

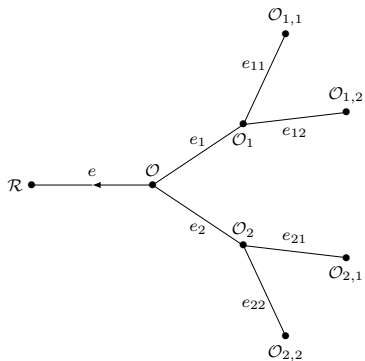
# Spectral analysis of the Schrödinger operator on binary tree-shaped networks and applications.

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- Motivation: stabilization i.e. can the solution of our evolution problem be guided to a desired final configuration, asymptotically in time?
- If possible, does the energy decrease to zero or to a positive value?  
Polynomially? Exponentially? The decay rate depends on the spectrum.

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# A binary tree-shaped network



$$\frac{\partial u_{\bar{\alpha}}}{\partial t}(x, t) + i \frac{\partial^2 u_{\bar{\alpha}}}{\partial x^2}(x, t) = 0, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad t > 0, \quad \bar{\alpha} \in I, \quad (1)$$

$$i u(1, t) + \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}(1, t) = 0, \quad u_{\bar{\alpha}}(0, t) = 0, \quad \bar{\alpha} \in I_{Dir}, \quad t > 0, \quad (2)$$

$$u_{\bar{\alpha} \circ (\beta)}(1, t) = u_{\bar{\alpha}}(0, t), \quad t > 0, \quad \beta = 1, 2, \quad \bar{\alpha} \in I_{Int}, \quad (3)$$

$$\sum_{\beta=1}^2 \frac{\partial u_{\bar{\alpha} \circ (\beta)}}{\partial x}(1, t) = \frac{\partial u_{\bar{\alpha}}}{\partial x}(0, t), \quad t > 0, \quad \bar{\alpha} \in I_{Int}, \quad (4)$$

$$u_{\bar{\alpha}}(x, 0) = (u_{\bar{\alpha}})_0(x), \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad \bar{\alpha} \in I, \quad (5)$$

where  $u_{\bar{\alpha}} : [0, 1] \times (0, +\infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\bar{\alpha} \in I$ , is the transverse displacement of the edge  $e_{\bar{\alpha}}$ .

In our example,  $I_{Dir} := \{(1, 1), (1, 2), (2, 1), (2, 2)\}$ ,  $I_{Int} := \{\emptyset, (1), (2)\}$  and  $I := I_{Dir} \cup I_{Int}$ .

The space  $H := \prod_{\bar{\alpha} \in I} L^2(0, 1)$  is equipped with the inner product

$$\langle \underline{u}, \underline{\tilde{u}} \rangle_H := \sum_{\bar{\alpha} \in I} \int_0^1 u_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) \bar{\tilde{u}}_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) dx. \quad (6)$$

The previous system is reformulated as the first order evolution equation:

$$\underline{u}'(t) = \mathcal{A}_d \underline{u}(t), \text{ with } \underline{u}(0) = \underline{u}_0, \quad (7)$$

where the operator  $\mathcal{A}_d : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}_d) \subset H \rightarrow H$  is

$$\mathcal{A}_d \underline{u} := (-i \partial_x^2 u_{\bar{\alpha}})_{\bar{\alpha} \in I},$$

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}_d) := \left\{ \underline{u} \in \prod_{\bar{\alpha} \in I} H^2(0, 1) : \underline{u} \text{ satisfies (8), (9) and (10) hereafter} \right\}.$$

$$i u(1) + \frac{du}{dx}(1) = 0, u_{\bar{\alpha}}(0) = 0, \bar{\alpha} \in I_{Dir}, \quad (8)$$

$$u_{\bar{\alpha} \circ (\beta)}(1) = u_{\bar{\alpha}}(0), \beta = 1, 2, \quad (9)$$

$$\sum_{\beta=1}^2 \frac{du_{\bar{\alpha} \circ (\beta)}}{dx}(1) = \frac{du_{\bar{\alpha}}}{dx}(0), \bar{\alpha} \in I_{Int}. \quad (10)$$

The natural energy  $E(t)$  of a solution  $\underline{u} = (u_{\bar{\alpha}})_{\bar{\alpha} \in I}$  is:

$$E(t) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\bar{\alpha} \in I} \int_0^1 |u_{\bar{\alpha}}(x, t)|^2 dx. \quad (11)$$

It is proved to be a non-increasing function of the variable  $t$ .

