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ABSTRACT. In this article we characterize the range of the attenuated and non-attenuated X-ray transform of compactly supported symmetric tensor fields in the Euclidean plane. The characterization is in terms of a Hilbert-transform associated with A-analytic maps in the sense of Bukhgeim.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

We consider here the problem of the range characterization of (non)-attenuated X-ray transform of a real valued symmetric *m*-tensors in a strictly convex bounded domain in the Euclidean plane. As the X-ray and Radon transform [35] for planar functions (0-tensors) differ merely by the way lines are parameterized, the m = 0 case is the classical Radon transform [35], for which the range characterization has been long established independently by Gelfand and Graev [12], Helgason [13], and Ludwig [18]. Models in the presence of attenuation have also been considered in the homogeneous case [17, 1], and in the non-homogeneous case in the breakthrough works [2, 28, 29], and subsequently [24, 5, 4, 14, 21]. The references here are by no means exhaustive.

The interest in the range characterization problem in the 0-tensors case stems out from their applications to data enhancement in medical imaging methods such as Single Photon Emission Computed Tomography or Positron Emission Computed Tomography [23, 11]. The X-ray transform of 1-tensors (Doppler transform [25, 44]) appears in the investigation of velocity distribution in a flow [6], in ultrasound tomography [45, 42], and also in non-invasive industrial measurements for reconstructing the velocity of a moving fluid [26, 27]. The X-ray transform of second order tensors arises as the linearization of the boundary rigidity problem [44]. The case of tensor fields of rank four describes the perturbation of travel times of compressional waves propagating in slightly anisotropic elastic media [44, Chapters 6,7]. Thus, due to the various applications the range characterization problem has been a continuing subject of research.

Unlike the scalar case, the X-ray transform of tensor fields has a non-zero kernel, and the nullspace becomes larger as the order of the tensor field increases. For tensors of order  $m \ge 1$ , it is easy to check that injectivity can hold only in some restricted class: e.g., the class of solenoidal tensors, and it is possible to reconstruct uniquely (without additional information of moment ray transforms [44]) only the solenoidal part of a tensor field. The non-injectivity of the X-ray transform makes the range characterization problem even more interesting.

For the attenuating media in planar domains, interesting enough, the 1-tensor field can be recovered in the regions of positive absorption as shown in [15, 46, 37, 30], without using some additional data information [43, 8, 19]. It is due to a surprising fact that the two-dimensional attenuated Doppler transform with positive attenuation is injective while the non-attenuated Doppler transform is not.

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The systematic study of tensor tomography in non-Euclidean spaces originated in [44]. On simple Riemannian surfaces, the range characterization of the geodesic X-ray of compactly supported 0 and 1-tensors has been established in terms of the scattering relation in [34], and the results were extended in [3, 10, 16] to symmetric tensors of arbitrary order. Explicit inversion approaches in the Euclidean case have been proposed in [14, 9, 20]. In the attenuating media, tensor tomography was solved for the cases m = 0, 1 in [41]. Inversion for the attenuated X-ray transform for solenoidal tensors of rank two and higher can be found in [32], with a range characterization in [33, 21, 3].

The original characterization in [12, 13, 18] was extended to arbitrary symmetric m-tensors in [31]; see [9] for a partial survey on the tensor tomography in the Euclidean plane. The connection between the Euclidean version of the characterization in [34] and the characterization in [12, 13, 18] was established in [20]. Recently, in [38] the connection between the range characterization result in [36] and the original range characterization in [12, 13, 18] has been established. Moreover, the results in [38] from 0-order is extended to symmetric tensors of an arbitrary order in [39] and also establishes the connection with the generalized moment conditions in [31].

In here we build on the results in [36, 37, 40], and extends them to symmetric tensor fields of any arbitrary order. In particular, the range characterization therein are given in terms of the Bukhgeim-Hilbert transform [36] (the Hilbert-like transform associated with A-analytic maps in the sense of Bukhgeim [7]). The characterization in here can be viewed as an explicit description of the scattering relation in [32, 33] particularized to the Euclidean setting. The characterization in both the non-attenuated case (see Theorem 4.1 and Theorem 4.2 below) and in the attenuated case (see Theorem 5.1 below) are given in terms of the Bukhgeim-Hilbert transform (27). In the sufficiency part we reconstruct all possible m-tensors yielding identical X-ray data; see (44) and (62) for the non-attenuated case, and (88) and (89) for the attenuated case.

This article is organized as follows: All the details establishing notations and basic properties of symmetric tensor fields needed here are in Section 2. In Section 3 we briefly recall existing results on A-analytic maps that are used in the proofs. We provide range characterization of symmetric m-tensor field f in the non-attenuated case in Section 4, and in the attenuated case in Section 5. In Section 6 we gave some concluding remarks.

#### 2. PRELIMINARIES

Given an integer  $m \ge 0$ , let  $\mathbf{T}^m(\mathbb{R}^2)$  denote the space of all real-valued covariant tensor fields of rank m:

(1) 
$$\mathbf{f}(x^1, x^2) = f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}(x^1, x^2) dx^{i_1} \otimes dx^{i_2} \otimes \cdots \otimes dx^{i_m}, \quad i_1, \cdots, i_m \in \{1, 2\},$$

where  $\otimes$  is the tensor product,  $f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}$  are the components of tensor field **f** in the Cartesian basis  $(x^1, x^2)$ , and where by repeating superscripts and subscripts in a monomial a summation from 1 to 2 is meant.

We denote by  $\mathbf{S}^m(\mathbb{R}^2)$  the space of symmetric covariant tensor fields of rank m on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let  $\sigma : \mathbf{T}^m(\mathbb{R}^2) \to \mathbf{S}^m(\mathbb{R}^2)$  be the canonical projection defined by  $(\sigma \mathbf{f})_{i_1 \cdots i_m} = \frac{1}{m!} \sum_{\pi \in \Pi_m} f_{i_{\pi(1)} \cdots i_{\pi(m)}}$ ,

where the summation is over the group  $\Pi_m$  of all permutations of the set  $\{1, \dots, m\}$ .

A planar covariant symmetric tensor field of rank m has m + 1 independent component, which we denote by

(2) 
$$\tilde{f}_k := f_{\underbrace{1\cdots 1}_{m-k} \underbrace{2\cdots 2}_k}, \quad (k = 0, \cdots, m),$$

in connection with this, a symmetric tensor  $\mathbf{f} = (f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}, i_1, \cdots, i_m = 1, 2)$  of rank m will be given by a pseudovector of size m + 1:  $\mathbf{f} = (\tilde{f}_0, \tilde{f}_1, \dots, \tilde{f}_{m-1}, \tilde{f}_m)$ . We identify the plane  $\mathbb{R}^2$  by the complex plane  $\mathbb{C}$ ,  $z^1 \equiv z = x^1 + ix^2, z^2 \equiv \bar{z} = x^1 - ix^2$ . We

consider the Cauchy-Riemann operators

(3) 
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial z^1} \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial z} := \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} - i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \right), \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial z^2} \equiv \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}} := \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} + i \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} \right),$$

and the inverse relation by  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}, \quad \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} = i\frac{\partial}{\partial z} - i\frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{z}}.$ Let  $\mathbf{f} = (f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}(x^1, x^2), i_1, \cdots, i_m = 1, 2)$  be real valued symmetric *m*-tensor field in Cartesian coordinates  $(x^1, x^2)$ , then in complex coordinates  $(z^1, z^2)$  it will have new components  $(F_{i_1 \cdots i_m}(z, \bar{z}))$ , which are formally expressed by the covariant tensor law:

(4)  

$$F_{i_1\cdots i_m}(z,\bar{z}) = \frac{\partial x^{s_1}}{\partial z^{i_1}}\cdots \frac{\partial x^{s_m}}{\partial z^{i_m}}f_{s_1\cdots s_m}(x^1,x^2), \quad \text{and}$$

$$f_{i_1\cdots i_m}(x^1,x^2) = \frac{\partial z^{s_1}}{\partial x^{i_1}}\cdots \frac{\partial z^{s_m}}{\partial x^{i_m}}F_{s_1\cdots s_m}(z,\bar{z}),$$

where the Jacobian matrix has the form

$$J := \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial z^1} & \frac{\partial x^1}{\partial z^2} \\ \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial z^1} & \frac{\partial x^2}{\partial z^2} \end{pmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ -i & i \end{pmatrix}, \text{ and } J^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\partial z^1}{\partial x^1} & \frac{\partial z^1}{\partial x^2} \\ \frac{\partial z^2}{\partial x^1} & \frac{\partial z^2}{\partial x^2} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & i \\ 1 & -i \end{pmatrix}.$$

Adopting the notation in [14], we shall write the transformations (4) as

(5) 
$$\mathbf{f} = \{f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}(x^1, x^2)\} \quad \rightarrowtail \quad \mathbf{F} = \{F_{i_1 \cdots i_m}(z, \bar{z})\}, \text{ and} \\ \mathbf{F} = \{F_{i_1 \cdots i_m}(z, \bar{z})\} \quad \rightarrowtail \quad \mathbf{f} = \{f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}(x^1, x^2)\}.$$

A symmetric tensor F of rank m, obtained from the real symmetric tensor f by passing to complex variables, we also define a pseudovector  $(F_0, F_1, \dots, F_{m-1}, F_m)$  with components

(6) 
$$F_k = F_{\underbrace{1\cdots 1}_{m-k} \underbrace{2\cdots 2}_k}, \quad k = 0, \cdots, m,$$

and subject to the conditions

(7) 
$$F_k = \overline{F}_{m-k}, \quad k = 0, \cdots, m$$

Taking into account the tensor law (4), we obtain formulas relating the components of pseudovectors in (2) and pseudovectors in (6):

(8) 
$$F_k = \frac{(-i)^{m-k}}{2^m} \sum_{q=0}^{m-k} \sum_{p=0}^k \binom{m-k}{q} \binom{k}{p} i^{k-p+q} \tilde{f}_{p+q}, \quad k = 0, 1, \cdots, m,$$

In Cartesian coordinates covariant and contravariant components are the same, and thus contravariant components of the tensor field f coincide with its corresponding covariant components,  $f_{i_1\cdots i_m} = f^{i_1\cdots i_m}$ . The dot product on  $\mathbf{S}^m(\mathbb{R}^2)$  induced by the Euclidean metric is defined by

(10) 
$$\langle \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{h} \rangle := f_{i_1 \cdots i_m} h^{i_1 \cdots i_m}.$$

Note that if  $f_1 \rightarrow F_1$  and  $f_2 \rightarrow F_2$ , then the pointwise inner product of tensors is invariant:

(11) 
$$\langle \mathbf{f}_1, \mathbf{f}_2 \rangle = \langle \mathbf{F}_1, \mathbf{F}_2 \rangle.$$

For  $\boldsymbol{\theta} = (\theta^1, \theta^2) = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta) \in \mathbb{S}^1$ , we denote by  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^m$  the tensor product  $\boldsymbol{\theta}^m := \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\theta} \otimes \boldsymbol{\theta} \otimes \cdots \otimes \boldsymbol{\theta}}_{m}$ 

and  $\theta^m$  will be an *m*-contravariant tensor in Cartesian coordinates. According to the tensor law for contravariant components its representation in complex coordinates will look like

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} \mapsto \Theta, \qquad \Theta^k = \frac{\partial z^k}{\partial x^s} \theta^s, \qquad \Theta = (\Theta^1, \Theta^2) = (e^{\mathrm{i}\theta}, e^{-\mathrm{i}\theta}),$$

and  $\Theta^m := \underbrace{\Theta \otimes \Theta \otimes \cdots \otimes \Theta}_{m}$  be an *m*-contravariant tensor, and we also have  $\theta^m \to \Theta^m$ . Using (11), we get

(12)  

$$\langle \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{m} \rangle = \langle \mathbf{F}, \Theta^{m} \rangle = \sum_{k=0}^{m} {m \choose k} F_{k} e^{\mathrm{i}\theta(m-k)} e^{-\mathrm{i}\theta k} = \sum_{k=0}^{m} {m \choose k} F_{k} e^{\mathrm{i}(m-2k)\theta}$$

$$= \begin{cases} f_{0} + \sum_{k=1}^{q} \left( f_{-2k} e^{\mathrm{i}(2k)\theta} + f_{2k} e^{-\mathrm{i}(2k)\theta} \right), & (\mathrm{if} \ m = 2q, \ q \ge 0), \\ \sum_{k=0}^{q} \left( f_{-(2k+1)} e^{\mathrm{i}(2k+1)\theta} + f_{2k+1} e^{-\mathrm{i}(2k+1)\theta} \right), & (\mathrm{if} \ m = 2q+1, \ q \ge 0), \end{cases}$$

where

(13) 
$$f_{-2k} = \begin{pmatrix} 2q \\ q-k \end{pmatrix} F_{q-k}, \qquad 0 \le k \le q, q \ge 0, \quad \left(q = \frac{m}{2}, m \operatorname{even}\right),$$

(14) 
$$f_{-(2k+1)} = \begin{pmatrix} 2q+1\\ q-k \end{pmatrix} F_{q-k}, \qquad 0 \le k \le q, \ q \ge 0, \quad \left(q = \frac{m-1}{2}, m \text{ odd}\right),$$

and  $f_n = \overline{f_{-n}}$  and  $F_n = \overline{F}_{m-n}$ , for  $0 \le n \le m$ . Let **f** be a real valued symmetric *m*-tensor, with integrable components of compact support in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ , and  $a \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^2)$  a real valued function. The attenuated X-ray transform of f is given by

(15) 
$$X_a \mathbf{f}(x, \boldsymbol{\theta}) := \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \langle \mathbf{f}(x + t\boldsymbol{\theta}), \boldsymbol{\theta}^m \rangle \exp\left\{-\int_t^{\infty} a(x + s\boldsymbol{\theta}) ds\right\} dt,$$

where  $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $\theta \in \mathbb{S}^1$ , and  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the inner product in (10). For the non attenuated case  $(a \equiv 0)$ , we use the notation  $X\mathbf{f}$ .

