

# Minimal $k$ -partition for the $p$ -norm of the eigenvalues

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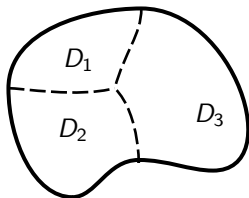


## Notation

- ▶  $\Omega \subset \mathbf{R}^2$  : bounded and connected domain
- ▶  $\lambda_1(D) < \lambda_2(D) \leq \dots$  eigenvalues of the Dirichlet-Laplacian on  $D$

- ▶  $\mathcal{D} = (D_i)_{i=1,\dots,k}$  :  $k$ -partition of  $\Omega$   
(i.e.  $D_i$  open,  $D_i \cap D_j = \emptyset$ , and  $D_i \subset \Omega$ )

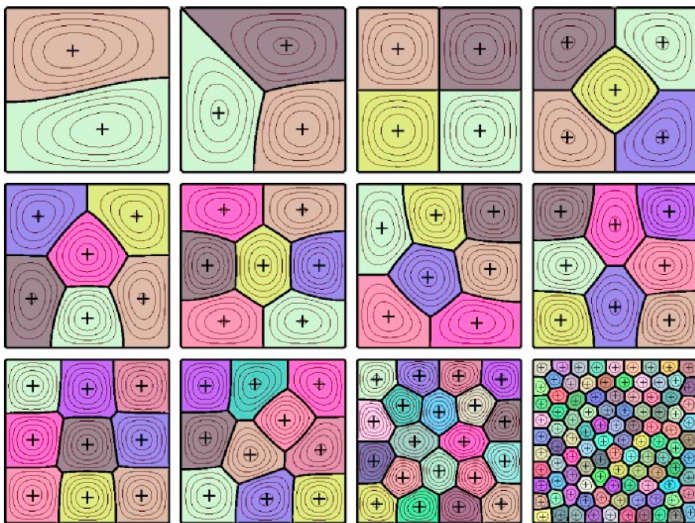
strong if  $\text{Int} \overline{D_i} \setminus \partial\Omega = D_i$  and  $(\overline{\cup D_i}) \setminus \partial\Omega = \Omega$



- ▶  $\mathfrak{D}_k(\Omega) = \{\text{strong } k\text{-partitions of } \Omega\}$

# $k$ -partitions

## Examples



# $p$ -minimal $k$ -partition

## Definitions

►  $p$ -energy

$\mathcal{D} = (D_i)_{i=1,\dots,k}$  :  $k$ -partition of  $\Omega$

$$\Lambda_{k,p}(\mathcal{D}) = \left( \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_1(D_i)^p \right)^{1/p} \quad \left| \quad \begin{array}{l} 1 \leq p < +\infty \\ p = +\infty \end{array} \right. \quad \Lambda_{k,\infty}(\mathcal{D}) = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} \lambda_1(D_i)$$

► Optimization problem: let  $1 \leq p \leq \infty$ ,

$$\mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\Omega) = \inf_{\mathcal{D} \in \mathfrak{D}_k(\Omega)} \Lambda_{k,p}(\mathcal{D})$$

► Comparison  $\forall k \geq 2, \quad \forall 1 \leq p \leq q < \infty$

$$\frac{1}{k^{1/p}} \Lambda_{k,\infty}(\mathcal{D}) \leq \Lambda_{k,p}(\mathcal{D}) \leq \Lambda_{k,q}(\mathcal{D}) \leq \Lambda_{k,\infty}(\mathcal{D})$$

$$\frac{1}{k^{1/p}} \mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty}(\Omega) \leq \mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\Omega) \leq \mathfrak{L}_{k,q}(\Omega) \leq \mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty}(\Omega)$$

►  $\mathcal{D}^*$  is called a  $p$ -minimal  $k$ -partition if  $\Lambda_{k,p}(\mathcal{D}^*) = \mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\Omega)$



## Nodal partition

Let  $u$  be an eigenfunction of  $-\Delta$  on  $\Omega$

- ▶ The **nodal domains** of  $u$  are the connected components of

$$\Omega \setminus N(u) \quad \text{with} \quad N(u) = \overline{\{x \in \Omega \mid u(x) = 0\}}$$

- ▶ **nodal partition** = {nodal domains}

### Regularity

$N(u)$  is a  $C^\infty$  curve except on some critical points  $\{x\}$

If  $x \in \Omega$ ,  $N(u)$  is locally the union of an **even** number of half-curves ending at  $x$  with equal angle

If  $x \in \partial\Omega$ ,  $N(u)$  is locally the union of half-curves ending at  $x$  with equal angle

