

# Convergence of Petviashvili's Iteration Method

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# Scalar, 1-D Wave Equation with Power Nonlinearity

$$u_t - (\mathcal{L} u)_x + pu^{p-1}u_x = 0, \quad (1.1)$$

- $u : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}_+ \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ,  $p > 1$
- $\mathcal{L}$ : linear, self-adjoint ( $\langle u, \mathcal{L} v \rangle = \langle \mathcal{L} u, v \rangle$ ), positive ( $\langle u, \mathcal{L} u \rangle \geq 0$ ) pseudodifferential operator in  $x$  of order  $m$ .
- $\langle f, g \rangle = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \bar{f}(x)g(x)dx$
- Fourier:  $u(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \hat{u}(k)e^{ikx} dk$ ,  $\hat{u}(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} u(x)e^{-ikx} dx$

Stationary bound state solution  $u(x, t) = \Phi(x - ct)$  leads to boundary value problem ( $\int [-c\Phi_x - (\mathcal{L}\Phi)_x + p\Phi^{p-1}\Phi_x] dx$ )

$$(1.3) \begin{cases} c\Phi + \mathcal{L}\Phi = \Phi^p \\ \lim_{|x| \rightarrow \infty} \Phi(x) = 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{or (1.5) } [c + v(k)] \widehat{\Phi}(k) = \widehat{\Phi}^p(k),$$

$v(k) \geq 0$  an  $m^{\text{th}}$  order polynomial in  $|k|$

# Assumption, Solution Space, Iteration

## Assumption 1.1

$p > 1$ ,  $v(k) \geq 0$ ,  $c > 0$ .  $\exists$  real analytical solution to 1 in  
 $X = L^2(\mathbb{R}) \cap L^{p+1}(\mathbb{R}) \cap H^{m/2}(\mathbb{R})$

Approximate  $\widehat{\Phi}$  through  $\widehat{u}_{n+1}(k) = \frac{\widehat{u}_n^p(k)}{c+v(k)} \longrightarrow$  **usually divergent !**

### Petviashvili Iteration

Well defined with  
 assumption 1.1 !

$$\widehat{u}_{n+1}(k) = M_n^\gamma \frac{\widehat{u}_n^p(k)}{c+v(k)} \quad (1.8)$$

$$M_n = \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [c+v(k)][\widehat{u}_n(k)]^2 dk}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{u}_n(k) \widehat{u}_n^p(k) dk} \quad (1.9)$$

**Lemma 1.2:** Fix points for (1.8), (1.9) correspond to bound states  $\widehat{\Phi}(k)$  of (1.5) for  $\gamma \neq 1 + 2n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

## Spectrum, Assumption 2.1

Define Operator to (1.1):  $\mathcal{H} = c + \mathcal{L} - p\Phi^{p-1}(x)$  (1.10)

- selfadj. in  $L^2(\mathbb{R}) \rightarrow$  real eigenval., orth. spectr. decomp.
- Null space contains at least  $\Phi'(x)$ .
- cont. spectrum positive, bounded away from zero (ass. 1.1)
- negative spectrum not empty

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H}\Phi &= (1-p)\Phi^p \\ \langle \mathcal{H}\Phi, \Phi \rangle &= -(p-1)\langle \Phi^p, \Phi \rangle = -\frac{p-1}{2\pi} \langle \widehat{\Phi}, \widehat{\Phi^p} \rangle \\ &= -\frac{p-1}{2\pi} \langle [c + v(\cdot)]\widehat{\Phi}, \widehat{\Phi} \rangle < 0 \end{aligned}$$

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Assumption 2.1 on Spectrum of  $\mathcal{H}$ :

- $\sigma_{L^2}^{\text{discr}}(\mathcal{H})$  for eigenvalues  $< c$
- $\sigma_{L^2}^{\text{cont}}(\mathcal{H})$  for eigenvalues  $\geq c$
- Nullspace is one-dimensional
- dim. neg. space  $n(\mathcal{H}) \geq 1$

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# Convergence Theorem

## Theorem 2.8

Let  $\hat{\Phi}(k)$  solution to (1.5), assumptions 1.1 and 2.1. Petviashvili Iteration (1.8), (1.9) converges to  $\hat{\Phi}(k)$  in (small) neighbourhood of  $\hat{\Phi}(k)$  if:

1.  $1 < \gamma < \frac{p+1}{p-1}$
2.  $n(\mathcal{H}) = 1$
3. Either  $\Phi^{p-1}(x) \geq 0$  or  $\lambda_{\max}((c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H}) < 2$  (ass. 2.7)

"If any of the conditions are not met, the Petviashvili iteration diverges from  $\hat{\Phi}(k)$ ".

