

# Birkhoff coordinates for KdV on phase spaces of distributions

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## Abstract

The purpose of this paper is to extend the construction of Birkhoff coordinates for the KdV equation from the phase space of square integrable 1-periodic functions with mean value zero to the phase space  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  of mean value zero distributions from the Sobolev space  $H^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  endowed with the symplectic structure  $(\partial/\partial x)^{-1}$ . More precisely we construct a globally defined real analytic symplectomorphism  $\Omega : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  where  $\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  is a weighted Hilbert space of sequences  $(x_n, y_n)_{n \geq 1}$  supplied with the canonical Poisson structure so that the KdV Hamiltonian for potentials in  $H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$  is a function of the actions  $((x_n^2 + y_n^2)/2)_{n \geq 1}$  alone.

## 1 Introduction

The aim of this paper is to construct Birkhoff coordinates for the Korteweg-de Vries equation (KdV)

$$q_t = -q_{xxx} + 6qq_x \tag{1.1}$$

on the subspace  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  of the Sobolev space of 1-periodic real valued distributions  $H^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  with mean value zero. More precisely, we show that there

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are canonical coordinates  $(x_n, y_n)_{n \geq 1}$  on  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in which the KdV equation for sufficiently regular initial data takes the form

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x}_n &= \omega_n(I) y_n \\ \dot{y}_n &= -\omega_n(I) x_n \end{aligned} \tag{1.2}$$

with frequencies  $(\omega_n(I))_{n \geq 1}$  which only depend on the actions  $I_1, I_2, \dots$  given by  $I_k = \frac{1}{2}(x_k^2 + y_k^2)$  ( $k \geq 1$ ). Recall that the KdV equation on the circle  $\mathbb{T}^1$  can be expressed as a Hamiltonian system on the phase space  $H^\alpha(\mathbb{T}^1)$  – for  $\alpha \in \mathbb{Z}_{\geq 0}$  sufficiently large – of real 1-periodic functions in the Sobolev space  $H^\alpha$  endowed with the Poisson structure  $\frac{d}{dx}$ ,

$$q_t = \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial H}{\partial q}. \tag{1.3}$$

Here  $H$  denotes the KdV Hamiltonian

$$H(q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \int_{\mathbb{T}^1} \left( \frac{q_x^2}{2} + q^3 \right) dx \tag{1.4}$$

and  $\frac{\partial H}{\partial q}$  the  $L^2$ -gradient of  $H$  – see e.g. [13] for more details.

As the mean value functional  $M(q) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} [q]$  of an element  $q \in H^\alpha(\mathbb{T}^1)$  has gradient  $\frac{\partial M}{\partial q} = 1$  one has

$$\frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial M}{\partial q} = 0.$$

Therefore  $M$  is a Casimir functional for the Poisson structure  $\frac{d}{dx}$ . In particular, the space  $H_0^\alpha(\mathbb{T}^1)$  of potentials  $q$  in  $H^\alpha(\mathbb{T}^1)$  with mean value  $[q] = 0$  is an invariant subspace for every Hamiltonian flow defined in terms of the Poisson structure  $\frac{d}{dx}$  with  $\alpha$  chosen appropriately. Hence in the following, we restrict our attention to the phase space  $H_0^\alpha(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . Although the Hamiltonian vector field  $\frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial H}{\partial q} = -q_{xxx} + 6qq_x$  of the KdV Hamiltonian  $H$  seems only be well defined if  $q$  is at least in  $H^3(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , it has been shown in [13] (cf. also [1]) that there exist closed formulas for the frequencies  $\omega_n$  in (1.2) for smooth potentials which continue to be well defined for certain classes of distributions. This approach has been used in [15] to prove that KdV is globally wellposed in  $H^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{R})$  for any  $\alpha \leq 1$  – see [1] as well as [3], [4], [5], [9], [17] for related results. In particular, our results will apply to  $H_0^{-1/2}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  which is, in the terminology of Kuksin [21] (cf. also [4]), the symplectic Hilbert space

of KdV. In such a space, typically, interesting nonsqueezing phenomena for solutions can be established.

To state our main result let us introduce some notations. Denote for  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  by  $H_0^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  the Sobolev space

$$H_0^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \left\{ f = \sum_{k \neq 0} \hat{f}(k) e^{2\pi i k x} \mid \hat{f}(-k) = \overline{\hat{f}(k)}, \|f\|_{H^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1)} < \infty \right\}$$

where

$$\|f\|_{H^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1)} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \left( |\hat{f}(0)|^2 + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus 0} |k|^{-2\alpha} |\hat{f}(k)|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

If  $\alpha = 0$  we write simply  $\|f\|$ . For any  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ , denote by  $h^s \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} h^s(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R})$  the weighted  $l^2$ -sequence space

$$h^s \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \left\{ x = (x_n)_{n \geq 1} \mid \|x\|_s < \infty \right\}$$

where

$$\|x\|_{h^s} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \left( \sum_{n \geq 1} n^{2s} |x_n|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

Endow  $H_0^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  with the Poisson bracket  $\{F, G\} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_{\mathbb{T}^1} \frac{\partial F}{\partial q} \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial G}{\partial q} dx$  – see explanations below – and the Hilbert space

$$\mathfrak{h}^s \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \left\{ (x_n, y_n)_{n \geq 1} \mid (x_n)_{n \geq 1}, (y_n)_{n \geq 1} \in h^s \right\}$$

with the standard Poisson bracket for which  $\{x_n, y_m\} = \delta_{nm}$  while all other brackets vanish.

**Theorem 1.1.** *There exists a diffeomorphism  $\Omega : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  with the following properties:*

- (i)  $\Omega$  is one-to-one, onto, bi-analytic and preserves the Poisson bracket.
- (ii) For any  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$ , the restriction  $\Omega_{-\alpha}$  of  $\Omega$  to  $H_0^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  is a map  $\Omega_{-\alpha} : H_0^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{-\alpha+1/2}$  which is one-to-one, onto, and bi-analytic as well.
- (iii)  $\Omega_0$  coincides with the diffeomorphism constructed in [13, Theorem 5.1]. In particular, the coordinates  $(x, y)$  in  $\mathfrak{h}^{3/2}$  are global Birkhoff coordinates for the KdV equation. That is, the transformed KdV Hamiltonian  $H \circ \Omega^{-1}$  depends only on  $x_n^2 + y_n^2$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , with  $(x, y)$  being canonical coordinates in  $\mathfrak{h}^{3/2}$ .

**Remark 1.2.** *Theorem 1.1 improves and completes results in [24] where by a different approach the maps  $\Omega_{-\alpha}$  have been constructed for  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  leaving open the case  $\alpha = 1$  and the problem of the onto-ness of  $\Omega_{-\alpha}$ .*

Let us give a brief overview of the proof of Theorem 1.1. Following an approach developed in [11] and expanded on in [13], we extend the Birkhoff map established there for potentials in  $L_0^2$  to potentials in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , using the spectral results of the Schrödinger operator  $-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + q$  for  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  from [14] (cf. also [20]). The stated results for  $\Omega_{-\alpha}$  with  $0 \leq \alpha < 1$  are then proved by using the spectral results for  $-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + q$  with  $q$  in  $H_0^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  established in [12]. The construction of  $\Omega \equiv \Omega_{-1}$  goes as follows. In Section 2, we define action variables by formulas due to Flaschka and McLaughlin [10], prove their analyticity and derive a formula for their gradients. In Section 3 we define angle variables  $\theta_n$  in terms of the Abel map with the help of holomorphic differentials, constructed in Appendix B, and the Dirichlet eigenvalues  $\mu_n = \mu_n(q)$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) of  $-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + q$  studied in [14]. For any  $n \geq 1$ , the angle  $\theta_n$  will be defined on the dense subset  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$  of  $\mathcal{W}$  where  $\mathcal{W}$  is a complex neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  independent of  $n$  and  $D_n$  denotes the set of potentials with collapsed  $n$ -th gap,

$$D_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{q \in \mathcal{W} \mid \gamma_n(q) = 0\}$$

(cf. Section 3 for details)<sup>1</sup>. In Section 4, the cartesian coordinates  $x_n$  and  $y_n$ , associated to the actions and angles, are introduced. We show that  $x_n$  and  $y_n$ , initially defined only on  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$ , can be extended real analytically to  $\mathcal{W}$ . Using suitable asymptotic estimates, we obtain the analytic map

$$\Omega : q \mapsto (x_n(q), y_n(q))_{n \geq 1}$$

from  $\mathcal{W}$  into the sequence space  $\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$ . In Section 5, we derive canonical relations among the coordinates. These relations will follow by continuity and density from the corresponding relations for  $L^2$ -potentials established in [13] (cf. also [23]). With the help of these relations, we show in Section 6 that the map  $\Omega$  is a local diffeomorphism. In Section 7 we prove that  $\Omega$  is bijective, using a priori estimates established in [14] and show the remaining statements of Theorem 1.1. Note that for the proof of the onto-ness of  $\Omega$  a

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<sup>1</sup>In the sequel we may need to shrink this neighborhood several times, but nevertheless will denote it by the same symbol throughout.

novel approach is needed as the approach used for  $\Omega_0$  relied on the identity  $\frac{1}{2}\|q\|^2 = \sum_{j \geq 1} 2\pi j I_j$  which no longer makes sense for  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . Let us introduce some more notation which will be used in the sequel – see also [13, 24, 14]. Given a  $C^1$ -functional  $F : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , defined on an open subset of  $H_{\mathbb{C}}^s = H^s(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  for some  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ , the  $L^2$ -gradient

$$\partial_q F \equiv \frac{\partial F}{\partial q} \in H_{\mathbb{C}}^{-s}$$

of  $F$  at the point  $q \in \mathcal{W}$  is the unique element in  $H_{\mathbb{C}}^{-s}$  such that

$$d_q F(h) = \langle h, \overline{\partial_q F} \rangle \quad \forall h \in H_{\mathbb{C}}^s.$$

Here,  $d_q F \in (H_{\mathbb{C}}^s)'$  denotes the derivative of  $F$  at the point  $q$ , and the pairing  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  is the sesquilinear pairing of  $H_{\mathbb{C}}^s$  and  $H_{\mathbb{C}}^{-s}$  extending the  $L^2$ -inner product. Note that the complex conjugation  $\overline{\partial_q F}$  is used in the above definition of the gradient in order to ensure that the correspondence

$$q \mapsto \partial_q F, \quad q \in \mathcal{W}, \tag{1.5}$$

is analytic from  $\mathcal{W}$  into  $H_{\mathbb{C}}^{-s}$ . The  $L_0^2$ -gradient of a functional, given on  $\mathcal{W} \cap H_0^s(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$ , is defined similarly.

Functionals, such as the actions, naturally extend from a (sufficiently small) complex neighborhood of  $H_0^s$  in  $H_{0, \mathbb{C}}^s$  to a complex neighborhood of  $H^s$  in  $H_{\mathbb{C}}^s$ , and their gradients turn out to be elements in  $H_{\mathbb{C}}^{-s}$  with mean value 0. Whenever it is not necessary we will not distinguish between the  $L^2$ - and the  $L_0^2$ -gradient.

Given two  $C^1$ -functionals  $F, G : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ , we define their *bracket*  $[F, G]$  to be

$$[F, G] \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \langle \partial F, \overline{\partial_x \partial G} \rangle, \quad \partial_x \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} d/dx, \quad \partial \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \partial_q$$

provided that the latter pairing is well defined. As  $\langle \partial F, \overline{\partial_x \partial G} \rangle = \langle \partial_x \partial G, \overline{\partial F} \rangle$  the bracket can be written as

$$[F, G] = dF(\partial_x \partial G).$$

If both brackets  $[F, G]$  and  $[G, F]$  are well defined we write

$$\{F, G\} := [F, G]$$

and refer to  $\{F, G\}$  as the *Poisson bracket* between  $F$  and  $G$ . As a particular case note that for a functional  $F$  which is analytic on a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  the gradient  $\partial F$  is in  $H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$ , hence the derivative  $\partial_x \partial F$  is in  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$ . Consequently, given two such functionals  $F$  and  $G$ , their bracket  $[F, G]$  is always defined and, moreover, an analytic function of  $q$ . This fact helps to overcome the complications in [13] arising from the fact that the brackets are not per-se well defined if the functions  $F$  and  $G$  are only known to be analytic on a complex neighborhood of  $L_0^2$  instead of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ .

Given a linear operator  $A \in \mathcal{L}(H_{\mathbb{C}}^s)$ , the *dual operator*  $A^* \in \mathcal{L}(H_{\mathbb{C}}^{-s})$  is defined to be the adjoint of  $A$  with respect to the pairing  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$ , i.e.

$$\langle f, A^* g \rangle = \langle Af, g \rangle \text{ for } f \in H_{\mathbb{C}}^s, g \in H_{\mathbb{C}}^{-s}.$$

Finally we introduce the following useful notation.

**Definition 1.3.** *For any  $\epsilon > 0$  and any elements  $a, b$  in a Banach space with norm  $\|\cdot\|$ , we write*

$$a = b + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon)$$

*if  $\|a - b\| \leq \epsilon$ . This notation is also used when  $b = 0$ .*

## 2 Actions

Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be a complex neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  chosen as in Corollary 10.2 (Appendix C, Section 10.1). Hence, for any  $p \in \mathcal{W}$ , we can choose a neighborhood  $V(p) \subset \mathcal{W}$  of  $p$  and mutually disjoint convex open neighborhoods  $U_n \subset \mathbb{C}$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) containing for any  $q \in V(p)$  a circuit  $\Gamma_n$  (independent of  $q$  and with counterclockwise orientation) around the gap interval

$$G_n(q) = \{(1-t)\lambda_{2n-1}(q) + t\lambda_{2n}(q) \mid 0 \leq t \leq 1\}.$$

Such a system of neighborhoods is referred to as a *system of isolating neighborhoods* (cf. Section 10.1 and Definition 10.3 for the details). Following [13], we then define the action variables  $I_n(q)$  for  $q \in V(p)$  by

$$I_n(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Gamma_n} \lambda \frac{\dot{\Delta}(\lambda, q)}{\sqrt{c \Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} d\lambda, \quad n \geq 1 \quad (2.1)$$

where  $\dot{\Delta}(\lambda, q)$  is the  $\lambda$ -derivative of the discriminant  $\Delta(\lambda, q)$  and  $\sqrt[n]{\Delta^2 - 4}$  the *canonical root* – see Appendix C, Section 10.2 for the definition of the discriminant and page 50 for the definition of the canonical root. By Proposition 10.5, the integrand in the definition of  $I_n(q)$  is analytic on an open neighborhood of  $\Gamma_n \times V(p)$ , hence  $I_n(q)$  is an analytic function on  $V(p)$ . In view of the definition (2.1), the action variable  $I_n(q)$  is independent of the choice of the contour  $\Gamma_n$  as long as it stays inside  $U_n$ , hence for any  $n \geq 1$  the actions  $I_n$  are analytic functions on  $\mathcal{W}$ .

Note that the action variable  $I_n(q)$  is defined by (2.1) for a complex neighborhood of  $H^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  and as in [13, Theorem 6.1] one proves that the  $L^2$ -gradient of  $I_n$  is given by

$$\partial I_n(q) = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Gamma_n} \frac{\partial \Delta(\lambda, q)}{\sqrt[n]{\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} d\lambda. \quad (2.2)$$

The  $L^2$ -gradient  $\partial I_n$  belongs to  $H^1(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  and has mean value zero,

$$[\partial I_n] = \int_0^1 \partial I_n dx = \langle \partial I_n, 1 \rangle = \frac{d}{d\epsilon} \Big|_{\epsilon=0} I_n(q + \epsilon) = 0$$

where the bracket  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the sesquilinear pairing between  $H^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  and  $H^1(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$ . Arguing as in [13, Theorem 6.1] we find that for any  $n \geq 1$  on the real space  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ ,

$$I_n \geq 0, \quad \text{and} \quad I_n = 0 \Leftrightarrow \gamma_n = 0.$$

Note that the actions  $I_n$  are compact in the sense of Proposition 10.7. Let  $D_n$  be the subvariety of potentials in  $\mathcal{W}$  with collapsed  $n$ -th gap,

$$D_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{q \in \mathcal{W} \mid \gamma_n(q) = 0\}. \quad (2.3)$$

As  $I_n$  and  $\gamma_n^2$  are analytic on  $\mathcal{W}$ , the quotient  $I_n/\gamma_n^2$  is analytic on  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$ . The following proposition is an extension of Theorem 6.3 in [13] for potentials in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ .

**Proposition 2.1.** *There exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  such that the quotient  $I_n/\gamma_n^2$  extends analytically to  $\mathcal{W}$  for all  $n$  and satisfies the asymptotic formula*

$$8\pi n \frac{I_n}{\gamma_n^2} = 1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon)$$

locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$  and uniformly in  $n \geq n_0$  (with  $n_0$  depending on  $\epsilon > 0$  and the local neighborhood in  $\mathcal{W}$ ) for arbitrary chosen  $\epsilon > 0$  with  $\mathbf{1e}(\epsilon)$  as in Definition 1.3. Moreover,

$$\xi_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sqrt[+]{\frac{8I_n}{\gamma_n^2}}$$

is well-defined as a real analytic, non-vanishing function on  $\mathcal{W}$  and satisfies for  $n \geq n_0$

$$\xi_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi n}} (1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon))$$

locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ . For  $q = 0$ , we have  $\xi_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi n}}$  for all  $n \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* Using the asymptotic estimates established in [14] (cf. Proposition 10.1 in the the present paper) and Propositions 10.9 and 10.10 as well as the product representation (10.9) of  $\dot{\Delta}(\lambda)$ , the result can be obtained in the same way as Theorem 6.3 in [13].  $\square$

### 3 Angles

In order to define angle variables on  $\mathcal{W}$  we associate to a Dirichlet eigenvalue  $\mu_n(q)$  of the Hill operator  $L_q \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} -\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + q$  (cf. [14]) a point

$$\mu_n^*(q) = \left( \mu_n(q), \sqrt[+]{\Delta^2(\mu_n(q), q) - 4} \right), \quad (3.1)$$

referred to as *Dirichlet divisor*<sup>2</sup>, on the Riemann surface

$$\Sigma_q \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{(\lambda, w) \mid w^2 = \Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4\}.$$

The square root  $\sqrt[+]{\Delta^2(\mu_n(q), q) - 4}$  is defined by

$$\sqrt[+]{\Delta^2(\mu_n(q), q) - 4} = \tilde{y}_1(1, \tilde{\mu}_n, r) - \tilde{y}'_2(1, \tilde{\mu}_n, r)$$

where  $\tilde{\mu}_n = \mu_n + \|r\|^2$ ,  $r \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} R^{-1}(q)$  with  $R$  denoting the Riccati map (cf. [14] and Appendix C), and  $\tilde{y}_i(x, \tilde{\lambda}, r)$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) are the fundamental solutions of the equation  $-u'' - 2ru' = \tilde{\lambda}u$ .

