

Fermionic semiclassical L^p estimates

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Talk about L^q estimates instead of L^p !

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Trapping potentials s.t. $\lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} V(x) = +\infty$, yield a **discrete spectrum**.



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▷ What about eigenfunctions?

Spatial concentration of eigenfunctions of the Schrödinger operators with the associated eigenvalues in an interval I at the limit $\hbar \rightarrow 0$?

- ① One single particle:

concentration of $|u_h(x)|^2$?

- ② A family of **free** fermions:

- description by N orthonormal functions $\{u_h^j\}_{1 \leq j \leq N}$

- concentration of $\sum_{j=1}^N |u_h^j(x)|^2 =: \rho_h(x)$?

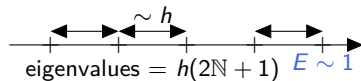


In your dreams: have an asymptotic pointwise description of the eigenfunctions.

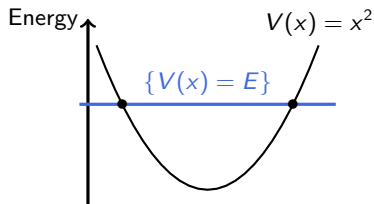
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The harmonic oscillator in 1d case



eigenvalues = $h(2\mathbb{N} + 1)$ $E \sim 1$



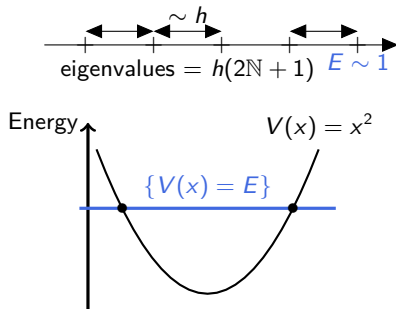
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Pointwise description of the eigenfunctions u_h

$$\left(-h^2 \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + x^2\right) u_h = E u_h$$

and of the spectral projector

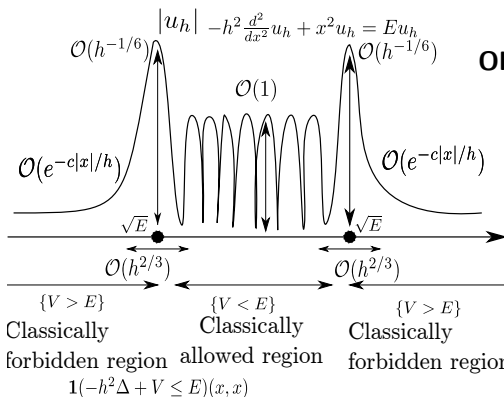
$$\begin{aligned} \rho_h(x) &= \mathbb{1} \left(-h^2 \frac{d^2}{dx^2} + x^2 \leq E \right) (x, x) \\ &= \sum_{j, \text{ eigenvalues} \leq E} |u_h^j(x)|^2. \end{aligned}$$

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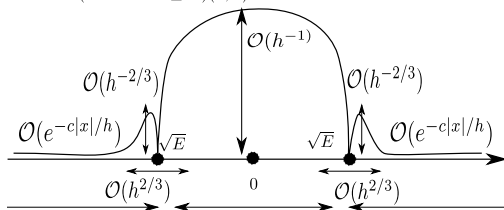
- Expression with **Hermite polynomials**.

- **BKW approximation**
 (Brillouin, Kramers, Wentzel).

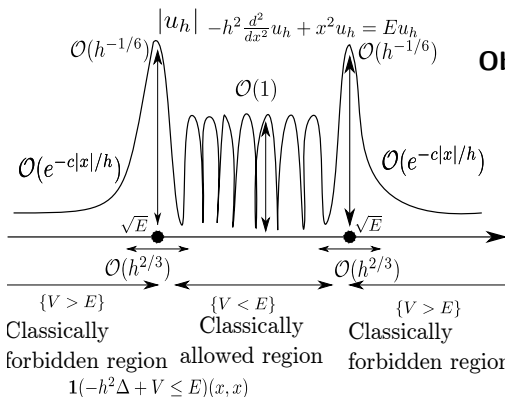


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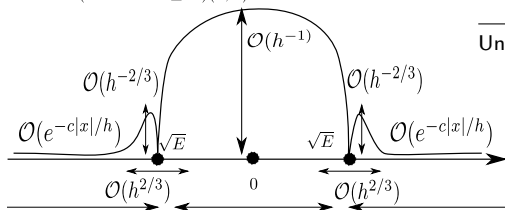
- many-body: **delocalization**



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Understood by the pointwise Weyl law

$$\rho_h(x) \sim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{|B_{\mathbb{R}^d}(0, 1)|}{(2\pi h)^d} (E - V(x))_+^{d/2},$$

for $V(x) = |x|^2$: Karadzhov (1989)

for more general trapping V

Deleporte, Lambert (2021)

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But the dreams don't always become true for more general potentials.

