

Semi-classical propagation of singularity for Stokes system

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high-frequency eigenvalue problem for Stokes operator

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a smooth bounded, open domain and the eigenvalue problem can be written as

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u_k + \nabla P_k = \lambda_k^2 u_k, \text{ in } \Omega \\ h \operatorname{div} u_k = 0, \text{ in } \Omega \\ u_k|_{\partial\Omega} = 0. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$u_k \in H^2(\Omega) \cap V, \|u_k\|_{L^2} = 1$, the \mathbb{R}^d -valued normalized eigenfunction where

$$V = \{u \in (H_0^1(\Omega))^d : \operatorname{div} u = 0\}$$

high-frequency eigenvalue problem for Stokes operator

Several facts:

- u_k forms a orthonormal basis of

$$H = \{u \in (L^2(\Omega))^d : \operatorname{div} u = 0, u \cdot \nu|_{\partial\Omega} = 0\}$$

$\Pi : (L^2(\Omega))^d \rightarrow H$ canonical orthogonal projector

- The pressure $P_k \in L^2(\Omega)/\mathbb{R}$ in the sense that $\int_{\Omega} P_k = 0$.
- $\|\nabla u_k\|_{L^2}^2 = \lambda_k^2$, $\|u_k\|_{H^2} \leq C\lambda_k^2$, $\|\nabla P_k\|_{L^2} \leq C\lambda_k^2$, $\|P_k\|_{L^2} \leq C\lambda_k^2$.
- $u_k \rightharpoonup 0$ weakly in $L^2(\Omega)$ since for any $\varphi \in (L^2(\Omega))^d$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Omega} u_k(x) \cdot \varphi(x) dx = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Omega} u_k(x) \cdot \Pi\varphi(x) dx = 0.$$

high-frequency eigenvalue problem for Stokes operator

Natural question: What can we say about the high frequency limit?

Semi-Classical reduction: Take $h_k = \lambda_k^{-1}$ and $q_k = \lambda_k^{-1} P_k$, drop the sub-index, we have the following h -dependence system (quasi-mode)

$$\begin{cases} -h^2 \Delta u - u + h \nabla q = f, \text{ in } \Omega \\ h \operatorname{div} u = 0, \text{ in } \Omega \\ u \in H^2(\Omega) \cap V \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

with the following conditions:

$$\|u\|_{L^2} = 1, \|h \nabla u\|_{L^2} = O(1), \|h^2 \nabla^2 u\|_{L^2} = O(1),$$

$$\|h \nabla q\|_{L^2} = O(1), f \in H, \|f\|_{L^2} = o(h).$$

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Interior

One way to capture the high-frequency limit behaviour is semi-classical defect measure. We will use it to describe the singularity.

In the interior, we use the usual h -pseudo-differential calculus for symbols $a \in C_c^\infty(T^*\Omega)$.

Proposition

There exists a Hermitian matrix-valued positive definite Radon measure μ_i on T^Ω and a subsequence (h_k, u_k) such that*

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (a(x, h_k D_x) u_k | u_k)_{L^2(\Omega)} = \int_{T^*\Omega} \text{tr}(a d\mu_i)$$

for any $a \in C_c^\infty(T^\Omega)$.*

near the boundary: coordinate system

Near a point $x_0 \in \partial\Omega$, we consider a geodesic coordinate system

$$\Omega = \{(y, x') : 0 \leq y \leq \epsilon_0, x' \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1}\}$$

with the metric on $T\bar{\Omega}$ and $T^*\bar{\Omega}$ respectively

$$g = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & M(y, x') \end{pmatrix}, g^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \alpha(y, x') \end{pmatrix},$$

In this coordinate, we can write the operator $h^2\Delta + 1$ acting on $u = (u_{\parallel}, u_{\perp})$ as

$$h^2\Delta_{\parallel} + 1 = h^2\partial_y^2 - \Lambda^2(y, x', hD_{x'}) + 1 + hM_{\parallel}(y, x', hD'_x) + hM_1(y, x')h\partial_y,$$

$$h^2\Delta_g + 1 = h^2\partial_y^2 - \Lambda^2(y, x', hD_{x'}) + 1 + hM_{\perp}(y, x', hD'_x) + hN_1(y, x')h\partial_y,$$

near the boundary: geometric objects

The principal symbol $p(x, \xi) = |\xi|^2 - 1$ is scalar and can be written as

$$p(y, x', \eta, \xi') = \eta^2 + |\xi'|_{g^{-1}(y)}^2 - 1$$

near the boundary. We denote $r(y, x', \xi') = 1 - |\xi'|_{g^{-1}(y)}^2$.

Several geometric objects:

- ${}^b T\bar{\Omega}$: rank d vector bundle whose sections are the vector fields tangent to $\partial\Omega$ and ${}^b T^*\bar{\Omega}$ be its dual bundle.
- Canonical map: $j : T^*\bar{\Omega} \rightarrow {}^b T^*\bar{\Omega}$ can be written in our coordinate system as $j(y, x', \eta, \xi') = (y, x', y\eta, \xi')$.
- characteristic manifold and its projection:
 $Car(P) = \{(x, \xi) \in T^*\mathbb{R}^d|_{\bar{\Omega}}; p(x, \xi) = 0\}, Z = j(Car(P)).$

near the boundary: geometric objects

Usual decomposition of $T^*\partial\Omega$ corresponding to the values of $r_0 = r|_{y=0}$: $T^*\partial\Omega = \mathcal{E} \cup \mathcal{H} \cup \mathcal{G}$

- $\mathcal{E} = \{r_0 < 0\}$
- $\mathcal{H} = \{r_0 > 0\}$
- $\mathcal{G} = \{r_0 = 0\}$

Denote $r_1 = \partial_y r|_{y=0}$. We can further distinguish sets of certain order of contact in \mathcal{G} : $\mathcal{G}^2 := \mathcal{G}^{2,+} \cup \mathcal{G}^{2,-}$,

$$\mathcal{G}^{2,\pm} := \{(x', \xi') : r_0(x', \xi') = 0, \pm r_1(x', \xi') > 0\}$$

$$\mathcal{G}^{k+3} = \{(x', \xi') : r_0(x', \xi') = 0, H_{r_0}^j(r_1) = 0, \forall j \leq k; H_{r_0}^{k+1}(r_1) \neq 0\}$$

near the boundary: geometric objects

We say that $\partial\Omega$ has no infinite order of contact if

$$\mathcal{G} = \bigcup_{k \geq 2} \mathcal{G}^k.$$

Under this assumption, for any given $\rho_0 \in {}^b T^* \bar{\Omega}$, the unique generalized characteristic ray passing ρ_0 exists and this defines a flow $\gamma(s, \cdot)$ on ${}^b T^* \bar{\Omega}$ (Melrose-Sjöstrand flow)

Briefly speaking, generalized characteristic rays are

- bicharacteristics of $p = |\xi|^2 - 1$ in the interior $T^* \Omega$ or while touching certain point in $\mathcal{G}^{2,+}$.
- broken bicharacteristics while touching certain point in \mathcal{H} .
- gliding rays of the form $\exp(sH_{-r_0})(\rho)$ in $\mathcal{G} \setminus \mathcal{G}^{2,+}$.

tangential symbol

Consider functions of the form $a = a_i + a_\partial$ with $a_i \in C_c^\infty(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^d)$ which can be viewed as a symbol in S^0 , and $a_\partial \in C_c^\infty(U \times \mathbb{R}^{d-1})$ can be viewed as a symbol in $S_{\xi'}^0$. We quantize a via the formula (in local coordinate)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Op}_h(a)f(y, x') &= \frac{1}{(2\pi h)^d} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2d}} e^{\frac{i(x-z)\xi}{h}} a_i(x, \xi) f(z) dz d\xi \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{(2\pi h)^{d-1}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2(d-1)}} e^{\frac{i(x'-z')\xi'}{h}} a_\partial(y, x', \xi') f(y, z') dz' d\xi'. \end{aligned}$$

The class of operators $\text{Op}_h(a)$ is uniquely defined up to some operators with norms of order $O(h)$. For such a function a , we associated $\kappa(a) \in C^0(Z)$ by setting $\kappa(a) = a(j^{-1}(\rho))$.