### Theorem

*Any eigenfunction  $u$  associated with  $\lambda_k$  has **at most**  $k$  nodal domains*

[Courant]

$u$  is said **Courant-sharp** if it has **exactly**  $k$  nodal domains

For  $k \geq 1$ ,  $L_k(\Omega)$  denotes the **smallest eigenvalue** (if any) for which there exists an eigenfunction with  $k$  nodal domains

We set  $L_k(\Omega) = +\infty$  if there is no eigenfunction with  $k$  nodal domains

$$\lambda_k(\Omega) \leq L_k(\Omega)$$

# Properties

## Equipartition

### Proposition

- ▶ If  $\mathcal{D}^* = (D_i)_{1 \leq i \leq k}$  is a  $\infty$ -minimal  $k$ -partition, then  $\mathcal{D}^*$  is an *equipartition*

$$\lambda_1(D_i) = \lambda_1(D_j), \quad \text{for any } 1 \leq i, j \leq k$$

- ▶ Let  $p \geq 1$  and  $\mathcal{D}^*$  a  $p$ -minimal  $k$ -partition. If  $\mathcal{D}^*$  is an equipartition, then

$$\mathfrak{L}_{k,q}(\Omega) = \mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\Omega), \quad \text{for any } q \geq p$$

We set

$$p_\infty(\Omega, k) = \inf \{ p \geq 1, \mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\Omega) = \mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty}(\Omega) \}$$

# 2-partition

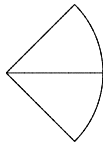
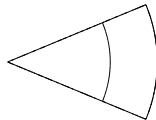
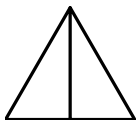
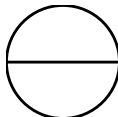
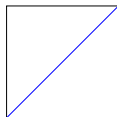
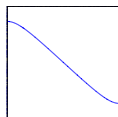
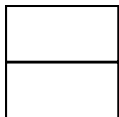
$$p = +\infty$$

## Proposition

$$\mathcal{L}_{2,\infty}(\Omega) = \lambda_2(\Omega) = L_2(\Omega)$$

The nodal partition of any eigenfunction associated with  $\lambda_2(\Omega)$  gives a  $\infty$ -minimal 2-partition

## Examples





## 2-partition

$$p = 1 - p = \infty$$

### Proposition

Let  $\mathcal{D} = (D_1, D_2)$  be a  $\infty$ -minimal 2-partition

Suppose that there exists a second eigenfunction  $\varphi_2$  of  $-\Delta$  on  $\Omega$  having  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  as nodal domains and such that

$$\int_{D_1} |\varphi_2|^2 \neq \int_{D_2} |\varphi_2|^2$$

Then

$$\mathfrak{L}_{2,1}(\Omega) < \mathfrak{L}_{2,\infty}(\Omega)$$

[Helffer–Hoffman–Ostenhof]

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### Applications

Let  $\mathcal{D} = (D_i)_{1 \leq i \leq k}$  be a  $\infty$ -minimal  $k$ -partition

Let  $D_i \sim D_j$  be a pair of neighbors. We denote

$$D_{ij} = \text{Int } \overline{D_i \cup D_j}$$

- ▶  $\lambda_2(D_{ij}) = \mathfrak{L}_{2,\infty}(\Omega)$
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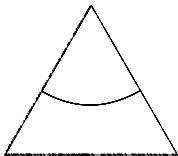
$$\mathfrak{L}_{k,1}(\Omega) < \Lambda_{k,\infty}(\mathcal{D})$$

## 2-partition

$$p = 1$$

▶  $\Omega = \square, \circ ?$

▶  $\Omega = \triangle$



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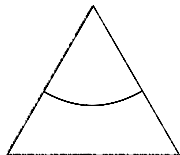
$$0.495 \simeq \int_{D_1} |\varphi_2|^2 < \int_{D_2} |\varphi_2|^2 \simeq 0.505$$

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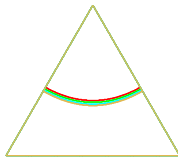
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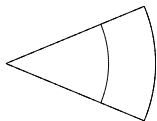
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- ▶ Angular sector with opening  $\pi/4$   
 $\varphi_2$ : symmetric eigenfunction associated with  $\lambda_2(\Omega)$



$$0.37 \simeq \int_{D_1} |\varphi_2|^2 < \int_{D_2} |\varphi_2|^2 \simeq 0.63$$

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- ▶ The inequality  $\mathfrak{L}_{2,1}(\Omega) < \mathfrak{L}_{2,\infty}(\Omega)$  is “generically” satisfied

