# Lecture 3: Image Recognition Using Neumann and Higher Order Eigenvalue Problems $\diamond$ 

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## Summary of Today's Session:

- The Three Other Model Problems
- A flavor of known inequalities
- Universal inequalities (for buckling and clamped plate problems)
- Numerical Schemes
- Feature functions
- Results
- A Unified Approach to Universal Eigenvalues for Second and Higher Order Elliptic Operators


## Quantum Drums: Bibly, Hawk, .. and a Broken Hawk

".. Construct quantum isospectral nanonstructures with matching electronic structure"


Quantum Phase Extraction in Isospectral Electronic

## Nanostructures

Christopher R. Moon, et al.
Science 319, 782 (2008);
DOI: 10.1126/science. 1151490

They also have a construction for another isospectral pair: Aye-Aye and Beluga

## The other model problems

Beyond the Dirichlet eigenvalue problem... one can use:

1. The Free Membrane Problem:

$$
\begin{align*}
-\Delta v=\mu v & \text { in }  \tag{1}\\
\frac{\partial v}{\partial n}=0 & \text { on }
\end{align*} \quad \partial \Omega
$$

Eigenmodes: $0=\mu_{1}<\mu_{2} \leq \mu_{3} \leq \cdots$

## The Other Model Problems

2. The Clamped Plate Problem:

$$
\begin{array}{cl}
\Delta^{2} w=\Gamma w & \text { in }  \tag{2}\\
w=\frac{\partial w}{\partial n}=0 & \text { on }
\end{array} \partial \Omega
$$

Eigenmodes: $0<\Gamma_{1} \leq \Gamma_{2} \leq \Gamma_{3} \leq \cdots$
3. The Buckling (of a Clamped Plate) Problem:

$$
\begin{array}{rlrl}
\Delta^{2} w & =-\Lambda \Delta w & \text { in } \quad \Omega  \tag{3}\\
w & =\frac{\partial w}{\partial n}=0 & \text { on } & \partial \Omega
\end{array}
$$

Eigenmodes: $0<\Lambda_{1} \leq \Lambda_{2} \leq \Lambda_{3} \leq \cdots$

## Motivation for Bilaplacian: Chladni Plates

Ernest Chladni of Saxony, "father of accoustics"
His experiments: vibrated a fixed plate with a violin bow and then sprinkled sand across it to show the formation of the nodal lines, mid-1800s (see Bruno Lévy, INRIA)


## Rayleigh Quotients

- Clamped Problem

$$
R(\phi)=\frac{\int_{\Omega}(\Delta \phi)^{2}}{\int_{\Omega} \phi^{2}}
$$

Apply Cauchy-Schwarz:

$$
\left(\int_{\Omega}|\nabla \phi|^{2}\right)^{2}=\left(-\int_{\Omega} \phi \Delta \phi\right)^{2} \leq\left(\int_{\Omega} \phi^{2}\right)\left(\int_{\Omega}(\Delta \phi)^{2}\right)
$$

So

$$
\left(\frac{\int_{\Omega}|\nabla \phi|^{2}}{\int_{\Omega} \phi^{2}}\right)^{2} \leq \frac{\int_{\Omega}(\Delta \phi)^{2}}{\int_{\Omega} \phi^{2}}
$$

Or

$$
\lambda_{k}^{2}(\Omega) \leq \Gamma_{k}(\Omega)
$$

Weinstein: $\lambda_{1}^{2} \leq \Gamma_{1}$

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\frac{\int_{\Omega}|\nabla \phi|^{2}}{\int_{\Omega} \phi^{2}} \leq \frac{\int_{\Omega}(\Delta \phi)^{2}}{\int_{\Omega}|\nabla \phi|^{2}}
$$

Or

$$
\lambda_{k}(\Omega) \leq \Lambda_{k}(\Omega)
$$

Note: $\lambda_{2} \leq \Lambda_{1}$ (Payne)
See: M. Ashbaugh, "On Universal Inequalities for the Low Eigenvalues of the Bucklng Problem", Partial differential equations and inverse problems, 2004

