

On the time dependent Ginzburg-Landau system.

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In this course we would like to discuss spectral properties of some non self-adjoint operators appearing in the analysis of the long time behavior of the solutions of the time dependent Ginzburg Landau system (due to Eliashberg-Gorkov) and then to consider the question of the global stability of the stationary normal solutions in presence of an electric current flowing through a two-dimensional wire.

We show that when the current is sufficiently strong the solution converges in the long-time limit to the normal state. We provide two types of upper bounds for the critical current where such global stability is achieved: by using the principal eigenvalue of the magnetic Laplacian associated with the normal magnetic field, and through the norm of the resolvent of the linearized steady-state operator. In the latter case we estimate the resolvent norm in large domains by the norms of approximate operators defined on the plane and the half-plane. We also obtain a lower bound, in large domains, for the above critical current by obtaining the current for which the normal state loses its local stability.

The recent results presented in the course were obtained in collaboration with Y. Almog or X. Pan. Introductory books for the time independent problems could be the monographs of Sandier-Serfaty and Fournais-Helffer (both in the series Progress in non linear analysis – Birkhäuser).

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