<sup>2</sup>It is not hard to see (cf. the definition of the discriminant  $\Delta(\lambda, q)$  in Appendix C) that  $\Delta^2(\mu_n(q), q) - 4 = (\tilde{y}_1(1, \tilde{\mu}_n, r) - \tilde{y}'_2(1, \tilde{\mu}_n, r))^2$  hence indeed  $\mu_n^*(q) \in \Sigma(q)$ .



The angles  $\theta_n$  are defined using the holomorphic differentials  $\psi_n$  – see Section 9 (Appendix B). Let  $n \geq 1$  and recall that  $D_n = \{q \in \mathcal{W} \mid \gamma_n(q) = 0\}$ . For  $q$  in  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$ , define

$$\theta_n(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \eta_n(q) + \sum_{\substack{k \geq 1 \\ k \neq n}} \beta_k^n(q), \quad (3.2)$$

where

$$\eta_n(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_{\lambda_{2n-1}(q)}^{\mu_n^*(q)} \frac{\psi_n(\lambda, q)}{\sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} d\lambda \pmod{2\pi}, \quad (3.3)$$

and, for  $k \neq n$ ,

$$\beta_k^n(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_{\lambda_{2k-1}(q)}^{\mu_k^*(q)} \frac{\psi_n(\lambda, q)}{\sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} d\lambda. \quad (3.4)$$

We call a path of integration from  $\lambda_{2k-1}(q)$  to  $\mu_k^*(q)$  on the Riemann surface  $\Sigma_q$  *admissible* if its projection by the map  $\pi(\lambda, z) = \lambda$  onto  $\mathbb{C}$  stays inside an isolating neighborhood  $U_k$ . As in [13], one shows that the functions  $\eta_n$  and  $\beta_k^n$  are well-defined in the sense that they are independent of the choice of an admissible path of integration.

More precisely, one shows that, for any  $k \neq n$ , the function  $\beta_k^n$  is well-defined on all of  $\mathcal{W}$  as well as real analytic, and vanishes at  $q = 0$ . For  $n \geq 1$ , the function  $\eta_n$  is well-defined on  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$  and real analytic on  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$  if taken modulo  $\pi$ . In order to ensure its analyticity the function  $\eta_n$  has to be taken modulo  $\pi$  due to the discontinuities of the periodic eigenvalues as functions of  $q$  when  $q$  is not real, see [13]. On the real space  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \setminus D_n$ , the function  $\eta_n$  is real analytic when taken modulo  $2\pi$ .

To show that the series in (3.2) converges, one uses the asymptotic estimates from Section 9 (in particular,  $\sigma_k^n = \tau_k + O(|\gamma_k|^2/k)$  for  $k \neq n$ ) to prove the following analogue of Lemma 7.4 in [13].

**Lemma 3.1.**

$$\beta_k^n = O\left(\frac{|\gamma_k| + |\mu_k - \tau_k|}{|k^2 - n^2|} \cdot \frac{n}{k}\right)$$

locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$  and uniformly in  $k$  and  $n$  with  $k \neq n$ .

*Proof.* By Theorem 9.1,

$$\beta_k^n(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_{\lambda_{2k-1}(q)}^{\mu_k^*(q)} \frac{\psi_n(\lambda, q)}{\sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} d\lambda = \int_{\lambda_{2k}(q)}^{\mu_k^*(q)} \frac{\psi_n(\lambda, q)}{\sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} d\lambda.$$

Without loss of generality assume that  $|\mu_k(q) - \lambda_{2k-1}(q)| \leq |\mu_k(q) - \lambda_{2k}(q)|$  otherwise interchange the role of  $\lambda_{2k-1}(q)$  and  $\lambda_{2k}(q)$  in the following argument. Further we may assume that  $\lambda_{2k-1}(q) \neq \mu_k(q)$  as  $\beta_k^n(q) = 0$  otherwise. By the product representation  $\psi_n(\lambda, q) = \frac{2}{n\pi} \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{\sigma_k^n(q) - \lambda}{k^2 \pi^2}$  (cf. Theorem 9.1)

we obtain for  $\lambda$  near  $G_k$

$$\frac{\psi_n(\lambda, q)}{\sqrt[c]{\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} = \frac{\sigma_k^n(q) - \lambda}{\sqrt[s]{(\lambda_{2k}(q) - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2k-1}(q))}} \zeta_k^n(\lambda, q) \quad (3.5)$$

where

$$\zeta_k^n(\lambda, q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{(-1)^{k-1} \pi n}{(\sigma_n^n(q) - \lambda) \sqrt[\dagger]{\lambda - \lambda_0(q)}} \prod_{m \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{k\}} \frac{\sigma_m^n(q) - \lambda}{\sqrt[\dagger]{(\lambda_{2m}(q) - \lambda)(\lambda_{2m-1}(q) - \lambda)}} \quad (3.6)$$

with  $\sigma_n^n = \tau_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (\lambda_{2n-1} + \lambda_{2n})/2$ . By Theorem 9.1,  $\sigma_m^n = \tau_m + O(|\gamma_m|^2/m)$  uniformly for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  as well as locally uniformly in  $\mathcal{W}$  and by Proposition 10.1,  $\tau_n - n^2 \pi^2 = h^{-1}(n)$  locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ . By Lemma 8.7

$$|\zeta_k^n(\lambda, q)| = O\left(\frac{n}{k|k^2 - n^2|}\right) \quad (3.7)$$

uniformly for  $k \neq n$ ,  $\lambda \in U_k$  and locally uniformly in  $\mathcal{W}$ .

Let  $\gamma_k(q) \neq 0$ . For  $\lambda \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \lambda_{2k-1} + (\mu_k - \lambda_{2k-1})t$  with  $0 \leq t \leq 1$  one has, as  $|\lambda - \lambda_{2k-1}| \leq |\lambda - \lambda_{2k}|$  and  $|\lambda_{2k} - \lambda| \geq |\gamma_k|/2$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\sigma_k^n - \lambda}{\lambda_{2k} - \lambda} \right| &\leq \frac{|\sigma_k^n - \lambda_{2k-1}|}{|\lambda_{2k} - \lambda|} + \frac{|\lambda - \lambda_{2k-1}|}{|\lambda_{2k} - \lambda|} \\ &\leq \frac{|(\sigma_k^n - \tau_k) + \frac{\gamma_k}{2}|}{|\gamma_k|/2} + 1 \\ &= O(1) \end{aligned} \quad (3.8)$$

locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ . Estimate (3.8) is obviously true also when  $\gamma_k(q) = 0$  as by Theorem 9.1  $\sigma_k^n = \tau_k = \lambda_{2k}$ . Now, it follows from (3.5), (3.7) and (3.8) that

$$|\beta_k^n(q)| = O\left(\frac{n}{k|k^2 - n^2|}\right) \left| \int_{\lambda_{2k-1}(q)}^{\mu_k(q)} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_{2k} - \lambda}{\lambda - \lambda_{2k-1}}} d\lambda \right|$$

By the change of variable  $\lambda = \lambda_{2k-1} + t(\mu_k - \lambda_{2k-1})$  in the latter integral we obtain with  $\delta \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} |\mu_k - \lambda_{2k-1}|$

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\lambda_{2k-1}(q)}^{\mu_k(q)} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda_{2k} - \lambda}{\lambda - \lambda_{2k-1}}} d\lambda \right| &\leq \int_0^1 \frac{\sqrt{|\gamma_k| + t\delta}}{\sqrt{t\delta}} \delta dt \\ &\leq 2\sqrt{\delta} \sqrt{|\gamma_k| + \delta} \leq \delta + (|\gamma_k| + \delta) \end{aligned}$$

As  $\delta \leq |\mu_k - \tau_k| + |\gamma_k|/2 \leq |\mu_k - \tau_k| + |\gamma_k|$  the claimed statement of the lemma follows.  $\square$

We can now formulate the main result of this section.

**Proposition 3.2.** *There exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W} \subset H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  with the following properties. The functions*

$$\beta_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sum_{k \neq n} \beta_k^n, \quad n \geq 1$$

are analytic on  $\mathcal{W}$  and locally bounded on  $\mathcal{W}$  uniformly in  $n$ .

The angle function

$$\theta_n = \eta_n + \beta_n = \eta_n + \sum_{k \neq n} \beta_k^n$$

is real analytic on the real space  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \setminus D_n$  and extends to an analytic function on  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$  when taken modulo  $\pi$ . Its gradient has mean value zero.

*Proof.* The estimate of  $\beta_k^n$ ,  $k \neq n$ , stated in Lemma 3.1 ensures that the sum  $\sum_{k \neq n} \beta_k^n$  converges absolutely, locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ . In fact, using the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, we have, locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \neq n} |\beta_k^n| &\leq C \sum_{k \neq n} \frac{n}{|k^2 - n^2|} \frac{|\gamma_k| + |\mu_k - \tau_k|}{k} \\ &\leq \sqrt{2} C n \left( \sum_{k \neq n} \frac{1}{|k^2 - n^2|^2} \right)^{1/2} (\|\gamma\|_{h^{-1}} + \|\mu - \tau\|_{h^{-1}}) \\ &= O(1) \end{aligned}$$

in view of Lemma 8.2 and the fact that the  $h^{-1}$ -norms of the sequences  $(\gamma_k)$ ,  $(\tau_k - k^2\pi^2)$ , and  $(\mu_k - k^2\pi^2)$  are locally bounded on  $\mathcal{W}$ . As  $\theta_n$  is invariant under translations of the potential when considered on  $H^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \setminus D_n$  its gradient has mean value zero.  $\square$

## 4 Cartesian coordinates

Given the actions  $I_n$  and the angles  $\theta_n$  introduced in sections 2 and 3 respectively, the associated rectangular coordinates  $x_n$  and  $y_n$  are defined on  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \setminus D_n$  by

$$x_n = \sqrt{2I_n} \cos(\theta_n), \quad y_n = \sqrt{2I_n} \sin(\theta_n),$$

where the choice of sin and cos is made so that  $dx_n \wedge dy_n = dI_n \wedge d\theta_n$ . We extend this definition to the complex domain  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$  by setting

$$x_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \xi_n \gamma_n \frac{e^{i\theta_n} + e^{-i\theta_n}}{4}, \quad y_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \xi_n \gamma_n \frac{e^{i\theta_n} - e^{-i\theta_n}}{4i}$$

where  $\mathcal{W}$  is given so that Propositions 2.1 and 3.2 hold.

The main result of this section is that these functions are in fact well-defined and real analytic on all of  $\mathcal{W}$ .

As the functions  $\xi_n$  and  $\beta_n = \theta_n - \eta_n$  have already been shown to be real analytic on  $\mathcal{W}$ , we focus our attention on the complex functions

$$z_n^\pm \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \gamma_n e^{\pm i\eta_n},$$

which so far are defined on  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$ . As in [13], Lemma 8.1, one shows that they are in fact analytic on  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$ . The aim now is to show that the functions  $z_n^\pm$  can be analytically extended to all of  $\mathcal{W}$ . To this end, we investigate the limiting behavior of  $z_n^\pm(q)$  as  $q$  approaches a point  $p$  in  $D_n$ , i.e. as the  $n$ -th gap collapses. We will see that this limit is zero if  $\mu_n(p)$  coincides with  $\lambda_{2n-1}(p) = \lambda_{2n}(p)$ , but different from zero if  $p \in X_n \cap D_n$  where  $X_n$  denotes the open set

$$X_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{q \in \mathcal{W} \mid \mu_n(q) \notin G_n(q)\}.$$

Since, for any real  $q$ , we have  $\mu_n(q) \in G_n(q)$ , this set does not intersect the real space  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . For  $\lambda$  near  $G_n$ , we write

$$\frac{\psi_n(\lambda)}{\sqrt[c]{\Delta^2(\lambda) - 4}} = \frac{\zeta_n(\lambda)}{\sqrt[s]{(\lambda_{2n} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1})}}, \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$\zeta_n(\lambda) = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{n\pi}{\sqrt[\dagger]{\lambda - \lambda_0}} \prod_{k \neq n} \frac{\sigma_k^n - \lambda}{\sqrt[\dagger]{(\lambda_{2k} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda)}}.$$

Observe that  $\zeta_n$  is analytic for  $q \in \mathcal{W}$  and  $\lambda \in U_n$ , and bounded locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$  as well as uniformly for  $n \geq 1$  and  $\lambda \in U_n$ . The boundedness is a consequence of Lemma 8.7. Moreover, we have

**Lemma 4.1.** *For  $\mu \in G_n$ ,*

$$\zeta_n(\mu) = 1 + O\left(\frac{|\gamma_n|}{n}\right)$$

locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$  and uniformly in  $n \geq 1$ .

*Proof.* We start with a real valued potential  $q \in \mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$ . By Theorem 9.1

$$1 = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\lambda_{2n-1}}^{\lambda_{2n}} \frac{\zeta_n(\lambda)}{\sqrt[+]{(\lambda_{2n} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1})}} d\lambda.$$

Hence

$$\zeta_n(\mu) = 1 - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\lambda_{2n-1}}^{\lambda_{2n}} \frac{\zeta_n(\lambda) - \zeta_n(\mu)}{\sqrt[+]{(\lambda_{2n} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1})}} d\lambda \quad (4.2)$$

for  $\mu \in G_n$ . Upon the substitution  $\lambda(t) = \tau_n + t\frac{\gamma_n}{2}$ , the integral term in (4.2) takes the form

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\zeta_n(\lambda(t)) - \zeta_n(\mu)}{\sqrt[+]{1-t^2}} dt, \quad (4.3)$$

hence it is bounded by  $2 \sup_{\lambda \in G_n} |\zeta_n(\lambda) - \zeta_n(\mu)|$ . We want to estimate this latter expression. By Corollary 10.2 for any  $q_0 \in \mathcal{W}$  there exist  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  and a neighborhood  $U(q_0) \subset \mathcal{W}$  of  $q_0$  such that, for any  $n \geq n_0$  and  $q \in U(q_0)$ , the straight interval  $[\lambda_{2n-1}(q), \lambda_{2n}(q)]$  is inside the disk in  $\mathbb{C}$  of radius  $n$  around the point  $n^2\pi^2$  and the distance between  $[\lambda_{2n-1}(q), \lambda_{2n}(q)]$  and  $\Gamma_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{|\lambda - n^2\pi^2| = n\}$  is greater than  $n/2$ . In particular, for  $\mu, \lambda \in G_n$ , by the Cauchy formula and the uniform boundedness of  $\zeta_n$  on  $\Gamma_n$ , one has for any  $n \geq n_0$

$$\begin{aligned} |\zeta_n(\lambda) - \zeta_n(\mu)| &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \left| \int_{\Gamma_n} \frac{\zeta_n(z)}{z - \lambda} dz - \int_{\Gamma_n} \frac{\zeta_n(z)}{z - \mu} dz \right| \\ &= \frac{|\lambda - \mu|}{2\pi} \left| \int_{\Gamma_n} \frac{\zeta_n(z)}{(z - \lambda)(z - \mu)} dz \right| \\ &= O(|\lambda - \mu|/n) = O(|\gamma_n|/n) \end{aligned} \quad (4.4)$$

locally uniformly on  $U(q_0)$ . Estimate (4.4) is obviously true also for  $n = 1, 2, \dots, n_0 - 1$ . It holds trivially for  $\gamma_n = 0$ . Combining (4.4) with (4.2) and (4.3) we prove the statement of the lemma for real  $q$ .

For complex  $q \in \mathcal{W}$  the preceding identities remain true at least up to a sign. Hence by the continuity of  $\zeta_n$  in  $\lambda$  and  $q$ , the claimed statement must also be valid for complex  $q$ .  $\square$

Let

$$\chi_n(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_{\tau_n(q)}^{\mu_n(q)} \frac{\zeta_n(\lambda) - \zeta_n(\tau_n(q))}{\lambda - \tau_n(q)} d\lambda.$$

Note that the latter integral is analytic in  $q$ . For a potential  $q \in X_n$  define a sign  $\varepsilon_n = \pm 1$  by

$$\frac{\psi_n(\mu_n(q))}{\sqrt[4]{\Delta^2(\mu_n(q), q) - 4}} = \frac{\varepsilon_n \zeta_n(\mu_n(q))}{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2n}(q) - \mu_n(q))(\mu_n(q) - \lambda_{2n-1}(q))}}.$$

As in [13], Lemma 8.3, one shows that, as  $q \notin D_n$  tends to  $p \in D_n \cap X_n$ , the function  $z_n^\pm = \gamma_n e^{\pm i\eta_n}$  tends to  $-2(1 \pm \varepsilon_n)(\mu_n(p) - \tau_n(p))e^{\pm \varepsilon_n \chi_n(p)}$ . We then extend the function  $z_n^\pm$  to  $D_n$  by defining

$$z_n^\pm \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \begin{cases} -2(1 \pm \varepsilon_n)(\mu_n - \tau_n)e^{\pm \varepsilon_n \chi_n} & \text{on } D_n \cap X_n, \\ 0 & \text{on } D_n \setminus X_n. \end{cases} \quad (4.5)$$

The main result is the following

**Proposition 4.2.** *The functions  $z_n^\pm = \gamma_n e^{\pm i\eta_n}$ , as extended above, are analytic on  $\mathcal{W}$ . Moreover, they satisfy the asymptotics*

$$z_n^\pm = O(|\gamma_n| + |\mu_n - \tau_n|)$$

locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ .

*Proof.* Analyticity is shown as in Theorem 8.4 in [13]. To prove the estimate for  $z_n^+$ , consider first potentials in  $X_n \setminus D_n$ . It follows from the proof of Lemma 8.3 in [13] that, on  $X_n \setminus D_n$ , we have the following representation of  $z_n^+ = \gamma_n e^{i\eta_n}$ ,

$$\gamma_n e^{i\eta_n} = \gamma_n \left( -\rho_n + i\varepsilon_n \sqrt[4]{1 - \rho_n^2} \right) e^{i\varepsilon_n \phi(\rho_n) \hat{\zeta}_n} e^{i\eta_n''}, \quad (4.6)$$

where

$$\rho_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{\mu_n - \tau_n}{\gamma_n/2}, \quad \phi(w) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_{-1}^w \frac{dz}{\sqrt[3]{1-z^2}}, \quad \hat{\zeta}_n = \zeta_n(\lambda_{2n-1}) - 1,$$

and

$$\eta_n'' = \varepsilon_n \int_{\lambda_{2n-1}}^{\mu_n} \frac{\zeta_n(\lambda) - \zeta_n(\lambda_{2n-1})}{\sqrt[3]{(\lambda_{2n} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1})}} d\lambda \pmod{2\pi}.$$

The factors on the right hand side of (4.6) are examined separately. First we claim that

$$e^{i\varepsilon_n \phi(\rho_n) \hat{\zeta}_n} = O(1)$$

locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$  and uniformly in  $n$ . Indeed, for  $|\rho_n| \geq 1$  and  $C \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \max_{|w| \leq 1} |\phi(w)|$ , one has

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi(\rho_n)| &\leq C + \int_1^{|\rho_n|} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t+1}} \frac{dt}{\sqrt{t-1}} \\ &\leq C + 2\sqrt{t-1} \Big|_1^{|\rho_n|} = O(|\rho_n|). \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 4.1 and the definition of  $\rho_n$ , we then get

$$|i\varepsilon_n \phi(\rho_n) \hat{\zeta}_n| = O\left(1 + 2 \frac{|\mu_n - \tau_n|}{|\gamma_n|}\right) \frac{|\gamma_n|}{n} = O(1)$$

in view of the asymptotics of  $\mu_n$ ,  $\tau_n$  and  $\gamma_n$  – see Proposition 10.1 (Appendix C).

