

Landscape Functions And Agmon-Type Estimates For Magnetic Schrödinger Operators On Infinite Graphs

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Agmon's Estimates (Continuous Setting)

Agmon 1982

Each eigenpair (E, φ) of $H = -\Delta + V$ on $\mathbb{R}^d$ satisfies

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{2(1-\epsilon)\rho_E(x, \tilde{K}_E)} |\varphi(x)|^2 dx < \infty$$

where

$$\rho_E(x, y) := \inf_{\gamma \in AC_{x,y}} \int_0^1 \sqrt{(V(\gamma(t)) - E)_+} |\dot{\gamma}(t)| dt,$$
$$\tilde{K}_E := \{x : V(x) \leq E\}.$$

- connected components of $\tilde{K}_E \equiv$ classically allowed region ("potential wells")
- describes tunnelling between potential wells
- on metric graphs: **Harrell–Maltsev 2018–20**



Schmuel Agmon
(1922–2025)

The Landscape Function Idea

Landscape function

Given $H = -\Delta + V$ and a source $\rho \geq 0$, solve

$$Hu = \rho.$$

If $\rho = 1$: u is the *torsion function*:

- **Saint-Venant 1850s**: Modelling of torsional rigidity problems
- **Pólya 1948**: Proof of a Faber–Krahn-type result for $\|u\|_1$.

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$$|\varphi| \leq |E|H^{-1}|\varphi| \leq |E|H^{-1}|\varphi| \leq |E|H^{-1}(\|\varphi\|_\infty \mathbf{1}) \leq |E|\|\varphi\|_\infty H^{-1}\mathbf{1} \quad \square$$

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- **Hoskins–Quan–Steinerberger 2023:** Extensions to magnetic Schrödinger operators
- **M. 2024:** Extensions to operators with dominated inverse
- Can be extended from $\mathbf{1}$, $\varphi \in L^\infty$ to $0 < \rho$ s.t. $\varphi \leq \|\varphi\|_\infty \rho$.

A reminder of domination theory on Hilbert lattices

$T \in \mathcal{L}(H)$ is *dominated* by $T^\sharp$ if $|Tf| \leq T^\sharp|f|$ for all $f \in H$.

$(T(t)^\sharp)_{t \geq 0} \subset \mathcal{L}(H)$ is the *modulus semigroup* of $(T(t))_{t \geq 0} \subset \mathcal{L}(H)$ if for each $t > 0$

- $T(t)^\sharp$ dominates $T(t)$
- $T(t)^\sharp$ is dominated by any other positivity preserving operator $\tilde{T}$ that also dominates $T(t)$.

Examples

- $(e^{t\Delta^D})_{t \geq 0}$ is dominated by $(e^{t\Delta^N})_{t \geq 0}$.
- A positivity preserving semigroup is its own modulus semigroup.
- **Kato 1972, Simon 1977:** $(e^{-t((i\nabla - A)^2 + V)})$ is dominated by $(e^{-t(-\Delta + \text{Re } V)})$
- **Schaefer 1974:** Not every operator has a modulus; if $M \equiv m_{ij}$ is a matrix, then the modulus semigroup of $(e^{tM})_{t \geq 0}$ is generated by

$$\tilde{M} \equiv \tilde{m}_{ij} := \begin{cases} \text{Re } m_{ij} & i = j, \\ |m_{ij}| & i \neq j \end{cases}$$

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Agmon-type estimates vs landscape theory

Theorem (Arnold–David–Filoche–Jerison–Mayboroda 2019)

Every eigenpair (E, φ) of H on $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ with Neumann BCs satisfies, for any $\alpha \in (0, 1)$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\Omega} (H^{-1} \mathbf{1})^2 \left| \nabla \left(\frac{\chi e^{\alpha h} \varphi}{H^{-1} \mathbf{1}} \right) \right|^2 dx + (1 - \alpha)^2 \int_{\Omega} \left(\frac{1}{H^{-1} \mathbf{1}} - E \right)_+ (\chi e^{\alpha h} \varphi)^2 dx \\ \leq (1 + 2\alpha) e^{2\alpha} (\|V\|_{\infty} - E) \int_{\{x: 0 \leq h(x) \leq 1\}} \varphi^2 dx \end{aligned}$$