# Fréchet Derivative, Contraction Principle

## Fréchet Derivative

$\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{C}$  Banach spaces,  $D \subset \mathcal{B}$  open, mapping  $A : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ .  $A$  is Fréchet differentiable in  $g \in D$  if  $\exists$  linear operator  $L : \mathcal{B} \rightarrow \mathcal{C}$ , such that

$$\lim_{\|h\| \rightarrow 0} \frac{\|A(g+h) - Ag - Lh\|}{\|h\|} = 0$$

## Fixed Point Theorem ([HP], Lemma 4.4.8)

Let  $\mathcal{B}$  a Banach space,  $D \subset \mathcal{B}$  open, assume that  $A : D \rightarrow \mathcal{B}$  has fixed point  $\bar{f} \in D$ , and let  $A$  Fréchet diff. in  $\bar{f}$  ( $A'(\bar{f})$ ).

$\forall 0 < \varepsilon < 1 - \|A'(\bar{f})\| \exists S(\bar{f}, \delta)$  open such that if  $f_0 \in S(\bar{f}, \delta)$ :

- The iterates  $f_n := Af_{n-1} \in S(\bar{f}, \delta)$
- $\lim f_n = \bar{f}$
- $\|f_n - \bar{f}\| \leq (\|A'(f)\| + \varepsilon)^n \|f_0 - \bar{f}\|$

## Proof of Convergence

Let  $A$  the iteration operator (1.8), (1.9):  $\hat{u}_{n+1} = A(\hat{u}_n)$  in  $X(\mathbb{R})$ .

1.  $A'(\hat{u}_n)$  continuous in  $S(\hat{\Phi}, \delta_c)$  (proof: [PS], Proposition 3.4 and additional calculation)
2.  $\|A'(\hat{\Phi})\| < 1$ , i.e. spectral radius of  $A'(\hat{\Phi})$  is  $< 1$ .

By Continuity of  $A'(\hat{\Phi})$ , we have  $\forall 0 < \varepsilon < 1 - \|A'(\hat{\Phi})\|$   
 $\exists S(\hat{\Phi}, \delta(\varepsilon)) \subset X(\mathbb{R})$  such that  $q = \sup_{\hat{u}_n \in S} \|A'(\hat{u}_n)\| < 1$ .

By [HP], Lemma 4.4.7:  $\forall \hat{f}, \hat{g} \in S: \|A(\hat{f}) - A(\hat{g})\| \leq q\|\hat{f} - \hat{g}\|$ .  
 The contraction mapping theorem ([HP] theorem 4.3.4) assures that  $A(\hat{u}_n)$  has **unique**, asymptotically stable fixed point in  $S(\hat{\Phi}, \delta)$ . By the fixed Point theorem we get that

$$\|\hat{u}_n - \hat{\Phi}\| \leq \left(\|A'(\hat{\Phi})\| + \varepsilon\right)^n \|\hat{u}_0 - \hat{\Phi}\|.$$

q.e.d. theorem 2.8

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## Proposition 3.1

**Proposition 3.1**  $A'(\widehat{\Phi})$  (i.e. Operator (1.8), (1.9) linearized at  $\widehat{\Phi}(k)$ ) has spectral radius smaller than one ( $\|A'(\widehat{\Phi})\| < 1$ ), if

- $1 < \gamma < \frac{p+1}{p-1}$
- $n(\mathcal{H}) = 1$
- assumptions 2.1 and 2.7 are met.