# Lower bounds

Square, equilateral triangle, disk

$$\left( \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i(\Omega)^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\Omega)$$

Explicit eigenvalues for  $\square$ ,  $\triangle$ ,  $\circ$

$\Omega$	$\lambda_{m,n}(\Omega)$	$m, n$
$\square$	$\pi^2(m^2 + n^2)$	$m, n \geq 1$
$\triangle$	$\frac{16}{9}\pi^2(m^2 + mn + n^2)$	$m, n \geq 1$
$\circ$	$j_{m,n}^2$	$m \geq 0, n \geq 1$ (multiplicity)

## Bounds for $p = \infty$

### Theorem

$$\lambda_k(\Omega) \leq \mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty}(\Omega) \leq L_k(\Omega)$$

If  $\mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty} = L_k$  or  $\mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty} = \lambda_k$ , then  $\lambda_k(\Omega) = \mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty}(\Omega) = L_k(\Omega)$   
with a Courant sharp eigenfunction associated with  $\lambda_k(\Omega)$

[Helffer–Hoffmann–Ostenhof–Terracini]

### Theorem

► There exists  $k_0$  such that  $\lambda_k < L_k$  for  $k \geq k_0$  [Pleijel]

► Explicit upper-bound for  $k_0$  [Bérard–Helffer 16, van den Berg–Gittins 16]

# Upper bounds

Square, disk

$$\mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\Omega) \leq \Lambda_{k,\infty}(\mathcal{D}_\star)$$

Explicit upper bound for ○

$$\mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\circ) \leq \lambda_1(\Sigma_{2\pi/k})$$

with  $\Sigma_{2\pi/k}$ : angular sector of opening  $2\pi/k$

Explicit upper bound for □

$$\mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\square) \leq \inf_{m,n \geq 1} \{\lambda_{m,n}(\square) | mn = k\} \leq \lambda_{k,1}(\square)$$



# Examples for $p = \infty$

## Minimal nodal partitions

- Let  $\Omega = \square, \circ$  or  $\triangle$ ,

$$\lambda_k(\Omega) = \mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty}(\Omega) = L_k(\Omega) \quad \text{iff} \quad k = 1, 2, 4$$

## $\infty$ -minimal nodal partitions



# Properties

Dichotomy for the case  $p = \infty$

Let  $k > 2$

To determine a  $\infty$ -minimal  $k$ -partition,

we consider the eigenspace  $E_k$  associated with  $\lambda_k$

**Two cases:**

- If there exists  $u \in E_k$  with  $k$  nodal domains, then  $u$  produces a minimal  $k$ -partition and any minimal  $k$ -partition is nodal

$$\mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty}(\Omega) = \lambda_k(\Omega) = L_k(\Omega)$$

*[Bipartite case]*

- If  $\mu(u) < k$  for any  $u \in E_k \dots$

$\dots$  we have to find another strategy  
*[Non bipartite case]*

# Known results in the non bipartite case, $p = \infty$

Sphere and fine flat torus

## Theorem

The minimal 3-partition for the sphere is



[Helffer–Hoffmann–Ostenhof–Terracini]

## Theorem

Let  $0 < b \leq a$  and  $T(a, b) = (\mathbf{R}/a\mathbf{Z}) \times (\mathbf{R}/b\mathbf{Z})$  the flat torus

$$\mathcal{D}_k(a, b) = \left\{ \left] \frac{i-1}{k}a, \frac{i}{k}a \right[ \times \right] 0, b[ , 1 \leq i \leq k \right\}$$

- $k$  even and  $\frac{b}{a} \leq \frac{2}{k} \Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_k(a, b)$  is minimal
- $k$  odd and  $\frac{b}{a} < \frac{1}{k} \Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_k(a, b)$  is minimal
- $k$  odd and  $\frac{1}{k} \leq \frac{b}{a} \leq \ell_* \Rightarrow \mathcal{D}_k(a, b)$  is minimal

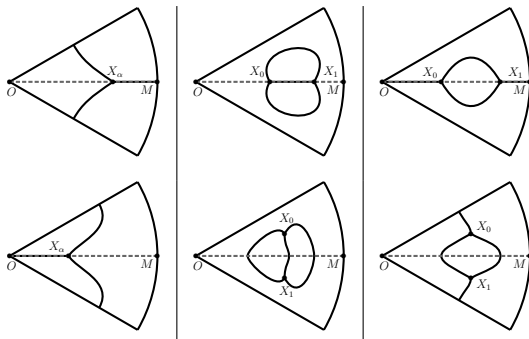
[Helffer–Hoffmann–Ostenhof]

[BN-Léna 16]

The question is open for any other domain (in the non bipartite case)

# Topological configurations

Euler formula  $\Rightarrow$  3 types of configurations



## Question

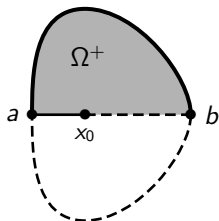
If  $\Omega$  is symmetric, does it exist a symmetric minimal 3-partition ?



