

# Convergence of pseudospectra, constant resolvent norm and Schrödinger operators with complex potentials

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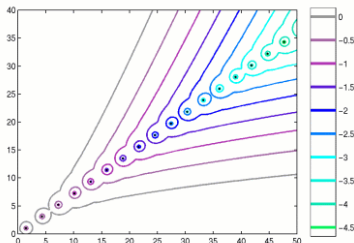
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# Motivation - domain truncation for rotated (Davies) oscillator

Rotated oscillator<sup>1</sup>:  $A = -\partial_x^2 + ix^2$  in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$

- spectrum:  $\sigma(A) = \{e^{i\pi/4}(2k+1) : k = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$



Domain truncation<sup>2</sup>

$$A_n = -\partial_x^2 + ix^2 \text{ in } L^2((-n, n)) + \text{Dirichlet BC at } \pm n$$

- does  $\sigma(A_n) \rightarrow \sigma(A)$  or  $\sigma_\varepsilon(A_n) \rightarrow \sigma_\varepsilon(A)$ ?

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<sup>1</sup>L. Boulton. *J. Operator Theory* 47 (2002), pp. 413–429; E. B. Davies. *R. Soc. Lond. Proc. Ser. A Math. Phys. Eng. Sci.* 455 (1999), pp. 585–599; P. Exner. *J. Math. Phys.* 24 (1983), pp. 1129–1135; K. Pravda-Starov. *J. London Math. Soc.* 73 (2006), pp. 745–761.

<sup>2</sup>K. Beauchard et al. *ESAIM Control Optim. Calc. Var.* 21 (2015), pp. 487–512.

Definition of pseudospectra<sup>3</sup>

Let  $A$  be a closed operator in a Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$  and let  $\varepsilon > 0$ . The  $\varepsilon$ -pseudospectrum of  $A$  is the set

$$\sigma_\varepsilon(A) := \sigma(A) \cup \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \|(A - z)^{-1}\| > \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right\}.$$

## Brief history

- the notion (various names and approaches) introduced by several authors
  - 1972 Arnold, 1957 Vishik & Lyusternik: quasimodes in mathematical physics
  - 1967 Ph.D. thesis of Varah:  $r$ -approximate eigenvalues in “computer science”
  - 1975 H. Landau:  $\varepsilon$ -approximate eigenvalues
  - 1986 Wilkinson: spectral instability
  - 60-80’s Godunov et. al. (numerical analysis), 80’s Demmel, 80’s Chatelin, ...
  - 90’s Trefethen:  $\varepsilon$ -pseudospectrum
  - 1999 Davies: pseudospectra for differential operators, many generalizations

Why to study  $\sigma_\varepsilon(A)$ ?

- high contrast in properties of normal and non-normal operators
- conclusions (stability, decay rates,...) based solely on spectrum can be misleading

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<sup>3</sup>L. N. Trefethen and M. Embree. Spectra and Pseudospectra: The Behavior of Nonnormal Matrices and Operators. Princeton University Press, 2005.

## Pseudomodes

$z \in \sigma_\varepsilon(A) \iff z \in \sigma(A)$  or  $z$  is a pseudoeigenvalue, i.e. there is  $\psi \in \text{Dom}(A)$  such that

$$\|(A - z)\psi\| < \varepsilon \|\psi\|$$

## Spectral (in)stability

$$\sigma_\varepsilon(A) = \bigcup_{\|B\| < \varepsilon} \sigma(A + B)$$

## Some basic properties

- $\sigma_\varepsilon(A) \neq \emptyset$  for any  $\varepsilon > 0$
- any bounded component of  $\sigma_\varepsilon(A)$  contains some point of  $\sigma(A)$
- $\bigcap_{\varepsilon > 0} \sigma_\varepsilon(A) = \sigma(A)$

## Pseudospectrum of normal operators

- if  $AA^* = A^*A$  or  $A = A^*$

$$\sigma_\varepsilon(A) = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{dist}(z, \sigma(A)) < \varepsilon\}$$

since  $\|(A - z)^{-1}\| = \text{dist}(z, \sigma(A))^{-1}$

- otherwise **only**

$$\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{dist}(z, \sigma(A)) < \varepsilon\} \subset \sigma_\varepsilon(A)$$

