

## 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

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

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  $\lambda$  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  $\alpha$ ,  $D_x^\alpha = (\partial/\partial x_1)^{\alpha_1} \cdots (\partial/\partial x_n)^{\alpha_n}$ ,  $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n$ . 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  $s\text{-}\lim_{\varepsilon \downarrow 0} R(\lambda \pm i\varepsilon) = R(\lambda \pm i0)$  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  $\lambda$  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  $\alpha, \beta$

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

**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

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

( $\varepsilon$  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

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

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

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

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

( $\mu_{\pm}$  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  $S_{\infty}$  (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  $\xi$ .

(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  $\mu_{\pm}$  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  $\geq 1$ . 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  $\chi_0(x) + \chi_\infty(x) = 1$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_0(x) &= 0 & \text{for } |x| > 2, \\ \chi_0(x) &= 1 & \text{for } |x| < 1. \end{aligned}$$

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

$$\begin{aligned} \rho_+(t) &= 0 & \text{for } t < \tilde{\mu}_+, \\ \rho_-(t) &= 0 & \text{for } t > \tilde{\mu}_-. \end{aligned}$$

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  $\mathbf{B}(L^{2,s}; L^{2,r})$  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:

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

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  $R(\lambda + i\varepsilon)^N \tilde{P}_+(\lambda) \in C(\bar{I}; L^{2,-\gamma}, L^{2,-\gamma-N}; N)$ , 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  $m \geq \gamma + s - 1$

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

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  $\xi$  of the symbol of  $P_+(\lambda)$  lies in a small neighborhood of the sphere  $\{\xi; |\xi| = \sqrt{\lambda}\}$ . Thus for a suitable choice of  $\varepsilon$  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  $\varepsilon$ . 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  $\geq 0$ .*

(1) *As an operator  $\in \mathcal{B}(L^{2,\gamma+N}, L^{2,-\gamma-N})$ ,  $R(\lambda \pm i0)$  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  $\phi(x, \xi) \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^n \times (\mathbf{R}^n - \{0\}))$  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  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$  and  $|\xi| > \delta$ .

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

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  $\mu$  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  $\mu$  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  $L^2_{ac}(H)$  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  $|(a(x, k\omega) - 1)\rho(\hat{x} \cdot \omega)| \leq C \langle x \rangle^{-\epsilon_0}$  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  $b(x, \xi) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^{2n})$  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*

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

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

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

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

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

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

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),

$$|\mathcal{F}_x(\phi(x, k\omega) - x \cdot \xi) - (k\omega - \xi)| \leq Ck^{-1} \langle x \rangle^{-\epsilon_0}.$$

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  $e^{-i\psi} = |\mathcal{F}_x \psi|^{-2i} \mathcal{F}_x \psi \cdot \mathcal{F}_x e^{-i\psi}$ , 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  $k > d$*

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

*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  $\rho_\pm(t) \in C^\infty(\mathbf{R}^1)$  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  $\phi_\infty(\xi/k)$ ,  $\chi_0(x)\phi_0(\xi/k)$ ,  $\chi_\infty(x)\rho_\pm(x \cdot \xi)\phi_0(\xi/k)$ , 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

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

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,  $a_\beta(x, \xi) \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbf{R}^{2n})$  by Lemma 2.2. In view of Lemma 2.7, we have for any  $s > 0$

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

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  $\overline{G(x, k\omega)} \chi_+(\hat{x} \cdot \omega)$  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

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

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

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

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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