We claim that  $e^{i\eta_n''} = O(1)$  locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$  and uniformly in  $n$ . To this end, assume without loss of generality that

$$|\mu_n - \lambda_{2n-1}| \leq |\mu_n - \lambda_{2n}|. \quad (4.7)$$

If this does not hold, reverse the roles of  $\lambda_{2n-1}$  and  $\lambda_{2n}$  in the representation (4.6) and in the following calculations. This is possible as (see Theorem 9.1)

$$\eta_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_{\lambda_{2n-1}}^{\mu_n^*} \frac{\psi_n(\lambda)}{\sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda) - 4}} d\lambda = \int_{\lambda_{2n}}^{\mu_n^*} \frac{\psi_n(\lambda)}{\sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda) - 4}} d\lambda + \pi \pmod{2\pi}.$$

In view of the assumption (4.7), we have  $|\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1}| \leq |\lambda - \lambda_{2n}|$  for any  $\lambda$  on the straight interval  $[\lambda_{2n-1}, \mu_n]$ . We then obtain from the definition of  $\eta_n''$

(integrating along  $[\lambda_{2n-1}, \mu_n]$ )

$$\begin{aligned} |\eta_n''| &\stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \left| \int_{\lambda_{2n-1}}^{\mu_n} \frac{\zeta_n(\lambda) - \zeta_n(\lambda_{2n-1})}{\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1}} \sqrt{\frac{\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1}}{\lambda_{2n} - \lambda}} d\lambda \right| \\ &\leq |\mu_n - \lambda_{2n-1}| \sup_{\lambda \in (\lambda_{2n-1}, \mu_n]} \left| \frac{\zeta_n(\lambda) - \zeta_n(\lambda_{2n-1})}{\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1}} \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Using a decomposition as in (4.4) and arguing similarly, one finds that the sup-term above is, locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ , of order  $O(1/n)$ , and we arrive at

$$|\eta_n''| = |\mu_n - \lambda_{2n-1}| O(1/n) = O(1),$$

so indeed  $e^{i\eta_n''} = O(1)$  locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$  and uniformly in  $n$ .

The remaining term in (4.6) can be estimated by

$$\left| \gamma_n \left( -\rho_n + i\varepsilon_n \sqrt[4]{1 - \rho_n^2} \right) \right| \leq 6 (|\gamma_n| + |\mu_n - \tau_n|).$$

This follows by bounding, for  $|\rho_n| \leq 1$ , the square root  $\sqrt[4]{1 - \rho_n^2}$  by  $\sqrt{2}$ , and, for  $|\rho_n| > 1$ , using that  $\sqrt[4]{1 - \rho_n^2} = i\rho_n \sqrt[4]{1 - \rho_n^{-2}}$  as well as  $\gamma_n \rho_n = 2(\mu_n - \tau_n)$ . Consequently, the estimate of  $z_n^+ = \gamma_n e^{i\eta_n}$  is established for potentials in  $X_n \setminus D_n$ . By continuity, it extends in a locally uniform fashion to all of  $\mathcal{W}$ , since all estimates involved are valid locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ . The proof for  $z_n^-$  is completely analogous.  $\square$

We now define cartesian coordinates on  $\mathcal{W}$  by ( $n \geq 1$ )

$$x_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{\xi_n}{4} (z_n^+ e^{i\beta_n} + z_n^- e^{-i\beta_n}), \quad y_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{\xi_n}{4i} (z_n^+ e^{i\beta_n} - z_n^- e^{-i\beta_n}),$$

where  $z_n^\pm$  are the functions extended to  $D_n$  by (4.5). The functions  $x_n$  and  $y_n$  are real analytic in view of Proposition 2.1, Proposition 3.2, and Proposition 4.2. By continuity it follows from the corresponding results in [13] that the  $L^2$ -gradients of  $x_n(q)$  and  $y_n(q)$  have mean value zero. With any potential  $q$  in  $\mathcal{W}$  we may then associate coordinates

$$\Omega(q) = (\mathbf{x}(q), \mathbf{y}(q)),$$

where

$$\mathbf{x}(q) = (x_1(q), x_2(q), \dots), \quad \mathbf{y}(q) = (y_1(q), y_2(q), \dots).$$



In view of the asymptotic estimates of Proposition 2.1, Proposition 3.2, and Proposition 4.2,

$$|x_n| + |y_n| = O\left(\frac{|\gamma_n| + |\mu_n - \tau_n|}{\sqrt{n}}\right)$$

locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$ . Consequently, in view of the asymptotic estimates for the periodic and Dirichlet eigenvalues (cf. Appendix C),  $\Omega$  maps the complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  into the space  $h^{-1/2}(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{C}) \times h^{-1/2}(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{C})$  and is locally bounded. Moreover, it maps the real space  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  into the real space

$$\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} h^{-1/2}(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R}) \times h^{-1/2}(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R}).$$

Note that the diffeomorphism constructed in [13] coincides with the restriction  $\Omega_0$  of  $\Omega : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  to  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$ ,

$$\Omega_0 = \Omega|_{L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)} : L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{1/2}. \quad (4.8)$$

Indeed, the periodic and Dirichlet eigenvalues of  $q \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  are the same if we consider  $q$  as an element in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . Let us summarize the main results of this section.

**Proposition 4.3.** *The map*

$$\Omega : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}, \quad q \mapsto \Omega(q) = (\mathbf{x}(q), \mathbf{y}(q))$$

*is real analytic and extends analytically to all of  $\mathcal{W}$ . Its Jacobian at  $q = 0$  is boundedly invertible, and its inverse is the weighted Fourier transform*

$$d_0\Omega^{-1} : \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2} \rightarrow H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1), \quad (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \mapsto \sum_{n \geq 1} \sqrt{2\pi n} (x_n e_n + y_n e_{-n}),$$

*where  $e_n = \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi nx)$  and  $e_{-n} = \sqrt{2} \sin(2\pi nx)$  for  $n \geq 1$ . In particular,  $\Omega$  is a local diffeomorphism at  $q = 0$ .*

*Proof.* The analyticity of  $\Omega$  on  $\mathcal{W}$  follows from Theorem A.6 in [13] in view of the local boundedness of  $\Omega$  and the analyticity of each of the components  $x_n$  and  $y_n$ . The statement for  $q = 0$  follows by continuity from the corresponding formulas for  $d_0\Omega_0^{-1}$  in [13].  $\square$

## 5 Orthogonality relations

Recall that, in view of the previous analyticity results, any bracket  $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$  between  $x_n$ ,  $y_n$ , and  $I_n$  is a well defined analytic function on  $\mathcal{W}$ , and, for brackets involving the angle variable  $\theta_n$ , or  $\theta_n$  and  $\theta_m$ , this is true on  $\mathcal{W} \setminus D_n$ , or  $\mathcal{W} \setminus (D_n \cup D_m)$ , respectively. Therefore any orthogonality relation established for  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  holds by density on  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . On  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , we thus obtain from [13], for any  $n, m \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \{x_n, x_m\} &= 0, & \{y_n, y_m\} &= 0, & \{x_n, y_m\} &= \delta_{nm}, \\ \{I_n, I_m\} &= 0, & \{x_n, I_m\} &= \delta_{nm}y_n, & \{y_n, I_m\} &= -\delta_{nm}x_n. \end{aligned}$$

Moreover,

$$\{I_n, \theta_m\} = \delta_{nm} \text{ on } H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \setminus D_m, \quad \{\theta_n, \theta_m\} = 0 \text{ on } H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \setminus (D_n \cup D_m).$$

## 6 Local diffeomorphism

In this section we show

**Proposition 6.1.** *The map*

$$\Omega : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}, \quad q \mapsto (\mathbf{x}(q), \mathbf{y}(q))$$

*is a local diffeomorphism everywhere.*

To prove this proposition, recall that  $\Omega$  is a local diffeomorphism at  $q = 0$  by Proposition 4.3. Instead of  $\Omega$ , it is more convenient to consider the map

$$\Phi \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (d_0\Omega)^{-1} \circ \Omega : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1),$$

which is given by

$$\Phi(q) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \sqrt{2\pi n} (x_n(q)e_n + y_n(q)e_{-n})$$

with

$$e_n = \sqrt{2} \cos(2\pi nx), \quad e_{-n} = \sqrt{2} \sin(2\pi nx).$$

Clearly,  $\Omega$  is a local diffeomorphism if and only if  $\Phi$  is a local diffeomorphism. The Jacobian  $d_q\Phi \in \mathcal{L}(H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1))$  of  $\Phi$  at  $q$  is given by ( $h \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ )

$$d_q\Phi(h) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \langle h, d_n(q) \rangle e_n \quad (6.1)$$

where, for  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$d_n(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sqrt{2\pi n} \partial_q x_n, \quad d_{-n}(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sqrt{2\pi n} \partial_q y_n.$$

We show that  $d_q\Phi$  is a linear isomorphism by proving that its dual map  $(d_q\Phi)^* \in \mathcal{L}(H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1))$  is a linear isomorphism. Observe that the dual map is given by ( $h \in H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$ )

$$(d_q\Phi)^*(h) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \langle h, e_n \rangle d_n(q). \quad (6.2)$$

In order to show that  $(d_q\Phi)^*$  is an isomorphism, we proceed as follows. By Lemma 6.2 below,  $(d_q\Phi)^*$  is a compact perturbation of the identity. In Lemma 6.4 we show that  $(d_q\Phi)^*$  is injective. Hence, by the Fredholm alternative,  $(d_q\Phi)^*$  is a linear isomorphism of  $H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$ .

**Lemma 6.2.** *For  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , the map  $(d_q\Phi)^* - Id \in \mathcal{L}(H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1))$  is compact.*

*Proof.* A potential  $q$  is called a *finite gap potential* if  $\gamma_n(q) \neq 0$  only for finitely many  $n$ . The finite gap potentials form a dense subset in  $L_0^2$  (cf. [13], Appendix B), and hence in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . We show the claimed statement first for finite gap potentials. The general statement then follows from the fact that the map  $q \mapsto (d_q\Phi)^* - Id$  is continuous, as  $\Phi$  is analytic.

Let  $T \equiv T(q) \in \mathcal{L}(H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1))$  denote the map  $(d_q\Phi)^* - Id$ , which by (6.2) is given by ( $h \in H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$ ,  $d_n \equiv d_n(q)$ )

$$Th = \sum_{n \neq 0} \langle h, e_n \rangle (d_n - e_n).$$

For  $N \geq 1$ , define the map  $T_N \in \mathcal{L}(H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1))$ ,

$$T_N h = \sum_{0 \neq |n| \leq N} \langle h, e_n \rangle (d_n - e_n).$$

The maps  $T_N$  are bounded operators of finite rank and hence compact, so  $T$  is compact if  $T_N \rightarrow T$  in  $\mathcal{L}(H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1))$ . But, for  $h \in H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , using the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \|(T - T_N)h\|_{H_0^1} &\leq \sum_{|n|>N} \frac{|\langle h, e_n \rangle|}{|n|^{-1}} \frac{\|d_n - e_n\|_{H_0^1}}{|n|} \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{n \neq 0} |n|^2 |\langle h, e_n \rangle|^2 \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_{|n|>N} \frac{\|d_n - e_n\|_{H_0^1}^2}{|n|^2} \right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

The first term on the latter line is equal to  $\|h\|_{H_0^1}$ . For a finite gap potential  $q$ , the second term tends to 0 as  $N \rightarrow \infty$  by Lemma 6.3 below.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.3.** *At a finite gap potential with  $[q] = 0$ ,*

$$\sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{\|d_n - e_n\|_{H_0^1}^2}{|n|^2} < \infty.$$

*Proof.* Let  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  be a finite gap potential, and let  $\mathcal{N} \equiv \mathcal{N}(q) := \{n \in \mathbb{N} \mid \gamma_n(q) = 0\}$ . By assumption, the complement of the set  $\mathcal{N}$  is finite. Hence it suffices to show that

$$\sum_{\pm n \in \mathcal{N}} \frac{\|d_n - e_n\|_{H_0^1}^2}{|n|^2} < \infty.$$

Since  $q$  is a finite gap potential it is smooth, hence in  $L_0^2$ , and we can use the following results from [13]. By the proof of Theorem 8.7 in [13], for  $n \in \mathcal{N}$ ,

$$\partial x_n + i\partial y_n = \frac{\xi_n}{2} e^{i\beta_n} \partial z_n^+, \quad (6.3)$$

where

$$\xi_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n\pi}} (1 + O((\log n)/n)), \quad \beta_n = O(1/n), \quad (6.4)$$

and, by Theorem 8.5 in [13],  $\partial z_n^+$  is given by

$$\partial z_n^+ = h_n^2 - g_n^2 + i2g_n h_n \quad (6.5)$$

where  $g_n$  denotes the normalized eigenfunction for the Dirichlet eigenvalue  $\mu_n$  ( $\int_0^1 g_n^2(x)dx = 1$ ,  $g_n'(0) > 0$ ) and  $h_n$  the periodic eigenfunction corresponding to the eigenvalue  $\lambda_{2n}(= \lambda_{2n-1} = \mu_n)$  which is orthogonal to  $g_n$  and satisfies  $\int_0^1 h_n^2(x)dx = 1$  as well as  $h_n(0) > 0$ .

We now argue similarly as in the proof of Lemma 10.12 in [13]. Consider the operator  $Q = -\frac{1}{2}\partial_x^3 + q\partial_x + \partial_x q$ . One verifies that the product  $Y \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} y_i y_j$  of any two fundamental solutions of  $-y'' + qy = \lambda y$  satisfies the differential equation

$$QY = 2\lambda\partial_x Y.$$

By (6.3), (6.5) and as the mean values of  $d_n$  and  $d_{-n}$  vanish for any  $n \in \mathcal{N}$  we obtain that

$$d_{\pm n} = \frac{1}{2\lambda_{2n}} D_0^{-1} Q d_{\pm n}$$

where we have assumed without loss of generality that  $\lambda_{2n} \neq 0$  for any  $n \in \mathcal{N}$  and where  $D_0^{-1}$  denotes the inverse of the restriction of  $\partial_x$  to  $H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . For  $f \in H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$  one has

$$\begin{aligned} \langle d_{\pm n}, f \rangle &= \frac{1}{2\lambda_{2n}} \langle D_0^{-1} Q d_{\pm n}, f \rangle \\ &= \frac{1}{2\lambda_{2n}} \langle d_{\pm n}, Q D_0^{-1} f \rangle \\ &= -\frac{1}{4\lambda_{2n}} \langle d_{\pm n}, f^* \rangle \end{aligned}$$

with  $f^* \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} f'' - 4qf - 2q'D_0^{-1}f \in H^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} \langle d_{\pm n}, f'' \rangle &= \langle d_{\pm n}, f^* \rangle - \langle d_{\pm n}, f^* - f'' \rangle \\ &= -4\lambda_{2n} \langle d_{\pm n}, f \rangle - \langle d_{\pm n}, -4qf - 2q'D_0^{-1}f \rangle \end{aligned}$$

Combining this with

$$\langle e_{\pm n}, f'' \rangle = -4\pi^2 n^2 \langle e_{\pm n}, f \rangle$$

one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \langle d_{\pm n} - e_{\pm n}, f'' \rangle &= 4(\pi^2 n^2 - \lambda_{2n}) \langle e_{\pm n}, f \rangle \\ &\quad - 4\lambda_{2n} \langle d_{\pm n} - e_{\pm n}, f \rangle \\ &\quad + \langle d_{\pm n}, 4qf + 2q'D_0^{-1}f \rangle \end{aligned} \tag{6.6}$$

By standard estimates one has for  $f$  in  $H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$

$$\begin{aligned} |\langle e_{\pm n}, f \rangle| &= O(1/n) \|f\|_{H_0^1} \\ \lambda_{2n} &= n^2 \pi^2 + O(1/n) \\ |\langle d_{\pm n}, 4qf + 2q'D_0^{-1}f \rangle| &\leq \|d_{\pm n}\| \cdot \|4qf + 2q'D_0^{-1}f\| \\ &\leq C \|f\|_{H_0^1}, \end{aligned} \tag{6.7}$$

where we used that  $\|d_{\pm n}\| = O(1)$  by Theorem 8.5 in [13], and from Lemma 10.12 in [13] one gets

$$|\langle d_{\pm n} - e_{\pm n}, f \rangle| = O((\log n)/n^2) \|f\|_{H_0^1}.$$

Note that every element in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  is of the form  $f''$  for some  $f \in H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$  with  $\|f''\|_{H_0^{-1}} = 4\pi^2 \|f\|_{H_0^1}$ .

In view of (6.6) we then conclude

$$\|d_{\pm n} - e_{\pm n}\|_{H_0^1} \leq \sup_{\|f\|_{H_0^1} \leq 1} |\langle d_{\pm n} - e_{\pm n}, f'' \rangle| = O(\log n)$$

which leads to the claimed estimate.  $\square$

**Lemma 6.4.** *For any  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , the map  $(d_q \Phi)^* \in \mathcal{L}(H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1))$  is injective.*

*Proof.* Assume that there exist real numbers  $a_k$ ,  $k \neq 0$ , such that

$$g = \sum_{k \neq 0} a_k d_k = 0,$$

where the sum converges in  $H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . It is to show that all  $a_k$  vanish. As  $\partial_x \partial x_n, \partial_x \partial y_n \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , the pairing of  $g$  with  $\partial_x \partial x_n, \partial_x \partial y_n$  is well defined. In view of the orthogonality relations established in Section 5, we obtain, for  $n \geq 1$

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= \langle g, \partial_x \partial x_n \rangle = \sum_{k \neq 0} a_k \langle d_k, \partial_x \partial x_n \rangle \\ &= \sum_{k \geq 1} \sqrt{2\pi k} (a_k \{x_k, x_n\} + a_{-k} \{y_k, x_n\}) = -\sqrt{2\pi n} a_{-n} \end{aligned}$$

and, similarly,  $0 = \langle g, \partial_x \partial y_n \rangle = \sqrt{2\pi n} a_n$ . So, indeed, all  $a_n$  vanish.  $\square$

## 7 Diffeomorphism property

In this section we state and prove the main theorem of this paper. Recall that  $\mathfrak{h}^s \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} h^s(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R}) \times h^s(\mathbb{N}, \mathbb{R})$  for  $s \in \mathbb{R}$ . Endow this sequence space with the standard Poisson bracket, for which

$$\{x_n, y_m\} = \delta_{nm},$$

while all other brackets vanish.

