

# Strichartz inequalities for waves in a strictly convex domain

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## Dispersion

$$\|\chi(hD_t)e^{\pm it\sqrt{|\Delta|}}(\delta_a)\|_{L_x^\infty} \leq Ch^{-d} \min(1, (\frac{h}{t})^{\alpha_d}) \quad (1.1)$$

## Strichartz

$$(\partial_t^2 - \Delta)u = 0$$

$$h^\beta \|\chi(hD_t)u\|_{L_{t \in [0, T]}^q(L_x^r)} \leq C(\|u(0, x)\|_{L^2} + \|hD_t u(0, x)\|_{L^2}) \quad (1.2)$$

$$q \in ]2, \infty[, \quad r \in [2, \infty]$$

$$\frac{1}{q} = \alpha_d \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{r} \right), \quad \beta = (d - \alpha_d) \left( \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{r} \right)$$

with  $\alpha_d = \frac{d-1}{2}$  in the free space  $\mathbb{R}^d$

# Main result

Let  $(M, g)$  be a Riemannian manifold. Let  $\Omega$  be an open relatively compact subset of  $M$  with smooth boundary  $\partial\Omega$ . We assume that  $\Omega$  is **Strictly Convex** in  $(M, g)$ , i.e any (small) piece of geodesic tangent to  $\partial\Omega$  is exactly tangent at order 2 and lies outside  $\Omega$ .

We denote by  $\Delta$  the Laplacian associated to the metric  $g$  on  $M$ .

## Theorem

*For solutions of the mixed problem  $(\partial_t^2 - \Delta)u = 0$  on  $\mathbb{R}_t \times \Omega$  and  $u = 0$  on  $\mathbb{R}_t \times \partial\Omega$ , the Strichartz inequalities hold true with*

$$\alpha_d = \frac{d-1}{2} - \frac{1}{6}, \quad d = \dim(M)$$

## Remark

*This was proved by M. Blair, H. Smith and C. Sogge in the case  $d = 2$  for arbitrary boundary (i.e without convexity assumption). The above theorem improves all the known results for  $d \geq 3$ .*

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The problem is local near any point  $p_0$  of the boundary. In geodesic coordinates normal to  $\partial\Omega$  and after conjugation by a non vanishing smooth function  $e(x, y)$ , one has for  $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{d-1}$  near  $(0, 0)$

$$\tilde{\Delta} = e^{-1} \cdot \Delta \cdot e = \partial_x^2 + R(x, y, \partial_y)$$

$$\Omega = \{x > 0\}, \quad p_0 = (x = 0, y = 0)$$

On the boundary, in geodesic coordinates centered at  $y = 0$ , one has

$$R_0(y, \partial_y) = R(0, y, \partial_y) = \sum \partial_{y_j}^2 + O(y^2)$$

Let  $R_1(y, \partial_y) = \partial_x R(0, y, \partial_y) = \sum R_1^{j,k}(y) \partial_{y_j} \partial_{y_k}$ . The quadratic form  $\sum R_1^{j,k}(y) \eta_j \eta_k$  is positively define. We introduce the

### Model Laplacian

$$\Delta_M = \partial_x^2 + \sum \partial_{y_j}^2 + x \left( \sum R_1^{j,k}(0) \partial_{y_j} \partial_{y_k} \right)$$

Set

$$\rho(\omega, \eta) = (\eta^2 + \omega q(\eta)^{2/3})^{1/2}, \quad q(\eta) = \sum R_1^{j,k}(0) \eta_j \eta_k$$

The following theorem is due to Melrose-Taylor, Eskin, Zworski, ...