## A flavor of inequalites: Clamped Plate

For simplicity $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{2}$

- Nadirashvili proved Rayleigh's conjecture

$$
\Gamma_{1} \geq \frac{\pi^{2} k_{0}^{2}}{|\Omega|^{2}}
$$

(isoperimetric) with $k_{0}=3.19622062$

- Weyl asymptotic

$$
\Gamma_{k} \approx \frac{16 \pi^{2} k^{2}}{|\Omega|^{2}}
$$

- Levine-Protter proved Li-Yau-type inequality (1985)

$$
\Gamma_{k} \geq \frac{16 \pi^{2} k^{2}}{3|\Omega|^{2}}
$$

- Payne-Pólya-Weinberger (1956):

$$
\Gamma_{k+1}-\Gamma_{k} \leq \frac{8}{k} \sum_{j=1}^{k} \Gamma_{j}, \text { also } \frac{\Gamma_{2}}{\Gamma_{1}} \leq 9
$$

A flavor of inequalites: Clamped Plate

- Ashbaugh inequality (1998): $\Gamma_{k+1}-\Gamma_{k} \leq \frac{8}{k^{2}}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{k} \sqrt{\Gamma_{j}}\right)^{2}$
- Hook and Chen \& Qian (1990)

$$
\frac{k^{2}}{8} \leq\left(\sum_{j=1}^{k} \frac{\sqrt{\Gamma_{j}}}{\Gamma_{k+1}-\Gamma_{j}}\right)\left(\sum_{j=1}^{k} \sqrt{\Gamma_{j}}\right)
$$

improves earlier results by Hile-Yeh (1984)

- Cheng-Yang (2006)

$$
\Gamma_{k+1}-\frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^{k} \Gamma_{j} \leq \sqrt{8} \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^{k} \sqrt{\Gamma_{j}\left(\Gamma_{k+1}-\Gamma_{j}\right)}
$$

- Wang-Xia (2007)

$$
\begin{array}{r}
\sum_{j=1}^{k}\left(\Gamma_{k+1}-\Gamma_{j}\right)^{2} \leq \sqrt{8}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{k}\left(\Gamma_{k+1}-\Gamma_{j}\right)^{2} \sqrt{\Gamma_{j}}\right)^{1 / 2} \times \\
\left(\sum^{k}\left(\Gamma_{k+1}-\Gamma_{j}\right) \sqrt{\Gamma_{j}}\right)^{1 / 2}
\end{array}
$$

## A flavor of inequalities: Buckling Problem

- Pólya-Szegö Conjecture: $\Lambda_{1}(\Omega) \geq \Lambda_{1}\left(\Omega^{\star}\right)$
- Bramble-Payne: $\Lambda_{1}(\Omega) \geq \frac{2 \pi j_{0,1}^{2}}{|\Omega|}$
- PPW: $\frac{\Lambda_{2}}{\Lambda_{1}} \leq 3$
- Hile-Yeh: $\frac{\Lambda_{2}}{\Lambda_{1}} \leq 2.5$
- Ashbaugh: $\frac{\Lambda_{2}+\Lambda_{3}}{\Lambda_{1}} \leq 6$
- Cheng and Yang (2006) proved

$$
\sum_{j=1}^{k}\left(\Lambda_{k+1}-\Lambda_{j}\right)^{2} \leq 4 \sum_{j=1}^{k} \Lambda_{j}\left(\Lambda_{k+1}-\Lambda_{j}\right)
$$

- There is reason to believe that one can improve this inequality to

$$
\sum_{j=1}^{k}\left(\Lambda_{k+1}-\Lambda_{j}\right)^{2} \leq 2 \sum_{j=1}^{k} \Lambda_{j}\left(\Lambda_{k+1}-\Lambda_{j}\right)
$$