(i) For an initial datum  $\underline{u}_0 \in H$ , there exists a unique solution  $\underline{u} \in C([0, +\infty), H)$  to the latter problem. Moreover, if  $\underline{u}_0 \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}_d)$ , then

$$\underline{u} \in C([0, +\infty), \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}_d)) \cap C^1([0, +\infty), H).$$

(ii) The solution  $\underline{u}$  with initial datum in  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}_d)$  satisfies the dissipation law:

$$E'(t) = -|u(1, t)|^2 \leq 0, \tag{12}$$



If  $A$  is a square matrix of order  $N$  on  $\mathbb{C}$  and if  $A$  is skew-Hermitian (i.e.  $A^* = -A$ ), the eigenvalues  $\lambda_i$  are all purely imaginary and their geometric multiplicity is equal to the algebraic multiplicity. The matrix  $A$  is unitarily similar to a diagonal matrix.

The solution of  $x'(t) = Ax(t)$ , with  $x(0) = x^0$ , is:

$$x(t) = e^{At}x^0 = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} e^{\lambda_i \cdot t} x_i^0 \phi_i, \quad \forall t > 0 \quad (13)$$

where  $x^0 = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} x_i^0 \phi_i$  is the decomposition of  $x^0$  in the orthonormal basis  $(\phi_i)_i$  of the eigenfunctions.

The solution satisfies:  $\forall t > 0$ ,

$$\|x(t)\|^2 = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq N} \left| e^{\lambda_i \cdot t} \right|^2 \cdot |x_i^0|^2 \cdot \|\phi_i\|^2 = \|x^0\|^2, \quad (14)$$

More generally, the minimal polynomial of  $A$  is:  $\pi_A(X) = \prod_{i=1}^r (X - \lambda_i)^{s_i}$ . The matrix  $A$  is similar to a block diagonal matrix where each block is a Jordan block.

Thus the solution of the previous first order evolution equation becomes

$$x(t) = e^{At} x^0 = \sum_{\substack{1 \leq i \leq r \\ 0 \leq k \leq |J_{\lambda_i}| - 1}} e^{\lambda_i \cdot t} t^k v_{i,k}, \quad \forall t > 0, \quad (15)$$

where  $v_{i,k}$  belongs to  $\text{Ker}[(A - \lambda_i)^{s_i}]$  (characteristic space).

To get the estimate for  $\|x(t)\|^2$ , we need to know more about the algebraic and geometric multiplicity of each eigenvalue.

Let us come back to our problem. The conservative operator, associated to the dispersive operator  $\mathcal{A}_d$  is called  $\mathcal{A}_0 : \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}_0) \subset H \rightarrow H$ . It is:

$$\mathcal{A}_0 \underline{u} := (-i \partial_x^2 u_{\bar{\alpha}})_{\bar{\alpha} \in I},$$

$$\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}_0) := \left\{ \underline{u} \in \prod_{\bar{\alpha} \in I} H^2(0, 1) : \underline{u} \text{ satisfies (16), (9) and (10)} \right\}.$$

where the following condition (16) replaces the dissipative condition (8):

$$\frac{du}{dx}(1) = 0, u_{\bar{\alpha}}(0) = 0, \bar{\alpha} \in I_{Dir}. \quad (16)$$

The operator  $\mathcal{A}_0$  is skew-adjoint. Thus the energy of the solution of the first order evolution equation  $\underline{u}'(t) = \mathcal{A}_0 \underline{u}$ , with  $\underline{u}(0) = \underline{u}_0$  satisfies  $E(t) = E(0), \forall t > 0$ .

- Necessity to localize the spectrum: since  $\mathcal{A}_d$  is dissipative, its eigenvalues have a negative real part. But they are not in finite number and can tend to the imaginary axis.
- Do some eigenvalues lie on the imaginary axis? Can we get information on the multiplicity of the eigenvalues (in both senses: algebraic and geometric)?
- Can we obtain a decomposition similar to (15)?
- Yes, if we view  $\mathcal{A}_d$  as a perturbation of  $\mathcal{A}_0$  and apply a reformulation of Guo's version of Bari Theorem to prove that some eigenfunctions of the operator  $\mathcal{A}_d$  form a Riesz basis of the subspace they span.

