Stability of Nozaki-Bekki holes near the nonlinear Schrödinger limit Björn Sandstede



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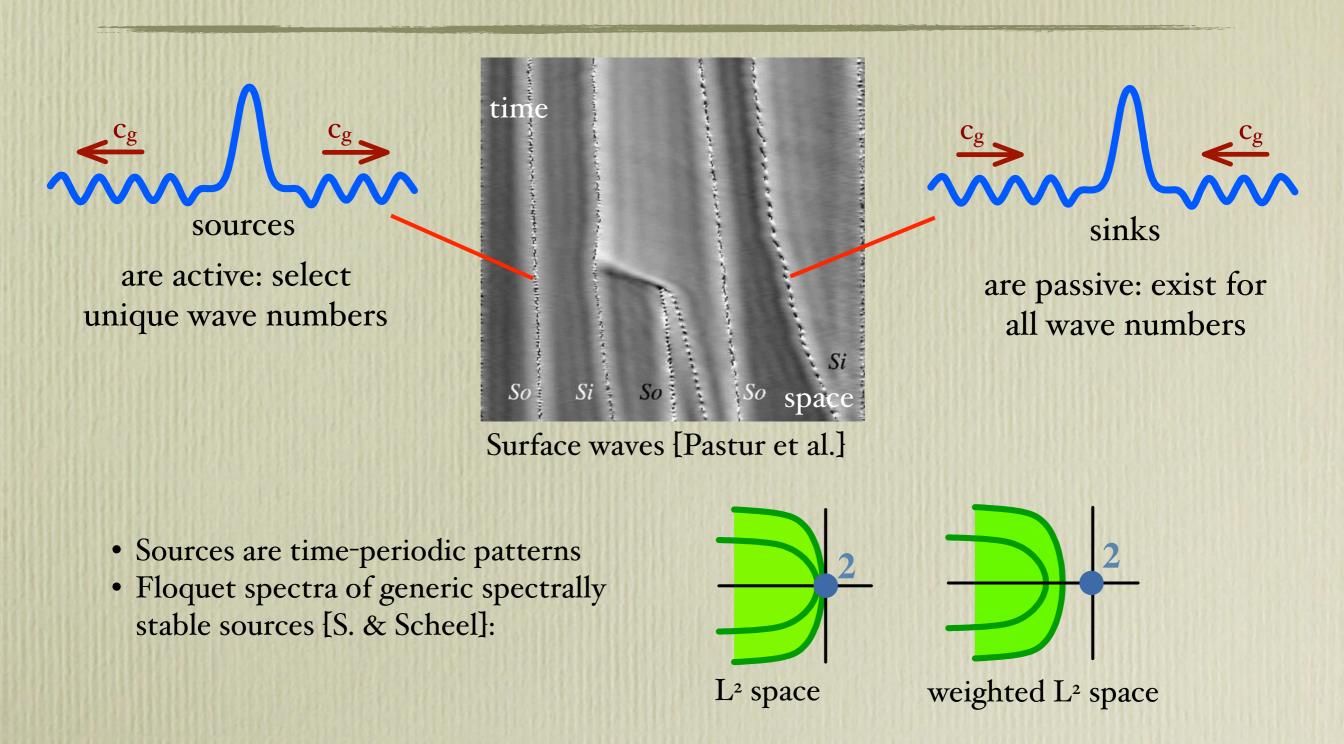


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Sources in experiments



Spectral stability implies nonlinear stability [Beck, Nguyen, S., Zumbrun]

Nozaki-Bekki holes

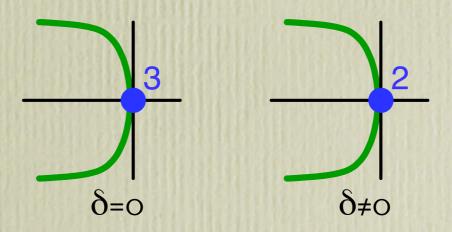
• Complex cubic-quintic Ginzburg-Landau equation:

$$iA_t = (1 + ia)A_{xx} + (\omega + i\mu)A - (1 + i\gamma)|A|^2A - (\delta_1 - i\delta_2)|A|^4A$$

