

MSA induction step

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Geometric resolvent equation:

for $\Lambda_1 \subseteq \Lambda_2$, $x \in \Lambda_1$, $y \in \Lambda_2 \setminus \Lambda_1$, and $z \in \text{Spec } H_{\Lambda_1} \cup \text{Spec } H_{\Lambda_2}$,

$$(H_{\Lambda_2} - z)^{-1}(x, y) = \sum_{\substack{(w, w') \in \partial \Lambda_1 \\ w \in \Lambda_1, w' \in \Lambda_2 \setminus \Lambda_1}} (H_{\Lambda_1} - z)^{-1}(x, w) (H_{\Lambda_2} - z)^{-1}(w', y).$$

Proof Write $H_{\Lambda_2} = H_{\Lambda_1} \oplus H_{\Lambda_2 \setminus \Lambda_1} + \Gamma$, $\Gamma(w, w') = \begin{cases} -1 & (w, w') \in \partial \Lambda_1 \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$
 Then $(H_{\Lambda_2} - z)^{-1} = (H_{\Lambda_1} \oplus H_{\Lambda_2 \setminus \Lambda_1} - z)^{-1} - (H_{\Lambda_1} \oplus H_{\Lambda_2 \setminus \Lambda_1} - z)^{-1} \Gamma (H_{\Lambda_2} - z)^{-1}$
 at (x, y) : \downarrow
 $(H_{\Lambda_1} - z)^{-1} \oplus (H_{\Lambda_2 \setminus \Lambda_1} - z)^{-1}$ \downarrow (w, w') \downarrow (w', y)
 (x, w) □

(For Neumann/Dirichlet, slightly different form)
 (The proof is for $z \notin \text{Spec } H_{\Lambda_1} \cup \text{Spec } H_{\Lambda_2} \cup \text{Spec } H_{\Lambda_2 \setminus \Lambda_1}$, but can do analytic continuation)

Now one can apply the above repeatedly: for a box of size L , and x near center, y at boundary,

$$(H_L - z)^{-1}(x, y) \leq 2dL^{d-1} (H_L - z)^{-1}(x, x_1) (H_L - z)^{-1}(x_1, y) \leq (2dL^{d-1})^k (H_L - z)^{-1}(x, x_k) (H_L - z)^{-1}(x_k, y) \leq \dots$$

for some x_k at the boundary of length l box around x
 H_l : operator H_L restricted to the size l box

- If each $(H_l - z)^{-1}, (H_{2l} - z)^{-1}, \dots$ has exponential in distance decay, we get that $(H_L - z)^{-1}(x, y)$ is exponentially small.
- Here the last term $|(H_L - z)^{-1}(x_k, y)| \leq \frac{1}{\text{dist}(z, \text{Spec}(H_l))}$; can be bounded by e.g. Wegner estimate (i.e. spectral averaging).
- Question: what if some small box Green function is not decaying?
 Idea: can still carry out if "most" small boxes are good.

More precisely, by Wegner,
 $P[\exists \text{ eigenvalue dist} < \theta \text{ from } z] \leq C \cdot \theta \cdot L^d$
 \Rightarrow with prob $> 1 - C \cdot \theta \cdot L^d$,
 $|(H_L - z)^{-1}(x, y)| \leq \theta^{-1}$

Def. The cube $\Lambda_L(x)$ of side length L is (γ, E) -good, if $|(H_L - E)^{-1}(x, y)| = |G(x, y; E)| \leq e^{-\gamma L}$ for any $x \in \Lambda_L^{\text{int}}(x)$ and $y \in \partial \Lambda_L(x)$.

Goal: For $L = L^d$, $k \geq 2$, we want to show: for Λ_L , if most of its contained l -size boxes are (γ, E) -good, and H_L has no eigenvalue of $\text{dist} < e^{-\gamma L}$ from E , we must have that Λ_L is (γ', E) -good.