## Finite Difference Schemes: Neumann Eigenvalues

Remember that we represent all these discretizations in the form:

$$
\mathcal{L}_{i j} v=\mu^{h} \mathcal{R}_{i j} v .
$$

$\mathcal{L}$ is called the stiffness matrix, while $\mathcal{R}$ is called the mass matrix. In the Neumann case, $\mathcal{L}$ is still represented by

$$
\Delta_{h}=\frac{1}{h^{2}}\left(\begin{array}{ccc} 
& 1 & \\
1 & -4 & 1 \\
& 1 &
\end{array}\right)
$$

and (without modifications) $\mathcal{R}$ is represented by the identity. The normal boundary condition is given (for boundary pixels) by

$$
v_{i, j}=\text { average of adjacent "interior" points }
$$

e.g.,

$$
v_{i, j+1}+v_{i+1, j}+v_{i, j-1}=3 v_{i, j}
$$

Hubbard (1968) carried most of the analysis for the Neumann finite difference scheme (à la Weinberger).

## Finite Difference Schemes: Clamped Plate

$$
\begin{equation*}
\Delta_{h}^{2} v=\Gamma^{h} v \tag{4}
\end{equation*}
$$

The result of applying $\Delta_{h}^{2} v=\Delta_{h}\left(\Delta_{h} v\right)$ is a 13-point discrete scheme:

$$
\begin{align*}
h^{4} \Delta_{h}^{2} v & =v(x, y-2 h) \\
& +2 v(x-h, y-h)-8 v(x, y-h)+2 v(x+h, y-h) \\
& +v(x-2 h, y)-8 v(x-h, y)+20 v(x, y) \\
& -8 v(x+h, y)+v(x+2 h, y)+2 v(x-h, y+h) \\
& -8 v(x, y+h)+2 v(x+h, y+h)+v(x, y+2 h) \tag{5}
\end{align*}
$$

## Finite Difference Schemes: Clamped Plate, Cont'd

The recursion is given by:

$$
\begin{align*}
h^{4}\left(\Delta_{h}^{2} v\right)_{i j} & =v_{i, j-2} \\
& +2 v_{i-1, j-1}-8 v_{i, j-1}+2 v_{i+1, j-1} \\
& +v_{i-2, j}-8 v_{i-1, j}+20 v_{i, j} \\
& -8 v_{i+1, j}+v_{i+2, j}+2 v_{i-1, j+1} \\
& -8 v_{i, j+1}+2 v_{i+1, j+1}+v_{i, j+2} \tag{6}
\end{align*}
$$

The boundary pixels are subject to:

$$
v_{i, j}=0
$$

and

$$
v_{i, j}=\text { average of adjacent "interior" points }
$$

## Finite Difference Schemes: Clamped Plate

The stiffness matrix is represented by:

$$
\Delta_{h}^{2}=\frac{1}{h^{4}}\left(\begin{array}{ccccc} 
& & 1 & & \\
& 2 & -8 & 2 & \\
1 & -8 & 20 & -8 & 1 \\
& 2 & -8 & 2 & \\
& & 1 & &
\end{array}\right)
$$

Finite Difference Schemes: Clamped Plate


Comparison of known and computed ratios of clamped plate eigenvalues for disks

Known values taken from A. Weinstein (1969)

| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{2}$ | 0.23083388 | 0.2332 | $1 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{3}$ | 0.23083388 | 0.2332 | $1 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{4}$ | 0.08578756 | 0.0908 | $6 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{5}$ | 0.08578756 | 0.0850 | $1 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{6}$ | 0.06597117 | 0.0678 | $3 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{7}$ | 0.04007602 | 0.0419 | $5 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{8}$ | 0.04007602 | 0.0419 | $5 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{9}$ | 0.02820056 | 0.0294 | $4 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{10}$ | 0.02820056 | 0.0294 | $4 \%$ |