The definition of the measure when we are working near the boundary is guaranteed thanks to

Proposition

There exists a Hermitian matrix-valued positive definite Radon measure and a subsequence (u_k, h_k) such that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (Op_{h_k}(a)u_k | u_k)_{L^2} = \langle \mu, \kappa(a) \rangle.$$

Attention: To make the measure be well-defined, we need verify that if $a_\partial \in C_c^\infty(U \times \mathbb{R}^{d-1})$ vanishing near Z (i.e. a_∂ is supported in the elliptic region for all y small) implies that

$$(Op_{h_k}(a_\partial)u_k | u_k)_{L^2} \rightarrow 0.$$

This can be ensued by the analysis of boundary value problem in the elliptic region.

main result

The main result is as follows:

Theorem (C.Sun 2017)

Assume that Ω is a smooth, bounded domain with no infinite order of contact on the boundary. Suppose μ is the semi-classical defect measure associated to the pair (u_k, h_k) where (u_k) is a sequence of solutions to the quasi-mode problem (2) (with $h = h_k, f = f_k$ there) which are weakly convergence to 0 in $L^2(\Omega)$. Suppose that $\|f_k\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = o(h_k)$. Then the support of μ is invariant under the Melrose-Sjöstrand flow.

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Application

Consider the following hyperbolic counterpart of Stokes equation:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t^2 u - \Delta u + \nabla p = 0, (t, x) \in [0, T] \times \Omega \\ u(t, \cdot)|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \\ (u(0), \partial_t u(0)) = (u_0, v_0) \in V \times H \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

We are interested in the stabilization of this system when adding a damping term $a(x)\partial_t u$:

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t^2 u - \Delta u + \nabla p + a(x)\partial_t u = 0, (t, x) \in [0, T] \times \Omega \\ u(t, \cdot)|_{\partial\Omega} = 0 \\ (u(0), \partial_t u(0)) = (u_0, v_0) \in V \times H \end{cases} \quad (4)$$

Application

Define the energy

$$E[u](t) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\Omega} (|\partial_t u|^2 + |\nabla u|^2) dx.$$

It satisfies $\frac{dE}{dt} = - \int_{\Omega} a(x) |\partial_t u|^2 dx \leq 0$.

Theorem (C.Sun, F.W.Chaves-Silva, 2017)

Suppose $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ be a bounded open set with no infinite order of contact. Suppose $a \in C(\overline{\Omega})$ is a non-negative function and its support satisfies geometric control condition. Then there exist some uniform constants C_0, α , such that for any $u_0 \in V$, the corresponding solution $u(t)$ to (4) decays exponentially in time in the following sense:

$$E[u](t) \leq C_0 E[u](0) e^{-\alpha t}, \forall t \geq 0. \quad (5)$$

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Sketch of the Proof

Part III: Sketch of the Proof

Let μ be a semi-classical defect measure associated to certain subsequence of $u(h)$. We will analyse the propagation property along a generalized ray in several geometric situations:

- In the interior
- Near a point in \mathcal{E}
- Near a point in \mathcal{H}
- Near a point in \mathcal{G}

a priori information

Denote $q_0 = q|_{y=0}$ and we have

Lemma

$$\|q_0\|_{H^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)} = O(h^{-1}).$$

Proof.

First we note that $h^2\Delta q = 0$ in Ω and

$$\|h\nabla q\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = O(1), \|hq\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = O(1). \text{ From trace theorem and } \|\nabla q\|_{L^2(\Omega)} = O(h^{-1}) \text{ we have } \|q_0\|_{H^{1/2}(\partial\Omega)} = O(h^{-1}). \quad \square$$

Lemma

$$h\partial_{\mathbf{n}}u|_{\partial\Omega} = (h\partial_{\mathbf{n}}u_{\parallel}, 0), \text{ and } \|h\partial_{\mathbf{n}}u|_{\partial\Omega}\|_{L^2(\partial\Omega)} = O(1).$$

a priori information

Sketch of the proof:

The first assertion follows from $h \operatorname{div} u = 0$ and Dirichlet boundary condition. For the second assertion, we apply a multiplier method. From the geometric assumption, we can find a vector field $L \in C^1(\overline{\Omega})$ such that $L|_{\partial\Omega} = \nu$. In the global coordinate system, we write

$$L = \sum_{j=1}^d L_j(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j}.$$

Multiplying to the equation, we have

$$\int_{\Omega} Lu \cdot f dx = \int_{\Omega} Lu \cdot (-h^2 \Delta u - u + h \nabla q) dx.$$



a priori information

Sketch of the proof.

Integrating by part and using the equation, the output of the right hand side is

$$\frac{1}{2} \int_{\partial\Omega} |h\partial_{\mathbf{n}}u|^2 d\sigma + O(1)$$

while the left hand side is $o(1)$. □

Lemma

After extracting to subsequences, we have $h\nabla q \rightharpoonup 0$ weakly in $L^2(\Omega)$, thus from Rellich theorem, we have $hq \rightarrow 0$, strongly in $H^{1/2}(\Omega)$ and $hq_0 \rightarrow 0$, strongly in $L^2(\partial\Omega)$.

Proof.

We may assume that $h\nabla q \rightharpoonup r$, weakly in $L^2(\Omega)$, and Rellich theorem implies that $hq \rightarrow P$, strongly in $L^2(\Omega)$, and thus $\nabla P = r$, with the property $\int_{\Omega} P = 0$. Now we claim that $\Delta P = 0$. in Ω . Indeed, take any $\varphi \in C_0^\infty(\Omega)$,

$$\int_{\Omega} \nabla P \cdot \nabla \varphi = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \int_{\Omega} h \nabla q \cdot \nabla \varphi = 0.$$

Now since the sequence $(h^2 \nabla^2 u)$ is bounded in L^2 , then up to a subsequence, $h^2 \nabla^2 u \rightharpoonup W$, weakly in L^2 . From Rellich theorem, the sequence $(h^2 u)$ converges strongly in L^2 . The strong limit must be 0 since $u \rightharpoonup 0$ weakly in L^2 . Thus $W = 0$ and this implies that $\nabla P = 0$. Finally, we must have $P = 0$. The last assertion follows from trace theorem and Rellich theorem. □

Information about q

Let us introduce some notations: for $\chi \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}_+)$ with $\chi|_{s \geq 1} \equiv 1, \chi|_{(0,1/2)} \equiv 0,$

- $\lambda(y, x', \xi') = |\xi'|_{g^{-1}(y)}$
- $e^{-\frac{y\Lambda}{h}} = \text{Op}_h(e^{-\frac{y\lambda}{h}} \chi(\frac{\lambda}{\delta}))$

The relevant information of the scale $\frac{1}{h}$ for the pressure q can be given by the following

- $\text{Op}_h(\chi(\frac{\lambda}{\delta})) q = e^{-\frac{y\Lambda}{h}} q_0 + O_{L^2_{y,x'}}(h)$
- $\text{Op}_h(\chi(\frac{\lambda}{\delta})) h\partial_y q = \text{Op}_h(\chi(\frac{\lambda}{\delta}) \lambda) e^{-\frac{y\Lambda}{h}} q_0 + O_{L^2_{y,x'}}(h)$

Information about q

From the parametrix above, we can deduce a quantified non-concentration estimate as following

Lemma

For $0 < y_0 \ll \epsilon_0$, we have

$$\int_{y_0}^{\epsilon_0} \|Op_h \left(\chi \left(\frac{\lambda}{\delta} \right) \right) q\|_{L^2_{x'}}^2 dy \leq C_\delta \left(e^{-\frac{cy_0}{h}} + h^2 \right),$$

where the constant C_{δ_0} only depends on δ_0 and independent for small y_0, h .

This Lemma will play an important role in our analysis.

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Interior propagation

In the interior, we have the precise invariance of defect measure. This is a consequence that the pressure can only have impact on the measure of (u_k) on the boundary. First we asserts that the singularity can only concentrate on the characteristic set.

