

# Advanced Analysis

September 25, 2025

Suppose we have some function of the form  $-\Delta + q \in \mathbb{L}(H)$  satisfying  $R_A(\lambda)(A - \lambda I)^{-1}$  bounded on  $\text{Im}(\lambda) > 0$  and not surjective for  $\text{Im}(\lambda) = 0$ .

IMAGE 1

Waves: solutions to  $\partial_{tt}u + Au = 0$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Mathematical Tools

- Spectral theory of unbounded operators
- Complex analysis
- Functional analysis
- Microlocal analysis
- Semiclassical analysis

## Classical Resonances in ODEs

IMAGE 2

A harmonic oscillator assuming no friction.

We have an acceleration force,  $m\ddot{x}(t) = -kx(t)$  which gives  $\ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = 0$  with  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$  and has solution  $x(t) = A \cos(\omega_0 t) + B \sin(\omega_0 t)$ .

With forcing, i.e.  $m\ddot{x}(t) = -kx(t) + A \sin(\omega t)$ , we have  $\ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = A' \sin(\omega t)$ .

If  $|\omega| \neq |\omega_0|$ , then  $x(t) \sim \text{trig}\left(\left(\frac{\omega - \omega_0}{2}\right)t\right) \left(\left(\frac{\omega + \omega_0}{2}\right)t\right)$  the low and high frequencies respectively.

IMAGE 3

Beats (non-amplified)

If instead  $|\omega| = |\omega_0|$ , then  $x(t) \propto \text{trig}(\omega t)t$ .

IMAGE 4

In general,  $\dot{x} + Ax = 0$  for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $x(t) = \exp(-tA) + x(0)$ .

In the case where  $A$  is skew-adjoint, i.e.  $\text{sp}(A) \subseteq i\mathbb{R}$ ,  $(x, Ax) = 0 \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ , then

$$\frac{d}{dt}(x, x) = (\dot{x}, x) + (x, \dot{x}) = (-Ax, x) - (x, Ax) = 0$$

Which implies that  $\|x(t)\|$  is constant and the dynamics are norm perserving.

To generate resonant solutions, if  $(i\omega, v)$  is an eigenpair of  $A$  ( $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ ), consider  $\dot{x} + Ax = e^{-i\omega t}v$ . As an ansatz, we look for a solution of the form  $x(t) = a(t)v$  and the equation becomes  $(\dot{a}(t) + i\omega a)v = e^{-i\omega t}v$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} e^{-i\omega t} \frac{d}{dt}(e^{i\omega t} a) &= e^{-i\omega t} \\ \frac{d}{dt}(e^{i\omega t} a) &= 1 \\ a(t) &= te^{-i\omega t}. \end{aligned}$$

## Resonances in PDEs

Consider one-dimensional waves on  $[0, L]$ ,  $L > 0$ .

$$\begin{cases} \partial_{tt}u + \partial_{xx}u = 0 \\ u|_{t=0} = f & x \in [0, L] \\ \partial_t u|_{t=0} = g & x \in [0, L] \\ u(0, t) = u(L, t) = 0 & \forall t \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

We want to think about this as  $\partial_{tt}u = Au = 0$  where  $A$  is the Dirichlet Laplacian  $Au = -\partial_{xx}u$  with Dirichlet boundary conditions. We then want to find the spectral decomposition of  $A$ ,  $Au - \lambda u = 0 = -\partial_x^2 u - \lambda u$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda = 0. \quad u(x) = A + Bx &\implies A = B = 0 \\ \lambda = -p^2. \quad u(x) = Ae^{px} + be^{-px} &\implies A = B = 0 \\ \lambda = p^2. \quad u(x) = A\cos(px) + B\sin(px) &\implies 0 = u(0) = A \quad 0 = u(L) = B\sin(pl) \implies p = k\pi, k \in \mathbb{N} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore there are infinitely many eigenpairs  $\lambda_n = \left(\frac{n\pi}{L}\right)^2$ ,  $\phi_n(x) = \sin\left(\frac{k\pi x}{L}\right)$ .

