]\).

Let us denote by \( s_j(\lambda, x) \) the solution of the Sturm-Liouville equation (2.1) which satisfies the conditions \( s_j(\lambda, 0) = 0, s'_j(\lambda, 0) = 1 \). The spectra \( \{\nu_k^{(1)}\}_{\infty, k \neq 0} \) (\( \nu_k^{(1)} = -\nu_k^{(2)} \)) of problems (2.0) coincide with the sets of zeros of the characteristic functions

\[
\begin{align*}
s_j(\lambda, a) = \frac{\sin \frac{\lambda a}{2}}{\lambda} - A_j \frac{\cos \frac{\lambda a}{2}}{\lambda^2} + \psi_{1,j}(\lambda),
\end{align*}
\]
where \( A_j \overset{\text{def}}{=} \frac{1}{2} \int_0^\pi q_j(x) \, dx \), \( \psi_{1,j} \in \mathcal{L}^2_+ \). Moreover, \( \psi_{1,j}(0) = A_j \), \( \psi_{1,j}(-\lambda) = \psi_{1,j}(\lambda) \), otherwise \( s_j(\lambda, \frac{a}{2}) \) would have a pole at \( \lambda = 0 \).

The spectra \( \{ \mu_k^{(j)} \}_{-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \) \((\mu_{-k}^{(j)} = -\mu_k^{(j)})\) of problems (2.7) coincide with the set of zeros of

\[
(2.8) \quad s_j'(\lambda, \frac{a}{2}) = \cos \frac{\lambda a}{2} + A_j \frac{\sin \lambda a}{\lambda} + \frac{\psi_{2,j}(\lambda)}{\lambda},
\]

where \( \psi_{2,j} \in \mathcal{L}^2_+ \) and \( \psi_{2,j}(0) = 0 \).

Let us look for the solution of problem (2.1)–(2.5) in the form

\[
y \in L^2_+, \quad y \in L^2_+ \quad \text{and} \quad y \in L^2_+.
\]

The corresponding direct theorem is as follows.

Let a real-valued \( q \in L_2(0, a) \) then the spectra \( \{ \lambda_k \}_{-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \), \( \{ \nu_k^{(1)} \}_{-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \) and \( \{ \nu_k^{(2)} \}_{-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \) of problems (1.7), (1.8) and (1.9) satisfy the conditions:

1. (see [15])

\[
\lambda_k = \frac{\pi k}{a} + \frac{A_0}{\pi k} + \frac{\beta_k^{(0)}}{k},
\]

\[
(2.10) \quad \nu_k^{(j)} = \frac{2\pi k}{a} + \frac{A_j}{\pi k} + \frac{\beta_k^{(j)}}{k}, \quad j = 1, 2,
\]

\[
\mu_k^{(j)} = \frac{\pi (2k - 1)}{a} + \frac{A_j}{\pi k} + \frac{\beta_k^{(j)}}{k}, \quad j = 1, 2,
\]

where \( A_1 = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a q(x) \, dx \), \( A_2 = \frac{1}{a} \int_0^a q(x) \, dx \) and \( A_0 = A_1 + A_2 \), \( \{ \beta_k^{(j)} \}_{k=1}^{\infty} \in l_2 \) (\( j = 0, 1, 2 \)).

2. All the nonzero eigenvalues \( \lambda_k \), \( \nu_k^{(1)} \) and \( \nu_k^{(2)} \) are simple. If any of them is 0 then it is of algebraic multiplicity 2 (15).

3. (see [18])

\[-\infty < \lambda_1^2 < \theta_1^2 \leq \lambda_2^2 \leq \theta_2^2 \leq \cdots
\]

4. (see [18])

\[
\lambda_k^2 = \theta_k^2 \quad \text{if and only if} \quad \lambda_k^2 = \theta_{k-1}^2.
\]

We will use the following known result.

**Proposition 2.3.** (see [15]).

\[-\infty < (\mu_1^{(j)})^2 < (\nu_1^{(j)})^2 < (\mu_2^{(j)})^2 < (\nu_2^{(j)})^2 < \cdots
\]
Definition 2.4. (see e.g. [20].) A meromorphic function \( f(z) \) is said to be an essentially positive Nevanlinna function if
(i) \( \text{Im} \cdot \text{Im} f(z) > 0 \) for all nonreal \( z \),
(ii) there exists \( \beta \in \mathbb{R} \) such that \( f(z) > 0 \) for all \( z < \beta \).

