

# Convergence Analysis of Planewave Expansion Methods for 2D Schrödinger Operators with Discontinuous Periodic Potentials

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# Introduction

Spectral method + discontinuous coefficients =

Not every applied mathematician's first choice

(not exponential convergence, large dense matrices)

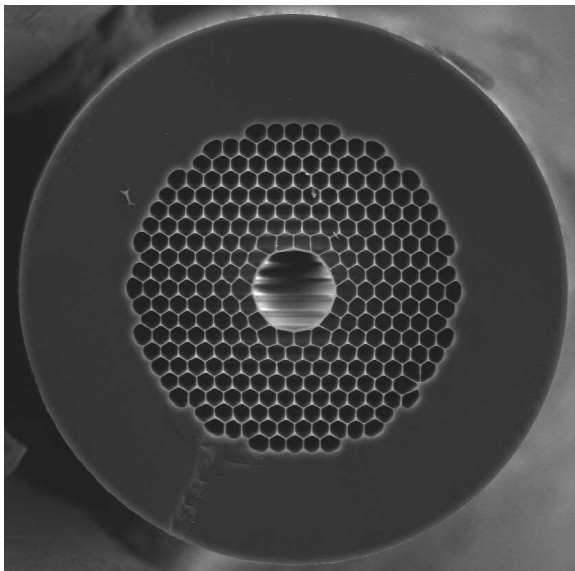
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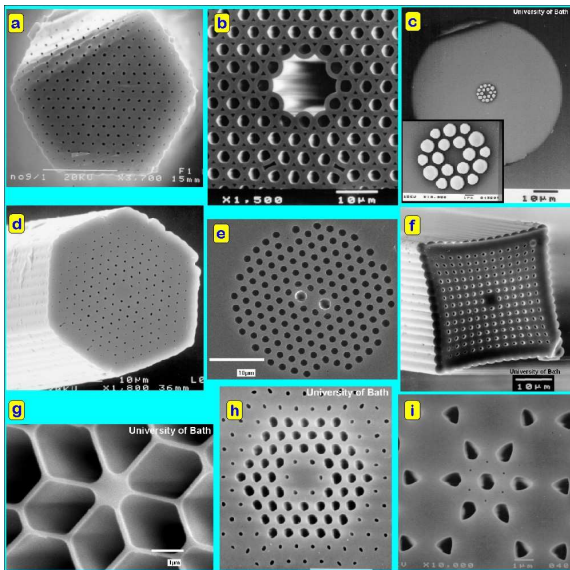
Will show that planewave expansion method has several desirable features that make it competitive with FEM

- ▶ converges at same rate as FEM on uniform grid
- ▶ can use FFT to make linear systems effectively sparse
- ▶ optimal preconditioner

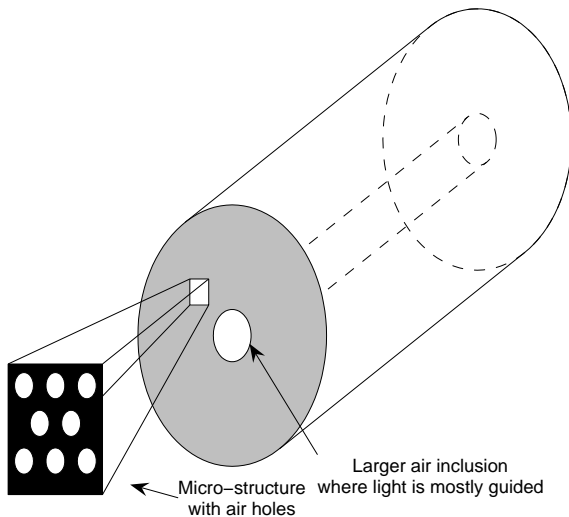
Physicists have tried using smooth coefficients... will show if this is a good idea or not.

Will see that regularity plays an important role in everything.





Cross section of a PCF



## Problem Definition

Idea: given PCF structure and frequency, look for existence of light.

**Maxwell's Equations** and  $\mathbf{H}(x, y, z) = (\mathbf{h}(x, y) + h_z(x, y)\hat{\mathbf{z}}) e^{i\beta z}$   
 $\Rightarrow$  (formally):

$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{h} + V\mathbf{h} + (\nabla U) \times (\nabla \times \mathbf{h}) = -\beta^2 \mathbf{h} \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}^2,$$

where  $\mathbf{h} = (h_x, h_y, 0)$ , and  $V = V(x, y)$  and  $U = U(x, y)$  are given piecewise constant functions.