- A basis  $\{f_n\}$  for a Hilbert space  $H$  is a Riesz basis for  $H$  if it is equivalent to some (and therefore every) orthonormal basis for  $H$ . By "equivalent", we mean there exists a topological isomorphism  $S : H \rightarrow H$  such that  $\{Sf_n\}$  is an orthonormal basis of  $H$ .
- In particular, an orthonormal basis of a Hilbert space is a Riesz basis.
- To prove that some eigenfunctions of the operator  $\mathcal{A}_d$  form a Riesz basis of the subspace they span, we need the eigenfunctions of  $\mathcal{A}_d$  to be quadratically close to those of  $\mathcal{A}_0$ , except from a finite number of eigenfunctions. It is the assumption of Bari Theorem.
- We use an iterative strategy to get the required information on the spectrum of  $\mathcal{A}_d$ .

The eigenvalue problem:  $\lambda = i\omega^2$  ( $\omega \in \mathbb{C}^*$ ) is an eigenvalue of  $\mathcal{A}_d$  with associated eigenvector  $\underline{\phi} \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{A}_d)$  if and only if  $\underline{\phi}$  satisfies the transmission and boundary conditions (8), (9) and (10) and

$$\mathcal{A}_d \underline{\phi} = (-i \partial_x^2 \phi_{\bar{\alpha}})_{\bar{\alpha} \in I} = i\omega^2 (\phi_{\bar{\alpha}})_{\bar{\alpha} \in I} \Leftrightarrow \forall \bar{\alpha} \in I, \partial_x^2 \phi_{\bar{\alpha}} = -\omega^2 \phi_{\bar{\alpha}}.$$

Introducing the vector  $F_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) := \begin{pmatrix} \phi_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) \\ \partial_x \phi_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) \end{pmatrix}$  to reduce the order of the eigenvalue problem as well as  $M(\omega) := \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega^2 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$ , it becomes:

$$(EP) : F'_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) = M(\omega) F_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) \text{ on } (0, 1), \forall \bar{\alpha} \in I.$$

Thus  $F_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) = e^{M(\omega)x} F_{\bar{\alpha}}(0)$  where  $e^{M(\omega)x} = \begin{pmatrix} \cos(\omega x) & \frac{\sin(\omega x)}{\omega} \\ -\omega \sin(\omega x) & \cos(\omega x) \end{pmatrix}$ .

For simplicity, the computations to establish the characteristic equation are presented in the case  $I_{Dir} = \{(1, 1); (1, 2); (2, 1); (2, 2)\}$ .

The Dirichlet condition at the leaves of the tree implies  $F_{\bar{\alpha}}(0) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \partial_x \phi_{\bar{\alpha}}(0) \end{pmatrix}$

for  $\bar{\alpha} \in I_{Dir}$ . Then  $F_{\bar{\alpha}}(1) = e^{M(\omega)} F_{\bar{\alpha}}(0)$  i.e.  $F_{\bar{\alpha}}(1) = \phi'_{\bar{\alpha}}(0) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sin(\omega)}{\omega} \\ \cos(\omega) \end{pmatrix}$ , for

$\bar{\alpha} \in I_{Dir}$  and  $\omega \neq 0$ .

Now the continuity at the interior vertices  $\mathcal{O}_1$  and  $\mathcal{O}_2$  implies:

$$\phi'_{j,1}(0) \cdot \frac{\sin(\omega)}{\omega} = \phi'_{j,2}(0) \cdot \frac{\sin(\omega)}{\omega} \text{ for } j = 1 \text{ and } j = 2. \quad (17)$$

Either  $\omega = k\pi$  with  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^*$  (first family of eigenvalues) or the following condition is imposed:

$$\phi'_{j,1}(0) = \phi'_{j,2}(0) \text{ for } j = 1 \text{ and } j = 2. \quad (18)$$

Then the second transmission condition at the interior vertices  $\mathcal{O}_1$  and  $\mathcal{O}_2$  (condition (10)) implies, for  $j = 1$  and  $j = 2$ :

$$F_j(0) = \phi'_{j,1}(0) \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sin(\omega)}{\omega} \\ 2 \cos(\omega) \end{pmatrix} \text{ and thus } F_j(1) = \phi'_{j,1}(0) \begin{pmatrix} 3 \cos(\omega) \frac{\sin(\omega)}{\omega} \\ -\sin^2(\omega) + 2 \cos^2(\omega) \end{pmatrix}.$$

