

Differentiability of generalized Fourier transforms associated with Schrödinger operators

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Introduction

In our previous work [1], we developed a theory of eigenfunction expansion or generalized Fourier transformation associated with the Schrödinger operator $H = -\Delta + V(x)$ in $L^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$ ($n \geq 2$) with a long-range potential $V(x)$ satisfying the following assumption

$$(A) \begin{cases} V(x) \text{ is a real smooth function on } \mathbf{R}^n \text{ such that for some constant } \varepsilon_0 > 0 \\ D_x^\alpha V(x) = O(|x|^{-|\alpha|-\varepsilon_0}) \text{ as } |x| \longrightarrow \infty \\ \text{for all multi-index } \alpha. \end{cases}$$

More precisely, we constructed a partially isometric operator \mathcal{F} with initial set $L_{ac}^2(H)$ (the absolutely continuous subspace for H) and final set $L^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$ satisfying

$$(\mathcal{F}\alpha(H)f)(\xi) = \alpha(|\xi|^2)(\mathcal{F}f)(\xi)$$

for any bounded Borel function $\alpha(\lambda)$ on \mathbf{R} and $f \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$. The main idea was as follows: First we construct a real function $\phi(x, \xi)$ which behaves like $x \cdot \xi$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ and solves the eikonal equation

$$|\nabla_x \phi(x, \xi)|^2 + V(x) = |\xi|^2$$

in an appropriate region of the phase space $\mathbf{R}^n \times \mathbf{R}^n$. We set $G_0(x, \xi) = e^{-i(x, \xi)}$. $(-\Delta + V(x) - |\xi|^2)e^{i\phi(x, \xi)}$ and $R(z) = (H - z)^{-1}$. We then define \mathcal{F} formally by

$$(0.1) \quad (\mathcal{F}f)(\xi) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} e^{-i\phi(x, \xi)} f(x) dx \\ - (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} e^{-i\phi(x, \xi)} \overline{G_0(x, \xi)} R(|\xi|^2 + i0) f(x) dx.$$

If $V(x)$ is short-range, i.e. $V(x) = O(|x|^{-1-\varepsilon_0})$, one can take $x \cdot \xi$ as $\phi(x, \xi)$. Then the above formula (0.1) takes the following form

$$(0.2) \quad (\mathcal{F}f)(\xi) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int e^{-ix \cdot \xi} f(x) dx \\ - (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int e^{-ix \cdot \xi} V(x) R(|\xi|^2 + i0) f(x) dx.$$

As is clear from the above definition, the operator \mathcal{F} is a generalization of the ordinary Fourier transformation

$$(0.3) \quad (\mathcal{F}_0 f)(\xi) = \hat{f}(\xi) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int e^{-ix \cdot \xi} f(x) dx.$$

One knows many interesting properties of \mathcal{F}_0 : Various Paley-Winer type theorems, transforming rapidly decreasing functions into smooth ones, etc. It may be of interest to consider to what extent these properties extend to \mathcal{F} . The main purpose of this paper is to prove the following differentiability property for \mathcal{F} . For a real number s , let $L^{2,s}$ denote the space of measurable functions $f(x)$ on \mathbf{R}^n such that

$$\|f\|_s^2 = \int (1 + |x|)^{2s} |f(x)|^2 dx < \infty.$$

Theorem 0.1. *Let $\gamma > 1/2$ be arbitrarily fixed and N a non-negative integer. If $f \in L^{2,N+\gamma}$, $(\mathcal{F}f)(\xi)$ is N times differentiable with respect to $\xi \neq 0$, and for any $\varepsilon > 0$*

$$\sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \int_{|\xi| > \varepsilon} \langle \xi \rangle^{-2\gamma} |D_\xi^\alpha (\mathcal{F}f)(\xi)|^2 d\xi \leq C \|f\|_{N+\gamma}^2.$$

The differentiability of \mathcal{F} is closely connected with the decay rates for scattering states. Using the above result, we can prove the following

Theorem 0.2. *Let $\chi(\lambda)$ be a smooth function on \mathbf{R}^1 such that for some $\varepsilon > 0$, $\chi(\lambda) = 1$ for $\lambda > 2\varepsilon$, $\chi(\lambda) = 0$ for $\lambda < \varepsilon$. Then for any $s \geq 0$ and $\delta > 0$*

$$\|\chi(H)e^{-itH}f\|_{-s} \leq C(1 + |t|)^{-s} \|f\|_{s+\delta}.$$

One can make use of the above result as an intermediate step to prove the best possible decay rate

$$(0.4) \quad \|\chi(H)e^{-itH}f\|_{-s} \leq C(1 + |t|)^{-s} \|f\|_s \quad (s \geq 0),$$

whose proof will be given in a forthcoming paper.

As can be seen from (0.1) and (0.2), in order to prove the differentiability of \mathcal{F} , one should consider that of the resolvent $R(\lambda + i0)$, which occupies the major part of this work and is studied in §1 (Theorem 1.9) utilizing the recent results of Isozaki–Kitada [2], [3] concerning the micro-local estimates for the resolvent. The differentiability with respect to λ of $R(\lambda + i0)$ is also discussed by Jensen–Mourre–Perry [8], where they employ the commutator method due to Mourre [9].

Let us list the notations used in this paper. For a vector $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$, $\hat{x} = x/|x|$ and $\langle x \rangle = (1 + |x|^2)^{1/2}$. $\mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ denotes the space of smooth functions on \mathbf{R}^n with bounded derivatives. $C_0^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n)$ is the space of smooth functions on \mathbf{R}^n with compact support. For two Banach spaces X and Y , $\mathcal{B}(X; Y)$ denotes the totality of bounded linear operators from X to Y . For a multi-index α , $D_x^\alpha = (\partial/\partial x_1)^{\alpha_1} \cdots (\partial/\partial x_n)^{\alpha_n}$, $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n$. Throughout the paper, C 's denote various constants independent of the parameters in question.

§1. Differentiability of the resolvent

Let $H = -\Delta + V(x)$, where V satisfies the assumption (A) in the introduction, and $R(z) = (H - z)^{-1}$. Our starting point is the following limiting absorption principle (see e.g. [2], Theorem 1.2).

Lemma 1.1. *For any $\lambda > 0$ and $\gamma > 1/2$, there exists a strong limit $\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon) = R(\lambda \pm i0)$ in $B(L^{2,\gamma}; L^{2,-\gamma})$. Moreover for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\|R(\lambda \pm i0)f\|_{-\gamma} \leq C/\sqrt{\lambda} \|f\|_{\gamma}$$

for $\lambda > \varepsilon$.

Our aim of this section is to discuss the differentiability with respect to λ of the resolvent $R(\lambda \pm i0)$. It leads us to consider the powers of $R(\lambda \pm i0)$, since by the formal calculus

$$\left(\frac{d}{d\lambda}\right)^N R(\lambda \pm i0) = N! R(\lambda \pm i0)^{N+1}.$$

Needless to say, one cannot use Lemma 1.1 directly to treat $R(\lambda \pm i0)^{N+1}$. If one inserts some pseudo-differential operators (Ps. D. Op.'s), however, one can give a definite meaning to $R(\lambda \pm i0)^{N+1}$. The estimates of resolvents multiplied by Ps. D. Op.'s, which we call the micro-local resolvent estimates, have been intensively studied in [2] and [3]. Let us begin with recalling the results.

