

Indefinite linear matrix pencils and the multi-eigenvalue problem

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Pencils

Self-adjoint pencils

Let

$$\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{P}(\lambda) := T_0 + \lambda T_1 + \lambda^2 T_2 + \dots + \lambda^m T_m,$$

be a family of (bounded) operators in a Hilbert space \mathcal{H} , which depends on a spectral parameter $\lambda \in \mathbb{C}$, with self-adjoint operator coefficients

$$T_j = (T_j)^*, \quad j = 1, \dots, n.$$

Such a family is called a **self-adjoint (polynomial) operator pencil**.
I shall only deal with a **linear** self-adjoint operator pencil written as

$$\mathcal{P}(\lambda) = T - \lambda S.$$

Spectrum of a linear pencil

λ_0 is an *eigenvalue* of \mathcal{P} if there exists $x \in \mathcal{H} \setminus \{0\}$ such that

$$\mathcal{P}(\lambda_0)x = 0,$$

i.e., if 0 is an eigenvalue of $\mathcal{P}(\lambda_0)$.

The *spectrum* is the set of values λ_0 for which there is no bounded inverse $\mathcal{P}(\lambda_0)^{-1}$, i.e. if $0 \in \text{Spec} \mathcal{P}(\lambda_0)$.

For a *linear* pencil, the eigenvalue problem becomes

$$(T - \lambda S)x = 0,$$

and if S is invertible, then it reduces to the eigenvalue problem for a (non-self-adjoint) operator $S^{-1}T$;

$$S^{-1}Tx = \lambda x.$$

- If either T or S is **sign-definite**, then the problem may be reduced to the one for a self-adjoint operator

$$S^{-1/2}TS^{-1/2},$$

and the spectrum is real.

- If, however, both T , S are **sign-indefinite**, then the spectrum may be non-real.

A matrix pencil example

Example - A matrix pencil [DaLe]

- Fix an integer $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $N = 2n$, and define the $N \times N$ classes of matrices $H_c^{(N)}$ and S , where

$$H_c^{(N)} := \begin{pmatrix} c & 1 & & & \\ 1 & c & \ddots & & \\ & \ddots & \ddots & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ & & & 1 & c \end{pmatrix}, \quad S := \begin{pmatrix} I_n & \\ & -I_n \end{pmatrix}$$

where $c \in \mathbb{R}$ is a parameter and I_n is the identity matrix.

- The behavior of eigenvalues of the linear operator pencil

$$\mathcal{P} := \mathcal{P}(\lambda) = H_c^{(N)} - \lambda S$$

as $N \rightarrow \infty$ was studied by Davies & Levitin(2014).

Example - A matrix pencil [DaLe]

- If $|c| \geq 2$, then $\text{Spec}(\mathcal{P}) \subset \mathbb{R}$.
- $\text{Spec}(\mathcal{P})$ is invariant under the symmetry $c \rightarrow -c$.
- $\text{Spec}(\mathcal{P})$ is symmetric with respect to $\text{Re } \lambda = 0$ and $\text{Im } \lambda = 0$.
- Davies & Levitin studied the asymptotic behaviour of eigenvalues of \mathcal{P} for large n ;

