

Resonances and semiclassical trace formulae

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Operators with point spectrum

Consider the operator $A(h) = -h^2\Delta + V(x)$, $V \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n; \mathbb{R})$, $0 < h \leq 1$. Assume that

$$|\partial^\alpha V| \leq C_\alpha(1 + |x|^2)^q, \quad q \geq 0, \quad \forall \alpha, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

and set $p(x, \xi) = |\xi|^2 + V(x)$. Let $I = (a, b) \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an open bounded interval and let

$$\lim_{|(x, \xi)| \rightarrow \infty} p(x, \xi) > b.$$

Then the operator $A(h)$ has only a discrete spectrum on I and $\forall f \in C_0^\infty(I)$ we have

$$\text{tr } f(A(h)) = \sum_{\lambda_j(h) \in \sigma_{pp}(A(h))} f(\lambda_j) \leq C(f)(h^{-n})$$

Moreover, we have Weyl asymptotics

$$\begin{aligned} N(\lambda; h) &= \#\{\lambda_j(h) : a \leq \lambda_j(h) \leq \lambda < b\} \\ &= c_0(\lambda)h^{-n} + \mathcal{O}(h^{-n+1}), \end{aligned}$$

$$N(\lambda + \epsilon; h) - N(\lambda - \epsilon; h) = \sum_{\lambda_j \in (a, b)} \delta_{\lambda_j}([\lambda + \epsilon, \lambda - \epsilon])$$

Spectral shift function

Set $A_0(h) = -h^2\Delta$ and assume that

$$|\partial_\alpha V(x)| \leq C_\alpha(1 + |x|^2)^{-m/2}, \quad m > n, \quad \forall \alpha.$$

Then $\sigma_{\text{ess}}(A(h)) = [0, +\infty[$. Let $I = (a, b) \subset \mathbb{R}^+$. We may introduce the **spectral shift function** $\xi(\lambda; h) \in \mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})$ as a distribution

$$\langle \xi', f \rangle = \text{tr} \left(f(A(h)) - f(A_0(h)) \right), \quad f \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}).$$

Problems :

- (1) Prove that $\xi'(\lambda, h)$ is a sum of **continuous measures** related to resonances $z_j \in \mathbb{C}_-$ + sum of **delta measures** related to embedded eigenvalues $\mu_j \in \mathbb{R}^+$ + a regular measure.
- (2) Find a (Breit-Wigner) representation of $\xi(\lambda + \delta; h) - \xi(\lambda - \delta; h)$ for $0 < \delta \leq h/C$.
- (3) Establish a **trace formula** relating the trace $\text{tr} \left((\psi f)(A(h)) - (\psi f)(A_0(h)) \right)$ to the sum $\sum_j f(z_j)$ over the **resonances** $z_j \in \Omega$ for f holomorphic in Ω and $\psi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^+)$.
- (4) Find a Weyl asymptotics of $\xi(\lambda, h)$.
- (5) Examine the **existence of resonances** and the **lower bounds** on the number of resonances.

Compact perturbations

Let $A(h)$ be a compact perturbation of $A_0(h)$ (potentials, obstacles etc.) Consider the scattering operator $S(\lambda, h) = I + K(\lambda, h)$, $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}^+$, where K is a trace class operator. Let $\Omega = [a, b] + i[-c, c]$, $0 < a < b$, $c > 0$,

$$\Omega_\epsilon = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{dist}(z, \Omega) \leq \epsilon\}.$$

We can write

$$\det S(\lambda, h) = e^{g(\lambda, h)} \frac{\prod_{z_j \in \Omega_\epsilon} (\lambda - \bar{z}_j)}{\prod_{z_j \in \Omega_\epsilon} (\lambda - z_j)}$$

with z_j resonances in $\{z \in \mathbb{C} : \text{Im } z < 0\}$ and $g(\lambda, h)$ holomorphic in $\Omega_{\epsilon/2}$.