Comparison of known and computed ratios of clamped plate eigenvalues for squares (A. Weinstein)

|  | Theoretical <br> low bound | Theoretical <br> upper bound | Computed <br> values | Error from <br> upper bound |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{2}$ | 0.23482612 | 0.24229181 | 0.2448 | $1 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{3}$ | 0.23482612 | 0.24229181 | 0.2439 | $1 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{4}$ | 0.10704902 | 0.11152849 | 0.1148 | $3 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{5}$ | 0.07292193 | 0.07533179 | 0.0789 | $5 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{6}$ | 0.07198916 | 0.07506562 | 0.0769 | $2 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{7}$ | 0.04404576 | 0.04824526 | 0.0513 | $6 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{8}$ | 0.04404576 | 0.04824526 | 0.0510 | $6 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{9}$ | 0.02784486 | 0.02948061 | 0.0327 | $11 \%$ |
| $\Gamma_{1} / \Gamma_{10}$ | 0.02784486 | 0.02948061 | 0.0320 | $9 \%$ |

## Other Methods of Computation

- Weinstein Method (late 30s)
- Weinstein-Aronszajn Method (mid 40s)
- Fichera Method of Orthogonal Invariants (60s, 70s)
- Bazley-Fox-Stadter (1967)
- J. McLaurin (1968)
- Kuttler Method (1972) (à la Weinberger)
- Bauer-Reis (1972)
- C. Wieners (1996)
- Aimi \& Diligenti (1992) ("Buckling" à la Fichera)
- Weinberger (à la Weinberger (for Clamped) and à la Fichera (for Neumann))


## Feature Vectors

$\lambda$ represents any of the eigenvalues $\mu, \Gamma, \Lambda$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
F_{1}(\Omega)=\left(\frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{2}}, \frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{3}}, \frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{4}}, \ldots, \frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{n}}\right) \\
F_{2}(\Omega)=\left(\frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{2}}, \frac{\lambda_{2}}{\lambda_{3}}, \frac{\lambda_{3}}{\lambda_{4}}, \ldots, \frac{\lambda_{n-1}}{\lambda_{n}}\right) \\
F_{3}(\Omega)=\left(\frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{2}}-\frac{d_{1}}{d_{2}}, \frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{3}}-\frac{d_{1}}{d_{3}}, \frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{4}}-\frac{d_{1}}{d_{4}}, \ldots, \frac{\lambda_{1}}{\lambda_{n}}-\frac{d_{1}}{d_{n}}\right)
\end{gathered}
$$

Here $d_{1} \leq d_{2}, \ldots \leq d_{n}$ are the first $n$ e-values of a disk.

$$
F_{4}(\Omega)=\left(\frac{\lambda_{2}}{\lambda_{1}}, \frac{\lambda_{3}}{2 \lambda_{1}}, \frac{\lambda_{4}}{3 \lambda_{1}}, \ldots, \frac{\lambda_{n+1}}{n \lambda_{1}}\right)
$$

( $F_{4}$ scales down the Weyl growth of the eigenvalues.)
For clamped plate:

$$
F_{4}(\Omega)=\left(\frac{\Gamma_{2}}{\Gamma_{1}}, \frac{\Gamma_{3}}{4 \Gamma_{1}}, \frac{\Gamma_{4}}{9 \Gamma_{1}}, \ldots, \frac{\Gamma_{n+1}}{n^{2} \Gamma_{1}}\right)
$$

( $F_{4}$ scales down the Weyl growth of the eigenvalues.)

## Experiments: Correct classification rates for hand-drawn

 shapes|  | Dirichlet |  | Neumann |  | Stekloff |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $n$ | $F_{1}$ | $F_{2}$ | $F_{1}$ | $F_{2}$ | $F_{1}$ | $F_{2}$ |
| 4 | $60.0 \%$ | $91.0 \%$ | $87.5 \%$ | $91.0 \%$ | $40.5 \%$ | $34.0 \%$ |
| 8 | $94.0 \%$ | $94.0 \%$ | $94.0 \%$ | $94.0 \%$ | $45.0 \%$ | $41.5 \%$ |
| 12 | $94.5 \%$ | $93.5 \%$ | $94.5 \%$ | $94.0 \%$ | $50.0 \%$ | $42.0 \%$ |
| 16 | $92.5 \%$ | $78.5 \%$ | $92.5 \%$ | $91.0 \%$ | $61.0 \%$ | $57.5 \%$ |
| 20 | $95.5 \%$ | $94.5 \%$ | $95.5 \%$ | $94.5 \%$ | $55.5 \%$ | $56.0 \%$ |