- ~~Pointwise expression~~
- Indicator : **asymptotic L^p estimates**



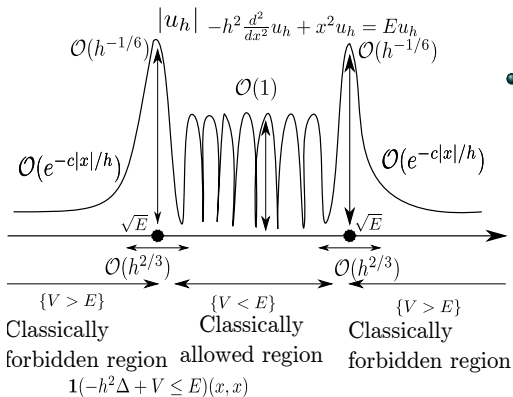
Hope : bounds of the form

$$\forall q \geq 2, \quad \|u_h\|_{L^q(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim \log(1/h)^{-t} h^{-s} \|u_h\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^d)}$$
$$\|\rho_h\|_{L^{q/2}(\mathbb{R}^d)} = \left\| \sum_{1 \leq j \leq N} |u_h^j|^2 \right\|_{L^{q/2}(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim \log(1/h)^{-2t} h^{-2s} N^{1/\alpha}.$$



Have the smallest $s, t \in [0, +\infty]$ and the biggest $\alpha \in [0, +\infty]$.

Back to the 1d harmonic oscillator.

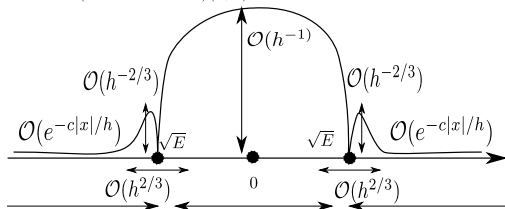


- **Concentration** for an individual eigenfunction

$$\|u_h\|_{L^q(|x|^2 - E \leq h^{2/3})} \lesssim h^{-s(q)} \|u\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}$$

with

$$s(q) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 2 \leq q \leq 4, \\ \frac{1}{6} - \frac{2}{3q} & \text{if } q \geq 4. \end{cases}$$



- **Delocalization** for the spectral projector :

$$\|\rho_h\|_{L^{q/2}(\mathbb{R})} \lesssim h^{-1} \quad \forall q \geq 2.$$

Review of the results.



Outline	Compact manifolds (without potential)	Euclidian space $\mathbb{R}^d$ (with confining potentials)
One body	Sogge (1986) Q A lot of improvements	Koch-Tataru (2005) : harmonic oscillator Koch-Tataru-Zworski (2007) Q
Many-body	Frank-Sabin (2017) SC	Nguyen (2022) Q SC

Notations:

- $p(x, \xi) = |\xi|^2 + V(x)$, $P_h = -h^2 \Delta + V$,
- Energy $E \in \mathbb{R}$,
- Spectral projector $\Pi_h := \mathbb{1}(P_h \in [E - h, E + h])$.

Our hypothesis: Potential $V \in \mathcal{C}^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathbb{R})$ with polynomial growth.

Where?

- ▷ For u_h a **quasimode** of P_h : $(P_h - E)u_h = \mathcal{O}_{L^2}(h)$.
- ▷ In a **spectral cluster** of P_h : linear combinations of P_h 's' eigenfunctions associated with eigenvalues in an intervals of length $\sim h$.

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Examples:

- if $\gamma \geq 0$, $\|\gamma\|_{\mathfrak{S}^1} = \text{tr}_{L^2}(\gamma)$
- $\|\cdot\|_{\mathfrak{S}^2} =$ Hilbert-Schmidt norm
- $\|\gamma\|_{\mathfrak{S}^\infty} = \|\gamma\|_{L^2 \rightarrow L^2}$.