- For $c = 0$,

$$|\text{Im } \lambda| \sim \frac{1}{n} Y_0(|\text{Re } \lambda|).$$

- For $0 < c < 2$,

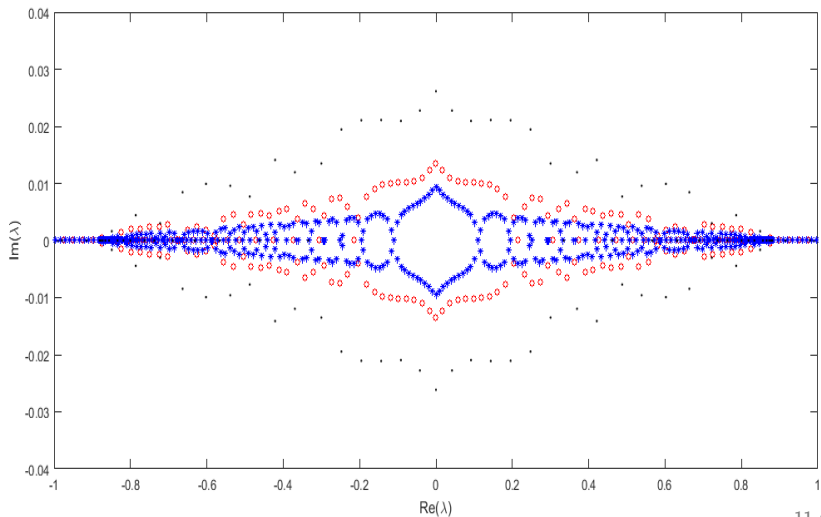
$$|\text{Im } \lambda| \lesssim \frac{1}{n} Y_c(|\text{Re } \lambda|).$$

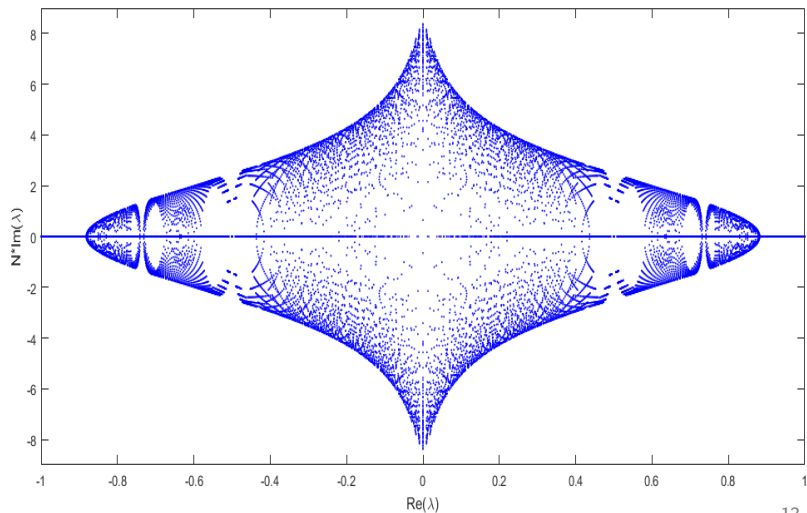
Functions Y_0 and Y_c are explicit (though rather complicated), and have logarithmic singularities at $\text{Re } \lambda = 0$.

Example - A matrix pencil [DaLe]

- Video time!

Spec(\mathcal{P}) for $c = \sqrt{5}/2$ and $n = 500, 250, \mathbf{99}$.



$\bigcup_{m=100}^{250} \text{Spec}(\mathcal{P})$ for $c = \sqrt{5}/2$ 

Conjecture

Asymptotic and numerical evidence suggest the following:

Let $c > 0$. If $\lambda \in \text{Spec}(\mathcal{P}(\lambda)) \setminus \mathbb{R}$, then $c < 2$ and

$$|\lambda \pm c| < 2.$$

This can also be translated in terms of Chebyshev polynomials via explicit expression for $\det(H_c^{(N)} - \lambda S)$:

Let $\sigma, \tau \in \mathbb{C}$, $\text{Im}(\sigma) = \text{Im}(\tau) > 0$. If, for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$,

$$U_{n+1}(\sigma) U_{n+1}(\tau) + U_n(\sigma) U_n(\tau) = 0,$$

then $|\sigma| < 1$ and $|\tau| < 1$.

Multi-Parametric Eigenvalue Problem

Pencil to Parametric problem

We will act by \mathcal{P} on vectors which we will write as

$$(u_1, \dots, u_n, v_n, \dots, v_1)^T.$$

Then

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_0^{(n)} - \alpha I_n & B \\ B & H_0^{(n)} - \beta I_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \vec{0},$$

where $B = B^*$ with $B_{nn} = 1$ and all other entries of B are zeros.