**Proof:** Define  $\widehat{u}_0(k) := \widehat{\Phi}(k) + \widehat{w}_0(k)$ ,  $\widehat{w}_0(k)$  small and  $\langle \Phi', w_0 \rangle = 0$ . Generate  $\widehat{w}_n(k) = \widehat{u}_n(k) - \widehat{\Phi}(k)$  by linearized operators:

$$\widehat{w}_{n+1}(k) = \gamma m_n \widehat{\Phi}(k) + p \frac{\widehat{\Phi}^{p-1} \star \widehat{w}_n(k)}{c + v(k)} \quad (3.1)$$

$$m_n = (1-p) \frac{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{\Phi}^p(k) \widehat{w}_n(k) dk}{\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \widehat{\Phi}^p(k) \widehat{\Phi}(k) dk} = M_n - 1 \quad (3.2)$$

proof: calculation, done in handout.

# I Proof of Proposition 3.1

Define space  $X_p := \{U \in L^2 : \langle \Phi^p, U \rangle = 0\}$ .

We decompose  $\widehat{w}_n(k) = \widehat{u}_n(k) - \widehat{\Phi}(k)$  into

$$w_n = a_n \Phi(x) + q_n(x) \quad , \quad q_n(x) \in X_p \quad (3.3)$$

Immediately (3.2, 3.3):  $m_n = (1 - p)a_n$  and by short calculations (see handout):

$$m_{n+1} = [p - \gamma(p - 1)]m_n \quad (3.4)$$

$$q_{n+1}(x) = q_n(x) - (c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H} q_n(x) \quad (3.5)$$

Want to prove that  $w_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$  to conclude that spectral radius of (3.1), (3.2) less than 1.

(1)  $m_n \rightarrow 0$  if  $1 < \gamma < \frac{p+1}{p-1}$ . Superlinear:  $\gamma = \frac{p}{p-1}$ .

## II Proof of Proposition 3.1

(2)  $q_n \rightarrow 0$ :

Decompose  $q_n$  into EF of  $(c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H}$  (see later) in  $X_p$ . We need two Lemmata (proven later):

### Lemma 2.4

$\sigma((c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H})$  in  $X_p(\mathbb{R})$  has  $n(\mathcal{H}) - 1$  negative EV.

### Lemma 2.5

Positive spectrum of  $(c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H}$  in  $X_p(\mathbb{R})$ :

1. Infinitely many discrete EV.  $0 < \lambda < 1$  (accumulating to  $1^-$ ).
2. If  $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}: \Phi^{p-1}(x) \geq 0$ : no EV.  $> 1$ .
3. If  $\exists x_0 \in \mathbb{R}: \Phi^{p-1}(x_0) < 0$ , we also have infinitely many discrete EV. in  $1 < \lambda < \lambda_{\max}$  (accumulating to  $1^+$ ), and  $\lambda_{\max} < 1 + \frac{p}{c} \mid \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \Phi^{p-1}(x) \mid < \infty$ .

### III Proof of Proposition 3.1

We had  $q_{n+1}(x) = q_n(x) - (c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H} q_n(x)$  (3.5)

$\Phi'$  is EF of  $(c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H}$  to EV 0, but  $\langle \Phi', q_0 \rangle = 0$  ( $\langle w_0, \Phi' \rangle = 0$ , use  $\langle \Phi, \Phi' \rangle = 0$ ) implies  $\langle \Phi', q_n \rangle = 0$  by induction (use 3.5).

$$q_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^{n(\mathcal{H})-1} \alpha_k^{(n)} U_k(x) + \sum_{0 < \lambda_k < 1} \beta_k^{(n)} U_k(x) + \sum_{1 < \lambda_k \leq \lambda_{\max}} \gamma_k^{(n)} U_k(x) \quad (3.6)$$

$$\alpha_k^{(n+1)} = (1 + |\lambda_k|) \alpha_k^{(n)} \quad \lambda_k < 0 \quad (3.7)$$

$$\beta_k^{(n+1)} = (1 - \lambda_k) \beta_k^{(n)} \quad 0 < \lambda_k < 1 \quad (3.8)$$

$$\gamma_k^{(n+1)} = (1 - \lambda_k) \gamma_k^{(n)} \quad 1 < \lambda_k \leq \lambda_{\max} \quad (3.9)$$

For (max. linear !) convergence to 0 we need  $n(\mathcal{H}) = 1$  and assumption 2.7.