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More precisely:

- In the **classically forbidden region**

$$\|\rho \Pi_h \gamma \Pi_h\|_{L^{q/2}(x \in \mathbb{R}^d: V(x) - E > \varepsilon)} = \mathcal{O}(h^\infty) \|\gamma\|_{\mathfrak{S}^\infty}.$$

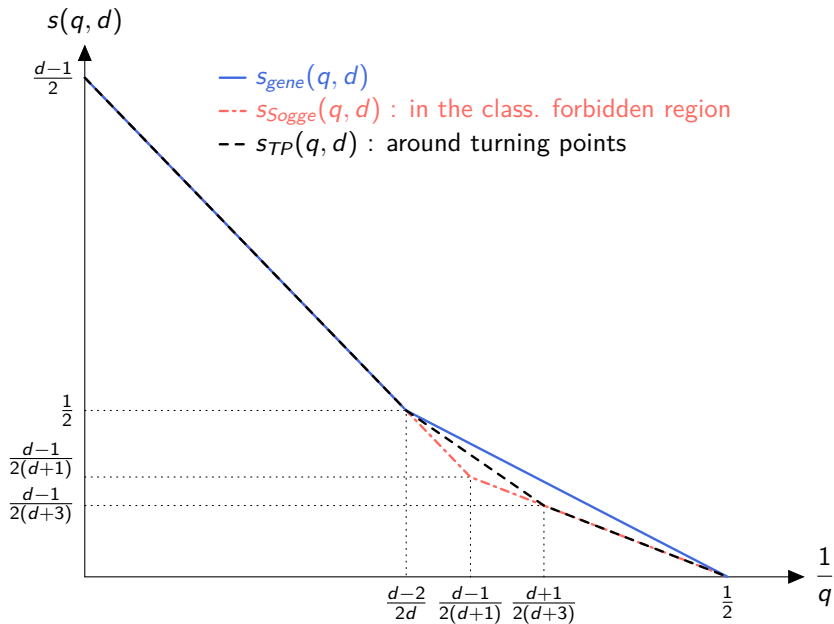
- In the **classically allowed region**

$$\|\rho \Pi_h \gamma \Pi_h\|_{L^{q/2}(x \in \mathbb{R}^d: V(x) - E < -\varepsilon)} \lesssim h^{-2s_{\text{Sogge}}(q,d)} \|\gamma\|_{\mathfrak{S}^{\alpha_{\text{Sogge}}(q,d)}}.$$

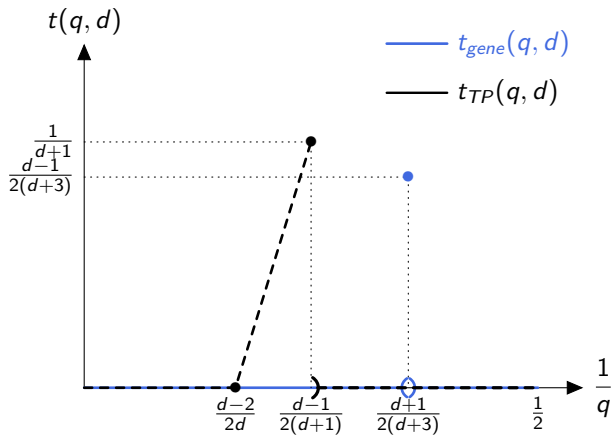
- Near the **turning points**: if $V(x) = E \implies \nabla_x V(x) \neq 0$

$$\|\rho \Pi_h \gamma \Pi_h\|_{L^{q/2}(x \in \mathbb{R}^d: |V(x) - E| < \varepsilon)} \lesssim h^{-2s_{\text{TP}}(q,d)} \log(1/h)^{2t_{\text{TP}}(q,d)} \|\gamma\|_{\mathfrak{S}^{\alpha_{\text{TP}}}}.$$