IMAGE 5

The family  $\{\phi_n, n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is dense in  $L^2([0, L])$  where the unbounded operator  $(-\partial_x^2)$  with Dirichlet boundary conditions is self-adjoint.

## Other Prototypes

(of unbounded self-adjoint operators with discrete spectrum)

- Laplace-Beltrami operators on compact manifolds without boundary.

IMAGE 6

- On compact domains with boundary there is the Laplacian with Dirichlet boundary conditions.

## The (Quantum) Harmonic Oscillator

$H = -\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + x^2$  on  $\mathbb{R}$ , on  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$  with  $(f, g) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \overline{g(x)} dx$ .

$H$  acts on the Schwarz space  $\mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}) := \left\{ f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}), \forall k, \ell \geq 0, \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| x^k \left( \frac{d}{dx} \right)^\ell f(x) \right| < \infty \right\}$ .

- The action of  $H : \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$  is continuous.
- $H$  is  $L^2$ -symmetric:  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} -f'' \bar{g} + x^2 f \bar{g} dx = (Hf, g) = (f, Hg) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} -\bar{g}'' f + x^2 f \bar{g} dx$  (integrating by parts).

We seek eigenvalues  $Hu = \lambda u$ . If  $(u, \lambda)$  and  $(v, \mu)$  are eigenpairs, then

$$0 = (Hu, v) - (u, Hv) = (\lambda u, v) - (u, \mu v) = (\lambda - \bar{\mu})(u, v)$$

Where if the difference is nonzero then  $(u, v) = 0$ .

We can write  $H = L^+ L^- + I$  where  $L^+ = -\frac{d}{dx} + x$  and  $L^- = \frac{d}{dx} + x$  and also  $[H, L^+] = 2L^+$  and  $[H, L^-] = -2L^-$ .

Note that  $H$  is a non-negative operators

$$(Hf, f) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} ((f')^2 + x^2 f^2) dx > 0$$

for  $f \neq 0$  and  $f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ . Thus  $\text{sp}(H) \subseteq (0, \infty)$ . If  $Hv = \lambda v$ , then  $H(L^+ v) = [H, L^+]v + L^+(Hv) = (\lambda + 2)L^+ v$ . Similarly  $H(L^- v) = (\lambda - 2)L^- v$ .

Now we want to solve  $L^- \phi_0 = 0$ .  $\frac{d}{dx} \phi_0 + x \phi_0 = 0$  tells us that  $\phi_0(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}$  ( $L^2$ -normalized). Therefore  $H\phi_0 = \phi_0$  and the we have an eigenvalues of one. So we may construct  $\phi_n = \frac{(L^+)^n \phi_0}{|| (L^+)^n \phi_0 ||}$  which gives an eigenvector of  $H$  with eigenvalues  $2n + 1$ . Note that  $|| (L^+)^n \phi_0 || = \sqrt{2^n n!}$ .

Fact:  $\phi_n = p_n(x) e^{-x^2/2}$  where  $p_n$  is the Hermite polynomial of degree  $n$ .

$$\delta_{nq} = (\phi_n, \phi_q) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} p_n(x) p_q(x) e^{-x^2} dx$$

## Theorem

$\{\phi_n\}_{n \geq 0}$  is dense in  $L^2(\mathbb{R})$  (if  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g \phi_n dx = 0$  for all  $n$ , then  $g = 0$ ).

## Proof (Sketch)

For  $g \in L^2$ ,  $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $F_g(\xi) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{ix\xi} g(x) \phi_0(x) dx = \widehat{g\phi_0}(\xi)$ . We observe that

- $F_g$  is real-analytic in  $\xi$ .
- $F_g^{(k)}(0) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (-ix)^k g(x) \phi_0(x) dx = 0$  by assumption.

So we have a real-analytic function where all derivatives vanish at a point. So  $F_g \equiv 0$ ,  $g\phi_0 = 0$ , and  $g = 0$ .