

# Lp Bounds for Spectral Clusters on Compact Manifolds with Boundary

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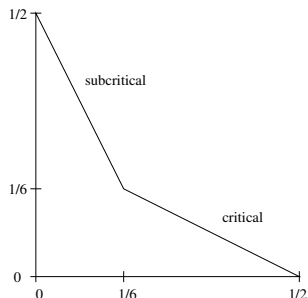
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**Theorem: Sogge [1988]**For compact  $n$ -dimensional manifold without boundary

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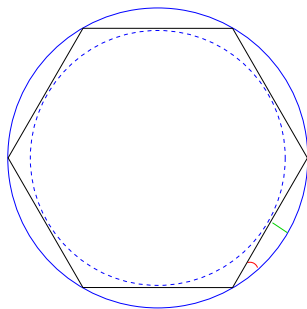
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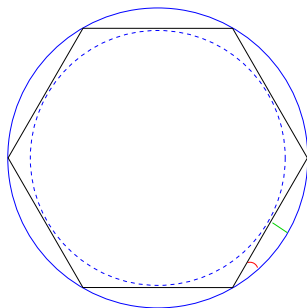


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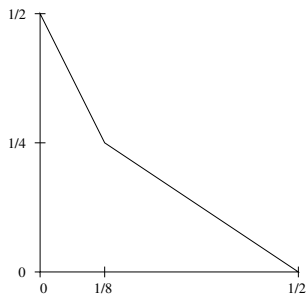
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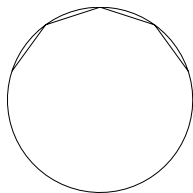
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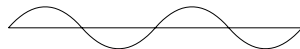
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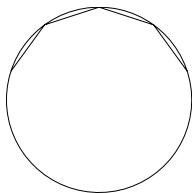


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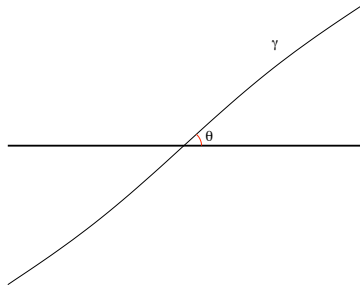
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Metric  $\tilde{g}$  is of special Lipschitz type:

$d_x^2 \tilde{g} \approx \delta(x_2)$  is integrable along non-tangential geodesics.



$$\frac{dx_2}{dt} \approx \theta \text{ on } \gamma$$

$$\int d_x^2 \tilde{g}(\gamma(t)) dt \approx \theta^{-1}$$

Dispersive type estimates hold for  $\square_g$  if  $d^2g \in L_t^1 L_x^\infty$ 

Consider time dependent metric  $g(t, x)$  on  $M$

$$\partial_t^2 u(t, x) - \Delta_g u(t, x) = 0$$

$$u(0, x) = f(x), \quad \partial_t u(0, x) = g(x)$$

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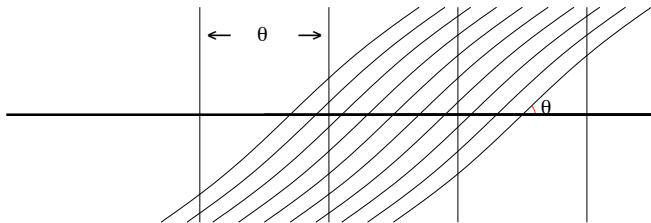
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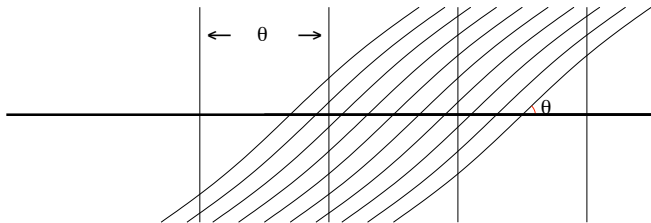
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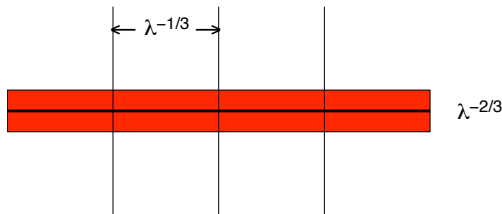
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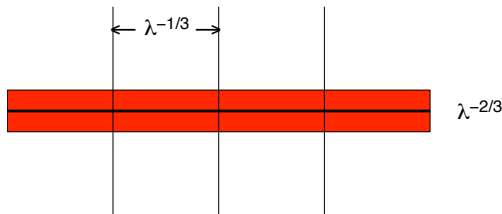
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Higher dimensional results:  $n \geq 3$ 

Smith-Sogge [2007]:  $M = n$  dimensional manifold with boundary

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$$\delta(p) = n\left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{p}\right) - \frac{1}{2} \quad \begin{cases} 5 \leq p \leq \infty, & n = 3 \\ 4 \leq p \leq \infty, & n \geq 4 \end{cases}$$

Result non-optimal: ignores dispersion tangent to  $\partial M$ .