Proposition 2.5. The eigenvalues \( \{ \lambda_k \}_{k=1}^{\infty}, k \neq 0 \) of problem (2.4)–(2.5)
(i) are interlaced with the union \( \{ \tau_k \}_{k=1}^{\infty}, k \neq 0 = \{ \mu_k^{(1)} \}_{k=1}^{\infty}, k \neq 0 \cup \{ \mu_k^{(2)} \}_{k=1}^{\infty}, k \neq 0 \)
\[ -\infty < \tau_1^2 \leq \lambda_1^2 \leq \tau_2^2 \leq \lambda_2^2 \leq \cdots, \]
(ii) all \( \lambda_k \) are simple and for \( k > 0 \) \( \lambda_k = \tau_k \) if and only if \( \lambda_k = \tau_{k+1} \).

Proof. It is known that \( \frac{s_1(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)}{s'_1(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)} \) and \( \frac{s_2(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)}{s'_2(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)} \) are essentially positive Nevanlinna functions. It is known (see e.g. [19], Sec. 4.1) that if \( f \) and \( g \) are essentially positive Nevanlinna function then such is also \( (f + g) \). Therefore,
\[
\frac{\phi(\sqrt{\varphi})}{s'_1(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k) s'_2(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)} = \frac{s_1(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)}{s'_1(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)} + \frac{s_2(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)}{s'_2(\sqrt{\varphi}, \gamma_k)}.
\]
is an essentially positive Nevanlinna function and (i) and (ii) follow by Proposition 4.3 of [20]. \( \square \)

3. INVERSE THREE SPECTRAL PROBLEM

In this section we will use known results on sine-type functions.

Definition 3.1. A function \( f \) is said to be of sine-type \( a \) (see [13]), if its zeros are all distinct and there exist positive numbers \( m, M \) and \( p \) such that
\[ me^{\text{Im} \lambda|a} \leq |f(\lambda)| \leq M e^{\text{Im} \lambda|a} \]
for \( |\text{Im} \lambda| > p \).

According to the statements 3 and of Theorem 2.2 each interval \( (\lambda_k^2, \lambda_{k+1}^2) \) contains exactly one element of \( \{ \theta_k^2 \}_{k=1}^{\infty} \) and according to Proposition 2.4 exactly one element of \( \{ \gamma_k^2 \}_{k=1}^{\infty} \).

Definition 3.2. An interval \( (\lambda_k, \lambda_{k+1}) \) is said to be regular if it contains either exactly one element of \( \{ \mu_k^{(1)} \} \) and exactly one element of \( \{ \nu_k^{(1)} \} \) or it contains either exactly one element of \( \{ \mu_k^{(2)} \} \) and exactly one element of \( \{ \nu_k^{(1)} \} \).

Remark. It can happen that regular intervals do not exist.

We will use the following notation:
\[ \pm \mathbb{N} = \pm 1, \pm 2, \ldots, \quad N_j = \pm k_{1,j}, \pm k_{2,j}, \ldots, \pm k_{n_j,j}. \]

The main result of this paper is given by the following theorem.

Theorem 3.3. Let \( \{ \lambda_k \}_{k=1}^{\infty}, k \neq 0 \) be the spectrum of problem (2.4)–(2.5), \( \{ \nu_k^{(j)} \}_{k=1}^{\infty}, k \neq 0 \) be the spectra of problems (2.6), and let \( \{ \nu_k^{(1)} \}_{k=1}^{\infty}, k \neq 0 \cap \{ \nu_k^{(2)} \}_{k=1}^{\infty}, k \neq 0 = \emptyset \). Let \( \{ \mu_k^{(2)} \}_{k \in N_1}, (\mu_{-k}^{(2)} = -\mu_k^{(2)}) \) be eigenvalues of problem (2.7) with \( j = 2 \) such that \( (\mu_k^{(2)})^2 \) belong to the regular intervals and and \( \{ \mu_k^{(1)} \}_{k \in N_2} (\mu_{-k}^{(1)} = -\mu_k^{(1)}) \) be eigenvalues of problem (2.7) with \( j = 1 \) such that \( (\mu_k^{(1)})^2 \) belong to the regular intervals.