## IV Proof of Proposition 3.1

**Remark:** Add  $\sum_{\lambda_j=0} \delta_j^{(n)} U_0^j(x)$  to  $q_n$ :

- If  $w_0$  not orthogonal to  $\Phi'$   $\longrightarrow$  Iteration of  $w_n$  converges to  $c_0 \Phi'$ . translation in  $x$  of  $\Phi(x)$  to  $\Phi(x + c_0)$ , since we have linearized operator (first order correction !).
- $\text{Ker}(\mathcal{H}) > 1$ , non-orthogonal  $w_0$ : Not necessarily convergence to  $\Phi'$ , bifurcation. We need assumption 2.1.

q.e.d Proposition 3.1

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# Preliminaries

## Orthogonal Basis

$(c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H}$  in  $L^2$ :  $\mathcal{H}$  selfadjoint,  $(c + \mathcal{L})$  positive  $\longrightarrow$  EF of generalized EVP (2.4)  $\mathcal{H}U = \lambda(c + \mathcal{L})U$  form an orthogonal basis of  $L^2$ .

## Lagrange Multipliers

Analysis II: Extremum of function  $f(x, y)$  under constraint  $\phi(x, y) = 0$  computed through 3 equations:

$$\phi(x, y) = 0 \quad \nabla [f(x, y) + \lambda\phi(x, y)] = 0$$

Generalize to infinite dimensions: looking for extremum of  $F[\psi]$  under constraint  $C[\psi] = 0$ :

$$C[\psi] = 0 \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta\psi} (F[\psi] + \nu C[\psi]) = 0$$

## Lemma 2.3

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The negative space of  $\mathcal{H}$  in  $X_p(\mathbb{R})$  has dimension  $n(\mathcal{H}) - 1$ .

#### Proof:

Need to find solutions  $(\mu, \psi)$  to  $(\mathcal{H} - \mu)\psi = 0$  under constraint that  $\langle \Phi^P, \psi \rangle = 0$ . Use Lagrange Multiplier  $\nu$  to get

$$\langle \Phi^P, \psi \rangle = 0 \quad \frac{\delta}{\delta \psi} \left( \frac{1}{2} \langle (\mathcal{H} - \mu)\psi, \psi \rangle + \nu \langle \Phi^P, \psi \rangle \right) = 0$$

$$\text{in other words: } \langle \Phi^P, \psi \rangle = 0 \quad \mathcal{H}\psi = \mu\psi - \nu\Phi^P(x) \quad (2.7)$$

Decompose  $\psi$  with  $L^2$  EV-EF pairs  $(\mu_k, u_k)$ ,  $\mu \notin \sigma_{X_p}(\mathcal{H})$ :

$$\psi(x) = \nu \left[ \sum_{\mu_k < 0} \frac{\langle u_k, \Phi^P \rangle}{\mu - \mu_k} u_k(x) + \sum_{\mu_k > 0} \frac{\langle u_k, \Phi^P \rangle}{\mu - \mu_k} u_k(x) \right] \quad (2.8)$$

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1.  $u_k \in X_p$ :  $\mu_k$  is eigenvalue of  $\mathcal{H}$  over  $X_p$ .
2.  $u_k \notin X_p$ : Still need to fulfill constraint equation:

$$F(\mu) = \frac{1}{\nu} \langle \Phi^p, \psi \rangle = \sum_{\mu_k < 0} \frac{|\langle \Phi^p, u_k \rangle|^2}{\mu - \mu_k} + \sum_{\mu_k > 0} \frac{|\langle \Phi^p, u_k \rangle|^2}{\mu - \mu_k} \stackrel{!}{=} 0 \quad (2.9)$$

$$n_{X_p}(\mathcal{H}) = \#(1) + \#(2).$$

Discussion of (2.9):

- Mon. decr. for  $\mu \leq 0$  and  $\mu \neq \mu_k$ , cont. in  $(\mu_{k-1}, \mu_k)$ .
- Eigenvalues  $\mu_k$  of (1):  $F$  continuous at  $\mu = \mu_k$ .
- $F \xrightarrow{\mu \rightarrow -\infty} 0^-$
- $F(0) = -\langle \Phi^p, \mathcal{H}^{-1} \Phi^p \rangle = \frac{1}{p-1} \langle \Phi^p, \Phi \rangle > 0$
- $\pm\infty$  at  $\mu = \mu_k$  for  $u_k \notin X_p$ .