Definition 1.2. Let $a_0 > 0$ be arbitrarily fixed and $\mu \geq 0$. A smooth function $p(x, \xi; \lambda)$ belongs to $W(\mu)$ if for any α, β

$$\sup_{x, \xi \in \mathbb{R}^n, \lambda > a_0} \langle x \rangle^{\mu+|\alpha|} \langle \xi \rangle^{|\beta|} |D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta p(x, \xi; \lambda)| < \infty.$$

Definition 1.3. $p(x, \xi; \lambda) \in S_\infty$ if

- (1) $p(x, \xi; \lambda) \in W(0)$,
- (2) there exists a constant $\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$p(x, \xi; \lambda) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad ||\xi|/\sqrt{\lambda} - 1| < \varepsilon, \lambda > a_0,$$

(ε may depend on $p(x, \xi; \lambda)$).

Definition 1.4. $p_\pm(x, \xi; \lambda) \in S_\pm$ if

- (1) $p_\pm(x, \xi; \lambda) \in W(0)$,
- (2) there exists a constant $\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$p_\pm(x, \xi; \lambda) = 0 \quad \text{if} \quad ||\xi|/\sqrt{\lambda} - 1| > \varepsilon, \lambda > a_0,$$

(ε may depend on $p_\pm(x, \xi; \lambda)$).

- (3) there exists a constant μ_\pm such that $-1 < \mu_\pm < 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} p_+(x, \xi; \lambda) &= 0 & \text{if } \hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} < \mu_+, \\ p_-(x, \xi; \lambda) &= 0 & \text{if } \hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} > \mu_-, \end{aligned}$$

(μ_{\pm} may depend on $p_{\pm}(x, \xi; \lambda)$).

For a Ps. D. Op. $P(\lambda)$, $P(\lambda) \in S_{\infty}$ (or S_{\pm}) means that its symbol belongs to S_{∞} (or S_{\pm}). Then we have shown in [2], Theorems 3.3 and 3.5 the following

Lemma 1.5.

(1) Let $P(\lambda) \in S_{\infty}$. Then for any $s > 1/2$ and $\lambda > a_0$

$$\|P(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)f\|_s \leq C/\lambda \|f\|_s.$$

(2) Let $P_{\pm}(\lambda) \in S_{\pm}$. Then for any $s > 1/2$ and $\lambda > a_0$

$$\|P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)f\|_{s-1} \leq C/\sqrt{\lambda} \|f\|_s.$$

A remark should be added here concerning the limits $\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)$ and $\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)$. What we have shown in [2] actually is that for any $s > 1/2$

$$(1.1) \quad \sup_{0 < \varepsilon < 1} \|P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)f\|_{s-1} \leq C/\sqrt{\lambda} \|f\|_s$$

(see [2], Theorem 3.7), which does not necessarily imply the existence of the strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)$ in $B(L^{2,s}; L^{2,s-1})$. As can be checked easily, however, (1.1) implies the existence of the strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)$ in $B(L^{2,s}; L^{2,s-1-\delta})$ for any $\delta > 0$. In the same way, one can show the existence of the strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)$ in $B(L^{2,s}; L^{2,s-\delta})$ for any $\delta > 0$.

Definition 1.6. (1) Let $P(\lambda)$, $Q(\lambda)$ be Ps. D. Op.'s $\in W(0)$ with symbols $p(x, \xi; \lambda)$, $q(x, \xi; \lambda)$, respectively. $\{P(\lambda), Q(\lambda)\}$ is said to be a disjoint pair of type I if

$$\inf_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \lambda < a_0} \text{dis}(\text{supp}_{\xi} p(x, \xi; \lambda), \text{supp}_{\xi} q(x, \xi; \lambda)) > 0,$$

where $\text{dis}(A, B)$ denotes the distance of two sets $A, B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, and $\text{supp}_{\xi} p(x, \xi; \lambda)$ means the support of $p(x, \xi; \lambda)$ as a function of ξ .

(2) Let $P_{\pm}(\lambda)$ be Ps. D. Op.'s $\in S_{\pm}$ with symbols $p_{\pm}(x, \xi; \lambda)$. $\{P_+(\lambda), P_-(\lambda)\}$ is said to be a disjoint pair of type II if there exist constants μ_{\pm} such that $-1 < \mu_- < \mu_+ < 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} p_+(x, \xi; \lambda) &= 0 & \text{if } \hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} < \mu_+, \\ p_-(x, \xi; \lambda) &= 0 & \text{if } \hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} > \mu_-. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1.7. (1) Let $P(\lambda)$, $Q(\lambda) \in S_{\infty}$. Suppose $\{P(\lambda), Q(\lambda)\}$ is a disjoint pair of type I. Then for any $s > 0$ and $\lambda > a_0$, there exists a strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)Q(\lambda)$ in $B(L^{2,-s}; L^{2,s})$ and

$$\|P(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)Q(\lambda)f\|_s \leq C/\sqrt{\lambda} \|f\|_{-s}.$$

(2) Let $P_{\pm}(\lambda) \in S_{\pm}$ and $Q(\lambda) \in S_{\infty}$. Suppose that $\{P_{\pm}(\lambda), Q(\lambda)\}$ are disjoint pairs of type I. Then for any $s > 0$ and $\lambda > a_0$, there exist strong limits

$$s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} Q(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)P_{\pm}(\lambda), \quad s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)Q(\lambda)$$

in $B(L^{2,-s}; L^{2,s})$. Moreover,

$$\|Q(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)P_{\pm}(\lambda)f\|_s \leq C/\sqrt{\lambda}\|f\|_{-s},$$

$$\|P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)Q(\lambda)f\|_s \leq C/\sqrt{\lambda}\|f\|_{-s}.$$

(3) Let $P_{\pm}(\lambda) \in S_{\pm}$. Suppose $\{P_{+}(\lambda), P_{-}(\lambda)\}$ is a disjoint pair of type II. Then for any $s > 0$ and $\lambda > a_0$, there exists a strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P_{\pm}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)P_{\pm}(\lambda)$ in $B(L^{2,-s}; L^{2,s})$ and

$$\|P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)P_{\pm}(\lambda)f\|_s \leq C/\sqrt{\lambda}\|f\|_{-s}.$$

For the proof, see [2] Theorems 4.2, 4.3, 4.4 and [3] Theorem 2.

We now study the limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N$.

