

# Verified lower eigenvalue bounds for self-adjoint differential operators

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# Various eigenvalue problems

- Laplace operator:

$$-\Delta u = \lambda u \text{ in } \Omega \quad \oplus \quad \text{boundary condition}$$

- Bi-harmonic operator:

$$\Delta^2 u = \lambda u \text{ or } \Delta^2 u = -\lambda \Delta u \text{ in } \Omega \quad \oplus \quad \text{boundary condition}$$

- Eigenvalue problems for Stokes's operator:

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u + \nabla p = \lambda u & \text{in } \Omega \\ \operatorname{div} u = 0 & \end{cases} \quad \oplus \quad \text{boundary condition}$$

- Eigenvalue problem for Maxwell's operator:

Find  $E \in H_0(\operatorname{rot}; \Omega)$  and  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , s.t.,

$$(\operatorname{rot} E, \operatorname{rot} F) = \lambda(E, F) \quad \forall F \in H_0(\operatorname{rot}; \Omega).$$

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- It is also needed in computer-assisted proof for non-linear equation solution verification, for example,

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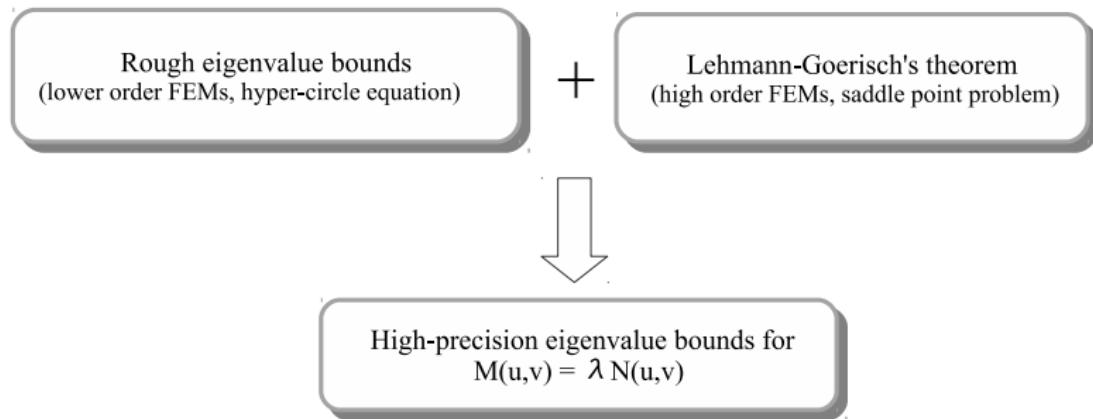
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# Outline

1. Framework for high-precision eigenvalue bounds.
2. Rough eigenvalue bounds based on finite element method
3. High-precision eigenvalue bounds by applying Lehmann-Goerisch's theorem
4. Application and computation results

# 1. The framework for high-precision eigenvalue bounds



## 2. The main theorem to give rough lower and upper bounds

# Preparation and assumptions

## Preparation

- $V$ : Hilbert space of real functions.
- $V^h$ : Finite dimensional space;  $V^h$  may not be a subspace of  $V$ .

## Assumption [Lehmann-Goerisch, 1960-1990]

A1  $M(u, v)$ ,  $N(u, v)$  are symmetric bilinear forms over  $V$  and  $V^h$ ;  $M(u, u) \geq 0$ ,  $N(u, u) \geq 0$ ;  $N(u, u) = 0$  implies  $u = 0$ .

- Define  $|\cdot|_M := \sqrt{M(\cdot, \cdot)}$ ,  $|\cdot|_N := \sqrt{N(\cdot, \cdot)}$ .

A2 There exist sequences  $\{\phi_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  and non-decreasing  $\{\lambda_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that  $\phi_i \in V$ ,  $\lambda_i \in \mathbf{R}$ ,  $N(\phi_i, \phi_j) = \delta_{ij}$  for  $i, j \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$M(f, \phi_i) = \lambda_i N(f, \phi_i) \quad \text{for all } f \in V, i \in \mathbb{N}. \quad (1)$$

$$N(f, f) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (N(f, \phi_i))^2 \quad \text{for all } f \in V. \quad (2)$$

# Upper eigenvalue bounds

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- A  $V^h$  satisfying  $V^h \subset V$  is called conforming space.
- Usually, a conforming space is easy to construct.