Experiments: Standard Deviation of the first $F_{2}$ features for 100 triangles using Dirichlet, Clamped and Buckling Eigenvalues


## Experiments

- 40 disks, triangles, rectangles, ellipses, diamonds, and squares (total 240 images) of different sizes and orientations hand written and scanned into computer: Noisy and irregular boundaries
- 300 additional computer generated images of the same shapes were added to the database (aspect ratios vary from 2 to 2.5 for elongated figures): Noise free
- These 300 computer generated images were used to train the neural network with
- Dirichlet, Neumann, Clamped, and Buckling eigenvalues were computed and $n=20 F_{1}, \ldots, F_{4}$ feature vectors from each of the six classes were generated.
- A simple neural network was trained with the 300 computer generated images
- Another 300 computer generated images and the 240 hand-written ones were used in the validation phase


## Results for Computer Generated and Hand-Drawn Shapes



| Clamped Plate Features |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | F1 |  | F2 |  | F3 |  | F4 |  |
| N | CG | HD | CG | HD | CG | HD | CG | HD |
| 4 | 93.3 | 90.3 | 94.0 | 76.4 | 93.7 | 89.6 | 95.7 | 92.7 |
| 8 | 95.7 | \$7.5 | 96.0 | 91.7 | 95.3 | 90.3 | 96.3 | 91.7 |
| 12 | 97.7 | 89.6 | 97.0 | 92.0 | 96.0 | \$9.6 | 96.0 | 93.8 |
| 16 | 98.3 | 92.4 | 98.3 | 80.9 | 98.0 | \$9.6 | 98.7 | 92.4 |
| 20 | 98.0 | 90.3 | 98.7 | 84.0 | 99.0 | 91.3 | 97.3 | 95.1 |
| Ayxg | 96.6 | 90.0 | 96.8 | 85.0 | 96.4 | 90.1 | 96.8 | 93.1 |

Buckling Plate Features

| F1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | F2 |  |  | F3 |  |  | F4 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| N | CG | HD | CG | HD | CG | HD | CG | HD |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4 | 98.0 | 91.3 | 92.7 | 86.8 | 92.7 | 87.8 | 93.7 | 92.7 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8 | 93.7 | 91.7 | 94.7 | 89.9 | 93.7 | 87.2 | 93.3 | 90.3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | 94.7 | 90.3 | 94.0 | 85.8 | 96.0 | 91.3 | 95.0 | 95.8 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | 94.3 | 92.4 | 95.3 | 89.6 | 96.7 | 92.4 | 96.0 | 95.1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | 97.7 | 94.4 | 94.7 | 85.4 | 95.7 | 94.1 | 96.0 | 94.1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Ayrg | 95.7 | 92.0 | 94.3 | 87.5 | 95.0 | 90.6 | 94.8 | 93.6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## Shape Queries Using Image Databases (SQUID)

 http://www.ee.surrey.ac.uk/CVSSP/demos/css/demo.html

## Experiments on SQUID Database

- Dirichlet, Neumann, buckling plate, and clamped plate features were generated for 195 images of sting ray, snapper, eel, mullet, and flounder-like fish.
- A series of simple neural networks were trained on 65 images from this dataset and tested on the remaining 130 images.
- $n=4,8,12,16$, and 20 eigenvalues were used as inputs into the neural net for each of the model problems.


## Experiments on SQUID Database: Correct Classification Rate of the Fish

|  | Neumann features |  |  |  | Dirichlet features |  |  |  | Buckling features |  |  |  | Clamped plate features |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| N | F1 | F2 | F3 | F4 | F1 | F2 | F3 | F4 | F1 | F2 | F3 | F4 | F1 | F2 | F3 | F4 |
| 4 | 88 | 85 | 89 | 87 | 92 | 95 | 94 | 94 | 87 | 84 | 93 | 85 | 90 | 87 | 92 | 89 |
| 8 | 94 | 89 | 91 | 91 | 93 | 94 | 94 | 94 | 89 | 83 | 92 | 90 | 90 | 86 | 91 | 90 |
| 12 | 91 | 86 | 90 | 92 | 93 | 93 | 94 | 97 | 88 | 84 | 93 | 90 | 92 | 80 | 93 | 96 |
| 16 | 95 | 87 | 95 | 96 | 94 | 91 | 92 | 98 | 91 | 85 | 92 | 92 | 92 | 85 | 93 | 94 |
| 20 | 95 | 88 | 95 | 97 | 94 | 88 | 93 | 98 | 92 | 87 | 93 | 93 | 92 | 81 | 92 | 94 |