**Theorem 7.1.** *The map*

$$\Omega \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \Omega_{-1} : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}, \quad q \mapsto (\mathbf{x}(q), \mathbf{y}(q))$$

*has the following properties:*

- (i)  $\Omega$  is a bi-analytic diffeomorphism and preserves the Poisson bracket.
- (ii)  $\Omega_0 \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \Omega|_{L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)}$  agrees with the map constructed in [13].
- (iii) For any  $0 < \alpha < 1$

$$\Omega_{-\alpha} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \Omega|_{H_0^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1)} : H_0^{-\alpha}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{1/2-\alpha}$$

*is a bi-analytic diffeomorphism as well.*

**Remark 7.2.** *In view of the results from [13], it follows from (ii) that the coordinates  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  in  $\mathfrak{h}^{3/2}$  are Birkhoff coordinates for the KdV equation. That is, for  $\Omega_1 \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \Omega|_{H_0^1}$ , the transformed KdV Hamiltonian  $H \circ \Omega_1^{-1}$  depends only on  $x_n^2 + y_n^2$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , with  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  being canonical coordinates in  $\mathfrak{h}^{3/2}$ .*

*Proof of Theorem 7.1.* By Proposition 6.1, the map  $\Omega$  is a real analytic, local diffeomorphism and in view of Section 5 preserves the Poisson bracket. Statement (ii) follows from the considerations before Proposition 4.3. With regard to statement (iii) it is easy to see that  $\Omega_{-\alpha}$  is an analytic local diffeomorphism which is one-to-one. The fact that  $\Omega_{-\alpha}$  is onto follows from Corollary 2.6 in [12].

To prove the injectivity of  $\Omega$  we argue by contradiction and assume that there exist points  $q_1 \neq q_2$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  so that

$$\Omega(q_1) = \Omega(q_2) = a \in \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}.$$

Since  $\Omega : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  is a local diffeomorphism, there exist disjoint open neighborhoods  $\mathcal{V}_1, \mathcal{V}_2$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  of  $q_1, q_2$ , respectively, and an open neighborhood  $U$  of  $a$  in  $\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  such that the restrictions

$$\Omega|_{\mathcal{V}_i} : \mathcal{V}_i \rightarrow U \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

are diffeomorphisms. Since  $L_0^2$  is dense in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , and  $\mathfrak{h}^{1/2}$  is dense in  $\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$ , where both inclusion maps are continuous, the sets  $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_i \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \mathcal{V}_i \cap L_0^2$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ), and  $\tilde{U} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} U \cap \mathfrak{h}^{1/2}$  are non-empty and open in  $L_0^2$ , and  $\mathfrak{h}_{1/2}$ , respectively. It then follows from (ii) and Theorem 10.8 in [13] that the restrictions of the map  $\Omega_0 \equiv \Omega|_{L_0^2} : L_0^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{1/2}$  to  $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_i$ ,

$$\Omega|_{\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_i} : \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_i \rightarrow \tilde{U} \quad (i = 1, 2)$$

are diffeomorphisms. Since  $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_1$  and  $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_2$  are disjoint, this contradicts Theorem 10.8 in [13] stating that the map  $\Omega_0 : L_0^2 \rightarrow \mathfrak{h}^{1/2}$  is a global diffeomorphism. The onto-ness is proved in Lemma 7.3 below.  $\square$

**Lemma 7.3.**  *$\Omega$  is onto.*

*Proof.* Take an arbitrary element  $(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y}) \in \mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  with  $\mathbf{x} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (x_k)_{k \geq 1}$  and  $\mathbf{y} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (y_k)_{k \geq 1}$ . We will prove the lemma by constructing a potential  $u \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  such that  $\Omega(u) = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ . The proof is divided into two steps. In a first step we prove the existence of an auxiliary potential  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  such that  $I_k(q) = (x_k^2 + y_k^2)/2$  for any  $k \geq 1$ . Then, in a second step, we use  $q$  to construct the potential  $u \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  with the help of the orthogonal relations established in Section 5.

*Construction of the auxiliary potential  $q$ :* By [13],  $\Omega(L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)) = \mathfrak{h}^{1/2}$  and as  $\mathfrak{h}^{1/2}$  is dense in  $\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  we see that  $\Omega(L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1))$  is dense in  $\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$ . Hence, there exists a sequence  $(q_n)_{n \geq 1}$  in  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  so that  $(\Omega(q_n))_{n \geq 1}$  converges in  $\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \Omega(q_n) = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ .

By [2, Lemma 2.2], for any  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$I_k(q_n) \geq \frac{1}{c} \min(k\gamma_k(q_n), \gamma_k(q_n)^2/k) \quad (7.1)$$



where  $c = 2^6\pi^6$ . We claim that  $\gamma(q_n) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (\gamma_k(q_n))_{k \geq 1}$  is a bounded sequence in  $h^{-1}$ : As  $(\Omega(q_n))_{n \geq 1}$  converges in  $\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}$  there exists  $k_0 \geq 1$  so that, for any  $n \geq 1$

$$\sum_{k=k_0+1}^{\infty} k^{-1} 2I_k(q_n) \leq 1/c \quad (7.2)$$

where we used that  $x_k(q_n)^2 + y_k(q_n)^2 = 2I_k(q_n)$ . With regard to (7.1) note that for any  $k \geq 1$  with  $k\gamma_k(q_n) < \gamma_k(q_n)^2/k$  one has  $k^2 < \gamma_k(q_n)$  and hence by (7.1),  $k^3 < cI_k(q_n)$  or  $k^{-1}2I_k(q_n) > 2k^2/c$ . In view of (7.2) this implies that  $k$  satisfies  $1 \leq k \leq k_0$ . As a consequence, for any  $n \geq 1$  and  $k \geq k_0 + 1$ ,

$$k\gamma_k(q_n) \geq \gamma_k(q_n)^2/k$$

and hence by (7.1) and (7.2)

$$\sum_{k=k_0+1}^{\infty} k^{-2} \gamma_k(q_n)^2 \leq c \sum_{k=k_0+1}^{\infty} k^{-1} I_k(q_n) \leq 1/2. \quad (7.3)$$

Further, for any  $1 \leq k \leq k_0$ ,

$$\min(\gamma_k(q_n), \gamma_k(q_n)^2/k^2) \leq ck^{-1} I_k(q_n) \leq ck^{-1} \|\Omega_k(q_n)\|^2/2$$

which implies

$$\gamma_k(q_n)^2 \leq (c/2)^2 k \|\Omega_k(q_n)\|^2 (1 + k^{-1} \|\Omega_k(q_n)\|^2),$$

where  $\Omega_k(p) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (x_k(p), y_k(p))$  and  $\|\Omega_k(p)\|^2 \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} x_k^2(p) + y_k^2(p)$ . This estimate leads to the bound

$$\sum_{k=1}^{k_0} k^{-2} \gamma_k(q_n)^2 \leq (c/2)^2 \|\Omega(q_n)\|_{\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}}^2 (1 + \|\Omega(q_n)\|_{\mathfrak{h}^{-1/2}}^2)$$

which combined with (7.3) shows that  $(\gamma(q_n))_{n \geq 1}$  is a bounded sequence in  $h^{-1}$ . By [14, Theorem 5] (cf. also [20]),

$$\|q_n\|_{H_0^{-1}} \leq M \|\gamma(q_n)\|_{h^{-1}} (1 + M \|\gamma(q_n)\|_{h^{-1}})^3$$

where  $M$  is an absolute constant. Hence  $(q_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is a bounded sequence in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $(q_n)_{n \geq 1}$  is weakly convergent in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . It follows from Proposition 10.7 (cf. Appendix C)

that there exist an element  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  and a subsequence, again denoted by  $(q_n)_{n \geq 1}$ , so that for any  $k \geq 1$ ,

$$I_k(q_n) \rightarrow I_k(q) = (x_k^2(q) + y_k^2(q))/2 \quad (n \rightarrow \infty).$$

By assumption,  $\Omega_k(q_n) \rightarrow (x_k, y_k)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  which implies that  $I_k(q_n) = (x_k^2(q_n) + y_k^2(q_n))/2 \rightarrow (x_k^2 + y_k^2)/2$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Hence, for every  $k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$I_k(q) = (x_k^2(q) + y_k^2(q))/2 = (x_k^2 + y_k^2)/2. \quad (7.4)$$

*Construction of the potential  $u$ :* Let us fix  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ . If  $r_l \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sqrt{x_l^2 + y_l^2} = 0$  then  $x_l(q) = 0 = x_l$  and  $y_l(q) = 0 = y_l$  by formula (7.4). In the case  $r_l \neq 0$  one has

$$(x_l, y_l) = r_l(\cos \theta_l, \sin \theta_l), \quad (x_l(q), y_l(q)) = r_l(\cos \theta_l(q), \sin \theta_l(q)) \quad (7.5)$$

where  $\theta_l = \theta_l(q) + \theta_l^0$ . If  $\theta_l^0 \equiv 0 \pmod{2\pi}$  we have that  $x_l(q) = x_l$  and  $y_l(q) = y_l$ . If  $\theta_l^0 \not\equiv 0 \pmod{2\pi}$  consider the solution  $p : J \rightarrow H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  of the initial value problem

$$\dot{p}(t) = X_l(p(t)), \quad p(0) = q \quad (7.6)$$

where  $X_l(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{d}{dx} \frac{\partial I_l}{\partial q}$  and  $J$  denotes the maximal interval of existence of the solution  $p$ . As  $I_l$  is a real analytic functional on  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  the  $L^2$ -gradient  $\frac{\partial I_l}{\partial q}$  is in  $H_0^1(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . Thus  $X_l$  is an analytic vector field on  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  and hence (7.6) admits a unique solution  $p(t)$  on  $J$  (cf. [6]).

**Lemma 7.4.** *For any  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ , the vector field  $X_l$  is complete.*

*Proof.* By continuity arguments, as in Section 5, one concludes from Lemma 9.4 (ii) in [13] that for any  $l \in \mathbb{N}$ , the Lie derivative  $\mathcal{L}_{X_l} \Delta_\lambda$  of  $\Delta_\lambda$  satisfies

$$\mathcal{L}_{X_l} \Delta_\lambda \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \langle \partial \Delta_\lambda, X_l \rangle = \{\Delta_\lambda, I_l\} = 0, \quad \forall \lambda \in \mathbb{C}$$

where  $\Delta_\lambda(q) \equiv \Delta(\lambda, q)$  is the discriminant of the Hill operator  $L_q \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} -\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + q$ . Hence, for any  $t \in J$ ,  $\Delta_\lambda(p(t))$  is independent of  $t$ . Thus  $p(t) \in \text{Iso}(L_q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{p \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \mid \text{spec}(L_p) = \text{spec}(L_q)\}$ . On the other side, the isospectral set  $\text{Iso}(L_q)$  is compact by Corollary 3 in [14]. Hence, a standard result from the theory of ordinary differential equations in Banach spaces says that  $J = \mathbb{R}$ .  $\square$

We are now in a position to finish the proof of Lemma 7.3. Instead of the potential  $q$ , consider  $q_l \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} p(\theta_l^0)$ . It is clear from the orthogonality relation  $\{I_l, \theta_l\} = 1$  in Section 5 that  $\theta_l(q_l) = \theta_l(q) + \theta_l^0 = \theta_l$ . Therefore,  $x_l(q_l) = x_l$  and  $y_l(q_l) = y_l$ . The orthogonality relations  $\{x_k, I_l\} = 0$  and  $\{y_k, I_l\} = 0$  ( $k \neq l$ ) imply that for any  $k \neq l$ ,  $(x_k(q_l), y_k(q_l)) = (x_k(q), y_k(q))$ . Now define the sequence of potentials  $(u_k)_{k \geq 1}$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  by the recursive formula

$$u_k \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \begin{cases} u_{k-1} & \text{if } \Omega_k(u_{k-1}) = (x_k, y_k) \\ (u_{k-1})_{,k} & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

with  $u_0 \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} q$ . As in the proof of Lemma 7.4 one sees that  $(u_k)_{k \geq 1}$  is contained in the set  $\text{Iso}(L_q)$ . By Corollary 3 in [14]  $\text{Iso}(L_q)$  is compact, hence there exists a subsequence of  $(u_k)_{k \geq 1}$ , again denoted by  $(u_k)_{k \geq 1}$ , and an element  $u \in \text{Iso}(L_q)$  so that  $u_k \rightarrow u$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . As  $\Omega(u_k) \rightarrow (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$  for  $k \rightarrow \infty$  by construction and  $\Omega$  is continuous one concludes that  $\Omega(u) = (\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y})$ .  $\square$

## 8 Appendix A: Estimates on products

Denote by  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{\alpha}$  the Hilbert space of weighted  $l^2$ -sequences  $a = (a_k)_{k \geq 1} \subset \mathbb{C}$  satisfying

$$\|a\|_{h^{\alpha}} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \left( \sum_{k \geq 1} |k|^{2\alpha} |a_k|^2 \right)^{1/2} < \infty.$$

For  $a \in h_{\mathbb{C}}^{\alpha}$  and  $n > 1$  recall that

$$\|a\|_{h^{\alpha}}^{[n]} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \left( \sum_{k \geq [\frac{n}{2}]} |k|^{2\alpha} |a_k|^2 \right)^{1/2}. \quad (8.1)$$

**Lemma 8.1.** *Let  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $a \in h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-\alpha}$ . Then*

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{|a_k|}{|k^2 - n^2|} = O(n^{\alpha-3/2}) \|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}} + O(n^{\alpha-1}) \|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}}^{[n]}$$

where the terms  $O(n^{\alpha-3/2})$  and  $O(n^{\alpha-1})$  are independent of  $a$ .

*Proof.* By the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality one obtains

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{|a_k|}{|k^2 - n^2|} &\leq \left( \sum_{k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \frac{|k|^{2\alpha}}{|k^2 - n^2|^2} \right)^{1/2} \|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}} \\ &+ \left( \sum_{k > \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \frac{|k|^{2\alpha}}{|k^2 - n^2|^2} \right)^{1/2} \|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}}^{[n]}. \end{aligned}$$

The claimed statement then follows from the estimate

$$\sum_{k \leq \lfloor \frac{n}{2} \rfloor} \frac{|k|^{2\alpha}}{|k^2 - n^2|^2} = O(n^{2\alpha-3})$$

together with Lemma 8.2 below.  $\square$

**Lemma 8.2.** *For any  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  there exists a constant  $C = C(\alpha) > 0$  such that*

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{|k|^{2\alpha}}{|k^2 - n^2|^2} \leq C n^{2\alpha-2}.$$

*Proof.* The latter sum is split up into two parts which are estimated separately. For the first part we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq 2n, k \neq n} \frac{|k|^{2\alpha}}{|k^2 - n^2|^2} &\leq 2^{2\alpha} n^{2\alpha} \sum_{1 \leq k \leq 2n, k \neq n} \frac{1}{n^2 |k - n|^2} \\ &\leq 2^{2\alpha} n^{2\alpha-2} \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{2}{k^2} \end{aligned}$$

and for the second part

$$\sum_{k \geq 2n+1} \frac{|k|^{2\alpha}}{|k^2 - n^2|^2} \leq \frac{16}{9} \sum_{k \geq 2n+1} k^{2\alpha-4} \leq \frac{16}{9} \int_{2n}^{\infty} x^{2\alpha-4} dx \leq C_1 n^{2\alpha-3} \quad (8.2)$$

as  $|k^2 - n^2| \geq 3k^2/4$  for  $k \geq 2n + 1$ .  $\square$

The following technical lemma is used frequently.

**Lemma 8.3.** Consider a sequence  $(b_k(s))_{k \geq 1} \subset \mathbb{C}$  depending on a parameter  $s$  from a parameter set  $X$ . Assume that  $|b_k(s)| \leq 1/2$  for any  $s \in X$  and  $k \geq 1$  and that there exists a constant  $\varkappa > 0$  such that  $\sum_{k \geq 1} |b_k(s)| < \varkappa$  for any  $s$ . Then there exists a constant  $C = C(\varkappa) > 0$  such that

$$\left| \prod_{k \geq 1} (1 + b_k(s)) \right| \leq 1 + C \sum_{k \geq 1} |b_k(s)|$$

uniformly in  $s \in X$ .

The proof of Lemma 8.3 is straightforward and hence omitted.

**Lemma 8.4.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$  and  $a = (a_k)_{k \geq 1} \in h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-\alpha}$ . Then there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that uniformly on the circles  $|\lambda| = (n + 1/2)^2 \pi^2$ ,  $n \geq n_0$ ,

$$\prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{k^2 \pi^2 + a_k - \lambda}{k^2 \pi^2} = \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \left( 1 + O(\|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}} n^{\alpha-3/2} + \|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}}^{[n]}) \right). \quad (8.3)$$

Moreover,  $n_0$  can be chosen locally uniformly in  $a$ .

*Proof.* Taking  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  sufficiently big and applying Lemma 8.3 together with Lemma 8.1 and the product representation  $\frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\lambda}} = \prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{k^2 \pi^2 - \lambda}{k^2 \pi^2}$  (cf. [26]) one obtains for  $n \geq n_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \right)^{-1} \prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{k^2 \pi^2 + a_k - \lambda}{k^2 \pi^2} &= \left( 1 + \frac{a_n}{n^2 \pi^2 - \lambda} \right) \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \left( 1 + \frac{a_k}{k^2 \pi^2 - \lambda} \right) \\ &= (1 + O(|a_n|/n)) \left( 1 + O\left( \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{|a_k|}{|k^2 - n^2|} \right) \right) \\ &= 1 + O(\|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}} n^{\alpha-3/2} + \|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}}^{[n]}). \end{aligned}$$

□

**Lemma 8.5.** Let  $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$ ,  $a^0 \in h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-\alpha}$ , and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there exist a neighborhood  $U(a^0) \subset h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$  of  $a^0$ ,  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  and a constant  $0 < \delta < \pi/2$  such that for any  $a \in U(a^0)$ ,  $n \geq n_0$ , and  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \mathbf{1e}(\delta)$

$$\prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{k^2 \pi^2 + a_k - \lambda}{k^2 \pi^2} = \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2} (1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon)).$$

*Proof.* For any  $0 < \beta < \pi/2$  there exists a constant  $\rho > 0$  such that for any  $n \geq 1$ ,  $k \neq n$  and  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \mathbf{1e}(\beta)$  one has  $|k^2\pi^2 - \lambda| \geq \rho|k^2 - n^2|$ . Taking  $n_0 \geq 1$  sufficiently big and applying Lemma 8.3 together with Lemma 8.1 one obtains for  $n \geq n_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{k^2\pi^2 + a_k - \lambda}{k^2\pi^2 - \lambda} &= \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \left(1 + \frac{a_k}{k^2\pi^2 - \lambda}\right) \\ &= 1 + O\left(\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{|a_k|}{|k^2 - n^2|}\right) \\ &= 1 + O(n^{\alpha-3/2})\|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}} + O(n^{\alpha-1})\|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}}^{[n]}. \end{aligned} \quad (8.4)$$

On the other side one easily gets from the formula  $\frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\lambda}} = \prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{k^2\pi^2 - \lambda}{k^2\pi^2}$  that

$$\left| \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{k^2\pi^2 - \lambda}{k^2\pi^2} - \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2} \right| = O(\beta) + O(1/n) \quad (8.5)$$

uniformly for  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \mathbf{1e}(\beta)$ . Indeed, for  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \mu$ ,  $|\mu| \leq \beta$  we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{k^2\pi^2 - \lambda}{k^2\pi^2} &= \frac{n^2\pi^2}{n^2\pi^2 - \lambda} \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2} (1 + \mu/2n\pi)^{-1} (1 + \mu/n\pi)^{-1} \frac{\sin \mu}{\mu} \\ &= \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2} (1 + O(\beta) + O(1/n)). \end{aligned}$$

It then follows from (8.4) and (8.5) together with the estimate

$$\|a\|_{h^{-\alpha}}^{[n]} \leq \|a^0\|_{h^{-\alpha}}^{[n]} + \|a - a^0\|_{h^{-\alpha}} \quad (8.6)$$

that there exist  $U(a^0)$ ,  $n_0$ , and  $\delta$  as claimed.  $\square$

Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be the neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  given by Corollary 10.2.