Then \( \{ \nu_k^{(1)} \}_{k \in (\pm \mathbb{N}, N_1)} \), \( \{ \mu_k^{(2)} \}_{k \in \pm \mathbb{N}} \), \( \{ \nu_k^{(2)} \}_{k \in (\pm \mathbb{N}, N_2)} \) and \( \{ \mu_k^{(1)} \}_{k \in \pm \mathbb{N}} \) uniquely determine the pair \( (q_1, q_2) \).
Proof. Using (2.10) we find $A_j (j = 1, 2)$

$$A_j = \lim_{k \to \infty} \pi k \left( \nu_k^{(j)} - \frac{2\pi k}{a} \right).$$

Let us consider the functions

$$\omega(\lambda) = a \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{a}{2\pi k} \right)^2 (\lambda_k^2 - \lambda^2),$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.1)

$$\phi_1(\lambda) = \frac{a}{2} \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus N_1} \left( \frac{a}{2\pi k} \right)^2 \left( (\nu_k^{(1)})^2 - \lambda^2 \right) \prod_{k \in N_1} \left( \frac{a}{2\pi k} \right)^2 \left( (\mu_k^{(1)})^2 - \lambda^2 \right),$$  \hspace{1cm} (3.2)

$$\phi_2(\lambda) = \frac{a}{2} \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus N_2} \left( \frac{a}{2\pi k} \right)^2 \left( (\nu_k^{(2)})^2 - \lambda^2 \right) \prod_{k \in N_2} \left( \frac{a}{2\pi k} \right)^2 \left( (\mu_k^{(2)})^2 - \lambda^2 \right).$$

Since

$$s'_j(\lambda) = \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{a}{2\pi(k - \frac{1}{2})} \right)^2 (\mu_k^{(j)})^2 - \lambda^2),$$

$$s_j(\lambda) = \frac{a}{2} \prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \left( \frac{a}{2\pi k} \right)^2 (\nu_k^{(j)})^2 - \lambda^2),$$

we conclude keeping in mind (2.9), (3.1) and (3.2) that the functional equation

$$X(\lambda)\phi_1(\lambda) + Y(\lambda)\phi_2(\lambda) = \omega(\lambda)$$

possesses a solution

$$\tilde{X}(\lambda) = \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus N_1} \left( \frac{a}{\pi(2k - 1)} \right)^2 (\mu_k^{(1)})^2 - \lambda^2) \prod_{k \in N_1} \left( \frac{a}{\pi(2k - 1)} \right)^2 (\nu_k^{(1)})^2 - \lambda^2),$$

$$\tilde{Y}(\lambda) = \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus N_2} \left( \frac{a}{\pi(2k - 1)} \right)^2 (\mu_k^{(2)})^2 - \lambda^2) \prod_{k \in N_2} \left( \frac{a}{\pi(2k - 1)} \right)^2 (\nu_k^{(2)})^2 - \lambda^2).$$

Let us prove that equation (3.1) possesses unique solution in the class of sine-type functions of the form

$$X(\lambda) = \cos \frac{a}{2} + A_2 \sin k, \frac{\lambda a}{2} + \frac{\tau_2(\lambda)}{\lambda},$$

$$Y(\lambda) = \cos \frac{a}{2} + A_1 \frac{\sin \frac{\lambda a}{2} + \frac{\tau_1(\lambda)}{\lambda}},$$

where $\tau_j \in L^\mathbb{Z}$.  

To this end, using (2.9) and (2.8) we obtain

$$s'_j(\nu_k^{(j)} \frac{a}{2}) = \frac{\omega(\nu_k^{(j)})}{s_1(\nu_k^{(j)}, \frac{a}{2})} = \cos \nu_k^{(j)} \frac{a}{2} + A_2 \frac{\sin \nu_k^{(j)} \frac{a}{2}}{\nu_k^{(j)}} + \frac{\psi_{2,j}(\nu_k^{(j)})}{\nu_k^{(j)}},$$

where due to (2.13) $\{\psi_{2,j}(\nu_k^{(j)})\}_{k \neq 0}^{\infty} \in L^2$ by Lemma 1.4.3 of [13].

We look for the solution of (3.1) in the form (3.5), (3.6). Let us consider (3.4) at the zeros of $\phi_2$ which we will use as the nodes of interpolation. Comparing (3.1) and (3.3) we obtain

$$\phi_1(\lambda) = s_1(\lambda, \frac{a}{2}) \prod_{k \in N_1} (\mu_k^{(2)})^2 - \lambda^2) (\nu_k^{(1)})^2 - \lambda^2)^{-1}. $$

