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# Shape analysis of eigenvalues

Relaxation phenomena

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## Generic problem

$$\min_{|\Omega|=m} F(\lambda_1(\Omega), \dots, \lambda_k(\Omega))$$

$\Omega \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$  open,  $|\Omega|$  the Lebesgue measure,

$$\lambda_1(\Omega) \leq \lambda_2(\Omega) \leq \dots \leq \lambda_k(\Omega)$$

the first  $k$  eigenvalues of the Laplacian with **some** b.c.

Questions :

- ▶ existence of a solution :  $\Omega$
- ▶ properties of  $\Omega$  coming from **optimality** : regularity, symmetry, convexity,...**is it the ball** ?
- ▶ numerical computations

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## Rayleigh 1877

The solution of

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is the **ball**.

# Rearrangement by symmetrization

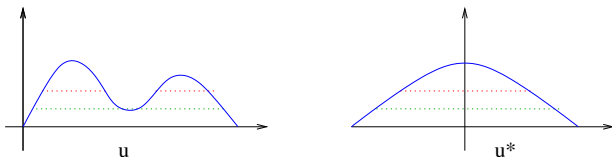
Faber and Krahn 1921-1923

For

$$u \in H_0^1(\Omega), u \geq 0$$

we build

$$\{u^* > c\} = \text{ball of volume } |\{u > c\}|$$



Then

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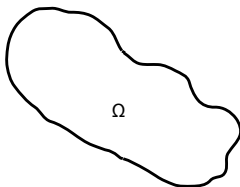
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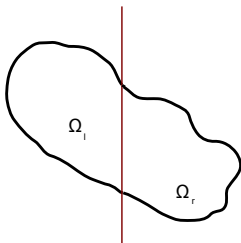
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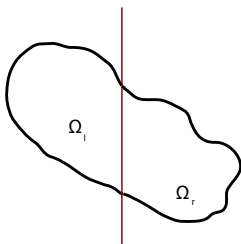


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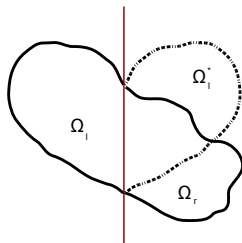
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## $\Omega$ is symmetric

So  $\Omega_I \cup \Omega_J^*$  is also optimal !

Equalities hold above, thus  $u_I$  has two analytic extensions  $u_r$  and  $u_J^*$  !

Conclusion :

- ▶  $\Omega$  is symmetric with respect to the line.
- ▶  $\implies \Omega$  is a union of annuli
- ▶ 1D analysis  $\implies \Omega$  is a ball

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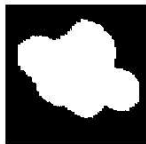
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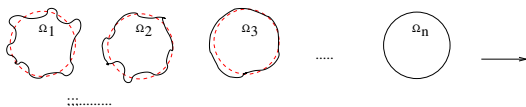
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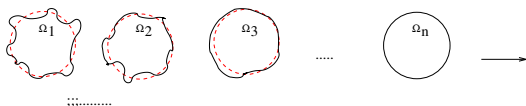


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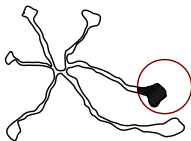
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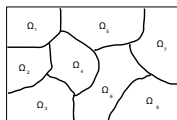
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## Optimal partitions



$$\min \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_1(\Omega_i) : \Omega_i \cap \Omega_j = \emptyset, \Omega_i \subseteq D \right\}$$

Conjecture Van den Berg (1981), Caffarelli-Lin (2007) :

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^N \lambda_1(\Omega_i) \simeq N^2 \lambda_1(H), \quad (1)$$

where  $H$  is the regular hexagon of surface equal to 1 in  $\mathbb{R}^2$ .

## Results

- ▶ general existence of quasi-open sets B. Buttazzo Henrot 1998
- ▶ regularity Conti, Terracini, Verzini 2003, Caffarelli, Lin 2007
- ▶ qualitative properties, Bonnaille-Noël, Helffer, Hoffmann-Ostenhof, Vial 2006-2009
- ▶ numerical computations by Chang, Lin, Lin, Lin 2004

