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# Scattering and localization properties of highly oscillatory potentials

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#### Abstract

We investigate scattering, localization and dispersive time-decay properties for the one-dimensional Schrödinger equation with a rapidly oscillating and spatially localized potential,  $q_{\epsilon} = q(x,x/\epsilon)$ , where q(x,y) is periodic and mean zero with respect to y. Such potentials model a microstructured medium. Homogenization theory fails to capture the correct low-energy (k small) behavior of scattering quantities, e.g. the transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , as  $\epsilon$  tends to zero. We derive an effective potential well,  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x) = -\epsilon^2 \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(x)$ , such that  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$  is uniformly small on  $\mathbb R$  and small in any bounded subset of a suitable complex strip. Within such a bounded subset, the scaled transmission coefficient has a universal form, depending on a single parameter, which is computable from the effective potential. A consequence is that if  $\epsilon$ , the scale of oscillation of the microstructure potential, is sufficiently small, then there is a pole of the transmission coefficient (and hence of the resolvent) in the upper half plane, on the imaginary axis at a distance of order  $\epsilon^2$  from zero. It follows that the Schrödinger operator  $H_{q_{\epsilon}} = -\partial_x^2 + q_{\epsilon}(x)$  has an  $L^2$  bound state with negative energy situated a distance  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)$  from the edge of the continuous spectrum. Finally, we use this detailed information to prove the local energy time-decay estimate  $|e^{-itH_{q_{\epsilon}}}P_{c}\psi_{0}|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{\infty}} \leq C t^{-1/2} \left(1+\epsilon^4 \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right)^2 t\right)^{-1} |\psi_{0}|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{1}}$ , where  $P_{c}$  denotes the projection onto the continuous spectral part of  $H_{q_{\epsilon}}$ .

#### 1 Introduction

We investigate scattering and localization phenomena for the one-dimensional Schrödinger equation,  $i\partial_t \psi = (-\partial_x^2 + V(x))\psi$ , where V denotes a real-valued, rapidly oscillating and spatially localized potential. This equation governs the behavior of a quantum particle or, in the paraxial approximation of electromagnetics, waves in a medium with strong and rapidly varying inhomogeneities. We find interesting and subtle low energy behavior and study its consequences for scattering, localization and dispersive time-decay.

The scattering problem for the Schrödinger equation

$$(1.1) (H_V - k^2) u = 0, H_V \equiv -\partial_x^2 + V(x)$$

is the question of the scattered field in response to an incoming plane wave,  $e^{ikx}$ :

$$u(x;k) = \begin{cases} e^{ikx} + r^V(k)e^{-ikx}, & x \to -\infty \\ t^V(k)e^{ikx}, & x \to +\infty \end{cases}.$$

 $t^{V}(k)$  and  $r^{V}(k)$  are called reflection and transmission coefficients for the potential V; see section 2. Considered as a function of complex variable, k, the transmission coefficient,  $t^{V}(k)$ , is meromorphic

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in the upper half k-plane, having possibly simple poles located on the positive imaginary axis. If  $i\rho$ ,  $\rho > 0$  is a pole of  $t^V$  then  $E = -\rho^2$  is a discrete eigenvalue of  $H^V$  of multiplicity one.

In this paper, we are interested in the case where V(x) is spatially localized and highly oscillatory. A class of potentials to which our results apply are potentials of the form:

$$(1.3) V_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\text{av}}(x) + q(x, x/\epsilon), \quad \epsilon \ll 1.$$

Here,  $q_{av}(x)$  denotes a background average potential and q(x,y) a potential which is spatially localized on the slow scale, x, and periodic and mean zero on the fast scale y:

(1.4) 
$$q(x, y + 1) = q(x, y),$$
 and  $\int_0^1 q(x, y) dy = 0.$ 

Thus,

(1.5) 
$$q(x,y) = \sum_{j \neq 0} q_j(x) e^{2\pi i j y}.$$

More generally, our theory admits potentials which are aperiodic. For example, we allow for real-valued potentials:

(1.6) 
$$q(x,y) = \sum_{j \neq 0} q_j(x) e^{2\pi i \lambda_j y},$$

where  $\{\lambda_j\}_{j\in\mathbb{Z}\setminus\{0\}}$  is a sequence of non-zero distinct frequencies for which there is a constant  $\theta>0$  such that

(1.7) 
$$\inf_{j \neq k} |\lambda_j - \lambda_k| \ge \theta > 0, \quad \inf_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |\lambda_j| \ge \theta > 0.$$

Conditions (1.7) can be further relaxed. That q is real-valued is imposed by:

(1.8) 
$$\overline{q_j(x)} = q_{-j}(x), \qquad \lambda_{-j} = -\lambda_j, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} .$$

We ask the following:

Question: What are the characteristics of solutions to the scattering problem (1.1), (1.2) in the limit as  $\epsilon$  tends to zero?

For fixed  $k \neq 0$ , this is the regime where averaging or homogenization theory applies; the leading order behavior in  $\epsilon$  is governed by the average of  $V_{\epsilon}$  over its fast variations. To simplify the present motivating discussion we consider the case where  $V_{\epsilon}$  is periodic on the fast scale with vanishing mean, satisfying (1.4). Then, for any fixed  $k \neq 0$ , as  $\epsilon \to 0$ , we have

$$t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k) \rightarrow t^{0}(k) \equiv 1, \quad r^{V_{\epsilon}}(k) \rightarrow r^{0}(k) \equiv 0 ;$$

see [5], which contains very detailed asymptotic expansions of  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$  for  $V_{\epsilon}$  admitting singularities. Very generally, as k tends to infinity,  $t^{V}(k) \to 1$ ; the large k transmission behavior of  $V_{\epsilon}(x)$  and its average,  $q_{\rm av}(x)$ , agree.

However, the low energy,  $k \approx 0$ , comparison between the scattering behavior for  $q_{\rm av}(x) \equiv 0$  and  $V_{\epsilon}(x)$  is far more subtle. First of all, the potential  $V(x) \equiv 0$  has non-generic low energy behavior! Indeed, for *generic* localized potentials, V,  $\lim_{k\to 0} t^V(k) = 0$ ; see the discussion of and references to genericity in Section 2. Thus we expect (and our analysis implies for small  $\epsilon$ ) that  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k) \to 0$  as  $k \to 0$ .

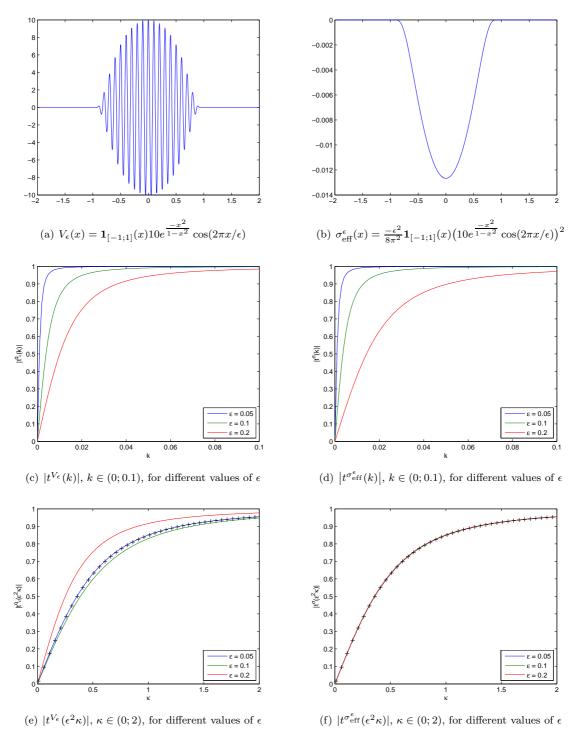


Figure 1: Plots of potentials  $V_{\epsilon}(x)$ , (a), and the corresponding effective potential  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x)$ , (b). Transmission coefficients  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , (c), and  $t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , (d). Plots (e) and (f) show convergence of scaled transmission coefficients  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^{2}\kappa)$  and  $t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^{2}\kappa)$  to the transmission coefficient  $t^{\text{Dirac}}(\kappa) = \frac{\kappa}{\kappa - \frac{i}{2} \int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}}$  associated with the Dirac delta potential well of mass  $\int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}$ . The cross markers in plots (e) and (f) correspond to values of  $t^{\text{Dirac}}(\kappa)$ .