- Nozaki-Bekki holes:
 - temporal frequency is ω
 - explicit one-parameter family of sources for fixed parameter values (α, γ, μ) with δ =0, parametrized by wave speed: not generic! [Doelman]
 - standing holes persist for $\delta \neq 0$
- Profiles:

$$A(x) = r(x)e^{i\varphi(x)}$$
 $r(x) \to \pm r_{\infty}$, $\varphi'(x) \to \pm \kappa$ as $x \to \pm \infty$

• Expected spectra:



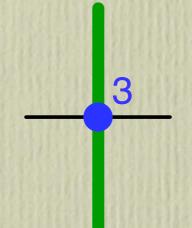
Dark solitons for nonlinear Schrödinger equation

Nonlinear Schrödinger equation:

$$iA_t = A_{xx} + \omega A - |A|^2 A$$

Dark solitons: explicit one-parameter family of solitons, parametrized by ω

Spectra:



Evans function $E(\lambda)$: multiplicity of $\lambda=0$ is Evans function E(λ): multiplicity of 2 for even eigenfunctions, and 1 for odd eigenfunctions

Plan: attempt perturbation analysis near this limit and trace roots of Evans functions!

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$$(\alpha, \gamma, \mu, \delta) := O(\varepsilon) \text{ for } o < \varepsilon < \varepsilon$$

[Lega & Fauve], [Kapitula & Rubin]

Example 1: heat equation with potential

• Heat equation with localized potential:

$$u_t = u_{xx} - u + V(x)u$$

• Asymptotic eigenvalue problem:

$$\lambda u = u_{xx} - u$$

Need to construct solutions of the form

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 as $x \to \mp \infty$ for $\lambda > 0$

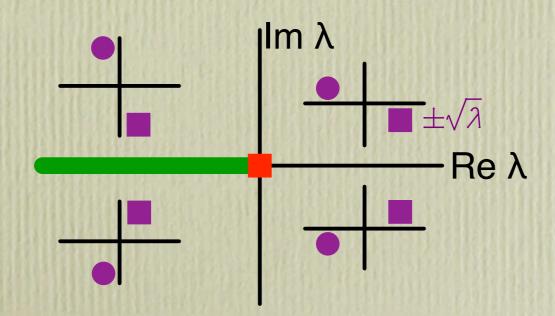
• $E(\lambda)$ = Wronskian of these solutions:

will be analytic in λ near λ =0

$$\frac{\pm\sqrt{\lambda+1}}{-1} + \lim \lambda$$
Re λ

Example 2: heat equation with potential

- Heat equation with localized potential:
- Asymptotic eigenvalue problem:
- Need to construct solutions of the form
- $E(\lambda)$ = Wronskian of these solutions:
- Define $\lambda = \gamma^2$, then
- $E(\gamma)$ = Wronskian of these solutions:



branch point : spatial eigenvalues collide

$$u_t = u_{xx} + V(x)u$$

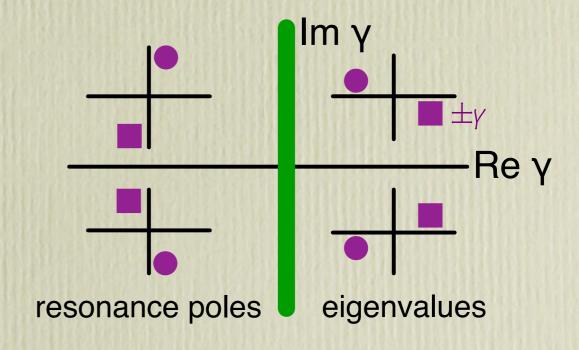
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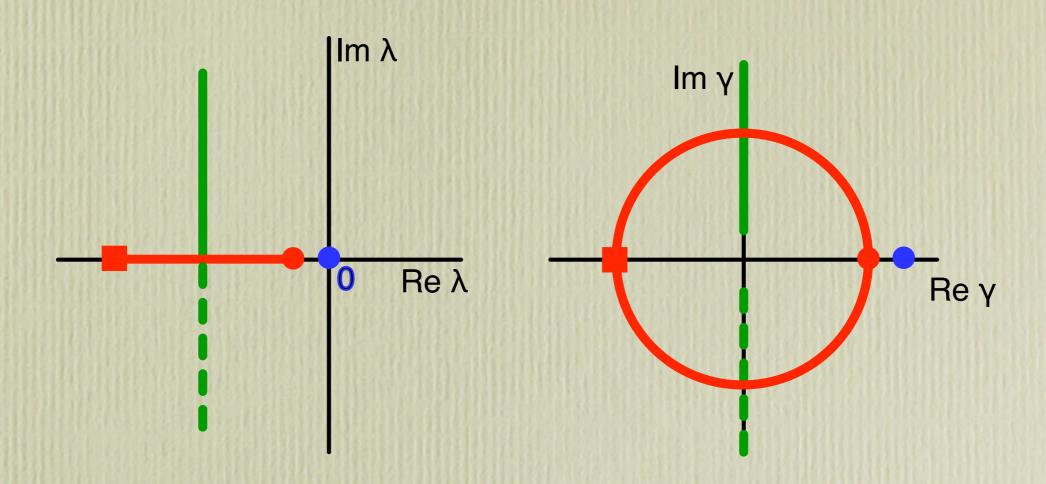
$$\text{will not be analytic in } \lambda \text{ near } \lambda = 0$$

$$u(x) \approx e^{\pm \gamma x} \text{ as } x \to \mp \infty \text{ for } \gamma > 0$$