Here:

- $w_E(x) := \left(\frac{1}{H^{-1} \mathbf{1}(x)} - E \right)_+$
- $\rho_E(x, y) := \inf_{\gamma} \int_0^1 \sqrt{w_E(\gamma(t))} |\dot{\gamma}(t)| dt$
- $h(x) := \rho_E(x, K_E)$
- $\chi(x) := 1 \wedge h(x)$

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Proof:

Dissipativity for
double commutator of
 $B, e^{\alpha \rho_E(k, K_E)}$

Infinite Weighted Graphs

Definition

Let X be a finite or countably infinite set, $m : X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$. A graph over (X, m) is a function $\mu : X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ such that

- (i) $\mu_{xy} = \mu_{yx}$ for all $x, y \in X$,
- (ii) $\mu_{xx} = 0$ for all $x \in X$,
- (iii) $\sum_{y \in X} \mu_{xy} < \infty$ for every $x \in X$.

Hilbert space:

$$\ell_m^2(X) := \{f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \mid \sum_{x \in X} m(x) |f(x)|^2 < \infty\}$$

The standard Dirichlet form on graphs

Consider

$$\mathcal{Q}(f) := \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,y \in X} \mu_{xy} |f(x) - f(y)|^2$$

with domain

$$D(\mathcal{Q}) := h^1(X) := \{f \in \ell_m^2(X) \mid \mathcal{Q}(f) < \infty\}$$

Keller–Lenz 2012: $\mathcal{Q}$ is a closed form.

$\mathcal{L}$ is the self-adjoint operator on $\ell_m^2(X)$ associated with $\mathcal{Q}$.

$\mathcal{L}$ has pure point spectrum if

- **Bonnefont–Golenia–Keller 2015; Keller–Lenz–Wojciechowski 2021:**
 X is *weakly sparse* and

$$\sup_{X' \subset X} \inf_{x \in X \setminus X'} \deg_{\mu}(x) = \infty.$$

- **Georgakopoulos–Haeseler–Keller–Lenz–Wojciechowski 2015:**
 $m(X) < \infty$ and $\text{diam}_{\mu^{-1}}(X) < \infty$;
- **Hofmann–Kennedy–M.–Plümer 202?** $m(X) < \infty$ and $h^1(X) \hookrightarrow \ell_m^p(X)$
for some $p \in (2, \infty)$.

Elementary: $h^1(\mathbb{Z}) \hookrightarrow \ell^\infty(\mathbb{Z})$

Varopoulos 1985: $h^1(\mathbb{Z}^d) \hookrightarrow \ell^{\frac{2d}{d-2}}(\mathbb{Z}^d)$ for $d \geq 3$
(for $\mu \equiv 1$, $m \equiv 1$)

Theorem (Keller–Pogorzelski 2025)

If (E, φ) is a generalised eigenpair of $H := \mathcal{L} + V$. If $H - E$ satisfies a Hardy inequality with weight w , and if (X, ρ) is complete, then for $|\alpha| \approx 0$ there holds

$$\varphi \in \ell_{w e^{-\alpha \rho}}^2(X) \quad \Rightarrow \quad \varphi \in \ell_{w e^{\alpha \rho}}^2(X).$$

Here

$$\rho(x, y) := \inf_{\gamma = \{x_1, \dots, x_\ell\} \in \mathcal{P}_{x, y}} \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \sqrt{\frac{w(x_i) \wedge w(x_{i+1})}{\deg_{\max}}} \wedge 1$$

$$\rho(x) := \rho(x, o), \quad o \in X$$

Schrödinger Operators on Graphs

Formal magnetic Schrödinger operator

For $\alpha_{xy} = -\alpha_{yx} \in [0, 2\pi)$:

$$(\mathcal{L}_\alpha + V)f(x) = \frac{1}{m(x)} \left(\sum_y \mu_{xy} (f(x) - e^{i\alpha_{xy}} f(y)) + V(x)f(x) \right), \quad f \in C_c(X)$$

Studied by Lieb–Loss 1993, ..., Colin de Verdière–Torki–Hamza–Truc 2011, Golénia 2014, ...