## Pseudospectrum, similarity, basis properties

- if  $A$  is similar to a normal operator  $B$ ,  $A = \Omega^{-1}B\Omega$  with  $\Omega, \Omega^{-1} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{H})$ , then

$$\sigma_\varepsilon(A) \subset \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{dist}(z, \sigma(A)) < \kappa\varepsilon\}$$

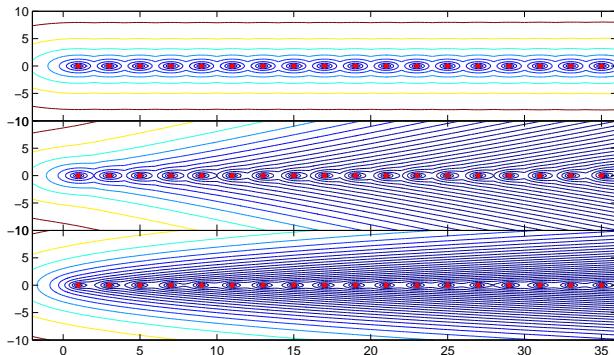
- for  $A$  with discrete spectrum:  
 $A$  is similar to a normal operator  $\Leftrightarrow$  eigenvectors of  $A$  form a Riesz basis

In general...

$\sigma_\varepsilon(H)$  may be MUCH LARGER than  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of  $\sigma(H)$

## Rotated and shifted oscillator

- $H_\theta = e^{-i\theta}(-\partial_x^2 + e^{2i\theta}x^2)$        $H_s = -\partial_x^2 + (x+i)^2$
- $\sigma(H_\theta) = \sigma(H_s) = \sigma(H_0) = \{2n+1, n \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$



- e.g. resolvent estimate<sup>4</sup> for  $A_3$ :

$$\|(H_s - z)^{-1}\| \geq \frac{1}{C} e^{\sqrt{\operatorname{Re} z}/C} \quad \text{for } z \text{ with } |\operatorname{Im} z| \leq 2(1-\varepsilon)\sqrt{\operatorname{Re} z}$$

<sup>4</sup>D. Krejčířík et al. *J. Math. Phys.* 56 (2015), p. 103513.

A restriction on the behavior pseudospectrum<sup>5</sup>

Let  $A$  be the generator of a one-parameter semigroup  $e^{tA}$  on  $\mathcal{X}$  with

$$\|e^{tA}\| \leq M e^{at} \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0.$$

Then  $\sigma(A) \subset \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Re} z \leq a\}$  and

$$\|(A - z)^{-1}\| \leq \frac{M}{\operatorname{Re} z - a} \quad \text{for all } z \text{ with } \operatorname{Re} z > a.$$

Long time behavior (Gearhart-Prüss thm<sup>6</sup>)

Let  $A$  be a densely defined closed operator in  $\mathcal{H}$  such that  $-A$  generates a contraction semigroup. Then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\log \|e^{-tA}\|}{t} = - \lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0+} \inf_{z \in \sigma_\varepsilon(A)} \operatorname{Re} z$$

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<sup>5</sup>E. B. Davies. Linear operators and their spectra. Cambridge University Press, 2007.

<sup>6</sup>B. Helffer. Spectral theory and its applications. Cambridge University Press, 2013.



Theorem [S. Bögli & PS, 2014]

Let

- $\mathcal{H}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , subspaces of a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}_0$
- $A \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H})$ ,  $A_n \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{H}_n)$  densely defined
- $K \subset \mathbb{C}$  compact and  $\varepsilon > 0$

If

(a)  $\exists z_0 \in \cap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \rho(A_n) \cap \rho(A)$ :

$$\|(A_n - z_0)^{-1}P_{\mathcal{H}_n} - (A - z_0)^{-1}P_{\mathcal{H}}\| \rightarrow 0$$

(b)  $z \mapsto \|(A - z)^{-1}\|$  is non-constant on any open subset of  $\rho(A)$

(c)  $\overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A)} \cap K = \overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A)} \cap K \neq \emptyset$

then

$$d_H(\overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A_n)} \cap K, \overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A)} \cap K) \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Remarks