Theorem 1 (*P.- Zworski, 2001*). *The derivative of the scattering phase*

$$s(\lambda, h) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \log \det S(\lambda, h)$$

admits for $\lambda \in \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}$ the representation

$$s'(\lambda, h) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \text{Im } g'(\lambda, h) - \frac{1}{\pi} \sum_{z_j \in \Omega_\epsilon} \frac{\text{Im } z_j}{|\lambda - z_j|^2}$$

and $|g(\lambda, h)| \leq C(\Omega)h^{-n}$, $\lambda \in \Omega$.

Long range perturbations

Consider self-adjoint operators $L_j = L_j(h)$, $j = 1, 2$ and assume that

$$L_j u = \sum_{|\nu| \leq 2} a_{j,\nu}(x) (hD_x)^\nu u, \quad u \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

There exists $C > 0$ such that

$$l_{j,0}(x, \xi) = \sum_{|\nu|=2} a_{j,\nu}(x) \xi^\nu \geq C|\xi|^2, \quad (1)$$

$$\sum_{|\nu| \leq 2} a_{j,\nu}(x) \xi^\nu \longrightarrow |\xi|^2, \quad |x| \longrightarrow \infty \quad (2)$$

Suppose that for $m > n$, $|\nu| \leq 2$ we have

$$\left| a_{1,\nu}(x) - a_{2,\nu}(x) \right| \leq C(1 + |x|^2)^{-m/2} \quad (3)$$

The *spectral shift function* $\xi(\lambda, h)$ is defined for $f(\lambda) \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ by

$$\langle \xi'(\lambda, h), f(\lambda) \rangle = \text{tr} \left(f(L_2) - f(L_1) \right).$$

There exist $\theta_0 \in]0, \frac{\pi}{2}[$, $\epsilon > 0$ and $R_1 > R_0$ so that the coefficients $a_{j,\nu}(x)$ of L_j can be extended holomorphically in x to

$$\Gamma = \{r\omega; \omega \in \mathbb{C}^n, \text{dist}(\omega, S^{n-1}) < \epsilon, \\ r \in \mathbb{C}, r \in e^{i[0, \theta_0]}]R_1, +\infty[\}$$

and (2), (3) extend to Γ . Next we define the resonances $w \in \overline{\mathbb{C}}_-$ by the complex scaling method as the **eigenvalues of the complex scaling operators** $L_{j,\theta}$, $j = 1, 2$. We consider a map $\kappa(\theta) : \mathbb{R}^n \ni t\omega \rightarrow f_\theta(t)\omega \in \mathbb{C}^n$, $t = |x|$,

$$f_\omega(t) = t, 0 \leq t \leq R_1, 0 \leq \arg f_\theta(t) \leq \theta,$$

$$\arg f_\theta(t) \leq \arg \partial_t f_\theta \leq \arg f_\theta(t) + \epsilon,$$

$$f_\theta(t) = e^{i\theta}t, t \geq T_0, \partial_t f_\theta \neq 0.$$

We change the variables and for $\text{Im } \theta > 0$, the operators $L_{j,\theta}$ become non-selfadjoint operators and

$$\dim \text{Ker} (L_{j,\theta} - z) < \infty$$

for $-2\theta < \text{Im } z \leq 0$. Denote by $\text{Res } L_j(h)$, $j = 1, 2$, the set of resonances of $L_j(h)$.