It follows that the convergence of  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , as  $\epsilon$  tends to zero, to the homogenized transmission coefficient  $t^{q_{av}}(k) \equiv t^0(k) \equiv 1$  is non-uniform in a neighborhood of k = 0. Figure 1(c) displays plots of  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$  for several successively smaller values of  $\epsilon$ . Underlying this non-uniformity is a subtle behavior of  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$  in the complex plane and an interesting localization phenomenon, which we now explain.

To fix ideas, stick with the case  $q_{\rm av}(x) \equiv 0$  and thus,  $H_{V_{\epsilon}} = H_{q_{\epsilon}}$ , with  $q_{\epsilon}(x) \equiv q(x, x/\epsilon)$ . We comment below on the case where  $q_{\rm av}$  is non-zero. We clarify the nature of low energy scattering by proving that there is an effective potential well:

(1.9) 
$$\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x) = -\epsilon^2 \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(x),$$

such that

(1.10) 
$$t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k) \to 0 \text{ as } \epsilon \to 0, \text{ uniformly in } k \in \mathbb{R};$$

see Theorem 4.1 and Corollary 4.4. Here,  $\Lambda_{\text{eff}}(x)$  is a positive and localized function defined in terms of the Fourier expansion of the 2-scale potential, q(x, y):

(1.11) 
$$\Lambda_{\text{eff}}(x) = -\frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{j \neq 0} \frac{|q_j(x)|^2}{\lambda_j^2}.$$

For the periodic case, q(x, y + 1) = q(x, y),  $\lambda_j = j$ ,  $j \neq 0$  and  $\Lambda_{\text{eff}}$  is given by:

(1.12) 
$$\Lambda_{\text{eff}}(x) = -\frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{j \neq 0} \frac{|q_j(x)|^2}{j^2} = -\left\langle -\partial_y^{-2} q(x, y), q(x, y) \right\rangle_{L^2(S_y^1)}.$$

This particular choice of effective potential well is anticipated by a formal two-scale homogenization expansion. An example of a mean zero potential  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\epsilon}(x) = q(x, x/\epsilon)$  and the associated effective potential is displayed in Figures 1(a) and 1(b). A clue to the source of non-uniformity in k is offered by a result of Simon [13], applied to  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}$ , which implies that for  $\epsilon$  small, the operator  $H_{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}$ , has a single negative eigenvalue:

(1.13) 
$$E^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}} = -\frac{\epsilon^4}{4} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^6).$$

Since the eigenvalues of  $H_V$  are associated with poles of  $t^V(k)$  located on the positive imaginary axis (section 2), the eigenvalue  $E^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}$  is associated with a pole at

(1.14) 
$$k^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon) = i \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)$$

The estimates of Theorem 3.3 and Corollary 3.4, comparing  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  to  $t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , in a complex neighborhood of k=0 for small  $\epsilon$ , enable us to conclude, via Rouché's Theorem, that  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  has a pole  $k^{q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon) \approx k^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon)$ . It follows that  $H_{q_{\epsilon}}$  has a bound state with energy

(1.15) 
$$E^{q_{\epsilon}} = -\frac{\epsilon^4}{4} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right)^2 + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^5) .$$

Furthermore, there is a universal scaled limit depending on a single parameter,  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}$  (Corollary 3.5):

$$(1.16) t^{q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^{2}\kappa) \to t^{\star}\left(\kappa; \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right) \equiv \frac{\kappa}{\kappa - \frac{i}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}} \text{ as } \epsilon \to 0 \text{ for } \kappa \neq \frac{i}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}.$$

Note that  $t^*(\kappa; \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}})$  is the transmission coefficient for the Schrödinger oprator with a Diracdistribution potential well of total mass  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} > 0$ :

$$H^{\star} \equiv -\partial_x^2 - \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(\zeta) d\zeta \right) \times \delta(x).$$

Figures 1(e) and 1(f), as well as Figure 2, illustrate this behavior.

Remark 1.1. The results of this paper imply, in the paraxial limit of electromagnetics, the existence of wave-guide modes displaying small scale localization of light in photonic microstructures. Such modes are currently under investigation in the context of Maxwell's equations [4].

A further consequence concerns the large-time dispersive character of solutions to the time-dependent Schrödinger equation:

$$(1.17) i\partial_t \psi = -\partial_x^2 \psi + q(x, x/\epsilon)\psi, \quad \psi(0, x) = \psi_0.$$

We have the following time-decay estimate for sufficiently localized initial conditions,  $\psi_0$  (Theorem 5.1):

$$(1.18) \qquad (1+|x|^3)^{-1} |\psi(x,t)| \leq \frac{C}{t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{1}{1+\epsilon^4 \left(\int_{\mathbb{D}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right)^2 t} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left(1+|\zeta|^3\right) |\psi_0(\zeta)| \, \mathrm{d}y .$$

The above results follow from the non-generic low energy behavior of the average potential  $V \equiv 0$ . Thus we ask:

Question: Are there non-trivial potentials,  $V(x) \equiv q_{\rm av}(x)$ , with low energy behavior analogous to  $V \equiv 0$ , such that  $V_{\epsilon} = q_{\rm av}(x) + q_{\epsilon}(x)$  exhibits similar behavior?

The answer is yes! Such examples need to exhibit the behavior

$$|t^{q_{av}}(k)| \to |t^{q_{av}}(0)| \neq 0 \text{ as } k \to 0.$$

How such non-generic behavior arises is discussed in section 3.2.

The class of reflectionless potentials, for which one has  $|t(k)| \equiv 1$  for all  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , is a large family of such examples. Our main Theorem 3.3 holds for general  $q_{\rm av}$ , and shows that the low energy behavior is determined by the effective potential:

$$q_{\rm av}(x) \ + \ \sigma_{\rm eff}^\epsilon(x) \ = \ q_{\rm av}(x) \ - \ \epsilon^2 \Lambda_{\rm eff}(x) \ . \label{eq:qav}$$

Therefore, if  $q_{\rm av}$  is a reflectionless potential, then  $t^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(k)$  has a pole,  $k^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}(\epsilon)}(\epsilon)$ , situated on the positive imaginary axis, and of size  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$ . An application of Rouché's Theorem yields that  $t^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , has a pole near  $k^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon)$  and a bound state

$$E^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon) \approx \ E^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon) \ = \ \left[k^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon)\right]^2 \ <0;$$

see Corollary 3.7.

#### 1.1 Outline of the paper

In section 2 we review the prerequisite one-dimensional scattering theory. Section 3 contains statements of our main results and is structured as follows:

i. Detailed hypotheses on the class of potentials:  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\rm av}(x) + q(x, x/\epsilon)$  are given in Hypotheses (V) at the beginning of section 3.

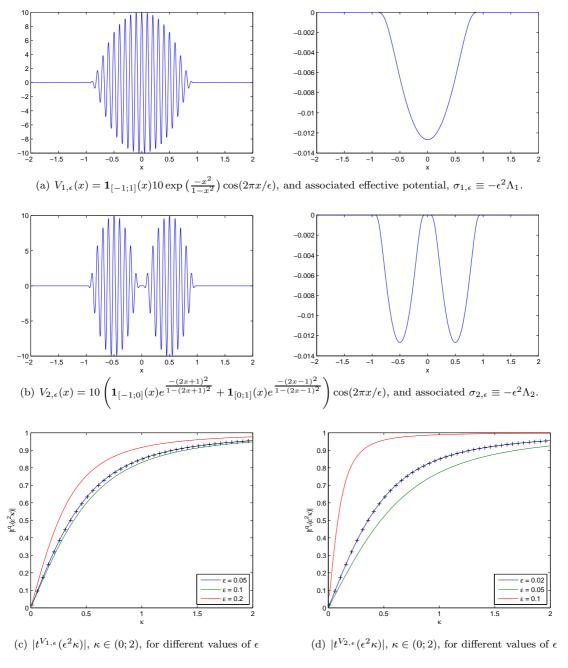


Figure 2: Plots (a) and (b) are of two mean zero potentials,  $V_{1,\epsilon}$  and  $V_{2,\epsilon}$  (left), and effective potentials  $\sigma_{1,\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}$  and  $\sigma_{2,\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}$  (right). Potentials chosen so that:  $\int \Lambda_{1,\text{eff}} = \int \Lambda_{2,\text{eff}}$ . Plots (c) and (d) illustrate universality of scaled limits:  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^2 \kappa)$  and  $t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^2 \kappa)$ . The cross markers correspond to the scaled limit:  $t^{\star}(\kappa) = \frac{\kappa}{\kappa - \frac{i}{2} \int \Lambda_{1,\text{eff}}} = \frac{\kappa}{\kappa - \frac{i}{2} \int \Lambda_{2,\text{eff}}}$ 