In here, we consider the tensor field f be defined on a strongly convex bounded set  $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^2$  with vanishing boundary values on  $\Gamma$ ; further regularity and the order of vanishing will be specified in the theorems. In the statements below we use the notations in [44]:

$$C^{\mu}(\mathbf{S}^{m};\Omega) = \{\mathbf{f} = (f_{i_{1}\cdots i_{m}}) \in \mathbf{S}^{m}(\Omega) : f_{i_{1}\cdots i_{m}} \in C^{\mu}(\Omega)\}$$

 $0 < \mu < 1$ , for the space of real valued, symmetric tensor fields of order m with locally Hölder continuous components. Similarly,  $L^1(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$  denotes the tensor fields of order m with integrable components.

For any  $(x, \theta) \in \overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1$ , let  $\tau(x, \theta)$  be length of the chord passing through x in the direction of  $\theta$ . Let also consider the incoming (-), respectively outgoing (+) submanifolds of the unit bundle restricted to the boundary

(16) 
$$\Gamma_{\pm} := \{ (x, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1 : \pm \boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \nu(x) > 0 \},\$$

and the variety

(17) 
$$\Gamma_0 := \{ (x, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1 : \boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \boldsymbol{\nu}(x) = 0 \},$$

where  $\nu(x)$  denotes outer normal.

The *a*-attenuated X-ray transform of **f** is realized as a function on  $\Gamma_+$  by

(18) 
$$X_{a}\mathbf{f}(x,\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \int_{-\tau(x,\boldsymbol{\theta})}^{0} \langle \mathbf{f}(x+t\boldsymbol{\theta}), \boldsymbol{\theta}^{m} \rangle e^{-\int_{t}^{0} a(x+s\boldsymbol{\theta})ds} dt, \ (x,\boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \Gamma_{+}$$

We approach the range characterization via the well-known connection with the transport model as follows: The boundary value problem

(19a) 
$$\boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \nabla u(x, \boldsymbol{\theta}) + a(x)u(x, \boldsymbol{\theta}) = \langle \mathbf{f}(x), \boldsymbol{\theta}^m \rangle, \quad (x, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1,$$

(19b) 
$$u|_{\Gamma_{-}} = 0,$$

has a unique solution in  $\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1$  and

(20) 
$$u|_{\Gamma_{+}}(x,\boldsymbol{\theta}) = X_{a}\mathbf{f}(x,\boldsymbol{\theta}), \quad (x,\boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \Gamma_{+}$$

The range characterization is given in terms of the boundary value

(21) 
$$g := u|_{\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1} = \begin{cases} X_a \mathbf{f}, & \text{on } \Gamma_+, \\ 0, & \text{on } \Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0. \end{cases}$$

# 3. Ingredients from A-analytic theory

In this section we briefly introduce the properties of A-analytic maps needed later. For  $0 < \mu < 1$ , p = 1, 2, we consider the Banach spaces:

$$l_{\infty}^{1,p}(\Gamma) := \left\{ \mathbf{g} = \langle g_{0}, g_{-1}, g_{-2}, ... \rangle : \|\mathbf{g}\|_{l_{\infty}^{1,p}(\Gamma)} := \sup_{\xi \in \Gamma} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \langle j \rangle^{p} |g_{-j}(\xi)| < \infty \right\},$$

$$(22) \qquad C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_{1}) := \left\{ \mathbf{g} = \langle g_{0}, g_{-1}, g_{-2}, ... \rangle : \sup_{\xi \in \Gamma} \|\mathbf{g}(\xi)\|_{l_{1}} + \sup_{\substack{\xi, \eta \in \Gamma \\ \xi \neq \eta}} \frac{\|\mathbf{g}(\xi) - \mathbf{g}(\eta)\|_{l_{1}}}{|\xi - \eta|^{\mu}} < \infty \right\},$$

$$Y_{\mu}(\Gamma) := \left\{ \mathbf{g} : \mathbf{g} \in l_{\infty}^{1,2}(\Gamma) \text{ and } \sup_{\substack{\xi, \eta \in \Gamma \\ \xi \neq \eta}} \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} \langle j \rangle \frac{|g_{-j}(\xi) - g_{-j}(\eta)|}{|\xi - \eta|^{\mu}} < \infty \right\},$$

where  $l_{\infty}(, l_1)$  is the space of bounded (, respectively summable) sequences, and for brevity, we use the notation  $\langle j \rangle = (1 + |j|^2)^{1/2}$ . Similarly, we consider  $C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_1)$ , and  $C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_{\infty})$ .

A sequence valued map  $\Omega \ni z \mapsto \mathbf{v}(z) := \langle v_0(z), v_{-1}(z), v_{-2}(z), ... \rangle$  in  $C(\overline{\Omega}; l_{\infty}) \cap C^1(\Omega; l_{\infty})$  is called  $L^k$ -analytic (in the sense of Bukhgeim), k = 1, 2, if

(23) 
$$\overline{\partial}\mathbf{v}(z) + L^k \partial \mathbf{v}(z) = \mathbf{0}, \quad z \in \Omega,$$

where L is the left shift operator  $L\langle v_0, v_{-1}, v_{-2}, \cdots \rangle = \langle v_{-1}, v_{-2}, \cdots \rangle$ , and  $L^2 = L \circ L$ .

Bukhgeim's original theory in [7] shows that solutions of (23), satisfy a Cauchy-like integral formula,

(24) 
$$\mathbf{v}(z) = \mathcal{B}[\mathbf{v}|_{\Gamma}](z), \quad z \in \Omega,$$

where  $\mathcal{B}$  is the Bukhgeim-Cauchy operator acting on  $\mathbf{v}|_{\Gamma}$ . We use the formula in [11], where  $\mathcal{B}$  is defined component-wise for  $n \ge 0$  by

(25)

$$(\mathcal{B}\mathbf{g})_{-n}(z) := \frac{1}{2\pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{g_{-n}(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta + \frac{1}{2\pi \mathrm{i}} \int_{\Gamma} \left\{ \frac{d\zeta}{\zeta - z} - \frac{d\overline{\zeta}}{\overline{\zeta} - \overline{z}} \right\} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} g_{-n-j}(\zeta) \left( \frac{\overline{\zeta} - \overline{z}}{\zeta - z} \right)^j, z \in \Omega.$$

The following regularity result in [36, Proposition 4.1] is needed.

**Proposition 3.1.** [36, Proposition 4.1] Let  $\mu > 1/2$  and  $\mathbf{g} = \langle g_0, g_{-1}, g_{-2}, ... \rangle$  be the sequence valued map of non-positive Fourier modes of g.

(i) If  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$ , then  $\mathbf{g} \in l^{1,1}_{\infty}(\Gamma) \cap C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_1)$ . (ii) If  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$ , then  $\mathbf{g} \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$ . (iii) If  $\mathbf{g} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_1)$ , then  $g \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ .

Similar to the analytic maps, the boundary values of *L*-analytic maps must satisfy some constraints, which can be expressed in terms of a corresponding Hilbert-like transform introduced in [36]. More precisely, the Bukhgeim-Hilbert transform  $\mathcal{H}$  acting on g,

(26) 
$$\Gamma \ni z \mapsto (\mathcal{H}\mathbf{g})(z) = \langle (\mathcal{H}\mathbf{g})_0(z), (\mathcal{H}\mathbf{g})_{-1}(z), (\mathcal{H}\mathbf{g})_{-2}(z), \dots \rangle$$

is defined component-wise for  $n \ge 0$  by (27)

$$(\mathcal{H}\mathbf{g})_{-n}(z) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Gamma} \frac{g_{-n}(\zeta)}{\zeta - z} d\zeta + \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Gamma} \left\{ \frac{d\zeta}{\zeta - z} - \frac{d\overline{\zeta}}{\overline{\zeta} - \overline{z}} \right\} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} g_{-n-j}(\zeta) \left( \frac{\overline{\zeta} - \overline{z}}{\zeta - z} \right)^{j}, z \in \Gamma,$$

and we refer to [36] for its mapping properties.

Note that the Bukhgeim-Cauchy integral formula in (25) above is restated in terms of *L*-analytic maps as opposed to  $L^2$ -analytic as in [36]. The only change is the index relabeling. In particular, the index  $g_{-n-j}$  will change to  $g_{-n-2j}$  therein to account for  $L^2$ -analytic. Moreover, the same index relabelling in the Bukhgeim-Hilbert transform formula (27) is made to account for the difference between *L*-analytic and  $L^2$ -analytic.

The following result recalls the necessary and sufficient conditions for a sufficiently regular map to be the boundary value of an  $L^k$ -analytic function, k = 1, 2.

**Theorem 3.1.** Let  $0 < \mu < 1$ , and k = 1, 2. Let  $\mathcal{B}$  be the Bukhgeim-Cauchy operator in (25). Let  $\mathbf{g} = \langle g_0, g_{-1}, g_{-2}, ... \rangle \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$  for  $\mu > 1/2$  be defined on the boundary  $\Gamma$ , and let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the Bukhgeim-Hilbert transform acting on  $\mathbf{g}$  as in (27).

(i) If g is the boundary value of an  $L^k$ -analytic function, then  $\mathcal{H}\mathbf{g} \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_1)$  and satisfies

(28) 
$$(I + i\mathcal{H})\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{0}.$$

(ii) If g satisfies (28), then there exists an  $L^k$ -analytic function  $\mathbf{v} := \mathcal{B}\mathbf{g} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_1) \cap C^2(\Omega; l_{\infty})$ , such that

(29) 
$$\mathbf{v}|_{\Gamma} = \mathbf{g}$$

For the proof of Theorem 3.1 we refer to [36, Theorem 3.2, Corollary 4.1, and Proposition 4.2] and [37, Proposition 2.3].

Another ingredient, in addition to  $L^2$ -analytic maps, consists in the one-to-one relation between solutions  $\mathbf{u} := \langle u_0, u_{-1}, u_{-2}, ... \rangle$  satisfying

(30) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-n}(z) + \partial u_{-n-2}(z) + a(z)u_{-n-1}(z) = 0, \quad z \in \Omega, \ n \ge 0,$$

and the L<sup>2</sup>-analytic map  $\mathbf{v} = \langle v_0, v_{-1}, v_{-2}, ... \rangle$  satisfying

(31) 
$$\overline{\partial}v_{-n}(z) + \partial v_{-n-2}(z) = 0, \quad z \in \Omega, \ n \ge 0;$$

via a special function h, see [40, Lemma 4.2] for details. The function h is defined as

(32) 
$$h(z,\boldsymbol{\theta}) := Da(z,\boldsymbol{\theta}) - \frac{1}{2} (I - iH) Ra(z \cdot \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\perp}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{\perp}),$$

where  $\theta^{\perp}$  is the counter-clockwise rotation of  $\theta$  by  $\pi/2$ ,  $Ra(s, \theta^{\perp}) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} a(s\theta^{\perp} + t\theta) dt$  is the Radon transform in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  of the attenuation a,  $Da(z, \theta) = \int_0^{\infty} a(z + t\theta) dt$  is the divergent beam transform of the attenuation a, and  $Hh(s) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{h(t)}{s-t} dt$  is the classical Hilbert transform [22], taken in the first variable and evaluated at  $s = z \cdot \theta^{\perp}$ . The function h appeared first in [23] and enjoys the crucial property of having vanishing negative Fourier modes yielding the expansions

(33) 
$$e^{-h(z,\boldsymbol{\theta})} := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k(z) e^{ik\theta}, \quad e^{h(z,\boldsymbol{\theta})} := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta_k(z) e^{ik\theta}, \quad (z,\boldsymbol{\theta}) \in \overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1.$$

Using the Fourier coefficients of  $e^{\pm h}$ , we construct the sequence valued maps

$$\overline{\Omega} \ni z \mapsto \boldsymbol{\alpha}(z) := \langle \alpha_0(z), \alpha_1(z), \dots, \rangle, \quad \overline{\Omega} \ni z \mapsto \boldsymbol{\beta}(z) := \langle \beta_0(z), \beta_1(z), \dots, \rangle$$

to define the convolution operators  $e^{\pm G}$  acting on some  $\mathbf{u} = \langle u_0, u_{-1}, u_{-2}, ... \rangle$  via

(34) 
$$e^{-G}\mathbf{u} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \alpha_k L^k \mathbf{u} = \boldsymbol{\alpha} * \mathbf{u}, \text{ and } e^G \mathbf{u} = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \beta_k L^k \mathbf{u} = \boldsymbol{\beta} * \mathbf{u}$$

where  $L^k$  is the k-th composition of left translation. In particular, note that  $e^{\pm G}$  commutes with L.