### Theorem

*There exists two phases  $\psi(x, y, \eta, \omega)$  homogeneous of degree 1,  $\zeta(x, y, \eta, \omega)$  homogeneous of degree 2/3, and symbols  $p_{0,1}(x, y, \eta, \omega)$  of degree 0 ( $\omega$  is 2/3 homogeneous, and  $|\omega|\eta|^{-2/3}|$  is small) such that*

$$G(x, y; \eta, \omega) = e^{i\psi} \left( p_0 Ai(\zeta) + x p_1 |\eta|^{-1/3} Ai'(\zeta) \right)$$

*satisfy*

$$-\tilde{\Delta} G = \rho^2 G + O_{C^\infty}(|\eta|^{-\infty}) \text{ near } (x, y) = (0, 0)$$

$$\zeta = -\omega + x|\eta|^{2/3} e_0(x, y, \eta, \omega)$$

*with  $p_0$  and  $e_0$  elliptic near any point  $(0, 0, \eta, 0)$  with  $\eta \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \setminus 0$ .*



Let  $(X - x)u + (Y - y)v + \Gamma(X, Y, u, v)$  be a generating function for a (Melrose) canonical transformation  $\chi_M$  such that

$$\chi_M(x = 0, \xi^2 + \eta^2 + xq(\eta) = 1) = (X = 0, \Xi^2 + R(X, Y, \Theta) = 1)$$

near  $\Sigma_0 = \{(x, y, \xi, \eta), x = 0, y = 0, \xi = 0, |\eta| = 1\}$ . One has

$\Gamma(0, Y, u, v)$  is independent of  $u$

There exists a symbol  $q(x, y, \eta, \omega, \sigma)$  of degree 0 ( $\sigma$  is  $1/3$  homogeneous) compactly supported near

$$N_0 = \{x = 0, y = 0, \omega = 0, \sigma = 0, \eta \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \setminus \{0\}\}$$

and elliptic on  $N_0$  such that

$$G(x, y; \eta, \omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{i(y\eta + \sigma^3/3 + \sigma(xq(\eta))^{1/3} - \omega) + \rho\Gamma(x, y, \frac{\sigma q(\eta)^{1/3}}{\rho}, \frac{\eta}{\rho})} q \, d\sigma$$

Let  $\mathcal{G}(t, x, y; a)$  be the Green function solution of the mixed problem, with  $a \in ]0, a_0]$ ,  $a_0 > 0$  small

$$(\partial_t^2 - \tilde{\Delta})\mathcal{G} = 0 \text{ in } x > 0, \quad \mathcal{G}|_{x=0} = 0$$

$$\mathcal{G}|_{t=0} = \delta_{x=a, y=0}, \quad \partial_t \mathcal{G}|_{t=0} = 0$$

## Definition

Let  $\chi(x, t, y, hD_t, hD_y)$  be a  $h$ -pseudo differential (tangential) operator of degree 0, compactly supported near

$\tilde{\Sigma}_0 = \{x = 0, t = 0, y = 0, \tau = 1, |\eta| = 1\}$  and equal to identity near  $\tilde{\Sigma}_0$ .

A "parametrix" is an approximation (near  $\{x = 0, y = 0, t = 0\}$ ) mod  $0_{C^\infty}(h^\infty)$ , and uniformly in  $a \in ]0, a_0]$  of  $\chi(x, t, y, hD_t, hD_y)(\mathcal{G}(\cdot; a))$ .

Set  $\omega = h^{-2/3}\alpha$ . Recall  $\rho(\alpha, \theta) = (\theta^2 + \alpha q(\theta)^{2/3})^{1/2}$ . Let  $\Phi(x, y, \theta, \alpha, s)$  be the phase function

$$\Phi = y\theta + s^3/3 + s(xq(\theta)^{1/3} - \alpha) + \rho(\alpha, \theta)\Gamma(x, y, \frac{sq(\theta)^{1/3}}{\rho(\alpha, \theta)}, \frac{\theta}{\rho(\alpha, \theta)})$$

and let  $q_h(x, y, \theta, \alpha, s) = h^{-1/3}q(x, y, h^{-1}\theta, h^{-2/3}\alpha, h^{-1/3}s)$  Then

$$J(f)(x, y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{\frac{i}{h}(\Phi - y'\theta - t'\alpha)} q_h f(y', t') dy' dt' d\theta d\alpha ds$$

is a semiclassical OIF associated to a canonical transformation  $\chi$  such that

$$\chi(\{y' = 0, t' = 0, |\eta'| = 1, \tau' = 0\}) = \{y = 0, x = 0, |\eta| = 1, \xi = 0\}$$