**Lemma 8.6.** *Let  $(\sigma^0, q_0) \in h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathcal{W}$  and  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there exist a neighborhood  $U$  of  $(\sigma^0, q_0)$  in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathcal{W}$  and  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $(\sigma, q) \in U$ ,  $n \geq n_0$ , and  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \mathbf{1e}(\pi/2)$*

$$\prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{k^2\pi^2 + \sigma_k - \lambda}{\sqrt{(\lambda_{2k} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda)}} = (-1)^{n+1} (1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon)).$$

*Proof.* In view of Lemma 3, Appendix L in [25] it suffices to prove that

$$\left( \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{k^2 \pi^2 + \sigma_k - \lambda}{\sqrt{(\lambda_{2k} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda)}} \right)^2 = \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \left( 1 + \frac{(\bar{\sigma}_k - \lambda)^2 - (\tau_k - \lambda)^2 + (\gamma_k/2)^2}{(\lambda_{2k} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda)} \right)$$

can be estimated as  $1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon)$  for  $n$  sufficiently large. Hence by Lemma 8.3 we need to estimate the sum  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} b_k(\sigma, \lambda, q)$  where

$$b_k(\sigma, \lambda, q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{|(\bar{\sigma}_k - \lambda)^2 - (\tau_k - \lambda)^2 + (\gamma_k/2)^2|}{|\lambda_{2k} - \lambda| |\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda|}$$

and  $\bar{\sigma}_k \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} k^2 \pi^2 + \sigma_k$ . As in Lemma 10.4 there exist constants  $r_1, r_2 > 0$ , a neighborhood  $U$  of  $(\sigma^0, q_0)$  in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathcal{W}$  and a constant  $m_0 > 0$  so that for any  $n \geq m_0$ ,  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \mathbf{1e}(\pi/2)$  and any  $k \neq n$ ,  $|\bar{\sigma}_k - \lambda| \leq r_1 |k^2 - n^2|$ ,  $|\tau_k - \lambda| \leq r_1 |k^2 - n^2|$ ,  $|\lambda_{2k} - \lambda| \geq r_2 |k^2 - n^2|$ , and  $|\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda| \geq r_2 |k^2 - n^2|$  uniformly in  $U$ . In particular, for  $(\sigma, q) \in U$  and  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \mathbf{1e}(\pi/2)$  the sum  $\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} b_k(\sigma, \lambda, q)$  is estimated by

$$\sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{|\bar{\sigma}_k - \tau_k|}{|k^2 - n^2|} + \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{|\gamma_k|^2}{|k^2 - n^2|^2}. \quad (8.7)$$

One has

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{|\gamma_k|^2}{|k^2 - n^2|^2} &\leq \left( \sum_{k \leq [\frac{n}{2}]} \frac{|k|^4}{|k^2 - n^2|^4} \right)^{1/2} \|(\gamma_k^2/|k|^2)\|_{h^0} \\ &+ \left( \sum_{k > [\frac{n}{2}], k \neq n} \frac{|k|^4}{|k^2 - n^2|^4} \right)^{1/2} \|(\gamma_k^2/|k|^2)\|_{h^0}^{[n]} \end{aligned}$$

where  $\left( \sum_{k \leq [\frac{n}{2}]} \frac{|k|^4}{|k^2 - n^2|^4} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = O(n^{-\frac{3}{2}})$  and  $\left( \sum_{k > [\frac{n}{2}]} \frac{|k|^4}{|k^2 - n^2|^4} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} = O(1)$  are estimated similarly as in the proof of Lemma 8.2. By estimate (10.3) and Proposition 10.1 the quantity  $\|(\gamma_k^2/|k|^2)\|_{h^0}^{[n]}$  is locally uniformly small in  $q$ . Applying Lemma 8.1 to the first sum in (8.7) and estimating the  $h^{-1}$ -norms using Proposition 10.1 and estimate (8.6) we conclude that for any  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist  $n_0 \geq m_0$  and a neighborhood  $U$  of  $(\sigma^0, q_0)$  in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathcal{W}$  such that for any  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $(\sigma, q) \in U$ , and  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \mathbf{1e}(\pi/2)$ , one has  $b_k(\sigma, \lambda, q) \leq 1/2$  for any  $k \neq n$  and  $\prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} (1 + b_k) = 1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon)$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 8.7.** *For any  $(\sigma^0, q_0) \in h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathcal{W}$  there exists a neighborhood  $U$  of  $(\sigma^0, q_0)$  in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathcal{W}$  such that for any  $(\sigma, q) \in U$  and any  $n \geq 1$ ,*

$$\prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{k^2 \pi^2 + \sigma_k - \lambda}{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2k} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda)}} = O(1) \quad (8.8)$$

*uniformly for  $\lambda \in U_n$  where  $\{U_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  is a system of isolating neighborhoods.*

*Proof.* We split the index set in the product in (8.8) into a finite part  $A \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\} | 1 \leq k \leq N\}$  and its complement  $A^c \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\} | k > N\}$  and estimate the corresponding products separately. Choosing  $N$  sufficiently large it follows as in the proof of Lemma 8.6 that there exists a neighborhood  $U$  of  $(\sigma^0, q_0)$  in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathcal{W}$  so that the product over the index set  $A^c$  is of size  $O(1)$ . Shrinking if necessary the neighborhood  $U$ , the same holds for the product over the index set  $A$ .  $\square$

Combining Lemma 8.5 and 8.6 one obtains

**Lemma 8.8.** *Let  $q_0 \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$ ,  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then there exists a neighborhood  $U(q_0) \subset H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  of  $q_0$ ,  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  and a constant  $0 < \beta < \pi/2$  such that for any  $q \in U(q_0)$ ,  $n \geq n_0$ , and  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + 1e(\beta)$*

$$\prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{k^2 \pi^2}{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2k} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda)}} = 2(1 + 1e(\epsilon)).$$

## 9 Appendix B: Holomorphic differentials

In this section we prove the following theorem concerning holomorphic differentials. It extends the corresponding theorem [13, Theorem D.1] stated for  $L^2$ -potentials. For notions such as  $\Gamma_m$ ,  $\Delta(\lambda, q)$  or  $\sqrt[4]{\Delta(\lambda, q)^2 - 4}$  see Section 10.

**Theorem 9.1.** *There exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  such that for each  $q$  in  $\mathcal{W}$  there exist entire functions  $\psi_n$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , satisfying*

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma_m} \frac{\psi_n(\lambda, q)}{\sqrt[4]{\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} d\lambda = \delta_{mn}$$



for all  $m \geq 1$ . These functions depend analytically on  $\lambda$ ,  $q$  and admit a product representation

$$\psi_n(\lambda) = \frac{2}{\pi n} \prod_{m \neq n} \frac{\sigma_m^n(q) - \lambda}{m^2 \pi^2},$$

whose complex coefficients  $\sigma_m^n$  depend real analytically on  $q$  and satisfy, for any  $m \geq 1$ ,

$$|\sigma_m^n - \tau_m| \leq C \frac{|\gamma_m^2|}{m}$$

where  $C > 0$  can be chosen locally uniformly on  $\mathcal{W}$  and uniformly in  $n$ , and  $\tau_m \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (\lambda_{2m} + \lambda_{2m-1})/2$ .

It turns out that the same approach used in [13] also works for potentials in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , taking into account the spectral results in [14] and the results on infinite products stated in Appendix A. As in [13] we prove this theorem with the help of the implicit function theorem. Following [13] we reformulate the statement in terms of a functional equation.

In the following, it is convenient to denote  $\sigma_m^n$  as  $\bar{\sigma}_m^n$ , and to use the former symbol for general  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$ -sequences.

For  $\sigma = (\sigma_m)_{m \geq 1}$  in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$  and  $n \geq 1$  define an entire function  $\phi_n(\sigma, \lambda)$  by

$$\phi_n(\sigma, \lambda) = \prod_{m \neq n} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_m - \lambda}{m^2 \pi^2} = \prod_{m \neq n} \left( 1 + \frac{\sigma_m - \lambda}{m^2 \pi^2} \right),$$

where  $\bar{\sigma}_m \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} m^2 \pi^2 + \sigma_m$  throughout this appendix. Note that the infinite product above converges absolutely and locally uniformly in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathbb{C}$  as the sum  $\sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{|\sigma_m| + |\lambda|}{\pi^2 m^2}$  converges locally uniformly in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathbb{C}$ . Indeed, for any  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  and any integer  $p \geq 0$  one can write

$$\sum_{m=N}^{N+p} \frac{|\sigma_m|}{m^2} = \sum_{m=N}^{N+p} \frac{|\sigma_m|}{m^{1+1/4}} \frac{1}{m^{3/4}} \leq C \sqrt{\sum_{m=N}^{N+p} \frac{|\sigma_m|^2}{m^2} \frac{1}{m^{1/2}}}, \quad (9.1)$$

where  $C \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sqrt{\sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{1}{m^{3/2}}} < \infty$ . As the sum  $\sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{|\sigma_m|^2}{m^2} = \|\sigma\|_{h^{-1}}^2$  is locally bounded in  $h^{-1}$  and as  $1/m^{1/2}$  converges to zero monotonely as  $m \rightarrow \infty$  the sum  $\sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{|\sigma_m|^2}{m^2} \frac{1}{m^{1/2}}$  converges locally uniformly for  $\sigma$  in  $h^{-1}$  by the Dirichlet criterium of uniform convergence. Hence by (9.1), the sum  $\sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{|\sigma_m| + |\lambda|}{\pi^2 m^2}$

converges locally uniformly in  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathbb{C}$ . In particular,  $\phi_n$  is an analytic function on  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1} \times \mathbb{C}$ .

For  $q$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  and  $m \geq 1$ , define a linear functional  $A_m(q)$  on the space of entire functions by

$$A_m(q)\phi = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma_m} \frac{\phi(\lambda)}{\sqrt[c]{\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4}} d\lambda.$$

One can choose the contours  $\Gamma_m$  to be locally independent of  $q$ , and arbitrarily close to the real intervals

$$G_m(q) = [\lambda_{2m-1}(q), \lambda_{2m}(q)] \quad (9.2)$$

so that  $A_m$  are actually well defined on the space of real analytic functions on the real line.

For each  $n \geq 1$  we then consider on the real Hilbert space  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$  the functional equation

$$F^n(\sigma, q) = 0,$$

where  $F^n = (F_m^n)_{m \geq 1}$  with

$$F_m^n(\sigma, q) = \begin{cases} A_m^n(q)\phi_n(\sigma), & m \neq n, \\ \bar{\sigma}_n - \tau_n(q), & m = n, \end{cases} \quad (9.3)$$

and, for  $m \neq n$ ,

$$A_m^n = w_m^n A_m, \quad w_m^n = 2\pi m \frac{n^2 - m^2}{n^2}.$$

In fact, each function  $F_m^n$  is well defined and real analytic on some complex neighborhood  $U$  of  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$ , independent of  $n$  and  $m$ .

We show that under some mild provisions there exists a unique solution  $\sigma^n(q)$  of  $F^n(\sigma, q) = 0$ , which is real analytic in  $q$  and extends to some complex neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  independently of  $n$ . We then verify that  $\bar{\sigma}_m^n = \tau_m + O(\gamma_m^2/m)$ . By [13] this solution satisfies for  $q \in L_0^2$

$$A_n(q)\phi_n(\sigma^n(q)) = \frac{\pi n}{2}.$$

By analyticity and density, this equation will hold on some complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  as well, so the functions

$$\psi_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{2}{\pi n} \phi_n(\sigma^n)$$

will have the required properties.

## 9.1 Real Solutions

Before constructing real solutions we first establish the proper setting of the functionals  $F^n$ .

**Lemma 9.2.** *For each  $n \geq 1$ , equation (9.3) defines a map*

$$F^n : h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1} \rightarrow h^{-1}$$

$$(\sigma, q) \mapsto F^n(\sigma, q),$$

which is real analytic and extends analytically to a complex neighborhood  $U$  of  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$ . Moreover, this neighborhood  $U$  can be chosen independently of  $n$  and so that all  $F^n$  are locally uniformly bounded on it.

*Proof.* Fix  $n \geq 1$  and consider  $F_m^n$  for  $m \neq n$ . As in [13], by the definition of  $\phi_n$  and the fact that  $\sqrt[4]{\Delta^2 - 4}$  can be written as

$$\frac{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2m} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2m-1})}}{m^2 \pi^2} 2(-1)^{m+1} \sqrt[4]{\lambda - \lambda_0} \prod_{l \neq m} \frac{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2l} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2l-1} - \lambda)}}{l^2 \pi^2}$$

for  $\lambda$  close to  $\Gamma_m$ , we have

$$F_m^n(\sigma, q) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma_m} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_m - \lambda}{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2m} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2m-1})}} w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda) d\lambda,$$

where

$$\zeta_m^n(\lambda) = \frac{(-1)^{m+1} n^2 \pi^2}{2 \sqrt[4]{\lambda - \lambda_0} \bar{\sigma}_n - \lambda} \prod_{l \neq m} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_l - \lambda}{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2l} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2l-1} - \lambda)}}. \quad (9.4)$$

Using Lemma 9.4 and [13, Lemma M.1] we get, locally uniformly on a complex neighborhood  $U$  of  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$  and uniformly in  $m \neq n$ ,

$$|F_m^n(\sigma, q)| = O\left(\max_{\lambda \in \Gamma_m} |\bar{\sigma}_m - \lambda|\right) = O(\rho_m),$$

where the sequence  $(\rho_m)_{m \geq 1}$ , given by

$$\rho_m \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} |\bar{\sigma}_m - \tau_m| + |\gamma_m| + 1/m \quad (9.5)$$

is bounded in  $h^{-1}$  locally uniformly on  $U$  (cf. Proposition 10.1).

We already noticed that each function  $F_m^n$  is real analytic on  $U$ . Analyticity of the entire map  $F^n$  then follows with [25, Theorem 3, Appendix A].  $\square$

**Lemma 9.3.** For each  $\varepsilon > 0$  and each point  $(\sigma^0, q)$  in  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$  there exists a number  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that, on a complex neighborhood of  $(\sigma^0, q)$ ,

$$w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda) = 1 + \mathbf{1e}(\varepsilon)$$

for any  $n \geq 1$ ,  $m \geq m_0$  with  $m \neq n$ , and  $\lambda \in \Gamma_m$ , where the contours  $\Gamma_m$  are chosen at a distance of  $|\gamma_m| + 1/m$  around  $\tau_m$ .

*Proof.* For  $\lambda$  close to  $G_m$ , the term  $w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda)$  can be written in the form

$$w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda) = \frac{\pi m}{\sqrt[4]{\lambda - \lambda_0}} \cdot \frac{n^2 \pi^2 - m^2 \pi^2}{\bar{\sigma}_n - \lambda} \cdot (-1)^{m+1} \prod_{l \neq m} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_l - \lambda}{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2l} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2l-1} - \lambda)}}. \quad (9.6)$$

Note that, on a complex neighborhood around any given point in  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$ , we may choose  $\delta > 0$  and contours  $\Gamma_m$  around  $G_m$  of order  $|\gamma_m| + 1/m$  such that

$$\inf_{n \neq m} \min_{\lambda \in \Gamma_m} |\bar{\sigma}_n - \lambda| \geq \delta.$$

Then, uniformly on a suitably chosen complex neighborhood of any point in  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$ , and uniformly for  $m \neq n$  and  $\lambda \in \Gamma_m$ , the first term on the right hand side in (9.6) is of the form

$$\frac{\pi m}{\sqrt[4]{\lambda - \lambda_0}} = 1 + O\left(\frac{1}{m}\right),$$

whereas the second term can be estimated by

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{n^2 \pi^2 - m^2 \pi^2}{\bar{\sigma}_n - \lambda} &= 1 + O\left(\frac{|\sigma_n| + |\lambda - m^2 \pi^2|}{|n^2 - m^2|}\right) \\ &= 1 + O\left(\sum_{l \neq m} \frac{|\sigma_l|}{|l^2 - m^2|} + \frac{|\lambda - m^2 \pi^2|}{m}\right) \\ &= 1 + O\left(\frac{\|\sigma\|_{h^{-1}}}{\sqrt{m}} + \|\sigma\|_{h^{-1}}^{[m]} + \frac{|\gamma_m| + 1/m + |\tau_m - m^2 \pi^2|}{m}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where for the last inequality we have used Lemma 8.1 and the fact that the contours  $\Gamma_m$  are at a distance of order  $|\gamma_m| + 1/m$  around  $\tau_m$ . The desired estimate then follows from the estimate

$$\|\sigma\|_{h^{-1}}^{[m]} \leq \|\sigma^0\|_{h^{-1}}^{[m]} + \|\sigma - \sigma^0\|_{h^{-1}}$$

together with Proposition 10.1. The third term on the right hand side of (9.6) is estimated by Lemma 8.6.  $\square$

Using similar arguments as in the proof of Lemma 9.3 one proves

**Lemma 9.4.** *For each point  $(\sigma, q) \in h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  there exists a complex neighborhood  $U$  of  $(\sigma, q)$  such that*

$$w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda) = O(1)$$

uniformly for  $n \neq m$  and  $\lambda \in U_m$  with  $(U_k)_{k \geq 1}$  chosen as in Corollary 10.2.

Next we consider the Jacobian of  $F^n$  with respect to  $\sigma$ . At any given point in  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$  this Jacobian is a bounded linear operator  $Q^n : h^{-1} \rightarrow h^{-1}$ , which is represented by an infinite matrix  $(Q_{mr}^n)$  with elements

$$Q_{mr}^n = \frac{\partial F_m^n}{\partial \sigma_r} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \sigma_r} A_m^n \phi_n = A_m^n \frac{\partial \phi_n}{\partial \sigma_r}, \quad m, r \neq n, \quad (9.7)$$

with  $\frac{\partial \phi_n}{\partial \sigma_r} = \frac{1}{r^2 \pi^2} \prod_{l \neq n, r} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_l - \lambda}{l^2 \pi^2} = \frac{\phi_n}{\bar{\sigma}_r - \lambda}$  while

$$Q_{mn}^n = Q_{nm}^n = \delta_{mn}.$$

The following simple observation, which is used several times below, is proven exactly as in [13].

