

# Exponential decay of two-dimensional rotating waves

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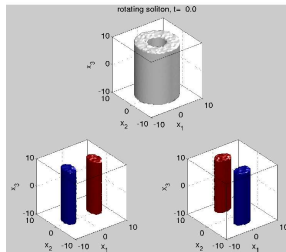
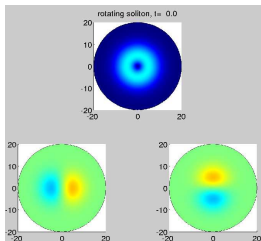
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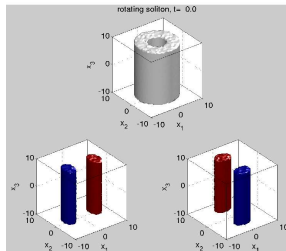
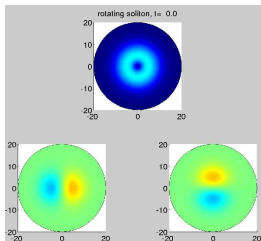
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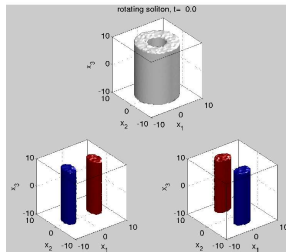
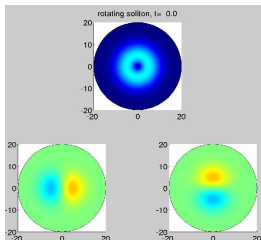
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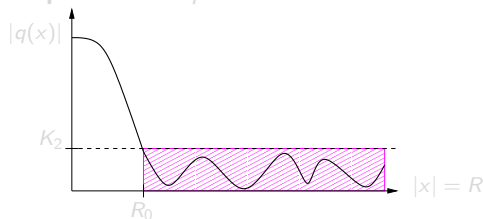
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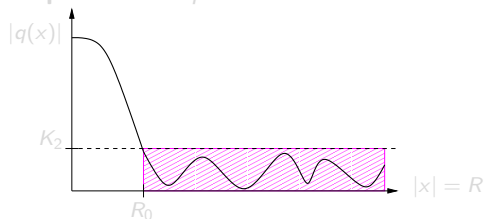
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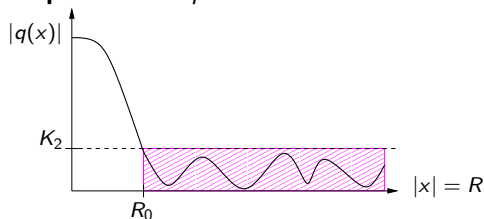
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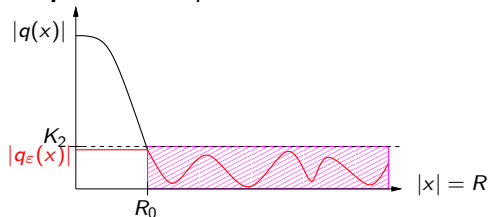
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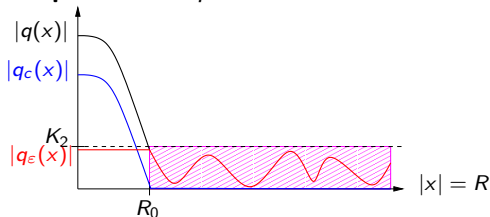
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# Motivation (Exponential Decay of $v_*$ )

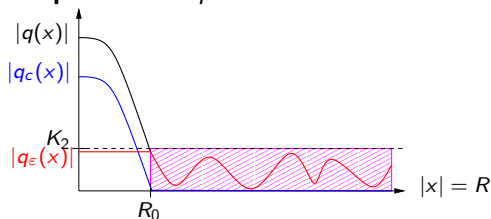
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$$[\mathcal{L}_\infty v](x) = \alpha \Delta v(x) + \langle Sx, \nabla v(x) \rangle - \delta v(x)$$

Consider the inhomogeneous problem

$$(4) \quad [\mathcal{L}_\infty v](x) = g(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad d \geq 2.$$

whose solution is given by

$$(5) \quad v(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} G(x, \xi) g(\xi) d\xi, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

with **Green's function**  $G : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  defined by

$$G(x, \xi) = - \int_0^\infty H(x, \xi, t) dt, \quad x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad H : \text{Heat kernel.}$$

### Theorem: (Regularity)

Let  $\alpha, \delta \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha, \operatorname{Re} \delta > 0$ ,  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  skew-symmetric,  $g \in L_{eucl, \eta}^p(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $0 \leq \eta^2 < \frac{\operatorname{Re} \alpha \operatorname{Re} \delta}{|\alpha|^2 p^2}$ ,  $v$  be the solution of (4) given by (5).