# Non bipartite symmetric $\infty$ -minimal 3-partition

First configuration: One critical point on the symmetry axis

Introduce a **mixed Dirichlet-Neumann problem**



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- $(\lambda_2(x_0), \varphi_{x_0})$  second eigenmode
- $x_0 \mapsto \lambda_2(x_0)$  is increasing
- the **nodal line** starts from  $(a, b)$  and reaches the boundary

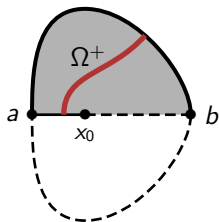
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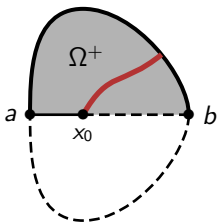
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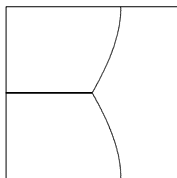
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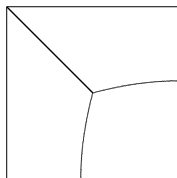
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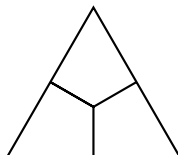
First configuration: examples



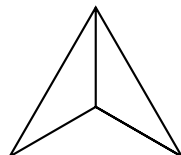
$$\Lambda_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{D}_0) \simeq 66.581$$



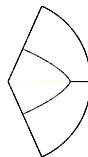
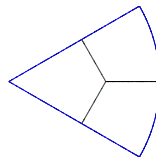
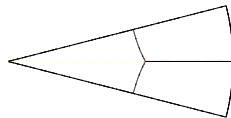
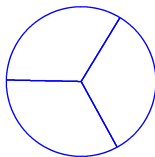
$$\Lambda_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{D}_1) \simeq 66.581$$



$$\Lambda_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{D}_0) \simeq 61.872$$

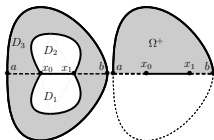


$$\Lambda_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{D}_1) \simeq 93.156$$



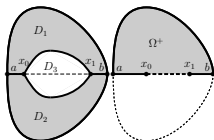
# Non bipartite symmetric $\infty$ -minimal 3-partition

Second and third configurations: Two critical points on the symmetry axis



Mixed Neumann-Dirichlet-Neumann problem

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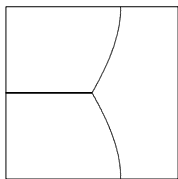
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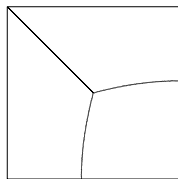
No candidate for the square, disk, angular sectors with two critical points!

# ∞-minimal 3-partition

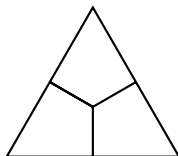
## Candidates



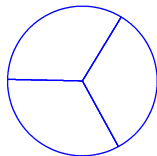
$$\Lambda_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{D}_0) \simeq 66.58$$



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$$\Lambda_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{D}_0) \simeq 61.872$$

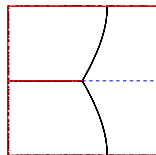


$$\Lambda_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{D}_0) \simeq 20.20$$

## Applications



$$0.75 \simeq \int_{D_1} |\varphi_2|^2 > 2 \int_{D_2} |\varphi_2|^2 \simeq 0.51$$



$$\mathfrak{L}_{3,1}(\square) < \Lambda_{3,\infty}(\mathcal{D})$$

# Numerical simulations

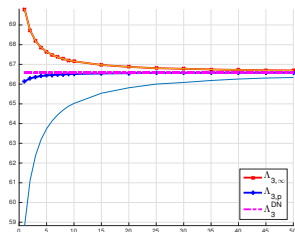
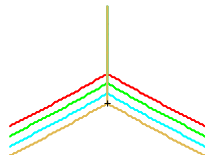
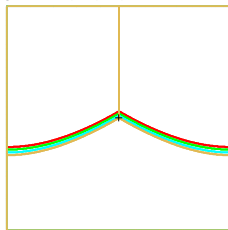
$\rho$ -minimal 3-partition for the square