It follows from the continuity at the vertex  $\mathcal{O}$ : either  $\omega = \frac{\pi}{2} + k\pi$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$  (second family of eigenvalues) or

$$\phi'_{1,1}(0) = \phi'_{2,1}(0). \quad (19)$$



Either  $\omega = k\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z}^*$ , or  $\omega = (\pi/2) + k\pi, k \in \mathbb{Z}$ , or (18) and (19) are imposed. Thus

$$\phi'_{1,1}(0) = \phi'_{1,2}(0) = \phi'_{2,1}(0) = \phi'_{2,2}(0) =: v. \quad (20)$$

The "eigenvector"  $F_{\bar{\alpha}}$  for  $\bar{\alpha}$  in  $I_{Dir}$  is:  $F_{\bar{\alpha}}(x) := \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ \partial_x \phi_{\bar{\alpha}}(0) \end{pmatrix} = v \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .

Thus the dimension of the corresponding eigenspace is one i.e. the geometric multiplicity of these eigenvalues is one.

- The geometric multiplicity of  $k\pi$  is  $2^n - 1$  for both  $\mathcal{A}_0$  and  $\mathcal{A}_d$  (3 pour  $n = 2$ ).
- The geometric multiplicity of  $(\pi/2) + k\pi$  is equal to:  $\frac{1}{3}2^n + \frac{2}{3}$  if  $n$  is even and  $\frac{1}{3}(2^n - 2)$  if  $n$  is odd for  $\mathcal{A}_0$  (2 pour  $n = 2$ ).  
It is  $\frac{1}{3}(2^n - 1)$  if  $n$  is even and  $\frac{1}{3}(2^n - 2)$  if  $n$  is odd for  $\mathcal{A}_d$  (1 pour  $n = 2$ ).

We know that  $F_1(1) = F_2(1)$  (it comes from (19)) and have their expression. Applying the second transmission condition at the vertex  $\mathcal{O}$ , leads to multiplying the second component of  $F_1(1)$  by the number 2. Then  $F(1) = e^{M(\omega)}F(0)$ . It is:

$$F(1) := v \begin{pmatrix} \frac{\sin(\omega)}{\omega} \left( 7 \frac{\cos^2(\omega)}{\omega} - 2 \sin^2(\omega) \right) \\ \cos(\omega) (4 \cos^2(\omega) - 5 \sin^2(\omega)) \end{pmatrix}.$$

The condition at the root of the tree leads to:

$$i\epsilon \frac{\sin(\omega)}{\omega} \left( 7 \frac{\cos^2(\omega)}{\omega} - 2 \sin^2(\omega) \right) + \cos(\omega) (4 \cos^2(\omega) - 5 \sin^2(\omega)) = 0 \quad (21)$$

where  $\epsilon = 0$  for the conservative operator and  $\epsilon = 1$  for the dissipative operator.

Using Euler's formula with  $z := e^{2i\omega}$ , the characteristic equation (21) with  $\epsilon = 0$  is:

$$(z + 1)(4(z + 1)^2 + 5(z - 1)^2) = 0 \Leftrightarrow 9z^3 + 7z^2 + 7z + 9 = 0. \quad (22)$$

The roots of this polynomial give the (algebraically) simple eigenvalues of the conservative operator  $\mathcal{A}_0$ .

- For both the conservative and dissipative operators, the purely imaginary eigenvalues:  $i\omega^2 = ik^2\pi^2$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}^*$  and  $i\omega^2 = i[(\pi/2) + k\pi]^2$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ .
- For the conservative operator  $\mathcal{A}_0$ , the values  $\lambda = i\omega^2$ , where  $z := e^{2i\omega}$  satisfies  $P_{A,2}(z) = 0$ , with  $P_{A,2}(z) := 9z^3 + 7z^2 + 7z + 9$ .
- For the dissipative operator  $\mathcal{A}_d$ , the values  $\lambda = i\omega^2$ , where  $z := e^{2i\omega}$  satisfies  $P_{A,2}(z) + \frac{1}{z}P_{B,2}(z) = 0$ , with  $P_{A,2}(z) := 9z^3 + 7z^2 + 7z + 9$  and  $P_{B,2}(z) := 9z^3 + z^2 - z - 9$ .