Some  $V$  and  $U$  regimes allow further simplification:

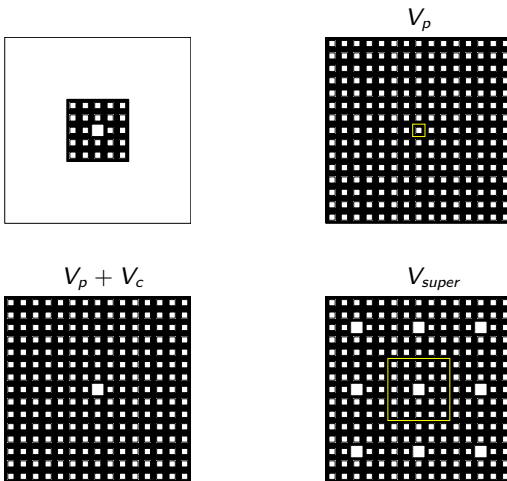
$$-\nabla^2 \mathbf{h} + V\mathbf{h} = -\beta^2 \mathbf{h} \quad \text{on } \mathbb{R}^2.$$

Can decouple this into  $h_x$  and  $h_y$ .

Find  $\sigma(L)$  where

$$L := -\nabla^2 + V(\mathbf{x}) + K$$

operates on  $L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ , with domain  $D(L) = H^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ ,  $V \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$ ,  $K$  is a constant.



$$\sigma(V_p) = \sigma_{ess}(V_p) = \sigma_{ess}(V_p + V_c),$$

$$\sigma(V_{super}) = \sigma_{ess}(V_{super}) \approx \sigma(V_p + V_c).$$



## Floquet/Bloch Transform

$V$  periodic with period cell  $\Omega = (-\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})^2 \Rightarrow$  use Floquet/Bloch theory. It says... since the coefficients are periodic, every eigenfunction can be separated into modes that have the form

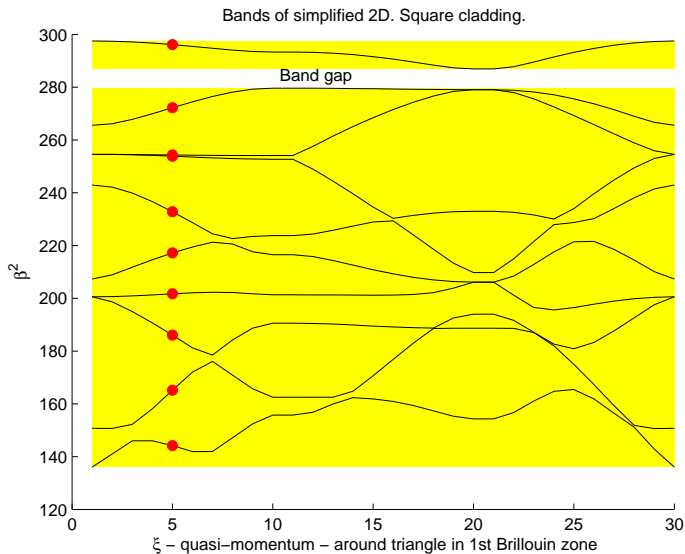
$$\mathbf{h}(\mathbf{x}) = e^{i2\pi\xi\cdot\mathbf{x}} \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x})$$

with  $\mathbf{u}$  periodic where  $\xi$  is from the first Brillouin zone  $B = [-\pi, \pi]^2$ . We get a family of operators parameterized by  $\xi \in B$ . For each fixed  $\xi \in B$ ,

$$L \text{ on } L^2(\mathbb{R}^2) \text{ becomes } L_\xi = -(\nabla + i\xi)^2 + V(\mathbf{x}) + K \text{ on } L_p^2.$$

The key result is

$$\sigma(L) = \bigcup_{\xi \in B} \sigma(L_\xi).$$



## Planewave Expansion Method

To apply the **planewave expansion method** to

$$-(\nabla + i\xi)^2 u + Vu + Ku = \lambda u \quad \text{on } \Omega$$

we look for approximate eigenfunctions of the form

$$u_G(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_G^2} [u_G]_{\mathbf{k}} e^{i2\pi \mathbf{k} \cdot \mathbf{x}}$$

where  $\mathbb{Z}_G^2 = \mathbb{Z}^2 \cap \overline{B(0, G)}$ , and  $[\cdot]_{\mathbf{k}}$  denotes Fourier coefficient with index  $\mathbf{k}$ , and  $G \in \mathbb{N}$ . Comparing coefficients...