# Lower eigenvalue bounds

**Theorem 1:** Let  $P_h : V \rightarrow V^h$  be a projection satisfying

$$M(u - P_h u, v_h) = 0, \quad \text{for all } v_h \in V^h$$

Moreover, suppose that an error estimation for  $P_h$  is given as,

$$|u - P_h u|_N \leq C_h |u - P_h u|_M .$$

**Assertion:** The lower bounds for eigenvalues are given as,

$$\lambda_{h,k} / (1 + \lambda_{h,k} C_h^2) \leq \lambda_k \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots, n) .$$

# Related results

## Conforming case

- X. Liu and S. Oishi. Verified eigenvalue evaluation for the Laplacian over polygonal domains of arbitrary shape. SIAM J. Numer. Anal., 51(3): 1634-1654, 2013.

## Non-conforming case

- Kobayashi: upper bound for interpolation constants (2010 ).
  - To consider the bound for the first eigenvalue of operators.
- Results of [Carstensen-Gallistl, 2013], [Carstensen-Gedicke, 2014]:
  - For the first eigenvalue: same result
  - For the rest eigenvalues: The same lower bounds are proposed but with a separation condition:

$$C_h \leq (\sqrt{1 + 1/k} - 1) / \sqrt{\lambda_k}$$

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- A locally defined interpolation operator  $\Pi_h$  which is also a projection operator will be a good candidate for  $P_h$ . That is, on each element  $K$  of triangulation  $\mathcal{T}^h$ ,

$$(P_h u)|_K = \Pi_h(u|_K).$$

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- Classical methods have difficulty to bound eigenvalues for problems defined over a domain of general shape.

## Eigenvalue bounds based on conforming FEMs

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# Error estimation for $P_h : V \rightarrow V^h$

Quantitative a priori error estimate on convex or non-convex domain:

**Theorem** [Liu-Oishi, SIMNM, 2013] Given  $f \in L_2(\Omega)$ , let  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  and  $u_h \in V^h$  be the solutions of variational problems below, respectively,

$$(\nabla u, \nabla v) = (f, v) \quad \text{for } v \in H_0^1(\Omega), \quad (\nabla u_h, \nabla v_h) = (f, v_h) \quad \text{for } v_h \in V^h(\Omega).$$

Let  $C_h := \sqrt{C_{0,h}^2 + \kappa_h^2}$ , we have error estimates as below,

$$\|\nabla(u - u_h)\|_{L_2} \leq C_h \|f\|_{L_2}, \quad \|u - u_h\|_{L_2} \leq C_h^2 \|f\|_{L_2}$$

where  $C_{0,h}$  has explicit value and  $\kappa_h$  is defined by

$$\kappa_h := \sup_{f_h \in X^h \setminus 0} \inf_{p_h \in W_{f_h}^h} \inf_{u_h \in S^h} \frac{\|p_h - \nabla u_h\|}{\|f_h\|}$$

## Eigenvalue bounds based on non-conforming FEMs

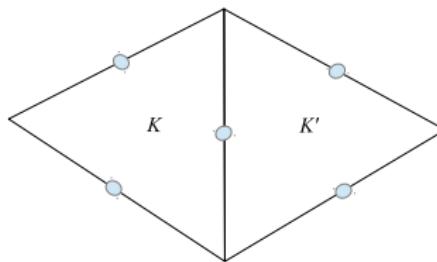
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# Error estimation for projection $P_h$

Let  $h$  be the mesh size of triangulation for domain  $\Omega$ .

$$\|u - P_h u\|_N \leq 0.19h \|u - P_h u\|_M \text{ for } u \in H^1(\Omega)$$

- The error constant  $C_h = 0.19h$  is not depending on the maximum inner angle of triangle elements.