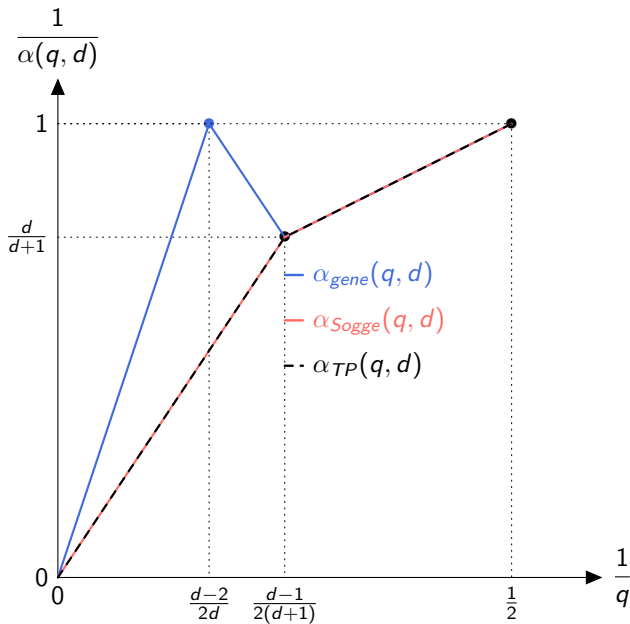




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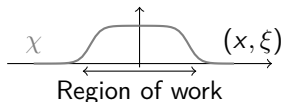
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Main steps of the proof

(cond) = **(ellip)**, **(gene)**, **(Sogge)** or **(TP)** for $p_E(x, \xi) = |\xi|^2 + V(x) - E$.

✂ Cut the phase space $\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d$ into several regions by **microlocalization**.



1 **Microlocalized estimates:** 

for (x_0, ξ_0) satisfying **(cond)** and $\chi \in \mathcal{C}_c^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^d)$ supported in its neighborhood

$$\|\rho_{\chi^w} \gamma \chi^w\|_{L^{q/2}(\mathbb{R}^d)} \lesssim h^{-2s_{\text{cond}}(q,d)} \left(\|\gamma\|_{\mathfrak{S}^{\alpha_{\text{cond}}(q,d)}} + \frac{1}{h^2} \|(P_h - E)\gamma(P_h - E)\|_{\mathfrak{S}^{\alpha_{\text{cond}}(q,d)}} \right)$$

2 Deduce with **localization in space:**

$\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ and χ s.t. each point of $(\Omega \times \mathbb{R}^d) \cap \text{supp } \chi$ satisfies **(cond)**

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3 Application to spectral clusters.

$$\Pi_h = \chi^w + \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{S}' \rightarrow \mathcal{S}}(h^\infty).$$

Theorem (Microlocalized estimates)

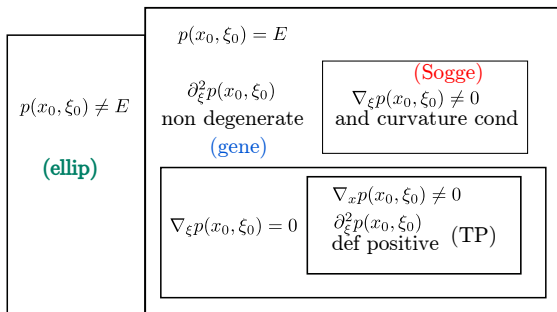
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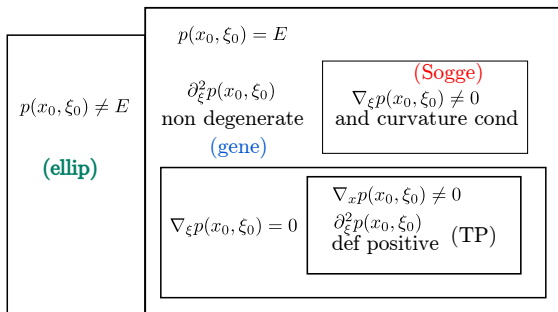
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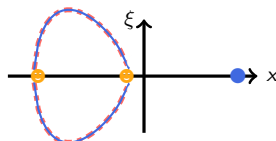
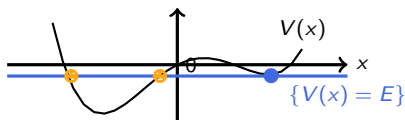
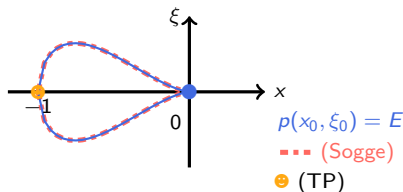
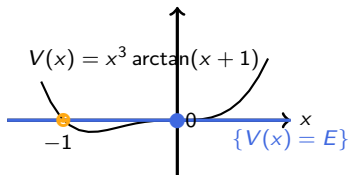
Crucial ingredient: **Strichartz estimates.**