Proposition

Take $a_i \in C_c^\infty(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^d)$, equal to 0 near $Car(P)$, then we have

$$(Op_{h_k}(a_i)u_k|u_k)_{L^2} \rightarrow 0.$$

Interior propagation

Proof.

$b(x, \xi) = \frac{a_i(x, \xi)}{|\xi|^2 - 1} \in S^0$ is well-defined. Then from symbolic calculus, we have

$$\text{Op}_{h_k}(a_i) = B_{h_k}(-h_k^2 \Delta - 1) + O_{L^2 \rightarrow L^2}(h_k).$$

We now calculate

$$\begin{aligned} (B_{h_k}(-h_k^2 \Delta - 1)u_k | u_k)_{L^2} &= (B_{h_k} f_k | u_k)_{L^2} - (B_{h_k} h_k \nabla q_k | u_k)_{L^2} \\ &= o(1) + ([h_k \nabla, B_{h_k}] q_k | u_k)_{L^2} \\ &\quad - (h_k \nabla B_{h_k} q_k | u_k)_{L^2} \\ &= o(1), \end{aligned}$$

where in the last line we have used the symbolic calculus,

Interior propagation

Proposition

For any $a \in C_c^\infty(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^d)$, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt} \langle \mu, a \circ \phi(t) \rangle = 0,$$

where $\phi(t)$ be the Hamiltonian flow corresponding to the symbol $p = |\xi|^2 - 1$.

Interior propagation

Proof.

We may assume that the symbol $a(x, \xi)$ vanish near $\xi = 0$. Denote $A = \text{Op}_h(a)$, $P = -h^2\Delta - 1$ and we apply equation to calculate

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{i}{h} ([P, A]u|u)_{L^2} &= \frac{i}{h} (Au|Pu)_{L^2} - \frac{i}{h} (APu|u)_{L^2} \\
 &= \frac{i}{h} (Au|f - h\nabla q)_{L^2} - \frac{i}{h} (A(f - h\nabla q)|u)_{L^2} \\
 &= -\frac{i}{h} (Au|h\nabla q)_{L^2} + \frac{i}{h} (Ah\nabla q|u)_{L^2} + o(1) \\
 &= -\frac{i}{h} ([A, h\text{div}]u|q)_{L^2} + \frac{i}{h} ([A, h\nabla]q|u)_{L^2} + o(1) \\
 &= i(\text{Op}_h(\nabla a) \cdot u|q)_{L^2} - i(\text{Op}_h(\nabla a)q|u)_{L^2} + o(1) \\
 &= i(u|\text{Op}_h(\nabla \bar{a})q)_{L^2} - i(\text{Op}_h(\nabla a)q|u)_{L^2} + o(1).
 \end{aligned}$$

Interior propagation

From $h\nabla q = O_{L^2}(1)$, we know that micro-locally away from $\xi = 0$, $q = O_{L^2}(1)$. On the other hand, $h^2\Delta(\text{Op}_h(\nabla a)q) = O_{L^2}(h)$ and this implies that $\text{Op}_h(\nabla a)q = o_{L^2}(1)$ since the symbol of $h^2\Delta\text{Op}_h(\nabla a)$ vanishes away near $\xi = 0$ as well as x near the boundary. This completes the proof.

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Elliptic Region

Near a point $\rho_0 \in \mathcal{E} = \{r_0(x', \xi') = 1 - \lambda(0, x', \xi') < 0\}$, we have

Proposition

$\mu \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{E}} = 0$. If we denote ν be the semi-classical defect measure of the sequence $(h_k \partial_n u_k|_{\partial\Omega}, h_k)$, then $\nu \mathbf{1}_{\mathcal{E}} = 0$.

Instead of giving rigorous proof, we only consider a particular case that the equation is homogeneous (i.e. $f = 0$) and the metric is flat: $\Omega = \{(y, x') : y > 0\}$. Write $u = (u_{\parallel}, u_{\perp})$, $v = h \partial_y u_{\parallel}|_{y=0}$. Denote the semi-classical Fourier transform

$$\mathcal{F}_h(f)(y, \xi') = \frac{1}{(2\pi h)^{d-1}} \int e^{-\frac{ix' \xi'}{h}} f(y, x') dx'$$

$w = \mathcal{F}_h(u) \mathbf{1}_{y \geq 0}$, $\kappa = \mathcal{F}_h(v)$ and $\theta = \mathcal{F}_h(q_0)$.

Elliptic Region

By taking semi-classical Fourier transform in x' of (2),

$$\begin{cases} -h^2 \partial_y^2 w_{\parallel} + 2h\kappa \otimes \delta_{y=0} + (|\xi'|^2 - 1)w_{\parallel} + i\xi' e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} \theta \mathbf{1}_{y \geq 0} = 0, \\ -h^2 \partial_y^2 w_{\perp} + (|\xi'|^2 - 1)w_{\perp} - |\xi'| e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} \theta \mathbf{1}_{y \geq 0} = 0. \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

where $\mu = \sqrt{|\xi'|^2 - 1}$. It can be solves explicitly

$$w_{\parallel} = \frac{1}{|\xi'|^2 - 1} \kappa(\xi') e^{-\frac{\mu y}{h}} + \frac{i\xi' \theta(\xi')}{2} \left(\frac{e^{-\frac{\mu y}{h}}}{(\mu(\mu - |\xi'|))} + 2e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} \right),$$

$$w_{\perp} = \frac{|\xi'| \theta(\xi')}{2} \left(\frac{e^{-\frac{\mu y}{h}}}{\mu(\mu - |\xi'|)} + 2e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} \right)$$

Elliptic region

Observe that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - \left(\frac{e^{-\frac{\mu y}{h}}}{\mu(\mu - |\xi'|)} + 2e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} \right) \\
 &= \left(e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} \left(\frac{1}{\mu(|\xi'| - \mu)} - 2 \right) + \frac{e^{-\frac{\mu y}{h}} - e^{-\frac{|\xi'|y}{h}}}{\mu(|\xi'| - \mu)} \right) \\
 &> 0,
 \end{aligned}$$

This means the system $(v, q_0) \mapsto (u_{\parallel} \mathbf{1}_{y \geq 0}, u_{\perp} \mathbf{1}_{y \geq 0})$ is elliptic.

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Hyperbolic Region: Heuristic

We again consider the flat metric on half space. Denote

$$\mathcal{H}_l := \{0 < |\xi'|^2 < 1\},$$

and $\omega^2 = 1 - |\xi'|^2$. We want to solve

$$\begin{cases} -h^2 \partial_y^2 w_{\parallel} - \omega^2 w_{\parallel} + i\xi' \theta e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} = 0, y > 0, \\ -h^2 \partial_y^2 w_{\perp} - \omega^2 w_{\perp} - |\xi'| \theta e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} = 0, y > 0, \\ h \partial_y w_{\perp} + i\xi' \cdot w_{\parallel} = 0, \end{cases} \quad (8)$$

where $w = (w_{\parallel}, w_{\perp}) = \mathcal{F}_h(u)$, $\theta = \mathcal{F}_h(q_0)$. It is easy to verify that the solution can be written as

$$\begin{aligned} w_{\parallel} &= i\xi' \theta e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} + \alpha_+ e^{\frac{i\omega y}{h}} + \alpha_- e^{-\frac{i\omega y}{h}}, \\ w_{\perp} &= -|\xi'| \theta e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} + \beta_+ e^{\frac{i\omega y}{h}} + \beta_- e^{-\frac{i\omega y}{h}}. \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

Hyperbolic Region: Heuristic

Boundary condition gives:

$$\begin{aligned} |\xi'|(\alpha_+ + \alpha_-) &= -i\xi'|\xi'|\theta, \\ -i\xi'|\xi'|\theta + i\omega(\alpha_+ - \alpha_-) &= \nu, \\ \beta_+ + \beta_- &= |\xi'|\theta, \\ i\omega(\beta_+ - \beta_-) &= -|\xi'|^2\theta. \end{aligned} \tag{10}$$

where $\nu = \mathcal{F}_h(h\partial_y u|_{y=0})$.