- In the estimate above, where we assume each box of size l is good, we can upper bound $(H_L - z)^{-1}(x, y)$ by $(2dL^{d-1})^k e^{-\gamma L}$, $k \geq \frac{L}{l}$
 $\Rightarrow \leq e^{-\gamma L + \frac{1}{l} (2d) \log L + \frac{1}{l} \log 2d + \gamma L}$

Take δ slightly smaller $\delta' < \delta$ (l is large enough, depending on γ . (e.g., $\gamma' < \gamma - \frac{(4d) \log L}{l} - \frac{\log 2d}{l} - \frac{1}{l^{d/2}}$; does NOT $\rightarrow 0$ by repeatedly applying))

- Now, let's instead assume "at most one" bad γ -box: more precisely, assume no two disjoint bad γ -boxes, equivalently, each l -box with center outside a $2l$ -box is good.
 Q: How to handle the $2l$ -box?
 Again use geometric resolvent: $G_L(x, u; E) \leq \sum_{\substack{(w, w') \in \partial \Lambda_{2l} \\ w, w' \in \Lambda_{2l}}} G_{2l}(u, w; E) G_L(w, x; E)$, for u in the bad $2l$ -box.

bound by $e^{\gamma' L}$, with probability $> 1 - C e^{-\gamma' L}$, from Wegner estimate.

- \Rightarrow Can still bound G_L , assuming "at most one bad l -box" and "bad $2l$ -box is not too bad."
- Probabilistic estimate: If $P[l\text{-box is } (\gamma, E)\text{-good}] \geq 1 - \epsilon^P$ for some big P .
 $P[\text{more than one } l \text{ bad in } L\text{-box}] < \epsilon^P$
 Wegner: $P[L\text{-box is "too bad"}] < e^{-\gamma L}$
 $P[\exists 2l\text{-box "too bad"}] < \epsilon^P e^{-\gamma' 2L}$
 $\Rightarrow \text{sum} < L^{-P}$, if $dP < -2d\alpha + 2P$, L large enough.

Now, start from some l_0 , $P[L = l_0^k \text{-box is } (\gamma_k, E)\text{-good}] \geq 1 - L^{-P}$, for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$. (*)

From MSA result (*), how to get localization?

Consider generalized eigenfunctions ψ with generalized eigenvalue E

i.e. $H\psi = E\psi$, and $H(x) \leq C|x|^m$ for some $m > 0$. (At most polynomial growth)

Note that $H = H_{\Lambda} \oplus H_{\Lambda^c} + \Gamma$, in Λ we have $(H_{\Lambda} - E)\psi|_{\Lambda} = \Gamma(\psi|_{\Lambda})$, or $\psi|_{\Lambda} = (H_{\Lambda} - E)^{-1} \Gamma(\psi|_{\Lambda})$

\Rightarrow for $x \in \Lambda$, $\psi(x) = \sum_{\substack{(w, w') \in \partial \Lambda \\ w, w' \in \Lambda}} G_{\Lambda}(w, x; E) \psi(w')$

Lemma. If $\Lambda_L = \Lambda_{l_0^k}$ is (γ_0, E) -good for some $\gamma_0 > 0$, and all $k \in \mathbb{N}$ large enough, we must have that E is not a generalized eigenvalue.

Proof Suppose not true, for generalized eigenfunction ψ , we can use goodness to show that $\psi(x) = 0$ for any $x \in \mathbb{Z}^d$, by taking large enough boxes.

Theorem The spectrum of H equals the closure of the set of generalized eigenvalues; moreover, $\text{Spec}(H) \setminus \text{generalized eigenvalues}$ has zero spectral measure.

Assuming it, we can prove no a.c. spectrum, near the edge.

Now, we have that for each $E \in [E_0, E_1]$, a.s. E is not a generalized eigenvalue.

\Rightarrow by Fubini, a.s., set of generalized eigenvalues in $[E_0, E_1]$ has zero-Lebesgue measure.

\Rightarrow a.s., $M_{\delta_x}^{\text{ac}}([E_0, E_1]) = M_{\delta_x}^{\text{ac}}([E_0, E_1] \cap \{\text{gen. e.v.'s}\}) + M_{\delta_x}^{\text{ac}}([E_0, E_1] \setminus \{\text{gen. e.v.'s}\}) = 0$.

How to remove ac component?

Need use spectrum averaging, to get that generalized eigenvalues are zero-spectral measure.

More precisely, we aim to show $E_{\delta_x}^{\text{ac}}([E_0, E_1]) = 0$, for any fixed x .

Define K to be the set of all $E \in [E_0, E_1]$, satisfying "structure decay bounds".

Suppose: $E \in K \Rightarrow E$ is not generalized eigenvalue, unless E is eigenvalue in L^2 .

$P[E \in K] = 1$ for each $E \in [E_0, E_1]$

Resampling $V(x)$ does not affect K .

$\Rightarrow E_{\delta_x}^{\text{ac}}([E_0, E_1]) = E_{\delta_x}^{\text{ac}}([E_0, E_1] \setminus K) \leq C \cdot |[E_0, E_1] \setminus K| = 0$ a.s.