We refer [40, Lemma 4.1] for the properties of h, and we restate the following result [36, Proposition 5.2] to incorporate the operators  $e^{\pm G}$  notation used in here.

**Proposition 3.2.** [36, Proposition 5.2] Let  $a \in C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega})$ ,  $\mu > 1/2$ . Then  $\alpha, \partial \alpha, \beta, \partial \beta \in l^{1,1}_{\infty}(\overline{\Omega})$ , and the operators

$$(i) e^{\pm G} : C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_{\infty}) \to C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_{\infty}); \ (ii) e^{\pm G} : C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_{1}) \to C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_{1}); \ (iii) e^{\pm G} : Y_{\mu}(\Gamma) \to Y_{\mu}(\Gamma).$$

**Lemma 3.1.** [37, Lemma 4.2] Let  $a \in C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega})$ ,  $\mu > 1/2$ , and  $e^{\pm G}$  be operators as defined in (34). (i) If  $\mathbf{u} \in C^1(\Omega, l_1)$  solves  $\overline{\partial} \mathbf{u} + L^2 \partial \mathbf{u} + aL \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\mathbf{v} = e^{-G} \mathbf{u} \in C^1(\Omega, l_1)$  solves  $\overline{\partial} \mathbf{v} + L^2 \partial \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ .

(ii) Conversely, if  $\mathbf{v} \in C^1(\Omega, l_1)$  solves  $\overline{\partial} \mathbf{v} + L^2 \partial \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ , then  $\mathbf{u} = e^G \mathbf{v} \in C^1(\Omega, l_1)$  solves  $\overline{\partial} \mathbf{u} + L^2 \partial \mathbf{u} + aL \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$ .

# 4. m-tensor - non-attenuated case

In the non-attenuated  $a \equiv 0$  case, using (12) the transport equation (19a) becomes

(35) 
$$\boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \nabla u = \begin{cases} f_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{m}{2}} f_{-2k} e^{\mathrm{i}(2k)\theta} + f_{2k} e^{-\mathrm{i}(2k)\theta}, & \text{(if } m \text{ is even}), \\ \sum_{k=0}^{\frac{m-1}{2}} f_{-(2k+1)} e^{\mathrm{i}(2k+1)\theta} + f_{2k+1} e^{-\mathrm{i}(2k+1)\theta}, & \text{(if } m \text{ is odd}), \end{cases}$$

where  $f'_n s$  are defined as in (13) and (14), and  $f_n = \overline{f_{-n}}$ , for  $0 \le n \le m$ . Note that  $f_0$  is real-valued while other modes are complex conjugates.

For  $z = x_1 + ix_2 \in \Omega$ , the advection operator  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \nabla$  in complex notation becomes  $e^{-i\theta}\overline{\partial} + e^{i\theta}\partial$ , where  $\theta = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$ , and  $\overline{\partial}, \overline{\partial}$  are the Cauchy-Riemann operators in (3).

If  $\sum u_n(z)e^{in\theta}$  is the Fourier series expansion in the angular variable  $\theta$  of a solution u of (35),

then by identifying the Fourier coefficients of the same order, (35) reduces to the system for even order *m*-tensor:

(36) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-(2n-1)}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+1)}(z) = f_{2n}(z), \qquad 0 \le n \le \frac{m}{2}, m \text{ even},$$

 $\overline{\partial}u_{-(2n-1)}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+1)}(z) = 0,$ (37)

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{\partial}u_{-(2n-1)}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+1)}(z) &= 0, & n \ge \frac{m}{2} + 1, \\ \overline{\partial}u_{-2n}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+2)}(z) &= 0, & n \ge 0, \end{aligned}$$

and for odd order *m*-tensor we have:

(39) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-2n}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+2)}(z) = f_{2n+1}(z),$$
  $0 \le n \le \frac{m-1}{2}, m \text{ odd},$   
(40)  $\overline{\partial}u_{-2n}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+2)}(z) = 0,$   $n \ge \frac{m+1}{2},$   
(41)  $\overline{\partial}u_{-(2n-1)}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+1)}(z) = 0,$   $n \ge 0.$ 

Recall that the boundary value  $u|_{\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1} := g$  as in (21), with  $g = X \mathbf{f}$  on  $\Gamma_+$  and g = 0 on  $\Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0$ . The range characterization is given in terms of the Fourier modes of q in the angular variables:  $g(\zeta, \theta) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g_n(\zeta) e^{in\theta}$ , for  $\zeta \in \Gamma$ . Since the data g is also real valued, its modes satisfies

(42) 
$$g_{-n}(\zeta) = \overline{g_n(\zeta)}, \quad \text{for } n \ge 0, \ \zeta \in \Gamma.$$

From the non-positive Fourier modes, we built the sequences

(43) 
$$\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}} := \langle g_0, g_{-2}, g_{-4}, ... \rangle, \text{ and } \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} := \langle g_{-1}, g_{-3}, g_{-5}, ... \rangle.$$

4.1. Even order *m*-tensor. In this subsection, we establish necessary and sufficient conditions for a sufficiently smooth function on  $\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1$  to be the non-attenuated X-ray data of some sufficiently smooth real valued symmetric tensor field f of even order  $m = 2q, q \ge 0$ .

We characterize next the non-attenuated X-ray data q in terms of the Bukhgeim-Hilbert Transform  $\mathcal{H}$  in (27). We will construct the solution u of the transport equation (35) in the m-even case, whose boundary value matches the boundary data q, and also construct the right hand side of the (35). The construction of solution u is in terms of its Fourier modes in the angular variable. We first construct the non-positive Fourier modes and then the positive Fourier modes are constructed by conjugation. For even m = 2q,  $q \ge 1$ , apart from q many Fourier modes  $u_{-1}, u_{-3}, \cdots, u_{-(2q-1)}$ , all non-positive Fourier modes are defined by Bukhgeim-Cauchy integral formula (25) using boundary data. Other than having the boundary value  $u_{-(2j-1)}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-(2j-1)}, \ 1 \le j \le q, \ q \ge 1$ , the q many Fourier modes  $u_{-(2j-1)}, 1 \le j \le q, q \ge 1$ , are unconstrained. They are chosen arbitrarily from the class  $\Psi_q^{\text{even}}$  of functions of cardinality  $q = \frac{m}{2}$  with prescribed restriction on the boundary  $\Gamma$  defined:

(44)  

$$\Psi_{g}^{\text{even}} := \left\{ \left( \psi_{-1}, \psi_{-3}, \cdots, \psi_{-(2q-1)} \right) \in \left( C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{C}) \right)^{q}, 2\mu > 1 \\ \psi_{-(2j-1)} \Big|_{\Gamma} = g_{-(2j-1)}, \ 1 \le j \le q, \ q \ge 1 \right\}.$$

(38)

**Remark 4.1.** Any arbitrary  $C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega})$  functions such that its restriction on the boundary matches with the respective Fourier mode of data will suffice in (44). Note for the 0-tensor case, there is no class, and the characterization of the X-ray data g is in terms of the Fourier modes g.

**Theorem 4.1** (Range characterization for even order tensors). (i) Let  $\mathbf{f} \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ ,  $\mu > 1/2$ , be a real-valued symmetric tensor field of even order  $m = 2q, q \ge 0$ , and

$$g = X\mathbf{f} \text{ on } \Gamma_+ \text{ and } g = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0.$$

Then  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} \in l^{1,1}_{\infty}(\Gamma) \cap C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_1)$  satisfy

(45) 
$$[I + i\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad and \quad [I + i\mathcal{H}]L^{\frac{m}{2}}\mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} = \mathbf{0},$$

where  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}}$  are sequences in (43), and  $\mathcal{H}$  is the Bukhgeim-Hilbert operator in (27).

(ii) Let  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; \hat{C}^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$  be real valued with  $g|_{\Gamma_-\cup\Gamma_0} = 0$ . For q = 0, if the corresponding sequences  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$  satisfies (45), then there is a unique real valued symmetric 0-tensor  $\mathbf{f}$  such that  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X\mathbf{f}$ . Moreover, for  $q \ge 1$ , if  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$  satisfies (45), and for each element  $(\psi_{-1}, \psi_{-3}, \cdots, \psi_{-(2q-1)}) \in \Psi_g^{\text{even}}$ , then there is a unique real valued symmetric m-tensors  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi} \in C^{\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$  such that  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X\mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$ .

*Proof.* (i) Necessity: Let  $\mathbf{f} = (f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}) \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ . Since all components  $f_{i_1 \cdots i_m} \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\Omega)$  are compactly supported inside  $\Omega$ , then for any point at the boundary there is a cone of lines which do not meet the support. Thus  $g \equiv 0$  in the neighborhood of the variety  $\Gamma_0$  which yields  $g \in C^{1,\mu}(\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ . Moreover, g is the boundary value on  $\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1$  of a solution  $u \in C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$  of the transport equation (35) in the *m*-even case. By Proposition 3.1 (i),  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} \in l_{\infty}^{1,1}(\Gamma) \cap C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_1)$ .

If u solves (35), then its Fourier modes satisfy (36) - (38). Since the negative even Fourier modes  $u_{2n}$  for  $n \leq 0$ , satisfies the system (38), then the sequence  $\mathbf{u}^{\text{even}} := \langle u_0, u_{-2}, u_{-4}, \cdots \rangle$  is *L*-analytic in  $\Omega$  and the necessity part in Theorem 3.1 yields the first condition in (45).

The equation (37) for negative odd Fourier modes starting from negative 2q + 1 mode, yield that the sequence  $\langle u_{-(2q+1)}, u_{-(2q+3)}, ... \rangle$  is *L*-analytic in  $\Omega$  and the necessity part in Theorem 3.1 gives the last condition in (45).

(ii) **Sufficiency:** Let  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$  be real valued with  $g|_{\Gamma_-\cup\Gamma_0} = 0$ . Since g is real valued, its Fourier modes in the angular variable occurs in conjugates (42). Let the corresponding sequences  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}}$  satisfy (45). By Proposition (3.1),  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$ .

Let m = 2q,  $q \ge 0$ , be an even integer. To prove the sufficiency we will construct a real valued symmetric *m*-tensor **f** in  $\Omega$  and a real valued function  $u \in C^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$  such that  $u|_{\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1} = g$  and *u* solves (35) in  $\Omega$ . The construction of such *u* is in terms of its Fourier modes in the angular variable and it is done in several steps.

**Step 1: The construction of even modes**  $u_{2n}$  **for**  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ **.** 

Apply the Bukhgeim-Cauchy Integral operator (25) to construct the negative even Fourier modes:

(46) 
$$\langle u_0(z), u_{-2}(z), u_{-4}(z), \ldots \rangle := \mathcal{B}\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}(z), \quad z \in \Omega.$$

By Theorem 3.1, the sequence  $\langle u_0, u_{-2}, ... \rangle \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_1)$  is L-analytic in  $\Omega$ , thus

(47) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-2n} + \partial u_{-2n-2} = 0,$$

are satisfied for all  $n \ge 0$ . Moreover, the hypothesis (45) and the sufficiency part of Theorem 3.1 yields that they extend continuously to  $\Gamma$  and  $u_{-2n}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-2n}$ , for all  $n \ge 0$ .

Construct the positive even Fourier modes by conjugation:  $u_{2n} := \overline{u_{-2n}}$ , for all  $n \ge 1$ .

