## Graphical Krein Signature and its Applications

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## Linearized Energy

The operator $L$ defines an indefinite linearized energy ( $u, L u$ ). The sign of the energy for the (simple) characteristic value $\nu$ is called the Krein signature

$$
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## Non-Simple Characteristic Values

If $\lambda$ is a non-simple characteristic value with the root space $U$, then the number of positive (negative) eigenvalues of the matrix $(U, K U)$ is the positive (negative) Krein index $\kappa^{ \pm}(\lambda)$ of $\lambda$. Then the Krein signature of $\lambda$ can be defined as

$$
\kappa(\lambda)=\kappa^{+}(\lambda)-\kappa^{-}(\lambda)
$$

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Let $\nu$ is a simple characteristic value of $J L u=\nu u$. Then

- if $\nu \in \mathbb{i} \mathbb{R}$ then $\kappa(\nu)= \pm 1$;
- if $\operatorname{Re} \nu \neq 0$ then $\kappa(\nu)=0$;
- if $L$ is positive definite then $\sigma(J L) \subset i \mathbb{R}$.

If $\nu$ is not semi-simple then both $\kappa^{ \pm}(\nu)$ are non-zero. For each chain of root vectors the difference $\kappa^{+}-\kappa^{-} \in\{-1,0,1\}$.

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## Krein Signature

Analogously one can define Krein indeces and signature of polynomial operator pencils (by extention from $X$ to $X^{n}$ ):

$$
\mathcal{L}(\lambda) u=\left(\lambda^{n} L_{n}+\lambda^{n-1} L_{n-1} \cdots+L_{0}\right) u=0 .
$$

Such a construction fails for nonpolynomial pencils (e.g., stability of solutions of $\dot{x}(t)=A x(t)+B x(t-\tau))$

$$
\mathcal{L}(\lambda) u=\left(\lambda-A-e^{-\tau \lambda} B\right) u=0 .
$$

## Example: Avoided Collisions



## Example: Hamiltonian-Hopf Bifurcation



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## Graphical Interpretation of Multiplicity

## Classical Theorem

Let $\mathcal{L}$ be a selfadjoint holomorphic family of type (A) with compact resolvent, and assume that $\mathcal{L}$ has an isolated real characteristic value $\lambda_{0}$. Then the following properties are equivalent:
(a) $\lambda_{0}$ has finite algebraic multiplicity $m$ and geometric multiplicity 1 with a chain of root vectors $\left\{u^{[0]}, \ldots, u^{[m-1]}\right\}$.
(b) There exist an analytic eigenvalue branch $\mu=\mu(\lambda)$, vanishing at $\lambda=\lambda_{0}$ to order $m: \mu^{(k)}\left(\lambda_{0}\right)=0$ for $0 \leq k<m$, while $\mu^{(m)}\left(\lambda_{0}\right) \neq 0$. The derivatives of the corresponding orthonormal analytic eigenvector branch $u=u(\lambda)$ allow to select the chain of root vectors as

$$
u^{[k]}=\frac{1}{k!} \frac{d^{k} u}{d \lambda^{k}}\left(\lambda_{0}\right), \quad k=0,1, \ldots, m-1 .
$$

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## Differentiation

Differentiate with respect to $\lambda$ :

$$
\begin{gathered}
(L-\lambda K-\mu) u=0, \quad \lambda=\lambda_{0}, \mu=\mu\left(\lambda_{0}\right)=0 . \\
(L-\lambda K-\mu)^{\prime} u+(L-\lambda K-\mu) u^{\prime}=0 . \\
\left(\left(-K-\mu^{\prime}\right) u, u\right)+\left((L-\lambda K-\mu) u^{\prime}, u\right)=0 . \\
\kappa_{K}\left(\lambda_{0}\right)=\operatorname{sign}(K u, u)=-\operatorname{sign} \mu^{\prime}\left(\lambda_{0}\right)(u, u) \\
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## Theorem: Agreement of Signatures

$$
\kappa_{K}\left(\lambda_{0}\right)=\kappa_{G}\left(\lambda_{0}\right)
$$

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For which $\lambda$ do these spaces intersect?