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$$Q_{\mathcal{L}_\alpha + V}(f) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,y} \mu_{xy} |f(x) - e^{i\alpha_{xy}} f(y)|^2 + \sum_x V(x) |f(x)|^2, \quad f \in C_c(X).$$

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- or by Schaefer 1974 + approximation
- Laplace transform: If $\inf \sigma(\mathcal{L}_\alpha + V) > 0$, then $(\mathcal{L}_\alpha + V)^{-1}$ is dominated by $(\mathcal{L} + V)^{-1}$

Setup: $\inf \sigma(\mathcal{L} + V) > 0$, $0 \leq \rho \in \ell^\infty(X)$, $\rho \not\equiv 0$.

Let $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ be a monotone exhaustion of X by finite sets.

Landscape function & potential well

$$u(x) := \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\mathcal{L} + V)^{-1}(\mathbf{1}_{A_n} \rho)(x) \in (0, +\infty].$$

$$K_{E,\rho} := \left\{ x \in X : \frac{\rho(x)}{u(x)} \leq E \right\}$$

- The limit is independent of the exhaustion (by monotonicity).
- If $\rho \in \ell_m^2(X)$: $u = (\mathcal{L} + V)^{-1} \rho$ in the usual sense.

Towards an Agmon pseudometric

Definition (Frank–Lenz–Wingert 2014)

A pseudo-metric $\sigma: X \times X \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is an intrinsic metric for a graph μ over (X, m) if

$$\sum_y \mu_{xy} \sigma^2(x, y) \leq m(x) \quad \forall x \in X.$$

Examples

- combinatorial shortest path metric, if $m = 1$ and $\sup_x \deg(x) < \infty$
- combinatorial shortest path metric, if $m(x) := \sum_y \mu_{xy}$
- shortest path metric wrt edge weight

$$w_s(x, y) := (\deg(x) \vee \deg(y))^{-1/2} \wedge s, \quad s \in (0, \infty],$$

$$\text{where } \deg(x) = \frac{1}{m(x)} \sum_y \mu_{xy}.$$

The Agmon Pseudometric

Definition

Given the landscape function $u = u_\rho$ and $E > 0$, set

$$\nu(x) := \left(\frac{\rho(x)}{u(x)} - E \right)_+.$$

For an intrinsic metric σ , let $d = d_{\sigma, \rho, E}$ shortest path pseudometric wrt

$$w(x, y) := \ln \left(1 + \sqrt[4]{\nu(x)\nu(y)} \sigma(x, y) \right),$$

- $d_\sigma = 0$ on $K_{E, \rho}$ (where $\nu \equiv 0$).

Main Theorem: Agmon-Type Decay Estimate

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- It is convenient to take $\gamma \approx 0$ (resp., $\gamma \approx 1$) if $d(x, K_{E, \rho})$ predominantly small (resp., large).
- $\varphi \in \ell^2_{\deg}(X)$ if
 - $\frac{\deg}{m} \in \ell^\infty$;
 - X is weakly sparse (planar, tree, ...);
 - $h^1(X) \hookrightarrow \ell^\infty$ and $\{x : \deg(x) \geq Cm(x)\}$ is finite, for some $C > 0$.

Proof: First Key Lemma

Lemma (Hardy inequality)

If $\inf \sigma(\mathcal{L} + V) > 0$, then for all $f \in \mathcal{D}(Q)$:

$$\sum_{x \in X} \frac{\rho(x)}{(\mathcal{L} + V)^{-1} \rho(x)} |f(x)|^2 m(x) \leq Q_{\Delta_\alpha + V}(f).$$

Earlier Hardy inequalities on graphs:

- Keller–Pinchover–Pogorzelski 2018
- Krejčířík–Štampach 2022
- Fischer 2024

Proof: Second Key Lemma

Lemma (upper bound)

For any eigenpair (E, φ) of $\mathcal{L}_\alpha + V$ with $\varphi \in \ell^2_{\deg}(X)$ and $g \in \ell^\infty(X)$ real-valued:

$$Q_{\Delta_\alpha + V}(\varphi g) \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,y} \mu_{xy} |\varphi(x)\varphi(y)| |g(x) - g(y)|^2 + E \sum_x |\varphi(x)|^2 g(x)^2 m(x).$$