By conjugating (47) we note that the positive even Fourier modes also satisfy

$$\partial u_{2n+2} + \partial u_{2n} = 0, \quad n \ge 0$$

Moreover, by reality of g in (42) they extend continuously to  $\Gamma$  and

$$u_{2n}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{u_{-2n}}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{g_{-2n}} = g_{2n}, \quad n \ge 1.$$

Thus, as a summary from above equations, we have shown that the even modes  $u_{2n}$  satisfy

(48) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{2n} + \partial u_{2n-2} = 0$$
, and  $u_{2n}|_{\Gamma} = g_{2n}$ , for all  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

**Step 2: The construction of odd modes**  $u_{2n-1}$  **for**  $|n| \ge q$ ,  $q \ge 0$ .

Apply the Bukhgeim-Cauchy Integral operator (25) to construct the other odd negative modes:

(49) 
$$\langle u_{-(2q+1)}(z), u_{-(2q+3)}(z), \cdots \rangle := \mathcal{B}L^q \mathbf{g}^{\mathrm{odd}}(z), \quad z \in \Omega.$$

By Theorem 3.1, the sequence  $\langle u_{-(2q+1)}, u_{-(2q+3)}, ..., \rangle \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_1)$ , is *L*-analytic in  $\Omega$ , thus the equations

(50) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-(2n+1)} + \partial u_{-(2n+3)} = 0,$$

are satisfied for all  $n \ge q$ ,  $q \ge 0$ . Moreover, the hypothesis (45) :  $[I + i\mathcal{H}]L^{\frac{m}{2}}g^{\text{odd}} = 0$ , and the sufficiency part of Theorem 3.1 yields that they extend continuously to  $\Gamma$  and

(51) 
$$u_{-(2n+1)}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-(2n+1)}, \quad \forall n \ge q, q \ge 0$$

Construct the positive odd Fourier modes by conjugation:  $u_{2n+1} := \overline{u}_{-(2n+1)}$ , for all  $n \ge q$ ,  $q \ge 0$ . By conjugating (50) we note that the positive odd Fourier modes also satisfy

(52) 
$$\partial u_{2n+3} + \partial u_{2n+1} = 0, \quad \forall n \ge q, q \ge 0.$$

Moreover, by (42) they extend continuously to  $\Gamma$  and

(53) 
$$u_{2n+1}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{u}_{-(2n+1)}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{g}_{-(2n+1)} = g_{2n+1}, \quad n \ge q, q \ge 0.$$

Step 3: The construction of the 0- tensor field f. In the case of the 0-tensor,  $f = f_0$  is uniquely determined from the odd mode  $u_{-1}$  in (49), by

(54) 
$$f_0 := 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \partial u_{-1}, \quad (\text{for } q = 0 \text{ case}).$$

We consider next the case  $q \ge 1$  of tensors of order 2 or higher. In this case the construction of the tensor field  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$  is in terms of the Fourier mode  $u_{-(2q+1)}$  in (49) and the class  $\Psi_{q}^{\text{even}}$  in (44).

Step 4: The construction of odd modes  $u_{\pm(2n-1)}$ , for  $1 \le n \le q, q \ge 1$ .

For  $(\psi_{-1}, \psi_{-3}, \cdots, \psi_{-(2q-1)}) \in \Psi_q^{\text{even}}$  arbitrary, define the modes  $u_{\pm 1}, u_{\pm 3}, \dots, u_{\pm (2q-1)}$  in  $\Omega$  by

(55) 
$$u_{-(2n-1)} := \psi_{-(2n-1)} \text{ and } u_{2n-1} := \overline{\psi}_{-(2n-1)}, \quad 1 \le n \le q, \ q \ge 1.$$

By the definition of the class  $\Psi_g^{\text{even}}$  in (44), and the reality of g in (42), we have

(56) 
$$u_{-(2n-1)}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-(2n-1)}, \text{ and } u_{2n-1}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{g}_{-(2n-1)} = g_{2n-1}, \quad 1 \le n \le q, \ q \ge 1.$$

# **Step 5:** The construction of the tensor field $f_{\Psi}$ whose X-ray data is g.

For  $q \ge 1$ , we define  $f_{2q}$  by using  $\psi_{-(2q-1)}$  from the non-uniqueness class (44), and Fourier mode  $u_{-(2q+1)}$  from the Bukhgeim-Cauchy formula (49). Then, define  $\{f_{2n}: 0 \le n \le q-1\}$  solely from

the information in the non-uniqueness class. Finally, define  $\{f_{-2n}: 1 \le n \le q\}$  by conjugation.

(57)  

$$f_{2q} := \partial \psi_{-(2q-1)} + \partial u_{-(2q+1)}, \quad q \ge 1,$$

$$f_{2n} := \overline{\partial} \psi_{-(2n-1)} + \partial \psi_{-(2n+1)}, \quad 1 \le n \le q-1, \quad q \ge 2,$$

$$f_0 := 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \partial \psi_{-1}, \qquad q \ge 1, \quad \text{and}$$

$$f_{-2n} := \overline{f_{2n}}, \qquad 1 \le n \le q, \quad q \ge 1,$$

By construction,  $f_{2n} \in C^{\mu}(\Omega)$ , for  $-q \leq n \leq q$ , as  $\psi_{-1}, \cdots, \psi_{-2q+1} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega)$ . We use these Fourier modes  $f_0, f_{\pm 2}, f_{\pm 4}, \cdots, f_{\pm 2q}$  for  $q \geq 1$ , and equations (13), (7) and (9) to construct the pseudovectors  $\langle \tilde{f}_0, \tilde{f}_1, \cdots, \tilde{f}_m \rangle$ , and thus the *m*-tensor field  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi} \in C^{\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ .

In order to show  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X \mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$  for  $q \ge 1$ , with  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$  being constructed as in (57), we define the real valued function u via its Fourier modes for  $q \ge 1$ ,

(58) 
$$u(z,\theta) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} u_{2n} e^{i2n\theta} + \sum_{|n| \ge q} u_{2n+1} e^{i(2n+1)\theta} + \sum_{n=1}^{q} \psi_{-(2n-1)} e^{-i(2n-1)\theta} + \sum_{n=1}^{q} \overline{\psi}_{-(2n-1)} e^{i(2n-1)\theta}$$

Since  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$ , we use Proposition 3.1 (ii)-(iii), to conclude that u defined in (58) belongs to  $C^{1,\mu}(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ . Using (48), (51), (53), (56), and definition of  $(\psi_{-1}, \cdots, \psi_{-(2q-1)}) \in \Psi_g^{\text{even}}$  for  $q \ge 1$ , the  $u(\cdot, \theta)$  in (58) extends to the boundary,

$$u(\cdot, \boldsymbol{\theta})|_{\Gamma} = g(\cdot, \boldsymbol{\theta}).$$

Since  $u \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ , then the term by term differentiation in (58) is now justified, and u satisfy (35):

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \nabla u &= \overline{\partial} \, \overline{\psi_{-1}} + \partial \psi_{-1} + \sum_{n=1}^{q-1} (\overline{\partial} \psi_{-(2n-1)} + \partial \psi_{-(2n+1)}) e^{-\mathrm{i}(2n)\theta} + \sum_{n=1}^{q-1} (\overline{\partial} \, \overline{\psi}_{-(2n+1)} + \partial \overline{\psi}_{-(2n-1)}) e^{\mathrm{i}(2n)\theta} \\ &+ e^{-\mathrm{i}(2q)\theta} (\overline{\partial} \psi_{-(2q-1)} + \partial u_{-(2q+1)}) + e^{\mathrm{i}(2q)\theta} (\partial \overline{\psi}_{-(2q-1)} + \overline{\partial} \, \overline{u}_{-(2q+1)}) \\ &= \sum_{n=-q}^{q} f_{2n}(z) e^{-\mathrm{i}(2n)\theta} = \langle \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{2q} \rangle, \end{aligned}$$

where we use (48), (50), (52), (55), and the second equality uses the definition of  $f_{2k}$ 's in (57).

4.2. Odd order *m*-tensor. In this subsection we establish necessary and sufficient conditions for a sufficiently smooth function on  $\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1$  to be the non-attenuated X-ray data of some sufficiently smooth real valued symmetric tensor field **f** of odd order m = 2r + 1,  $r \ge 0$ .

In the *m*-tensor case, the even and odd Fourier modes of u plays a different role, unlike the even *m*-tensor case in the previous section. To emphasize this difference we separate the non-positive even modes  $\mathbf{u}^{\text{even}} := \langle u_0, u_{-2}, u_{-4} ... \rangle$ , and negative odd modes  $\mathbf{u}^{\text{odd}} := \langle u_{-1}, u_{-3}, ... \rangle$ , and note that if  $\langle u_0(z), u_{-1}(z), u_{-2}(z), ... \rangle$  is  $L^2$ -analytic, then  $\mathbf{u}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{u}^{\text{odd}}$  are L-analytic.

Let us consider the sequence  $\{\mathbf{u}^{2k-1}\}_{k\geq 1} \subset C(\overline{\Omega}; l_{\infty}) \cap C^{1}(\Omega; l_{\infty})$  given by

(59) 
$$\mathbf{u}^{2k-1} := \langle u_{2k-1}, u_{2k-3}, \dots, u_1, u_{-1}, u_{-3}, u_{-5}, \dots \rangle, \quad k \ge 1,$$

obtained by augmenting the sequence of negative odd indices  $\langle u_{-1}, u_{-3}, u_{-5}, ... \rangle$  by k many terms in the order  $u_{2k-1}, u_{2k-3}, ..., u_1$ .

One of the ingredients in our characterization of the odd *m*-tensor is the following simple property of *L*-analytic maps, shown in [36, Lemma 2.6].

**Lemma 4.1.** [36, Lemma 2.6] Let  $\{\mathbf{u}^{2k-1}\}_{k\geq 1}$  be the sequence of *L*-analytic maps defined in (59). Assume that  $u_{2k-1}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{u}_{-(2k-1)}|_{\Gamma}$ , for all  $k \ge 1$ . Then, for each  $k \ge 1$ ,

(60) 
$$u_{2k-1}(z) = \overline{u}_{-(2k-1)}(z), \quad z \in \Omega.$$

Similar to the even m-tensor case, the range characterization of data g will be given in terms of its Fourier modes. From the non-positive even modes, we build the sequences  $g^{even}$ ,  $g^{odd}$  as in (43).

For each  $k \ge 1$ , we use the odd modes  $\{g_{-1}, g_{-3}, g_{-5}, ...\}$  to build the sequence

(61) 
$$\mathbf{g}^{2k-1} := \langle g_{2k-1}, g_{2k-3}, \dots, g_1, g_{-1}, g_{-3}, g_{-5}, \dots \rangle$$

by augmenting the negative odd indices by k-many terms in the order  $g_{2k-1}, g_{2k-3}, \dots, g_1$ .

Similar to the even m-tensor case before, we will construct the solution u of the transport equation (35) in the *m*-odd case, whose boundary value matches the boundary data q, and also construct the right hand side of the (35). The construction of solution u is in terms of its Fourier modes in the angular variable. Except for non-positive modes  $u_0, u_{-2}, \dots, u_{-2r}$ , all non-positive modes are defined by Bukhgeim-Cauchy integral formula in (25) using boundary data. Other than having the restrictions  $u_{-2i}|_{r} = g_{-2i}, \ 0 \le j \le r, \ r \ge 0$ , on the boundary, the r+1 many Fourier modes  $u_{-2j}, 0 \le j \le r, r \ge 0$ , are unconstrained. They are chosen arbitrarily from the class of functions

(62) 
$$\Psi_{g}^{\text{odd}} := \left\{ (\psi_{0}, \psi_{-2}, \cdots, \psi_{-2r}) \in C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{R}) \times (C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{C}))^{r} : 2\mu > 1 \\ \psi_{-2j} \Big|_{\Gamma} = g_{-2j}, \ 0 \le j \le r, \ r \ge 0 \right\}.$$

**Remark 4.2.** Any arbitrary  $C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega})$  functions such that its restriction on the boundary matches with the respective Fourier mode of data will suffice in (62). In the 1-tensor case (m = 1), only Fourier mode  $u_0$  be an arbitrary function in  $C^1(\Omega) \cap C(\overline{\Omega})$  with  $u_0|_{\Gamma} = g_0$ . The arbitrariness of  $u_0$  characterizes the non-uniqueness (up to the gradient field of a function which vanishes at the boundary) in the reconstruction of a vector field from its Doppler data.

**Theorem 4.2** (Range characterization for odd tensors.). Let  $\mathbf{f} \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ ,  $\mu > 1/2$ , be a realvalued symmetric tensor field of odd order  $m = 2r + 1, r \ge 0$ , and

$$g = X\mathbf{f} \text{ on } \Gamma_+ \text{ and } g = 0 \text{ on } \Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0.$$

Then  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{2k-1} \in l^{1,1}_{\infty}(\Gamma) \cap C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_1)$  for  $k \geq 1$ , and satisfy

(63) 
$$[I + i\mathcal{H}]L^{\frac{m+1}{2}}\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}} = \mathbf{0}, \quad and \quad [I + i\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{g}^{2k-1} = \mathbf{0}, \quad \forall k \ge 1,$$

where  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}$  is the sequence in (43),  $\mathbf{g}^{2k-1}$  for  $k \geq 1$  is the sequence in (61), and  $\mathcal{H}$  is the Bukhgeim-Hilbert operator in (27).

(ii) Let  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$  be real valued with  $g|_{\Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0} = 0$ . If the corresponding sequence  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{2k-1} \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$  for  $k \geq 1$ , satisfies (63), and for each element  $(\psi_0, \cdots, \psi_{-2r}) \in \mathcal{F}_{\mu}(\Gamma)$  $\Psi_a^{\text{odd}}$ , then there is a unique real valued symmetric *m*-tensor  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi} \in C^{\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$  such that  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X \mathbf{f}_{\psi}$ .