**Lemma 9.5.** *If  $\phi$  is real analytic on the real line, and  $A_m \phi = 0$  for some  $m \geq 1$ , then  $\phi$  has a root in  $[\lambda_{2m-1}(q), \lambda_{2m}(q)]$ .*

This lemma shows that we have to look for the zero  $\sigma_m^n$  in the interval  $G_m(q) = [\lambda_{2m-1}(q), \lambda_{2m}(q)]$ . It therefore makes sense to restrict ourselves to the open domain  $V \subset h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$  characterized by

$$\frac{\lambda_{2k-2} + \lambda_{2k-1}}{2} < \bar{\sigma}_k < \frac{\lambda_{2k} + \lambda_{2k+1}}{2}, \quad k \geq 1.$$

As a consequence, any solution  $(\sigma, q)$  in  $V$  leads to a monotone sequence  $\bar{\sigma}_m^n$ , which in turn makes  $\sigma$  unique.

**Lemma 9.6.**

(a) On  $V \subset h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$ , the diagonal elements  $Q_{mm}^n$  never vanish, and for any point  $(\sigma, q) \in V$  and any  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exists  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that, locally uniformly on a sufficiently small neighborhood of  $(\sigma, q)$  in  $V$ ,

$$Q_{mm}^n = 1 + \mathbf{1e}(\varepsilon) \quad \text{for any } m \geq m_0 \text{ and } n \geq 1 \text{ with } n \neq m.$$

(b) Locally uniformly on  $V$ , and uniformly in  $n \geq 1$ ,

$$Q_{mr}^n = O\left(\frac{\rho_m}{|m^2 - r^2|}\right)$$

for  $m \neq r$  and  $m, r \neq n$ , with  $\rho_m$  defined as in (9.5).

*Proof.* As in [13], one easily shows that, for  $m, r \neq n$ ,

$$Q_{mr}^n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma_m} \left( \frac{\bar{\sigma}_m - \lambda}{\bar{\sigma}_r - \lambda} \right) \frac{w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda)}{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2m} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2m-1})}} d\lambda. \quad (9.8)$$

The claimed estimates are then proven as in [13], using [13, Lemma M.1] as well as Lemma 9.4 for (a) and, for (b), in addition

$$\frac{\bar{\sigma}_m - \lambda}{\bar{\sigma}_r - \lambda} = O\left(\frac{\rho_m}{|m^2 - r^2|}\right)$$

with  $\rho_m$  defined as in (9.5). By (9.8),  $Q_{mm}^n$  does not vanish as  $\zeta_m^n$  has no root in  $[\lambda_{2m-1}, \lambda_{2m}]$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 9.7.** *At any point in  $V$  the Jacobian  $Q^n$  of  $F^n$  with respect to  $\sigma$  is of the form*

$$Q^n = D^n + K^n$$

where  $D^n : h^{-1} \rightarrow h^{-1}$  is an isomorphism in diagonal form, and  $K^n : h^{-1} \rightarrow h^{-1}$  is compact.

*Proof.* Set  $D^n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \text{diag}(Q_{mm}^n)$ . By the preceding lemma,  $D^n : h^{-1} \rightarrow h^{-1}$  has a bounded inverse. Moreover,  $K^n = Q^n - D^n$  is a bounded linear operator on  $h^{-1}$  with vanishing diagonal, and off-diagonal elements

$$K_{mr}^n = Q_{mr}^n = O\left(\frac{\rho_m}{|m^2 - r^2|}\right), \quad m \neq r$$

again by the preceding lemma.

By Lemma 8.2 and as  $(\rho_m)_{m \geq 1} \in h^{-1}$

$$\sum_{\substack{m,r \\ m \neq r}} \left( \frac{r}{|m^2 - r^2|} \frac{\rho_m}{m} \right)^2 < \infty$$

so  $K^n$  is Hilbert-Schmidt, hence compact.  $\square$

**Lemma 9.8.** *At any given point in  $V \subset h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$ , each Jacobian  $Q^n$  for  $n \geq 1$  is one-to-one and hence a linear isomorphism  $h^{-1} \rightarrow h^{-1}$ .*

*Proof.* Fix  $n \geq 1$ . To show that  $Q^n$  is one-to-one, suppose that  $Q^n h = 0$  for some  $h \in h^{-1}$ . Then clearly  $h_n = 0$ , since  $Q_{nr}^n = \delta_{nr}$  for  $r \geq 1$  by definition. Moreover, as in [13], one infers from  $Q^n h = 0$  and (9.7) that

$$A_m \psi = 0 \quad \text{for any } m \neq n,$$

where  $\psi$  is the entire function

$$\psi(\lambda) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \phi_n \cdot \sum_{r \neq n} \frac{h_r}{\bar{\sigma}_r - \lambda}.$$

To see that  $\psi(\lambda)$  is entire note that the sum  $\sum_{r \neq n} \frac{h_r}{\bar{\sigma}_r - \lambda}$  converges uniformly on every bounded compact set  $B$  of  $\lambda$ 's in  $\mathbb{C}$  such that  $B \cap \{\bar{\sigma}_r\}_{r \neq n} = \emptyset$ . In particular,  $\sum_{r \neq n} \frac{h_r}{\bar{\sigma}_r - \lambda}$  is a meromorphic function of  $\lambda$  with simple poles at  $\{\bar{\sigma}_r\}_{r \neq n}$ . As  $\phi_n(\lambda)$  is an entire function of  $\lambda$  with zeroes at  $\{\bar{\sigma}_r\}_{r \neq n}$  the function  $\psi(\lambda)$  is entire as well.

Hence, by Lemma 9.5,  $\psi$  has for any  $m \neq n$  a root  $\xi_m$  in the interval  $[\lambda_{2m-1}, \lambda_{2m}]$ . Consequently, letting  $\bar{\sigma}_n = \xi_n = \tau_n$ ,

$$\psi_*(\lambda) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_n - \lambda}{n^2 \pi^2} \psi = \sum_{r \neq n} \frac{h_r}{\bar{\sigma}_r - \lambda} \phi_*, \quad \text{with } \phi_* = \prod_{l \geq 1} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_l - \lambda}{l^2 \pi^2},$$

is also an entire function with roots  $\xi_m$  for any  $m \geq 1$ . Using Liouville's theorem, we now show that, in fact,  $\psi_* = 0$ .

Note that, on the circles  $|\lambda| = R_k \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (k + \frac{1}{2})^2 \pi^2$ ,

$$\sum_{r \neq n} \left| \frac{h_r}{\bar{\sigma}_r - \lambda} \right| = O\left( \frac{|h_k|}{k} + \sum_{r \neq k} \frac{|h_r|}{|r^2 - k^2|} \right) = O(k^{-1/2} \|h\|_{h^{-1}} + \|h\|_{h^{-1}}^{[k]})$$

by Lemma 8.1. Moreover, by Lemma 8.4, there exists  $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that, on the circles  $|\lambda| = R_k$  for  $k \geq k_0$ ,

$$\phi_*(\lambda) = \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \left(1 + \mathbf{1e}(1/2)\right),$$

and

$$\chi_*(\lambda) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \prod_{l \geq 1} \frac{\xi_l - \lambda}{l^2 \pi^2} = \frac{\sin \sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \left(1 + \mathbf{1e}(1/2)\right).$$

Combining the previous three estimates and using the definition of  $\psi_*$ , the quotient  $\psi_*/\chi_*$  is an entire function which tends to 0 uniformly on the circles  $|\lambda| = R_k$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ . By Liouville's theorem this is only possible for  $\psi_* = 0$ , hence  $h = 0$  by evaluating  $\psi_*$  at the points  $\bar{\sigma}_m$ ,  $m \neq n$ .

This shows that  $Q^n$  is one-to-one. By the preceding lemma and the Fredholm Alternative,  $Q^n$  is thus an isomorphism.  $\square$

Lemmas 9.2 and 9.8 allow us to apply the implicit function theorem to any particular solution of  $F^n(\sigma, q) = 0$  in the domain  $V$ . In fact, arguing as in [13] we get the following result:

**Proposition 9.9.** *For any  $n \geq 1$  there exists a unique real analytic map*

$$\sigma^n : H_0^{-1} \rightarrow h^{-1}$$

*with graph in  $V$  such that*

$$F^n(\sigma^n(q), q) = 0$$

*everywhere. Indeed,  $\bar{\sigma}_m^n(q) \in G_m(q)$  for each  $m \geq 1$  at every point  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ .*

## 9.2 Complex Extension

**Proposition 9.10.** *Each real analytic map  $\sigma^n : H_0^{-1} \rightarrow h^{-1}$  of Proposition 9.9 extends to a common complex neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}$ .*

*Proof.* To verify that the solutions  $\sigma^n$  of Proposition 9.9 all extend to a common complex neighborhood of  $h^{-1} \times H_0^{-1}$  independent of  $n$ , we first show that, at every real point  $q \in H_0^{-1}$ , the inverses of the Jacobians

$$Q^n(\sigma^n(q), q) = \frac{\partial F^n}{\partial \sigma}(\sigma^n(q), q)$$



are bounded uniformly in  $n$ .

Recall that, by Proposition 9.9, the solutions  $\sigma^n(q)$  are in the compact subset  $\Pi(q)$  of  $h^{-1}$ ,

$$\Pi(q) = \prod_{m \geq 1} (G_m(q) - m^2 \pi^2).$$

Fix  $q \in H_0^{-1}$ . Consider the Jacobian  $Q^n = (Q_{mr}^n)$  at a point in  $\Pi(q) \times \{q\} \subseteq V$ . By (9.7),

$$Q_{mr}^n = \frac{w_m^n}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma_m} \frac{\partial \phi_n}{\partial \sigma_r} \frac{d\lambda}{\sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda) - 4}}.$$

In this identity for  $Q_{mr}^n$  we can pass to the limit  $n \rightarrow \infty$  to obtain

$$Q_{mr}^n \rightarrow Q_{mr}^* \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} m \int_{\Gamma_m} \frac{\partial \phi_*}{\partial \sigma_r} \frac{d\lambda}{\sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda) - 4}}, \quad \phi_* \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \prod_{l \geq 1} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_l - \lambda}{l^2 \pi^2},$$

where  $\phi_*$  is the limit of  $\phi_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \prod_{l \neq n} \frac{\bar{\sigma}_l - \lambda}{l^2 \pi^2} = \frac{n^2 \pi^2}{\bar{\sigma}_n - \lambda} \phi_*$ . Inspecting the proof of Lemma 9.3, one finds that the estimate of  $w_m^n \zeta_m^n$  from Lemma 9.3 holds uniformly for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ . It follows that the asymptotic estimates from Lemma 9.6 for  $Q_{mm}^n$  and  $Q_{mr}^n$  ( $m \neq r$ ) hold uniformly for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$  as well. Moreover, it is clear that for  $m, r \neq n$

$$Q_{mr}^n \rightarrow Q_{mr}^* \tag{9.9}$$

uniformly for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ . Consequently, the  $Q_{mr}^*$  satisfy the corresponding asymptotic estimates from Lemma 9.6 uniformly for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ , and define a bounded operator  $Q^*$  on  $h^{-1}$ .

To show the convergence  $Q^n \rightarrow Q^*$  (uniform in  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ ), write  $Q^n = D^n + K^n$  and  $Q^* = D^* + K^*$  as a sum of a diagonal and an off-diagonal part, similarly as in Lemma 9.7. Then, for any  $m_0 \geq 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \|D^* - D^n\|_{\mathcal{L}(h^{-1})} &\leq \sup_{m \neq n} |Q_{mm}^* - Q_{mm}^n| \\ &\leq \max_{1 \leq m \leq m_0} |Q_{mm}^* - Q_{mm}^n| + \sup_{m > m_0} (|Q_{mm}^* - 1| + |Q_{mm}^n - 1|) \end{aligned}$$

which by (9.9) and Lemma 9.6 (a) is uniformly small for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ . The norm  $\|K^* - K^n\|_{\mathcal{L}(h^{-1})}$  is estimated by the Hilbert-Schmidt norm of  $K^* - K^n$

$$\|K^* - K^n\|_{\mathcal{L}(h^{-1})} \leq \left( \sum_{\substack{m, r \neq n \\ m \neq r}} \frac{|r|^2}{|m|^2} |Q_{mr}^* - Q_{mr}^n|^2 \right)^{1/2}.$$

To estimate the latter sum, decompose, for  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  arbitrary, the range  $A = \{(m, r) \in \mathbb{N}^2 \mid m, r \neq n, m \neq r\}$  of the sum into the subsets

$$\begin{aligned} A_1 &= A \cap \{1 \leq m \leq m_0, 1 \leq r \leq 2m_0\}, \\ A_2 &= A \cap \{m > m_0, r \geq 1\}, \\ A_3 &= A \cap \{1 \leq m \leq m_0, r > 2m_0\}, \end{aligned}$$

and prove that each of the corresponding sums converges to 0 separately. As  $A_1$  is finite the corresponding sum converges to zero by (9.9). On  $A_2$  use the estimate from Lemma 9.6 (b) for  $|Q_{mr}^n|$  and the corresponding estimate for  $|Q_{mr}^*|$  to get, uniformly for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{(m,r) \in A_2} \frac{|r|^2}{|m|^2} |Q_{mr}^* - Q_{mr}^n|^2 \right)^{1/2} &\leq C \left( \sum_{m > m_0} |m|^{-2} |\rho_m|^2 \sum_{r \neq m} \frac{|r|^2}{|m^2 - r^2|^2} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= O\left(\|\bar{\rho}\|_{h^{-1}}^{[m_0]}\right), \end{aligned}$$

where the sequence  $\bar{\rho} = (\bar{\rho}_m)_m$  in  $h^{-1}$  is given by  $\bar{\rho}_m = \sup_{\sigma \in \Pi(q)} \rho_m$ . On the set  $A_3$ , using estimate (8.2), one gets uniformly for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{(m,r) \in A_3} \frac{|r|^2}{|m|^2} |Q_{mr}^* - Q_{mr}^n|^2 \right)^{1/2} &\leq C \left( \sum_{m \leq m_0} |m|^{-2} |\rho_m|^2 \sum_{r > 2m_0} \frac{|r|^2}{|m^2 - r^2|^2} \right)^{1/2} \\ &= O\left(\|\bar{\rho}\|_{h^{-1}} m_0^{-1/2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Combining the previous estimates we conclude that  $Q^n \rightarrow Q^*$  in the operator norm on  $h^{-1}$  uniformly for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ . In particular,  $Q^*$  is real analytic in  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ .

It follows from Lemma 9.5 that the diagonal elements  $Q_{mm}^*$  don't vanish since  $\partial\phi_*/\partial\sigma_m$  has no root in  $G_m$ . Hence, by the same arguments used in the proofs of Lemmas 9.7 and 9.8,  $Q^*$  is boundedly invertible on  $h^{-1}$  at every point in  $\Pi(q)$ .

As the set  $\Pi(q)$  is compact in  $h^{-1}$ ,  $Q^*$  is indeed uniformly boundedly invertible for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ . Then also  $Q^n(\sigma, q)$  is boundedly invertible uniformly for  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ , for all large  $n$ . Hence  $Q^n$  is boundedly invertible for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\sigma \in \Pi(q)$ .

Using that, by Lemma 9.2, the maps  $F^n$  are analytic and locally uniformly bounded on a common complex neighborhood of  $V$  independent of  $n$ , one then argues as in [13] to show that there exists a complex neighborhood of

$\Pi(q) \times \{q\}$  on which the  $Q^n$  ( $n \geq 1$ ) are uniformly boundedly invertible. The result then follows from the implicit function theorem.  $\square$

### 9.3 Asymptotics

**Proposition 9.11.** *The components of  $\sigma^n = (\sigma_m^n)_{m \geq 1}$  satisfy, for any  $m \geq 1$ ,*

$$|\bar{\sigma}_m^n - \tau_m| \leq C \frac{|\gamma_m^2|}{m}$$

locally uniformly in a complex neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}$  and uniformly in  $n$ .

*Proof.* There is nothing to prove for  $\bar{\sigma}_n^n = \tau_n$ , so consider  $\bar{\sigma}_m^n$  with  $m \neq n$ . In view of the construction of  $\psi_n$  by the implicit function theorem, we have a first crude estimate

$$\bar{\sigma}_m^n = \tau_m + h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}(m) = \tau_m + O(m), \quad (9.10)$$

locally uniformly in a complex neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ .

As in [13] we find that

$$(\bar{\sigma}_m^n - \tau_m) w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\tau_m) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{\Gamma_m} \frac{(\lambda - \bar{\sigma}_m^n) (w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda) - w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\tau_m))}{\sqrt[4]{(\lambda_{2m} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2m-1})}} d\lambda. \quad (9.11)$$

If  $\gamma_m = 0$ , then the right hand side of (9.11) vanishes, and there is nothing to prove as  $\zeta_m^n(\tau_m) \neq 0$  and  $\bar{\sigma}_m^n = \tau_m$ . So assume that  $\gamma_m \neq 0$ . Choose the contour  $\Gamma_m$  at a distance of order  $\gamma_m$  around  $\tau_m$ . By [13, Lemma M.1],

$$\begin{aligned} |(\bar{\sigma}_m^n - \tau_m) w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\tau_m)| &\leq \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma_m} |\lambda - \bar{\sigma}_m^n| \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma_m} |w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda) - w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\tau_m)| \\ &\leq \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma_m} |\lambda - \bar{\sigma}_m^n| M_m \gamma_m \end{aligned} \quad (9.12)$$

where  $M_m$  is the maximum of  $|\frac{d}{d\lambda}(w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda))|$  over the convex hull of  $\Gamma_m$ . Using Lemma 9.4 and Cauchy's estimate one gets as in the proof of Proposition D.9 in [13],  $|\frac{d}{d\lambda}(w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\lambda))| = O(1/m)$  on the convex hull of  $\Gamma_m$ . To show that the term  $w_m^n \zeta_m^n(\tau_m)$  on the left hand side of (9.12) is uniformly bounded away from zero, one argues as in [13]: choose a complex neighborhood in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  of a potential  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  for which isolating neighborhoods exist, and use Lemma 9.3 for large  $m$ .