Have  $\#(2) = \# \text{poles} - 1$ . Get  $n(\mathcal{H}) - 1$  negative EV over  $X_p$ .

**q.e.d. Lemma 2.3**

## Lemma 2.4

### Lemma 2.4

The spectrum of  $(c + \mathcal{L})^{-1} \mathcal{H}$  in  $X_p(\mathbb{R})$  has  $n(\mathcal{H}) - 1$  negative eigenvalues  $\lambda$ .

### Proof:

$n(\mathcal{H}) =$  dimension of negative space of quadratic form  $\langle U, \mathcal{H} U \rangle \equiv n(\langle U, \mathcal{H} U \rangle)$ ,  $U \in X_p(\mathbb{R})$ .

By generalized inertial theorem  $n(\langle U, \mathcal{H} U \rangle)$  is the same in any orth. basis of  $X_p$  diagonalizing  $\langle U, \mathcal{H} U \rangle$  wrt. positively weighted inner product:

- Orth. (wrt.  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ ) basis through  $\psi(x)$  as defined in (2.8).
- Orth. (wrt.  $\langle (c + \mathcal{L}) \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ ) basis out of generalized EVP (2.4).

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### Proof (bounds only):

Continuity / Discreteness of spectrum out of spectral theory.

Rewrite (2.4) as

$$(c + \mathcal{L})U - \frac{p}{1 - \lambda} \Phi^{p-1}(x)U = 0 \quad (2.12)$$

$$(c + \mathcal{L})U - \frac{\rho}{1-\lambda} \Phi^{p-1}(x)U = 0 \quad (2.12)$$

Multiply (2.12) by  $U$  and integrate:

$$\lambda = 1 - \rho \frac{\langle U, \Phi^{p-1}U \rangle}{\langle U, (c + \mathcal{L})U \rangle} \quad (2.13)$$

1.  $\forall x \Phi^{p-1}(x) \geq 0 \longrightarrow \lambda < 1.$
2.  $\exists x_0 : \Phi^{p-1}(x_0) < 0:$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda &= 1 - \rho \frac{\langle U, \Phi^{p-1}U \rangle}{\langle U, (c + \mathcal{L})U \rangle} < 1 + \rho \frac{\left| \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \Phi^{p-1}(x) \right| \langle U, U \rangle}{\langle U, (c + \mathcal{L})U \rangle} \\ &< 1 + \rho \frac{\left| \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \Phi^{p-1}(x) \right| \langle U, U \rangle}{c \langle U, U \rangle} = 1 + \frac{\rho}{c} \left| \min_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \Phi^{p-1}(x) \right| \end{aligned}$$

**q.e.d. Lemma 2.5**



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## Main Theorem 2.8

Let  $\hat{\Phi}(k)$  solution to (1.5), assumptions 1.1 (solution space) and 2.1 (Nullspace, bifurcation).

Petviashvili Iteration (1.8), (1.9) converges to  $\hat{\Phi}(k)$  in (small) neighbourhood (Continuity of linearized operator, Fixed Point Theorem) of  $\hat{\Phi}(k)$  if:

1.  $1 < \gamma < \frac{p+1}{p-1}$  (Proposition 3.1, convergence of  $m_n$ )
2.  $n(\mathcal{H}) = 1$  (Proposition 3.1, convergence of  $q_n$ )
3. assumption 2.7 is met. (Proposition 3.1, convergence of  $q_n$ )

"If any of the conditions are not met, the Petviashvili iteration diverges from  $\hat{\Phi}(k)$ ". (Bifurcation)

**Remark:** Generalization to more dimensions possible !

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