$$(|2\pi \mathbf{k} + \xi|^2 + K)[u_G]_{\mathbf{k}} + \sum_{|\mathbf{k}'| \leq G} [V]_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}'} [u_G]_{\mathbf{k}'} = \lambda_G [u_G]_{\mathbf{k}} \quad \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_G^2,$$

which is equivalent to a matrix eigenproblem

$$A\mathbf{u} = \lambda_G \mathbf{u}$$

where  $\mathbf{u}$  is a vector of Fourier coefficients  $[u_G]_{\mathbf{k}}$  for  $|\mathbf{k}| \leq G$  and  $A = D + W$  is Hermitian, positive definite.  $V$  even  $\Rightarrow A$  s.p.d.

# Implementation

- ▶ Want smallest eigenvalues  $\Rightarrow$  **subspace iteration with  $A^{-1}$** .  
E.g. Arnoldi's method (ARPACK).
- ▶ Each subspace iteration requires a **solve with  $A$** . Use PCG.
- ▶ **Diagonal scaling is optimal preconditioner** for solves with  $A$ .  
Theorem to support this - uses Gershgorin's circle theorem.
- ▶ Main cost: multiplications with  $A$ . **Use FFT  $\Rightarrow \mathcal{O}(N \log N)$  ops.** ( $N = \mathcal{O}(G^2)$ ).

## Variational Problem

For fixed  $\xi \in B$ , find  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $0 \neq u \in H_p^1$  such that

$$a(u, v) = \lambda (u, v)_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad \forall v \in H_p^1(\Omega)$$

$$a(u, v) = \int_{\Omega} (\nabla + i\xi) u \overline{(\nabla + i\xi) v} + (V + K) u \bar{v} dx$$

$$H_p^1 = \{f|_{\Omega} \in H^1(\Omega) : f \text{ periodic}\}$$

$a(\cdot, \cdot)$  is bounded, coercive and Hermitian.

# Spectral Galerkin Method

The planewave expansion method can be written as the following **spectral Galerkin method**. Define

$$S_G := \text{span}\{e^{i2\pi\mathbf{k}\cdot\mathbf{x}} : \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^2, |\mathbf{k}| \leq G\} \subset H_p^1.$$

Find  $\lambda_G \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $0 \neq u_G \in S_G$  such that

$$a(u_G, v_G) = \lambda_G (u_G, v_G)_{L^2(\Omega)} \quad \forall v_G \in S_G$$

which is equivalent to the same matrix eigenproblem

$$A\mathbf{u} = \lambda_G \mathbf{u}.$$

## Periodic Sobolev Spaces

- ▶ Can define  $\mathcal{D}'_p(\mathbb{R}^2)$  - space of periodic distributions.
- ▶ Every  $u \in \mathcal{D}'_p(\mathbb{R}^2)$  has well-defined Fourier coefficients and Fourier Series.

For  $s \in \mathbb{R}$  define

$$H_p^s := \{u \in \mathcal{D}'_p(\mathbb{R}^2) : \|u\|_{H_p^s} < \infty\}$$

where

$$\|u\|_{H_p^s}^2 := \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^2} |\mathbf{k}|_*^{2s} |[u]_{\mathbf{k}}|^2, \quad \text{and} \quad |\mathbf{k}|_* = \begin{cases} 1 & \mathbf{k} = 0 \\ |\mathbf{k}| & \mathbf{k} \neq 0 \end{cases}$$

Regularity determined from decay of Fourier coefficients.

Also have expected Sobolev embeddings and inequalities.

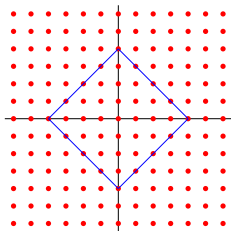
## Special Classes of Periodic Functions

Starting point for regularity...  $V \in H_p^s$  for what  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ ?

$$\mathcal{X}_p := \{f \in H_p^s \text{ for any } s < 1/2\} \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

$$\mathcal{Y}_p := \{f \in \mathcal{D}'_p(\mathbb{R}^2) : F_n(f) \lesssim n^{-1} \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}\} \cap L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2).$$