Theorem 1.8. Let $\gamma > 1/2$ be arbitrarily fixed and N an integer ≥ 1 . Let $\lambda > a_0$. Then we have:

(1) There exists a strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N \equiv R(\lambda \pm i0)^N$ in $B(L^{2,\gamma+N-1}; L^{2,-\gamma-N+1})$ and

$$\|R(\lambda \pm i0)^N f\|_{-\gamma-N+1} \leq C\lambda^{-N/2}\|f\|_{\gamma+N-1}.$$

(2) Let $P_{\pm}(\lambda) \in S_{\pm}$. For any $s \geq N + \gamma$ and $\delta > 0$, there exists a strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N$ in $B(L^{2,s}; L^{2,s-N-\delta})$ and

$$\|P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)^N f\|_{s-N} \leq C\lambda^{-N/2}\|f\|_s.$$

(3) Let $P_{\pm}(\lambda) \in S_{\pm}$. For any $s \geq N + \gamma$ and $\delta > 0$, there exists a strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N P_{\pm}(\lambda)$ in $B(L^{2,-s+N}; L^{2,-s-\delta})$ and

$$\|R(\lambda \pm i0)^N P_{\pm}(\lambda)f\|_{-s} \leq C\lambda^{-N/2}\|f\|_{-s+N}.$$

(4) Let $P_{\pm}(\lambda) \in S_{\pm}$. Suppose $\{P_{+}(\lambda), P_{-}(\lambda)\}$ is a disjoint pair of type II. Then for any $s > 0$, there exists a strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} P_{\mp}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N P_{\pm}(\lambda)$ in $B(L^{2,-s}; L^{2,s})$ and

$$\|P_{\pm}(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)^N P_{\pm}(\lambda)f\|_s \leq C\lambda^{-N/2}\|f\|_{-s}.$$

(5) Let $Q(\lambda) \in S_{\infty}$ and $s \geq \gamma + N - 1$. For any $\delta > 0$ there exists a strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} Q(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N$ in $B(L^{2,s}; L^{2,s-N+1-\delta})$ and

$$\|Q(\lambda)R(\lambda \pm i0)^N f\|_{s-N+1} \leq C\lambda^{-N/2}\|f\|_s.$$

Proof (by induction on N). The assertions of the theorem have already been proved for $N = 1$ (see Lemmas 1.5, 1.7). Assume the theorem for N .

Choose $\phi_0(\xi) \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that

$$\phi_0(\xi) = \begin{cases} 1 & ||\xi| - 1| < \varepsilon \\ 0 & ||\xi| - 1| > 2\varepsilon, \end{cases}$$

where $0 < \varepsilon < 1/2$. We set

$$\phi_\infty(\xi) = 1 - \phi_0(\xi).$$

Let $\chi_0(x), \chi_\infty(x) \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ be such that $\chi_0(x) + \chi_\infty(x) = 1$,

$$\chi_0(x) = 0 \quad \text{for } |x| > 2,$$

$$\chi_0(x) = 1 \quad \text{for } |x| < 1.$$

Choose constants $-1 < \tilde{\mu}_\pm < 1$ and C^∞ -functions $\rho_\pm(t)$ so that $\tilde{\mu}_- < \tilde{\mu}_+$, $\rho_+(t) + \rho_-(t) = 1$ and

$$\rho_+(t) = 0 \quad \text{for } t < \tilde{\mu}_+,$$

$$\rho_-(t) = 0 \quad \text{for } t > \tilde{\mu}_-.$$

Let $A(\lambda), B(\lambda), \tilde{P}_\pm(\lambda)$ be the Ps. D. Op.'s with symbols $\phi_\infty(\xi/\sqrt{\lambda}), \chi_0(x)\phi_0(\xi/\sqrt{\lambda}), \chi_\infty(x)\rho_\pm(\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi})\phi_0(\xi/\sqrt{\lambda})$, respectively. By definition $A(\lambda) \in S_\infty$, $\tilde{P}_\pm(\lambda) \in S_\pm$, the symbol of $B(\lambda)$ is compactly supported for x and

$$A(\lambda) + B(\lambda) + \tilde{P}_+(\lambda) + \tilde{P}_-(\lambda) = 1.$$

We further introduce the following notations. Let

$$I = \{z \in \mathbb{C}; \operatorname{Re} z > a_0, \operatorname{Im} z > 0\}.$$

For an operator $T(z)$ defined for $z \in I$, $T(z) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,s}, L^{2,r}; k)$ means that there exists a strong limit $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} T(\lambda + i\varepsilon)$ in $\mathcal{B}(L^{2,s}; L^{2,r})$ for $\lambda > a_0$ and

$$\|T(\lambda + i0)f\|_r \leq C\lambda^{-k/2}\|f\|_s.$$

Pfroof of (1) for $N+1$. We split $R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^{N+1}$ into four parts:

$$(1.2) \quad R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^{N+1} = R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N A(\lambda) R(\lambda + i\varepsilon) + R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N B(\lambda) R(\lambda + i\varepsilon) \\ + R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \tilde{P}_+(\lambda) R(\lambda + i\varepsilon) + R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \tilde{P}_-(\lambda) R(\lambda + i\varepsilon).$$

Since $A(\lambda) \in S_\infty$, Lemma 1.5 (1) shows that $A(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma+N-1}, L^{2,\gamma+N-1}; 1)$. By our induction hypothesis (1), $R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma+N-1}, L^{2,-\gamma-N+1}; N)$. Thus the first term belongs to $C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma+N-1}, L^{2,-\gamma-N+1}; N+1)$.

Since the symbol of $B(\lambda)$ is compactly supported for x , $R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N B(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-\gamma}, L^{2,-\gamma-N+1}; N)$ by our induction hypothesis (1). This, combined with Lemma 1.1, shows that the second term belongs to $C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma}, L^{2,-\gamma-N+1}; N+1)$.

In view of Lemma 1.1 and our induction hypothesis (3), we have $R(\lambda + i\varepsilon) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma}, L^{2,-\gamma}; 1)$ and $R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \tilde{P}_\pm(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-\gamma}, L^{2,-\gamma-N}; N)$, which shows that the third term belongs to $C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma}, L^{2,-\gamma-N}; N+1)$.

Making use of our induction hypotheses (1) and (2) for N , we have for small $\delta > 0$, $\tilde{P}_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma+N}, L^{2,\gamma+N-1-\delta}; 1)$ and $R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma-\delta+N-1}, L^{2,-\gamma+\delta-N+1}; N)$. Thus the fourth term belongs to $C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma+N}, L^{2,-\gamma-N+1}; N+1)$.

Proof of (2) for $N+1$. We multiply (1.2) by $P_-(\lambda)$. By methods similar to the above, one can show that $P_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N A(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)$, $P_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N B(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)$ and $P_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \tilde{P}_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)$ belong to $C(\bar{I}; L^{2,s}, L^{2,s-N-1-\delta}; N+1)$ for $s \geq N+1+\gamma$ and $\delta > 0$. In order to treat the term $P_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \tilde{P}_+(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)$, we note that $\{P_-(\lambda), \tilde{P}_+(\lambda)\}$ becomes a disjoint pair of type II if $\tilde{\mu}_+ > \mu_-$. Thus by our induction hypothesis (4) for N , we have $P_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \tilde{P}_+(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-\gamma}, L^{2,s}; N)$ for any $s > 0$, which, combined with Lemma 1.1, shows that $P_-R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)\tilde{P}_+(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma}, L^{2,s}; N+1)$ for any $s > 0$.