Hyperbolic Region: Heuristic

We can determine the amplitudes

$$\begin{aligned}
 \alpha_+ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{|\xi'| \xi'}{\omega} \theta - i \left(\xi' \theta + \frac{\nu}{\omega} \right) \right), \\
 \alpha_- &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{|\xi'| \xi'}{\omega} \theta + i \left(\xi' \theta - \frac{\nu}{\omega} \right) \right), \\
 \beta_+ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(|\xi'| - \frac{|\xi'|^2}{i\omega} \right) \theta, \\
 \beta_- &= \frac{1}{2} \left(|\xi'| + \frac{|\xi'|^2}{i\omega} \right) \theta.
 \end{aligned} \tag{11}$$

Hyperbolic Region: Heuristic

We write $A_+ = (\alpha_+, \beta_+)$, $A_- = (\alpha_-, \beta_-)$, and

$$w_+ := A_+ e^{\frac{i\omega y}{h}}, w_- := A_- e^{-\frac{i\omega y}{h}},$$

can be interpreted as incoming wave and out-coming wave, thus

$$w = (i\xi', -|\xi'|) \widehat{\theta} e^{-\frac{y|\xi'|}{h}} + w_+ + w_-.$$

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Notice also that if the singularity along the incoming (out-coming) wave is zero, i.e. $A_+ = 0$ ($A_- = 0$), then we have $\theta(\xi') = 0$, $v(\xi') = 0$, and $A_- = 0$ ($A_+ = 0$).

These observations will motivate the rigorous proof of the singularity propagation in the hyperbolic region.

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Strategy of the proof

Near a point in $\bigcup_{k \geq 2} \mathcal{G}^k$, we will follow the argument of V.Ivrii (in the diffractive case) and Melrose-Sjöstrand (in other situations). We assume that some point ρ_0 in a generalized ray (or gliding ray) does not in the $\text{supp}(\mu)$ and we want to deduce that along such a ray, after some short time, it will not intersect with $\text{supp}(\mu)$. The strategy is to construct some test-operators A and calculate the quantity $\frac{1}{h} \Im([P, A] + (R - R^*)Au|u)_\Omega$ in two ways. One way is symbolic calculus, the other way is the equation satisfied by u . The output of this procedure is an inequality where the left hand side is a quantity of the form $\|Bu\|_{L^2}^2$ and the right hand side is of the form $|\frac{1}{h}(Au|h\nabla q)_{L^2}| + |\frac{1}{h}(Ah\nabla q|u)_{L^2}| + o(1)$.

Strategy of the proof

Compared with the quasi-mode problem of Laplace operator, there are two additional new terms involving pressure for the same problem of Stokes operator.

To overcome this difficulty, we pick a bump function $\varphi \in C_c^\infty((-2, 2))$ which equals 1 on $(-1, 1)$. We take $\chi_\epsilon(y, x, hD_x)$ with principal symbol

$\chi_\epsilon(y, x, \xi) = \chi(y, x, \xi) \varphi\left(\frac{r(y, x, \xi)}{\epsilon}\right)$. We calculate

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{h}(Ah\nabla q|u)_{L^2} &= \frac{1}{h}([A, h\nabla]q|u)_{L^2} \\
 &= \frac{1}{h}([A, h\nabla]q|\text{Op}_h(\chi_\epsilon)u)_{L^2} \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{h}([A, h\nabla]q|\text{Op}_h(\chi - \chi_\epsilon)u)_{L^2} \\
 &=: I_{h,\epsilon} + II_{h,\epsilon}
 \end{aligned} \tag{12}$$

Diffractive case

Geometrically, $I_{h,\epsilon}$ is related to the micro-localization close enough to $r = 0$. We have

$$\limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \|hD_y Op_h(\chi_\epsilon)u\|_{L^2_{x,y}} \leq C\epsilon^{1/2},$$

$$\int_0^{y_0} \|Op_h(\chi_\epsilon)u\|_{L^2_x}^2 dy \leq \frac{Cy_0^2}{h^2} \|hD_y Op_h(\chi_\epsilon)u\|_{L^2_{x,y}}^2.$$

Essentially, the first inequality comes from the fact that on the characteristic $\eta^2 = r \leq \epsilon$. The second one is a simple consequence of the first one.

Diffractive case

Take $\theta \in (0, 1/2)$, and choose $y_0 = h\epsilon^{-\theta}$, we estimate

$$\begin{aligned} |I_{h,\epsilon}| &\leq \int_0^{y_0} + \int_{y_0}^{\epsilon_0} \frac{1}{h} |([A, h\nabla]q | \text{Op}_h(\chi_\epsilon)u)_{L_x^2}| dy \\ &\leq C \frac{1}{\epsilon^{2\theta}} (\|hD_y \text{Op}_h(\chi_\epsilon)u\|_{L_{x,y}^2}^2 + O(h)) + Ce^{-\frac{c}{\epsilon^\theta}}, \end{aligned}$$

here we have used the fact that $q = O_{L_{x,y}^2}(1)$, micro-locally far from $\xi = 0$ since the L^2 norm of q and $h\nabla q$ becomes comparable there. The term $e^{-\frac{c}{\epsilon^\theta}}$ comes from the concentration property of pressure. In summary we have

$$\limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} |I_{h,\epsilon}| \leq C(\epsilon^{1-2\theta} + e^{-\frac{c}{\epsilon^\theta}}).$$

Strategy of the proof

We need geometric argument to deal with $||_{h,\epsilon}$. Since on the support of $\chi - \chi_\epsilon$, we have $r \geq \epsilon$. We need to prove that each ray entering the set $S_\epsilon := \{r \geq \epsilon\} \cap \{y \leq \epsilon\} \cap \text{supp}(\chi)$ must be well-controlled in the sense that

- it can be connected by a generalized ray issued in a neighborhood of ρ_0 .
- it can only touch some point $\rho \in \mathcal{H} \cup \mathcal{G}^k$ and we have already established the propagation property for points in \mathcal{G}^k .

Once this geometric property is justified, we have

$$\limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} ||_{h,\epsilon} = 0$$

for any fixed $\epsilon > 0$.

Diffractive case

In this section we will establish

Proposition

Suppose $\rho \in \mathcal{G}^{2,+}$, ρ_0 be a phase point with $y(\rho_0) > 0$, $\frac{\partial r}{\partial y}(\rho_0) \geq \frac{1}{2} \frac{\partial r}{\partial y}(\rho)$. Denote $\gamma_- = [\rho_0, \rho]$ be a backward ray issued from ρ_0 to ρ (the trajectory under the canonical projection is tangent to the boundary at ρ). Suppose $\rho_0 \notin \text{supp}\mu$. Then we have $\rho \notin \text{supp}\mu$.

Diffractive case

For $a^j(y, x, \xi)$, $j = 0, 1$ tangential symbols, we denote A_h^j be with principal symbol a^j and $A_h = A_h^0 + A_h^1 h D_y$, with the symbol $a = a^0 + a^1 \eta$. Assume further that

$$A_h^* = A_h, A_h^{1*} = A_h^1, A_h^{0*} = A_h^0 - [h D_y, A_h^1].$$

We then have the integrating by part formula

$$\frac{2}{h} \Im(P_h u | A_h u)_\Omega = (A_h^1 h D_y u | h D_y u)_{\partial\Omega} + \Re \sum_{j=0}^2 (C_j (h D_y)^j u | u)_\Omega + O(h),$$

where C_j has principal symbol $c_j(y, x, \xi)$ and

$\sum_{j=0}^2 c_j(y, x, \xi) \eta^j = \{p, a\} + 2a \Im p_s$, where p_s is the sub-principal symbol of p , namely $2 \Im p_s$ is the principal symbol of the operator $\frac{1}{i\hbar}(R^* - R)$.