- ii. We consider the case where  $q_{\rm av}$  is generic and the case where  $q_{\rm av}$  is non-generic. As indicated above, the non-generic case, *i.e.*  $q_{\rm av} \equiv 0$ , is of greatest interest and we emphasize this case.
- iii. For non-generic  $q_{\rm av}$ , Theorem 3.3 and Corollary 3.4 give precise estimates on the difference  $t^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)-t^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , for k in a complex neighborhood of zero, and  $\epsilon \to 0$ .
- iv. For  $q_{\rm av} = 0$ , Corollary 3.5 gives a universal form of the scaled limit of  $t^{q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^2 \kappa)$  as  $\epsilon \to 0$ . This limit depends on a single parameter, given by the integral of the effective potential.
- v. For  $q_{\rm av} = 0$ , Corollary 3.6 states the potential  $q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}$ , has a bound state with negative energy  $\approx \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)$ , near the edge of the continuous spectrum.
- vi. In subsection 3.2 we present non-trivial (non-indentically zero) potentials,  $q_{\rm av}$ , which are nongeneric, for which the above results for  $q_{\rm av}\equiv 0$  also apply. We work out the details for "one-soliton" potentials  $q_{\rm av,\rho}(x)=-2\rho^2{\rm sech}^2(\rho(x-x_0))$ , for which  $H_{q_{\rm av,\rho}}$  has exactly one negative eigenvalue at  $E_0(\rho)=-\rho^2$  and continuous spectrum extending from zero to positive infinity. In this example, our result shows that  $H_{q_{\rm av,\rho}+q_\epsilon}$  has an eigenvalue of order  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)$ , which bifurcates from the edge of the continuous spectrum. Specifically,

(1.19) 
$$E^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}} \approx -\frac{\epsilon^4}{4} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \tanh^2(y) \ \Lambda_{\rm eff}(y) \ \mathrm{d}y \right)^2;$$

compare with (1.15). A second eigenvalue is  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$  distant from  $E_0(\theta)$ .

In section 4, we combine our precise analysis for bounded k with the relatively simple analysis when  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  is bounded away from zero, and obtain uniform control on the difference  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , uniformly for  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

In section 5 our results on the high and low energy behavior of  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  are used to prove the local energy time-decay estimate (1.18); Theorem 5.1.

The proof of Theorem 3.3, and the emergence of the effective potential,  $\sigma_{\rm eff}^\epsilon(x)$ , are presented in section 6. Appendix A contains detailed estimates on Jost solutions for general localized potentials in an appropriate domain in the complex plane. Appendix B presents a discussion of the potential  $q_{\rm av}(x) + \sigma_{\rm eff}^\epsilon(x) = q_{\rm av}(x) - \epsilon^2 \Lambda_{\rm eff}(x)$ .

#### 1.2 Remarks on related work

- i. Detailed and rigorous asymptotic expansions of  $t^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  were derived in [5] by a method developed in [7]. In this work, singular potentials were also admitted. Potentials with singularities, e.g. jump discontinuities, Dirac delta singularities, give rise to interface-effects which require the inclusion of interface correctors, not captured by standard bulk homogenization theory, in the expansions. For generic potentials these expansions hold for any fixed  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $\epsilon \downarrow 0$ .
- ii. As discussed, our results are related to those of Simon [13] on shallow depth potentials with negative or zero average. Our results can be viewed as a generalization to a larger class of perturbations, admitting high-contrast and rapidly oscillatory potentials
- iii. E. Schrödinger meets P. Kapitza: There is an interesting connection between our results and a phenomenon in Mechanics known as the Kapitza Pendulum. Very generally, this refers to the stabilization of an unstable equilibrium of a dynamical system through time-dependent parametric forcing, i.e. the stabilization of the classical inverted pendulum [8, 9].

#### 1.3 Notation, norms and function spaces

Various norms are introduced in the analysis of the transmission coefficient, Jost solutions *etc*. These norms involve spatial weights of the potential which are algebraic, when we analyze scattering properties for  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , and exponential, when we consider these properties for  $k \in \mathbb{C}$ . Our convention throughout is that spaces with algebraic spatial weights are denoted with calligraphic upper-case letters, *e.g.*  $\mathcal{W}_{\gamma}^{k,p}$ , and spaces with exponential spatial weights are denoted with ordinary upper-case Roman letters, *e.g.*  $W_{\beta}^{k,p}$ . The parameters  $\gamma$  and  $\beta$  define the spatial weight.

We denote by  $\mathcal{L}^1_{\gamma}(\mathbb{R})$  the space of measurable functions g such that

$$|g|_{\mathcal{L}^1_{\gamma}} = \int_{\mathbb{R}} |g(x)| (1+|x|)^{\gamma} dx < \infty.$$

The space of functions, g, whose derivatives up to order n are in  $\mathcal{L}^1_{\gamma}$  is denoted  $\mathcal{W}^{n,1}_{\gamma}$  and the associated norm is

$$|g|_{\mathcal{W}^{n,1}_{\gamma}} \equiv \sum_{l=0}^{n} |\partial^{l} g|_{\mathcal{L}^{1}_{\gamma}}.$$

For a fixed  $\beta > 0$ , we denote by  $L_{\beta}^{\infty}$  the space of measurable functions g defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  such that

$$\big|g\big|_{L^\infty_\beta} \ \equiv \ \big|e^{\beta \cdot }g\big|_{L^\infty} \ \equiv \ \operatorname{ess \, sup}_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \ e^{\beta x} \, |g(x)| \ < \ \infty.$$

 $W_{\beta}^{n,\infty}$  denotes the space of the functions g defined on  $\mathbb{R}$ , whose derivatives up to order n are in  $L_{\beta}^{\infty}$  with associated norm

$$|g|_{W^{n,\infty}_{\beta}} \equiv \sum_{l=0}^{n} |\partial^{l} g|_{L^{\infty}_{\beta}}.$$

For a function, V, of the form

$$V(x,y) \ = \ q_{\rm av}(x) + q(x,y) \ = \ q_{\rm av}(x) \ + \ \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z} \backslash \{0\}} \ q_j(x) \ e^{2\pi i \lambda_j y},$$

with  $q_{av} \in W_{\beta}^{1,\infty}$  and  $q_j \in W_{\beta}^{3,\infty}$   $(j \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\})$ , we introduce the following norms:

exponentially weighted: 
$$|V| \equiv |q_{\rm av}|_{W^{1,\infty}_{\beta}} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z} \backslash \{0\}} |q_j|_{W^{3,\infty}_{\beta}}$$
;

algebraically weighted: 
$$\|V\| \equiv |q_{\rm av}|_{\mathcal{W}_2^{1,1}} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} |q_j|_{\mathcal{W}_3^{3,1}}$$
.

### 2 Review of 1d scattering theory

In this section we briefly review some of the basics of scattering theory for the one-dimensional Schrödinger equation:

(2.1) 
$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + V(x) - k^2\right) u(x;k) = 0,$$

for localized potentials, V(x), assumed to satisfy

$$V \in \mathcal{L}_2^1(\mathbb{R}) = \{V : (1+|x|)^2 V(x) \in L^1(\mathbb{R})\}.$$

In particular, in section 2.1 we discuss the Jost solutions,  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$ , and the reflection and transmission coefficients,  $r_{\pm}^{V}(k)$  and  $t^{V}(k)$ . An extensive discussion can be found in [3], [11], [10]. Section 2.2 explains what is meant by a *generic potential*. Finally, in section 2.3 we introduce some important tools enabling us to compare the transmission coefficients of two different potentials, via the Volterra integral equation for the Jost solution for a potential, V, viewed as a perturbation of a second potential, W.

#### 2.1 The Jost solutions, and reflection and transmission coefficients

Introduce  $f_+^V(x;k)$ , the unique solutions of (2.1) with

$$f_{\pm}^{V}(x;k) \sim e^{\pm ikx}, \quad \text{as} \quad x \to \pm \infty.$$

Observe from the asymptotics as  $x \to \infty$ , we have  $\mathcal{W}[f_+^V(\cdot;k), f_+^V(\cdot;-k)] = 2ik$ , where  $\mathcal{W}[h_1, h_2]$  denotes the Wronskian of functions  $h_1(x)$  and  $h_2(x)$ :

$$(2.3) \mathcal{W}[h_1, h_2] = h_1(x)h_2'(x) - h_2(x)h_1'(x).$$

Therefore, for  $k \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , the set  $\{f_+^V(x;k), f_+^V(x;-k)\}$  is a linearly independent set of solutions of (2.1).