Pencil to Parametric problem

We first generalize to the following: for any $\kappa > 0$, let $B = \kappa P$, $P = P^*$, $\|P\| = 1$,

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_0^{(n)} - \alpha I_n & \kappa P \\ \kappa P & H_0^{(n)} - \beta I_n \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \vec{0}. \quad (1)$$

which is a special case of

$$\begin{pmatrix} A - \alpha I_1 & C \\ C^* & D - \beta I_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \vec{0}, \quad (2)$$

where, in general, $\vec{u} \in \mathcal{H}_1$ and $\vec{v} \in \mathcal{H}_2$,

- A, D are self-adjoint operators in $\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2$, respectively,
- C is a linear operator from \mathcal{H}_2 to \mathcal{H}_1 ,
- $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{C}$ are spectral parameters.

Two-parameter Matrix Eigenvalue problem

Denote

$$M = \begin{pmatrix} A & C \\ C^* & D \end{pmatrix},$$

so that the problem

$$\left(M - \begin{pmatrix} \alpha I_1 & \\ & \beta I_2 \end{pmatrix} \right) \begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \vec{0}, \quad (3)$$

where $\vec{u} \in \mathcal{H}_1$ and $\vec{v} \in \mathcal{H}_2$.

- $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{C}^2$ a *multi-eigenvalue* (or a *pair-eigenvalue*) of M if there exists a non-trivial solution $\begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} \in \mathcal{H}$ of (3).
- We denote by $\text{Spec}_p(M)$ the *spectrum* of pair-eigenvalues of M .
- If $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$, then (α, β) is called as a *real pair-eigenvalue*, and otherwise it is a *non-real pair-eigenvalue* of (3).

$\beta(\alpha)$ problem

- The equation (3) can be re-written as

$$\begin{cases} (A - \alpha I_1) \vec{u} &= -C \vec{v}, \\ (D - \beta I_2) \vec{v} &= -C^* \vec{u}. \end{cases}$$

- If $\alpha \notin \text{Spec}(A)$ and β is an eigenvalue of $(D - C^*(A - \alpha I_1)^{-1}C)$, then $(\alpha, \beta) \in \text{Spec}_p(M)$.

Note: α and β are interchangeable.

Restrictions

- Now, suppose that $\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2$ are finite dimensional, and therefore we are dealing with matrices.
- Additionally $\dim \mathcal{H}_1 = \dim \mathcal{H}_2$.
- C has rank 1, or $C = \kappa P$, where $\kappa > 0$ and P is a projection on a one-dimensional subspace $\text{span}\{\vec{\phi}\}$ of \mathcal{H} ,

Notations

- The restriction of X on the space of vectors orthogonal to $\vec{\phi}$ will be denoted by $X_{\perp,\perp}$.
- Eigenvalues of A and D will be denoted by

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{\alpha}_1 &\geq \tilde{\alpha}_2 \geq \dots \geq \tilde{\alpha}_n, \\ \tilde{\beta}_1 &\geq \tilde{\beta}_2 \geq \dots \geq \tilde{\beta}_n,\end{aligned}$$

respectively.

- Eigenvalues of $A_{\perp,\perp}$ and $D_{\perp,\perp}$ will be denoted by

$$\begin{aligned}\hat{\alpha}_1 &\geq \hat{\alpha}_2 \geq \dots \geq \hat{\alpha}_{n-1}, \\ \hat{\beta}_1 &\geq \hat{\beta}_2 \geq \dots \geq \hat{\beta}_{n-1},\end{aligned}$$

respectively.