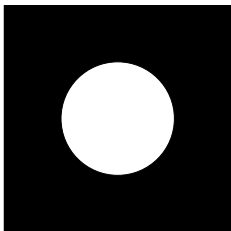
where 
$$F_n(f) := \left( \sum_{|k_1|+|k_2|=n} |[f]_{\mathbf{k}}|^2 \right)^{1/2}$$



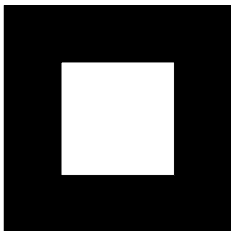
Easy to show  $\mathcal{Y}_p \subset \mathcal{X}_p$ . Also true that  $\mathcal{Y}_p \neq \mathcal{X}_p$ . What kind of functions are in  $\mathcal{X}_p$  or  $\mathcal{Y}_p$ ?



## Examples of $V$ in $\mathcal{Y}_p$



$$|[V]_{\mathbf{k}}| \lesssim |\mathbf{k}|_{\star}^{-3/2} \Rightarrow V \in \mathcal{Y}_p$$



$$|[V]_{\mathbf{k}}| \lesssim |k_1|_{\star}^{-1} |k_2|_{\star}^{-1} \Rightarrow V \in \mathcal{Y}_p$$

## Regularity of Eigenfunctions

Suppose  $V \in \mathcal{X}_p$  and  $u \in H_p^1$  is an eigenvector of our variational problem. Then  $u$  is a weak solution to

$$\mathcal{L}u = f \quad \text{on } \Omega, \text{ periodic b.c.s,}$$

where  $\mathcal{L} := -(\nabla + i\xi)^2 + K$  and  $f := \lambda u - Vu$ .

Steps for Regularity:

### 1. Easy step:

$$\begin{aligned} u \in H_p^1 \text{ and } V \in L^\infty &\Rightarrow f \in L_p^2 \\ &\Rightarrow u \in H_p^2 \end{aligned}$$

### 2. Technical step:

$$\begin{aligned} u \in H_p^2 \text{ and } V \in H_p^{1/2-\epsilon} &\stackrel{\text{(Saranen \& Vainikko)}}{\implies} Vu \in H_p^{1/2-\epsilon} \\ &\implies f \in H_p^{1/2-\epsilon} \\ &\stackrel{\text{(Lions \& Magenes)}}{\implies} u \in H_p^{5/2-\epsilon}. \end{aligned}$$

# Approximation Error

We use this regularity to get

$$\inf_{\chi \in \mathcal{S}_G} \|u - \chi\|_{H_p^1} \leq G^{-3/2+\epsilon} \|u\|_{H_p^{5/2-\epsilon}}$$

## Error Analysis - the Solution Operator

- ▶ Define solution operator  $T : L_p^2 \rightarrow H_p^1$  by

$$a(Tf, v) = (f, v) \quad \forall v \in H_p^1(\Omega)$$

- ▶ Define  $T_G : L_p^2 \rightarrow S_G$  for approx. var. problem.
- ▶  $T : H_p^1 \rightarrow H_p^1$  and  $T_G : H_p^1 \rightarrow H_p^1$  are bounded, compact, self-adjoint and positive definite w.r.t.  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ .
- ▶  $(\lambda, u)$  eigenpair of  $a(\cdot, \cdot) \iff (\frac{1}{\lambda}, u)$  eigenpair of  $T$ .

(Now we know that  $\sigma(L_\xi) = \sigma_d(L_\xi)$ , i.e. no essential spectrum so ok to only talk about eigenvalues).

Using Babuska & Osborn theory we get...

### Theorem

$V \in \mathcal{X}_p$ ,  $(\lambda, u)$  eigenpair of our variational problem,  $\lambda$  simple,  $\|u\|_{H_p^1} = 1$ . Then, for sufficiently large  $G$ ,  $\exists$  an eigenpair  $(\lambda_G, u_G)$  of the approx. var. problem, with  $\|u_G\|_{H_p^1} = 1$ , such that

$$\|u - u_G\|_{H_p^1} \lesssim \|(T - T_G)u\|_{H_p^1}$$

$$|\lambda - \lambda_G| \lesssim |a((T - T_G)u, u)| + \|(T - T_G)u\|_{H_p^1}^2$$

Cea's Lemma and Galerkin Orthogonality  $\Rightarrow$

$$\|(T - T_G)u\|_{H_p^1} \lesssim \inf_{\chi \in S_G} \|u - \chi\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \leq G^{-3/2+\epsilon} \|u\|_{H_p^{5/2-\epsilon}}$$

$$|a((T - T_G)u, u)| \lesssim \left( \inf_{\chi \in S_G} \|u - \chi\|_{H^1(\Omega)} \right)^2 \leq G^{-3+2\epsilon} \|u\|_{H_p^{5/2-\epsilon}}^2$$

Theorem holds for multiple eigenvalues.