Let  $\sigma$  be the spectrum of the dissipative operator  $\mathcal{A}_d$ , then  $\sigma = \sigma_1 \cup \sigma_2 \cup \tilde{\sigma}_2$ , where

$$\begin{aligned}\sigma_1 &= \{i(k\pi)^2 : k \in \mathbb{Z}^*\} \cup \left\{i\left(k\pi + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 : k \in \mathbb{Z}\right\} \\ \tilde{\sigma}_2 &= \{(\lambda_k)_{k \in S} : S \text{ is finite, } \Re(\lambda_k) < 0\} \\ \sigma_2 &= \{i(\omega_{j,k})^2 : j = 1, 2, 3, k \in \mathbb{Z}, |k| \geq k_0\}, k_0 \text{ being an integer.}\end{aligned}$$

Moreover

$$\Re(i(\omega_{j,k})^2) < 0, \forall i(\omega_{j,k})^2 \in \sigma_2$$

and the following asymptotic behaviour holds:

$$i(\omega_{j,k})^2 = i \left( k^2 \pi^2 + k\pi \arg(z_{A,j}^{(2)}) + \frac{(\arg(z_{A,j}^{(2)}))^2}{4} \right) + 2\pi\gamma_j + o(1) \quad (23)$$

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where  $\gamma_j$  is the real negative number defined by:  $\gamma_j = -\frac{P_{B,2}(z_{A,j}^{(2)})}{2\pi z_{A,j}^{(2)}(P_{A,2})'(z_{A,j}^{(2)})}$ .

The polynomial  $P_{A,2}$  admits 3 distinct complex roots  $z_{A,j}^{(2)} \neq 1$ ,  $j = 1, 2, 3$  with modulus equal to 1. They are:

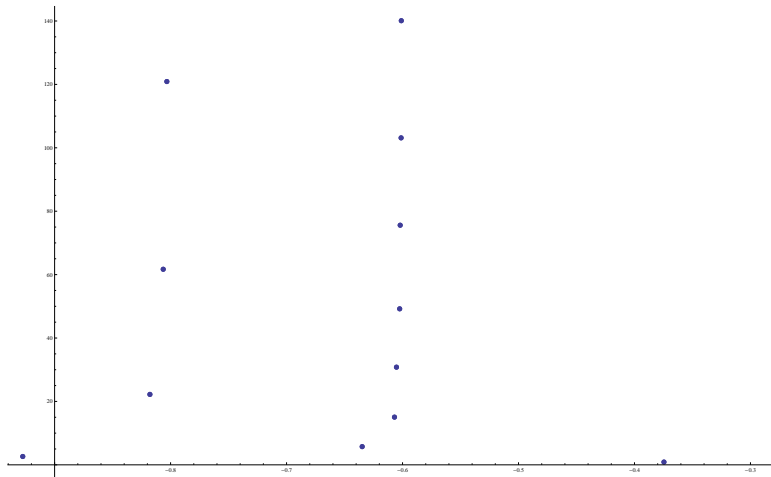
$$z_{A,1}^{(2)} = -1 = e^{i\pi}, \quad z_{A,2}^{(2)} = \frac{1}{9}(1 - 4i\sqrt{5}) = e^{-i \arctan(4\sqrt{5})}, \quad z_{A,3}^{(2)} = e^{i \arctan(4\sqrt{5})}.$$

Then the set  $\sigma_2$  has two vertical asymptots:

$$\Re(\lambda) = 2\pi\gamma_1 = -\frac{4}{5}, \quad \Re(\lambda) = 2\pi\gamma_2 = 2\pi\gamma_3 = -\frac{3}{5}.$$

At last, numerically the eigenvalue of  $\mathcal{A}_d$  with the largest real part is  $\lambda \approx -0.37459 + 0.873125i$ .

# The spectrum for $n = 2$



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## Theorem

Let  $E(t)$  and  $H$  be defined as in the introduction. Let  $H_1$  (respectively  $H_2$ ) be the subspace of  $H$  spanned by the  $\underline{\psi}^1(\omega, \cdot)$ 's (resp.  $\underline{\psi}^2(\omega, \cdot)$ 's), which are the normalized (in  $H$ ) eigenfunctions of  $\mathcal{A}_d$  associated to the eigenvalues  $i\omega^2$  in  $\sigma_1$  (resp.  $\sigma_2 \cup \tilde{\sigma}_2$ ).