Proof: Combining and the Cut-off Argument

- Lemma 1 + Lemma 2 $\rightsquigarrow$

$$\sum_x \left(\frac{\rho}{(\mathcal{L}+V)^{-1}\rho} - E \right) |\varphi|^2 g^2 m \leq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{x,y} \mu_{xy} |\varphi(x)\varphi(y)| |g(x) - g(y)|^2.$$

- Introduce cut-off function:

$$g_N(x) := \mathbf{1}_{\{x \notin K_{E,\rho}\}} e^{\gamma(d(x, K_{E,\rho}) \wedge N)}, \quad 0 < \gamma < 1, \quad N \in \mathbb{N}.$$

- Because $d_\sigma(x, y) \leq \ln(1 + \sqrt[4]{m(x)m(y)} \sigma(x, y))$ and $(1+t)^\gamma \leq 1 + \gamma t$:

$$\begin{aligned} |g_N(x) - g_N(y)| &\leq \gamma g_N(y) \sqrt[4]{m(x)m(y)} \sigma(x, y) \quad \forall x, y \notin K_{E,\rho} \\ \rightsquigarrow |g_N(x) - g_N(y)|^2 &\leq \gamma^2 g_N(x) g_N(y) \sqrt{m(x)m(y)} \sigma^2(x, y) \end{aligned}$$

- Claim follows by Cauchy–Schwarz + Fatou.

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⚠ If $(\mathcal{L} + V)^{-1} \rho(x) = \infty$: $x \in K_{E, \rho}$ for all $E \geq 0 \rightsquigarrow$ no exponential decay ☹

Finiteness criterion for landscape function

Let $\inf \sigma(\mathcal{L} + V) > 0$ and

$$G(x, y) := [(\mathcal{L} + V)^{-1} \mathbf{1}_{\{y\}}](x)$$

Theorem

$(\mathcal{L} + V)^{-1} \rho(x) < \infty$ for all $x \in X$ if $G(x, \cdot) \in \ell^1(X)$ for all $x \in X$.

The converse holds if $\inf_z \rho(z) > 0$.

For $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$: **Poggi 2024**

Finiteness criterion

Proposition

Let $M := \sup_{x \in X} \deg(x) < \infty$, and let $a := \inf \sigma(\Delta + V) > 0$.

If for all $x \in X$ there exists a finite set $F_x \subset \mathbb{N}$ and $C = C_x > 0$ such that for some $0 < \kappa < 1 + a/M$

$$|S_N(x)| \leq C \kappa^N \quad \forall N \in F_x,$$

then $G(x, \cdot) \in \ell^1(X)$ for all $x \in X$.

Proof.

Combes–Thomas estimate from **Aizenman–Warzel 2015**



Examples (with $\mu \equiv 1$, $m \equiv 1$)

1. On any graph of sub-exponential volume growth, $G(x, \cdot) \in \ell^1(X)$, hence

$$u(x) < \infty \quad \text{for all } x \in X.$$

E.g.: on $\mathbb{Z}^d$, $|S_n(x)| \sim CN^{d-1} \rightsquigarrow u < \infty$

2. Tree with root o where each vertex at level N has exactly 2^{N+1} children:

$$|S_N(o)| = \prod_{k=1}^N 2^k = 2^{N(N+1)/2}.$$

For $V \equiv 1$, $\sum_{y \in X} G(o, y) = \infty$, so $u(o) = \infty$. By connectedness,

$$u(x) = \infty \quad \text{for all } x \in X.$$

Alternative metric for dense Graphs

⚠ $d(x, K_{E,\rho}) = 0$ if $x \notin K_{E,\rho}$, $x \sim K_{E,\rho} \rightsquigarrow$ no exponential decay ☹

Alternative pseudometric d_δ

- $\delta_0 := \sup\{\delta : \sum_y \mu_{xy}^{1-\delta} < \infty \forall x \in X\}$; pick $\delta \in (0, \delta_0)$.
- Let σ be an intrinsic metric wrt $\mu^{1-\delta}$.
- d_δ shortest path metric wrt edge weight

$$w_\delta(x, y) := \ln \left(1 + \mu_{xy}^{-\delta} h(m(x)) h(m(y)) \sigma^2(x, y) \right), \quad h(t) := \begin{cases} \sqrt{t} & t > 0 \\ 1 & t = 0 \end{cases}$$

Theorem (M.–Schonlau–Täufer 202?)