# Error Analysis

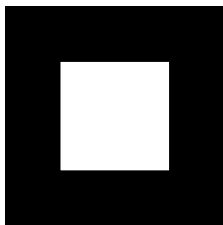
$$\|u - u_G\|_{H_p^1} \lesssim G^{-3/2+\epsilon}$$

$$|\lambda - \lambda_G| \lesssim G^{-3+2\epsilon}$$

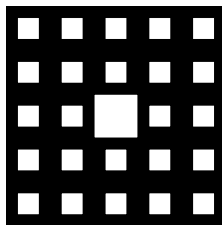
Not exponential since  $u \notin C^\infty$

## An Example

Problem 1

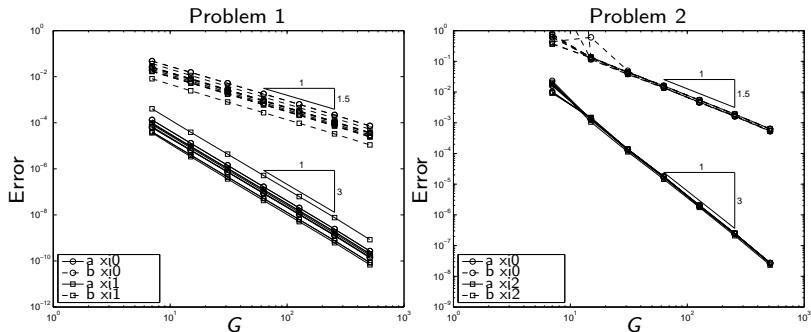


Problem 2



The period cell for  $V(\mathbf{x})$  in Problems 1 and 2.  $V = -162.0$  in the black regions and  $V = -10.4$  in the white regions.

# Observed Convergence



Eigenvalue error (a) and eigenfunction error in the  $H_p^1$  norm (b) plotted against  $G$  for selected eigenpairs in Problem 1 (1st-5th eigenpairs) and in Problem 2 (23rd-27th eigenpairs), where  $\xi = (0, 0)$  (xi0),  $(\pi, \pi)$  (xi1), and  $(\frac{\pi}{5}, \frac{\pi}{5})$  (xi2). Reference solution computed with  $G = 2^{10} - 1$ .



## Optimal Preconditioner

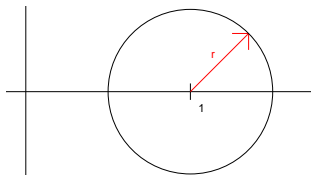
Define our preconditioner to be

$$P := \text{diag}(A).$$

Want to prove

$$\kappa(P^{-1}A) \leq C.$$

Idea: Only ones on diagonal of  $P^{-1}A$ . Gershgorin's Circle Theorem then says that all the eigenvalues of  $P^{-1}A$  will be in a disc centered at 1. Disc will have small radius if sum of off diagonal entries along every row is small. Off diagonal entries are (scaled)  $[V]_{k-k'}$  and from regularity of  $V$  we know these decay.



## Definition of $A$

Let  $\mathbb{Z}_G^2 := \mathbb{Z}^2 \cap \overline{B(0, G)}$  and  $N = |\mathbb{Z}_G^2|$ .

Define an ordering of the elements of  $\mathbb{Z}_G^2$ ,  $i : \mathbb{Z}_G^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{N}$  (ascending magnitude).