Theorem 2 (Bruneau - P., Dimassi - P., 2003)
 Under the above assumptions let

$$\Omega \subset\subset e^{]-2\theta, 2\theta[}]0, +\infty[, \quad 0 < \theta \leq \theta_0 < \pi/2$$

be an open simply connected set and let $W \subset\subset \Omega$ be an open simply connected relatively compact set which is symmetric with respect to \mathbb{R} . Assume that $J = \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}^+$, $I = W \cap \mathbb{R}^+$ are intervals. Then for $\lambda \in I$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \xi'(\lambda, h) = & \frac{1}{\pi} \operatorname{Im} r(\lambda, h) + \left[\sum_{\substack{w \in \operatorname{Res} L_j \cap \Omega, \\ \operatorname{Im} w \neq 0}} \frac{-\operatorname{Im} w}{\pi |\lambda - w|^2} \right. \\ & \left. + \sum_{w \in \operatorname{Res} L_j \cap J} \delta(\lambda - w) \right]_{j=1}^2, \end{aligned}$$

where $[a_j]_{j=1}^2 = a_2 - a_1$, $r(z, h)$ is a function holomorphic in Ω and $r(z, h)$ satisfies the estimate

$$|r(z, h)| \leq C(W) h^{-n}, \quad z \in W.$$

Given $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $\operatorname{Im} z < 0$, and a Borel set $J \subset \mathbb{R} = \partial C_-$ we have a harmonic measure

$$\omega(z; J) = \int_J \frac{-\operatorname{Im} z}{\pi |t - z|^2} dt.$$

Applications

- local trace formula of Sjöstrand, 1996

Theorem. Suppose that f is holomorphic on a neighborhood of Ω . Let $I = \Omega \cap \mathbb{R}$ and let $\psi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ satisfies

$$\psi(\lambda) = \begin{cases} 0, & d(I, \lambda) > 2\eta, \\ 1, & d(I, \lambda) < \eta, \end{cases}$$

where $\eta > 0$ is sufficiently small. Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{tr} \left[(\psi f)(L_j(h)) \right]_{j=1}^2 \\ &= \left[\sum_{z \in \operatorname{Res} P_j(h) \cap \Omega} f(z) \right]_{j=1}^2 + E_{\Omega, f, \psi}(h) \end{aligned}$$

with

$$|E_{\Omega, f, \psi}(h)| \leq M(\psi, \Omega)$$

$$\times \sup \{ |f(z)| : 0 \leq d(\Omega, z) \leq 2\eta, \operatorname{Im} z \leq 0 \} h^{-n}.$$

- (W) Weyl type asymptotics for the spectral shift function $\xi(\lambda, h) = c(\lambda)h^{-n} + \mathcal{O}(h^{1-n})$.

- (BW) Breit-Wigner approximation

Let $0 < E_1 < E_2$ and suppose that each $\lambda \in [E_0, E_1]$ is a non-critical energy level for L_j , $j = 1, 2$.

(H1) There exist positive constants B, ϵ_1, C_1, h_1 such that for any $\lambda \in [E_0 - \epsilon_1, E_1 + \epsilon_1]$, $h/B \leq \delta \leq B$ and $h \in]0, h_1]$ we have

$$\xi(\lambda + \delta, h) - \xi(\lambda - \delta, h) \leq C_1 \delta h^{-n}$$

Theorem 3 (Bruneau - P.) Assume (H1) and suppose that $L_j(h)$, $j = 1, 2$, have no embedded eigenvalues in $[E_1, E_2]$. Then with $B_1 > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \xi(\lambda + \delta, h) - \xi(\lambda - \delta, h) \\ = & \left[\sum_{\substack{w \in \text{Res } L_j(h), \\ \text{Im } w \neq 0, |w - \lambda| < h/B_1}} \int_{\lambda - \delta}^{\lambda + \delta} \frac{-\text{Im } w}{\pi |t - w|^2} dt \right]_{j=1}^2 + \mathcal{O}(\delta) h^{-n}, \end{aligned}$$

for $0 < \delta \leq h/C$.