Then, using the crude estimate  $\bar{\sigma}_m^n = \tau_m + O(m)$ , we get  $|\lambda - \bar{\sigma}_m^n| = O(|\gamma_m| + m)$  for  $\lambda$  in  $\Gamma_m$  and hence from (9.12)

$$|\bar{\sigma}_m^n - \tau_m| = \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma_m} |\lambda - \bar{\sigma}_m^n| O\left(\frac{|\gamma_m|}{m}\right) = O(|\gamma_m|).$$

But this in turn implies

$$\max_{\lambda \in \Gamma_m} |\lambda - \bar{\sigma}_m^n| \leq |\bar{\sigma}_m^n - \tau_m| + \max_{\lambda \in \Gamma_m} |\lambda - \tau_m| = O(|\gamma_m|)$$

which finally gives the claimed estimate. This estimate holds locally uniformly on some complex neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}$  and uniformly in  $n$ .  $\square$

## 10 Appendix C: Auxiliary results

### 10.1 Isolating neighborhoods

By definition two complex numbers  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$  are *lexicographically ordered*  $a \prec b$  iff

$$\operatorname{Re}(a) < \operatorname{Re}(b), \text{ or } \operatorname{Re}(a) = \operatorname{Re}(b) \text{ and } \operatorname{Im}(a) \leq \operatorname{Im}(b).$$

The periodic and the Dirichlet spectrum of the Hill operator  $L_q \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} -\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + q$  with potential  $q$  from the Sobolev space  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  were investigated in [14] where the problem was reduced to the properties of the spectrum of the impedance operator (cf. [7, 8, 18, 19]). In particular, it was proved that the periodic spectrum of the Hill operator  $L_q$  is discrete and can be ordered lexicographically  $\lambda_0(q) \prec \lambda_1(q) \prec \lambda_2(q) \prec \dots$  with  $\operatorname{Re}(\lambda_k) \rightarrow \infty$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$  (cf. Theorem 11 in [14]). Consider the spectral quantities

$$\tau_k(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{\lambda_{2k}(q) + \lambda_{2k-1}(q)}{2}$$

$$\gamma_k(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \lambda_{2k}(q) - \lambda_{2k-1}(q)$$

where  $\lambda_0(q) \prec \lambda_1(q) \prec \lambda_2(q) \prec \dots$  are listed with multiplicities. The results in [14] (cf. Theorem 2) together with the results for the impedance operator in [7] (cf. Lemma 4.8) show that the Dirichlet spectrum of  $L_q$  is discrete and can be ordered lexicographically  $\mu_1(q) \prec \mu_2(q) \prec \dots$  for  $q$  from a sufficiently narrow complex neighborhood of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ .

**Proposition 10.1.** *There exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  such that the maps*

$$q \mapsto (k^2\pi^2 - \tau_k(q))_{k \geq 1} \quad \text{and} \quad q \mapsto (k^2\pi^2 - \mu_k(q))_{k \geq 1}$$

*are analytic from  $\mathcal{V}$  into  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$ , and the map*

$$\mathcal{V} \rightarrow h_{\mathbb{C}}^0, \quad q \mapsto (\gamma_k^2(q)/k^2)_{k \geq 1}$$

*is analytic as well.*

*Proof.* It follows from [14, Theorem 2, Theorem 10] and the results established in [18, 19] for the periodic spectrum of the impedance operator that there exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  such that the sequences  $(k^2\pi^2 - \tau_k(q))_{k \geq 1}$  and  $(|\gamma_k(q)|)_{k \geq 1}$  belong to the sequence space  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$  and considered as maps from  $\mathcal{V}$  to  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$  are locally bounded. Indeed, by [14, Theorem 2, Theorem 10] it is sufficient to prove the above statements for the spectral quantities  $\tilde{\tau}_k(r) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (\tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1} + \tilde{\lambda}_{2k})/2$  and  $\tilde{\gamma}_k(r) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \tilde{\lambda}_{2k} - \tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1}$  where  $\tilde{\lambda}_0 \prec \tilde{\lambda}_1 \prec \tilde{\lambda}_2 \prec \dots$  is the lexicographically ordered periodic spectrum (listed with multiplicities) of the impedance operator  $T_r \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} -\frac{d^2}{dx^2} - 2r\frac{d}{dx}$  with  $r$  from a sufficiently narrow open complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$ . It follows from [14, Theorem 2] and [14, Lemma 7] that for any fixed  $r \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  there exist a complex neighborhood  $U(r) \subset L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  of  $r$  and a constant  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $n \geq n_0$  and any  $v \in U(r)$  the periodic spectrum of the impedance operator  $T_v$  lies in the union of the sets  $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Re}(\lambda) < (n_0^2 - n_0)\pi\}$  and  $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid |\lambda - n^2\pi^2| \leq n\}$  ( $n \geq n_0$ ). Using the asymptotics  $\tilde{\lambda}_{2k}(r), \tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1}(r) = k^2\pi^2 + h^{-1}(k)$ ,  $(h^{-1}(k))_k \in h^{-1}$ , from [18, Theorem 1.1 ii)] and taking  $n_0$  bigger if necessary we obtain that for any  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $\tilde{\lambda}_{2n-1}(r)$  and  $\tilde{\lambda}_{2n}(r)$  are the unique eigenvalues of  $T_r$  inside the complex disk in  $\mathbb{C}$  of radius  $n$  around  $n^2\pi^2$ . Using the continuity (with respect to  $v \in U(r)$ ) of the Riesz projectors of  $T_v$  corresponding to the contours  $\Gamma_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{|\lambda - n^2\pi^2| = n\}$  (cf. [14, Lemma 7]) and applying Lemma 4.10 in [16] (stating that two projectors whose difference has small norm have isomorphic ranges) we obtain that for any  $v \in U(r)$  and any  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $\tilde{\lambda}_{2n-1}(v)$  and  $\tilde{\lambda}_{2n}(v)$  are the only two eigenvalues (counted with multiplicities) of  $T_v$  in the complex disk in  $\mathbb{C}$  of radius  $n$  around  $n^2\pi^2$ . Denote by  $\tilde{\Delta}(\lambda, v)$  the discriminant of the impedance operator  $T_v$  (cf. [14, Section 5.1]). By the Floquet theory  $\tilde{\lambda}_{2n-1}(v)$  and  $\tilde{\lambda}_{2n}(v)$  are roots of the equation

$$\tilde{\Delta}^2(\lambda, v) - 4 = 0 \tag{10.1}$$

and vice versa. Following the proof of (1.10) and (1.11) in [18, Theorem 1.1 ii)] and using that the eigenvalues of  $T_v$  are the roots of equation (10.1) together with the asymptotic formulas for the discriminant  $\tilde{\Delta}$  in [19, Lemma 2.4 iii)] one proves that the sequences  $(k^2\pi^2 - \tilde{\tau}_k(v))_{k \geq 1}$  and  $(|\tilde{\gamma}_k(v)|)_{k \geq 1}$  belong to the space  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$  and considered as maps from  $U(r)$  to  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$  are locally uniformly bounded. Taking  $\mathcal{U} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \bigcup_{r \in \mathcal{L}_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)} U(r)$  we define  $\mathcal{V} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} R(\mathcal{U})$  where  $R$  denotes the Riccati map.

Shrinking the neighborhood  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  if necessary we can ensure that, for any fixed  $k \geq 1$ , the functions  $\gamma_k^2(q)$  and  $\tau_k(q)$  are analytic. In particular, the map  $q \mapsto (k^2\pi^2 - \tau_k(q))_{k \geq 1} \in h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$  is analytic on  $\mathcal{V}$  by Theorem 3 from [25, Appendix A]. On the other side one has

$$\begin{aligned} \|(\gamma_k^2(q)/k^2)_{k \geq 1}\|_{h^0}^2 &\stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \sum_{k \geq 1} |\gamma_k(q)|^4 / k^4 \\ &\leq \left( \sum_{k \geq 1} |\gamma_k(q)|^2 / k^2 \right)^2 = \|\gamma(q)\|_{h^{-1}}^4 \end{aligned} \quad (10.2)$$

which implies that the map  $q \mapsto (\gamma_k^2(q)/k^2)_{k \geq 1}$  is locally bounded on  $\mathcal{V}$  and hence analytic.

Shrinking the neighborhood  $\mathcal{V}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  if necessary once more and applying the results from [7, Section 4, Theorem 4.9 and 4.11] together with [14, Theorem 2 and §4.5] we conclude the analyticity of the map  $q \mapsto (k^2\pi^2 - \mu_k)_{k \geq 1}$ .  $\square$

The following corollary ensures the existence of a special system of mutually disjoint open sets  $\{U_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  needed to apply the product estimates of Section 8.

**Corollary 10.2.** *There exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  such that for any  $q_0 \in \mathcal{W}$  there exist a neighborhood  $V(q_0) \subset \mathcal{W}$  of  $q_0$  and a system of mutually disjoint, convex, open neighborhoods  $\{U_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  such that for any  $n \geq 1$  the interval  $G_n(q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{t\lambda_{2n}(q) + (1-t)\lambda_{2n-1}(q) \mid 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$  as well as  $\mu_n(q)$  lie in  $U_n$  for any  $q \in V(q_0)$ . Moreover, for any  $0 < \beta \leq \pi/2$  there exists a number  $n_0 \geq 1$  such that for any  $n \geq n_0$  the neighborhood  $U_n$  can be chosen of the form  $U_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid |\sqrt{\lambda} - n\pi| < \beta\}$ .*

*Proof.* Denote by  $\mathcal{V}$  the complex neighborhood given by Proposition 10.1. In order to prove the corollary it suffices to show that for any  $q_0 \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$

there exist an open, complex neighborhood  $V(q_0) \subset \mathcal{V}$  and a system of mutually disjoint open neighborhoods  $\{U_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  in  $\mathbb{C}$  satisfying the properties stated in Corollary 10.2. The neighborhood  $\mathcal{W} \subset \mathcal{V}$  is then defined by  $\mathcal{W} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \bigcup_{q_0 \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)} V(q_0)$ .

Let us fix  $q_0 \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  and  $0 < \beta \leq \pi/2$ . It follows from Proposition 10.1 that for arbitrary  $\delta > 0$  there exists  $n_0 > 0$  so that, for any  $n \geq n_0$

$$\|(\gamma_k^2(q)/k^2)_{k \geq 1}\|_{h^0}^{[n]} \leq \|(\gamma_k^2(q_0)/k^2)_{k \geq 1}\|_{h^0}^{[n]} + \|((\gamma_k^2(q) - \gamma_k^2(q_0))/k^2)_{k \geq 1}\|_{h^0} < \delta \quad (10.3)$$

uniformly in a neighborhood  $U(q_0) \subset \mathcal{W}$ , where  $\|\cdot\|_{h^0}^{[n]}$  is given by formula (8.1). In particular, for  $n \geq n_0$  and  $q \in U(q_0)$

$$|\gamma_n(q)| < \sqrt{\delta}n.$$

Again by Proposition 10.1, taking  $n_0$  bigger and shrinking the neighborhood  $U(q_0)$  if necessary, one gets by the same argument that for any  $q \in U(q_0)$  and  $n \geq n_0$

$$|\tau_n(q) - n^2\pi^2| < \sqrt{\delta}n, \quad |\mu_n(q) - n^2\pi^2| < \sqrt{\delta}n$$

as well. Therefore, taking  $\delta = \delta(\beta) > 0$  sufficiently small, we find  $n_0 > 0$  and a complex neighborhood  $U(q_0)$  of  $q_0 \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  such that for any  $n \geq n_0$  the interval  $G_n(q)$  and  $\mu_n(q)$  lie in  $U_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid |\sqrt{\lambda} - n\pi| < \beta\}$  for any  $q \in U(q_0)$ .

By Theorem 3 in [14] and the continuity of the Dirichlet eigenvalues  $\mu_k(q)$  as functions of the potential  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$

$$\lambda_1(q) \leq \mu_1(q) \leq \lambda_2(q) < \dots < \lambda_{2n_0-1}(q) \leq \mu_{n_0}(q) \leq \lambda_{2n_0}(q) < \dots$$

Hence, as  $q_0$  is real there exist convex mutually disjoint open neighborhoods  $U_1, \dots, U_{n_0-1}$  with  $U_{n_0-1} \cap U_{n_0} = \emptyset$ , such that for any  $1 \leq n \leq n_0 - 1$  the interval  $G_n(q_0)$  and  $\mu_n(q_0)$  lie in  $U_n$ . As  $\mu_n(q)$ ,  $\tau_n(q)$  and  $\gamma_n^2(q)$  are continuous in  $q \in \mathcal{V}$  we conclude that there exists a complex neighborhood  $U'(q_0)$  of  $q_0$  such that for any  $1 \leq n \leq n_0 - 1$  and  $q \in U'(q_0)$  the interval  $G_n(q)$  and  $\mu_n(q)$  lie in  $U_n$ . Finally, taking  $V(q_0) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} U(q_0) \cap U'(q_0)$  we complete the proof.  $\square$

**Definition 10.3.** *A system of mutually disjoint neighborhoods as in Corollary 10.2 is called a system of isolating neighborhoods.*

It follows from Corollary 10.2 that for any  $n \geq 1$  we can choose a contour with counterclockwise orientation  $\Gamma_n$  (independent of  $q \in V(q_0)$ ) in  $U_n$  such that for any  $n \geq 1$  and  $q \in V(q_0)$  the interval  $G_n(q)$  and  $\mu_n(q)$  lie in the interior of  $\Gamma_n$ .

The following simple lemma is used several times in the proof of the product estimates in Section 8.

**Lemma 10.4.** *Let  $\{U_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a system of isolating neighborhoods and  $n_0 > 0$  be as in Corollary 10.2. Then there exist constants  $0 < \rho_1 < \rho_2$  such that for any  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $k \neq n$  and  $\lambda \in U_n$  one has*

$$\rho_1 |k^2 - n^2| \leq |k^2 \pi^2 - \lambda| \leq \rho_2 |k^2 - n^2|.$$

## 10.2 Discriminant and its properties

Following [14, Section 4.3] we define the *discriminant*  $\Delta(\lambda, q)$  of the Hill operator  $L_q$  for  $q$  in a sufficiently small complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  by

$$\Delta(\lambda, q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \tilde{\Delta}(\lambda + \|r\|^2, r) \quad (10.4)$$

where  $r = R^{-1}(q) \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  and  $R^{-1} : \mathcal{W} \rightarrow L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  is the inverse of the Riccati map  $R : r \mapsto r' + r^2 - \|r\|^2$  (cf. [14, Theorem 2]),  $\|r\|^2 \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_0^1 r(x)^2 dx \in \mathbb{C}$ , and  $\tilde{\Delta}(\lambda, r)$  denotes the discriminant of the impedance operator  $T_r(u) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} -u'' - 2ru'$ .

**Proposition 10.5.** *There exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  such that the discriminant  $\Delta(\lambda, q)$  is an analytic function on  $\mathbb{C} \times \mathcal{W}$ . Moreover, if  $q \in \mathcal{W}$  then*

$$\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4 = 4(\lambda_0 - \lambda) \prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{(\lambda_{2k} - \lambda)(\lambda_{2k-1} - \lambda)}{k^4 \pi^4} \quad (10.5)$$

where  $\lambda_0 \prec \lambda_1 \prec \lambda_2 \prec \dots$  is the periodic spectrum of  $L_q$ .

*Proof.* By definition, the discriminant of the impedance operator  $T_r$  is given by  $\tilde{\Delta}(\tilde{\lambda}, r) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \tilde{y}_1(1, \tilde{\lambda}, r) + \tilde{y}_2'(1, \tilde{\lambda}, r)$  where  $\tilde{y}_1(x, \tilde{\lambda}, r)$  and  $\tilde{y}_2(x, \tilde{\lambda}, r)$  are the fundamental solutions of the equation  $T_r(u) = \tilde{\lambda}u$ . By Theorem 1.3 and 1.4 in [7]  $\tilde{\Delta}(\tilde{\lambda}, r)$  is analytic on  $\mathbb{C} \times L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  and together with Theorem 2 in [14] the first statement of the proposition then follows.



Theorem 4.7 in [7] shows that, for any  $r \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$ , the order of the entire function  $\tilde{\lambda} \mapsto \tilde{\Delta}(\tilde{\lambda}, r)$  is less than or equal to  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Therefore, by Hadamard's Theorem [26] and Lemma 10.6 below, there exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  such that for any  $r \in \mathcal{U}$ ,

$$\tilde{\Delta}^2(\tilde{\lambda}, r) - 4 = c(r) \tilde{\lambda} \prod_{k \geq 1} \left(1 - \frac{\tilde{\lambda}}{\tilde{\lambda}_{2k}}\right) \left(1 - \frac{\tilde{\lambda}}{\tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1}}\right)$$

where  $0 = \tilde{\lambda}_0 \prec \tilde{\lambda}_1 \prec \tilde{\lambda}_2 \prec \dots$  is the periodic spectrum of the impedance operator  $T_r$  and  $c(r)$  possibly depends on  $r$ . Using the asymptotic estimates  $\tilde{\lambda}_{2k}, \tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1} = \pi^2 k^2 + O(k)$  (cf. Corollary 10.2), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{\Delta}^2(\tilde{\lambda}, r) - 4 &= c(r) \tilde{\lambda} \prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{\pi^4 k^4}{\tilde{\lambda}_{2k} \tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1}} \frac{(\tilde{\lambda}_{2k} - \tilde{\lambda})(\tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1} - \tilde{\lambda})}{\pi^4 k^4} \\ &= a(r) \tilde{\lambda} \prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{(\tilde{\lambda}_{2k} - \tilde{\lambda})(\tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1} - \tilde{\lambda})}{\pi^4 k^4} \end{aligned}$$

where  $a(r) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} c(r) / \prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{\tilde{\lambda}_{2k} \tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1}}{\pi^4 k^4}$ . Taking  $\kappa_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} (n + 1/2)^2 \pi^2$  and applying Lemma 8.4 we obtain

$$\tilde{\Delta}^2(\kappa_n, r) - 4 = a(r) (\sin^2 \sqrt{\kappa_n}) (1 + o(1)) = a(r) + o(1).$$

On the other side, for a real potential,  $r \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$ , Theorem 1.8 in [7] shows that  $\tilde{\Delta}(\kappa_n, r) = 2 \cos \sqrt{\kappa_n} + o(1) = o(1)$ , hence  $a(r) = -4$  and thus

$$\tilde{\Delta}^2(\tilde{\lambda}, r) - 4 = -4 \tilde{\lambda} \prod_{k \geq 1} \frac{(\tilde{\lambda}_{2k} - \tilde{\lambda})(\tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1} - \tilde{\lambda})}{\pi^4 k^4}. \quad (10.6)$$

As  $a(r)$  is an analytic function on  $\mathcal{U}$  and  $a(r) = -4$  for  $r \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  we obtain that  $a(r) \equiv -4$  on  $\mathcal{U}$ . Using formula (10.4) and the identities  $\|r\|^2 = -\lambda_0(q)$  and  $\tilde{\lambda}_m = \lambda_m + \|r\|^2$  (cf. [14, Theorem 10]) the second statement of Proposition 10.5 follows.  $\square$

**Lemma 10.6.** *There exists a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{U}$  of  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$  such that for any  $r \in \mathcal{U}$  the periodic spectrum of the impedance operator  $T_r$  (counted with multiplicities) coincides with the roots of the equation  $\tilde{\Delta}^2(\tilde{\lambda}, r) - 4 = 0$  (counted with their algebraic multiplicities).*

*Proof.* The standard Floquet theory arguments show that the eigenvalues of  $T_r$  are roots of  $\tilde{\Delta}^2(\tilde{\lambda}, r) - 4 = 0$  and vice versa. In order to prove that they have the same multiplicities remark that for real potentials  $r \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  the lemma follows from [22, Theorem 3.4]. Indeed as in [18], performing a change of the variables  $y = y(x) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \int_0^x (1/\rho^2(x))dx$ ,  $\rho(x) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \exp(\int_0^x r(v)dv) > 0$ , one transforms the impedance operator  $T_r$  to the operator  $\tilde{T}_r \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} -\rho^{-4} \frac{d^2}{dy^2}$  on the torus  $\mathbb{T}_l^1 \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \mathbb{R}/l\mathbb{Z}$  with period  $l \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} y(1)$ , and applies [22, Theorem 3.4] to the latter operator. To prove the result for potentials  $r$  from a complex neighborhood of  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  we use the same perturbation arguments as in the proof of Proposition 10.1.  $\square$

As in [13], for real potentials, we define the *canonical root*  $\sqrt[c]{\Delta(\lambda, q) - 4}$  on the set  $\mathbb{C} \setminus \bigcup_{k \geq 0} [\lambda_{2k-1}(q), \lambda_{2k}(q)]$ ,  $\lambda_{-1} \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} -\infty$ , as the  $w$ -coordinate of the point  $(\lambda, w) \in \Sigma_q = \{(\lambda, w) \in \mathbb{C}^2 \mid w^2 = \Delta(\lambda, q) - 4\}$  lying on the branch of the Riemannian surface  $\Sigma_q$  uniquely defined by the requirement that  $\sqrt[c]{\Delta(\lambda, q) - 4}$  tends to a positive number as  $\lambda \rightarrow \tau_1(q)$  with  $\text{Im}(\lambda) < 0$ . For complex potentials this root is defined by continuous extension.