Since  $\Lambda_3^{DN} \simeq 66.581$  and  $L_3 = 10\pi^2 \simeq 98.696$

$$49.35 \simeq 5\pi^2 = \lambda_3 < \mathfrak{L}_{3,\infty} \leq \Lambda_3^{DN} \simeq 66.581$$

$$\pi^2 \left( \frac{2^p + 5^p + 5^p}{3} \right)^{1/p} \leq \mathfrak{L}_{3,p} \leq \Lambda_3^{DN} \quad \Rightarrow \quad 39.48 \simeq 4\pi^2 \leq \mathfrak{L}_{3,1} \leq 66.58$$

$p = 1, 2, 5, 50$



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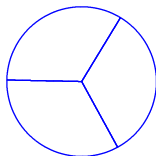
### Conjecture

For the square :

- ▶  $p \mapsto \mathfrak{L}_{3,p}(\square)$  is increasing
- ▶  $p_\infty(\square, 3) = +\infty$

For the disk:

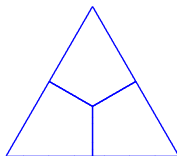
- ▶  $p_\infty(\circ, 3) = 1$



is a  $p$ -minimal 3-partition for any  $p \geq 1$

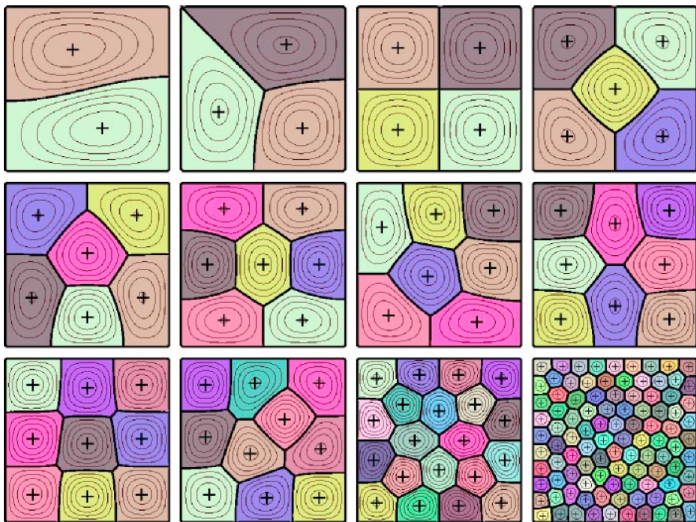
For the equilateral triangle:

- ▶  $p_\infty(\triangle, 3) = 1$



# $k$ -partitions

## Examples



# Iterative methods

## Penalization

1. Instead of looking for  $k$  domains  $(D_1, \dots, D_K)$ , we look for a  $k$ -upple of functions  $(\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_k) \in M$  with

$$M = \left\{ (\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_k), \varphi_i : \Omega \rightarrow [0, 1] \text{ measurable}, \sum_{i=1}^k \varphi_i = 1 \text{ a.e. } \Omega \right\}.$$

2. Penalized eigenvalue problem on  $\Omega$

$$-\Delta v_i + \frac{1}{\varepsilon}(1 - \varphi_i)v_i = \lambda(\varepsilon, \varphi_i)v_i \quad \text{in } \Omega$$

Note that  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \lambda(\varepsilon, \varphi_i) = \lambda_1(D_i)$

3. Penalized optimization problem

$$\mathcal{M}(\varepsilon, k) = \inf \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_1^p(\varepsilon, \varphi_i) \right)^{1/p}, (\varphi_1, \dots, \varphi_k) \in M \right\}$$

In some sense,  $\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow 0} \mathcal{M}(\varepsilon, k) = \mathfrak{L}_{k,p}(\Omega)$

4. Projected-gradient descent with adaptive step



# Algorithm

Let  $\rho > 0$ ,  $\varepsilon > 0$

**Initialisation**  $k$  vectors  $\Phi_\ell^0$  given randomly

**Iteration** Step  $p$ : for any  $\ell = 1, \dots, k$ :

1. Compute the first eigenmode  $(\lambda(\Phi_\ell), U(\Phi_\ell))$  of  $\mathbb{A}(\varepsilon, \Phi_\ell)$
2. Gradient descent :  $\tilde{\Phi}_\ell^{p+1} = \Phi_\ell^{p+1} - \rho \nabla_{\Phi_\ell^p} \lambda(\Phi_\ell)$
3. Projection on  $\mathcal{S}$  :  $\tilde{\Phi}_\ell^{p+1} = \Pi_{\mathcal{S}} \tilde{\Phi}_\ell^{p+1}$