Then

$$A = D + W$$

where  $D$  and  $W$  have entries

$$D_{i(\mathbf{k}), i(\mathbf{k})} = |\boldsymbol{\xi} + 2\pi\mathbf{k}|^2 + K \quad \forall \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_G^2,$$

$$W_{i(\mathbf{k}), i(\mathbf{k}')} = [V]_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}'} \quad \forall \mathbf{k}, \mathbf{k}' \in \mathbb{Z}_G^2.$$

## A Sketch of the Proof

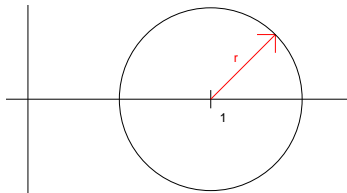
For any  $C > 1$ , if  $V \in \mathcal{Y}_p$  ( $\exists \gamma$  s.t.  $F_n(V) \leq \gamma n^{-1}$ ) and  $K \geq \frac{C+1}{C-1} 2^{11/4} \gamma \sqrt{G} + |[V]_0|$ , then

summing the off diagonal entries in row  $i(\mathbf{k})$  of  $P^{-1}A$ ,

$$r_{\mathbf{k}} = \sum_{\mathbf{k}' \neq \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_G^2} |(P^{-1}A)_{i(\mathbf{k}), i(\mathbf{k}')}| \leq \frac{1}{|\xi + 2\pi\mathbf{k}|^2 + K - |[V]_0|} \sum_{\mathbf{k}' \neq \mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}_G^2} |[V]_{\mathbf{k}-\mathbf{k}'}| \leq \dots \leq \frac{C-1}{C+1}.$$

Gershgorin's Circle Theorem then says

$$\sigma(P^{-1}A) \subset [1 - \frac{C-1}{C+1}, 1 + \frac{C-1}{C+1}] = [\frac{2}{C+1}, \frac{2C}{C+1}] \quad \text{and so} \quad \kappa(P^{-1}A) \leq C.$$



Compare the performance of preconditioner  $P$  with  $K = \|V\|_{L^\infty} + \pi^2 + \frac{1}{2} \approx 172.4$  and  $K = 5000$ .

G	N	IRA restarts			PCG iterations		
		I	P	$P_{K=5000}$	I	P	$P_{K=5000}$
15	709	7	7	22	50	38	8
31	3001	7	7	41	99	38	8
63	12453	7	7	65	204	39	8
127	50617	7	7	96	410	39	8

Large  $K \Rightarrow$  more IRA restarts, since relative spacing of eigenvalues is decreased.

We actually used the following preconditioner...

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} A_{11} & 0 \\ 0 & \text{diag}(A_{22}) \end{bmatrix}.$$

# Smoothing

Define normalized Gaussian

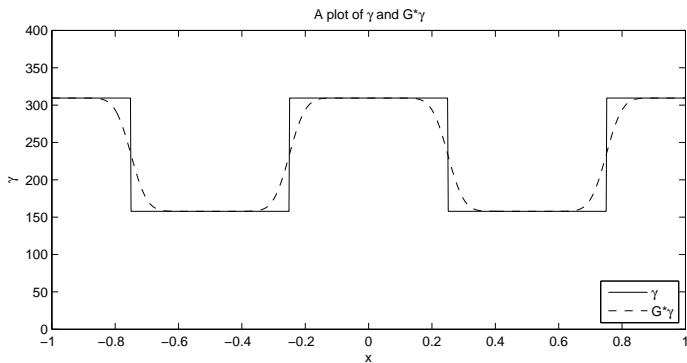
$$\mathcal{G}(\mathbf{x}) = \frac{1}{2\pi\Delta^2} \exp\left(-\frac{|\mathbf{x}|^2}{2\Delta^2}\right)$$

for small  $\Delta > 0$ . Perturb  $L$  to

$$\tilde{L} = -\nabla^2 + \tilde{V}(\mathbf{x}) + K$$

where

$$\tilde{V}(\mathbf{x}) = (\mathcal{G} * V)(\mathbf{x}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \mathcal{G}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{y}) V(\mathbf{y}) d\mathbf{y}.$$



## Properties of $\tilde{V}$

- ▶  $\tilde{V}(\mathbf{x}) \rightarrow V(\mathbf{x})$  pointwise a.e. as  $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ .



$$[\tilde{V}]_{\mathbf{k}} = e^{-2\pi^2|\mathbf{k}|^2\Delta^2} [V]_{\mathbf{k}}$$

- ▶ If  $V \in \mathcal{Y}_p$  and  $\Delta \in (0, 1)$  then

$$\|\tilde{V} - V\|_{H_p^{-1}} \lesssim \Delta^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

- ▶ If  $V \in \mathcal{Y}_p$  and  $\Delta \in (0, 1)$  then

$$\|\tilde{V}\|_{H_p^s} \lesssim \begin{cases} (\Delta^{-1})^{s-1/2} & s > \frac{1}{2} \\ (1 + \log(\Delta^{-1}))^{1/2} & s = \frac{1}{2} \\ 1 & s < \frac{1}{2}. \end{cases}$$