The transmission coefficients,  $t_{\pm}^{V}(k)$ , and the reflection coefficients  $r_{\pm}^{V}(k)$  are defined via the algebraic relations, among the Jost solutions  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$ :

$$(2.4) f_{+}^{V}(x;k) \equiv \frac{r_{+}^{V}(k)}{t_{-}^{V}(k)} f_{-}^{V}(x;k) + \frac{1}{t_{-}^{V}(k)} f_{-}^{V}(x;-k),$$

(2.5) 
$$f_{-}^{V}(x;k) \equiv \frac{r_{-}^{V}(k)}{t_{-}^{V}(k)} f_{+}^{V}(x;k) + \frac{1}{t_{-}^{V}(k)} f_{+}^{V}(x;-k).$$

One can check that  $\mathcal{W}[f_+^V, f_-^V] = -2ik[t_-^V(k)]^{-1} = -2ik[t_+^V(k)]^{-1}$ , and therefore we write

(2.6) 
$$\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{V}, f_{-}^{V}] = -\frac{2ik}{t^{V}(k)} ,$$

with  $t^{V}(k) \equiv t_{-}^{V}(k) = t_{+}^{V}(k)$ . Furthermore, one has

(2.7) 
$$|t^{V}(k)|^{2} + |r_{\pm}^{V}(k)|^{2} = 1, k \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Note that if  $k_1$  is a pole of  $t^V(k)$  in the upper half plane, then  $\mathcal{W}[f_+^V, f_-^V](k_1) = 0$ . In this case,  $f_+(x; k_1)$  and  $f_-(x; k_1)$  are proportional and therefore decay exponentially as  $x \to \pm \infty$ . Thus,  $k_1^2$  is an  $L^2$  eigenvalue of  $H^V$ . Moreover,  $k_1 = i\rho_1$ ,  $\rho_1 > 0$ , by self-adjointness of  $H^V$ .

If the potential V(x) is exponentially decaying as x tends to infinity, then the Jost solutions can be analytically extended into the lower half complex k-plane. More precisely, if  $V \in L_{\beta}^{\infty}$  (see Section 1.3), then  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$  are defined for  $\Im(k) > -\beta/2$  as the unique solutions of the Volterra integral equations

$$f_{+}^{V}(x;k) = e^{ikx} + \int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(k(y-x))}{k} V(y) f_{+}^{V}(y) \, dy,$$

$$(2.8) \qquad f_{-}^{V}(x;k) = e^{-ikx} - \int_{-\infty}^{x} \frac{\sin(k(y-x))}{k} V(y) f_{-}^{V}(y) \, dy.$$

Detailed bounds on  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$  and their derivatives are presented in Appendix A.

#### 2.2 Generic and non-generic potentials

Using the decay hypotheses of potential  $V \in L^{\infty}_{\beta}$  and the method of [3], page 145, one can check that the transmission and reflection coefficients are well-defined by (2.4)–(2.5) for  $|\Im(k)| < \beta/2$ , and satisfy the important relations, which follow from (2.6) and (2.8):

(2.9) 
$$\frac{1}{t^V(k)} = 1 - \frac{1}{2ik}I^V(k),$$

(2.10) 
$$\mathcal{W}[f_+^V, f_-^V](k) = -2ik + I^V(k), \quad \text{where } I^V(k) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V(y)e^{-iky}f_+^V(y;k) \,dy.$$

Equivalently, one has

(2.11) 
$$t^{V}(k) = -\frac{2ik}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{V}, f_{-}^{V}](k)} = \frac{2ik}{2ik - I^{V}(k)}.$$

Recall that if  $V(x) \equiv 0$ , then  $t^{V}(k) \equiv 1$ . Moreover, if

(2.12) 
$$I^{V}(0) = \mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{V}, f_{-}^{V}](k)(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} V(y) f_{+}^{V}(y; 0) \, dy \neq 0,$$

then by continuity of  $t^{V}(k)$  and (2.11), one has

(2.13) 
$$t^{V}(0) = \lim_{k \to 0} t^{V}(k) = 0.$$

The case where (2.12) and therefore (2.13) holds is typical. Indeed, it has been shown in Appendix 2 of [14] that for a dense subset of  $\mathcal{L}_1^1$ , one has  $I^V(0) \neq 0$ ; see also [3] and [10]. Thus we say that (2.12) and (2.13) holds generically in the space of potentials.

Note that in the non-generic case, where  $\mathcal{W}[f_+^V, f_-^V](k)(0) = 0$ , we have that Jost solutions  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$  satisfy  $f_{\pm}(x;0) \sim 1$  as  $x \to \pm \infty$  and are multiples of one another. Thus, non-genericity is equivalent to the existence of a globally bounded solution of the Schrödinger equation at zero energy. Such states are sometimes referred to as zero energy resonances. The simplest example is  $V \equiv 0$  where  $f_{\pm}(x;k) = e^{\pm ikx}$  and  $f_{\pm}(x;0) \equiv 1$ .

#### 2.3 Relations between $f_+^V$ and $f_+^W$ for general V and W

Our approach is based on associating with  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\rm av}(x) + q_{\epsilon}(x)$  a more accurate (than  $q_{\rm av}$ ) minimal model or normal form,  $V_{\epsilon,\rm eff}(x) = q_{\rm av}(x) + \sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}(x)$ , of the asymptotic scattering properties for k bounded and  $\epsilon \to 0$ . An important tool will then be to compare the Jost solutions associated with the potential, V, with those of some family of potentials,  $W = q_{\rm av} + \sigma$ , parametrized by  $\sigma$ , which is to be determined. This section develops the necessary tools for this comparison.

In the Volterra equation (2.8) we write  $f_{\pm}^{V}(x;k)$  as a perturbation of the states  $e^{\pm ikx}$ , in the kernel of  $-\partial_{x}^{2} - k^{2}$ . In the following proposition, we generalize this formula by viewing  $f_{\pm}^{V}(x;k)$  as a perturbation of the Jost solutions  $f_{\pm}^{W}(x;k)$  for the problem:

$$\left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + W - k^2\right) u = 0.$$

**Proposition 2.1.** Let  $V, W \in L^{\infty}_{\beta}$  and and let  $f^{V}_{\pm}, f^{W}_{\pm}$  denote the associated Jost solutions. Then for  $|\Im(k)| < \beta/2$ , one has

$$f_{+}^{V}(x;k) = \alpha_{+}[V,W] f_{+}^{W}(x;k) + \beta_{+}[V,W] f_{-}^{W}(x;k)$$

$$f_{-}^{V}(x;k) = \alpha_{-}[V,W] f_{+}^{W}(x;k) + \beta_{-}[V,W] f_{-}^{W}(x;k),$$
(2.14)

with

$$(2.15) \quad \alpha_{+}[V,W] \equiv 1 + \int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{f_{-}^{W}(V-W)f_{+}^{V}}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{W},f_{-}^{W}]} \ dy, \qquad \beta_{+}[V,W] \equiv -\int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{f_{+}^{W}(V-W)f_{+}^{V}}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{W},f_{-}^{W}]} \ dy,$$

$$(2.16) \quad \alpha_{-}[V,W] \equiv -\int_{-\infty}^{x} \frac{f_{-}^{W}(V-W)f_{-}^{V}}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{W},f_{-}^{W}]} \ dy, \qquad \beta_{-}[V,W] \equiv 1 + \int_{-\infty}^{x} \frac{f_{+}^{W}(V-W)f_{-}^{V}}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{W},f_{-}^{W}]} \ dy.$$

Equivalently, one has the Volterra equation

(2.17)

$$f_{+}^{V}(x;k) = f_{+}^{W}(x;k) + \int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{f_{+}^{W}(x;k)f_{-}^{W}(y;k) - f_{-}^{W}(x;k)f_{+}^{W}(y;k)}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{W},f_{-}^{W}]} (V - W)f_{+}^{V}(y;k) dy,$$

$$f_{-}^{V}(x;k) = f_{-}^{W}(x;k) - \int_{-\infty}^{x} \frac{f_{+}^{W}(x;k)f_{-}^{W}(y;k) - f_{-}^{W}(x;k)f_{+}^{W}(y;k)}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{W},f_{-}^{W}]} (V - W)f_{-}^{V}(y;k) dy.$$

A very useful consequence is:

Corollary 2.2. Let  $V, W \in L^{\infty}_{\beta}$  and and let  $f^{V}_{\pm}, f^{W}_{\pm}$  denote their respective associated Jost solutions. Then for  $|\Im(k)| < \beta/2$ , one has

(2.18) 
$$\mathcal{W}[f_+^V, f_-^V](k) = \mathcal{M}[V, W](k) \, \mathcal{W}[f_+^W, f_-^W](k) ,$$

where  $\mathcal{M}[V,W](x,k)$  is constant in x, and given by

$$(2.19) \mathcal{M}[V,W](k) \equiv \alpha_{+}[V,W](x;k)\beta_{-}[V,W](x;k) - \alpha_{-}[V,W](x;k)\beta_{+}[V,W](x;k).$$

By (2.6), and taking the limit of (2.19) when  $x \to -\infty$ , one has

$$(2.20) \ \frac{k}{t^{V}(k)} = \frac{k}{t^{W}(k)} - \frac{I^{[V,W]}(k)}{2i}, \quad with \ I^{[V,W]}(k) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{W}(y;k)(V-W)(y)f_{+}^{V}(y;k) \ dy.$$

**Remark 2.3.** The relation (2.20), applied for  $V = V_{\epsilon}$  and a judicious choice of W, is the point of departure for the proofs of our main results.