• **Estimates and asymptotics of $M(\lambda, h)$**

Let $\omega_{\mathbb{C}_-}(w, J) = \int_J \frac{-\text{Im } w}{\pi|t-w|^2} dt$. Let $\Omega \subset \{\text{Re } z > 0\}$ be a complex relatively compact neighborhood of $[E_0, E_1]$. Consider the function

$$M(\lambda, h) = \sum_{\substack{w \in \text{Res } L, w \in \Omega, \\ \text{Im } w \neq 0}} \omega_{\mathbb{C}_-}(w,]-\infty, \lambda])$$

$$+ \#\{\mu \in]-\infty, \lambda] \cap \Omega : \mu \in \text{sp}_{pp} L(h)\}$$

Theorem 4 (Bruneau - P.) Assume that each $\lambda \in [E_0, E_1]$ is a non-critical level for $L(h)$. Then the condition (H1) is **equivalent** to the estimate

$$|M(\lambda + \delta, h) - M(\lambda - \delta, h)| \leq C_2 \delta h^{-n}, \quad (4)$$

for $h/B_2 \leq \delta \leq B_2$, $\lambda \in [E_0, E_1]$.

Remark. The estimate (4) implies the result of J.-F. Bony:

$$\#\{w \in \text{Res } L(h) : |w - \lambda| \leq \delta\} \leq C \delta h^{-n}.$$

Strategy

I. Representation of the derivative of SSF as a sum of measures

- ⇒ local trace formula in the spirit of Sjöstrand,
- ⇒ Weyl asymptotics of SSF,
- ⇒ weak Weyl asymptotics (H1).

II. Weak Weyl asymptotics (H1)

- ⇒ Estimate for the number of the resonances $\#\{z \in \mathbb{C} : |z - \lambda| \leq Ch\} < C_1 h^{1-n}$,
- ⇒ Breit-Wigner approximation for $\xi(\lambda + \delta, h) - \xi(\lambda - \delta, h)$ with remainder $\mathcal{O}(\delta)h^{-n}$.

III. Local trace formula

- ⇒ Existence of resonances $\mathcal{O}(h^{-n})$ in every neighborhood W of the energy levels E such that a measure related to $V(x)$ has **analytic singularity** at E .
- ⇒ Existence of **clusters of resonances** related to the positive measure of the set of the periodic trajectories in the phase space and to some **quantization conditions** involving the Maslov index of the periodic trajectories. (Application of a Gutzwiller type trace formula without any restriction on the periodic trajectories (Popov - P,)).

Gutzwiller trace formula for isolated periodic trajectories

Let $\lambda \in [E_0 - a, E_0 + a]$, $a > 0$. Assume that for all such λ the Hamiltonian field H_p has an **isolated non-degenerate periodic trajectory** $\gamma(\lambda)$ with period $T(\lambda)$. Let

$$f(z) = \int e^{-it(z-\lambda)/h} g(t) e^{-(t-T(\lambda))^2 C \ln(1/h)/2} dt,$$

where $g(t) \in C_0^\infty(J)$, $g(t) = 1$ in a neighborhood of $T([E_0 - a, E_0 + a])$. Let $S(\gamma(\lambda)) = \int_{\gamma(\lambda)} \xi dx$ be the **action**, let $P_{\gamma(\lambda)}$ be the **linear Poincaré map** and let $\sigma(\gamma(\lambda))$ be the corresponding **Maslov index**. Finally, let $\chi \in C_0^\infty[E_0 - 3a, E_0 + 3a]$, $\chi = 1$ in a neighborhood of $[E_0 - 2a, E_0 + 2a]$ and $T^*(\gamma(\lambda))$ be the primitive period of $\gamma(\lambda)$.

Theorem 5 (Robert, J.F.Bony) For $\lambda \in [E_0 - a, E_0 + a]$ and h small we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{tr}[\chi^2(A_j(h)) f(A_j(h))]_{j=0}^1 = \mathcal{O}(h \ln(1/h)) \\ & + e^{iS(\gamma(\lambda))/h} e^{i\sigma(\gamma(\lambda))} T^*(\gamma(\lambda)) |\det(I - P_{\gamma(\lambda)})|^{-1/2} \end{aligned}$$

with a remainder uniform with respect to $\lambda \in [E_0 - a, E_0 + a]$ and C bounded in \mathbb{R} .