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**Related work:** [Carsten-Gedicke, Mathematics of Computation, 2014] shows:

$$\|v - P_h v\|_N \leq 0.43955h \|v - P_h v\|_M$$

# Lower eigenvalue bounds based on Theorem 1

## Eigenvalue problem

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## Setting for application of Theorem 1

- $V = H_0^1(\Omega)$ ;
- $V^h$ : Crouzeix-Rarviart FEM space ( $V^h \not\subset V$ );
- $M(u, v) := \sum_{K \in \mathcal{T}^h} \int_K \nabla u \cdot \nabla v dx$ ;
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- **Projection  $P_h := \Pi_h$ :**

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- Error estimation for  $P_h$ :

$$|u - P_h u|_N \leq C_h |u - P_h u|_M \quad \left( C_h := \max_{K \in \mathcal{T}^h} C_e(K) \right)$$

## Computation results for Laplacian

# Example I: L-shaped domain

Domain:  $\Omega : (0, 2) \times (0, 2) \setminus [1, 2] \times [1, 2]$ .

Problem: Find  $u \in H_0^1(\Omega)$  and  $\lambda > 0$  such that,

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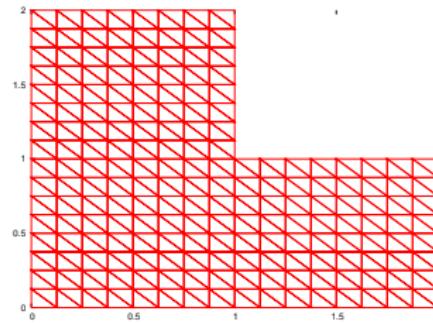


Figure : Triangulation of L-shape domain

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2	14.950	15.1973	15.225	0.018
3	19.326	19.7392	19.787	0.024
4	28.605	29.5215	29.626	0.035
5	30.866	31.9126	32.058	0.038

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### 3. High-precision eigen-bounds from Lehmann-Goerisch's theorem

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- A priori eigenvalue bounds  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  are needed;
- Well-constructed vector  $\hat{u}$  can provide high-precision bounds;

○ Kato, T., On the Upper and Lower Bounds of Eigenvalues. Journal of the Physical Society of Japan, 4(4), 334-339. 1949

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For example, for the eigenvalue problem of  $-\Delta$ :

- Kato's bound or Lehmann's theorem:  $\hat{u} \in D(-\Delta)$ .
- Lehmann-Goerisch's theorem:  $\hat{u} \in H^1(\Omega)$ .

## Computation examples for high-precision eigenvalue bounds

## Examples of 2nd order operators

### Eigenvalue problem of Laplacian

$$-\Delta u = \lambda u \quad (\text{boundary condition})$$

# Example: Poincare's constant [Liu-Oishi, JJIAM, 2013]

**Average interpolation operator  $\Pi_0$ :** Let  $K$  be a triangle,

$$\int_K \Pi_0 u - u ds = 0$$

**Poincare's constant  $C_p$ :**

$$\|u - \Pi_0 u\|_{L_2(K)} \leq C_p |u|_{H^1(K)} \text{ for } u \in H^1(K)$$

**Triangulation mesh**

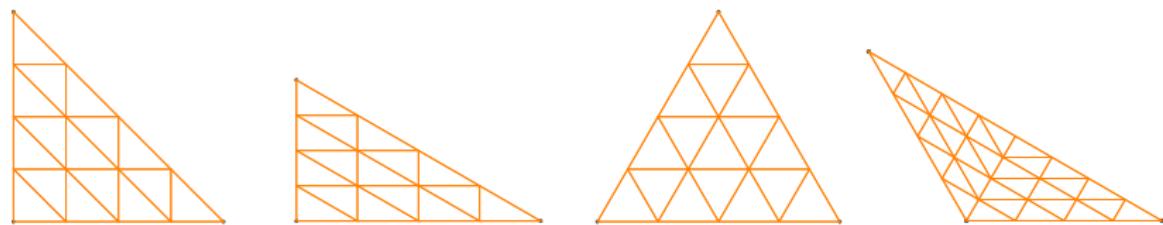


Figure : Triangulation of  $K$  (from left to right,  $h = 0.25, 0.25, 0.25, 0.22$ )

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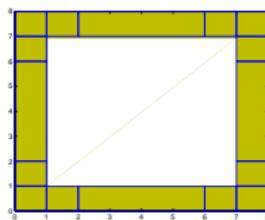
- Triangle with three vertices:  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ ,  $(a, b)$