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## Wronskian [Evans (1974), AGJ (1990)]

$$
E(\lambda)=a(x) \operatorname{det}\left(W_{-\infty}^{u}(x, \lambda), W_{\infty}^{s}(x, \lambda)\right)=0
$$

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## Mutual Relation (Same Construction)

$$
D(\lambda)=E(\lambda, 0)
$$

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By differentiating $E(\lambda, \mu(\lambda))$ by $\lambda$ at a simple characteristic value $\lambda=\lambda_{0}$ and the eigenvalue $\mu(\lambda)=0$ along a particular branch $\mu(\lambda)$ we obtain

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## Krein Signature Forumula

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## Advantages

- Preserved dichotomy;
- The same construction as the traditional Evans function;
- Minimal changes to existing codes;
- Easy to calculate;
- Only continutity of spectrum necessary (for simple eigenvalues).


## Comparison of Evans functions



## Graphical Proof of Index Theorems

## Graphical Count

Let $\mathcal{L}(\lambda)$ be a selfadjoint polynomial matrix pencil of odd degree $p=2 \ell+1$ acting on $X=\mathbb{C}^{N}$. Then

$$
N-2 N_{-}\left(L_{0}\right)-Z_{+}^{\downarrow}(\mathcal{L})-Z_{-}^{\downarrow}(\mathcal{L})-\sum_{\lambda>0} \kappa(\lambda)+\sum_{\lambda<0} \kappa(\lambda)=0 .
$$



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Also, the following inequalities hold true:

$$
N_{ \pm}(\mathcal{L}) \geq\left|N_{-}\left(L_{0}\right)+Z_{ \pm}^{\downarrow}(\mathcal{L})-N_{\mp}\left(L_{p}\right)\right|
$$



## Corollaries of Graphical Index Theorem

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The generalization for unbounded operators is sometimes straightfoward but sometimes requires technical tricks.

- Vakhitov-Kolokolov ['73], Grillakis-Shatah-Strauss ['87], Binding-Browne ['88], Kapitula-Kevrekidis-Sandstede ['04], Pelinovsky ['04]:

$$
N_{r}+2 N_{c}+2 N_{i}^{-}=n(L)-n(D),
$$

- Grillakis ['88], Jones ['88]:

$$
\frac{1}{2} N_{\mathbb{R}}(J L) \geq\left|N_{-}\left(M_{+}\right)-N_{-}\left(M_{-}\right)\right|, \quad M_{ \pm}:=P L_{ \pm} P .
$$

- Various counts for quadratic eigenvalue pencils (Chugunova \& Pelinovsky ['10]).


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## Sufficient Condition

What is the sufficient condition?

## Preservation of Branch Crossings

## Perturbed system

Is there a Hamiltonian-Hopf bifurcation if one perturbes the problem

$$
\left(L+t L_{1}-\lambda K\right) u=0=\mu(\lambda) ?
$$



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Appliations of Graphical Krein Signature

## Arbitrary Perturbations

## Generic Case

Two close eigenvalues of opposite Krein signature generically undergo an Hamiltonian-Hopf bifurcation. [MacKay \& Saffman (1986)]


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## Surprise

Crossings of eigenvalue branches under a positive perturbation do not need to be preserved!




## Avoided Hamiltonian-Hopf Bifurcations

## Preservation of Intersections

Preservation of an intersection of eigenvalue branches $\mu(\lambda)$

- a very singular case of implicit function theory;
- it requires an infinite set of conditions to be met;
- but it is common in simple examples.