Let $[a(h), b(h)] \subset [E_0 - a, E_0 + a]$, $0 < a < 1/2$ and let $W \subset \mathbb{C}$ be defined by

$$\begin{cases} \operatorname{Re} z \in [a(h) - C_0 h \ln(1/h), b(h) + C_0 h \ln(1/h)], \\ \operatorname{Im} z \geq -\frac{h \ln(1/h)}{T(\operatorname{Re} z)} \left(n - 1 + \frac{\ln((b(h) - a(h)))}{\ln h} \right). \end{cases}$$

Theorem 6 (*J.F.Bony*) *Under the above assumptions we have with $\beta > 0$ the following lower bound*

$$\begin{aligned} & \#(\operatorname{Res} A_1(h) \cap W) \\ & \geq \frac{1}{2\pi h} \int_{a(h)}^{b(h)} T^*(\lambda) |\det(I - P_{\gamma(\lambda)})|^{-1/2} d\lambda \\ & \quad - \mathcal{O}(h^{\beta-1})(b(h) - a(h)). \end{aligned}$$

We have a generalization when we have finite number periodic trajectories $\gamma_j(\lambda)$ on $p(x, \xi) = \lambda$ with $S(\gamma_j(\lambda))$, $\sigma(\gamma_j(\lambda))$, $T^*(\gamma_j(\lambda))$ independent on $j = 1, \dots, N$

Let E be a non-critical value of $p(x, \xi)$ and let the energy surface

$$\Sigma = \{(x, \xi) \in T^*(\mathbb{R}^n) : p(x, \xi) = E\}$$

be compact smooth hypersurface. Let $g(x, hD_x)$ be a h -pseudodifferential operator representing $f(A(h))$. Let $\hat{\rho}(t) \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ and let $\hat{\rho}(t)$ vanish in a neighborhood of 0. Let $0 < \delta \leq 1$.

Theorem 7 (Popov -P., 1998) For any $|r| < r_0$ and $0 < h \leq h_0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{tr} \int \exp(ith^{-1}(E + rh)) \hat{\rho}(\delta t) g(x, hD_x) \\ & \quad \times \exp\left(-ith^{-1}A(h)\right) g(x, hD_x) dt \\ & = (2\pi h)^{1-n} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \int_{\Pi} \hat{\rho}(k\delta T^*(\nu)) \\ & \quad \times \exp\left(ik(h^{-1}S(\nu) + rT^*(\nu) - \sigma(\nu))\right) d\nu + o_\delta(h^{1-n}), \end{aligned}$$

where Π is the set of *absolutely periodic trajectories* of H_p on Σ .

We have $\mu(\mathcal{P} \setminus \Pi) = 0$, where \mathcal{P} is the set of *periodic trajectories* of H_p on Σ .

Gutzwiller trace formula without assumptions on periodic trajectories

Let E be a non-critical value of $p(x, \xi)$ and let the energy surface

$$\Sigma = \{(x, \xi) \in T^*(\mathbb{R}^n) : p(x, \xi) = E\}$$

be compact smooth hypersurface with Liouville measure $\mu(\Sigma)$.

Theorem 8 (*Popov - P., 1998*) *Suppose that $E < \lambda < \lambda_0$ and let E be a non-critical value of $p(x, \xi)$. Then for any function $\rho(\tau) \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$ with Fourier transform $\hat{\rho}(t) \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ we have*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\lambda_j(h) \leq \lambda} \rho\left(\frac{E - \lambda_j(h)}{h}\right) &= \hat{\rho}(0) \frac{\mu(\Sigma)}{(2\pi)^n} h^{1-n} + h(2\pi h)^{-n} \\ &\times \int_{\Pi} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \exp\left(ik(h^{-1}S(\nu) - \sigma(\nu))\right) \hat{\rho}(kT^*(\nu)) d\nu \\ &+ o_\rho(h^{1-n}), \end{aligned}$$

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