- Hausdorff distance:  $M, N \subset \mathbb{C}$  non-empty and compact

$$d_H(M, N) := \max \left\{ \max_{z \in M} \text{dist}(z, N), \max_{w \in N} \text{dist}(w, M) \right\}$$

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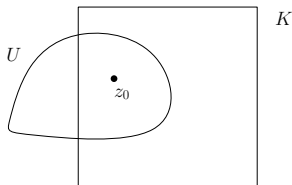
$$d_H\left(\overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A_n)} \cap K, \overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A)} \cap K\right) \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Remarks

- previous results by Hansen (PhD thesis, 2008), problems on  $\partial K$
- assumption (c) can be avoided by using a different distance (suitable for unbounded sets)
- assumption (b) cannot be omitted

## Example

- $A$  such that  $\|(A - z)^{-1}\| = M$  for  $z \in U$ ,  $U$  open
- $A_n = \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)A$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ; take  $z_0 \in U$



$$\|(A_n - z_0)^{-1}\| = \frac{n}{n-1} \left\| \left( A_n - \frac{n}{n-1} z_0 \right)^{-1} \right\| = \frac{n}{n-1} M > M, \quad \text{for all } n > n_0$$

- so  $z_0 \in \sigma_{\frac{1}{M}}(A_n)$  and  $U \cap \sigma_{\frac{1}{M}}(A) = \emptyset$

No convergence for  $\sigma_{\frac{1}{M}}$

$$d_H \left( \overline{\sigma_{\frac{1}{M}}(A_n)} \cap K, \overline{\sigma_{\frac{1}{M}}(A)} \cap K \right) \geq \text{dist}(z_0, K \setminus U) > 0$$

- Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$ ,  $A \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{X})$ ,  $M > 0$

Can  $\{z \in \rho(A) : \|(A - z)^{-1}\| = M\}$  have an open subset in  $\mathbb{C}$ ?

Pseudospectrum (two definitions)

$$\sigma_\varepsilon(A) := \sigma(A) \cup \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \|(A - z)^{-1}\| > \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right\}$$

$$\Sigma_\varepsilon(A) := \sigma(A) \cup \left\{ z \in \mathbb{C} : \|(A - z)^{-1}\| \geq \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \right\}$$

- does  $\Sigma_\varepsilon(A) = \overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A)}$  hold?

Resolvent as a holomorphic function

- $(A - z)^{-1}$  is a holomorphic function on  $\rho(A)$
- maximum modulus principle?

Holomorphic matrix-valued function<sup>7</sup>

$$A(z) = \begin{pmatrix} z & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\|A(z)\| = 1$  for  $|z| \leq 1$
- but  $(A - z)^{-1}$  is a very special function

<sup>7</sup>E. Shargorodsky. *Bull. Lond. Math. Soc.* 40 (2008), pp. 493–504.

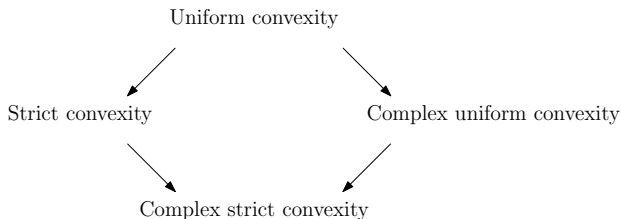
## Uniformly convex Banach space

A Banach space  $\mathcal{X}$  is uniformly convex, if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$  with  $\|x\| = \|y\| = 1$ :

$$\|x - y\| \geq \varepsilon \implies \left\| \frac{1}{2}(x + y) \right\| \leq 1 - \delta$$

- geometrically: the unit ball is “uniformly round”
- Hilbert spaces are uniformly convex,  $L^p$  spaces,  $1 < p < \infty$  are uniformly convex<sup>8</sup>

## Various other convexities



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<sup>8</sup>J. A. Clarkson. *Trans. Amer. Math. Soc.* 40 (1936), pp. 396–414.