(3.7)
Thus, we conclude that for $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus N_2$
\[
X(\nu_k^{(2)}) = \frac{\omega(\nu_k^{(2)})}{\phi_1(\nu_k^{(2)})} = \frac{\omega(\nu_k^{(2)})}{s_1(\nu_k^{(2)}, \frac{\mu}{2})} \prod_{p \in \mathbb{N}} \left( (\mu_p^{(2)})^2 - (\nu_k^{(2)})^2 \right)^{-1} \left( (\nu_p^{(2)})^2 - (\nu_k^{(2)})^2 \right)^{-1},
\]
and for $k \in N_2$
\[
X(\mu_k^{(1)}) = \frac{\omega(\mu_k^{(1)})}{\phi_1(\mu_k^{(1)})} = \frac{\omega(\mu_k^{(1)})}{s_1(\mu_k^{(1)}, \frac{\nu}{2})} \prod_{p \in \mathbb{N}} \left( (\mu_p^{(2)})^2 - (\mu_k^{(1)})^2 \right)^{-1} \left( (\nu_p^{(2)})^2 - (\mu_k^{(1)})^2 \right)^{-1}.
\]
Hence, for $k$ large
\[
X(\nu_k^{(2)}) = \left( \cos \nu_k^{(2)} \frac{a}{2} + A_2 \sin \nu_k^{(2)} \frac{\mu}{2} + \frac{\psi_2,j(\nu_k^{(2)})}{\nu_k^{(2)}} \right) \left( 1 + O(k^{-2}) \right) = \cos \nu_k^{(2)} \frac{a}{2} + A_2 \sin \nu_k^{(2)} \frac{\mu}{2} + O(k^{-2}),
\]
\[
+ \frac{\psi_2,j(\nu_k^{(2)})}{\nu_k^{(2)}} \left( 1 + O(k^{-2}) \right).
\]

Then the sequence $\{\tau_k^{(2)}\}_{k \neq 0}$ where
\[
\tau_k^{(2)} =: \nu_k^{(2)} \left( X(\nu_k^{(2)}) - \cos \nu_k^{(2)} \frac{a}{2} - A_2 \sin \nu_k^{(2)} \frac{\mu}{2} \right), \quad k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus N_2
\]
and
\[
\tau_k^{(2)} =: \mu_k^{(1)} \left( X(\mu_k^{(1)}) - \cos \mu_k^{(1)} \frac{a}{2} - A_2 \sin \mu_k^{(1)} \frac{\mu}{2} \right), \quad k \in N_2
\]
belongs to $l_2$.

Let us assume that $\phi_2(0) \neq 0$, otherwise we can shift the spectral parameter $\lambda^2 \to \lambda^2 + c$. Since $\tilde{\phi}_2(\lambda) = \lambda \phi_2(\lambda)$ is a sine type function with all zeros including $\phi_2(0) = 0$ simple we can use the set $\{\nu_k^{(2)}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus N_2} \cup \{\mu_k^{(1)}\}_{k \in N_2} \cup \{0\}$ of zeros of $\tilde{\phi}_2$ as the nodes of interpolation. The values of the function $\tau_2(\lambda)$ we interpolate are $\tau_k^{(2)}$ and $\tau^{(2)}(0) = 0$.

Since $\{\tau_k^{(2)}\}_{k \neq 0} \in l_2$, according to [13, 24] the series
\[
\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus N} \frac{\tau_k^{(2)}}{\lambda - \nu_k^{(2)}} + \sum_{k \in N} \frac{\tau_k^{(2)}}{\lambda - \mu_k^{(1)}}
\]
converges uniformly on any compact of $\mathbb{C}$ and in the norm of $L_2(-\infty, \infty)$ to a function in $L^{n/2}$. Since (3.8) establishes one-to-one correspondence between $l_2$ and $L^n$ we conclude that
\[
X(\lambda) =: \cos \frac{a}{2} + A_2 \sin \frac{\lambda}{2} + \frac{\tau_2(\lambda)}{\lambda} = \tilde{X}(\lambda).
\]

It is easy to prove in the same way that $\tilde{Y}(\lambda)$ is also uniquely determined by (3.4). We identify with $\nu_k^{(1)}$ the zero of $\tilde{X}$ which lies in the regular interval containing $\mu_k^{(2)} (k \in N_1)$ and with $\nu_k^{(2)}$ the zero of $\tilde{Y}$ which lies in the regular interval containing $\mu_k^{(1)} (k \in N_2)$. It is clear that $\{\nu_k^{(1)}\}_{k \neq 0}$ and $\{\mu_k^{(2)}\}_{k \neq 0}$ uniquely determine $q_j(x)$. The method of recovering $q_j(x)$ by the two spectra $\{\nu_k^{(1)}\}_{k \neq 0}$ and $\{\mu_k^{(2)}\}_{k \neq 0}$ can be found in [14]. The theorem is proved.
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