

# The PML Method: Continuous and Semidiscrete Waves.

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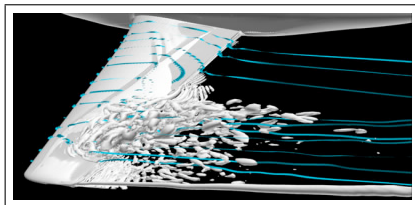
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To solve *numerically* a wave type equation in exterior domain.

- Bound the domain ? With which boundary conditions ?

Ex: CEM, Aerodynamics, Sismology ...



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# Study of the spatial operator $L$ .

$$L(P, V) = (\partial_x V + \chi_{(0,1)} \sigma P, \partial_x P + \chi_{(0,1)} \sigma V)$$
$$D(L) = H_0^1(-1, 1) \times H^1(-1, 1).$$

## Theorem

- 1  $L^{-1}$  is a compact operator.
- 2 The eigenvalues of  $L$  are given by

$$\lambda_k = \frac{1}{2} \left( \int_0^1 \sigma(x) dx + ik\pi \right), \quad k \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

- 3 The eigenvectors constitute a Riesz basis.

# Sketch of the proof.

The system becomes diagonal by setting

$$Q = P + V, \quad R = P - V.$$

$\implies$  *Explicit* construction of an isomorphism

$\mathcal{I} : L^2(-1, 1)^2 \rightarrow L^2(-3, 1)$  mapping the eigenvectors to the canonical Fourier basis of  $L^2(-3, 1)$ .

If

$$\theta(x) = \int_{-1}^x \left( \sigma(z) - \frac{l}{2} \right) dz, \quad l = \int_0^1 \sigma. \quad (4)$$

then  $W = \mathcal{I}(f, g)$  is defined by

$$W(x) = \begin{cases} (f + g)(x)e^{\theta(x)}, & -1 < x < 1 \\ (g - f)(-2 - x)e^{-\theta(-2-x)}, & -3 < x < -1. \end{cases}$$

# Consequences.

## Theorem

The energy of system (3) is exponentially decreasing:

$$\forall t > 0, E(t) \leq E(0)\exp(4\|\theta\|_\infty - It).$$

Besides,  $\|\theta\|_\infty \leq I = \int_0^1 \sigma(x) dx$ .

**Very precise** estimate of the **conditioning number** thanks to the **explicit** isomorphism  $\mathcal{I}$

$$\kappa(\mathcal{I}) = \|\mathcal{I}\| \|\mathcal{I}^{-1}\| = \exp(2\|\theta\|_\infty).$$



# Better ?

Let us define respectively the left and right energies:

$$E_l(P, V) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^0 (|P(x)|^2 + |V(x)|^2) dx,$$

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## Theorem

Let  $P_0, V_0$  initial data with support in  $(-1, 0)$ . Then

$$E_l(P(t), V(t)) \leq \exp(l(2-t))E_0$$

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# Propagation of the rays.

Bicaracteristics associated to the principal symbol<sup>¶</sup>:

$$\tau^2 - \omega_h(\xi)^2, \quad \omega_h(\xi) = \frac{2}{h} \sin\left(\frac{\xi h}{2}\right).$$

The rays are the solution of

$$\begin{cases} \frac{dx}{ds} = 2\omega_h(\xi) \frac{d\omega_h}{d\xi}(\xi), & \frac{d\xi}{ds} = 0, \\ \frac{dt}{ds} = -2\tau, & \frac{d\tau}{ds} = 0. \end{cases}$$

with initial data  $\tau_0, \xi_0$  such that

$$\tau_0^2 - \omega_h(\xi_0)^2 = 0.$$

Especially,

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \pm \frac{d\omega_h}{d\xi}(\xi_0) = \pm \cos\left(\frac{\xi_0 h}{2}\right).$$

<sup>¶</sup>Burq-Gérard, Cours à l'X

Setting  $\zeta_0 = \xi_0 h$ , the rays are straight lines

$$X_{\pm}^{\zeta_0} : (x_0, t) \rightarrow x_0 \pm t \cos(\zeta_0/2). \quad (6)$$

To justify this approach, one can construct a solution of (5) localized around the rays<sup>||</sup> (6) which **do not propagate**.

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<sup>||</sup>See also Maciá, phd thesis.

# Spectral analysis.

In the special case  $\sigma(x) = \sigma \chi_{(0,1)}(x)$ .