## Known results

- $\mathcal{X}$  a Banach space and  $A \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{X})$
- $z \mapsto \|(A - z)^{-1}\|$  cannot be constant on an open subset  $U \subset \rho(A)$  if
  - i) (1976) Globevnik<sup>9</sup>:  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$  and  $U$  belongs to unbounded component of  $\rho(A)$
  - ii)  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$ 
    - (1976) Globevnik<sup>8</sup> if  $\mathcal{X}$  is complex uniformly convex (e.g. Hilbert space,  $L^p$ -space with  $1 \leq p < \infty$ )
    - (1994) Daniluk for Hilbert spaces
    - (1997) Böttcher-Grudsky-Silbermann<sup>10</sup> for  $L^p$ -spaces with  $1 < p < \infty$
    - (1998) Harrabi<sup>11</sup> if  $\mathcal{X}$  finite-dimensional
    - (2008) Shargorodsky<sup>12</sup> if  $\mathcal{X}$  or  $\mathcal{X}^*$  is complex uniformly convex (covers also  $p = \infty$ )
  - iii)  $A$  generates a  $C_0$  semigroup
    - (2010) Shargorodsky<sup>13</sup> if  $\mathcal{X}$  or  $\mathcal{X}^*$  is complex uniformly convex
  - iv)  $A$  has compact resolvent
    - (2015) Davies-Shargorodsky<sup>14</sup> if  $\mathcal{X}$  or  $\mathcal{X}^*$  is complex strictly convex

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<sup>9</sup>J. Globevnik. *Illinois J. Math.* 20 (1976), pp. 503–506.

<sup>10</sup>A. Böttcher, S. M. Grudsky, and B. Silbermann. *New York J. Math.* 3 (1997), pp. 1–31.

<sup>11</sup>A. Harrabi. *RAIRO Modél. Math. Anal. Numér.* 32 (1998), pp. 671–680.

<sup>12</sup>E. Shargorodsky. *Bull. Lond. Math. Soc.* 40 (2008), pp. 493–504.

<sup>13</sup>E. Shargorodsky. *Bull. Lond. Math. Soc.* 42 (2010), pp. 1031–1034.

<sup>14</sup>E. B. Davies and E. Shargorodsky. *Mathematika* online first (2015).

Example with constant resolvent norm<sup>15</sup>

- $\alpha_k := k + 1$  and  $\beta_k := 1 + 1/\alpha_k$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

- $2 \times 2$  blocks

$$B_k := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha_k \\ \beta_k & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N},$$

- operator in  $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ :  $A := \text{diag}(B_1, B_2, B_3, \dots)$

- $\sigma(A) = \cup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \sigma(B_k) = \{\pm\sqrt{k+2} : k \in \mathbb{N}\}$

- inverse of the block

$$(B_k - z)^{-1} = \frac{1}{\alpha_k \beta_k - z^2} \begin{pmatrix} z & \alpha_k \\ \beta_k & z \end{pmatrix}$$

- for  $|z| < 1$ :

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|(B_k - z)^{-1}\| = \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\| = 1$$

- for  $|z| < 1/2$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \|(B_k - z)^{-1}\| &\leq \frac{1}{\alpha_k \beta_k - |z|^2} \left( \left\| \begin{pmatrix} z & 0 \\ 0 & z \end{pmatrix} \right\| + \left\| \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \alpha_k \\ \beta_k & 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\| \right) \\ &= \frac{|z| + \alpha_k}{\alpha_k \beta_k - |z|^2} \leq \frac{1/2 + \alpha_k}{\alpha_k \beta_k - 1/4} = \frac{1/2 + \alpha_k}{3/4 + \alpha_k} < 1 \end{aligned}$$

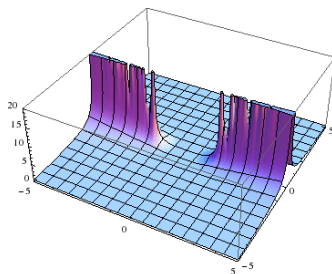
<sup>15</sup>E. Shargorodsky. *Bull. Lond. Math. Soc.* 40 (2008), pp. 493–504.