- 1  $H_1$  is orthogonal to  $H_2$ .
- 2 Let  $\underline{u}_0$  in  $H$  and  $\underline{u}_0^1$  its orthogonal projection onto  $H_1$ . Then  $E(t)$  decreases to  $E_1(0) := \|\underline{u}_0^1\|_H^2$  when  $t$  tends to  $+\infty$ . More precisely there exists a constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$E(t) \leq E_1(0) + Ce^{-2\beta t} E_2(0)$$

where  $-\beta := \sup_{\{i\omega^2 \in (\sigma_2 \cup \tilde{\sigma}_2)\}} \Re(i\omega^2) < 0$ .

After it has been proved that the  $\underline{\psi}^2(\omega, \cdot)$ 's form a Riesz basis of  $H_2$  and since the  $\underline{\psi}^1(\omega, \cdot)$ 's form an orthonormal basis of  $H_1$ , the initial condition  $\underline{u}_0 := ((u_{\bar{\alpha}})_{\bar{\alpha} \in I})_0$  is written as a sum of two terms:

$$\underline{u}_0 := \underline{u}_0^1 + \underline{u}_0^2 = \sum_{i\omega^2 \in \sigma_1} \underline{u}_0^1(\omega, \cdot) \underline{\psi}^1(\omega, \cdot) + \sum_{i\omega^2 \in (\sigma_2 \cup \bar{\sigma}_2)} \underline{u}_0^2(\omega, \cdot) \underline{\psi}^2(\omega, \cdot).$$

The solution of the boundary value problem given in the introduction is:

$$u(t) = e^{-A_d t} \underline{u}_0 := \underline{u}^1(t) + \underline{u}^2(t).$$

The energy, defined in the introduction, by (11) is:  $E(t) = E_1(t) + E_2(t)$  (since  $H_1$  is orthogonal to  $H_2$ ), with, for any  $t \geq 0$ :

$$E_1(t) := \|\underline{u}^1\|_{H_1}^2 = \sum_{i\omega^2 \in \sigma_1} \left\| \underline{u}_0^1(\omega, \cdot) \right\|_{H_1}^2 |e^{i\omega^2 t}|^2 = E_1(0)$$

since  $\sigma_1$  contains only purely imaginary eigenvalues.

The set  $\sigma_2$  contains the "large" eigenvalues, which have an algebraic multiplicity equal to 1, due to Rouché's Theorem.

The algebraic multiplicity of an eigenvalue in  $\tilde{\sigma}_2$  (the finite set of the "small" eigenvalues) is also one. This is a consequence of the proof of Bari's Theorem (as it is given in a paper by Abdallah/Mercier/Nicaise). Now, since the  $\underline{\psi}^2(\omega, \cdot)$ 's form a Riesz basis of  $H_2$ , there exists  $C > 0$ , such that, for any  $t \geq 0$ :

$$E_2(t) := \|\underline{u}^2(t)\|_{H_2}^2 \leq C \sum_{i\omega^2 \in \tilde{\sigma}_2 \cup \sigma_2} \left\| \underline{u}_0^2(\omega, \cdot) \right\|_{H_2}^2 |e^{i\omega^2 t}|^2.$$

The set  $\sigma_2$  has at most  $(n + 1)$  vertical asymptots:  $Re(\lambda) = 2\pi\gamma_j$ , with  $j \in \{1, \dots, n + 1\}$ . Define  $j_0$  by  $2\pi\gamma_{j_0} := \sup_{j \in \{1, \dots, n+1\}} (2\pi\gamma_j) < 0$ . Thus, if  $\omega$  is such that  $i\omega^2 \in \sigma_2$ :

$$|e^{i\omega^2 t}|^2 \leq e^{2\pi\gamma_{j_0} t}.$$

Since  $\tilde{\sigma}_2$  is a finite set, the real part of  $i\omega^2$  is bounded from above by  $-\alpha < 0$  if  $i\omega^2 \in \tilde{\sigma}_2$ . Thus, if  $\omega$  is such that  $i\omega^2 \in \tilde{\sigma}_2$ :

$$|e^{i\omega^2 t}|^2 \leq e^{-2\alpha t}.$$

Hence the result, where  $-\beta$  is the maximum between  $2\pi\gamma_{j_0}$  and  $-2\alpha$ .  
For  $n = 2$ ,  $-2\beta = -0.74918$  is the energy decay rate.

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