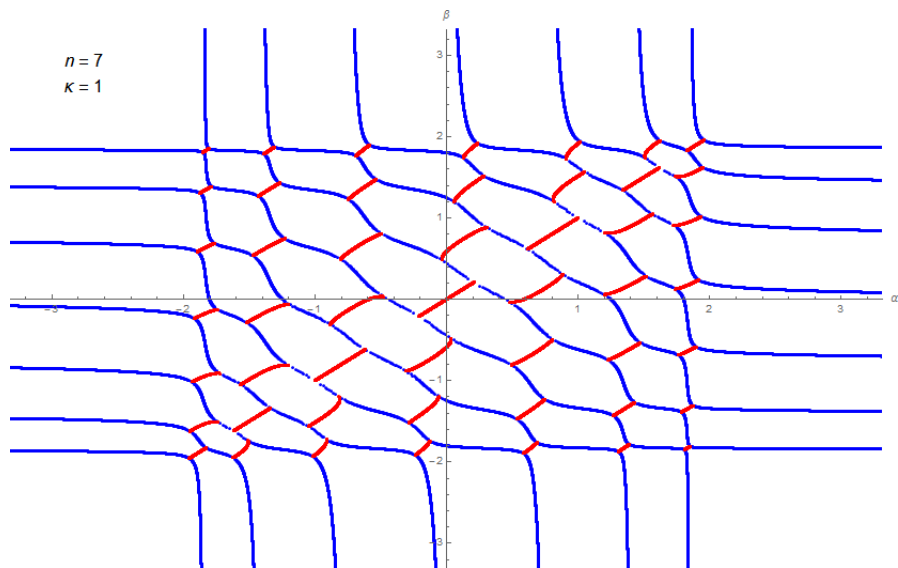
Remark

- All numerical examples will be related to

$$\begin{pmatrix} H_0^{(n)} - \alpha I & \kappa P \\ \kappa P & H_0^{(n)} - \beta I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \vec{0}.$$

- All theoretical results will be related to

$$\begin{pmatrix} A - \alpha I & \kappa P \\ \kappa P & D - \beta I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \vec{u} \\ \vec{v} \end{pmatrix} = \vec{0}.$$

Spectral picture for $n = 7$ 

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- Blue curves are all real eigencurves $\beta(\alpha)$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.
- Red curves are graphs of $\operatorname{Re}\beta(\operatorname{Re}\alpha)$ for eigenpairs such that

$$\operatorname{Im}(\alpha + \beta) = 0,$$

which keeps all $(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^2$ in the picture and some complex pair-eigenvalues.

Lemma

Blue and red lines intersect iff

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha}\beta(\alpha) = -1.$$

Characteristic equation

Theorem

If $\alpha \notin \text{Spec}(A)$ and $\beta \notin \text{Spec}(D)$, then the characteristic equation for $(\alpha, \beta) \in \text{Spec}_p(M)$ is

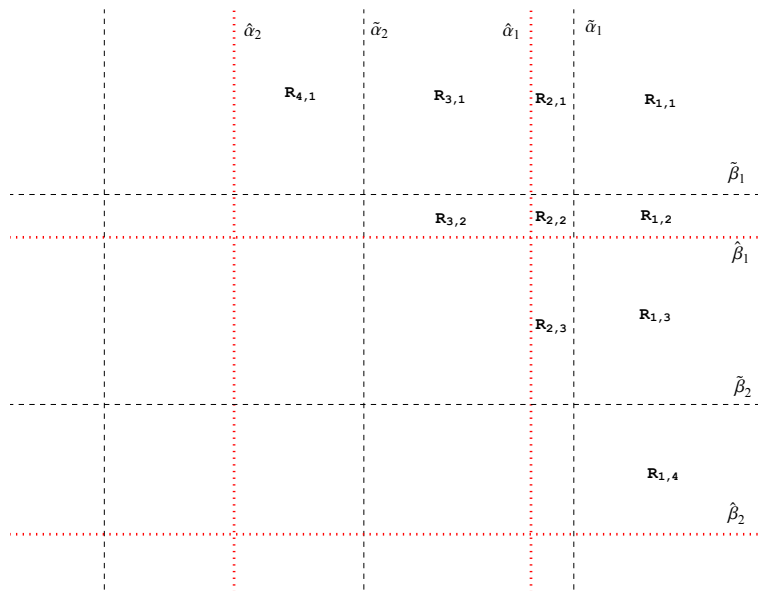
$$\kappa^2 \left\langle (A - \alpha I_n)^{-1} \vec{\varphi}, \vec{\varphi} \right\rangle \left\langle (D - \beta I_n)^{-1} \vec{\varphi}, \vec{\varphi} \right\rangle = 1, \quad (4)$$