## Regularity for smooth problem

Suppose  $V \in \mathcal{Y}_p$ ,  $\Delta \in (0, 1)$  and  $\tilde{u}$  is an eigenfunction of the smooth problem. Then  $\tilde{u} \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^2)$  and

$$\|\tilde{u}\|_{H_p^s} \lesssim \zeta(\Delta^{-1}) \|u\|_{H_p^1}$$

where

$$\zeta(\Delta^{-1}) := \begin{cases} (\Delta^{-1})^{s-5/2}, & \text{for } s > \frac{5}{2}, \\ (1 + \log(\Delta^{-1}))^{1/2}, & \text{for } s = \frac{5}{2}, \\ 1, & \text{for } s < \frac{5}{2}. \end{cases}$$

## Approximation Error

$$\inf_{\chi \in S_G} \|\tilde{u} - \chi\|_{H_p^1} \lesssim \begin{cases} (\Delta^{-1})^s G^{-s-3/2} \|\tilde{u}\|_{H_p^1} & s > 0 \\ C_{G,\Delta^{-1}} G^{-3/2} \|\tilde{u}\|_{H_p^1} & \end{cases}$$

$$C_{G,\Delta^{-1}} = \min\{G^\epsilon, (1 + \log(\Delta^{-1}))^{1/2}\}.$$



## Error of Smoothing

Define  $\tilde{T}$  for the smooth variational problem and apply Babuska & Osborn.

$$\|u - \tilde{u}\|_{H_p^1} \lesssim \|(T - \tilde{T})u\|_{H_p^1}$$

$$|\lambda - \tilde{\lambda}| \lesssim |a((T - \tilde{T})u, u)| + \|(T - \tilde{T})u\|_{H_p^1} \|(T - \tilde{T}^*)u\|_{H_p^1}$$

where  $\tilde{T}^*$  is the adjoint of  $\tilde{T}$  w.r.t.  $a(\cdot, \cdot)$ .

## Bounding the RHS

We bound  $\|(T - \tilde{T})u\|_{H_p^1}$  using **Strang's 1st Lemma**.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|Tu - \tilde{T}u\|_{H_p^1} &\lesssim \inf_{v \in H_p^1} \left\{ \|Tv - v\|_{H_p^1} + \sup_{w \in H_p^1} \frac{|a(v, w) - \tilde{a}(v, w)|}{\|w\|_{H_p^1}} \right\} \\
 &\leq \sup_{w \in H_p^1} \frac{\int_{\Omega} |(\tilde{V} - V)Tu\bar{w}| dx}{\|w\|_{H_p^1}} \quad \text{choosing } v = Tu \\
 &\leq \sup_{w \in H_p^1} \frac{\|\tilde{V} - V\|_{H_p^{-1}} \|Tu\bar{w}\|_{H_p^1}}{\|w\|_{H_p^1}} \\
 &\lesssim \Delta^{3/2} \|Tu\|_{H_p^2} \\
 &\lesssim \Delta^{3/2} \|u\|_{H_p^1}
 \end{aligned}$$

## Error with Smoothing

The error splits into

$$\text{error} \leq \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{error of} \\ \text{smoothing} \end{array} \right) + \left( \begin{array}{c} \text{error of} \\ \text{Galerkin method} \end{array} \right)$$

The result is... for any  $s > 0$

$$\|u - \tilde{u}_G\|_{H_p^1} \lesssim \Delta^{3/2} + \begin{cases} (\Delta^{-1})^s G^{-s-3/2} \\ C_{G,\Delta^{-1}} G^{-3/2} \end{cases}$$

$$|\lambda - \tilde{\lambda}_G| \lesssim \Delta^{3/2} + \begin{cases} (\Delta^{-1})^{2s} G^{-2s-3} \\ C_{G,\Delta^{-1}}^2 G^{-3} \end{cases}$$