Proof of Corollary 2.2. Equation (2.18) follows from substituting the expressions (2.14) into the definition of  $W[f_+^V, f_-^V]$ , and using  $\alpha_+[V, W]$ ,  $\beta_+[V, W]$  satisfy the identity:  $(\alpha_\pm)'f_+^W + (\beta_\pm)'f_-^W = 0$ ; see (2.22) below.

To prove (2.20), we begin by making use of relation (2.6). One has

$$\frac{k}{t^{V}(k)} = -\frac{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{V}, f_{-}^{V}](k)}{2i}$$

We next relate  $\mathcal{W}[f_+^V, f_-^V]$  to  $\mathcal{W}[f_+^W, f_-^W]$  by substitution of the expressions (2.14) into the definition of  $\mathcal{W}[f_+^V, f_-^V]$  and using (2.15) and (2.16) to obtain

$$\frac{k}{t^{V}(k)} = -\mathcal{M}[V, W](x, k) \frac{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{W}, f_{-}^{W}](k)}{2i} = \mathcal{M}[V, W](x, k) \frac{k}{t^{W}(k)}$$

Now, since  $V, W \in L^{\infty}_{\beta}$ , the estimates of Lemma A.2 yield

$$\lim_{x \to -\infty} \beta_+[V,W](x) < \infty, \qquad \lim_{x \to -\infty} \alpha_-[V,W](x) = 0 \qquad \text{and} \qquad \lim_{x \to -\infty} \beta_-[V,W](x) = 1.$$

Therefore.

$$\mathcal{M}[V, W](k) = \lim_{x \to -\infty} \alpha_+(x).$$

Therefore, one deduces from Proposition 2.1 that

$$\frac{k}{t^{V}(k)} = \frac{k}{t^{W}(k)} \lim_{x \to -\infty} \alpha_{+}[V, W] = \frac{k}{t^{W}(k)} \left( 1 + \frac{I^{[V,W]}(k)}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{W}, f_{-}^{W}](k)} \right) = \frac{k}{t^{W}(k)} - \frac{I^{[V,W]}(k)}{2i},$$

where  $I^{[V,W]}(k)$  is given in (2.20). The proof of Corollary 2.2 is complete.

We now present the proof of Proposition 2.1.

Proof of Proposition 2.1. The integral equation governing a Jost solution for the potential V may be written relative to the potential W as follows. Start with the equation for  $u_{\pm} = f_{\pm}^{V}$  written in the form:

$$(2.21) (H^W - k^2) u = \left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2} + W - k^2\right) u = (W - V)u.$$

Treating the right hand side of (2.21) as an inhomogeneous term, we now derive an equivalent integral equations for the Jost solutions. Thus, we seek a solutions  $u_{\pm}$  of (2.21), such that

$$u_{\pm}(x;k) \sim f_{+}^{V}(x;k), x \to \pm \infty$$

of the form

$$u(x,k) \equiv \alpha(x,k)f_{+}^{W}(x,k) + \beta(x,k)f_{-}^{W}(x,k), \text{ with } \alpha'(x,k)f_{+}^{W}(x,k) + \beta'(x,k)f_{-}^{W}(x,k) = 0.$$

We obtain  $u' = \alpha f_+^{W'} + \beta f_-^{W'}$ ,  $u'' = \alpha' f_+^{W'} + \beta' f_-^{W'} + (W - k^2)u$  and eventually the following system for  $(\alpha', \beta')$ :

(2.22) 
$$\begin{cases} \alpha' f_{+}^{W} + \beta' f_{-}^{W} = 0 \\ \alpha' f_{+}^{W'} + \beta' f_{-}^{W'} = -(-\partial_{x}^{2} + W - k^{2}) u = (V - W)u \end{cases}$$

Solving for  $\alpha'$  and  $\beta'$  we have:

$$\alpha'(x,k) = \frac{-f_-^W(x,k)(V(x) - W(x))u(x,k)}{\mathcal{W}[f_+^W, f_-^W](k)} \quad \text{and} \quad \beta'(x,k) = \frac{f_+^W(x,k)(V(x) - W(x))u(x,k)}{\mathcal{W}[f_+^W, f_-^W](k)}.$$

The expressions for  $\alpha_{\pm}$  and  $\beta_{\pm}$  in (2.15) and (2.16) follow by integrating and imposing of the asymptotic behavior of  $u_{\pm} \sim f_{\pm}^{V}$  as  $x \to \pm \infty$ . In particular,  $f_{+}^{V}(x;k) \sim f_{+}^{W}(x;k) \sim e^{ikx}$  when  $x \to \infty$ , and  $f_{-}^{V}(x;k) \sim f_{-}^{W}(x;k) \sim e^{-ikx}$  when  $x \to -\infty$ . This completes the proof of Proposition 2.1.

# 3 Convergence of $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ for $k \in \mathbb{C}$ and bifurcation of eigenvalues from the edge of the continuous spectrum

In this section we state our main results for the Schrödinger equation (1.1) with potential of the form:

$$(3.1) V_{\epsilon}(x) = V(x, x/\epsilon).$$

Recall the exponentially weighted norms  $|g|_{W_{\beta}^{n,\infty}}$  introduced in section 1.3. The potential  $V_{\epsilon} = V(x,y)$  is assumed to satisfy the following precise hypotheses: **Hypotheses (V):** V(x,y) is real-valued and of the form:

(3.2) 
$$V(x,y) = q_{av}(x) + q(x,y) = q_{av}(x) + \sum_{j \neq 0} q_j(x) e^{2\pi i \lambda_j y},$$

There exist positive constants  $\theta > 0$  and  $\beta > 0$  such that the sequence of non-zero (distinct) frequencies  $\{\lambda_j\}_{j \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}}$  satisfies

(3.3) 
$$\inf_{j \neq k} |\lambda_j - \lambda_k| \ge \theta > 0, \quad \inf_{j \in \setminus \{0\}} |\lambda_j| \ge \theta > 0.$$

and the coefficients  $\{q_j(x)\}_{j\in\mathbb{Z}}$ , satisfy the decay and regularity assumptions

$$|V| \equiv |q_{\mathrm{av}}|_{W^{1,\infty}_{\beta}} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} |q_j|_{W^{3,\infty}_{\beta}} < \infty.$$

**Remark 3.1.** If V satisfies Hypotheses (V), then  $V_{\epsilon} \in L_{\beta}^{\infty}$ ,  $q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{eff}}^{\epsilon} \in W_{\beta}^{1,\infty}$  and  $\sigma_{\mathrm{eff}}^{\epsilon} \in W_{\beta}^{3,\infty}$ , and there exists  $C(\mid V \mid)$  is independent of  $\epsilon$ , and such that

$$\left|V_{\epsilon}\right|_{L^{\infty}_{a}} \; \leq \; C(\; \left|\; V \; \right|\;), \quad \left|q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma^{\epsilon}_{eff}\right|_{W^{1,\infty}_{a}} \; \leq \; C(\; \left|\; V \; \right|\;), \quad \left|\sigma^{\epsilon}_{eff}\right|_{W^{3,\infty}_{a}} \; \leq \; \epsilon^{2}C(\; \left|\; V \; \right|\;).$$

Our approach is to study the Jost solutions,  $f^{V_{\epsilon}}(x;k)$ , and scattering coefficients,  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$ ,  $r_{\pm}^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , for  $\epsilon$  sufficiently small  $\epsilon \in [0, \epsilon_0)$ , and for k in a complex neighborhood of zero. More precisely, we assume

**Hypotheses (K):** The wave number,  $k \in K$ , where K is a compact subset of  $\mathbb{C}$  such that

- $K \subset \{k, |\Im(k)| < \alpha\}$ , with  $0 < \alpha < \beta/2$ .
- K does not contain any pole of the transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{av}}(k)$ .

