Waveguides with asymptotically diverging twisting

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Part 1. **Twisted tubes**





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[Barseghyan, Khrabustovskyi 2018]: a Berezin-type upper bound for the eigenvalue moments.

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Part 3. Ruled strips



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Open problems

- ¿ (non-standard) Weyl-type asymptotics ? *cf.* [Barseghyan, Khrabustovskyi 2018]
- ¿ existence/number/properties of discrete eigenvalues (eigenfunctions) ?
- ¿ nature of the essential spectrum ? (embedded eigenvalues, Mourre theory, etc.)
- ¿ (reliable) numerics ?