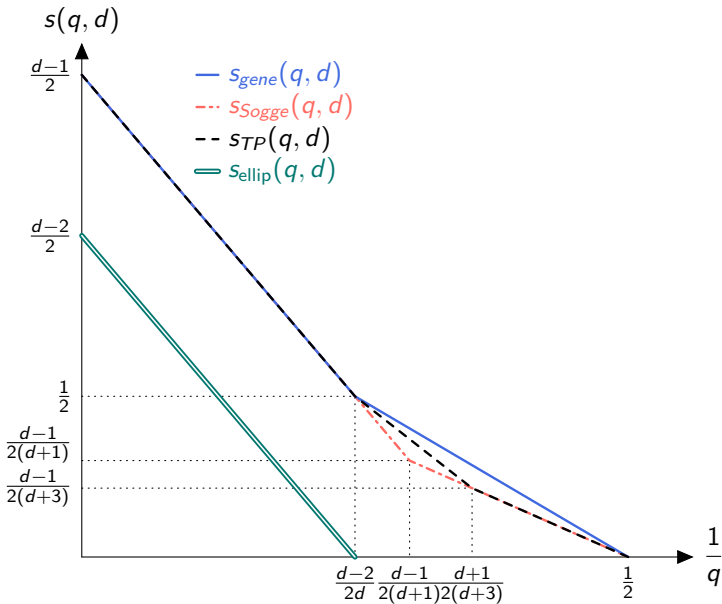


(gene) $p(x_0, \xi_0) = E$ and $\partial_\xi^2 p(x_0, \xi_0)$
non degenerate:
 $|\xi_0|^2 + V(x_0) = E$.

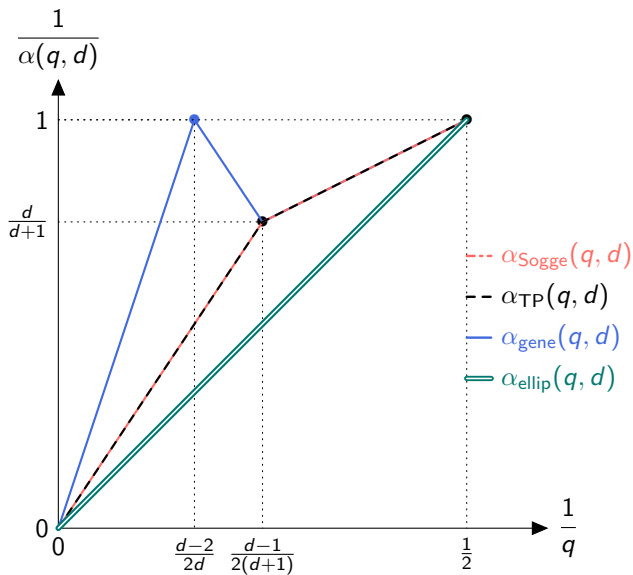
(Sogge) $p(x_0, \xi_0) = E \implies$
 $\nabla_\xi p(x_0, \xi_0) \neq 0$ + locally curva-
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(TP) $p(x_0, \xi_0) = E$, $\nabla_\xi p(x_0, \xi_0) = 0$, $\nabla_x p(x_0, \xi_0) \neq 0$ and $\partial_\xi^2 p(x_0, \xi_0)$ pos. def.:
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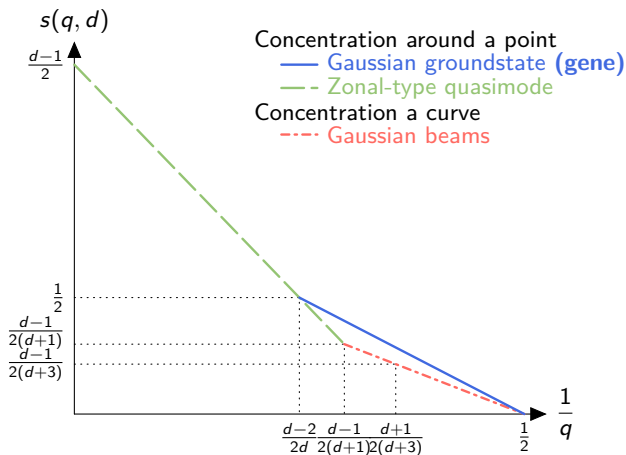
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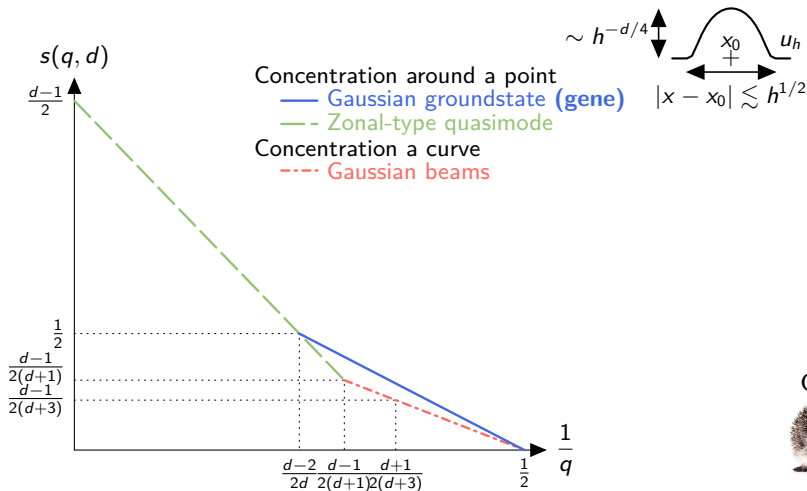