## Analysis based on measures

Bourdin, B., Oudet 2009

Theorem



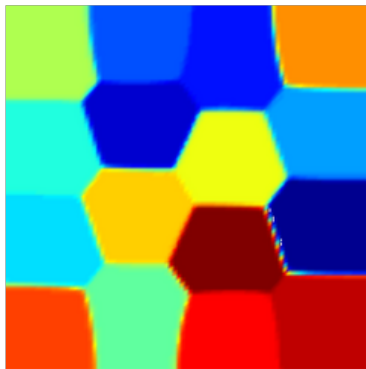
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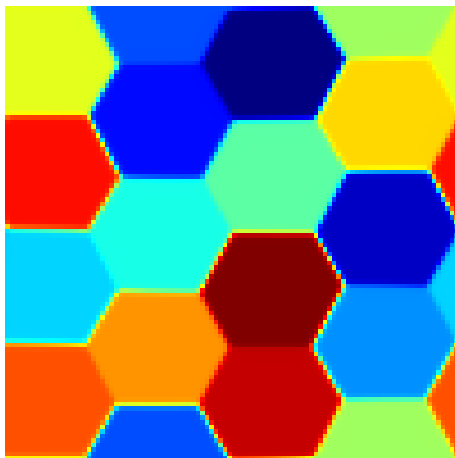
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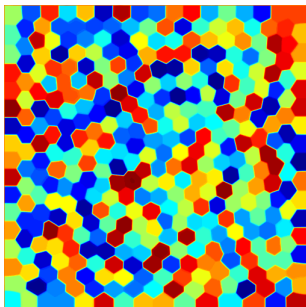
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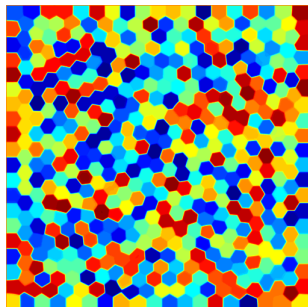
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## Robin boundary conditions

For  $\beta > 0$

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Rayleigh quotient :

$$\nu_1(\Omega) = \min_{u \in H^1(\Omega)} \frac{\int_{\Omega} |\nabla u|^2 dx + \beta \int_{\partial\Omega} |u|^2 d\mathcal{H}^{N-1}}{\int_{\Omega} u^2 dx}$$

The ball minimizes  $\nu_1$  : Bossel ( $\mathbb{R}^2$ ) 1986, Daners ( $\mathbb{R}^N$ ) 2006 among Lip-domains.

Proof : "dearrangement" technique using  $C^1$ -regularity of the solution up to the boundary and density of  $C^2$  domains in Lip-domains.

Uniqueness : B. Daners 2009 for p-Laplacian and Lip-domains.

Question : What is the most general class where the isoperimetric inequality is valid ?

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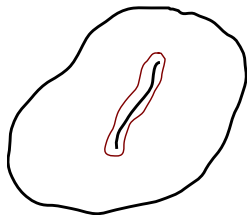


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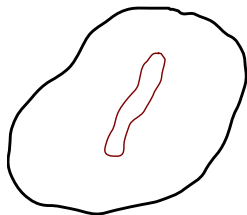
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$\Omega_\varepsilon$

For  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0 \implies \nu_1(\Omega_\varepsilon) \rightarrow \nu_1$ , where

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta u = \nu u & \text{in } \Omega \\ \frac{\partial u}{\partial n} + \beta^* u = 0 & \text{on } \partial\Omega \end{cases}$$

and

$$\beta^* \geq \beta!$$

If it shrinks "without oscillations" then  $\beta = \beta^*$ .

In this case, the ball is still minimizer! If  $\beta^* > \beta$ , it is not clear...

## Robin eigenvalues on non smooth domains

Daners 1995, Daners-Dancer 1996, Arendt-Warma 2003 : use the Mazya space

Completion of  $C^1(\overline{\Omega})$  in the norm  $\|\cdot\|_{H^1(\Omega)} + \|\cdot\|_{L^2(\partial\Omega)}$  : subspace in  $H^1(\Omega) \times L^2(\partial\Omega, \mathcal{H}^{N-1})$ .

- ▶ is well defined for every domain
- ▶ compact embedding in  $L^2(\Omega)$ , so spectrum of eigenvalues
- ▶ no cracks
- ▶ the trace operator is not well defined. The zero function may have the trace equal to 1 !

Idea : take the first eigenfunction of the Robin problem and extend it by zero. The (square of) the new function **seen in  $\mathbb{R}^N$**  has a distributional derivative

$$Du^2 = \nabla u^2 dx|_{\Omega} + u^2 \nu \mathcal{H}^{N-1}|_{\partial\Omega}.$$

So  $u^2 \in SBV(\mathbb{R}^N)$ !

$$BV(\mathbb{R}^N) = \{v \in L^1(\mathbb{R}^N) : Dv \text{ is a finite Radon measure}\}.$$

There exists  $J_v$  is a  $(N-1)$ -rectifiable set such that  $Du$  admits the following representation for every Borel set  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$  :

$$Dv(B) = \int_B \nabla v dx + \int_{J_v \cap B} (v^+ - v^-) \nu_v d\mathcal{H}^{N-1} + D^c u(B),$$

$$SBV(\mathbb{R}^N) = \{u \in BV(\mathbb{R}^N) : D^c u = 0\}$$



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$$\min_{u^2 \in SBV(\mathbb{R}^N), |\{u \neq 0\}| = m} \frac{\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} |\nabla u|^2 dx + \beta \int_{J_u} (|u^+|^2 + |u^-|^2) d\mathcal{H}^{N-1}}{\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u^2 dx}$$

Theorem (B. Giacomini 2009)

$$\nu_1(\text{ball}_m) \leq \frac{\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} |\nabla u|^2 dx + \beta \int_{J_u} (|u^+|^2 + |u^-|^2) d\mathcal{H}^{N-1}}{\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u^2 dx}$$