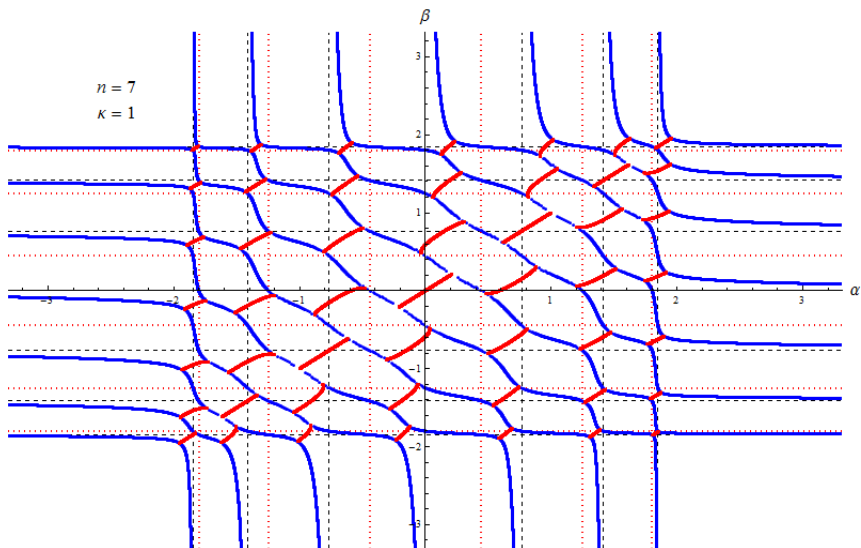
which implies

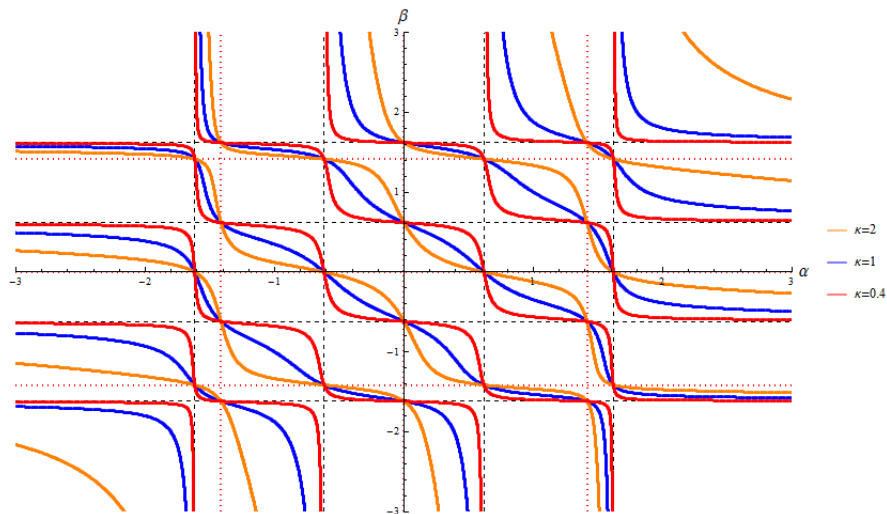
$$\beta' = -\kappa^2 \frac{\left\langle (A - \alpha I_n)^{-2} \vec{\varphi}, \vec{\varphi} \right\rangle \left(\left\langle (D - \beta I_n)^{-1} \vec{\varphi}, \vec{\varphi} \right\rangle \right)^2}{\left\langle (D - \beta I_n)^{-2} \vec{\varphi}, \vec{\varphi} \right\rangle},$$

and therefore $\frac{d\beta}{d\alpha} < 0$ on each real branch of $\beta(\alpha)$, $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$.