Moreover,  $J$  is elliptic on the above set and

$$-h^2 \tilde{\Delta} J(f) = J(\rho^2(hD_{t'}, hD_{y'})f) \quad \text{mod } O_{C^\infty}(h^\infty)$$

# Airy-Poisson summation formula

Let  $A_{\pm}(z) = e^{\mp i\pi/3} \text{Ai}(e^{\mp i\pi/3} z)$ . One has  $\text{Ai}(-z) = A_+(z) + A_-(z)$ .  
For  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ , set

$$L(\omega) = \pi + i \log\left(\frac{A_-(\omega)}{A_+(\omega)}\right)$$

The function  $L$  is analytic, strictly increasing,  $L(0) = \pi/3$ ,  
 $\lim_{\omega \rightarrow -\infty} L(\omega) = 0$ ,  $L(\omega) \simeq \frac{4\omega^{3/2}}{3} (\omega \rightarrow +\infty)$ , and one has  $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}^*$

$$L(\omega_k) = 2\pi k \Leftrightarrow \text{Ai}(-\omega_k) = 0, \quad L'(\omega_k) = \int_0^{\infty} \text{Ai}^2(x - \omega_k) dx$$

## Lemma

*The following equality holds true in  $\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R}_{\omega})$ .*

$$\sum_{N \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-iNL(\omega)} = 2\pi \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}^*} \frac{1}{L'(\omega_k)} \delta_{\omega = \omega_k}$$

Let  $g_{h,a}(y', t')$  such that  $J(g_{h,a}) - \frac{1}{2}\delta_{x=a, y=0} = R$  with  $WF_h(R) \cap W = \emptyset$ , where  $W$  is a fixed neighborhood of  $\{(x = 0, y = 0, \xi = 0, \eta), |\eta| = 1\}$ . For  $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ , set (recall  $\alpha = h^{2/3}\omega$ )

$$K_\omega(f)(t, x, y) = \frac{h^{2/3}}{2\pi} \int e^{\frac{i}{h}(t\rho(h^{2/3}\omega, \theta) + \Phi - y'\theta - t'h^{2/3}\omega)} q_h f(y', t') dy' dt' d\theta ds$$

One has  $J(f) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} K_\omega(f)|_{t=0} d\omega$ . Finally, set

$$\langle \sum_{N \in \mathbb{Z}} e^{-iNL(\omega)}, K_\omega(g_{h,a}) \rangle_{\mathcal{D}'(\mathbb{R})} = \mathcal{P}_{h,a}(t, x, y) = 2\pi \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N}^*} \frac{1}{L'(\omega_k)} K_{\omega_k}(g_{h,a})$$

## Proposition

$\mathcal{P}_{h,a}(t, x, y)$  is a parametrix.

The proof uses the left formula for  $a \geq h^{2/3-\epsilon}$ , and the right formula for  $a \leq h^{4/7+\epsilon}$ .

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The special case  $\tilde{\Delta} = \Delta_M$ , with  $q(\eta) = |\eta|^2$  (Friedlander model), where one has of course  $\Gamma = 0$ , has been studied by Ivanovici-Lebeau-Planchon in Dispersion for waves inside strictly convex domains I: the Friedlander model case. (<http://arxiv.org/abs/1208.0925> and to appear in Annals of Maths). The analysis of phase integrals are (essentially) the same in the general case, and leads to the following result.