Therefore,  $t^{q_{av}}(k)$ , is bounded for  $k \in K$  and we define

$$(3.5) M_K \equiv \sup_{k \in K} |t^{q_{av}}(k)|, M_K \in [1, \infty).$$

If k is a pole of the transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{\rm av}}$ , then  $k^2$  is an eigenvalue of the Schrödinger operator  $H_{q_{\rm av}} \equiv -\partial_x^2 + q_{\rm av}$ . Therefore, if the spectrum of  $H_{q_{\rm av}}$  is  $[0, \infty)$ , then the second condition is automatically satisfied, and the domain of validity of our results is restricted only by the smoothness of the potential V:  $\alpha < \beta/2$ . This is the case for mean-zero potentials  $q_{\rm av} \equiv 0$ , but not for the reflectionless potentials presented in Section 3.2.

**Remark 3.2.** We can relax the spatial decay assumptions of Hypotheses (V), if we restrict Hypotheses (K) to the upper-half plane  $\Im(k) \geq 0$ . Our methods apply and only require sufficient algebraic decay of V(x). Results of this kind for  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  are presented in Section 4.

We now state our main theorem and its important consequences.

**Theorem 3.3** (Convergence of the transmission coefficient). Assume  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = V(x, x/\epsilon)$  satisfies Hypotheses (**V**), and  $k \in K$  satisfies Hypotheses (**K**). Then there exists  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  such that for all  $|\epsilon| < \epsilon_0$ ,  $t^{q_{av} + q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , the transmission coefficient of the scattering problem (1.1)-(1.2) with

$$V_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\rm av}(x) + q_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\rm av}(x) + q(x, x/\epsilon),$$

is uniformly approximated by the transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , for

$$V_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\text{av}}(x) + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x),$$

where  $\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}(x)$  denotes the <u>effective potential well</u>,

(3.6) 
$$\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x) \equiv -\epsilon^2 \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(x) \equiv -\frac{\epsilon^2}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} \frac{|q_j(x)|^2}{\lambda_j^2}.$$

Specifically, we have the estimate

$$(3.7) \qquad \sup_{k \in K} \left| \frac{k}{t^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(k)} - \frac{k}{t^{q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(k)} \right| \leq \epsilon^{3} M_{K} C(|V|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|),$$

with C(|V|) a constant, independent of  $\epsilon$ .

The proof of Theorem 3.3 is given insection 6; we first present its consequences.

Theorem 3.3 holds for both generic and non-generic potentials,  $q_{\rm av}$ . In the following section we explore consequences first for the non-generic potential,  $q_{av}(x) \equiv 0$ , i.e.  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = q(x, x/\epsilon)$ , with  $\int_0^1 q(x,y) \, \mathrm{d}y = 0$ . In particular, we explain the non-uniformity localization phenomenon discussed in the Introduction. Results for non-trivial  $q_{\rm av}(x)$  in sections 3.2 and 3.3.

#### 3.1 Results for mean-zero oscillatory potentials: $q_{av}(x) \equiv 0$

The following corollary, comparing  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  and  $t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , is a consequence of Theorem 3.3, and Lemma B.1.

**Corollary 3.4.** Let  $q_{av} \equiv 0$ , so that  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\epsilon}(x) = q(x, x/\epsilon)$ . Let K denote the compact set of Hypotheses V. Then, if

(3.8) 
$$\left| k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right| \ge C \epsilon^{\tau}, \quad \tau < 3, \quad k \in K,$$

it follows that for  $|\epsilon| < \epsilon_0$ 

(3.9) 
$$\left| \frac{t^{\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(k)}{t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)} - 1 \right| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{3-\tau}).$$

If in addition to (3.8), the following condition holds:

$$\left| k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right| \ge C|k|, \quad k \in K,$$

then for  $\epsilon$  sufficiently small we have

$$(3.10) \quad \left| t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k) \right| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{3-\tau}), \quad and \quad \left| t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k) - \frac{k}{k + \frac{\epsilon^{2}}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}} \right| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{3-\tau}).$$

In particular, if  $k = \epsilon^2 \kappa$ , with  $\kappa \neq \kappa^* \equiv -\frac{1}{2i} \int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}$ , then

$$(3.11) \left| t^{\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^{2}\kappa) - t^{q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^{2}\kappa) \right| = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\epsilon |\kappa|}{|\kappa - \kappa^{\star}|^{2}}\right) = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon), \quad \left| t^{q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^{2}\kappa) - \frac{\kappa}{\kappa - \frac{i}{2}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda_{eff}} \right| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon).$$

*Proof.* Corollary B.2 of appendix B gives

(3.12) 
$$\frac{k}{t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)} = k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(y) \, dy + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4).$$

By Theorem 3.3, one has

(3.13) 
$$\frac{k}{t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)} = k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(y) \, \mathrm{d}y + \mathcal{O}\left(\epsilon^3\right), \text{ if } |k| \in K.$$

Expansions (3.12) and (3.13) imply straightforwardly (3.9)–(3.11).

A direct consequence of Corollary 3.4 and the expansion of  $t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}$  implied by Lemma B.1, is the following result showing a universal scaled limit of  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}$ , depending on the single parameter,  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}$ .

Corollary 3.5 (Scaled limit of  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}$ ). Let  $k = \epsilon^2 \kappa$ , with  $\kappa \neq \frac{i}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}$ . Then one has

(3.14) 
$$t^{q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^{2}\kappa) \rightarrow t^{\star}\left(\kappa; \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right) \equiv \frac{\kappa}{\kappa - \frac{i}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}} \text{ as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $t^*(\kappa; \tau)$  is the transmission coefficient associated with the Schrödinger operator with attractive  $\delta$ -function potential well:

$$H_{-\tau\delta} = -\partial_X^2 - \tau \delta(X).$$

As observed in section 2, the poles of the transmission coefficient in the upper half plane k-plane, which must lie on the imaginary axis, correspond to the  $L^2$  point eigenvalues. From our estimates on the transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , we further deduce the existence of a discrete eigenvalue near the edge of the continuous spectrum.

Corollary 3.6 (Edge bifurcation of point spectrum from the continuum). The transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  has a pole in the upper half plane at

$$k_{\epsilon} \; pprox \; i \; rac{\epsilon^2}{2} \; \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{ ext{eff}} 
ight) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)$$

and therefore  $H_{q_{\epsilon}}$  has a point eigenvalue

(3.15) 
$$E_{\epsilon} = k_{\epsilon}^{2} = -\frac{\epsilon^{4}}{4} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right)^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{5})$$

Proof of Corollary 3.6: Let us recall Rouché's Theorem: Let f and g denote analytic functions, defined on an open set  $A \subset \mathbb{C}$ . Let  $\gamma$  denote a simple loop within A, which is homotopic to a point. If |g(k) - f(k)| < |f(k)| for all  $k \in \gamma$ , then f and g have the same number of roots inside  $\gamma$ .

low let

$$f(k) \equiv k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda(y) \, dy ,$$

$$g_1(k) = \frac{k}{t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)}, \qquad g_2(k) = \frac{k}{t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)},$$

and  $\gamma=\{k: |k+\frac{\epsilon^2}{2i}\int\Lambda|=C\epsilon^3\}\subset K$ . These functions are analytic in k; see [3] and our previous discussion. Theorem 3.3 and Corollary B.2 imply, respectively,

$$g_2(k) = f(k) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)$$
 and  $g_1(k) = f(k) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)$ .

Therefore, there exist constants  $a_K$ ,  $b_K$ , such that for  $k \in \gamma$ :

$$|f(k) - g_1(k)| \le a_K \epsilon^4$$
,  $|f(k) - g_2(k)| \le b_K \epsilon^3$ , and  $|f(k)| = C\epsilon^3$ .

Taking  $\epsilon$  sufficiently small, Rouché's Theorem implies that both  $g_1$  and  $g_2$ , have unique roots, poles of  $t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}$  and  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}$ , in  $\{k: |k+\frac{\epsilon^2}{2i}\int\Lambda| \leq C\epsilon^3\}$ . By self-adjointness, these poles lie on the positive imaginary axis. Corollary 3.6 now follows.