## Example with constant resolvent norm

- operator in  $\ell^2(\mathbb{N})$ :  $A = \text{diag}(B_1, B_2, B_3, \dots)$
- for  $|z| < 1/2$ :

$$\|A\| = \sup_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \|(B_k - z)^{-1}\| = 1$$

## Numerics



- it seems that

$$\forall z \in \rho(A), \quad \|(A - z)^{-1}\| \geq 1$$



Theorem [S. Bögli & PS, 2014]

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a complex uniformly convex Banach space,  $A \in \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{X})$ . If there exist an open subset  $U \subset \rho(A)$  and a constant  $M > 0$  such that

$$\|(A - z)^{-1}\| = M, \quad z \in U,$$

then

$$\forall z \in \rho(A), \quad \|(A - z)^{-1}\| \geq M.$$

Sketch of the proof

- $F(z) := (A - z)^{-1}$  is analytic function with  $\|F(\cdot)\| \equiv M$  on  $U$
- take  $z_0 \in U$  and  $\{e_k\}_k \subset \mathcal{H}$  with  $\|e_k\| = 1$  and  $\|(A - z_0)^{-1}e_k\| \rightarrow M$ .
- Globevnik & Vidav<sup>16</sup>:  $\|F'(z_0)e_k\| \rightarrow 0$
- the 1st resolvent identity twice:

$$(A - z)^{-1}e_k = (A - z_0)^{-1}e_k + (z - z_0)\left(I + (z - z_0)(A - z)^{-1}\right) \underbrace{(A - z_0)^{-2}e_k}_{=F'(z_0)e_k \rightarrow 0}$$

- hence

$$\|(A - z)^{-1}\| \geq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|(A - z)^{-1}e_k\| = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|(A - z_0)^{-1}e_k\| = M \quad \square$$

<sup>16</sup>J. Globevnik and I. Vidav. *J. Funct. Anal.* 15 (1974), pp. 394–403.

## Corollaries

- i) If there exists a path  $\gamma : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \rho(A)$  such that

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} |\gamma(s)| = \infty, \quad \lim_{s \rightarrow \infty} \|(A - \gamma(s))^{-1}\| = 0,$$

then resolvent norm cannot be constant on any open subset of  $\rho(A)$ .

- ii) This applies if  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{X})$  since

$$\|(A - z)^{-1}\| \leq (|z| - \|A\|)^{-1}, \quad |z| > \|A\|.$$

- iii) This applies if  $A$  generates a  $C_0$  semigroup since, by Hille-Yosida Theorem,

$$\exists C > 0, \omega \in \mathbb{R} : \quad \|(A - z)^{-1}\| \leq C(z - \omega)^{-1}, \quad z \in (\omega, +\infty).$$

## Operator matrix<sup>17</sup>

$$T = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & f(A) \\ A & 0 \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{in} \quad \mathcal{H} \oplus \mathcal{H}$$

- $A = A^* > 0$  in  $\mathcal{H}$  (with discrete spectrum),  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  continuous
- a)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = 0 \implies \rho(T) = \emptyset$
- b)  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} f(x) = C > 0$  and  $f(x) \geq C \implies$  constant  $\|(T - z)^{-1}\|$  on  $\Omega \subset \rho(T)$ 
  - Shargorodsky's example:  $A = \text{diag}(2, 3, 4, \dots)$  and  $f(x) = 1 + 1/x$
- c)  $f(x) = |x|^\beta$ ,  $\beta \in (0, 1) \implies \|(T - re^{i\phi})^{-1}\| = \mathcal{O}(r^{-2\beta/(\beta+1)})$  if  $\phi \notin \{0, \pi\}$ .
  - decay  $\implies \|(T - z)^{-1}\|$  is not constant on any open set
  - decay not sufficient to generate a  $C_0$  semigroup

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<sup>17</sup>A. V. Balakrishnan and R. Triggiani. *Appl. Math. Lett.* 6 (1993), pp. 33–37.

## Operator

$$A = -\Delta + Q \quad \text{in} \quad L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$$

- $Q$  is complex valued and such that  $A$  has compact resolvent

## Approximations

$$A_n = -\Delta + Q \quad \text{in} \quad L^2(\Omega_n)$$

- $\{\Omega_n\}_n$  are expanding bounded suff. regular domains that exhaust  $\mathbb{R}^d$ ; *e.g.*

$$\Omega_n = B_n(0), \quad n \in \mathbb{N}$$

- Dirichlet, Neumann or Robin BC are imposed on  $\partial\Omega_n$
- if Robin BC:  $\sup \|\gamma_n\|_\infty < \infty$ , where  $\partial_\nu f + \gamma_n f = 0$  at  $\partial\Omega_n$

## Questions

- Does  $\sigma_\varepsilon(A_n)$  converge to  $\sigma_\varepsilon(A)$ ?
- Does  $\sigma(A_n)$  converge to  $\sigma(A)$ ? In what sense?