### Theorem

$$|\mathcal{P}_{h,a}(t, x, y)| \leq Ch^{-d} \min\left(1, \left(\frac{h}{t}\right)^{\frac{d-2}{2}} \mathbf{C}\right) \quad (3.1)$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \left(\frac{h}{t}\right)^{1/2} + a^{1/8} h^{1/4} \text{ for } a \geq h^{2/3-\epsilon}$$

$$\mathbf{C} = \left(\frac{h}{t}\right)^{1/3} \text{ for } a \leq h^{1/3+\epsilon}$$

### Corollary

*Strichartz holds true in any dimension  $d \geq 2$  with  $\alpha_d = \frac{d-1}{2} - \frac{1}{4}$*

The bad factor  $h^{1/4}$  occurs only near the projection  $SW_n, n \geq 1$  of the swallowtails. This are smooth submanifold of codimension 3 in  $\mathbb{R}^{1+d}$ , parametrized by a tangential initial direction  $\nu \in S^{d-2}$ . In the  $\Delta_M$  model,  $SW_n$  is given by

$$t_n(a, \nu) = 4na^{1/2}(1 + aq(\nu))^{1/2}q(\nu)^{-1/2}$$

$$x_n(a, \nu) = a, \quad y_n(a, \nu) = 4na^{1/2}(\nu + aq'(\nu)/3)q(\nu)^{-1/2}$$

with an estimation of  $\mathbf{C}$  for  $t$  near  $t_n(a, \nu)$ , for a given  $\nu$ , by

$$\mathbf{C} \leq \left(\frac{h}{t}\right)^{1/2} + h^{1/3} + \frac{a^{1/8}h^{1/4}}{|n|^{1/4} + h^{-1/12}a^{-1/24}(t^2 - t_n^2(a, \nu))^{1/6}}$$

For  $|t^2 - t_n^2(a, \nu)| \geq \epsilon a$ , i.e  $t \notin ]t_n(a, \nu) - \frac{\epsilon' a^{1/2}}{|n|}, t_n(a, \nu) + \frac{\epsilon' a^{1/2}}{|n|}$  [ the last factor is  $\leq h^{1/3}$ .



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Let us now give a sketch of the proof of the Strichartz estimate with  $\alpha_d = (d - 1)/2 - 1/6$ . Let us denote by  $\mathcal{P}_{h,a,b}(t, x, y)$  the above parametrix where the source point is located at  $x = a, y = b$  (the above estimates for  $b = 0$  apply uniformly for any value of  $b$ ). For  $f$  compactly supported in  $(s, a \geq 0, b)$ , define

$$A(f)(t, x, y) = \int \mathcal{P}_{h,a,b}(t - s, x, y) f(s, a, b) ds da db$$

Let us first consider the case  $d = 3$ . Our dispersive exponent is  $\alpha_d = \alpha_3 = 1 - 1/6 = 5/6$ . We have to prove the estimate (end point estimate for  $r = \infty$  and  $q = 12/5$ ), for some  $T_0 > 0$ ,

$$h^{2\beta} \|A(f); L_{t \in [0, T_0]}^{12/5}(L_{x,y}^\infty)\| \leq C \|f; L_s^{12/7}(L_{a,b}^1)\| \quad (4.1)$$

$$2\beta = (d - \alpha_d) = 2 + 1/6 = 13/6$$

We write  $\mathcal{P}_{h,a,b}(t, x, y) = \mathcal{P}_{h,a,b}^0(t, x, y) + \mathcal{P}_{h,a,b}^S(t, x, y)$  where  $\mathcal{P}^S$  is the singular part, associated to a cutoff of  $\mathcal{P}_{h,a,b}$  centered at the swallowtail singularities ( $|n| \geq 1$ )

$$|x - x_n(a, b, \nu)| \leq \frac{a}{|n|^2}, \quad |t - t_n(a, b, \nu)| \leq \frac{\sqrt{a}}{|n|}, \quad |y - y_n(a, b, \nu)| \leq \frac{\sqrt{a}}{|n|}$$

## Lemma

$$h^{2\beta} \sup_{x,y,a,b} |\mathcal{P}_{h,a,b}^0(t, x, y)| \leq C|t|^{-5/6} \quad (4.2)$$

Let  $A = A^0 + A^S$ .

The estimate for  $A^0$  follows easily, since the convolution by  $|t|^{-5/6}$  maps  $L^{12/7}$  in  $L^{12/5}$ .