## 3.2 Non-generic and non-zero $q_{av}$ ; example of an oscillatory perturbation of a reflectionless potential

As seen above, for the case where  $q_{\rm av} \equiv 0$  the transmission coefficient  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , does not converge to  $t^{0}(k) \equiv 1$  uniformly in a neighborhood of k = 0 and the obstruction to uniform convergence is the approach, as  $\epsilon \to 0$ , of a pole of  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  toward k = 0. Such non-uniform convergence will occur

whenever  $t^{q_{av}}(0) \neq 0$ . By (2.11), (2.12), we can have  $t^{q_{av}}(0) \neq 0$  if and only if  $\mathcal{W}[f_+^{q_{av}}, f_-^{q_{av}}](0) = 0$ , the case where  $q_{av}$  is non-generic; see section 2.2.

One can think of generating non-generic potentials as follows. Let v(x) denote a potential well,  $v(x) \leq 0$ , say a square well, having one eigenstate and which is generic, i.e.  $W[f_+^v, f_-^v](0) \neq 0$  and therefore  $t^v(0) = 0$ . Consider the one-parameter family of Schrödinger operators defined as  $h_g = -\partial_x^2 + gv(x)$ ,  $g \geq 1$ . As g increases, new eigenvalues of  $h_g$  appear as g tranverses discrete values  $g_1 < g_2 < \ldots$  These eigenvalues appear via the crossing of a pole of  $t^{gv}(k)$  in the lower half plane k- plane, for  $g < g_N$ , into the upper half plane for  $g > g_N$ . For g equal to one of these transition values,  $g_N$ , one has  $t^{g_N v}(0) \neq 0$ . Thus,  $g_N v(x)$  is non-generic. Our analysis gives, for  $q_{av}$  taken to be any such non-generic potential, a precise description of the motion of the pole of  $t^{q_{av}+q_e}$  as it approaches k=0 for  $\epsilon$  small. In the analysis, which is based on perturbation theory about  $q_{av}$ , one needs to restrict to k bounded away from the pole of  $t^{q_{av}}(k)$ , closest to zero.

The following corollary, the analogue of Corollaries 3.4 and 3.5, follows as in the case  $q_{\rm av} \equiv 0$  from Theorem 3.3 and Lemma B.1.

Corollary 3.7. [Oscillatory perturbation of a reflectionless potential] Let  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\text{av}} + q(x, x/\epsilon)$  satisfying hypothesis (V) with  $q_{\text{av}}$  reflectionless, and  $k \in K$  satisfying Hypotheses (K). Then if the following condition holds

$$\left| \frac{k}{t^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(k)} + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) \Lambda(y) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) dy \right| \ge C \min(|k|, \epsilon^{\tau}), \ \tau < 3,$$

one has for  $\epsilon$  sufficiently small

(3.16) 
$$\left| t^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(k) \right| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{3-\tau}).$$

Therefore, by Lemma B.1 there is a universal scaled limit of  $t^{q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^2\kappa)$ : <sup>1</sup>

$$t^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon^{2}\kappa) \rightarrow \frac{t^{q_{\text{av}}}(0) \kappa}{\kappa - \frac{i}{2}t^{q_{\text{av}}}(0) \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;0) \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(y) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;0) dy}$$

$$= \frac{t^{q_{\text{av}}}(0) \kappa}{\kappa - \frac{i}{2}(1 + r_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(0)) \int_{\mathbb{R}} (f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;0))^{2} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(y) dy}, \text{ as } \epsilon \rightarrow 0$$

provided  $\kappa \neq \frac{i}{2}t^{q_{av}}(0)$   $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{-}^{q_{av}}(y;0) \Lambda(y) f_{+}^{q_{av}}(y;0) dy$ .

The transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{av} + \sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(k)$  has a pole in the upper half plane at  $k_{q_{av} + \sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}$  the solution of the implicit equation:

(3.18) 
$$k = i \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} t^{q_{av}}(k) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{av}}(y;k) \Lambda(y) f_{+}^{q_{av}}(y;k) dy + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4).$$

It follows that  $H_{q_{av}+\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}$  has an eigenvalue at  $E^{\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}=(k_{q_{av}+\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon))^2<0$ . Finally, Lemma B.1 and an application of Rouché's Theorem imply that  $t^{q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , has a pole near  $k^{q_{av}+\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(\epsilon)$ , on the positive imaginary axis, and a bound state

$$E^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}(\epsilon) \approx \ E^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon}_{\rm eff}}(\epsilon) \ = \ \left[k^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon}_{\rm eff}}(\epsilon)\right]^2 \ < \ 0. \label{eq:equation:equation}$$

$$t^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(0) \ \int_{\mathbb{R}} f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;0) \ \Lambda(y) \ f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;0) \ \mathrm{d}y = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (r_{-}(0)+1) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;0) \ \Lambda(y) \ f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;0) \ \mathrm{d}y.$$

Then,  $r_{-}(0) \in \mathbb{R}$  since  $r_{-}(-k) = \overline{r_{-}(k)}$ , and  $r_{-}(0) + 1 \ge 0$  since  $|r_{-}(k)| \le 1$  for k real.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ Using (2.5), one has

We now consider this result in the context of a particular family of potentials. Consider the family of operators

$$h(g) = -\partial_x^2 - g \operatorname{sech}^2(x).$$

Let  $g_N = N(N+1)$ ,  $N = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$  For  $g_N \leq g < g_{N+1}$ , the operator h(g) has precisely N- bound states. At the transition values,  $h(g_N)$  has a zero energy resonance and  $t^{h(g_N)}(0) \neq 0$ . The family of potentials for the values  $g_N$ ,  $N = 0, 1, 2, \ldots$ , are called reflectionless potentials for which

$$(3.20) |t(k)| \equiv 1 \text{ and } r_+(k) \equiv 0, k \in \mathbb{R};$$

see [1]. These potentials are well-known for their role as soliton solutions of the Korteweg-de Vries equation.

Consider the case of the one-soliton potential, corresponding to N=1 in the above discussion. Here,

$$V_1(x) = -2\rho^2 \operatorname{sech}^2(\rho(x-x_0)), \text{ where } x_0 \text{ satisfies } C = 2\rho \exp(2\rho x_0).$$

In this case, the transmission coefficient satisfies

$$\frac{1}{t^{V_1}(k)} = \lim_{x \to -\infty} f_+^{V_1}(x;k)e^{-ikx} = \frac{k - i\rho}{k + i\rho}.$$

As for the Jost solutions, one has (setting  $x_0 = 0$  for simplicity)

$$f_{+}^{V_1}(x;k) = e^{ikx} \left( 1 - \frac{2i\rho}{k + i\rho} \frac{e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} \right).$$

Since the  $V_1$  is reflectionless, one has by (2.5)

$$f_-^{V_1}(x;k) = 0 + \frac{1}{t^{V_1}(k)} f_+^{V_1}(x;-k) \ = \ \frac{1}{t^{V_1}(k)} e^{-ikx} \left( 1 - \frac{2i\rho}{-k+i\rho} \frac{e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}} \right).$$

In this case, there exists a pole of  $t^{V_1 + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , and similarly a pole of  $t^{V_1 + q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , located around

$$k \approx i \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^{V_1}(0) f_-^{V_1}(y;0) \Lambda(y) f_+^{V_1}(y;0) dy = i \frac{\epsilon^2}{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \tanh^2(y) \Lambda(y) dy$$

Finally,  $H_{V_1+q_{\epsilon}}$  and  $H_{V_1+\sigma_{\text{eff}}}$  have a bound state with energy

$$E \approx -\frac{\epsilon^4}{4} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \tanh^2(y) \Lambda(y) \, dy \right)^2.$$

## 3.3 Results for generic potentials, $q_{av}$ , and their highly oscillatory perturbations

In this section, we study the case where  $q_{av}$  is a generic potential in the sense of section 2. In this case  $t^{q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  converges uniformly to  $t^{q_{av}}(k)$  in neighborhood of k=0 [5]. More precise information is contained in the following Corollary, a direct consequence of Lemma B.1, and Theorem 3.3.

Corollary 3.8. Let  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\rm av}(x) + q_{\epsilon}(x) = q_{\rm av}(x) + q(x, x/\epsilon)$  satisfying Hypotheses (V) with  $q_{\rm av}$  reflectionless, and  $k \in K$  satisfying Hypotheses (K). Then for k and  $\epsilon$  small enough, one has

$$\left| t^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(k) \right| \leq C_0 |k|$$

$$(3.22) |t^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)| \leq C_0|k|$$

$$|t^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\text{av}}+\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)| \leq C_0 \epsilon^3 |k|,$$

with  $C_0$  a constant independent of  $\epsilon$  and k.