$$\text{will be analytic in } \gamma \text{ near } \gamma = 0$$

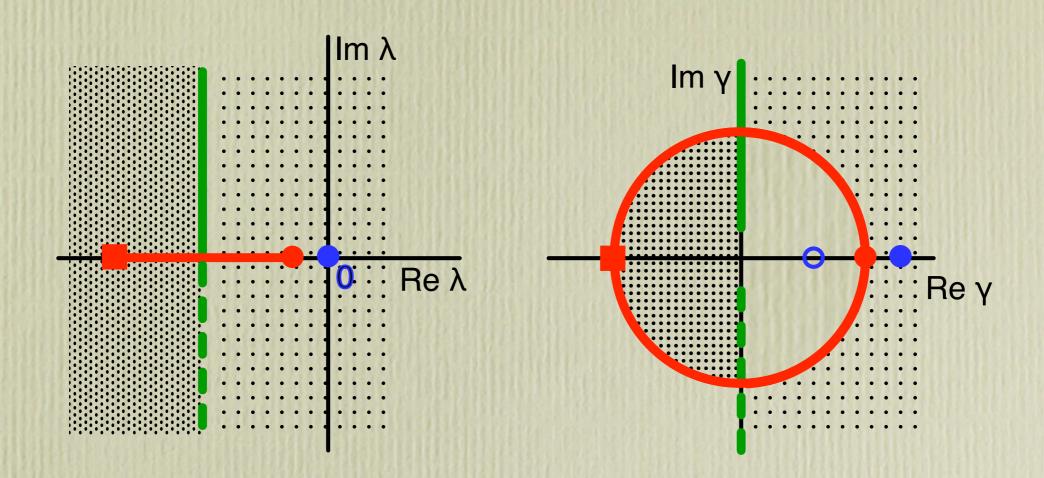


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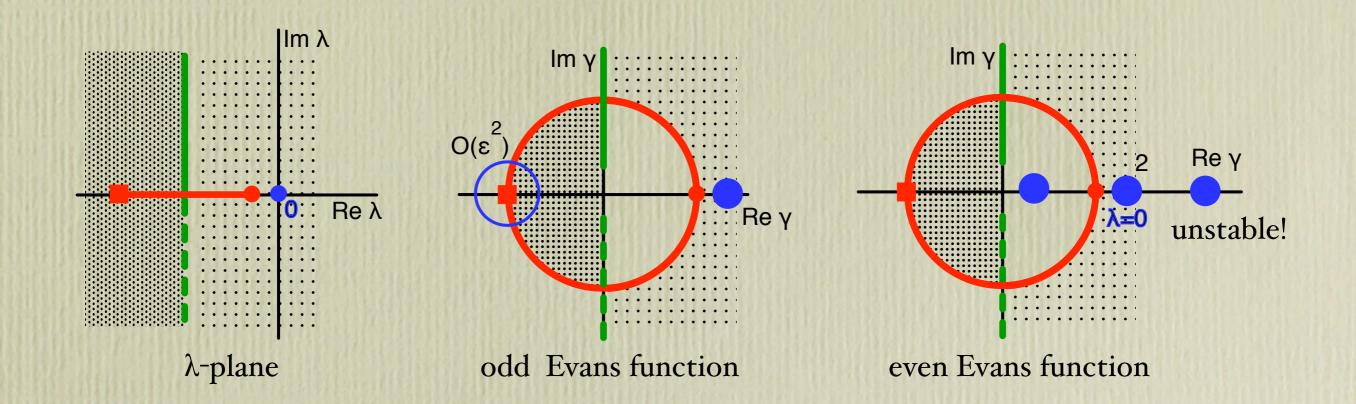
- Two branch points $O(\varepsilon^3)$ and $O(\varepsilon)$ away from $\lambda=0$
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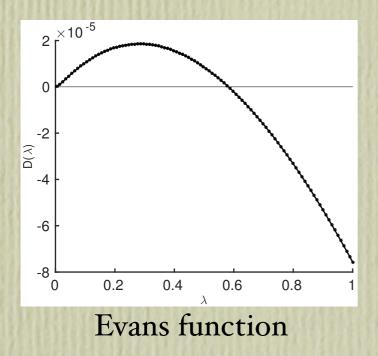
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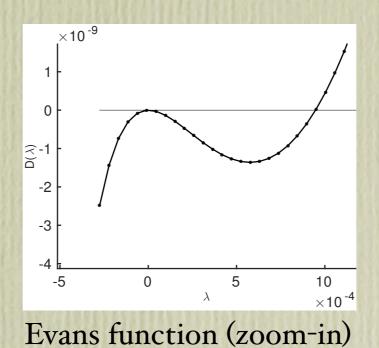


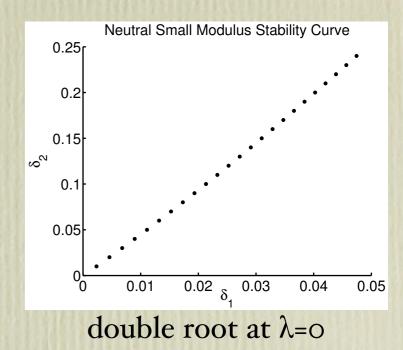
- Odd Evans function: one root at λ=0 plus one resonance pole/stable eigenvalue
- Even Evans function: two roots at λ =0 plus one unstable root and a resonance pole

Conclusion: Nozaki-Bekki holes are unstable near the NLS limit

Numerical results







Numerical computations confirm analytical results near NLS limit

Summary + Outlook

Summary:

- Proved that Nozaki-Bekki holes are unstable near NLS limit
- Provided strategy for tackling similar problems

Outlook:

• Finalize expansion of double root at $\lambda=0$ for $\delta\neq0$

Previous results:

• Numerical results: [Sakaguchi], [Chate & Manneville], [Stiller et al.], ...

• Soliton perturbation theory: [Lega & Fauve]

• Evans-function analysis: [Kapitula & Rubin]

• Survey article: [Lega]

Thank you!