Mesh



Spectral picture for $n = 7$ 

$n = 4$ and particular values of κ 

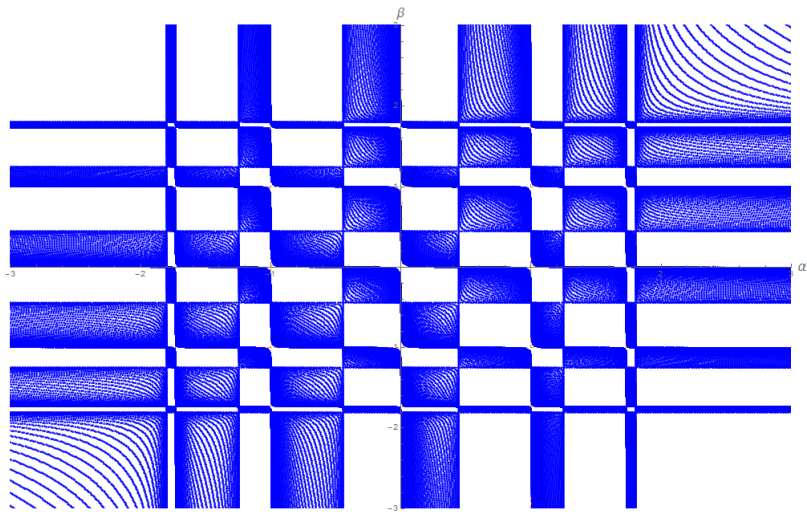
Chess Board Structure for $n = 6$ 

Figure : Superimposing the values of κ from 0.001 to 10 with the step-size of 0.1.

Chess Board Structure

Chess Board Theorem: Suppose that $\text{Spec}(A) \cap \text{Spec}(A_{\perp, \perp}) = \emptyset$ and $\text{Spec}(D) \cap \text{Spec}(D_{\perp, \perp}) = \emptyset$. Then all real pair-eigenvalues (α, β) of M lies in the region $R_{p,q}$ where $p + q$ is even, i.e.

$$(\alpha, \beta) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \quad \Rightarrow \quad (\alpha, \beta) \in R_{p,q}.$$

When $\alpha \in \text{Spec}(A)$

Lemma

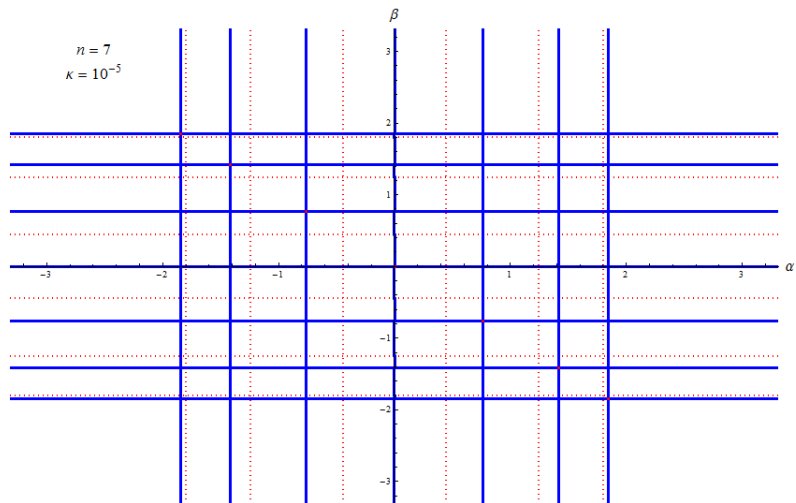
Suppose $\alpha = \tilde{\alpha}_i \in \text{Spec}(A)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, and let $\vec{\psi}_i$ be an eigenfunction corresponding to the eigenvalue $\tilde{\alpha}_i$ of A . Assume that $\langle \vec{\varphi}, \vec{\psi}_i \rangle \neq 0$.

Then, for any $\kappa \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$,

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha, \beta(\alpha)) &\in \text{Spec}_p(M) \\ &\updownarrow \\ \beta(\alpha) &\in \text{Spec}(D_{\perp\perp}), \end{aligned}$$

and additionally for $\alpha \approx \tilde{\alpha}_i$, there exists one $(\alpha, \beta(\alpha)) \in \text{Spec}_p(M)$ such that $\beta(\alpha) \rightarrow \pm\infty$ as $\alpha \rightarrow \tilde{\alpha}_i^\pm$.