## Sufficient Condition

## Sparse Matrices

The intersection of two eigenvalue branches $\mu(\lambda)$ of

$$
\mathcal{L}(\lambda, t)=L+t L_{1}-\lambda K \quad \text { at } t=0, \mu=\mu_{0}, \lambda=\lambda_{0}
$$

is preserved for small $t \neq 0$ if

$$
L-\mu_{0} \mathbb{I}=U D U^{\dagger}, \quad D \text { is a diagonal matrix }
$$

and

$$
U^{\dagger} K U=\left(\begin{array}{llllll}
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The intersection of two eigenvalue branches $\mu(\lambda)$ of $\mathcal{L}(\lambda, t)$ at $t=0$ is preserved for small $t \neq 0$ only if

$$
k_{12}\left(\ell_{11}-\ell_{22}\right)=\ell_{12}\left(k_{11}-k_{22}\right),
$$

where

$$
k_{i j}=u_{i}^{\dagger} K u_{j}, \quad \ell_{i j}=u_{i}^{\dagger} L_{1} u_{j}
$$

where Ker $\left(L_{0}-\lambda_{0} K\right)=\operatorname{span}\left\{u_{1}, u_{2}\right\}$.
The condition is equivalent to vanishing of the Hessian:

$$
\operatorname{det}\left(D_{t}^{2} \operatorname{det}\left(L_{0}-\lambda K+t L_{1}-\mu \mathbb{I}\right)\right)=0, \quad t=0, \lambda=\lambda_{0}, \mu=\mu_{0}
$$

## Conclusions

- A geometric interpretation of Krein signature - graphical Krein signature (generalizes beyond the scope of polynomial pencils).
- Introduction of the Evans-Krein function: allows to calculate Krein signature directly.
- Unified geometric interpretation of index theorems.
- A new mechanism for avoidance of Hamiltonian-Hopf bifurcations (necessary, necessary and sufficient, and various typical classes of sufficient conditions).


## Quadratic Characteristic Value Problem

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Find $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$ such that

$$
x=\lambda B x+\frac{1}{\lambda} C x
$$

admits a nonzero solution on a Hilbert space $X$.

## Assumptions

- $B$ and $C$ are compact self-adjoint operators on $X$;
- $B$ is positive;
- $C$ is non-negative with both infinitely dimensional kernel and range.

(i) $\operatorname{Re} \lambda>0$.
(ii) $\operatorname{Im} \lambda \neq 0$, then $\frac{1}{2\|B\|}<|\lambda|<2\|C\|$.
(iii) Zero is the only possible accumulation point.
(iv) Infinite sequence of real $\lambda \rightarrow 0$, and an infinite sequence of real $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$.


## Intuition

$$
x=\lambda B x+(1 / \lambda) C x
$$

If $0<\lambda \ll 1$ then $\lambda B x$ is very small

$$
x \approx(1 / \lambda) C x, \quad \text { or } \quad \lambda x \approx C x
$$

Similarly for $\lambda \gg 1$ the term $(1 / \lambda) C x$ is small

$$
(1 / \lambda) x \approx B x .
$$

Hence one expects

- a sequence $\lambda \rightarrow 0$ due to the spectrum of the operator $C$ (stratification);
- a sequence $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$ due to the spectrum of the operator $B$ (dissipation).


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- Extend the problem to a space $X \times X$, substitute $\mu=\lambda-\frac{1}{\lambda}$ and reformulate the problem as

$$
A z=\mu z
$$

- The operator $A$ is not self-adjoint, only if it is considered in an appropriate indefinite metric space (similar to linearized Hamiltonian systems $J L u=\nu u$ ).
- One needs a theory on spectra of self-adjoint operators in indefinite metric spaces.
- To relate the spectrum of $A$ to spectrum of non-linear characteristic problem, mini-max estimates were used.


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## Spectrum of $C+\varepsilon^{2} B$

- Spectrum $\sigma(C)=\left\{0, \lambda_{1}^{0}, \lambda_{2}^{0}, \ldots ; \quad \lambda_{1}^{0} \geq \lambda_{2}^{0}>\cdots>0\right\} ;$
- Spectrum $\sigma\left(C+\varepsilon^{2} B\right)=\left\{\lambda_{1}^{\varepsilon}, \lambda_{2}^{\varepsilon}, \ldots ; \lambda_{1}^{\varepsilon}>\lambda_{2}^{\varepsilon}>\cdots>0\right\}$;
- Individual eigenvalues of $C+\varepsilon^{2} B$ (a compact self-adjoint family) are continuous in $\varepsilon$ [Kato 1976].
- Real eigenvalues $\lambda=\varepsilon$ correspond to real characteristic values of non-linear problem.


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