Proof of (3). By the asymptotic expansion of the symbol of $P_\pm(\lambda)^*$, we have for any $m > 0$,

$$P_\pm(\lambda)^* = P_\pm^{(m)}(\lambda) + Q_m(\lambda),$$

where $P_\pm^{(m)}(\lambda) \in S_\pm$ and the symbol $q_m(x, \xi; \lambda)$ of $Q_m(\lambda)$ verifies

$$|D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta q_m(x, \xi; \lambda)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta} \langle x \rangle^{-m-|\alpha|} \langle \xi \rangle^{-|\beta|}$$

(see [2], Theorem 2.4). Thus if $s \geq N+\gamma$ and $m \geq \gamma+s-1$

$$\begin{aligned} & \|P_\mp(\lambda)^* R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N f\|_{s-N} \\ & \leq \|P_\pm^{(m)}(\lambda) R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N f\|_{s-N} + \|Q_m(\lambda) R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N f\|_{s-N} \\ & \leq C\lambda^{-N/2} \|f\|_s, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used (1) and (2). Taking the adjoint, we have $\|R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^N P_\pm(\lambda) f\|_{-s} \leq C\lambda^{-N/2} \|f\|_{-s+N}$, which proves that (3) for N follows from (1) and (2) for N .

Proof of (4) for $N+1$. First we choose $\tilde{\mu}_\pm$ in such a way that $-1 < \mu_- < \tilde{\mu}_- < \tilde{\mu}_+ < \mu_+ < 1$ so that $\{P_-(\lambda), \tilde{P}_+(\lambda)\}$ and $\{\tilde{P}_-(\lambda), P_+(\lambda)\}$ form disjoint pairs of type II. Next we recall that the support with respect to ξ of the symbol of $P_+(\lambda)$ lies in a small neighborhood of the sphere $\{\xi; |\xi| = \sqrt{\lambda}\}$. Thus for a suitable choice of ε for $A(\lambda)$, $\{A(\lambda), P_+(\lambda)\}$ becomes a disjoint pair of type I.

We multiply (1.2) by $P_\pm(\lambda)$ from both sides. Consider the resulting first term. By Lemma 1.7 (2), $A(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)P_+(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-s}, L^{2,s}; 1)$ for any $s > 0$. We also have by our induction hypothesis (2), $P_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,s}, L^{2,s-N-1}; N)$. Thus the first term belongs to $C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-s}, L^{2,s}; N+1)$ for $s > 0$.

The treatment of the second term is easy, hence is omitted.

Taking the adjoint in Lemma 1.5 (2), one can show using Lemma 1.1 that $R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)P_+(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-s}, L^{2,-s-2}; 1)$ for $s > 0$. Since $\{P_-(\lambda), \tilde{P}_+(\lambda)\}$ is a disjoint pair of type II, we have $P_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \tilde{P}_+(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-s-2}, L^{2,s}; N)$ for $s > 0$. Thus the third term has the desired property.

Since $\{\tilde{P}_-(\lambda), P_+(\lambda)\}$ is a disjoint pair of type II, $\tilde{P}_-(\lambda)R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)P_+(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-s}, L^{2,s}; 1)$ for $s > 0$. This, combined with (2) proves that the fourth term has the desired property.

Proof of (5) for $N+1$. We shall estimate

$$Q(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)^{N+1}=Q(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)A(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)^N+Q(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)B(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)^N \\ +Q(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)\tilde{P}_+(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)^N+Q(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)\tilde{P}_-(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)^N.$$

The treatment of the first two terms is easy. We have only to use (1), (5) for N and Lemma 1.5 (1).

Since $Q(\lambda) \in S_\infty$, one can assume that $\{Q(\lambda), \tilde{P}_+(\lambda)\}$ is a disjoint pair of type I by an appropriate choice of ε . Therefore by Lemma 1.7 (2), $Q(\lambda)R(\lambda+i\varepsilon)\tilde{P}_+(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-s}, L^{2,s}; 1)$ for $s>0$. This, combined with (1) for N , shows that the third term belongs to $C(\bar{I}; L^{2,\gamma+N}, L^{2,s}; N+1)$ for $s>0$.

In order to treat the fourth term, we have only to take note of (2) for N and Lemma 1.5 (1). \square

In view of Theorem 1.8 and the formula $\left(\frac{d}{d\lambda}\right)^N R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon) = N!R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon)^{N+1}$, one can conclude the strong differentiability of the resolvent $R(\lambda \pm i0)$.

Theorem 1.9. *Let $\gamma > 1/2$ and N be an integer ≥ 0 .*

(1) *As an operator $\in B(L^{2,\gamma+N}, L^{2,-\gamma-N})$, $R(\lambda \pm i0)$ is N -times strongly differentiable and for $\lambda > a_0 > 0$,*

$$\left\| \left(\frac{d}{d\lambda} \right)^N R(\lambda \pm i0) f \right\|_{-\gamma-N} \leq C\lambda^{-(N+1)/2} \|f\|_{\gamma+N}.$$

(2) *Let $P_\pm(\lambda) \in S_\pm$. For any $s \geq N+1+\gamma$ and $\lambda > a_0 > 0$*

$$\left\| P_+(\lambda) \left(\frac{d}{d\lambda} \right)^N R(\lambda \pm i0) f \right\|_{s-N-1} \leq C\lambda^{-(N+1)/2} \|f\|_s,$$

$$\left\| \left[\left(\frac{d}{d\lambda} \right)^N R(\lambda \pm i0) \right] P_\pm(\lambda) f \right\|_{-s} \leq C\lambda^{-(N+1)/2} \|f\|_{-s+N+1}.$$

(3) *Let $P_\pm(\lambda) \in S_\pm$. Suppose that $\{P_+(\lambda), P_-(\lambda)\}$ is a disjoint pair of type II. Then for $s > 0$ and $\lambda > a_0 > 0$*

$$\left\| P_+(\lambda) \left[\left(\frac{d}{d\lambda} \right)^N R(\lambda \pm i0) \right] P_\pm(\lambda) f \right\|_s \leq C\lambda^{-(N+1)/2} \|f\|_{-s}.$$

(4) *Let $Q(\lambda) \in S_\infty$. For any $s > N+\gamma$ and $\lambda > a_0 > 0$*

$$\left\| Q(\lambda) \left(\frac{d}{d\lambda} \right)^N R(\lambda \pm i0) f \right\|_{s-N} \leq C\lambda^{-(N+1)} \|f\|_s.$$

For later use, it is convenient to rewrite the above theorem in the following form.

Theorem 1.10. *In addition to the assumptions of Theorem 1.9, suppose that the symbols $p_\pm(x, \xi; \lambda)$, $q(x, \xi; \lambda)$ of $P_\pm(\lambda)$ and $Q(\lambda)$ have the following properties*

$$|D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta D_k^m p_\pm(x, \xi; k^2)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta m} \langle x \rangle^{-|\alpha|} \langle \xi \rangle^{-|\beta|},$$

$$|D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta D_k^m q(x, \xi; k^2)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta m} \langle x \rangle^{-|\alpha|} \langle \xi \rangle^{-|\beta|},$$

where the constant $C_{\alpha\beta m}$ is independent of $k > k_0 = \sqrt{a_0} > 0$. Then we have for $k > k_0 > 0$

$$(1) \quad \left\| \left(\frac{d}{dk} \right)^N R(k^2 \pm i0) f \right\|_{-\gamma-N} \leq C k^{-1} \|f\|_{\gamma+N},$$