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Take a small neighborhood Γ_0 of ρ_0 such that $\Gamma_0 \cap \text{supp} \mu = \emptyset$.
 Take a small neighborhood $W_0 \subset \overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^{d-1}$ such that $\frac{\partial r}{\partial y}(y, x, \xi) \geq \delta_0 > 0$. By shrinking W_0 if necessary, we assume that each point $(y, x, \xi) \in W_0$ with $r(y, x, \xi) \geq 0$ can be connected by a (possibly broken) ray issued from Γ_0 with at most one reflection or tangency at $\partial\Omega$. What we want to prove is the following statement:

For any $\chi \in C_c^\infty(\overline{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^{d-1})$ with $\text{supp} \chi \subset W_0$, small enough, we have

$$\chi(y, x, hD_x)u = o_{L^2}(1), h \rightarrow 0.$$

Diffractive case

We make a special choice of a_0, a_1 with the following properties:

$$a(y, x, \eta, \xi) = a_0(y, x, \xi) + a_1(y, x, \xi)\eta, a_j \in C_c^\infty(W_0)$$

with the following property:

- $a_1(0, x, \xi) = -t(x, \xi)^2$, for some $t \in C_c^\infty(T^*\partial\Omega)$,
- For some $M \geq 0$, when $p = \eta^2 - r(y, x, \xi) = 0$, we have $\{p, a\} + aM|\xi| = -\psi(y, x, \eta, \xi)^2 + \varphi(y, x, \xi)(\eta - r^{1/2}(y, x, \xi))$, $a = s^2$, where $s \in C^\infty(\bar{\Omega} \times (\mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\}))$, $\psi \in C_c^\infty(\bar{\Omega} \times \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\})$ and $\varphi \in C_c^\infty(W_0)$. Moreover, $r|_{\text{supp } \varphi} > 0$.

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Now we take $\chi \in C_c^\infty(W_0)$ with $\chi \equiv 1$, in a neighborhood of $\text{supp} a_1 \cup \text{supp} a_2$. Let $v = \chi(y, x, hD_x)u$ and use the equation:

$$\begin{aligned} (P_h v | A_h v)_\Omega &= (\text{Op}_h(\chi) f | A_h v)_\Omega - (\text{Op}_h(\chi) h \nabla q | A_h v)_\Omega \\ &\quad + ([P_h, \text{Op}_h(\chi)] u | A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi) u)_\Omega. \end{aligned}$$

Notice that $\{p, \chi\} = 0$ on $\text{supp} a_j$ and $f = o_{L^2}(h), h \text{div} u = 0$, thus

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{h} \Im (P_h v | A_h v)_\Omega &= o(1) + \frac{2}{h} \Im ([\text{Op}_h(\chi), h \nabla] q | A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi) u)_\Omega \\ &\quad - \frac{2}{h} \Im (\text{Op}_h(\chi) q | [h \text{div}, A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi)] u)_\Omega \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Diffractive case

On the other hand, using integrating by part formula we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \sum_{j=0}^2 (C_j(hD_y)^j v | v) &= o(1) - (A_h^1 hD_y v | hD_y v)_{\partial\Omega} \\
 &+ \frac{2}{h} \Im([\text{Op}_h(\chi), h\nabla]q | A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi)u)_{\Omega} \\
 &- \frac{2}{h} \Im(\text{Op}_h(\chi)q | [h\text{div}, A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi)]u)_{\Omega}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

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The relation

$$\sum_{j=0}^2 c_j \eta^j + a(M|\xi| - 2\Im p_s) - \varphi(\eta - r^{1/2}) = -\psi^2$$

and Gårding inequality implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & -\Re(\phi(y, x, hD_x)(hD_y - \tilde{Q}_+)v | \varphi(y, x, hD_x)v)_\Omega \\ & + \Re((M|D_x| - 2\Im p_s(y, x, hD_x))v | A_h v)_\Omega + (G(y, x, hD_x)P_h v | v)_\Omega \\ & + \|\Psi_0 v + \Psi_1 hD_y v\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + \Re \left(\sum_{j=0}^2 C_j (hD_y)^j u | u \right)_\Omega \\ & \leq o(1) + Ch \|v\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2, \end{aligned}$$

(15)

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where $\phi \in C_c^\infty(W_0)$ and $r|_{\text{supp } \phi} > 0$, $\phi = 1$ in a neighborhood of $\text{supp } \varphi$. \tilde{Q}_+ be the operator constructed in the hyperbolic region with principal symbol $r^{1/2}$. This is possible since from the construction of test functions, $r \geq \delta^2 |\xi|^2$ on the support of φ . Taking $M > 0$ so that $M|\xi| - 2\Im p_s > 0$ and Combining (15),(14), we can control the positive terms $-(A_h^1 h D_y v | h D_y v)_{\partial\Omega}$ and $\|\Psi_0 v + \Psi_1 h D_y v\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2$ by $|(G(y, x, h D_x) P_h v | v)_\Omega|$, $|\Re(\phi(y, x, h D_x)(h D_y - \tilde{Q}_+)v | \varphi(y, x, h D_x)v)_\Omega|$, $|\frac{2}{h} \Im([\text{Op}_h(\chi), h \nabla]q | A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi)u)_\Omega|$, and $|\frac{2}{h} \Im(\text{Op}_h(\chi)q | [h \text{div} , A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi)]u)_\Omega|$

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Namely, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & - (A_h^1 h D_y v | h D_y v)_{\partial\Omega} + \|\Psi_0 v + \Psi_1 h D_y v\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 \\
 & \leq o(1) + Ch \|v\|_{L^2(\Omega)}^2 + C |(G(y, x, h D_x) P_h v | v)_{\Omega}| \\
 & + \left| \Re(\phi(y, x, h D_x)(h D_y - \tilde{Q}_+) v | \varphi(y, x, h D_x) v)_{\Omega} \right| \\
 & + \left| \frac{2}{h} \Im([\text{Op}_h(\chi), h \nabla] q | A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi) u)_{\Omega} \right| \\
 & + \left| \frac{2}{h} \Im(\text{Op}_h(\chi) q | [h \text{div} , A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi)] u)_{\Omega} \right|
 \end{aligned} \tag{16}$$

Diffractive case

The last two commutator terms on the right hand side are the only new terms compared to the analysis of the Laplacian quasi-mode problem $(-h^2\Delta - 1)u = o_{L^2}(h)$. Therefore, we only need concentrated on the commutator terms. Pick a bump function $\varphi \in C_c^\infty((-2, 2))$ which equals 1 on $(-1, 1)$. We take $\chi_\epsilon(y, x, hD_x)$ with principal symbol $\chi_\epsilon(y, x, \xi) = \chi(y, x, \xi)\varphi\left(\frac{r(y, x, \xi)}{\epsilon}\right)$, for any $\epsilon > 0$ small enough and be fixed for the moment. We write

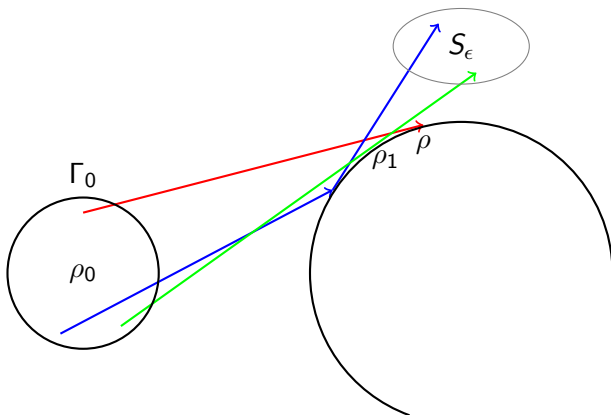
$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{h}([Op_h(\chi), h\nabla]q|A_h v)_\Omega &= \frac{1}{h}([Op_h(\chi), h\nabla]q|A_h Op_h(\chi_\epsilon)u)_\Omega \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{h}([Op_h(\chi), h\nabla]q|A_h Op_h(\chi - \chi_\epsilon)u)_\Omega \\ &=: I_{h,\epsilon} + II_{h,\epsilon} \end{aligned}$$

Diffractive case

For the term $I|_{h,\epsilon}$, we observe that on the support of $\chi - \chi_\epsilon$, $|r(y, x, \xi)| \geq \epsilon$. Assume that there exists another $\rho_1 \in \mathcal{G}^{2,+}$ and a bicharacteristic interval issued from ρ_1 , lies over W_0 and with end point $(y, x, \pm\sqrt{r}, \xi)$, $r \geq \epsilon$, we claim that $y \geq c\epsilon$. Indeed, after the tangency at ρ_1 , we rewrite the equation of bicharacteristic curve as (with notation $\rho_1 = (y(0) = 0, x(0); \eta(0) = 0, \xi(0))$)

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = 2\eta, \quad \frac{d\eta}{dt} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial y} \geq \delta_0,$$

with $y(0) = \eta(0) = 0, \eta(T) \geq \sqrt{\epsilon}$. This implies that $T \geq \sqrt{\epsilon}/C$ and $y(T) \geq \frac{1}{2}T^2\delta_0 \geq \frac{\epsilon\delta_0}{2C}$.