## Unified Approach to Universal Inequalities

- H. C. Yang inequality is just a discriminant condition in an abstract (purely) algebraic scheme.
- Universal inequalities for Dirichlet eigenvalues of Yang-type and versions recently proved for the clamped plate problem (proved by Wang-Xia, Wu-Cao, etc.) are corollaries to this setting.
- This work generalizes earlier joint work with M. Ashbaugh (Pac. J. Math., 2004)


## Setting:

- $\mathcal{H}$ be a complex Hilbert space with inner product $\langle$,$\rangle ,$
- $A: \mathcal{D} \subset \mathcal{H} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}$ a self-adjoint operator defined on a dense domain $\mathcal{D}$ which is semibounded below and has a discrete spectrum $\lambda_{1} \leq \lambda_{2} \leq \lambda_{3} \leq \ldots$.
- $\left\{T_{k}: \mathcal{D} \rightarrow \mathcal{H}\right\}_{k=1}^{N}:$ a collection of skew-symmetric operators,
- $\left\{B_{k}: T_{k}(\mathcal{D}) \rightarrow \mathcal{H}\right\}_{k=1}^{N}$ a collection of symmetric operators which leave $\mathcal{D}$ invariant, and $\left\{u_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ the normalized eigenvectors of $A, u_{i}$ corresponding to $\lambda_{i}$. We may further assume that $\left\{u_{i}\right\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ is an orthonormal basis for $\mathcal{H}$.
- $[A, B]$ denotes the commutator of two operators defined by $[A, B]=A B-B A$, and $\|u\|=\sqrt{\langle u, u\rangle}$.


## Main Theorem <br> Define:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\beta_{i} & =\sum_{k=1}^{N}\left\langle\left[B_{k}, T_{k}\right] u_{i}, u_{i}\right\rangle \\
\rho_{i} & =\sum_{k=1}^{N}\left\langle\left[A, B_{k}\right] u_{i}, B_{k} u_{i}\right\rangle
\end{aligned}
$$

and

$$
\Lambda_{i}=\sum_{k=1}^{N}\left\|T_{k} u_{i}\right\|^{2}
$$

Statement:
The eigenvalues $\left\{\lambda_{i}\right\}$ of the operator $A$ satisfy the following inequality

$$
\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} \beta_{i}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2}\right)^{2} \leq 4\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} \rho_{i}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2}\right)\left(\sum_{i=1}^{m} \Lambda_{i}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)\right)
$$

## Consequences:

## Facts:

$$
\rho_{i}=\frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^{N}\left\langle\left[B_{k},\left[A, B_{k}\right]\right] u_{i}, u_{i}\right\rangle
$$

- When $T_{k}=\left[A, B_{k}\right]$, one has $\beta_{i}=2 \rho_{i}$,
$\Lambda_{i}=\sum_{k=1}^{N}\left\|\left[A, B_{k}\right] u_{i}\right\|^{2}$. In this case, the statement of the theorem reduces to the familiar H . C. Yang inequality in the abstract setting (Levitin-Parnovski, 2001, Ashbaugh-H., 2004, Harrell-Stubbe 2009):

$$
\sum_{i=1}^{m} \rho_{i}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{m} \Lambda_{i}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)
$$

## Flavor of the Proof

- Start with Rayleigh-Ritz for $\lambda_{m+1}$

$$
\begin{gather*}
\lambda_{m+1} \leq \frac{\langle A \phi, \phi\rangle}{\langle\phi, \phi\rangle} \\
\phi_{i}=B u_{i}-\sum_{j=1}^{m} a_{i j} u_{j}, \tag{7}
\end{gather*}
$$

where $a_{i j}=\left\langle B u_{i}, u_{j}\right\rangle$
$-a_{j i}=\overline{a_{i j}}$.