\Downarrow by spectrum averaging
 \Downarrow because $M_{\delta_x}^{\text{ac}}(K) = 0$, a.s., by Theorem

\Rightarrow a.s., $M_{\delta_x}^{\text{ac}}([E_0, E_1]) = 0$.

The "structure decay bounds" can be the following: for each large enough $k \in \mathbb{N}$, $L = l_0^k$, $\Lambda_L(x)$ is (γ_k, E) -good, for any $x \in \Lambda_{2l_0}(x) \setminus \Lambda_{l_0}(x)$.

(Then for any generalized eigenfunction ψ with $H\psi = E\psi$, must have exponential decay, therefore $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{Z}^d)$.)

$(P[E \in K] = 1 \text{ by MSA})$

It now remains to prove Theorem on generalized eigenvalues.

① We first show that, for λ a.e. under spectral measure, λ is generalized eigenvalue.

Here: spectral measure means every spectral measure.

It is convenient to consider $P = \sum_x a(x) M_{\delta_x}$, where each $a(x) > 0$, $\sum_x a(x) = 1$.

$\Rightarrow M_{\delta_x} \ll P$ for any $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}^d$.

Fix any $y \in \mathbb{Z}^d$, consider $f_{y, \lambda}(x) = \frac{dM_{\delta_y}}{dP}(\lambda)$, for λ a.e. under P .

Idea: $f_{y, \lambda}$ is a generalized eigenfunction (for λ a.e. $\sim P$)

Indeed, for any g smooth with compact support,

$$\int \lambda g(\lambda) f_{y, \lambda}(x) dP(x) = \langle \delta_x, Hg(x) \delta_y \rangle = \langle H \delta_x, g(x) \delta_y \rangle = \langle V(x) \delta_x, g(x) \delta_y \rangle - \sum_{w \neq x} \langle \delta_w, g(w) \delta_y \rangle$$

$$= \int V(x) g(x) f_{y, \lambda}(w) dP(x) - \sum_{w \neq x} \int g(w) f_{y, \lambda}(w) dP(x) = \int g(w) (H f_{y, \lambda})(x) dP(x)$$

\Rightarrow for λ a.e. $\sim P$, $\lambda f_{y, \lambda}(x) = (H f_{y, \lambda})(x)$.

(since \mathbb{Z}^d countable, this holds simultaneously for all $x \in \mathbb{Z}^d$, for λ a.e. $\sim P$)

By Cauchy-Schwarz, $|f_{y, \lambda}(x)| \leq \sqrt{\frac{dM_{\delta_x}}{dP}(\lambda) \cdot \frac{dM_{\delta_y}}{dP}(\lambda)} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{a(x) a(y)}}$

(because $M_{\delta_x, \delta_y}(I) \leq \sqrt{M_{\delta_x}(I) M_{\delta_y}(I)}$; see RAGE theorem notes)

By choosing $a(x)$ appropriately, can have $f_{y, \lambda}$ at most polynomial growth.

② We need also show that any generalized eigenvalue is in the spectrum.

Indeed, for $H\psi = \lambda\psi$, consider ψ_L , the restriction of ψ in a box of side length L .

$\|(H - \lambda)\psi_L\|^2 \leq \|\psi_L\|^2 - \|\psi_L\|^2$; since ψ grows at most polynomially, $\frac{\|\psi_L\|^2}{\|\psi\|^2} \rightarrow 1$ as $L \rightarrow \infty$ along a subsequence.

Otherwise, $\|\psi_{L+k}\|^2 \geq (1 + \theta) \|\psi_L\|^2$ for some $\theta > 0$, for all k large enough)

$\Rightarrow \frac{\|(H - \lambda)\psi_L\|^2}{\|\psi_L\|^2} \rightarrow 0$ as $L \rightarrow \infty$ along some subsequence; $(H - \lambda)$ not invertible.

③ Finally, by ② we have $\{\text{gen. eigenvalues}\} \subseteq \text{Spec}(H)$

by ① we have $P(\{\text{gen. eigenvalues}\}) = 0$, \Rightarrow interior of the complement is disjoint from $\text{supp}(P)$

$\Rightarrow \text{supp}(P) \subseteq \{\text{gen. eigenvalues}\}$

\Rightarrow since $\text{Spec}(H) = \text{supp}(P)$, we must have $\{\text{gen. eigenvalues}\} = \text{Spec}(H)$.