As $\kappa \rightarrow 0$



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Theorem

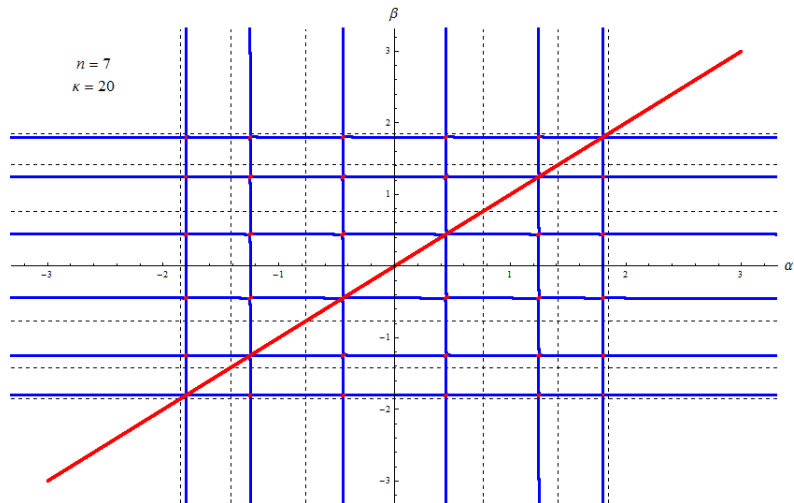
Let $\kappa \rightarrow 0$. Then for every $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and every $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists a sequence $\{(\alpha_k, \beta_k) \in \text{Spec}_p(M)\}_k$ such that

$$\alpha_k \rightarrow \tilde{\alpha}_i, \quad \beta_k \rightarrow \beta,$$

similarly for every $i \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ and every $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists a sequence $\{(\alpha_k, \beta_k) \in \text{Spec}_p(M)\}_k$ such that

$$\alpha_k \rightarrow \alpha, \quad \beta_k \rightarrow \tilde{\beta}_i.$$

As $\kappa \rightarrow +\infty$



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Theorem

Let $\kappa \rightarrow \infty$. Then for every $j \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ and every $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists a sequence $\{(\alpha_k, \beta_k) \in \text{Spec}_p(M)\}_k$ such that

$$\alpha_k \rightarrow \hat{\alpha}_j, \quad \beta_k \rightarrow \beta,$$

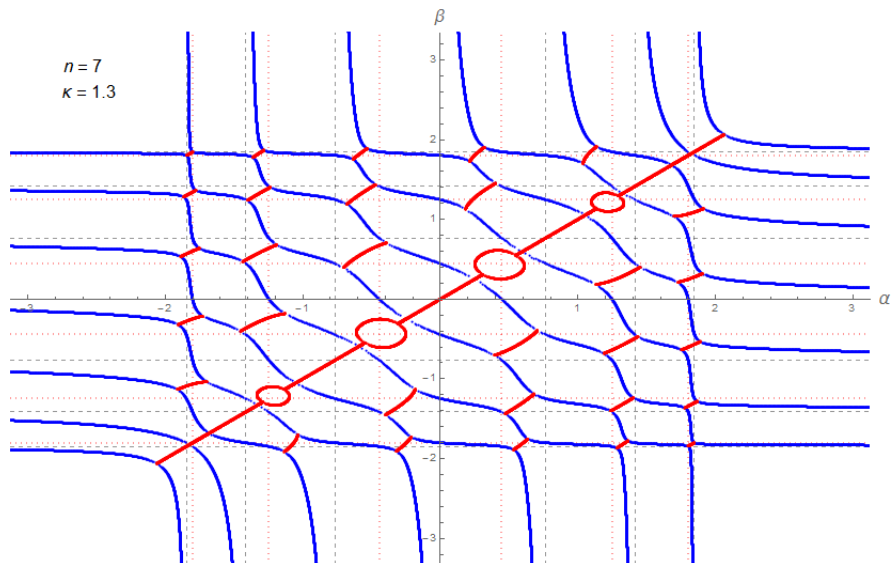
similarly for every $j \in \{1, \dots, n-1\}$ and every $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, there exists a sequence $\{(\alpha_k, \beta_k) \in \text{Spec}_p(M)\}_k$ such that






$$\alpha_k \rightarrow \alpha, \quad \beta_k \rightarrow \hat{\beta}_j.$$

In addition, there exists one non-real family of pair-eigenvalue (α, β) of M such that

$$\alpha = \bar{\beta}.$$

Modified problem: Non-real collisions



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