Then  $v \in W_{eucl, \eta}^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$  with

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# Heat Kernel

Recall the definition of the heat operator

$$[\mathcal{L}_\infty v](x) = \alpha \Delta v(x) + \langle Sx, \nabla v(x) \rangle - \delta v(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

## Theorem: (Heat Kernel)


Let  $\alpha, \delta \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$  and  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  skew-symmetric, then the function  $H : \mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d \times ]0, \infty[ \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  given by

$$H(x, \xi, t) = (4\pi\alpha t)^{-\frac{d}{2}} \exp\left(-\delta t - (4\alpha t)^{-1} |e^{tS}x - \xi|^2\right)$$

is a heat kernel of  $\mathcal{L}_\infty$ .

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# Semigroup Properties

Consider the heat operator

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on  $L^p_{eucl,\eta}(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$  and the associated family of operators

$$[T(t)v_0](x) = \begin{cases} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} H(x, \xi, t) v_0(\xi) d\xi & , t > 0, \\ v_0(x) & , t = 0. \end{cases}$$

Then

- $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is a semigroup on  $L^p_{eucl,\eta} \quad \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}, 1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,
- $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is strongly continuous on  $L^p_{eucl,\eta} \quad \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}, 1 \leq p < \infty$ ,
- $(T(t))_{t \geq 0}$  is not analytic on  $L^p_{eucl,\eta} \quad \forall \eta \in \mathbb{R}, 1 < p < \infty$ ,

The maximal domain is given by  $(1 < p < \infty)$

$$\mathcal{D}^p_{eucl,\eta} = \{v \in W^{2,p}_{eucl,\eta} \mid \langle S \cdot, \nabla v(\cdot) \rangle \in L^p_{eucl,\eta}\}.$$

$$[\mathcal{L}_\varepsilon v](x) = \alpha \Delta v(x) + \langle Sx, \nabla v(x) \rangle - \delta v(x) + q_\varepsilon(x)v(x)$$

Consider the inhomogeneous problem

$$[\mathcal{L}_\varepsilon v](x) = g(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad d \geq 2.$$

Unique solvability of  $\mathcal{L}_\infty v = g$  implies

$$v(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} G(x, \xi) (g(\xi) - q_\varepsilon(\xi)v(\xi)) d\xi =: [Sv](x).$$

By contraction mapping principle:

**Theorem: (Solvability, Uniqueness, Regularity)**

Let  $\alpha, \delta \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha, \operatorname{Re} \delta > 0$ ,  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  skew-symmetric,  $g \in L^p_{\text{eucl}, \eta}(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$ ,  $1 < p < \infty$ ,  $0 \leq \eta^2 < \frac{\operatorname{Re} \alpha \operatorname{Re} \delta}{|\alpha|^2 p^2}$ ,  $q_\varepsilon \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$  with  $\|q_\varepsilon\|_{L^\infty} < K_2$ . Then

$$\exists_1 v \in L^p_{\text{eucl}, \eta}(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C}) : Sv = v \text{ in } L^p_{\text{eucl}, \eta}.$$

Moreover, we have  $v \in W^{1,p}_{\text{eucl}, \eta}$  with

$$\exists C > 0 : \|D^\beta v\|_{L^p_{\text{eucl}, \eta}} \leq C \|g\|_{L^p_{\text{eucl}, \eta}}, \quad |\beta| \leq 1.$$

$$[\mathcal{L}_q v](x) = \alpha \Delta v(x) + \langle Sx, \nabla v(x) \rangle - \delta v(x) + q(x)v(x)$$

Finally, consider the homogeneous problem

$$(6) \quad [\mathcal{L}_q v](x) = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad d \geq 2.$$

### Theorem: (Exponential Decay)

Let  $\alpha, \delta \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha, \operatorname{Re} \delta > 0$ ,  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  skew-symmetric,  $q \in L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$  with

$$\sup_{|x| \geq R_0} |q(x)| < K_2, \quad \text{for some } R_0 > 0.$$

Moreover, let  $v \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$  be a solution of (6),  $1 < p < \infty$ . Then

$$v \in W_{eucl, \eta}^{1,p}(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C}) \quad \forall 0 \leq \eta^2 < \frac{\operatorname{Re} \alpha \operatorname{Re} \delta}{|\alpha|^2 p^2}.$$

Note:  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_q) = \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_\varepsilon) = \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{L}_\infty)$ .

# Exponential Decay

Now consider the nonlinear problem

$$(7) \quad \alpha \Delta v(x) + \langle Sx, \nabla v(x) \rangle + f(v(x)) = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad d \geq 2.$$

## Theorem: (Exponential Decay of $v_*$ )

Let  $\alpha \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} \alpha > 0$ ,  $S \in \mathbb{R}^{d,d}$  skew-symmetric and  $1 < p < \infty$ . Then for every  $0 < \varepsilon \leq \frac{\operatorname{Re} \alpha \delta_1}{|\alpha|^2 p^2}$  there exists a constant  $K_1 = K_1(\alpha, \delta_1, p, d, \varepsilon) > 0$  such that every classical solution  $v_*$  of (7) with (A1), (A2),  $v_* - v_\infty \in L^p(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{C})$  satisfies

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