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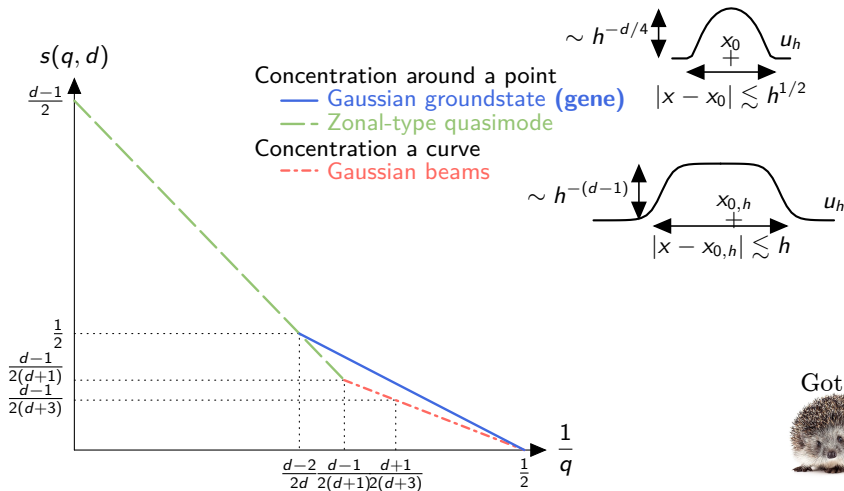


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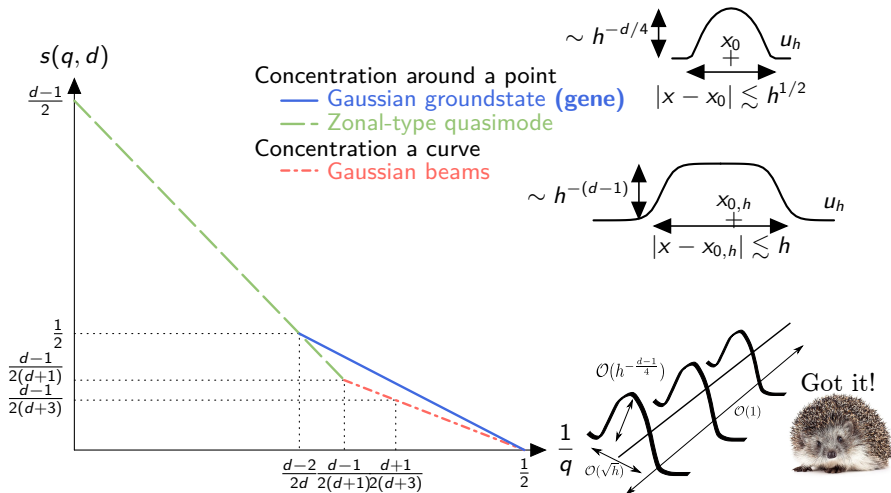


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Optimality of **(Sogge)** with γ_h the spectral projector.

Lemma (In the class. allowed region)

Let $E > \min V$ such that for any λ in a compact neighborhood of E

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} |\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : |V(x) - \lambda| \leq \varepsilon\}| = 0.$$

Then, there exist $\{E_{h_n}\}_{n \rightarrow \infty}$ in a compact neighborhood of E on $(\min V, \infty)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\forall 2 \leq q \leq \infty \quad \|\rho_{\Pi_{h_n}}\|_{L^{q/2}(\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : V(x) \leq E_{h_n} - \varepsilon\})} \gtrsim h_n^{-(d-1)}.$$



Have the optimality for **(gene)** and **(TP)**.

Thank you very much for your attention! ☀