## m-sectorial case

- 1D example:  $Q(x) = (1 + i)x^2 + i\delta(x)$
- decomposition:  $Q = Q_0 + W$ 
  - ① sectoriality:  $L^1_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d) \ni Q_0$  has values in a sector with semi-angle  $< \pi/2$
  - ② growth at  $\infty$ :  $|Q_0(x)| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$
  - ③  $W$ : possibly singular, but  $-\Delta$ -form bounded with bound  $< 1$
- the operator  $A$  introduced via closed sectorial forms

## non-m-sectorial case

- 1D example:  $Q(x) = ix^3 - x^2 + ix^{-1/4}$
- decomposition:  $Q = Q_0 - U + W$ ,  $\text{Re } Q_0 \geq 0$ ,  $U \geq 0$ ,  $U \text{Re } Q_0 = 0$ 
  - ① regularity:  $Q_0 \in W^{1,\infty}_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ,  $U \in L^\infty_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and

$$|\nabla Q_0|^2 \leq a + b|Q_0|^2, \quad U^2 \leq a_U + b_U |\text{Im } Q_0|^2 \quad \text{with} \quad b_U < 1$$

- ② growth at  $\infty$ :  $|Q_0(x)| \rightarrow \infty$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$
  - ③  $W$ : possibly singular, but  $-\Delta$ -bounded with bound  $< 1$
- operator  $A$  introduced via Kato's Thm. (m-accretive Schrödinger operators<sup>18</sup>)

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<sup>18</sup>D. E. Edmunds and W. D. Evans. Spectral Theory and Differential Operators. Oxford University Press, 1987.

Theorem [S. Bögli, PS, C. Tretter]

Under assumptions on potential  $Q$ , boundary conditions and domains  $\Omega_n$  above,

$$\left\| (A_n - z)^{-1} \chi_{\Omega_n} - (A - z)^{-1} \right\| \rightarrow 0, \quad z \in \rho(A).$$

Steps in the proof

- detailed analysis of form-domains or domains of  $A, A_n$
- strong resolvent convergence (form & operator approach)
- collective compactness<sup>19</sup>: for every  $I \subset \mathbb{N}$  infinite, any sequence of  $\phi_n \in \text{Dom}(A_n)$ ,  $n \in I$ , such that  $\{\|A_n \phi_n\| + \|\phi_n\|\}_{n \in I}$  is bounded, has a convergent subsequence in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

Corollary: pseudospectral convergence

$$d_H \left( \overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A_n)} \cap K, \overline{\sigma_\varepsilon(A)} \cap K \right) \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

- compact resolvent  $\Rightarrow$  resolvent is not constant on any open set

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<sup>19</sup>P. M. Anselone and T. W. Palmer. *Pacific J. Math.* 25 (1968), pp. 417–422.

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N-s-a operators in general

norm resolvent convergence  $\not\Rightarrow$  convergence of spectra

Corollary: spectral exactness

- ① Every eigenvalue  $\lambda$  of  $A$  is approximated:  
there is  $\{\lambda_n\}_n$ ,  $\lambda_n \in \sigma(A_n)$ , such that  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .
- ② No pollution: every accumulation point of  $\{\lambda_n\}_n$  is an eigenvalue of  $A$  :  
If  $\{\lambda_n\}_n$ ,  $\lambda_n \in \sigma(A_n)$ , having an accumulation point  $\lambda$ , then  $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$ .

Theorem [S .Bögli, PS, C. Tretter]

Let assumptions on potential  $Q$ , boundary conditions and domains  $\Omega_n$  hold.