## Balance Errors / Optimal Choice of Smoothing

Balance errors by taking  $\Delta = G^r$  for some  $r \leq 0$ . At best we get

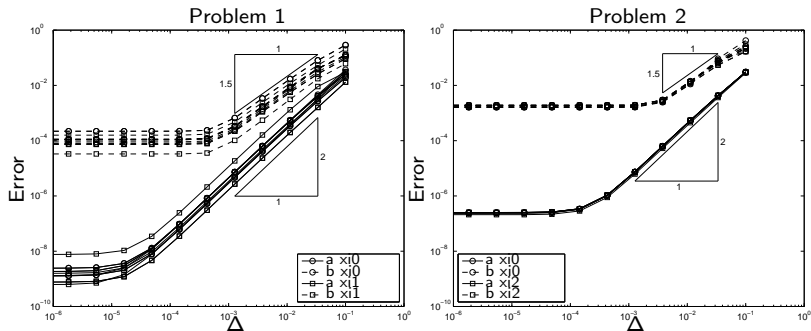
$$\|u - \tilde{u}_G\|_{H_p^1} \lesssim G^{-3/2} \quad \text{taking } r \leq -1$$

$$|\lambda - \tilde{\lambda}_G| \lesssim G^{-3} \log G \quad \text{taking } r \leq -2$$

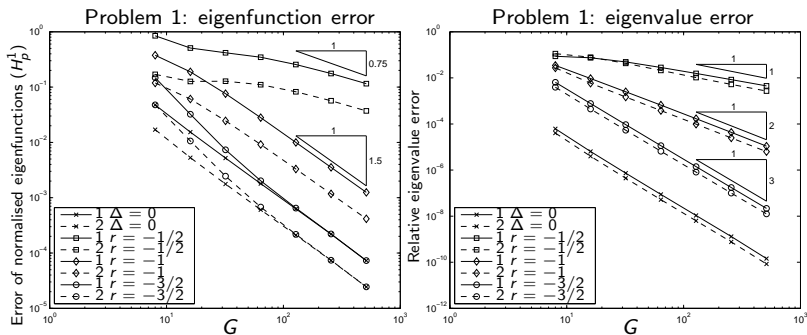
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Balance the errors  $\Rightarrow$  No amount of smoothing will improve the rate of convergence.

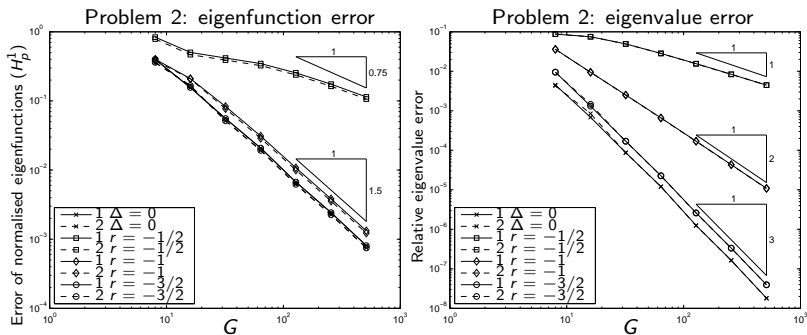
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Errors for the 1st eigenpair in Problem 1 plotted against  $G$  with  $\Delta = G^r$  for different  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . (Solid lines correspond to  $\xi = (0, 0)$ , whereas dashed lines are  $\xi = (\pi, \pi)$ .) Reference solution computed with  $G = 2^{10} - 1$ .



Errors for the 1st eigenpair in Problem 2 plotted against  $G$  with  $\Delta = G^r$  for different  $r \in \mathbb{R}$ . (Solid lines correspond to  $\xi = (0, 0)$ , whereas dashed lines are  $\xi = (\frac{\pi}{5}, \frac{\pi}{5})$ .) Reference solution computed with  $G = 2^{10} - 1$ .

## Summary / Conclusions

- ▶ Put the planewave expansion method in Galerkin method framework.
- ▶ Sharp regularity and convergence results for the standard planewave expansion method, no smoothing.
- ▶ Optimal preconditioner.
- ▶ Improved regularity and convergence rate (w.r.t.  $G$ ) with smoothing, but additional smoothing error.
- ▶ Quantified smoothing error. Sharp for eigenfunctions, not for eigenvalues.
- ▶ Optimal choice of smoothing. Conclude that smoothing does not help (but it does not hurt either).
- ▶ Numerical experiments agree with theory.
- ▶ Planewave expansion method competitive with FEM on uniform grid.



## Further / Future Work

- ▶ **Caveat:** have assumed we have explicit formula for  $[V]_{\mathbf{k}}$ . In practice need approximation, e.g. sample  $V$  on uniform grid, compute approximate  $[V]_{\mathbf{k}}$  using FFT. Include this error. Maybe smoothing is beneficial here.
- ▶ Extend analysis to full problem - Maxwell.
- ▶ Analysis of supercell method error.

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