## $p$ -minimal 4-partition

$$\lambda_4(\Omega) = \mathfrak{L}_{4,\infty}(\Omega) = L_4(\Omega) \quad \text{if} \quad \Omega = \square, \circ, \triangle$$

$\infty$ -minimal 4-partitions :



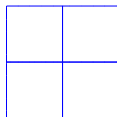
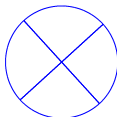
Conjecture

For the disk:

▶  $p_\infty(\circ, 4) = 1$

For the square :

▶  $p_\infty(\square, 4) = 1$



is a  $p$ -minimal 4-partition for any  $p \geq 1$

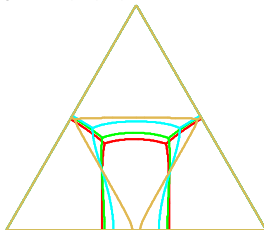
# $p$ -minimal 4-partition

Equilateral triangle

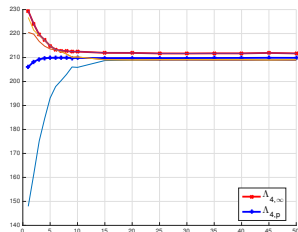
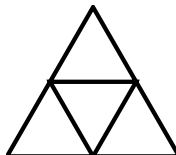
## Conjecture

►  $p \mapsto \mathfrak{L}_{4,p}(\Delta)$  is increasing

$p = 1, 2, 5, 50$



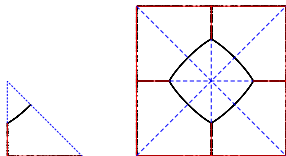
$p = \infty$



# $p$ -minimal 5-partition

Symmetric candidates for the square

Use a Dirichlet-Neumann approach to find some symmetric equipartition



$$0.72 \simeq \int_{D_1} |\varphi_2|^2 < 4 \int_{D_2} |\varphi_2|^2 \simeq 1.12$$

$$\mathfrak{L}_{5,1}(\square) < \Lambda_{5,\infty}(\mathcal{D})$$

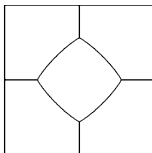
# $p$ -minimal 5-partition

Square

$$98.7 \simeq 10\pi^2 = \lambda_5 < \mathfrak{L}_{5,\infty} < L_5 \leq 26\pi^2 \simeq 256.6$$

$$\pi^2 \left( \frac{2^p + 5^p + 5^p + 8^p + 10^p}{4} \right)^{1/p} \leq \mathfrak{L}_{5,p} \quad \Rightarrow \quad 59.22 \simeq 6\pi^2 \leq \mathfrak{L}_{5,1}$$

Mixed Dirichlet-Neumann approach



$$\mathfrak{L}_{5,p} \leq \Lambda_5^{DN} \simeq 104.294$$

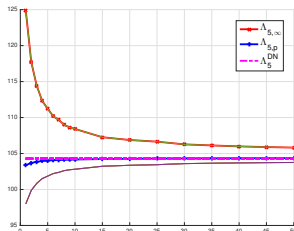
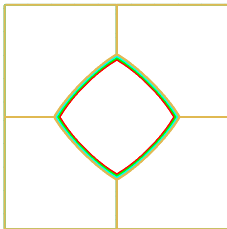
# $p$ -minimal 5-partition

Square

$$98.7 \simeq 10\pi^2 = \lambda_5 < \mathfrak{L}_{5,\infty} \leq \Lambda_5^{DN} \simeq 104.29$$

$$\pi^2 \left( \frac{2^p + 5^p + 5^p + 8^p + 10^p}{5} \right)^{1/p} \leq \mathfrak{L}_{5,p} \Rightarrow 59.22 \simeq 6\pi^2 \leq \mathfrak{L}_{5,1} \leq \Lambda_5^{DN} \simeq 104.29$$

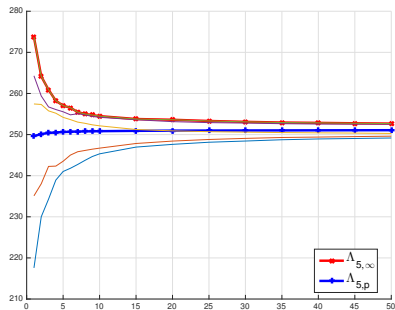
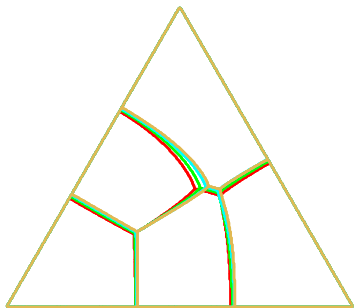
$p = 1, 2, 5, 50$