(2) for $s \geq N+1+\gamma$

$$\left\| \left(\frac{d}{dk} \right)^N [P_\mp(k^2) R(k^2 \pm i0)] f \right\|_{s-N-1} \leq C k^{-1} \|f\|_s,$$

$$\left\| \left(\frac{d}{dk} \right)^N [R(k^2 \pm i0) P_\pm(k^2)] f \right\|_{-s} \leq C k^{-1} \|f\|_{-s+N+1},$$

(3) for $s > 0$

$$\left\| \left(\frac{d}{dk} \right)^N [P_\mp(k^2) R(k^2 \pm i0) P_\pm(k^2)] f \right\|_s \leq C k^{-1} \|f\|_{-s},$$

(4) for $s \geq N+\gamma$

$$\left\| \left(\frac{d}{dk} \right)^N [Q(k^2) R(k^2 \pm i0)] f \right\|_{s-N} \leq C k^{-1} \|f\|_s.$$

§2. Differentiability of generalized Fourier transforms

In [1], we constructed a solution to the eikonal equation

$$(2.1) \quad |\nabla_x \phi(x, \xi)|^2 + V(x) = |\xi|^2$$

and used it to develop an eigenfunction expansion theory for the Schrödinger operator H . In [4], we gave a slightly different method of construction. First we recall the results of [1] and [4] (see [1], Theorem 1.16 and [4], Theorem 2.5).

Lemma 2.1. Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrarily fixed. Choose $d > 0$ arbitrarily. Then there exists a real function $\phi(x, \xi) \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n \times (\mathbb{R}^n - \{0\}))$ having the following properties:

(1) For any $\delta > 0$

$$|D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta (\phi(x, \xi) - x \cdot \xi)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta} \langle x \rangle^{1-\varepsilon_0-|\alpha|} \langle \xi \rangle^{-1}$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $|\xi| > \delta$.

$$(2) \quad \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^n, |\xi| > d} \left| \left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x_i \partial \xi_j} \phi \right)(x, \xi) - I \right| < 1/2,$$

where I is the $n \times n$ identity matrix.

(3) For any $\delta > 0$, there exists a constant $R > 0$ such that for $|x| > R$, $|\xi| > \delta$ and $\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} > -1 + \varepsilon/2$, $\phi(x, \xi)$ solves the eikonal equation (2.1).

Lemma 2.2 ([3], Theorem 2.3). Choose $\varepsilon, d > 0$ arbitrarily. Let $\phi(x, \xi)$ be as in Lemma 2.1. Then there exists a smooth function $a(x, \xi) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ having the following properties:

$$(1) \quad |D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta (a(x, \xi) - 1)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta} \langle x \rangle^{-\varepsilon_0 - |\alpha|} \langle \xi \rangle^{-1},$$

if $|\xi| > d, \hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} > -1 + \varepsilon, |x| > 2R, R$ being the constant specified in Lemma 2.1 for $\delta = d/2$. $a(x, \xi) = 0$ if $|\xi| < d/2$ or $\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} < -1 + \varepsilon/2$ or $|x| < R$.

(2) Let $G(x, \xi) = e^{-i\phi(x, \xi)}(-\Delta + V - |\xi|^2)e^{i\phi(x, \xi)}a(x, \xi)$. Then for $\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} > -1 + \varepsilon$, we have for any $N > 0$,

$$|D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta G(x, \xi)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta N} \langle x \rangle^{-N} \langle \xi \rangle.$$

If $\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} < -1 + \varepsilon$,

$$|D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta G(x, \xi)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta} \langle x \rangle^{-1 - |\alpha|} \langle \xi \rangle.$$

Our generalized Fourier transformation in [1] is constructed by the following method.

Lemma 2.3 ([1], Theorem 5.5). Let $\phi(x, \xi)$ be as in Lemma 2.1. Choose $0 < \mu < 1$ arbitrarily and let $\rho(t) \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^1)$ be such that $\rho(t) = 1$ for $t > 1 - \mu/2$, $\rho(t) = 0$ for $t < 1 - \mu$. Let $\psi(t) \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^1)$ be such that $\psi(t) = 1$ for $t < 1$, $\psi(t) = 0$ for $t > 2$. We set $\psi_R(x) = \psi(|x|/R)$. Then for $f \in L^{2,\gamma}$ and $k > 0$, there exists the following strong limit

$$s\text{-}\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} 2ik(2\pi)^{-n/2} \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \psi_R(x) \right) \rho(\hat{x} \cdot \omega) R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx = \mathcal{F}(k)f$$

in $L^2(S^{n-1})$. This $\mathcal{F}(k)$ is independent of μ and for any $\delta > 0$

$$(2.2) \quad \|\mathcal{F}(k)f\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \leq Ck^{-(n-1)/2} \|f\|_\gamma, \quad (k > \delta).$$

Let us take notice that (2.2) follows from the formulae (8.1), (9.4) in [1] and Lemma 1.1 in the present paper. The fact that $\mathcal{F}(k)$ is independent of μ follows from the proof of [1], §5.

For $f \in L^{2,\gamma}$, we define $(\mathcal{F}f)(\xi)$ by

$$(2.3) \quad (\mathcal{F}f)(\xi) = (\mathcal{F}(|\xi|)f)(\xi/|\xi|).$$

Then \mathcal{F} is uniquely extended to a partial isometry with initial set $L_{ac}^2(H)$ and final set $L^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$, and plays the role of a generalization to the Fourier transformation ([1], Theore 7.1). Moreover, the above Lemma 2.3 shows that \mathcal{F} depends only on the behavior of the phase function $\phi(x, \xi)$ in a neighborhood of $\hat{x} = \hat{\xi}$. As has been noted in the introduction, $\mathcal{F}f(\xi)$ can be written formally as in (0.1). We now rewrite (0.1) by using $a(x, \xi)$.

Definition 2.4. Let $\phi(x, \xi)$ and $a(x, \xi)$ be as in Lemmas 2.1 and 2.2. Let $\psi_R(x)$ be as in Lemma 2.3. We define for $f \in L^{2,\gamma}$ and $k > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathcal{F}(k, R) f(\omega) &= (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int \psi_R(x) e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{a(x, k\omega)} f(x) dx \\ &\quad - (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int \psi_R(x) e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{G(x, k\omega)} R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx.\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 2.5. For $f \in L^{2,\gamma}$ and $k > d$,

$$s\text{-}\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}(k, R) f = \mathcal{F}(k) f \quad \text{in } L^2(S^{n-1}).$$

Proof. We proceed as in [1], § 5. Let $u = R(k^2 + i0)f$. Since

$$(2\pi)^{n/2} \mathcal{F}(k, R) f = \int \psi_R \{ \Delta(e^{-i\phi} \bar{a}) \} u dx - \int \psi_R e^{-i\phi} \bar{a} \Delta u dx,$$

we have by integration by parts

$$\begin{aligned}(2\pi)^{n/2} \mathcal{F}(k, R) f &= \int e^{-i\phi} (\Delta \psi_R) \bar{a} u dx + 2 \int e^{-i\phi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \psi_R \right) \bar{a} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial r} - iku \right) dx \\ &\quad + 2ik \int e^{-i\phi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \psi_R \right) \bar{a} u dx \\ &= I_1(R) + I_2(R) + I_3(R).\end{aligned}$$