*Proof.* (i) Necessity: Let  $\mathbf{f} = (f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}) \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ . Since all components  $\underline{f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}} \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\Omega)$ ,  $X\mathbf{f} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Gamma_+)$ , and, thus, the solution u to the transport equation (35) is in  $C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ . Moreover, its boundary value  $g = u|_{\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ .

By Proposition 3.1 (i),  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{2k-1} \in l_{\infty}^{1,1}(\Gamma) \cap C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_1)$  for all  $k \ge 1$ . If u solves (35) then its Fourier modes satisfy (39) - (41). Since the negative even Fourier modes  $u_{-2n}$  for  $n \ge \frac{m+1}{2}$ , satisfies the system (40), then the sequence  $\langle u_{-(m+1)}, u_{-(m+3)}, \cdots \rangle$  is L-analytic in  $\Omega$  and the necessity part in Theorem 3.1 yields the first condition in (63).

The system (41) yield that the sequence  $\mathbf{u}^1 := \langle u_1, u_{-1}, u_{-3} \cdots \rangle$  is *L*-analytic in  $\Omega$  with the boundary value satisfying  $u_{2k-1}|_{\Gamma} = g_{2k-1}$ , for all  $k \leq 1$ . By Theorem 3.1 necessity part, the sequence  $\mathbf{g}^1 = \langle g_1, g_{-1}, g_{-3}, \ldots \rangle$  must satisfy  $[I + i\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{g}^1 = \mathbf{0}$ .

Recall that u is real valued so that its Fourier modes occur in conjugates  $u_n = \overline{u_{-n}}$  for all  $n \ge 0$ . Consider now the equation (41) for n = 1 and take its conjugate to yield

(64) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_3 + \partial u_1 = 0.$$

The above equation (64) together with (41) yield that the sequence  $\mathbf{u}^3 := \langle u_3, u_1, u_{-1}, u_{-3} \cdots \rangle$  is *L*-analytic in  $\Omega$  with the boundary value satisfying  $u_{2k-1}|_{\Gamma} = g_{2k-1}$  for all  $k \leq 2$ . By the necessity part in Theorem 3.1, it must be that  $\mathbf{g}^3 = \langle g_3, g_1, g_{-1}, g_{-3}, \ldots \rangle$  satisfies  $[I + i\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{g}^3 = \mathbf{0}$ .

Inductively, the argument above holds for any odd index 2k - 1 to yield that the sequence

$$\Omega \ni z \mapsto \mathbf{u}^{2k-1}(z) := \langle u_{2k-1}(z), u_{2k-3}(z), \dots, u_1(z), u_{-1}(z), u_{-3}(z) \cdots \rangle$$

is *L*-analytic in  $\Omega$ . Then, again by the necessity part in Theorem 3.1, its boundary value  $\mathbf{u}^{2k-1}|_{\Gamma} = \mathbf{g}^{2k-1}$  must satisfy the last condition in (63).

(ii) **Sufficiency:** Let  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$  be real valued with  $g|_{\Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0} = 0$ . Since g is real valued, its Fourier modes in the angular variable occurs in conjugates (42). Let the corresponding sequences  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}}$  satisfies (45). By Proposition (3.1),  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}, \mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$ .

Let m = 2r + 1,  $r \ge 0$ , be an odd integer. To prove the sufficiency we will construct a real valued symmetric *m*-tensor **f** in  $\Omega$  and a real valued function  $u \in C^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$  such that  $u|_{\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1} = g$  and *u* solves (35) in  $\Omega$ . The construction of such *u* is in terms of its Fourier modes in the angular variable and it is done in several steps.

# **Step 1: The construction of even modes** $u_{2n}$ **for** $|n| \ge 2r + 1$ , $r \ge 0$ .

Apply the Bukhgeim-Cauchy integral formula (25) to construct the negative even Fourier modes:

(65) 
$$\langle u_{-2(r+1)}, u_{-2(r+2)}, \dots \rangle := \mathcal{B}L^{r+1}\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}}.$$

By Theorem 3.1, the sequence  $\langle u_{-2(r+1)}, u_{-2(r+2)}, \ldots \rangle \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_1)$  is L-analytic in  $\Omega$ :

(66) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-2n} + \partial u_{-(2n+2)} = 0$$

are satisfied for all  $n \ge r+1$ ,  $r \ge 0$ . Moreover, the hypothesis (63) and the sufficiency part of Theorem 3.1 yields that they extend continuously to  $\Gamma$  and

(67) 
$$u_{-2n}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-2n}, \quad n \ge r+1, \, r \ge 0$$

Construct the positive even Fourier modes by conjugation:  $u_{2n} := \overline{u_{-2n}}$ , for all  $n \ge r+1$ ,  $r \ge 0$ . By conjugating (66) we note that the positive even Fourier modes also satisfy

(68) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{2n+2} + \partial u_{2n} = 0, \quad n \ge r+1, \, r \ge 0.$$

Moreover, by reality of g in (42), they extend continuously to  $\Gamma$  and

(69) 
$$u_{2n}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{u_{-2n}}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{g_{-2n}} = g_{2n}, \quad n \ge r+1, r \ge 0.$$

**Step 2: The construction of even modes**  $u_{2n}$ , for  $|n| \le 2r$ ,  $r \ge 0$ .

For  $(\psi_0, \psi_{-2}, \cdots, \psi_{-2r}) \in \Psi_g^{\text{odd}}$  arbitrary, define the modes  $u_0, u_{\pm 2}, u_{\pm 4}, \dots, u_{\pm 2r}$  in  $\Omega$  by

(70) 
$$u_{-2n} := \psi_{-2n}, \text{ and } u_{2n} := \overline{\psi_{-2n}}, \quad 0 \le n \le r$$

By the definition of the class (62), and reality of g in (42), we have

(71) 
$$u_{2n}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{g_{-2n}} = g_{2n}, \quad 0 \le n \le r.$$

Step 3: The construction of negative modes  $u_{2n-1}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Use the Bukhgeim-Cauchy Integral formula (25) to construct the negative odd Fourier modes:

(72) 
$$\langle u_{-1}(z), u_{-3}(z), ... \rangle := \mathcal{B}\mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}}(z), \quad z \in \Omega.$$

By Theorem 3.1, the sequence  $\langle u_{-1}, u_{-3} \dots \rangle \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_1)$  is L-analytic in  $\Omega$ , thus

(73) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-2n-1} + \partial u_{-2n-3} = 0,$$

are satisfied for all  $n \ge 0$ .

Note that  $Lg^1 = g^{\text{odd}}$ . By hypothesis (63),  $[I + i\mathcal{H}]g^1 = 0$ . Since  $\mathcal{H}$  commutes with the left translation L, then

$$\mathbf{0} = L[I + \mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{g}^{1} = [I + \mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]L\mathbf{g}^{1} = [I + \mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{g}^{\mathrm{odd}}.$$

By applying Theorem 3.1 sufficiency part, we have that each  $u_{2n-1}$  extends continuously to  $\Gamma$ :

 $u_{-2n-1}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-2n-1}, \quad n \ge 1.$ 

If we were to define the positive odd index modes by conjugating the negative ones (as we did for the non-attenuated even tensor case) it would not be clear why the equation (41) for n = 0:

$$\overline{\partial}u_1 + \partial u_{-1} = 0.$$

should hold. To solve this problem we will define the positive odd modes by using the Bukhgeim-Cauchy integral formula (25) inductively.

Let  $\mathbf{u}^1 = \langle u_1, u_{-1}^1, u_{-3}^1, \cdots \rangle$  be the *L*-analytic map defined by

$$\mathbf{u}^1 := \mathcal{B}\mathbf{g}^1.$$

The hypothesis (63) for k = 1:  $[I + i\mathcal{H}]g^1 = 0$ , allows us to apply the sufficiency part of Theorem 3.1 to yield that  $\mathbf{u}^1$  extends continuously to  $\Gamma$  and has boundary value  $g^1$  on  $\Gamma$ . However,  $L\mathbf{u}^1 = \mathbf{u}^{\text{odd}}$  is also *L*-analytic with the same boundary value  $g^{\text{odd}}$  as  $\mathbf{u}^{\text{odd}}$ . By the uniqueness of *L*-analytic maps with the given boundary value we must have the equality

$$\langle u_{-1}^1, u_{-3}^1, \cdots \rangle = \langle u_{-1}, u_{-3}, \cdots \rangle.$$

In other words the formula (74) constructs only one new function  $u_1$  and recovers the previously defined negative odd functions  $u_{-1}, u_{-3}, ...$  In particular  $\mathbf{u}^1 = \langle u_1, u_{-1}, u_{-3}, \cdots \rangle$  is *L*-analytic, and the equation  $\overline{\partial}u_1 + \partial u_{-1} = 0$  holds in  $\Omega$ . We stress here that, at this stage, we do not know that  $u_1$  is the complex conjugate of  $u_{-1}$ .

Inductively, for  $k \ge 1$ , the formula

(75) 
$$\mathbf{u}^{2k-1} = \langle u_{2k-1}, u_{2k-3}^{2k-1}, ..., u_1^{2k-1}, u_{-1}^{2k-1}, \cdots \rangle := \mathcal{B}\mathbf{g}^{2k-1}$$

defines a sequence  $\{\mathbf{u}^{2k-1}\}_{k\geq 1}$  of *L*-analytic maps with  $\mathbf{u}^{2k-1}|_{\Gamma} = \mathbf{g}^{2k-1}$ . By the uniqueness of *L*-analytic maps with the given boundary value, a similar reasoning as above shows

$$L\mathbf{u}^{2k-1} = \mathbf{u}^{2k-3}, \quad \forall k \ge 2.$$

In particular, for all  $k \ge 1$ , the sequence  $\mathbf{u}^{2k-1} = \langle u_{2k-1}, u_{2k-3}, ..., u_1, u_{-1}, \cdots \rangle$  is *L*-analytic. Note that the sequence  $\{\mathbf{u}^{2k-1}\}_{k\ge 1}$  constructed above satisfies the hypotheses of the Lemma 4.1, and therefore for each  $k \ge 1$ ,

(76) 
$$u_{2k-1}(z) = \overline{u_{-(2k-1)}}(z), \quad z \in \Omega.$$

We stress here that the identities (76) need the hypothesis (63) for all  $k \ge 1$ , cannot be inferred directly from the Bukhgeim-Cauchy integral formula (25) for finitely many k's.

We have shown that

(77) 
$$\partial u_{2n-1} + \partial u_{2n-3} = 0$$
, and  $u_{2n-1}|_{\Gamma} = g_{2n-1}$ ,  $\forall n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Step 4: The construction of the tensor field  $f_{\psi}$  whose X-ray data is g.

For  $r \ge 0$ , we define first  $f_{2r+1}$  by using  $\psi_{-2r}$  from the non-uniqueness class in (62), and mode  $u_{-(2r+2)}$  from (65). Then, next define  $\{f_{2n+1}: 0 \le n \le r-1\}$  solely from the information in the non-uniqueness class. Finally, define  $\{f_{-(2n+1)}: 0 \le n \le r\}$  by conjugation:

(78) 
$$f_{2r+1} := \partial \psi_{-2r} + \partial u_{-(r+2)}, \quad r \ge 0,$$

$$f_{2n+1} := \overline{\partial} \psi_{-2n} + \partial \psi_{-(2n+2)}, \quad 0 \le n \le r-1, \ r \ge 1, \quad \text{and}$$

$$f_{-(2n+1)} := \overline{f_{2n+1}}, \quad 0 \le n \le r, \ r \ge 0.$$

By construction,  $f_{\pm(2n+1)} \in C^{\mu}(\Omega)$ , for  $0 \leq n \leq r$ , as  $\psi_0, \psi_{-2}, \cdots, \psi_{-2r} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega)$ . We use these Fourier modes  $f_{\pm 1}, f_{\pm 3}, \cdots, f_{\pm m}$  for m = 2r + 1,  $r \geq 0$ , and equations (14), (7) and (9) to construct the pseudovectors  $\langle \tilde{f}_0, \tilde{f}_1, \cdots, \tilde{f}_m \rangle$ , and thus the *m*-tensor field  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi} \in C^{\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ .

In order to show  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X \mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$  with  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$  being constructed from pseudovectors via Fourier modes as in (78) from class  $\Psi_q^{\text{odd}}$ , we define the real valued function u via its Fourier modes

(79) 
$$u(z,\theta) := \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} u_{2n-1}(z)e^{i(2n-1)\theta} + \sum_{|n| \ge r+1}^{r} u_{2n}(z)e^{i2n\theta} + \sum_{n=0}^{r} \psi_{-2n}(z)e^{-i2n\theta} + \sum_{n=0}^{r} \overline{\psi}_{-2n}(z)e^{i2n\theta}.$$

Since  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$ , we use Proposition 3.1 (ii) and (iii), to conclude that u defined in (79) belongs to  $C^{1,\mu}(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ .