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Therefore, all the rays issued from Γ_0 which will enter the set $S_\epsilon = \{r \geq \epsilon, y \leq c\epsilon\} \cap \text{supp}(\chi - \chi_\epsilon)$ can be only broken bicharacteristics before entering it. Therefore, if we further decompose $ll_{h,\epsilon}$ according to S_ϵ , this part will be killed when we let $h \rightarrow 0$ first. The rest $y > c\epsilon$ can be handled in the same way by using concentration property of the pressure. $\epsilon > 0$ can be chosen arbitrarily small, therefore

$$\limsup_{h \rightarrow 0} \left| \frac{1}{h} ([\text{Op}_h(\chi), h\nabla]q | A_h v)_\Omega \right| = 0.$$

For the other commutator term

$\left| \frac{2}{h} \Im(\text{Op}_h(\chi)q | [h\text{div}, A_h \text{Op}_h(\chi)]u)_\Omega \right|$, the argument is similar.

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Gliding case

Following the argument of Melrose-Sjöstrand, the propagation theorem can be deduce from induction and the following property:

Proposition

For any $k \geq 2$, the following statement is true:

For any $\rho_k \in \mathcal{G}^k$, there exists a neighborhood V_k of ρ_k in $T^\partial\Omega$, and $\delta_k > 0, \sigma_k > 0, \sigma_k \ll \delta_k$, depending on V_k , such that for any*

$$\rho_0 \in \left(\mathcal{G}^{2,-} \cup \bigcup_{3 \leq j \leq k} \mathcal{G}^j \right) \cap V_k, \text{ if near } \rho_0$$

$\{(y, x; z, \zeta) : 0 \leq y \leq \delta^2, (z, \zeta) \in L^-(\delta, \delta^2)\} \cap \text{supp}(\mu) = \emptyset$ for some $0 < \delta < \delta_k$, then $\exp(sH_{-r_0})(\rho_0) \notin \text{supp}(\mu)$ for any $s \in [0, \sigma_k \delta)$.

Gliding case

Pick $\rho_0 \in \mathcal{G} \subset T^*\partial\Omega \setminus \{0\}$, and a small neighborhood $U \subset T^*\partial\Omega \setminus \{0\}$ of ρ_0 . Let $L \subset U$ be a co-dimension 1 hypersurface containing ρ_0 in $T^*\partial\Omega$ and transversal to the vector field H_{-r_0} . For small positive numbers $\delta, \tau > 0$, define

$$L^\pm(\delta, \tau) := \{\exp(tH_{-r_0})(\rho) \in U : \rho \in L, \text{dist}(\rho, \rho_0) \leq \delta^2, 0 \leq \pm t \leq \tau\},$$

and

$$F^\pm(\delta, \tau) := \{(y, x, \xi) : 0 \leq y \leq \delta^2, (x, \xi) \in L^\pm(\delta, \tau)\},$$

$$F(\delta, \tau) = F^+(\delta, \tau) \cup F^-(\delta, \tau).$$

Near $\mathcal{G}^{2,-}$

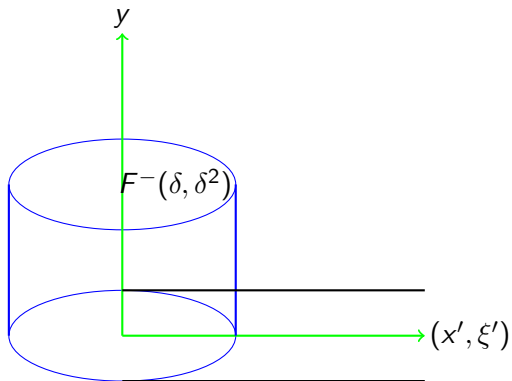
We only present the proof of Proposition 13 for $k = 2$. Assume that in the neighborhood of $\rho_0 \in \mathcal{G}^{2,-}$ where we are working $-C_0 < \partial_y r \leq -c_0 < 0$. Notice that there exists $C_1 > 0$ such that for $\delta_0 > 0, \tau_0 > 0$ small enough, and for any $\delta < \delta_0, \tau < \tau_0$, we have $|r(y, x, \xi)| \leq \frac{1}{2} C_1^2 \delta^2 |\xi|^2$ for all $(y, x, \xi) \in F(\delta, \tau)$.

Now we set up the tool box due to Melrose-Sjöstrand: with the same constant C_1 , we define the sets

$$V^\pm(\delta, \tau) := \{(y, x, \eta, \xi) : 0 \leq y \leq \delta^2/2, (x, \xi) \in L^\pm(\delta, \tau)\} \\ \cup \{(y, x, \eta, \xi) : \delta^2/2 \leq y \leq \delta^2, (x, \xi) \in L^\pm(\delta, \tau), |\eta| \leq C_1 \delta |\xi|\},$$

$$W^\pm(\delta, \tau) := \{(y, x, \eta, \xi) : 0 \leq y \leq \delta^2/2, (x, \xi) \in L^\pm(\delta, \tau)\} \\ \cup \{(y, x, \eta, \xi) : \delta^2/2 \leq y \leq \delta^2, (x, \xi) \in L^\pm(\delta, \tau), |\eta| \leq 2C_1 \delta |\xi|\}$$

$$V(\delta, \tau) := V^+(\delta, \tau) \cup V^-(\delta, \tau), W(\delta, \tau) = W^+(\delta, \tau) \cup W^-(\delta, \tau).$$



Near $\mathcal{G}^{2,-}$

Lemma

Given $\rho_0 \in \mathcal{G}$, there exists $\delta_0 > 0, \tau_0 > 0$ such that if $\text{dist}(\rho, \rho_0) \leq \delta^2$ for some $\delta > 0$, then $\text{dist}(\gamma(s, \rho), \gamma(s, \rho_0)) \leq C\delta^2$ for $|s| \leq \sigma_0\delta$. In particular, $\gamma(s, \rho) \in W(\delta, \tau_0)$ for all $|s| \leq \tau_0\delta$.

Proof.

For any two curves $\gamma_1(s) = (y(s), \eta(s), x(s), \xi(s))$ and $\gamma_2(s) = (\tilde{y}(s), \tilde{\eta}(s), \tilde{x}(s), \tilde{\xi}(s))$. $\dot{y} = 2\eta, \dot{\eta} = O(1)$, we have $y(s) \leq Cs^2$. Let $d(s) = |x(s) - \tilde{x}(s)|^2 + |\xi(s) - \tilde{\xi}(s)|^2$, $\dot{d}(s) \leq Cd(s) + C|y(s) - \tilde{y}(s)|\sqrt{d}$. These implies $d(s) \leq C_1\delta^2$ for all $|s| \leq \sigma_0\delta$.



Near $\mathcal{G}^{2,-}$

First we record several property of test functions:

Denote $I = [0, \epsilon_0)$. There exist $\sigma > 0, \delta_0 > 0, \tau_0 > 0$ small enough with $\delta \ll \sigma$ and smooth functions

$a_\delta \in C_c^\infty(I \times U), g_\delta, h_\delta \in C^\infty(\Omega \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \setminus \{0\})$ for any $0 < \delta \leq \delta_0$ with the following properties:

- $a_\delta \geq 0, \text{supp} a_\delta \subset F^+(\delta, \sigma\delta) \cup F^-(\delta, \delta^2)$.
- $a_\delta(0, \exp(tH_{-r_0}(\rho_0))) \neq 0, \forall 0 \leq t < \delta\sigma$.
- $a_\delta > 0$ on $\text{supp} a_{\delta'}$, if $0 < \delta' < \delta$ and independent of y for $0 \leq y < \delta^2/2$.
- $g_\delta + h_\delta = -(H_p + k)a_\delta$.
- in $W(\delta, \tau)$, $g_\delta \geq 0$ and $g_\delta > 0$ when $a_\delta \neq 0$.
- $\text{supp} h_\delta \subset I \times L^-(\delta, \delta^2) \times \mathbb{R}_\eta$, and $\text{supp} g_\delta \cup \text{supp} h_\delta \subset \text{supp} a_\delta$, g_δ, h_δ are independent of η for $0 \leq y \leq \delta^2/2$.