[Bogoseł-BN16]

# $p$ -minimal 5-partition

Equilateral triangle



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# $p$ -minimal 5-partition

## Conjecture

For the square :

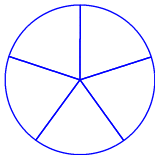
- ▶  $p \mapsto \mathfrak{L}_{5,p}(\square)$  is increasing
- ▶  $p_\infty(\square, 5) = +\infty$

For the equilateral triangle :

- ▶  $p \mapsto \mathfrak{L}_{5,p}(\triangle)$  is increasing
- ▶  $p_\infty(\triangle, 5) = +\infty$

For the disk:

- ▶  $p_\infty(\circ, 5) = 1$
- ▶ For any  $p \geq 1$ , a  $p$ -minimal 5-partition is



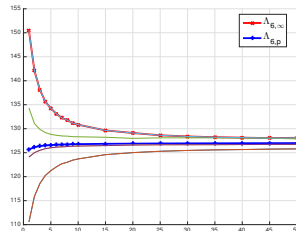
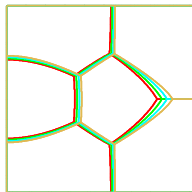


# $p$ -minimal 6-partition

Square

$$98.7 \simeq 10\pi^2 = \lambda_6 < \mathfrak{L}_{6,\infty} < L_6 = 13\pi^2 \simeq 128.3$$

$$p = 1, 2, 5, 10$$

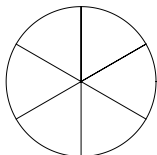


## Conjecture

- ▶  $p \mapsto \mathfrak{L}_{6,p}$  is increasing
- ▶  $p_\infty(\square, 6) = +\infty$

# $p$ -minimal 6-partition

Disk



is **not** Courant-sharp

then **not** minimal

$$\lambda_1(\Sigma_{\pi/3}) \simeq 40.73$$

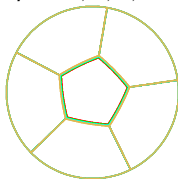
$$\mathfrak{L}_{6,p} < \lambda_1(\Sigma_{\pi/3}) \quad \forall p \geq 1$$

# $p$ -minimal 6-partition

Disk

$$\mathfrak{L}_{6,p} < \lambda_1(\Sigma_{\pi/3}) \quad \forall p \geq 1$$

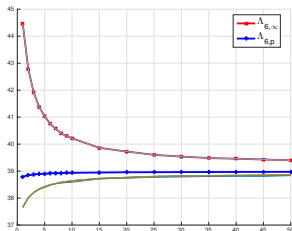
$p = 1, 2, 5, 50$



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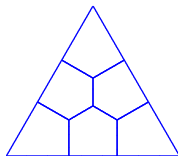
Conjecture

- ▶  $p \mapsto \mathfrak{L}_{6,p}(\circ)$  is increasing
- ▶  $p_\infty(\circ, 6) = +\infty$



# $p$ -minimal 6-partition

Equilateral triangle



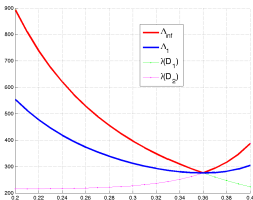
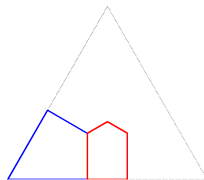
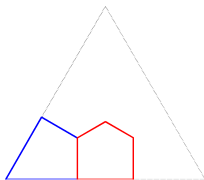
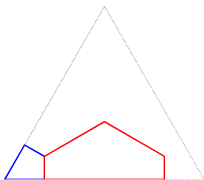
Conjecture

▶  $p_{\infty}(\triangle, 6) = 1$

# $p$ -minimal 6-partition

## Equilateral triangle

Candidates of 6-partitions for  $p = \infty$



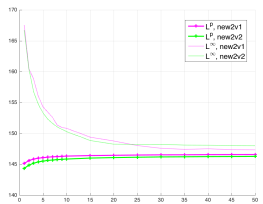
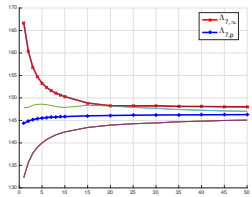
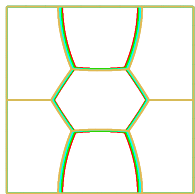
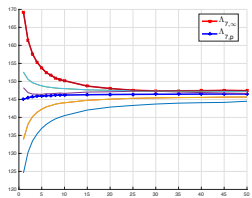
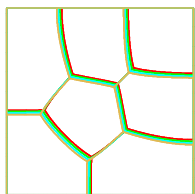
Best candidate

$$x_{opt} \simeq 0.3598$$

Eigenvalues : 275.94, 275.97

# $p$ -minimal 7-partition Square

$$128.3 \simeq 13\pi^2 = \lambda_7 < \mathfrak{L}_{7,\infty} < L_7 \leq 50\pi^2$$