- $\lambda \in \sigma(A)$  an eigenvalue of algebraic multiplicity  $m$
- $\mathcal{L}_\lambda$  the corresponding algebraic eigenspace
- $\{\lambda_{1;n}, \dots, \lambda_{m;n}\} \subset \sigma(A_n)$  be the eigenvalues of  $A_n$  converging to  $\lambda$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

Then there is  $C \geq 0$ , independent of  $n$ , such that

$$\left| \lambda - \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_{j;n} \right| \leq C \max_{\substack{\phi \in \mathcal{L}_\lambda \\ \|\phi\|=1}} \left\| \phi \upharpoonright \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \Omega_n \right\|$$

Remarks

- analogous for individual eigenvalues (no average), but with an additional power (if Jordan blocks)
- proof based on the norm resolvent convergence and paper of Osborn<sup>20</sup>

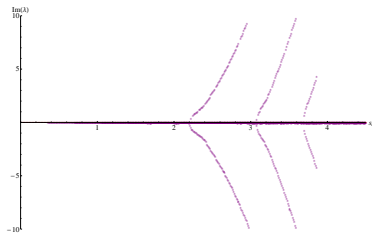
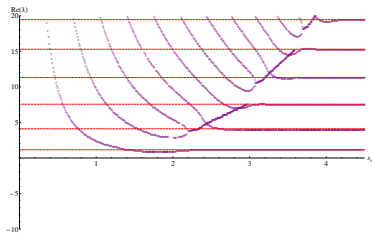
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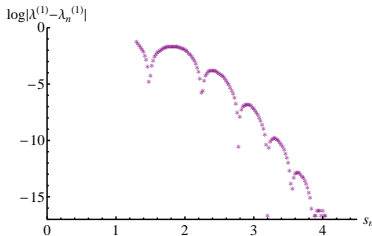
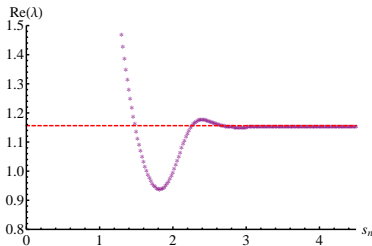


$$A = -\partial_x^2 + ix^3, \quad \text{Dom}(A) = W^{2,2}(\mathbb{R}) \cap \text{Dom}(x^3)$$

- $\sigma(A) \subset \mathbb{R}$

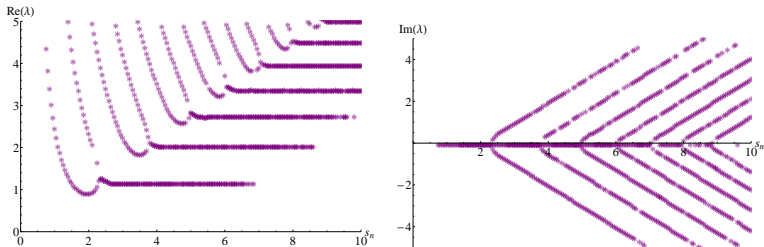


- the first eigenvalue and the rate (Dirichlet BC)



$$A = -\partial_x^2 + ix, \quad \text{Dom}(A) = W^{2,2}(\mathbb{R}) \cap \text{Dom}(x)$$

- $\sigma(A) = \emptyset$
- all eigenvalues escape to infinity



- “approximation of the lowest” eigenvalue<sup>21</sup>

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\inf \text{Re } \sigma(A_n)) = \frac{|\mu_1|}{2}, \quad \mu_1 \approx -2.338$$

<sup>21</sup>K. Beauchard et al. *ESAIM Control Optim. Calc. Var.* 21 (2015), pp. 487–512.

## Main results

- convergence of pseudospectrum in Hausdorff distance
  - norm resolvent convergence
  - resolvent norm not constant on any open set
- global minimum of the resolvent norm
  - complex uniformly convex space

$$\|(A - z)^{-1}\| = M \quad \text{on open } U \subset \mathbb{C} \Rightarrow \forall z \in \rho(A), \quad \|(A - z)^{-1}\| \geq M$$

- spectral and pseudospectral convergence for domain truncation of  $-\Delta + Q$ 
  - various sectoriality and regularity assumptions on  $Q$
  - norm resolvent convergence
  - pseudospectral convergence, spectral exactness, convergence rates

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A quotation from the preface to the 2007 book  
*Linear operators and their spectra* by E. B. Davies

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