Using (67), (69), (71), (77), and element  $(\psi_0, \psi_{-2}, \cdots, \psi_{-2r}) \in \Psi_g^{\text{odd}}$ , the  $u(\cdot, \theta)$  in (79) extends to the boundary  $u(\cdot, \theta)|_{\Gamma} = g(\cdot, \theta)$ .

Since  $u \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ , then the term by term differentiation in (79) is now justified, satisfying the transport equation (35):

$$\boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \nabla u = 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \left\{ (\overline{\partial} \psi_{-2r} + \partial u_{-(2r+2)}) e^{\mathrm{i}(2r+1)\theta} \right\} + 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{r-1} (\overline{\partial} \psi_{-2n} + \partial \psi_{-(2n+2)}) e^{\mathrm{i}(2n+1)\theta} \right\}$$
$$= \sum_{n=0}^{r} \left( f_{2n+1} e^{-\mathrm{i}(2n+1)\theta} + f_{-(2n+1)} e^{\mathrm{i}(2n+1)\theta} \right) = \langle \mathbf{f}, \boldsymbol{\theta}^{2r+1} \rangle,$$

where we use (66), (68), (77), and the second equality uses the definition of  $f_{2k+1}$ 's in (78).

 $\square$ 

#### 5. m-tensor - attenuated case

Let  $a \in C^{2,\mu}(\overline{\Omega}), \mu > 1/2$ , with  $\min_{\overline{\alpha}} a > 0$ . In this case, the transport equation (19a) becomes

(80) 
$$\boldsymbol{\theta} \cdot \nabla u + au = \begin{cases} f_0 + \sum_{k=1}^{\frac{m}{2}} f_{-2k} e^{i(2k)\theta} + f_{2k} e^{-i(2k)\theta}, & \text{(if } m \text{ is even}), \\ \sum_{k=0}^{\frac{m-1}{2}} f_{-(2k+1)} e^{i(2k+1)\theta} + f_{2k+1} e^{-i(2k+1)\theta}, & \text{(if } m \text{ is odd}), \end{cases}$$

where  $f'_n s$  are defined as in (13) and (14), and  $f_n = \overline{f_{-n}}$ , for  $0 \le n \le m$ .

If  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} u_n(z)e^{in\theta}$  is the Fourier series expansion in the angular variable  $\theta$  of a solution u of (80), then by identifying the Fourier coefficients of the same order, (80) reduces to the system for even order m-tensor:

(81) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-(2n-1)}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+1)}(z) + au_{-2n}(z) = f_{2n}(z), \qquad 0 \le n \le \frac{m}{2}, \ m \text{ even},$$
  
(82) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-2n}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+2)}(z) + au_{-2n-1}(z) = 0, \qquad 0 \le n \le \frac{m}{2} - 1,$$
  
(83) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-n}(z) + \partial u_{-(n+2)}(z) + au_{-(n+1)}(z) = 0, \qquad n \ge m,$$

and for odd order *m*-tensor we have:

$$(84) \qquad \overline{\partial}u_{-(2n-1)}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+1)}(z) + au_{-2n}(z) = 0, \qquad 0 \le n \le \frac{m-1}{2}, \ m \text{ odd},$$

$$(85) \qquad \overline{\partial}u_{-2n}(z) + \partial u_{-(2n+2)}(z) + au_{-(2n+1)}(z) = f_{2n+1}(z), \qquad 0 \le n \le \frac{m-1}{2},$$

$$(86) \qquad \overline{\partial}u_{-n}(z) + \partial u_{-(n+2)}(z) + au_{-(n+1)}(z) = 0, \qquad n \ge m.$$

Given the data g for attenuated X-ray transform for even or odd order tensor field, we expand the data g in terms of its Fourier modes in the angular variables:  $g(\zeta, \theta) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} g_n(\zeta)e^{in\theta}$ , for  $\zeta \in \Gamma$ . Since the data g is also real valued, its Fourier modes will satisfy  $g_{-n} = \overline{g_n}$ , for  $n \ge 0$ . From the negative modes, we built the sequence  $\mathbf{g} := \langle g_0, g_{-1}, g_{-2}, ... \rangle$ . From the special function h defined in (32) and the data g, we built the sequence

(87) 
$$\mathbf{g}_h := e^{-G} \mathbf{g} := \langle \gamma_0, \gamma_{-1}, \gamma_{-2}, ... \rangle_{\mathfrak{f}}$$

where  $e^{-G}$  as defined in (34).

(88)

Next we characterize the attenuated X-ray data g in terms of its Fourier modes  $g_0, g_{-1}, \dots, g_{-(m-1)}$ , and the Fourier modes

$$L^{m}\mathbf{g}_{h} := L^{m}e^{-G}\mathbf{g} := \langle \gamma_{-m}, \gamma_{-(m+1)}, \gamma_{-(m+2)}, \dots \rangle.$$

Similar to the non-attenuated case as before, we construct simultaneously the right hand side of the transport equation (80) together with the solution u via its Fourier modes. In both cases, apart from modes  $u_0, u_{-1}, u_{-2}, \cdots u_{-(m-1)}$ , all Fourier modes are constructed uniquely from the data  $L^m \mathbf{g}_h$ . For even  $m \ge 2$ , the modes  $u_0, u_{-2}, u_{-4}, \cdots u_{-(m-2)}$  will be chosen arbitrarily from the class  $\Psi_{a,g}^{\text{even}}$  of cardinality  $\frac{m}{2}$  with prescribed boundary value and gradient on  $\Gamma$  defined as

$$\begin{split} \Psi_{a,g}^{\text{even}} &:= \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} \psi_0, \psi_{-2}, \cdots, \psi_{-(m-2)} \end{pmatrix} \in C^2(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{R}) \times \left( C^2(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{C}) \right) \right\}^{\frac{m}{2}-1} : \\ \psi_{-2j} \Big|_{\Gamma} &= g_{-2j}, \qquad 0 \le j \le \frac{m}{2} - 1, \ m \ge 2, \\ \overline{\partial} \psi_{-(m-2)} \Big|_{\Gamma} &= -\partial (e^G \mathcal{B} e^{-G} \mathbf{g})_{-m} \Big|_{\Gamma} - a \Big|_{\Gamma} g_{-(m-1)}, \quad m \ge 2, \\ \overline{\partial} \psi_{-2j} \Big|_{\Gamma} &= -\partial \psi_{-(2j+2)} \Big|_{\Gamma} - a \Big|_{\Gamma} g_{-(2j+1)}, \quad 0 \le j \le \frac{m}{2} - 2, \ m \ge 4 \right\}, \end{split}$$

and for odd  $m \ge 1$ , the modes  $u_{-1}, u_{-3}, \cdots, u_{-(m-2)}$  will be chosen arbitrarily from the class  $\Psi_{a,g}^{\text{odd}}$  of cardinality  $\frac{m-1}{2}$  with prescribed boundary value and gradient on  $\Gamma$  defined as

$$\Psi_{a,g}^{\text{odd}} := \left\{ \left( \psi_{-1}, \psi_{-3}, \cdots, \psi_{-(m-2)} \right) \in \left( C^{2}(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{C}) \right)^{\frac{m-1}{2}} : \\ \psi_{-(2j-1)} \Big|_{\Gamma} = g_{-(2j-1)}, \qquad 1 \le j \le \frac{m-1}{2}, \ m \ge 3, \\ \overline{\partial} \psi_{-(m-2)} \Big|_{\Gamma} = -\partial (e^{G} \mathcal{B} e^{-G} \mathbf{g})_{-m} \Big|_{\Gamma} - a \Big|_{\Gamma} g_{-(m-1)}, \qquad m \ge 3, \\ \overline{\partial} \psi_{-(2j-1)} \Big|_{\Gamma} = -\partial \psi_{-(2j+1)} \Big|_{\Gamma} - a \Big|_{\Gamma} g_{-2j}, \qquad 1 \le j \le \frac{m-3}{2}, \qquad m \ge 5, \\ 2 \left( \mathbb{R} e \, \partial \psi_{-1} \Big|_{\Gamma} \right) = -a \Big|_{\Gamma} g_{0} \right\},$$

where  $\mathcal{B}$  be the Bukhgeim-Cauchy operator in (25), and the operators  $e^{\pm G}$  as defined in (34). **Theorem 5.1** (Range characterization). Let  $a \in C^{2,\mu}(\overline{\Omega})$ ,  $\mu > 1/2$  with  $\min_{\overline{\Omega}} a > 0$ , and  $\mathbb{Z} \ni m \ge 0$ . (i) Let  $\mathbf{f} \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m;\Omega)$  be a real-valued m-order symmetric tensor field, and

 $g = X_a \mathbf{f}$  on  $\Gamma_+$  and g = 0 on  $\Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0$ .

Then 
$$\mathbf{g}_h \in l^{1,1}_{\infty}(\Gamma) \cap C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_1)$$
 satisfy  
(90)  $[I + \mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]L^m \mathbf{g}_h = \mathbf{0},$ 

where  $\mathbf{g}_h$  is sequence in (87) and  $\mathcal{H}$  is the Bukhgeim-Hilbert operator in (27). Additionally, in m = 1 case, for each  $\zeta \in \Gamma$ , the zero-th Fourier mode  $g_0$  of g satisfy

(91) 
$$g_0(\zeta) = \lim_{\Omega \ni z \to \zeta \in \Gamma} \frac{-2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \partial(e^G \mathcal{B} \mathbf{g}_h)_{-1}(z)}{a(z)}, \quad for \quad m = 1,$$

where  $\mathcal{B}$  be the Bukhgeim-Cauchy operator in (25), and the operators  $e^{\pm G}$  as defined in (34).

(ii) Let  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$  be real valued with  $g|_{\Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0} = 0$ . For m = 0, if the corresponding sequences  $\mathbf{g}_h \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$  satisfies (90), then there is a unique real valued symmetric 0-tensor  $\mathbf{f}$  such that  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X_a \mathbf{f}$ . Moreover, for m = 1, if the corresponding sequences  $\mathbf{g}_h \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$  satisfies (90), and  $g_0$  satisfies (91), then there exists a unique real valued vector field (1-tensor)  $\mathbf{f} \in C(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$  such that  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X_a \mathbf{f}$ . Furthermore, for  $m \ge 2$ , if  $\mathbf{g}_h \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$  satisfies (90), and for each element  $(\psi_0, \psi_{-2}, \cdots, \psi_{-(m-2)}) \in \Psi_{a,g}^{\text{even}}$  for even m-tensor, and  $(\psi_{-1}, \psi_{-3}, \cdots, \psi_{-(m-2)}) \in \Psi_{a,g}^{\text{odd}}$  for m-odd tensor, then there is a unique real valued symmetric m-tensor  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi} \in C(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$  such that  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X_a \mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$ .

*Proof.* (i) Necessity: Let  $\mathbf{f} = (f_{i_1 \cdots i_m}) \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ . Since all components  $f_{i_1 \cdots i_m} \in C_0^{1,\mu}(\Omega)$  are compactly supported inside  $\Omega$ , then for any point at the boundary there is a cone of lines which do not meet the support. Thus  $g \equiv 0$  in the neighborhood of the variety  $\Gamma_0$  which yields  $g \in C^{1,\mu}(\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ . Moreover, g is the boundary value on  $\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1$  of a solution  $u \in C^{1,\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$  of the transport equation (80). By Proposition 3.1(i) and Proposition 3.2,  $\mathbf{g}_h = e^{-G}\mathbf{g} \in l_{\infty}^{1,1}(\Gamma) \cap C^{\mu}(\Gamma; l_1)$ .

If u solves (80) then its Fourier modes satisfies (81) - (83) for even m-tensors, and (85)- (86) for odd m-tensors.

In either of the even *m*-tensor case or the odd *m*-tensor case, (from (83) or (86)), the sequence  $L^m \mathbf{u} := \langle u_{-m}, u_{-m-1}, u_{-m-2}, \cdots \rangle$  satisfies

$$\overline{\partial}L^m \mathbf{u} + L^2 \partial L^m \mathbf{u} + aL^{m+1} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}.$$

Let  $\mathbf{v} := e^{-G}L^m \mathbf{u}$ , then by Lemma 3.1, and the fact that the operators  $e^{\pm G}$  commute with the left translation,  $[e^{\pm G}, L] = \mathbf{0}$ , the sequence  $\mathbf{v} = L^m e^{-G} \mathbf{u}$  solves  $\overline{\partial} \mathbf{v} + L^2 \partial \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{0}$ , i.e  $\mathbf{v}$  is  $L^2$  analytic, with boundary value  $L^m \mathbf{g}_h$ . The necessity part in Theorem 3.1 yields (90).