In this case, the eigenvalues  $\lambda$  of the discrete space operator  $L_h$  satisfy:

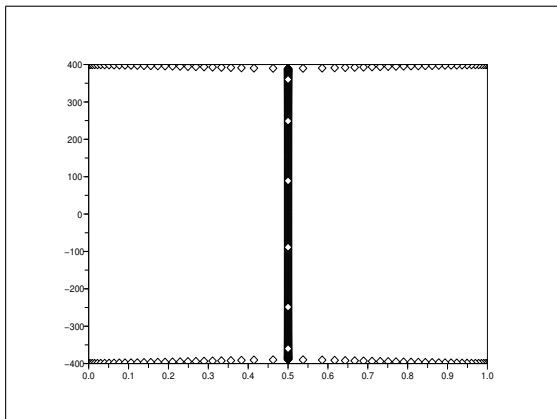
$$\sinh\left(\frac{\alpha h}{2}\right) = \frac{\lambda h}{2} \quad ; \quad \sinh\left(\frac{\beta h}{2}\right) = \frac{(\lambda - \sigma)h}{2}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sinh(\alpha) \cosh(\beta) \cosh\left(\frac{\beta h}{2}\right) \\ + \cosh(\alpha) \sinh(\beta) \cosh\left(\frac{\alpha h}{2}\right) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

$\Rightarrow$  **Complex Analysis**, especially Rouché's theorem.



# Numerical Simulation $\sigma = 1, N = 200$ .



*The high frequencies eigenvectors are not dissipated !*

# Spectral analysis: Low frequency.

## Theorem

Let  $\delta < 1$ . Then there exists a constant  $C$  such that the set of the eigenvalues  $\lambda_h$  of  $L_h$  such that  $|\operatorname{Im}(\lambda_h)h| < 2\delta$  has exactly one point in each disk  $D_k^h(\hat{\lambda}_k^h, Ch)$  of center

$$\hat{\lambda}_k^h = \frac{2i}{h} \sin\left(\frac{k\pi h}{4}\right) + \frac{\sigma}{2},$$

$k$  satisfying  $|\sin\left(\frac{k\pi h}{4}\right)| \leq \delta$ .

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## Theorem

One can find a sequence of eigenvalues  $\lambda_h$  of  $L_h$  such that

- $\text{Im}(\lambda_h)h \rightarrow 2.$
- $\text{Re}(\lambda_h) \rightarrow 0.$

*Remark:* These two theorems describe entirely the behaviour of the spectrum numerically computed.

# Repartition of the eigenvectors.

If  $(P_h, V_h)$  is an eigenvector corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda_h = a_h + ib_h$ , setting

$$\begin{cases} E_h^l = \frac{h}{4}|P_0|^2 + \frac{h}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N (|P_j|^2 + |V_j|^2), \\ E_h^r = \frac{h}{4}|P_0|^2 + \frac{h}{2} \sum_{j=-N+1}^0 (|V_j|^2 + |P_{j-1}|^2), \end{cases}$$

the left and right energies, then

$$\frac{E_h^r(P_h, V_h)}{E_h^l(P_h, V_h)} = \frac{a_h}{\sigma - a_h}.$$

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Ramdani-Takahashi-Tucsna, Tcheugoué-Tébou-Zuazua.
- **Modify the propagation of the waves**: Looking for other discretizations.  
Banks-Ito-Wang, Castro-Micu, Mixed finite element method.
- Other methods: Bi-grid method, ...  
Glowinski, Negreanu-Zuazua, Ignat-Zuazua, etc.

# Viscous System.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \partial_t P_j + \frac{V_{j+1} - V_j}{h} + \sigma_j P_j - \alpha h^2 (\Delta_h P)_j = 0, \\ \partial_t V_j + \frac{P_j - P_{j-1}}{h} + \sigma_{j-1/2} V_j - \alpha h^2 (\Delta_h V)_j = 0, \\ P_{-N} = P_N = 0, \quad V_{-N} = V_{-N+1}, \quad V_{N+1} = V_N, \end{array} \right. \quad (8)$$

with  $\alpha > 0$  and

$$(\Delta_h A)_j = \frac{1}{h^2} (A_{j+1} + A_{j-1} - 2A_j).$$

In the sequel, we fix  $\alpha > 0$ , for instance  $\alpha = 1$ .

# Dissipation Law.

The energy

$$E_h(t) = \frac{h}{2} \sum_{j=-N+1}^N (|P_j(t)|^2 + |V_j(t)|^2)$$

is dissipated according to

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dE_h}{dt}(t) = & -h \sum_{j=-N+1}^N \sigma_j |P_j|^2 - h \sum_{j=-N+1}^N \sigma_{j-1/2} |V_j|^2 \\ & - \alpha h^3 \sum_{j=-N}^{N-1} \left( \left( \frac{P_{j+1} - P_j}{h} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{V_{j+1} - V_j}{h} \right)^2 \right). \end{aligned}$$