Let $\inf \sigma(\mathcal{L} + V) > 0$, $0 \leq \rho \in \ell^\infty(X)$.

For every eigenpair (E, φ) of $\mathcal{L}_\alpha + V$ with $\varphi \in \ell^2_{\deg}(X) \cap \ell^2(X)$ and any $0 < \gamma < \sqrt{5} - 2$

$$(1 - 4\gamma - \gamma^2) \sum_x \left(\frac{\rho}{(\mathcal{L} + V)^{-1}\rho} - E \right)_+ |\varphi|^2 e^{2\gamma d_\delta(x, K_{E,\rho})} \leq \|\varphi\|_{\ell^2_{\deg}(\partial K_{E,\rho})}^2 + \|\varphi\|_{\ell^2(\partial K_{E,\rho})}^2.$$

Example: Fractional Laplacian on $\mathbb{Z}^d$ ($m \equiv 1$, $\mu \equiv 1$)

- $\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}^d}^\theta$ defined via spectral calculus for $\theta \in (0, 1)$;
- $\mathbb{Z}^d$ sparse, but $\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}^d}^\theta$ full matrix with $|\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}^d}^\theta(x, y)| \sim |x - y|^{-(d+2\theta)}$
(Gebert–Rojas–Molina 2020; Keller–Post–Sabri–Täufer 2025)
- $\sigma(\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}^d}^\theta) = [0, (4d)^\theta]$, but $\inf \sigma(\sigma(\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}^d}^\theta))$ if $V > 0$
- If V strong enough: $\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}^d}^\theta + V$ has pure point spectrum
(Aizenman–Molchanov 1993) and

$$\sum_{x \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \left(\frac{1}{(\Delta_{\mathbb{Z}^d}^\theta + V)^{-1} \mathbf{1}} - E \right)_+ |\varphi|^2 e^{2\gamma d_\delta(x, K_E)} \leq C_d \|\varphi\|_{\ell^2(\partial K_{E, \rho})}^2.$$

- Let $\Lambda_L \subset \mathbb{Z}^d$ box, $V : \Lambda_L \rightarrow [0, 1]$: then $\inf \sigma(\Delta_{\Lambda_L}^\theta + V) > 0$ and

$$\sum_{x \in \Lambda_L} \left(\frac{1}{(\Delta_{\Lambda_L}^\theta + V)^{-1} \mathbf{1}} - E \right)_+ |\varphi|^2 e^{2\gamma d(x, K_E)} \leq C_{\theta, d} \|\varphi\|_{\ell^2(\Lambda_L)}^2.$$

for $C_{\theta, d}$ independent on L and V !

Summary

- Landscape function for $\alpha = 0$ (defined as a monotone limit) governs all $\Delta_\alpha + V$ simultaneously.
- If $u \neq \infty$: ρ/u is an effective potential for $\mathcal{L}_\alpha + V$; any eigenfunction φ of $\mathcal{L}_\alpha + V$ with eigenvalue E will decay exponentially away from $K_{E,\rho} := \{x : \frac{u}{\rho} \leq E\}$.
- Bounds independent of the graph connectivity.

Outlook

- **David–Filoche–Mayboroda 2021:** Landscape law for IDSs.
Can this be extended to infinite graphs?
- **Carmona–Simon 1981:** $|\varphi(x)| \lesssim e^{-\gamma d(x, \tilde{K}_E)} \|\varphi\|_{2,*}$
Steinerberger 2023: $|\varphi(x)| \leq e^{-\rho_E(x, \tilde{K}_E)} \|\varphi\|_\infty$,
where $\rho_E =$ shortest path pseudometric wrt $w(x, y) := \log \left(1 + \frac{(V(x_i) - E)_+}{\deg(x_i)} \right)$
Can this be obtained for infinite graphs?
- Sharper estimates in terms of the oscillation of the magnetic field

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