One can argue as in the proof of [1], Lemma 5.2 to see that $I_1(R) \rightarrow 0$, $I_2(R) \rightarrow 0$ as $R \rightarrow \infty$. Let $\rho(t)$ be as in Lemma 2.3. Then as in the proof of [1], Lemma 5.3, we have

$$\int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \psi_R(x) \right) \overline{a(x, k\omega)} (1 - \rho(\hat{x} \cdot \omega)) u(x) dx \rightarrow 0$$

as $R \rightarrow \infty$. Thus we have only to consider

$$2ik \int e^{-i\phi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \psi_R \right) \bar{a} \rho(\hat{x} \cdot \omega) u(x) dx.$$

Since $|(a(x, k\omega) - 1)\rho(\hat{x} \cdot \omega)| \leq C \langle x \rangle^{-\varepsilon_0}$ by Lemma 2.2, we have as in the proof of Lemma 5.2 in [1],

$$\int e^{-i\phi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \psi_R \right) (\bar{a} - 1) \rho(\hat{x} \cdot \omega) u(x) dx \rightarrow 0.$$

Therefore by Lemma 2.3, we have

$$\begin{aligned}s\text{-}\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} (2\pi)^{n/2} \mathcal{F}(k, R) f &= s\text{-}\lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} 2ik \int e^{-i\phi} \left(\frac{\partial}{\partial r} \psi_R \right) \rho(\hat{x} \cdot \omega) u(x) dx \\ &= (2\pi)^{n/2} \mathcal{F}(k) f. \quad \square\end{aligned}$$

It follows formally from Lemma 2.5 that

$$\begin{aligned}(2.4) \quad (2\pi)^{n/2} \mathcal{F}(k) f &= \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{a(x, k\omega)} f(x) dx \\ &\quad - \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{G(x, k\omega)} R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx.\end{aligned}$$

The rest of this section is devoted to showing that the right-hand side is a well-defined bounded operator on $L^{2,\gamma}$ and that it is differentiable with respect to $\xi = k\omega$ if f decays rapidly.

Lemma 2.6. *Let $b(x, \xi) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^{2n})$ be such that for some $\varepsilon > 0$ $b(x, \xi) = 0$ if $|\xi| < \varepsilon$. Then the integral transformation*

$$Tf(\xi) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, \xi)} b(x, \xi) f(x) dx$$

has the following properties:

(1) *If $f \in L^{2,N}$, $Tf(\xi)$ is N times differentiable and*

$$\sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|D_\xi^\alpha Tf(\xi)\|_{L^2} \leq C_N \|f\|_N.$$

(2) *Let $\gamma > 1/2$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ be arbitrarily fixed. Then for any $k > \varepsilon$,*

$$\|(Tf)(k \cdot)\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \leq Ck^{-(n-1)/2} \|f\|_\gamma.$$

Proof. (1) follows from [1], Theorem 3.2. Arguing in the same way as in [1], Theorem 3.4, we have

$$\int_{|\theta|=k} |Tf(\theta)|^2 dS_\theta \leq C \|f\|_\gamma^2,$$

where the constant C is independent of $k > \varepsilon$. The assertion (2) directly follows from this inequality. \square

Lemma 2.7. *Let $S(k)$ be defined by*

$$S(k)f(\omega) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} b(x, k\omega) f(x) dx \quad (k > 0),$$

where $b(x, \xi) \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^{2n})$ and

$$|D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta b(x, \xi)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta} \langle x \rangle^{-|\alpha|}.$$

Let $P(k)$ be the Ps. D. Op. with symbol $p(x, \xi; k)$ such that

$$|D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta p(x, \xi; k)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta} \langle x \rangle^{-|\alpha|} \langle \xi \rangle^{-|\beta|}$$

for a constant $C_{\alpha\beta}$ independent of $k > k_0$, k_0 being as in Theorem 1.10. Suppose that $b(x, \xi)$ and $p(x, \xi; k)$ satisfy either of the following assumptions (1), (2):

(1) *There exists a constant $\varepsilon > 0$ such that*

$$p(x, \xi; k) = 0 \quad \text{if } ||\xi|/k - 1| < \varepsilon, k > k_0.$$

(2) *There exist constants μ_\pm such that $-1 < \mu_- < \mu_+ < 1$ and*

$$b(x, \xi) = 0 \quad \text{if } \hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} > \mu_-,$$

$$p(x, \xi; k) = 0 \quad \text{if } \hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi} < \mu_+, k > k_0.$$

Then for any $s \geq 0$, $k > k_0$ and $N > 0$

$$\|S(k)\langle x \rangle^N P(k) f\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \leq C_s k^{-s} \|f\|_{-s}.$$

Proof. Choose $\chi_1(x), \chi_2(x) \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^n)$ such that $\chi_1(x) + \chi_2(x) = 1$, $\chi_1(x) = 1$ for $|x| < 1$, $\chi_1(x) = 0$ for $|x| > 2$. We split $S(k)\langle x \rangle^N P(k)$ into two parts: $S(k)\langle x \rangle^N P(k) = A_1(k) + A_2(k)$, where

$$A_j(k) f(\omega) = \iint e^{-i(\phi(x, k\omega) - x \cdot \xi)} b(x, k\omega) \langle x \rangle^N p(x, \xi; k) \chi_j\left(\frac{|x|}{R}\right) \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi dx,$$

$R > 0$ being a constant yet to be determined. By Lemma 2.1 (1),

$$|\mathcal{F}_x(\phi(x, k\omega) - x \cdot \xi) - (k\omega - \xi)| \leq Ck^{-1} \langle x \rangle^{-\varepsilon_0}.$$

In view of the assumptions (1) or (2), one can find a constant $C > 0$ such that on the support of the integrand

$$|k\omega - \xi| \geq Ck \quad \text{for } k > k_0.$$

Therefore, there is a constant $R > 0$ such that

$$|\mathcal{F}_x(\phi(x, k\omega) - x \cdot \xi)| \geq Ck \quad \text{for } k > k_0 \text{ and } |x| > R.$$

Letting $\psi(\omega, x, \xi; k) = \phi(x, k\omega) - x \cdot \xi$ and using the relation $e^{-i\psi} = |\mathcal{F}_x \psi|^{-2i} \mathcal{F}_x \psi$, $\mathcal{F}_x e^{-i\psi}$, we have by integrating by parts in x $3N$ times

$$A_2(k) f(\omega) = \iint e^{-i\psi(\omega, x, \xi; k)} b_N(\omega, x, \xi; k) \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi dx,$$

where

$$(2.5) \quad |D_x^\alpha D_\xi^\beta b_N(\omega, x, \xi; k)| \leq C_{\alpha\beta} \langle x \rangle^{-2N} k^{-2N}.$$

Let $B_2(k, \omega)$ be the Ps. D. Op. with symbol $\langle x \rangle^N b_N(\omega, x, \xi; k)$. Then we have

$$A_2(k) f(\omega) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \langle x \rangle^{-N} (B_2(k, \omega) f)(x) dx.$$

Thus for large N

$$\begin{aligned} \|A_2(k) f\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} &\leq C \sup_{\omega \in S^{n-1}} |A_2(k) f(\omega)| \\ &\leq C \sup_{\omega \in S^{n-1}} \|B_2(k, \omega) f\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})}. \end{aligned}$$

(2.5) implies that $\|B_2(k, \omega) f\|_{L^2} \leq Ck^{-2N} \|f\|_{-N}$, which shows that $\|A_2(k) f\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \leq Ck^{-2N} \|f\|_{-N}$.