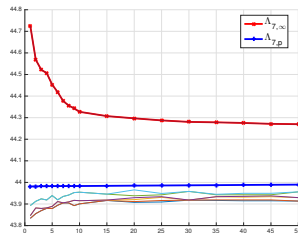
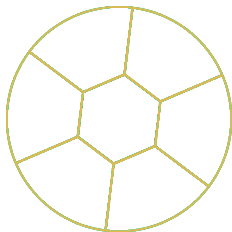


# $p$ -minimal 7-partition

Disk

$$\lambda_1(\Sigma_{2\pi/7}) \simeq 48.86,$$

$$\mathfrak{L}_{7,\infty} < \lambda_1(\Sigma_{2\pi/7})$$

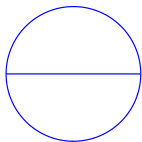


►  $p_\infty(\circ, 7) = 1?$

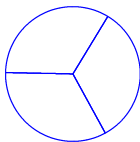
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# Conclusion

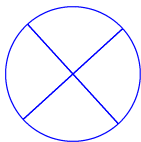
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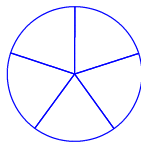
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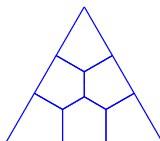
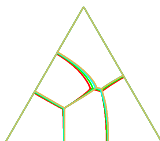
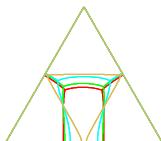
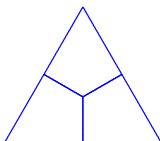
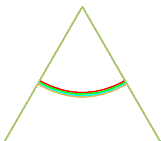
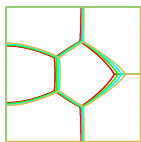
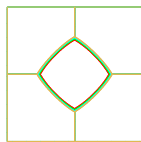
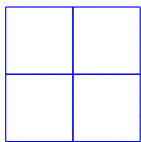
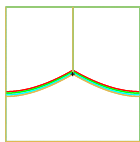
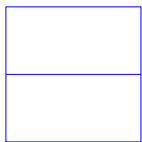
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$k = 6$





# Conclusion

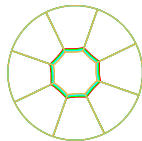
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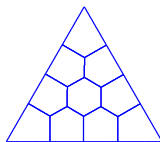
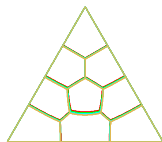
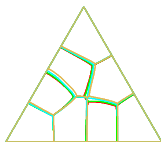
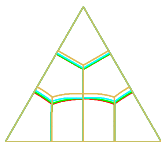
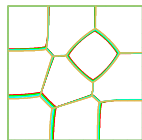
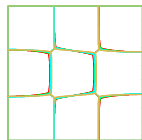
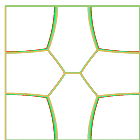
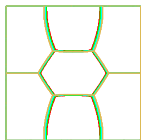
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# Asymptotics $k \rightarrow \infty$

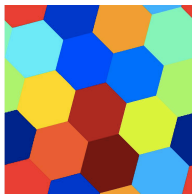
## Hexagonal conjecture

- ▶ The limit of  $\mathfrak{L}_{k,\infty}(\Omega)/k$  as  $k \rightarrow +\infty$  exists and

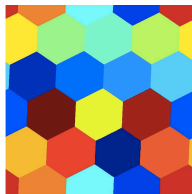
$$\lim_{k \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{\mathfrak{L}_k(\Omega)}{k} = \frac{\lambda_1(\circ)}{|\Omega|}$$

- ▶ The limit of  $\mathfrak{L}_{k,1}(\Omega)/k$  as  $k \rightarrow +\infty$  exists and

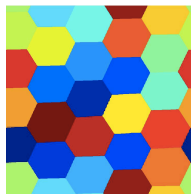
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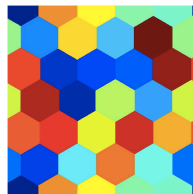
$k = 15$



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