# Uniform decay.

## Theorem

If  $\alpha$  is positive and  $\sigma$  is a non-trivial non-negative function, then there exist two positive constants  $C$  and  $\mu$  such that for all  $h > 0$ , for any initial datum  $(P_0^h, V_0^h)$ , the energy of the solution  $(P, V)$  of (8) satisfies

$$E_h(t) \leq CE_h(0)\exp(-\mu t), \quad t > 0.$$

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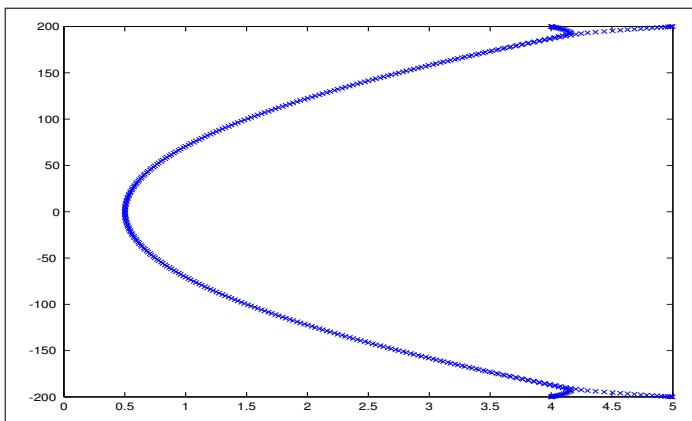
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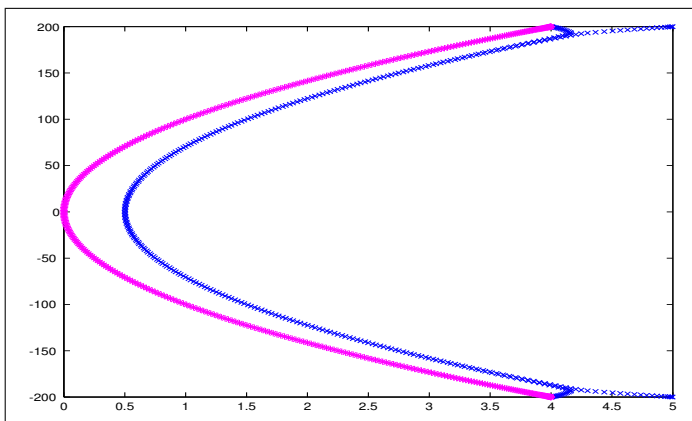


*The high frequencies are damped !*

# Comments.

- **Parabolic shape  $\mathcal{C}$**  similar to the one we would obtain for  $\sigma = 0$ .
- The curve is very close to the one we would obtain by adding at a given frequency the abscissas of both curves  $\mathcal{C}$  and the one given by the spectrum without viscosity.
- In high frequencies, the spectrum splits up into **two branches**.

# Graphics.



*Parabolic shape.*

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*Remark:* This also corresponds to a *Mixed Finite Element* discretization.

# New dynamics ?

The principal symbol becomes

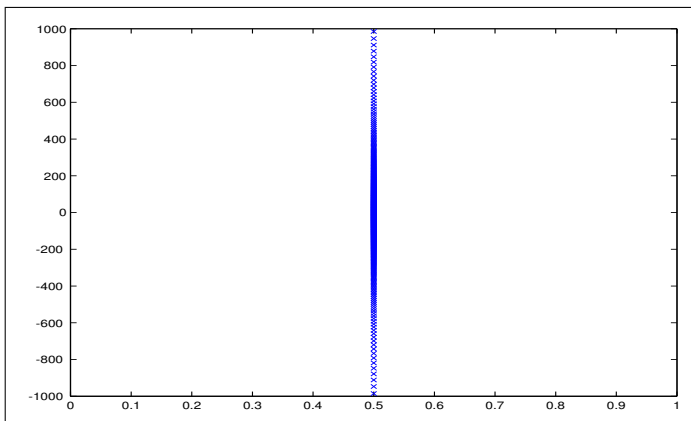
$$\tau^2 - \omega_h(\xi)^2, \quad \omega_h(\xi) = \frac{2}{h} \tan\left(\frac{\xi h}{2}\right)$$

In particular, the velocity of the waves is

$$\frac{d\omega_h}{d\xi}(\xi) = 1 + \tan\left(\frac{\xi h}{2}\right)^2 \geq 1.$$

⇒ The waves **propagate**.

# Spectrum of the spatial operator in (9), $N = 100$ , $\sigma = 1$ .



*Blow up and localization of the abscissa !*

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These energies are dissipated:

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$$\forall t, E_h^{\frac{h^2}{4}}(t) \leq CE_h^{\frac{h^2}{4}}(0) \exp(-\mu t)$$

*Idea:* Using HUM to restrict ourselves to the case  $\sigma = 0$ .

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