Next we consider $A_1(k)$. Since in this case the symbol $\langle x \rangle^N p(x, \xi; k) \chi_1(x/R)$ is compactly supported for x , one can easily show for any $s \geq 0$

$$\|A_1(k) f\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \leq C \|f\|_{-s},$$

with a constant C independent of $k > k_0$. In order to derive the decay with respect to k , we have only to note that for large k , $|\mathcal{F}_x(\phi(x, k\omega) - x \cdot \xi)| \geq Ck$ for a constant $C > 0$ and integrate by parts. \square

We turn to the estimate of the right-hand side of (2.4). The first term is treated by Lemma 2.6 (1). In order to treat the second term, we set

$$T(k)f(\omega) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{G(x, k\omega)} R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx$$

and

$$(Tf)(\xi) = T(|\xi|)f(\xi/|\xi|).$$

Lemma 2.8. *Let $d > 0$ be the constant specified in Lemma 2.2. Choose $\gamma > 1/2$ arbitrarily. Then we have for any $N \geq 0$ and $k > d$*

$$\sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|D_\xi^\alpha T f(\xi)|_{\xi=k\omega}\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \leq C k^{-(n-1)/2} \|f\|_{N+\gamma}.$$

Proof. We make use of the localizations used in the proof of Theorem 1.8. Let $\phi_0(\xi)$, $\phi_\infty(\xi)$, $\chi_0(x)$ and $\chi_\infty(x)$ be as in the proof of Theorem 1.8. Choose $\rho_\pm(t) \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^1)$ such that $\rho_+(t) + \rho_-(t) = 1$ and $\rho_+(t) = 0$ if $t < 1/2$, $\rho_-(t) = 0$ if $t > 3/4$. Let $A(k)$, $B(k)$, $P_\pm(k)$ be the Ps. D. Op.'s with symbols $\phi_\infty(\xi/k)$, $\chi_0(x)\phi_0(\xi/k)$, $\chi_\infty(x)\rho_\pm(\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi})\phi_0(\xi/k)$, respectively. Then $T(k) = \sum_{j=1}^4 T_j(k)$, where

$$T_1(k)f(\omega) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{G(x, k\omega)} A(k) R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx,$$

$$T_2(k)f(\omega) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{G(x, k\omega)} B(k) R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx,$$

$$T_3(k)f(\omega) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{G(x, k\omega)} P_+(k) R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx,$$

$$T_4(k)f(\omega) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{G(x, k\omega)} P_-(k) R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx.$$

We set

$$T_j f(\xi) = T_j(|\xi|)f(\xi/|\xi|).$$

First we consider T_1 . By a straightforward calculation we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} D_\xi^\alpha T_1 f(\xi) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{|\alpha| \leq N \\ \beta \leq \frac{\alpha}{2}}} \int e^{-i\phi(x, \xi)} \langle \xi \rangle a_\beta(x, \xi) \langle x \rangle^{|\beta|} A_\beta(|\xi|) D_\xi^{\alpha-\beta} R(|\xi|^2 + i0) f(x) dx, \end{aligned}$$

where $\langle \xi \rangle a_\beta(x, \xi)$ and $A_\beta(|\xi|)$ arise from the derivatives of $\overline{G(x, \xi)}$ and $A(|\xi|)$, respectively. In particular, $a_\beta(x, \xi) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$ by Lemma 2.2. In view of Lemma 2.7, we have for any $s > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|D_\xi^\alpha T_1 f(\xi)|_{\xi=k\omega}\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \\ & \leq C k^{-s} \sum_{m \leq N} \left\| \left(\frac{d}{dk} \right)^m R(k^2 + i0) f \right\|_{-s} \\ & \leq C k^{-s} \|f\|_{N+\gamma}, \end{aligned}$$

where we have used Theorem 1.10 (1).

Since the symbol of $B(k)$ is compactly supported for x , we have by using Lemma 2.6 (2),

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|D_{\xi}^{\alpha} T_2 f(\xi)|_{\xi=k\omega}\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \\ & \leq Ck^{-(n-1)/2} \sum_{m \leq N} \left\| \left(\frac{d}{dk} \right)^m R(k^2 + i0) f \right\|_{-N-\gamma} \\ & \leq Ck^{-(n-1)/2} \|f\|_{N+\gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $G(x, \xi) = O(\langle \xi \rangle \langle x \rangle^{-1})$, we have, similarly,

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|D_{\xi}^{\alpha} T_4 f(\xi)|_{\xi=k\omega}\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \\ & \leq Ck^{-(n-1)/2} \sum_{m \leq N} \left\| \langle x \rangle^{N-m-1+\gamma} \left(\frac{d}{dk} \right)^m P_-(k) R(k^2 + i0) f \right\|_{L^2} \\ & \leq Ck^{-(n-1)/2} \|f\|_{N+\gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

The treatment of T_3 is slightly different. Choose $\chi_{\pm}(t) \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}^1)$ such that $\chi_+(t) + \chi_-(t) = 1$ and $\chi_+(t) = 0$ if $t < -1/4$, $\chi_-(t) = 0$ if $t > 1/4$. We split T_3 into two parts: $T = T_3^{(+)} + T_3^{(-)}$, where

$$T_3^{(\pm)}(k)f(\omega) = \int e^{-i\phi(x, k\omega)} \overline{G(x, k\omega)} \chi_{\pm}(\hat{x} \cdot \omega) P_{\pm}(k) R(k^2 + i0) f(x) dx.$$

Since $\overline{G(x, k\omega)} \chi_{\pm}(\hat{x} \cdot \omega)$ is rapidly decreasing in x , we have as for T_2

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|D_{\xi}^{\alpha} T_3^{(+)} f(\xi)|_{\xi=k\omega}\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \\ & \leq Ck^{-(n-1)/2} \|f\|_{N+\gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 2.7, one can treat $T_3^{(-)}$ in the same way as T_1 :

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|D_{\xi}^{\alpha} T_3^{(-)} f(\xi)|_{\xi=k\omega}\|_{L^2(S^{n-1})} \\ & \leq Ck^{-s} \|f\|_{N+\gamma}. \quad \square \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 0.1 in the introduction now readily follows from Lemma 2.8 by integrating in k .

§3. Decay rates for scattering states

As an application of the differentiability property of \mathcal{F} , we derive in this section a decay rate for scattering states of the Schrödinger operator H .