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Denote $b_\delta := g_\delta^{1/2} \in C^\infty(W(\delta, \tau))$. Note that by no means that b_δ is smooth and with compact support. We need split it into two parts as following:

Let $\phi_1 \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ such that $\phi_1 \equiv 1$ if $0 \leq y \leq \frac{\delta^2}{4}$ and $\phi_1 \equiv 0$ if $y > \frac{3\delta^2}{8}$.

Let $\phi_2 \in C^\infty(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^d \setminus \{0\})$ with compact support in x, ξ, η variables, such that $\phi_2 \geq 0$ and $\phi_2 \equiv 0$ whenever $y \leq \frac{\delta^2}{4}$ or $|\eta| > 2C_1\delta|\xi|$.

Indeed, we can choose $\Psi(x, \eta, \xi)$, non-negative, smooth and with compact support, such that $\Psi \equiv 0$ when $|\eta| > 2C_1\delta|\xi|$ and $\Psi \equiv 1$ when $|\eta| \leq \frac{3}{2}C_1\delta|\xi|$.

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Now let $\phi_2(y, x, \eta, \xi)^2 = (1 - \phi_1(y)^2)\Psi(x, \eta, \xi)$. We observe that

$$\begin{aligned} & W^\pm(\delta, \tau) \cap \text{supp} (1 - \phi_1^2 - \phi_2^2) \\ & \subset \left\{ (y, x, \eta, \xi) : \frac{\delta^2}{4} \leq y \leq \delta^2, |\eta| > \frac{3}{2} C_1 \delta |\xi|, \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

We finally put $b_{\delta,j} := \phi_j b_{\delta,j}$, $j = 1, 2$. Note that $b_{\delta,1} \in C_c^\infty(F(\delta, \tau))$ is a tangential symbol and $b_{\delta,2} \in C_c^\infty(W(\delta, \tau))$ is a usual symbol with compact support in $T^*\Omega$.

Near $\mathcal{G}^{2,-}$

Denote $\delta' < \delta$, small enough and to be chosen later, and denote the operator

$$N_{\delta'} = \frac{1}{ih}[P, A_{\delta'}] + \frac{1}{ih}(R - R^*)A_{\delta'},$$

with principal symbol

$$n_{\delta'} = -(H_p + k)a_{\delta'} = g_{\delta'} + h_{\delta'}.$$

Define the operators

$$B_{\delta',j} := \text{Op}_h(b_{\delta',j}), j = 1, 2, N_{\delta,3} = \text{Op}_h((1 - \phi_1^2 - \phi_2^2)n_{\delta'}).$$

Write

$$h_{\delta',j} = \phi_j^2 h_{\delta'}, H_{\delta',j} = \text{Op}_h(h_{\delta',j}), j = 1, 2.$$

We remark that $h_{\delta',1}, b_{\delta',1}$ are both tangential symbols while $h_{\delta',2}, b_{\delta',2}$ are interior symbols vanishing near the boundary.

Near $\mathcal{G}^{2,-}$

Observe also that $N_{\delta',3}$ is interior pseudo-differential operator with symbol vanishing near the boundary as well as on $p^{-1}(0)$, thanks to the fact that in $W(\delta', \tau)$, $|r(y, x, \xi)| \leq \frac{1}{2} C_1^2 \delta'^2 |\xi|^2$. Thus $N_{\delta',3}u = o_{L^2_{y,x}}(1)$ as $h \rightarrow 0$. Moreover, $H_{\delta',j}u = o_{L^2_{y,x}}(1)$ is clear from the assumption on the support of μ .

Now set

$$M_{\delta',j} = \phi_j^2 N_{\delta',j} - B_{\delta',j}^* B_{\delta',j} - H_{\delta',j}, j = 1, 2.$$

From symbolic calculus, we have $M_{\delta',1} = O_{L^2 \rightarrow L^2}(h)$ is a tangential operator. Moreover, $M_{\delta',2} = O_{L^2 \rightarrow L^2}(h)$ is an interior operator.

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Finally, we have obtained

$$N_{\delta'} = N_{\delta',3} + \sum_{j=1}^2 (B_{\delta',j}^* B_{\delta',j} + H_{\delta',j}) + O_{L^2 \rightarrow L^2}(h).$$

Combining all the analysis above the integrating by part formula for self-adjoint tangential operator A :

$$\frac{1}{h} (([P, A] + (R - R^*)A)u | u)_{\Omega} = \frac{1}{h} (Au | Pu)_{\Omega} - \frac{1}{h} (APu | u)_{\Omega} + O(h).$$

we have

$$\sum_{j=1}^2 \|B_{\delta',j} u\|_{L^2}^2 \leq o(1) + \frac{1}{h} |([h \operatorname{div}, A_{\delta'}]u | q)_{\Omega}| + \frac{1}{h} |([A_{\delta'}, h \nabla]q | u)_{\Omega}|$$

(18)

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To finish the proof, we need show that the right hand side of (18) is $o(1)$ as $h \rightarrow 0$.

We perform a similar decomposition: pick a $\chi \in C_c^\infty(\mathbb{R})$ such that $\chi(s) \equiv 1$ if $0 \leq s \leq \frac{1}{2}$ and $\chi(s) \equiv 0$ if $s \geq 1$. Let $\chi_\epsilon(y, x, \xi) = \chi(\epsilon^{-1}r(y, x, \xi))$. Denote

$$I_{h,\epsilon} = \frac{1}{h} |([h\text{div} , A_\delta] \text{Op}_h(\chi_\epsilon)u|q)_\Omega| ,$$

$$II_{h,\epsilon} = \frac{1}{h} |([h\text{div} , A_\delta](1 - \text{Op}_h(\chi_\epsilon))u|q)_\Omega| .$$

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The treatment of $I_{h,\epsilon}$ is exactly the same as in the diffractive case. The treatment of $II_{h,\epsilon}$ is relied on the geometric lemma:

Lemma

If in addition, $-C_0 \leq \frac{\partial r}{\partial y}(\rho) \leq -c_0 < 0$ for all $\rho \in W(\delta_0, \tau_0)$. Then for $\delta, \tau > 0$ small enough ($\delta < \delta_0$), the following property holds: There exists a sufficiently small constant $\delta' < \delta$ such that for any $\epsilon > 0, \epsilon \ll \delta, \epsilon \ll \tau$, and for any $\rho = (y, x, \eta, \xi) \in W(\delta', \tau)$ with $r(y, x, \xi) \geq \epsilon, y(\rho) \leq \epsilon$, the real backward bicharacteristic $\gamma(t, \rho)$ is always contained in $W(\delta, \tau)$ for all $0 \leq t \leq \tau$. Moreover, at each time t such that $y(\gamma(t, \rho)) = 0$, we must have $r \gtrsim \epsilon$ at this point. In other words. Every backward generalized bicharacteristic issued from ρ is at most broken bicharacteristic.

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Proof.

Assume that the initial point $\rho_0 = (y_0, x_0, \eta_0, \rho_0)$ satisfies $|\eta_0|^2 = |r(y_0, x_0, \xi_0)|^2 \geq \epsilon$.

The dynamics on the phase space is governed by the ODE $\frac{dy}{dt} = 2\eta$, $\frac{d\eta}{dt} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial y}$ with initial condition $y(0) = y_0 \geq 0$, $\eta(0) = \eta_0$.