- Let $b_{i j}=\left\langle[A, B] u_{i}, u_{j}\right\rangle$, then

$$
b_{i j}=-\overline{b_{j i}}=\left(\lambda_{j}-\lambda_{i}\right) a_{i j}
$$

## Flavor of the Proof, cont'd

- R-R reduces to:

$$
\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i} \leq \frac{\left\langle[A, B] u_{i}, \phi\right\rangle}{\langle\phi, \phi\rangle}
$$

- Also

$$
\left\langle[A, B] u_{i}, \phi_{i}\right\rangle=\left\langle[A, B] u_{i}, B u_{i}\right\rangle-\sum_{j=1}^{m}\left(\lambda_{j}-\lambda_{i}\right)\left|a_{i j}\right|^{2}
$$

- Since $T$ is an antisymmetric operator

$$
\operatorname{Re}\left\langle\phi_{i}, T u_{i}\right\rangle=\operatorname{Re}\left\langle\phi_{i}, T u_{i}-\sum_{j=1}^{m} t_{i j} u_{j}\right\rangle
$$

for $t_{i j}=\left\langle T u_{i}, u_{j}\right\rangle\left(\right.$ since $\left\langle\phi_{i}, u_{j}\right\rangle=0$, for $j=1,2, \ldots, m$.

## Flavor of the Proof, cont'd

- For $\gamma>0$ :

$$
\operatorname{Re}\left\langle\phi_{i}, T u_{i}\right\rangle \leq \frac{1}{2 \gamma}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)\left\|\phi_{i}\right\|^{2}+\frac{\gamma}{2\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)}\left(\left\|T u_{i}\right\|^{2}-\sum_{j=1}^{m}\left|t_{i j}\right|^{2}\right)
$$

$$
\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2} \operatorname{Re}\left\langle\phi_{i}, T u_{i}\right\rangle \leq \frac{1}{2 \gamma}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{3}\left\|\phi_{i}\right\|^{2}
$$

$$
+\frac{\gamma}{2}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)\left(\left\|T u_{i}\right\|^{2}-\sum_{j=1}^{m}\left|t_{i j}\right|^{2}\right) .
$$

## Flavor of the Proof, cont'd

- Put things together to get

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2} \operatorname{Re}\left\langle\phi_{i}, T u_{i}\right\rangle \\
\leq & \frac{1}{2 \gamma}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2}\left(\left\langle[A, B] u_{i}, B u_{i}\right\rangle-\sum_{j=1}^{m}\left(\lambda_{j}-\lambda_{i}\right)\left|a_{i j}\right|^{2}\right) \\
+ & \frac{\gamma}{2}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)\left(\left\|T u_{i}\right\|^{2}-\sum_{j=1}^{m}\left|t_{i j}\right|^{2}\right) .
\end{aligned}
$$

- .. after a series of steps, one is led to:

$$
\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=1}^{m}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2}\left\langle[B, T] u_{i}, u_{i}\right\rangle & \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{m}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2}\left\langle[A, B] u_{i}, B u_{i}\right\rangle \\
& +\gamma \sum_{i=1}^{m}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)\left\|T u_{i}\right\|^{2} .
\end{aligned}
$$

- Restore the dependence of $T$ and $B$ on the index $k=1, \ldots N$, then sum on $k$


## Flavor of the Proof, cont'd

- We are led to:

$$
\sum_{i=1}^{m} \beta_{i}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2} \leq \frac{1}{\gamma} \sum_{i=1}^{m} \rho_{i}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)^{2}+\gamma \sum_{i=1}^{m} \Lambda_{i}\left(\lambda_{m+1}-\lambda_{i}\right)
$$

- Reduce to a quadratic statement in $\gamma$ which is always $\geq 0$, so the discriminant $\leq 0$. This is the statement of the theorem.

Thank you!


