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Bethlehem, PA 18018. *Inverse spectral problem for the fourth order differential operator.*

We are concerned with the inverse spectral problem for the fourth order differential operator  $y^{(4)} + (p(x)y')' + q(x)y$  with analytic coefficients. Given the set of eigenvalues we shall recover the analytic coefficients  $p$  and  $q$ . The algorithm unwraps the familiar power series solution into a system of nonlinear equations. A sequence of linear systems is used to obtain an explicit expression of the coefficients of the power series of  $p$  and  $q$ . (Received September 27, 2000)