Additionally, in the m = 1 case, the Fourier modes  $u_0, u_{-1}, u_1$  of u solve (84) for n = 0. Since a > 0 in  $\Omega$ , we have

(92) 
$$u_0(z) = \frac{-2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \partial u_{-1}(z)}{a(z)}, \quad z \in \Omega.$$

Since the left hand side of (92) is continuous all the way to the boundary, so is the right hand side. Moreover, the limit below exists and in the m = 1 case, we have

$$g_0(z_0) = \lim_{\Omega \ni z \to z_0 \in \Gamma} u_0(z) = \lim_{\Omega \ni z \to z_0 \in \Gamma} \frac{-2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \partial u_{-1}(z)}{a(z)},$$

thus (91) holds. This proves part (i) of the theorem.

(ii) **Sufficiency:** Let  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$  be real valued with  $g|_{\Gamma_- \cup \Gamma_0} = 0$ . Let the corresponding sequence  $\mathbf{g}_h$  as in (87) satisfying (90). By Proposition 3.1(ii) and Proposition 3.2(iii), we have  $\mathbf{g}_h \in Y_{\mu}(\Gamma)$ .

To prove the sufficiency we will construct a real valued symmetric *m*-tensor **f** in  $\Omega$  and a real valued function  $u \in C^1(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$  such that  $u|_{\Gamma \times \mathbb{S}^1} = g$  and *u* solves (80) in  $\Omega$ . The construction of such *u* is in terms of its Fourier modes in the angular variable and it is done in several steps. We first construct modes  $u_{-n}$  for  $|n| \ge m$  from data  $\mathbf{g}_h$  in either of the *m*-even case or the *m*-odd case.

**Step 1: The construction of modes**  $u_{-n}$  **for**  $|n| \ge m$ .

Use the Bukhgeim-Cauchy Integral formula (25) to define the  $L^2$ -analytic maps

$$\mathbf{v}(z) = \langle v_0(z), v_{-1}(z), v_{-2}(z), \ldots \rangle := \mathcal{B}L^m \mathbf{g}_h(z), \quad z \in \Omega.$$

By Theorem 3.1 (ii),

(93) 
$$\mathbf{v} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_1) \cap C^2(\Omega; l_\infty).$$

Moreover, since  $g_h$  satisfy the hypothesis (90), by Theorem 3.1 sufficiency part, we have

(94) 
$$\mathbf{v}|_{\Gamma} = L^m \mathbf{g}_h = L^m e^{-G} \mathbf{g}_h$$

Define the sequence valued map

(95) 
$$\Omega \ni z \mapsto L^m \mathbf{u}(z) = \langle u_{-m}(z), u_{-m-1}(z), \cdots \rangle := e^G \mathbf{v}(z),$$

where the operator  $e^{G}$  as defined in (34). Since convolution preserves  $l_{1}$ , by Proposition 3.2,  $L^{m}\mathbf{u} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_{1}) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_{1})$ . Moreover, since  $\mathbf{v} \in C^{2}(\Omega; l_{\infty})$  as in (93), we also conclude from convolution that  $L^{m}\mathbf{u} \in C^{2}(\Omega; l_{\infty})$ . Thus,

(96) 
$$L^{m}\mathbf{u} \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega; l_{1}) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega}; l_{1}) \cap C^{2}(\Omega; l_{\infty}).$$

As v is  $L^2$  analytic, by Lemma 3.1,  $L^m$ u satisfies  $\overline{\partial}L^m$ u +  $L^2\partial L^m$ u +  $aL^{m+1}$ u = 0, which in component form:

(97) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-n} + \partial u_{-n-2} + au_{-n-1} = 0, \quad n \ge m$$

Moreover, the restriction to the boundary satisfy

(98) 
$$L^{m}\mathbf{u}|_{\Gamma} = e^{G}\mathbf{v}|_{\Gamma} = e^{G}L^{m}e^{-G}\mathbf{g} = L^{m}\mathbf{g},$$

where the second equality follows from (94) and in the last equality we use the fact that the operators  $e^{\pm G}$  commute with the left translation,  $[e^{\pm G}, L] = \mathbf{0}$ .

Construct the positive Fourier modes by conjugation:  $u_n := \overline{u_{-n}}$ , for all  $n \ge m$ . Moreover using (98), the boundary value  $u_n|_{\Gamma}$  for each  $n \ge m$ , satisfy

(99) 
$$u_n|_{\Gamma} = \overline{u_{-n}}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{g_{-n}} = g_n, \quad n \ge m.$$

By conjugating (97) we note that the positive Fourier modes also satisfy

(100) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{n+2} + \partial u_n + au_{n+1} = 0, \quad n \ge m$$

# **Step 2: The construction of the** 0-**tensor field f**.

In the case of the 0-tensor, all the modes in (95) is constructed from the data. Using the modes  $u_0, u_{-1} \in C^2(\Omega)$  from (95), the real valued 0-tensor  $\mathbf{f} = f_0 \in C(\Omega; \mathbb{R})$  is uniquely determined by (101)  $\mathbf{f} := 2 \mathbb{R}e \partial u_{-1} + au_0.$ 

#### **Step 3:** The construction of the 1-tensor field f.

In the 1-tensor case, all the modes except  $u_0$  are constructed in (95). Using (84) for n = 0, and a > 0 in  $\Omega$ , we can define  $u_0$  via the mode  $u_{-1}$  from (95) by

(102) 
$$u_0(z) := -\frac{2\operatorname{\mathbb{R}e}\partial u_{-1}(z)}{a(z)}, \quad z \in \Omega.$$

From (91),  $u_0$  defined above extends continuously to the boundary  $\Gamma$  and  $u_0|_{\Gamma} = g_0$ . Moreover, since  $u_{-1} \in C^2(\Omega)$  from (96) and  $a \in C^2(\Omega)$  we get  $u_0 \in C^1(\Omega)$ .

Using modes  $u_{-1}, u_{-2}$  from (95) and  $u_0$  from (102), the real valued 1-tensor (vector field)  $\mathbf{f} \in C(\Omega; \mathbb{R}^2)$  is uniquely determined by

(103) 
$$\mathbf{f} = \langle 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} f_1, 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{I}m} f_1 \rangle, \quad \text{where} \quad f_1 := \overline{\partial} u_0 + \partial u_{-2} + a u_{-1}.$$

**Remark 5.1.** In the attenuated case, both the 0-tensor and the 1-tensor are uniquely recovered, and there is no class.

For *m*-tensor with  $m \ge 2$ , we next consider separately the *m*-even and *m*-odd cases. Using the first step, where modes  $u_{-n}$  for  $|n| \ge m$  are already constructed from the data  $g_h$  in either of the *m*-even case or the *m*-odd case, we construct the remaining modes  $u_n$  for  $|n| \le m - 1$  separately first in the *m*-even case  $(m = 2q, q \ge 1)$  and then in the *m*-odd case  $(m = 2r + 1, r \ge 1)$ .

Step 4: In the *m* even case, the construction of modes  $u_n$  for  $|n| \le m - 1$ .

Given 
$$(\psi_0, \psi_{-2}, \cdots, \psi_{-2(q-1)}) \in \Psi_{a,g}^{\text{even}}$$
 arbitrary, define the modes  $u_0, u_{\pm 2}, \dots, u_{\pm (2(q-1))}$  in  $\Omega$  by

(104) 
$$u_{-2j} := \psi_{-2j}, \text{ and } u_{2j} := \overline{\psi_{-2j}}, \quad 0 \le j \le q-1, \ q \ge 1.$$

Using the mode  $u_{-2q}$  from (95) and  $\psi_{-2(q-1)}$ , define the modes  $u_{\pm(2q-1)}$  by

(105) 
$$u_{-(2q-1)} := -\frac{\partial \psi_{-2(q-1)} + \partial u_{-2q}}{a}$$
, and  $u_{2q-1} := \overline{u}_{-(2q-1)}$ , for all  $q \ge 1$ .

As  $\psi_0 \in C^2(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{R})$  and  $\psi_{-(2j+2)} \in C^2(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{C})$ , for  $0 \leq j \leq q-2, q \geq 2$ , define modes

$$u_{-(2j+1)} := -\frac{\partial \psi_{-2j} + \partial \psi_{-(2j+2)}}{a}, \text{ and } u_{2j+1} := \overline{u}_{-(2j+1)}, \text{ for all } 0 \le j \le q-2, q \ge 2.$$

By the construction in the above equations, we have

(106) 
$$\begin{aligned} u_{-2j} \in C^2(\Omega; l_{\infty}), & \text{for} \quad 0 \le j \le q-1, \ q \ge 1, \\ u_{-(2j+1)} \in C^1(\Omega; l_{\infty}), & \text{for} \quad 0 \le j \le q-1, \ q \ge 1, \\ \overline{\partial}u_{-2j} + \partial u_{-(2j+2)} + au_{-(2j+1)} = 0, & \text{for} \quad 0 \le j \le q-1, \ q \ge 1, \end{aligned}$$

are satisfied. Moreover, by conjugating the last equation in (106) yields

(107) 
$$\partial u_{2j} + \overline{\partial} u_{(2j+2)} + a u_{(2j+1)} = 0, \text{ for } 0 \le j \le q-1, q \ge 1.$$

By the definition of the class (88), and reality of g, we have

(108) 
$$u_{-2j}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-2j}$$
, and  $u_{2j}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{g_{-2j}} = g_{2j}$ ,  $0 \le j \le q-1, q \ge 1$ .

We check next that the boundary value of  $u_{-(2j+1)}$  is  $g_{-(2j+1)}$  for  $0 \le j \le q-2, q \ge 2$ :

(109) 
$$u_{-(2j+1)}\Big|_{\Gamma} = -\frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-2j} + \partial\psi_{-(2j+2)}}{a}\Big|_{\Gamma} = g_{-(2j+1)}$$

where the last equality uses the condition in class (88). Similar calculation to (109) for mode  $u_{-(2q-1)}$  yields  $u_{-(2q-1)}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-(2q-1)}$ . Thus, from the above equations, we have

(110) 
$$u_n\big|_{\Gamma} = g_n, \quad \forall \ |n| \le m-1$$

# **Step 5:** The construction of even *m*-tensor $f_{\Psi}$ whose attenuated *X*-ray data is *g*.

We define first  $f_{2q}$  by using  $\psi_{-(m-2)}$  from the non-uniqueness class, and modes  $u_{-m}, u_{-m-1} \in C^2(\Omega; l_{\infty})$  from (95). Then, next define  $f_{2q-2}$  by using  $\psi_{-2(q-1)}, \psi_{-2(q-2)}$  from the non-uniqueness class  $\Psi_{a,g}^{\text{even}}$ , and Fourier mode  $u_{-2q}$  from (95). Then, define  $\{f_{2n}: 0 \le n \le q-2\}$  solely from the information in the non-uniqueness class. Finally, define  $\{f_{-2n}: 1 \le n \le q\}$  by conjugation. (111)

$$\begin{split} f_{2q} &:= -\overline{\partial} \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-2(q-1)} + \partial u_{-2q}}{a} \right) + \partial u_{-(2q+1)} + au_{-2q}, \quad q \ge 1, \\ f_{2q-2} &:= -\overline{\partial} \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-2(q-2)} + \partial\psi_{-2(q-1)}}{a} \right) - \partial \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-2(q-1)} + \partial u_{-2q}}{a} \right) + a\psi_{-2(q-1)}, \quad q \ge 2, \\ f_{2n} &:= -\overline{\partial} \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-2(n-1)} + \partial\psi_{-2n}}{a} \right) - \partial \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-2n} + \partial\psi_{-2(n+1)}}{a} \right) + a\psi_{-2n}, \quad 1 \le n \le q-2, \quad q \ge 3, \\ f_0 &:= \begin{cases} -2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \partial \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_0 + \partial u_{-2}}{a} \right) + a\psi_0, \quad q = 1, \\ -2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \partial \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_0 + \partial\psi_{-2}}{a} \right) + a\psi_0, \quad q \ge 2, \end{cases} \\ f_{-2n} &:= \overline{f_{2n}}, \quad 1 \le n \le q, \ q \ge 1, \end{split}$$

By construction,  $f_{2n} \in C(\Omega)$ , for  $0 \le n \le q$ ,  $q \ge 1$ , as  $\psi_{-2n} \in C^2(\Omega; l_\infty)$ , for  $0 \le n \le q - 1$ , from (88). Note that  $f_{2n}$  satisfy (81). We use these Fourier modes  $\langle f_0, f_{\pm 2}, \cdots, f_{\pm m} \rangle$  and equations (13), (7) and (9) to construct  $\langle \tilde{f}_0, \tilde{f}_1, \cdots, \tilde{f}_m \rangle$ , and thus even *m*-tensor field  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi} \in C(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ .

In order to show  $g|_{\Gamma_+} = X_a \mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$  with  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi}$  being constructed from pseudovectors via Fourier modes as in (111) from class  $\Psi_{a,g}^{\text{even}}$ , we define the real valued function u via its Fourier modes (112)

$$\begin{aligned} u(z,\boldsymbol{\theta}) &:= \sum_{|n| \ge 2q} u_n(z) e^{\mathrm{i}n\theta} + 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \left( -\frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-2(q-1)} + \partial u_{-2q}}{a} \right) e^{-\mathrm{i}(2q-1)\theta} \\ &+ 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{q-1} \psi_{-2n}(z) e^{-\mathrm{i}(2n)\theta} \right\} + 2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \left\{ \sum_{n=0}^{q-2} \left( -\frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-2j} + \partial\psi_{-(2j+2)}}{a} \right) e^{-\mathrm{i}(2n+1)\theta} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

and check that it has the boundary value g on  $\Gamma$  and satisfies the transport equation (80).

Since  $g \in C^{\mu}(\Gamma; C^{1,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1)) \cap C(\Gamma; C^{2,\mu}(\mathbb{S}^1))$ , we use Proposition 3.1 (ii) and (iii), to conclude that u defined in (112) belongs to  $C^{1,\mu}(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ . In particular  $u(\cdot, \theta)$  for  $\theta = (\cos \theta, \sin \theta)$  extends to the boundary and it satisfies

$$u(\cdot,\boldsymbol{\theta})|_{\Gamma} = \sum_{|n|\geq 2q} u_n \big|_{\Gamma} e^{in\theta} + \sum_{|n|\leq 2q-1} u_n \big|_{\Gamma} e^{in\theta} = \sum_{|n|\geq 2q} g_n e^{in\theta} + \sum_{|n|\leq 2q-1} g_n e^{in\theta} = g(\cdot,\boldsymbol{\theta}),$$

where in the second equality above we use (94), (99) and (110).

Since  $u \in C^{1,\mu}(\Omega \times \mathbb{S}^1) \cap C^{\mu}(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{S}^1)$ , then using (97), (100), (105), (106), (107), and the definition of  $f_{2n}$  for  $-q \leq n \leq q$ ,  $q \geq 1$  in (111), the real valued u defined in (112) satisfies the transport equation (80) in the *m*-even case.

We consider next the *m*-odd tensor case of order m = 2r + 1,  $r \ge 1$ , Using the first step, where modes  $u_{-n}$  for  $|n| \ge m$  are already constructed from the data  $g_h$ , we construct the remaining modes  $u_n$  for  $|n| \le m - 1$  in the *m*-odd case.

**Step 6:** In the *m* odd case, the construction of modes  $u_n$  for  $|n| \le m - 1$ .

Given  $(\psi_{-1}, \psi_{-3}, \cdots, \psi_{-(m-2)}) \in \Psi_{a,g}^{\text{odd}}$  arbitrary, firstly define the odd modes

(113) 
$$u_{-(2n-1)} := \psi_{-(2n-1)}, \text{ and } u_{2n-1} := \psi_{-(2n-1)}, 1 \le n \le r, r \ge 1$$

Secondly, by using  $\psi_{-1}, \psi_{-(m-2)}$  and the mode  $u_{-m}$  from (95), we define the modes

(114) 
$$u_0 := -\frac{2 \operatorname{\mathbb{R}e} \partial \psi_{-1}}{a}, \quad u_{-2r} := -\frac{\partial \psi_{-(2r-1)} + \partial u_{-(2r+1)}}{a}, \text{ and } \quad u_{2r} := \overline{u_{-2r}} \quad \text{for } r \ge 1.$$

Lastly, by using  $\psi_{-(2n-1)} \in C^2(\overline{\Omega}; \mathbb{C})$ , for  $1 \leq n \leq r-1$ ,  $r \geq 2$ , we define the even modes  $u_{-2n} := -\frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-(2n-1)} + \partial\psi_{-(2n+1)}}{a}$ , and  $u_{2n} := \overline{u_{-2n}}$ , for  $1 \leq n \leq r-1$ ,  $r \geq 2$ . By the construction in the above equations, we have

(115) 
$$u_{-(2n-1)} \in C^{2}(\Omega; l_{\infty}), \text{ for } 1 \leq n \leq r, r \geq 1,$$
$$u_{-2n} \in C^{1}(\Omega; l_{\infty}), \text{ for } 0 \leq n \leq r, r \geq 1, \text{ and}$$
$$\overline{\partial} u_{-(2n-1)} + \partial u_{-(2n+1)} + au_{-2n} = 0, \text{ for } 0 \leq n \leq r, r \geq 1,$$

is satisfied. Moreover, by conjugating the last equation in (115), we have the Fourier modes satisfy

(116) 
$$\overline{\partial}u_{-(2n-1)} + \partial u_{-(2n+1)} + au_{-2n} = 0, \text{ for } |n| \le r, r \ge 1$$

By the class (89), and reality of g, we have the boundary value of  $u_{-(2n-1)}$  in (113) satisfy (117)  $u_{-(2n-1)}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-(2n-1)}$ , and  $u_{2n-1}|_{\Gamma} = \overline{g}_{-(2n-1)} = g_{2n-1}$ ,  $1 \le n \le r$ ,  $r \ge 1$ .

We check next that the boundary value of  $u_{-2n}$  is  $g_{-2n}$  for  $1 \le n \le r-1, r \ge 2$ :

(118) 
$$u_{-2n}\Big|_{\Gamma} = -\frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-(2n-1)} + \partial\psi_{-(2n+1)}}{a}\Big|_{\Gamma} = g_{-2n},$$

where the last equality uses the condition in class (89). Similar calculation to (118) for modes  $u_0$  and  $u_{-2r}$  in (114), yields  $u_0|_{\Gamma} = g_0$ , and  $u_{-2r}|_{\Gamma} = g_{-2r}$ , for  $r \ge 1$ . Thus, we have

(119) 
$$u_n\big|_{\Gamma} = g_n, \quad \forall |n| \le m - 1.$$

# **Step 7:** The construction of odd *m*-tensor $f_{\Psi}$ whose attenuated *X*-ray data is *g*.

We first define  $f_{2r+1}$  by using  $\psi_{-(2r-1)}$  from the non-uniqueness class, and the Fourier modes  $u_{-m}, u_{-(m+1)}$  in (95). Next, define  $f_{2r-1}$  by using  $\psi_{-(m-2)}, \psi_{-(m-4)}$  from the non-uniqueness class, and Fourier mode  $u_{-m}$  in (95). Then, define  $\{f_{2n+1}: 0 \le n \le r-2\}$  solely from the information in the non-uniqueness class. Finally, define  $\{f_{-(2n+1)}: 0 \le n \le r\}$  by conjugation. (120)

$$\begin{split} f_{2r+1} &:= -\overline{\partial} \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-(2r-1)} + \partial u_{-(2r+1)}}{a} \right) + \partial u_{-(2r+2)} + a u_{-(2r+1)}, \quad r \ge 1, \\ f_{2r-1} &:= -\overline{\partial} \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-(2r-3)} + \partial \psi_{-(2r-1)}}{a} \right) - \partial \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-(2r-1)} + \partial u_{-(2r+1)}}{a} \right) + a \psi_{-(2r-1)}, \quad r \ge 2, \\ f_{2n+1} &:= -\overline{\partial} \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-(2n-1)} + \partial \psi_{-(2n+1)}}{a} \right) - \partial \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-(2n+1)} + \partial \psi_{-(2n+3)}}{a} \right) + a \psi_{-(2n+1)}, \quad 1 \le n \le r-2 \\ f_1 &:= \begin{cases} -2\overline{\partial} \left( \frac{\mathbb{R}e}{a} \frac{\partial \psi_{-1}}{a} \right) - \partial \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-1} + \partial u_{-3}}{a} \right) + a \psi_{-1}, \quad r = 1, \\ -2\overline{\partial} \left( \frac{\mathbb{R}e}{a} \frac{\partial \psi_{-1}}{a} \right) - \partial \left( \frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-1} + \partial \psi_{-3}}{a} \right) + a \psi_{-1}, \quad r \ge 2, \end{cases} \\ f_{-(2n+1)} &:= \overline{f_{2n+1}}, \quad 0 \le n \le r, \ r \ge 1. \end{split}$$

By construction,  $f_{2n+1} \in C(\Omega)$  for  $0 \leq n \leq r$ ,  $r \geq 1$ , as  $u_{-(2r+1)} \in C^2(\Omega; l_{\infty})$  from (96), and  $\psi_{-(2n-1)} \in C^2(\Omega; l_{\infty})$ , for  $1 \leq n \leq r-1$ ,  $r \geq 1$ , from (89). We use these m+1Fourier modes  $\langle f_{\pm 1}, f_{\pm 3}, \cdots, f_{\pm m} \rangle$ , and equations (14), (7) and (9) to construct the pseudovectors  $\langle \tilde{f}_0, \tilde{f}_1, \cdots, \tilde{f}_m \rangle$ , and thus the odd *m*-tensor field  $\mathbf{f}_{\Psi} \in C(\mathbf{S}^m; \Omega)$ .

Define the real valued function u via its Fourier modes

(121)  
$$u(z,\boldsymbol{\theta}) := \sum_{|n| \ge 2r+1} u_n(z)e^{in\theta} + 2\operatorname{\mathbb{R}e}\left\{\sum_{n=1}^r \psi_{-(2n-1)}(z)e^{-i(2n-1)\theta}\right\} + \frac{-2\operatorname{\mathbb{R}e}\partial\psi_{-1}(z)}{a} + 2\operatorname{\mathbb{R}e}\left(-\frac{\overline{\partial}\psi_{-(2r-1)}(z) + \partial u_{-(2r+1)}(z)}{a}\right)e^{-i(2r)\theta} + 2\operatorname{\mathbb{R}e}\left\{\sum_{n=1}^{r-1} u_{-2n}e^{-i(2n\theta)}\right\}.$$

Using (116) and (119), and definition of  $(\psi_{-1}, \psi_{-3}, \cdots, \psi_{-(2r-1)}) \in \Psi_{a,g}^{\text{odd}}$  for  $r \ge 1$ , then  $u(\cdot, \theta)$  in (121) extends to the boundary, and its boundary value satisfy  $u(\cdot, \theta)|_{\Gamma} = g(\cdot, \theta)$ .

Moreover, by using (115), (116) and the definition of  $f_{2n-1}$  for  $|n| \le r$ ,  $r \ge 1$  in (120), the real valued u defined in (121) satisfies the transport equation (80) in the *m*-odd case.

## 6. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, we characterize the X-ray data g in both the non-attenuated case (Theorem 4.1 and Theorem 4.2) and the attenuated case (Theorem 5.1) for arbitrary m-tensor in terms of its Fourier modes  $\mathbf{g} = \langle g_0, g_{-1}, g_{-2}, \ldots \rangle$  in the spatial variable and the Bukhgeim-Hilbert transform (27). In the necessity, while the non-attenuated case separates the even modes  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{even}} = \langle g_0, g_{-2}, \ldots \rangle$  and the odd modes  $\mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} = \langle g_{-1}, g_{-3}, \ldots \rangle$  (see Table 1), the attenuated case mixes all the even and odd Fourier modes:  $\mathbf{g}_h = e^{-G}\mathbf{g}$  (see (90) and Table 2). In the sufficiency part, in both cases we showed that reconstruction of the m-tensor field for  $m \ge 2$  is possible upto a non-uniqueness class of functions that extends continuously to the boundary with prescribed boundary values. Moreover, the 1-tensor is uniquely recovered in the attenuated case, and in the non-attenuated case, the 1-tensor is recovered up to an arbitrary function (see Remark 4.2). Furthermore, the 0-tensor field is uniquely recovered (see also Remark 4.1 and Remark 5.1) in both cases.

TABLE 1.	Range (	Characterization	in the	non-attenuated	case
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Data $\mathbf{g} = \langle g_0, g_{-1}, g_{-2}, g_{-3}, \dots \rangle$	Theorem 4.1, <i>m</i> -even	Theorem 4.2, <i>m</i> -odd
$\mathbf{g}^{\mathrm{even}} = \langle g_0, g_{-2}, g_{-4}, \dots \rangle$	$[I + \mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{g}^{\mathrm{even}} = 0$	$[I + \mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]L^{\frac{m+1}{2}}\mathbf{g}^{\mathrm{even}} = 0$
$\mathbf{g}^{\text{odd}} = \langle g_{-1}, g_{-3}, g_{-5}, \dots \rangle$	$[I + \mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]L^{\frac{m}{2}}\mathbf{g}^{\mathrm{odd}} = 0$	
$\mathbf{g}^{2k-1} = \langle g_{2k-1}, \dots, g_{-1}, g_{-3}, \dots \rangle, k \ge 1$		$[I + \mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{g}^{2k-1} = 0$

 TABLE 2. Range Characterization in the attenuated case

Data $\mathbf{g} = \langle g_0, g_{-1}, g_{-2}, g_{-3}, \dots \rangle$	Theorem 5.1, <i>m</i> -tensor
$\mathbf{g}_{h} = e^{-G}\mathbf{g} = \langle \gamma_{0}, \gamma_{-1}, \gamma_{-2}, \rangle$	$[I+\mathrm{i}\mathcal{H}]L^m\mathbf{g}_h=0$

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