Suppose $\eta_0 \leq -\sqrt{\epsilon} < 0$, and t_0 is the first time such that $y(t_0) = 0$. It is obvious that $\eta(t_0) < \eta(0) \leq -\sqrt{\epsilon}$. Suppose now $\eta_0 \geq \sqrt{\epsilon} > 0$. Let $t_1 > 0$ be the first time such that $\eta(t_1) = 0$, and thus $y_1 := y(t_1) > y_0$. Let $t_2 > t_1$ be the first time so that $y(t) = 0$.

First we have $-\eta_0 = \eta(t_1) - \eta(0) = \int_0^{t_1} \frac{d\eta}{dt} dt \leq -C_0 t_1$, and this implies that $t_1 \geq \frac{|\eta_0|}{C_0}$. □

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Proof.

Moreover,

$$y_1 - y_0 = \eta_0 t_1 + \int_0^{t_1} dt \int_0^t \frac{d^2 y}{ds^2} ds \geq \eta_0 t_1 - \frac{C_0}{2} t_1^2 \geq \frac{|\eta_0|^2}{2C_0}.$$

Now

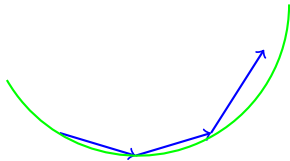
$$y(t_2) - y(t_1) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} dt \int_{t_1}^t \frac{d^2 y}{ds^2} ds \geq \frac{-C_0}{2} (t_2 - t_1)^2,$$

we have

$$|t_2 - t_1|^2 \geq \frac{2y_1}{C_0} \geq \frac{2(y_1 - y_0)}{C_0} \geq \frac{|\eta_0|^2}{C_0^2}.$$

Finally we have

$$\eta(t_2) = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} \frac{d\eta}{dt} dt \leq -c_0(t_2 - t_1) \leq -\frac{c_0|\eta_0|}{C_0} \leq -\frac{c_0\sqrt{\epsilon}}{C_0}. \quad \square$$



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From the lemma above, the measure of $\frac{1}{h}[h\text{div}, A_\delta](1 - \text{Op}_h(\chi_\epsilon))u$ vanishes since all the backward generalized rays starting from each point in $\text{supp}a_\delta(1 - \chi_\epsilon)$ will enter the small neighborhood of $\rho_0 \in \mathcal{G}^{2,-}$ by at most reflection at boundary. This completes the proof of Proposition 13 for $k = 2$. For higher order contact, the geometric argument is a little complicated. We need a change of coordinate and make full use the fact that the Melrose-Sjöstrand flow is transverse to \mathcal{G}^k for $k \geq 3$. We skip the details here.

Induction Step

We briefly explain the induction step:

Definition (k propagation property)

For $k \geq 2$, we say that k -propagation property holds, if along generalized ray $\gamma(s, \rho_0)$, the following statement is true: For some $\sigma_0 > 0$, if $\gamma(\cdot, \rho_0)|_{[0, \sigma_0]} \cap \text{supp}(\mu) = \emptyset$ (or $\gamma(\cdot, \rho_0)|_{(-\sigma_0, 0]} \cap \text{supp}(\mu) = \emptyset$) and $\gamma(\sigma_0, \rho_0) \in \bigcup_{2 \leq j \leq k} \mathcal{G}^j$ (or $\gamma(-\sigma_0, \rho_0) \in \bigcup_{2 \leq j \leq k} \mathcal{G}^j$), then $\gamma(\sigma_0, \rho_0) \notin \text{supp}(\mu)$ (or $\gamma(-\sigma_0, \rho_0) \notin \text{supp}(\mu)$).

The proof is complete once we have proved the k -propagation property for all $k \geq 3$.

Induction step

We also introduce the following definition

Definition (k-pre-propagation property)

For $k \geq 2$, we say that k-pre-propagation property holds, if the following statement is true:

For any $\rho_k \in \mathcal{G}^k$, there exists a neighborhood V_k of ρ_k in $T^*\partial\Omega$, and $\delta_k > 0, \sigma_k > 0, \sigma_k \ll \delta_k$, depending on V_k , such that for any

$$\rho_0 \in \left(\mathcal{G}^{2,-} \cup \bigcup_{3 \leq j \leq k} \mathcal{G}^j \right) \cap V_k, \text{ if}$$

$$\{(y, x; z, \zeta) : 0 \leq y \leq \delta^2, (z, \zeta) \in L^-(\delta, \delta^2; \rho_0)\} \cap \text{supp}(\mu) = \emptyset$$

for some $0 < \delta < \delta_k$, then $\exp(sH_{-r_0})(\rho_0) \notin \text{supp}(\mu)$ for any $s \in [0, \sigma_k \delta)$.

Induction step

Now the induction runs as follows:

- Deduce k -pre-propagation property by assuming the $(k-1)$ -propagation property. The argument is similar as we have done in the case \mathcal{G}^3 .
- Deduce k -propagation property by assuming $(k-1)$ -propagation property and k -pre-propagation property. This step is standard.

Higher order contact

We first change to a new coordinate system near ρ_k in \widetilde{W}_k

$$(y, \eta, x, \xi) \mapsto (y, \eta, z, \zeta), z = (z_1, z'), \zeta = (\zeta_1, \zeta')$$

with

$$p = \eta^2 - r, r = \zeta_1 + yr_1(z, \zeta) + O(y^2),$$

$$\zeta_1 = r_0,$$

where

$$r_0 = r|_{y=0}, r_1 = \partial_y r|_{y=0}.$$

This is possible since

$$d_{x,\xi} r_0 \neq 0, \text{ if } \xi \neq 0.$$

Along the generalized bicharacteristic flow $\rho(s)$, (z, ζ) satisfies

$$\frac{dz}{ds} = -\frac{\partial r}{\partial \zeta}(y(s), z(s), \zeta(s)), \frac{d\zeta}{ds} = \frac{\partial r}{\partial z}(y(s), z(s), \zeta(s)).$$

Higher order contact

We deduce from this that near ρ_k ,

$$-\frac{dz_1}{ds} \sim 1 > 0, \text{ as } y \rightarrow 0,$$

and thus $s \mapsto z_1(s)$ is strictly decreasing, and

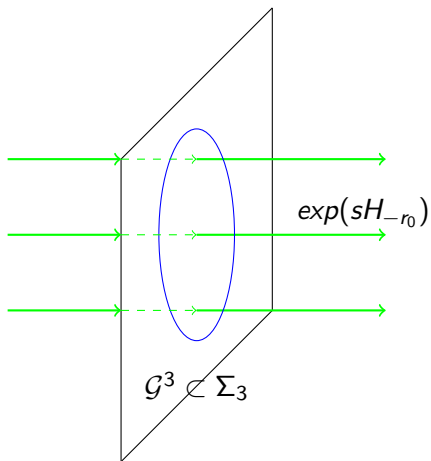
$$\frac{d\zeta_1}{ds} \sim y \frac{\partial r_1}{\partial z_1}, y \rightarrow 0.$$

Suppose now $k \geq 3$, we have locally that

$$\mathcal{G}^k := \{(z, \zeta) : \zeta_1 = 0, \partial_{z_1}^l r_1(z, \zeta) = 0, \forall l \leq k-3, \partial_{z_1}^{k-2} r_1(z, \zeta) \neq 0\}.$$

Define

$$\Sigma_k := \{(z, \zeta) : \partial_{z_1}^{k-3} r_1(z, \zeta) = 0, \partial_{z_1}^{k-2} r_1(z, \zeta) \neq 0\}.$$



Higher order contact

The key fact we will use is the asymptotic behaviour of the flow $\phi_s^{H-r_0} = \exp(sH_{-r_0})$ when $s \rightarrow 0$, we have for any given $(z_1 = \Theta_k(z'_0, \zeta_0), z'_0, \zeta_0) \in \mathcal{G}^k$,

$$r_1 \circ \phi_s^{H-r_0}(z'_0, \zeta_0) = a_k(z'_0, \zeta_0)s^{k-2} + O(s^{k-1})$$

where $a_k \neq 0$ can be viewed as a function of points in \mathcal{G}^k .

Thank you for your attention!