Analogously, for real  $a < b$ , the *standard root*  $\sqrt[(b-\lambda)(\lambda-a)]{}$  is defined on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus [a, b]$  by the condition that  $\sqrt[(b-\lambda)(\lambda-a)]{}$  tends to a positive number as  $\lambda \rightarrow (a+b)/2$  with  $\text{Im}(\lambda) < 0$ . For  $a, b \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $a \prec b$  the standard root is defined in a similar fashion – see [13].

As usual  $\sqrt[\dagger]{\lambda}$  denotes the branch of the square root on  $\mathbb{C} \setminus (-\infty, 0]$  defined by the requirement that  $\sqrt[\dagger]{\lambda} > 0$  for  $\lambda > 0$ .

**Proposition 10.7.** *If a sequence  $(q_n)_{n \geq 1} \subset H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  converges weakly in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  then there exist an element  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  and a subsequence  $(q_{n_j})_{j \geq 1}$  such that for any  $k \geq 1$ ,  $I_k(q_{n_j}) \rightarrow I_k(q)$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$ .*

*Proof.* By the definition of the  $k$ 'th action variable

$$\begin{aligned} I_k(q_n) &\stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{\Gamma_k} \lambda \frac{\partial \Delta(\lambda, q_n) / \partial \lambda}{\sqrt[c]{\Delta^2(\lambda, q_n) - 4}} d\lambda \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_{\tilde{\lambda}_{2k-1}(r_n)}^{\tilde{\lambda}_{2k}(r_n)} \tilde{\lambda} \frac{\partial \tilde{\Delta}(\tilde{\lambda}, r_n) / \partial \tilde{\lambda}}{\sqrt[c]{\tilde{\Delta}^2(\tilde{\lambda}, r_n) - 4}} d\tilde{\lambda} \end{aligned} \quad (10.7)$$

where  $r_n = R^{-1}(q_n)$  and  $\tilde{\lambda}_m = \lambda_m + \|r\|^2$  ( $m \geq 0$ ) are the periodic eigenvalues of the impedance operator. It follows from Lemma 10.8 below that the

sequence  $r_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} R^{-1}(q_n)$  is bounded in  $L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . Therefore there exists a subsequence  $(r_{n_j})_{j \geq 1}$  which converges weakly to some element  $r \in L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$ . Take  $q \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} R(r)$ . It follows from Lemma 3.1 and 3.2 in [7] that  $\tilde{\Delta}(\tilde{\lambda}, r_{n_j}) \rightarrow \tilde{\Delta}(\tilde{\lambda}, r)$  uniformly on bounded sets in  $\mathbb{C}$ . Taking the limit in formula (10.7) we obtain that  $I_k(q_{n_j}) \rightarrow I_k(q)$  as  $j \rightarrow \infty$  for any  $k \geq 1$ .  $\square$

**Lemma 10.8.** *The inverse of the Riccati map  $R^{-1} : H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1) \rightarrow L_0^2(\mathbb{T}^1)$  is bounded and*

$$\|R^{-1}(q)\| \leq \max\{1, C\|q\|_{H_0^{-1}}^2\}$$

where  $C$  is a universal constant.

*Proof.* As in the proof of Lemma 1.1 in [12] (with notations as in [12]) we see that for  $M \geq 1$  and

$$\lambda \in \text{Ext}_M \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid \text{Re}(\lambda) \leq |\text{Im}(\lambda)| - M\}$$

the operator  $\lambda - L_q$ , when expressed in Fourier space, is of the form

$$D_\lambda^{1/2}(I_\lambda - S_\lambda)D_\lambda^{1/2},$$

where  $\|I_\lambda\|_{\mathcal{L}(h_{\mathbb{C}}^0)} = 1$ ,  $D_\lambda^{1/2}$  is bounded as a map from  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^1(\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\})$  to  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^0(\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\})$  as well as from  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^0(\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\})$  to  $h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}(\mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\})$ , and

$$\begin{aligned} \|S_\lambda\|_{\mathcal{L}(h_{\mathbb{C}}^0)} &\leq 8 \left( \sup_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{\langle k \rangle^2}{M + k^2 \pi^2} \right)^{1/2} \left( \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \frac{1}{M + n^2 \pi^2} \right)^{1/2} \|q\|_{H_0^{-1}} \\ &\leq 8 \left( \frac{\coth \sqrt{M}}{\sqrt{M}} \right)^{1/2} \|q\|_{H_0^{-1}} \leq 16 \|q\|_{H_0^{-1}} / M^{1/4} \end{aligned} \quad (10.8)$$

with  $\langle k \rangle \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} 1 + |k|$ . Taking  $M = \max\{1, C_1 \|q\|_{H_0^{-1}}^4\}$  with  $C_1 > 0$  sufficiently big we ensure that  $\|S_\lambda\|_{\mathcal{L}(h_{\mathbb{C}}^0)} < 1$  and therefore  $\text{Ext}_M$  is contained in the resolvent set of  $L_q$  (cf. [12, Lemma 1.1]). On the other side, for  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ ,  $\lambda_0(q) = -\|r\|^2 \leq 0$  (cf. [14, Lemma 1]). Therefore  $\|r\|^2 = |\lambda_0(q)| \leq M = \max\{1, C_1 \|q\|_{H_0^{-1}}^4\}$ .  $\square$

It follows from the definition of  $\Delta(\lambda, q)$ , defined on a complex neighborhood  $\mathcal{W}$  of  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  in  $H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1, \mathbb{C})$ , and the properties of the discriminant  $\tilde{\Delta}(\tilde{\lambda}, r)$

of the impedance operator (see [19, Lemma 3.1 i)]) that the zeroes of the entire function

$$\dot{\Delta}(\lambda, q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \frac{\partial \Delta(\lambda, q)}{\partial \lambda},$$

$\dot{\lambda}_j = \dot{\lambda}_j(q)$ , can be ordered lexicographically  $\dot{\lambda}_1 \prec \dot{\lambda}_2 \prec \dot{\lambda}_3 \prec \dots$  and  $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \text{Re}(\dot{\lambda}_k) = \infty$ . For real  $q \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$ ,  $\dot{\lambda}_k(q)$  is the unique root of  $\dot{\Delta}(\lambda, q)$  in the real interval  $[\lambda_{2k-1}, \lambda_{2k}]$  (cf. [22, §8]). Moreover, it follows from Lemma 3.1 ii) in [19] that the map  $q \mapsto (\dot{\lambda}_k(q) - k^2\pi^2)_{k \geq 1}$  is locally bounded when considered as a map  $\mathcal{W} \rightarrow h_{\mathbb{C}}^{-1}$ . As each of its components  $\dot{\lambda}_k(q) - k^2\pi^2$  is analytic in  $q$  we conclude that this map is analytic as well. Arguing as in the proof of Corollary 10.2 one proves that for any  $q_0 \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  there exist a complex neighborhood  $V(q_0) \subset \mathcal{W}$  of  $q_0$  and a system of isolating neighborhoods  $\{U_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  chosen as in Corollary 10.2 so that in addition to the properties stated in Corollary 10.2,  $\dot{\lambda}_k(q)$  is the unique root of  $\dot{\Delta}(\lambda, q)$  in  $U_k$  for any  $q \in V(q_0)$  and  $k \geq 1$  (cf. [19, Lemma 3.1]). Arguing as in the proof of Proposition 10.5 one sees that  $\dot{\Delta}(\lambda, q)$  has a product representation (see also [13], Proposition B.13)

$$\dot{\Delta}(\lambda, q) = - \prod_{j \geq 1} \frac{\dot{\lambda}_j - \lambda}{j^2 \pi^2}. \quad (10.9)$$

**Proposition 10.9.** *Let  $q_0 \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  and  $0 < \epsilon \leq 1/2$ . Then there exist a complex neighborhood  $U(q_0) \subset \mathcal{W}$  of  $q_0$  (with  $\mathcal{W}$  chosen as above) and  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that for any  $n \geq n_0$  and  $q \in U(q_0)$*

$$\dot{\lambda}_n(q) = \tau_n(q) + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon) |\gamma_n(q)|.$$

*Proof.* Taking  $q \in \mathcal{W}$  and applying Proposition 10.5 we obtain for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4 = \frac{(\lambda_{2n} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1})}{n^2 \pi^2} \chi_n(\lambda, q), \quad (10.10)$$

where

$$\chi_n(\lambda, q) \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} 4 \frac{\lambda - \lambda_0(q)}{n^2 \pi^2} \prod_{k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n\}} \frac{(\lambda_{2k}(q) - \lambda)(\lambda_{2k-1}(q) - \lambda)}{k^4 \pi^4}. \quad (10.11)$$

Lemma 8.8 shows that for any  $q_0 \in H_0^{-1}(\mathbb{T}^1)$  and  $\epsilon > 0$  there exist a neighborhood  $V(q_0) \subset \mathcal{W}$  of  $q_0$ ,  $m_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  and a constant  $0 < \beta < \pi/2$  such that for  $n \geq m_0$ ,  $q \in V(q_0)$  and  $\sqrt{\lambda} = n\pi + \beta$

$$\chi_n(\lambda, q) = 1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon/4). \quad (10.12)$$

For  $\beta$  as above we can choose by Corollary 10.2  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ , a neighborhood  $U(q_0)$  of  $q_0$  in  $\mathcal{W}$ , and a system of isolating neighborhoods  $\{U_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  so that the disk of radius  $|\gamma_n(q)|$  around any  $\lambda \in U_n$  is contained in the neighborhood  $\{\lambda \in \mathbb{C} \mid |\sqrt{\lambda} - n\pi| < \beta\}$  for any  $q \in U(q_0)$  and any  $n \geq n_0$ . By Cauchy's estimate, for  $\lambda \in U_n$

$$|\gamma_n(q)| |\dot{\chi}_n(\lambda, q)| \leq \epsilon/4. \quad (10.13)$$

Recall that by shrinking the neighborhood  $U(q_0)$  if necessary, we can ensure that  $\dot{\lambda}_k(q)$  is the unique root of  $\Delta(\lambda, q)$  in  $U_k$  for any  $k \geq 1$ . As  $\dot{\lambda}_n(q) = \tau_n(q)$  if  $\gamma_n(q) = 0$ , it suffices to consider  $q \in U(q_0) \setminus D_n$  (with  $n \geq n_0$ ). By (10.10) the equation  $\frac{d}{d\lambda}|_{\lambda=\dot{\lambda}_n(q)}(\Delta^2(\lambda, q) - 4) = 0$  can be written as

$$2(\dot{\lambda}_n - \tau_n(q))\chi_n(\dot{\lambda}_n, q) + (\lambda_{2n}(q) - \dot{\lambda}_n)(\lambda_{2n-1}(q) - \dot{\lambda}_n)\dot{\chi}_n(\dot{\lambda}_n, q) = 0. \quad (10.14)$$

Hence, with  $\dot{\chi}_n = \dot{\chi}_n(\dot{\lambda}_n)$  and  $\chi_n = \chi_n(\dot{\lambda}_n)$  and in view of (10.12) and (10.13),

$$\begin{aligned} |\dot{\lambda}_n - \tau_n| &= |\lambda_{2n} - \dot{\lambda}_n| |\dot{\lambda}_n - \lambda_{2n-1}| |\dot{\chi}_n/2\chi_n| \\ &\leq \frac{|\lambda_{2n} - \dot{\lambda}_n| |\dot{\lambda}_n - \lambda_{2n-1}|}{|\gamma_n|} \frac{\epsilon/4}{2(1 - \epsilon/4)} \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{7} \frac{|\lambda_{2n} - \dot{\lambda}_n| |\dot{\lambda}_n - \lambda_{2n-1}|}{|\gamma_n|} \end{aligned} \quad (10.15)$$

where we used that  $0 < \epsilon \leq 1/2$ . In the case  $q$  is real valued the claimed estimate then follows immediately as  $\lambda_{2n-1}(q) \leq \dot{\lambda}_n(q) \leq \lambda_{2n}(q)$ . In the general case we estimate  $|\lambda_j - \dot{\lambda}_n|$  for  $j = 2n, 2n-1$  as follows. For any  $q \in U(q_0)$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{C}$  with  $|\mu - \tau_n(q)| \leq |\gamma_n(q)/2|$  ( $n \geq n_0$ ) one has by Cauchy's formula

$$2\Delta(\mu)\dot{\Delta}(\mu) = \frac{d}{d\mu}(\Delta(\mu)^2 - 4) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\{|\lambda - \tau_n| = |\gamma_n|\}} \frac{\Delta(\lambda)^2 - 4}{(\lambda - \mu)^2} d\lambda. \quad (10.16)$$

Recall that  $\dot{\Delta}(\lambda)$  has a product representation

$$\dot{\Delta}(\mu, q) = - \prod_{j \geq 1} \frac{\dot{\lambda}_j - \mu}{j^2 \pi^2}. \quad (10.17)$$

Shrinking the neighborhood  $U(q_0)$  as well as choosing  $n_0$  larger and  $0 < \beta < \pi/2$  smaller if necessary it then follows from Lemma 8.5 that for  $|\mu - \tau_n| \leq$

$|\gamma_n/2|$ , with  $n \geq n_0$  and  $q \in U(q_0)$

$$\dot{\Delta}(\mu) = -\frac{\dot{\lambda}_n - \mu}{n^2\pi^2} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{2} (1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon/2)).$$

Further, by (10.10) and (10.12)

$$\Delta(\mu)^2 - 4 = \frac{(\lambda_{2n} - \mu)(\mu - \lambda_{2n-1})}{n^2\pi^2} (1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon/4)).$$

As  $\Delta(\lambda_j) = (-1)^n 2$  for  $j = 2n, 2n - 1$  it then follows from (10.16) that

$$2 \frac{\dot{\lambda}_n - \lambda_j}{n^2\pi^2} (1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon/2)) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{\{|\lambda - \tau_n| = |\gamma_n|\}} \frac{(\lambda_{2n} - \lambda)(\lambda - \lambda_{2n-1})}{n^2\pi^2} (1 + \mathbf{1e}(\epsilon/4)) \frac{d\lambda}{(\lambda - \lambda_j)^2}.$$

By the trivial inequality  $|\gamma_n|/2 \leq |\lambda_j - \lambda| \leq 3|\gamma_n|/2$  valid on the circles  $\{|\lambda - \tau_n| = |\gamma_n|\}$  we obtain that  $\frac{|\lambda_{2n} - \lambda|}{|\lambda_{2n-1} - \lambda|} \leq 3$ . Hence, as  $0 < \epsilon \leq 1/2$ , the identity above leads to

$$|\dot{\lambda}_n - \lambda_j| \leq \frac{3}{2} \frac{1 + \epsilon/4}{1 - \epsilon/2} |\gamma_n| \leq \frac{9}{4} |\gamma_n|$$

and by (10.15) this then leads to the claimed estimate

$$|\dot{\lambda}_n - \tau_n| \leq \epsilon |\gamma_n|$$

for any  $q \in U(q_0)$  and  $n \geq n_0$ . □

Recall that  $D_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \{q \in \mathcal{W} \mid \gamma_n(q) = 0\}$ .

**Proposition 10.10.** *Let  $q_0 \in D_n$  with  $n \geq 1$  arbitrary. Then there exists an open neighborhood  $V(q_0)$  of  $q_0$  in  $\mathcal{W}$  such that*

$$\dot{\lambda}_n(q) = \tau_n(q) + O(|\gamma_n|^2).$$

*Proof.* Given  $q_0 \in D_n$  we find a neighborhood  $V(q_0)$  of  $q_0$  and a system of isolating neighborhoods  $\{U_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  so that  $\dot{\lambda}_k(q) \in U_k$  ( $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ). As in the proof of Proposition 10.9 one sees that  $\dot{\lambda}_n$  satisfies equation (10.14). Note that  $\dot{\lambda}_n(q) = \tau_n(q)$  for any  $q$  in  $V(q_0)$  with  $\gamma_n(q) = 0$ . As  $\inf_{\lambda \in U_n} |\chi_n(\lambda)| > 0$  uniformly for  $q \in V(q_0)$  equation (10.14) can be rewritten (for  $q$  in  $V(q_0)$  and  $V(q_0)$  sufficiently small) as

$$\dot{\lambda}_n - \tau_n = \left(\frac{\gamma_n}{2}\right)^2 \frac{\dot{\chi}_n/\chi_n}{2 + (\dot{\lambda}_n - \tau_n)\dot{\chi}_n/\chi_n}$$

where  $\dot{\chi}_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \dot{\chi}_n(\dot{\lambda}_n(q), q)$  and  $\chi_n \stackrel{\text{Def}}{=} \chi_n(\dot{\lambda}_n(q), q)$ . For  $q \rightarrow q_0$  one has  $\tau_n - \dot{\lambda}_n \rightarrow 0$  and hence  $\chi_n(\dot{\lambda}_n, q) \rightarrow \chi_n(\tau_n(q_0), q_0) \neq 0$  as well as  $\dot{\chi}_n(\dot{\lambda}_n, q) \rightarrow \dot{\chi}_n(\tau_n(q_0), q_0)$ . In particular  $\dot{\chi}_n(\dot{\lambda}_n(q), q)/\chi_n(\dot{\lambda}_n(q), q)$  is bounded in a neighborhood of  $q_0$  and as  $\tau_n - \dot{\lambda}_n \rightarrow 0$  for  $q \rightarrow q_0$  the statement of the proposition then follows.  $\square$

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