Table : High-precision bound for constant  $C_p$  ( $d = 5$ )

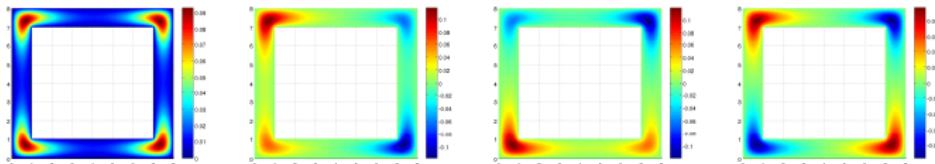
$(a, b)$	shape	$h$	$\lambda_1$	$C_p$
$(0, 1)$		0.25	$9.869604_{39}^{41}$	$0.318309886_{18}^{24}$
$(0, \sqrt{3}/3)$		0.25	$13.1594725_{23}^{36}$	$0.275664447_{70}^{83}$
$(1/2, \sqrt{3}/2)$		0.25	$17.5459633_{27}^{81}$	$0.238732414_{633}^{993}$
$(-1/2, \sqrt{3}/2)$		0.22	$7.1553_{26}^{53}$	$0.37383_{83}^{96}$

# Example: Non-convex domain [Liu-Okayama-Oishi, Comp. Math., 2014]

- Eigenvalue problem:  $-\Delta u = \lambda u$  in  $\Omega$ ,  $u = 0$  on  $\partial\Omega$ .
- Domain  $\Omega$ :  $(0, 8)^2 \setminus [1, 7]^2$ ;
- Rough a priori eigenvalue estimation:  $\lambda_5 < 35.0 < \lambda_6$ ;
- Singular base function used around the re-entrant corners;
- Order of Lagrange FEM space  $L_h^d$ :  $d = 10$ .



$\lambda_i$	lower	upper
1	9.1602158	9.1602163
2	9.1700883	9.1700889
3	9.1700883	9.1700889
4	9.1805675	9.1805681



Eigenfunctions corresponding to the leading 4 eigenvalues

Examples of 4th order operators:  $\Delta^2$

### Buckling plate eigenvalue problem

$$\Delta^2 u = -\lambda \Delta u, \quad u = \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} = 0 \text{ on } \partial\Omega,$$

# Buckling plate eigenvalue problem

Unit square domain  $\Omega := (0, 1)^2$

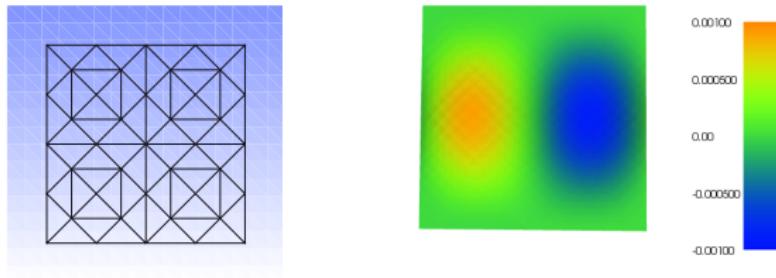


Figure : Left: triangulation for domain; Right:  $\partial u / \partial x$

- Approximate eigenvalues  
 $\lambda_1 \approx 52.3446989, \quad \lambda_2 \approx 92.1244138, \quad \lambda_3 = 92.1244138.$
- Eigenvalue bounds: ( 64 triangle elements;  $d = 6$ ;  $\rho = 85.0$ )

$$52.34468 \leq \lambda_1 \leq 52.34470$$

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Unit triangle domain  $T$ : three vertices  $(0, 0)$ ,  $(1, 0)$ ,  $(1, 1)$ .



Figure : Left: triangulation for domain; Right:  $\partial u / \partial x$

- Approximate eigenvalues  $\lambda_1 \approx 139.574$ ,  $\lambda_2 \approx 205.554$ ,  $\lambda_3 \approx 247.864$ .
- Eigenvalue bounds: ( 32 triangle elements;  $d = 6$ ;  $\rho = 200.0$ )

$$139.57361 \leq \lambda_1 \leq 139.57435$$

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