Theorem 3.1. *Let $\gamma > 1/2$. Let $\chi(\lambda) \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}^1)$ be such that for some $\varepsilon > 0$ and an integer $N \geq 1$, $\chi(\lambda) = 0$ for $\lambda < \varepsilon$, and $\left| \left(\frac{d}{d\lambda} \right)^m \chi(\lambda) \right| \leq C_m \lambda^{(N-2\gamma-m)/2}$ for $\lambda > \varepsilon$, $m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$. Then we have for $t > 0$*

$$\|\chi(H)e^{-itH}f\|_{-N} \leq Ct^{-N}\|f\|_{N+1+\gamma}.$$

Proof. Let $\psi(\xi) = (\mathcal{F}\chi(H)f)(\xi)$. By [1], Theorem 7.1,

$$e^{-itH}\chi(H)f = \int_0^\infty \mathcal{F}(k) * e^{-itk^2}\psi(k \cdot) k^{n-1} dk.$$

From (2.4) it follows that

$$\mathcal{F}(k) * \psi(k \cdot) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int_{S^{n-1}} e^{i\phi(x, k\omega)} a(x, k\omega) \psi(k\omega) d\omega - R(k^2 - i0)v(k),$$

where

$$(3.1) \quad v(k)(x) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int_{S^{n-1}} e^{i\phi(x, k\omega)} G(x, k\omega) \psi(k\omega) d\omega.$$

Therefore,

$$(3.2) \quad e^{-itH}\chi(H)f = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int e^{i(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)} a(x, \xi) \psi(\xi) d\xi \\ - \int_0^\infty R(k^2 - i0)v(k) e^{-itk^2} k^{n-1} dk.$$

First we consider the first term of (3.2). Using the relation $(-2it|\xi|^2)^{-1}\xi \cdot \nabla_\xi e^{-it|\xi|^2} = e^{-it|\xi|^2}$, we have by integration by parts

$$\langle x \rangle^{-N} \int e^{i(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)} a(x, \xi) \psi(\xi) d\xi \\ = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \int e^{i(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)} a_\alpha(x, \xi; t) D_\xi^\alpha \psi(\xi) d\xi,$$

where $|D_x^\beta D_\xi^\alpha a_\alpha(x, \xi; t)| \leq C_{\beta\gamma} (t|\xi|)^{-N}$. Thus by an L^2 -boundedness theorem of Fourier integral operators ([1], Theorem 3.2), we have

$$(3.3) \quad \left\| \langle x \rangle^{-N} \int e^{i(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)} a(x, \xi) \psi(\xi) d\xi \right\|_{L^2} \\ \leq Ct^{-N} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-N} D_\xi^\alpha \psi\|_{L^2}.$$

The second term of (3.2) is treated by the technique employed in [5], Lemma 5.1. For $\varepsilon > 0$

$$R(k^2 - i\varepsilon) = -ie^{-it(H - (k^2 - i\varepsilon))} \int_t^\infty e^{is(H - (k^2 - i\varepsilon))} ds.$$

Therefore letting $g(k) = v(k)k^{n-1}$, we have

$$\int_0^\infty R(k^2 - i\varepsilon) e^{-itk^2} g(k) dk = -i \int_t^\infty e^{-(s-t)\varepsilon} e^{-i(t-s)} \hat{g}(s) ds, \\ \hat{g}(s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-isk^2} g(k) dk.$$

In the following, we show for finy $s > 0$

$$(3.4) \quad \|\hat{g}(s)\|_{L^2} \leq C s^{-N-1} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-N} D_{\xi}^{\alpha} \psi\|_{L^2}.$$

If (3.4) is established, we have by the dominated convergence theorem

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \int_0^{\infty} R(k^2 - i0) e^{-itk^2} g(k) dk \right\|_{L^2} \\ & \leq C t^{-N} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-N} D_{\xi}^{\alpha} \psi\|_{L^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore for $t > 0$

$$\|\chi(H) e^{-itH} f\|_{-N} \leq C t^{-N} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-N} D_{\xi}^{\alpha} \psi\|_{L^2}.$$

Since $\psi(\xi) = \chi(|\xi|^2)(\mathcal{F}f)(\xi)$ and $|D_{\xi}^{\alpha} \chi(|\xi|^2)| \leq C \langle \xi \rangle^{N-2\gamma}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-N} D_{\xi}^{\alpha} \psi\|_{L^2} & \leq C \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-\delta/2} D_{\xi}^{\alpha} (\mathcal{F}f)(\xi)\|_{L^2} \\ & \leq C \|f\|_{N+1+\gamma}, \end{aligned}$$

by Theorem 0.1. This proves the theorem.

Now we prove (3.4). By (3.1),

$$\hat{g}(t) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int e^{i(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)} G(x, \xi) \psi(\xi) d\xi.$$

Choose $\chi_{\pm}(t) \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}^1)$ such that $\chi_{+}(t) + \chi_{-}(t) = 1$, $\chi_{+}(t) = 0$ for $t < 1/2$, $\chi_{-}(t) = 0$ for $t > 3/4$. Split $\hat{g}(t)$ into two parts: $\hat{g}(t) = g_{+}(t) + g_{-}(t)$, where

$$g_{\pm}(t) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int e^{i(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)} G(x, \xi) \chi_{\pm}(\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi}) \psi(\xi) d\xi.$$

Since $G(x, \xi) \chi_{+}(\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi})$ is rapidly decreasing in x , we have by integration by parts as we have derived (3.3)

$$\|g_{+}(t)\|_{L^2} \leq C t^{-N-1} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-N} D_{\xi}^{\alpha} \psi\|_{L^2}.$$

(Take notice of the estimates for $G(x, \xi)$ in Lemma 2.2).

Choose $\rho_1(t), \rho_2(t) \in C^{\infty}(\mathbf{R}^1)$ such that $\rho_1(t) + \rho_2(t) = 1$, $\rho_1(t) = 0$ for $t > 2$, $\rho_2(t) = 0$ for $t < 1$. Split $g_{-}(t)$ into two parts: $g_{-}(t) = g_{-}^{(1)}(t) + g_{-}^{(2)}(t)$, where

$$g_{-}^{(j)}(t) = (2\pi)^{-n/2} \int e^{i(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)} \rho_j(|x|/R) G(x, \xi) \chi_{-}(\hat{x} \cdot \hat{\xi}) \psi(\xi) d\xi,$$

$R > 0$ being a constant yet to be determined. Since $\rho_1(|x|/R)$ is compactly supported, we have as above

$$\|g_{-}^{(1)}(t)\|_{L^2} \leq C t^{-N-1} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-N} D_{\xi}^{\alpha} \psi\|_{L^2}.$$

On the support of the integrand of $g_{-}^{(2)}$, we have for large $R > 0$

$$|\mathcal{V}_\xi(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)| \geq C(|x| + t|\xi|) \quad (|x| > R).$$

Thus by integration by parts

$$g_-^{(2)}(t) = \int e^{i(\phi(x, \xi) - t|\xi|^2)} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} b_\alpha(x, \xi; t) D_\xi^\alpha \psi(\xi) d\xi,$$

where $|D_x^\beta D_\xi^\gamma b_\alpha(x, \xi; t)| \leq Ct^{-N-1}|\xi|^{-N}$. Therefore again using the L^2 -boundedness theorem of Fourier integral operators

$$\|g_-^{(2)}(t)\|_{L^2} \leq Ct^{-N-1} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq N+1} \|\langle \xi \rangle^{-N} D_\xi^\alpha \psi\|_{L^2}. \quad \square$$

In order to prove Theorem 0.2, we have only to interpolate the estimate in Theorem 3.1 with the obvious one

$$\|\chi(H)e^{-itH}f\|_{L^2} \leq \|f\|_{L^2}.$$

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