The estimate for  $A^S$  will thus follow from the following lemma.

### Lemma

$h^{2\beta} A^S$  is bounded from  $L_t^{12/7}(L_{x,y}^1)$  into  $L_t^{12/5}(L_{x,y}^\infty)$ .

In the Friedlander model, an explicit computation shows that  $h^{2\beta} A^S$  is bounded from  $L_t^1(L_{x,y}^1)$  into  $L_t^{2-\epsilon}(L_{x,y}^\infty)$ . Since the cutoff in balls near the swallowtails singularities is symmetric in  $(x, a)$ , by duality,  $h^{2\beta} A^S$  is bounded from  $L_t^{2+\epsilon}(L_{x,y}^1)$  into  $L_t^\infty(L_{x,y}^\infty)$ , and by interpolation, we get

$$h^{2\beta} A^S \text{ is bounded from } L_t^{12/7}(L_{x,y}^1) \text{ into } L_t^{12-\epsilon}(L_{x,y}^\infty)$$

which is far sufficient.

In the case  $d \geq 4$ , the end point Strichartz estimate we have to prove is

$$h^{(d-\alpha_d)/\alpha_d} \|A(f); L^2_{t \in [0,1]}(L^r_{x,y})\| \leq C \|f; L^2_s(L^r_{a,b})\|, \quad r = \frac{6d-8}{3d-10} \quad (4.3)$$

The decomposition  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}^0 + \mathcal{P}^S$  satisfy

### Proposition

*One can construct  $\mathcal{P}^S$  such that  $f(a,b) \mapsto \int \mathcal{P}^0_{h,a,b}(t,x,y)(a,b)dadb$  is bounded on  $L^2$  uniformly in  $t \in [-T_0, T_0]$ . Moreover,  $\mathcal{P}^0$  satisfies*

$$\sup_{x,y,a,b} |\mathcal{P}^0_{h,a,b}(t,x,y)| \leq Ch^{-(d-\alpha_d)} \left(\frac{1}{|t|}\right)^{\alpha_d} \quad (4.4)$$

With  $A = A^0 + A^S$ , the estimate for the part  $A^0$  follows now by the classical proof of Strichartz estimates in the free space: interpolation between the energy estimate and the  $L^1 \rightarrow L^\infty$  estimate. The estimate for  $A^S$  follows as above by the precise estimation near the swallowtails.

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# Ivanovici counter examples

For simplicity, we consider here only the 3-d case. In the free space  $\mathbb{R}^3$ , Strichartz reads, with  $\alpha_3 = 1$  and  $1/2 - 1/r = 1/q > 2$

$$h^{2(\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{r})} \|\chi(hD_t)u\|_{L^q_{t \in [0, T]}(L^r_x)} \leq C(\|u(0, x)\|_{L^2} + \|hD_t u(0, x)\|_{L^2}) \quad (5.1)$$

The following theorem is due to O. Ivanovici

## Theorem

*In any domain of  $\mathbb{R}^3$  with at least one strictly convex geodesic on the boundary, for waves with Dirichlet boundary conditions, **and any**  $r > 4$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ , the following inequality fails to be true*

$$h^{2(\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{r})+\frac{1}{6}(\frac{1}{4}-\frac{1}{r})-\epsilon} \|\chi(hD_t)u\|_{L^q_{t \in [0, T]}(L^r_x)} \leq C(\|u(0, x)\|_{L^2} + \|hD_t u(0, x)\|_{L^2}) \quad (5.2)$$

The above results motivate the following question in 3-d:

**For waves inside a domain with strictly convex boundary, does (free space) Strichartz holds true for the pair**

$$(q, r) = (4, 4)$$

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## How to deal with general boundaries??

- 1. Propagation of singularities: The **Melrose-Sjöstrand theorem**
- 2. Strichartz estimates.
- 3. Dispersive estimates.
- 4. Parametrix construction.

**The Melrose-Sjöstrand theorem involves a micro-hyperbolic argument.**

**How to get Strichartz (or bilinear) estimates without any weak form for a parametrix ?**