**Remark 3.9.** It follows from Corollary 3.8 that if  $q_{\rm av}$  is generic, then the potentials  $V_{\epsilon} = q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}$  and  $q_{\rm av} + \sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}$  are also generic if  $\epsilon$  is sufficiently small.

*Proof of Corollary 3.8.* In the case of generic potentials,  $q_{av}$ , we know from [3] that there exists a constant  $a_{q_{av}}$  such that

$$t^{q_{av}}(k) = a_{q_{av}}k + o(k), \quad \text{as } k \to 0.$$

It follows that for k sufficiently small, there exists a positive constant  $C_0$  such that one has  $|k (t^{q_{av}}(k))^{-1}| \geq C_0 > 0$ . Estimate (3.21) follows then straightforwardly from Lemma B.1, when  $\epsilon$  is sufficiently small. Now, applying Theorem 3.3, one has

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(k) \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{k}{t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)} - \frac{k}{t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(k)} \right| \left| \frac{t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k) \ t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(k)}{k} \right| \ \leq \ C_0 \epsilon^3 |t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(k)|. \end{aligned}$$

Estimate (3.22) and then (3.23) follow easily. This concludes the proof.

#### 4 Behavior of the transmission coefficient, uniformly in $k \in \mathbb{R}$

In this section we focus on the properties of  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , which hold uniformly in  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ . In this case, one can relax the exponential decay assumption on the potential; the Jost solutions and the scattering coefficients are well-defined for a larger class of potentials. In particular, the results presented in section 2 are valid for  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  under the condition:  $V \in \mathcal{L}^1_2(\mathbb{R}) = \{V : (1+|x|)^2 V(x) \in L^1(\mathbb{R})\}$ . Most of these results can be found in [3]. Our required bounds on the Jost solutions,  $f_{\pm}^V$  are given in Lemma A.1.

Our less restrictive hypotheses on the potential are summarized in:

**Hypotheses (V'):** V(x,y) is real-valued, localized in x and of the type as in Hypotheses (V) (see (3.2)) with the following lesser restriction on the Fourier coefficients,  $q_j(x)$ , of the periodic function  $y \mapsto V(\cdot,y)$ :

(4.1) 
$$\|V\| \equiv |q_{\rm av}|_{\mathcal{W}_2^{1,1}} + \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}} |q_j|_{\mathcal{W}_3^{3,1}} < \infty.$$

We first investigate the difference between the transmission coefficients  $t^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  and  $t^{q_{\text{av}}+\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , where  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}$  is defined as in Theorem 3.3. The proof of the following theorem follows that of Theorem 3.3 (section 6) and we omit it for the sake of brevity.

**Theorem 4.1** (Transmission coefficient,  $t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , for  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ). Assume  $V_{\epsilon}(x) = V(x, x/\epsilon)$  satisfies Hypotheses (V'), and  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|k| \leq 1$ . Then, the following holds:

i. There exists  $\epsilon_0 > 0$  such that for all  $|\epsilon| < \epsilon_0$ ,  $t^{q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  is uniformly approximated by the transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma^{\epsilon}_{\rm eff}}(k)$ , for  $H_{q_{\rm av} + \sigma^{\epsilon}_{\rm eff}}$ . Here  $\sigma^{\epsilon}_{\rm eff}(x)$  denotes the effective potential well defined in (3.6).

Moreover, there is a constant  $C(\parallel V \parallel)$ , independent of  $\epsilon$  and k, such that

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}, |k| \le 1} \left| \frac{k}{t^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(k)} - \frac{k}{t^{q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(k)} \right| \le \epsilon^{3} M_{K} C(\|V\|).$$

ii. Assume  $q_{av} \equiv 0$ , so that  $H_{V_{\epsilon}} = -\partial_x^2 + q(x, x/\epsilon)$ , where  $y \mapsto q(x, y)$  has mean zero. Then, applying (4.2) and Corollary B.2 we have

$$(4.3) t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k) = \frac{k}{k - \frac{i}{2} \epsilon^2 \int_{\mathbb{D}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)}$$

In the following, we are able to control the difference between  $t^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  and  $t^{q_{\text{av}}+\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , for large real wave number,  $|k| \geq 1$ . This allows, in particular, control of the difference between  $t^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  and  $t^{q_{\text{av}}+\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k)$ , when the averaged potential  $q_{\text{av}} \equiv 0$ , uniformly in  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

**Proposition 4.2.** Let  $V_{\epsilon} \equiv V(x, x/\epsilon) \equiv q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}$  with V satisfying Hypotheses (V'), and  $\sigma^{\epsilon}(x)$  denote any potential for which

$$\int \sigma^{\epsilon}(y)(1+|y|) \ dy \le \epsilon^2 \ C_{\sigma}$$

Then, for  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $|k| \ge 1$ , one has

$$\left| t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma^{\epsilon}}(k) \right| \leq \epsilon^{2} |k|^{-1} C(\|V\|, C_{\sigma}),$$

where  $\|V\|$  is defined in (4.1).

**Remark 4.3.** We shall apply this proposition to  $\sigma^{\epsilon}(x) = \sigma^{\epsilon}_{eff}(x)$ , for which  $C_{\sigma} = \mathcal{O}(\parallel V \parallel)$ .

*Proof.* Recall the identity (2.20), relating the transmission coefficients of any potentials  $V, W \in \mathcal{L}_2^1$ :

(4.5) 
$$\frac{k}{t^V(k)} = \frac{k}{t^W(k)} - \frac{I^{[V,W]}(k)}{2i}$$
, with  $I^{[V,W]}(k) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_-^W(y;k)(V-W)(y)f_+^V(y;k) dy$ .

Since  $t^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}-t^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon}}=[t^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}-t^{q_{\rm av}}]+[t^{q_{\rm av}}-t^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon}}]$ , we estimate the two bracketed independently. We begin by comparing the transmission coefficients for  $W\equiv q_{\rm av}$  and  $V\equiv q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon}$ . We have by (4.5)

$$(4.6) \quad \frac{k}{t^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon}}(k)} \ - \ \frac{k}{t^{q_{\rm av}}(k)} \ = \ -\frac{1}{2i}I^{[q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon},q_{\rm av}]}(k) = -\frac{1}{2i}\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\rm av}}(y;k)\sigma^{\epsilon}(y)f_{+}^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon}}(y;k) \ \mathrm{d}y.$$

Using the estimates of Lemma A.2, we obtain

(4.7) 
$$\left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\rm av}}(y;k) \, \sigma^{\epsilon}(y) \, f_{+}^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma^{\epsilon}}(y;k) \, \mathrm{d}y \right| \leq \epsilon^{2} C_{\sigma}.$$

From (4.6) and (4.7) we have

$$\left| t^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma^{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\rm av}}(k) \right| \leq \epsilon^{2} |k|^{-1} C_{\sigma} \left| t^{q_{\rm av}}(k) t^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma^{\epsilon}}(k) \right|$$

Using the general relation  $|t^V(k)| \leq 1$  (see (2.7)), we obtain

$$\left| t^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma^{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\rm av}}(k) \right| \leq \epsilon^{2} |k|^{-1} C_{\sigma}$$

We now turn to the comparison of the transmission coefficients of  $V \equiv q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}$  and  $W \equiv q_{\rm av}$ . Proceeding similarly, we have

$$\frac{k}{t^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)} - \frac{k}{t^{q_{\text{av}}}(k)} = -\frac{1}{2i} I^{[q_{\text{av}},q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}]}(k), \text{ where}$$

$$I^{[q_{\text{av}},q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}]}(k) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;k) \ q_{\epsilon}(y) \ f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(y;k) \ \mathrm{d}y .$$

Two integration by parts yield

$$I^{[q_{\text{av}},q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}]}(k) = \sum_{j\neq 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} q_{j}(y)e^{2i\pi\lambda_{j}y/\epsilon} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;k) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(y;k) \, dy$$
$$= \sum_{j\neq 0} \left(\frac{-\epsilon}{2i\pi\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \partial_{y}^{2} \left(q_{j}(y)f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;k)f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(y;k)\right) e^{2i\pi\lambda_{j}y/\epsilon} \, dy.$$

Using the estimates of Lemma A.1 and Hypotheses (V'), one sees that the integrand is bounded. Indeed, one has

$$\begin{split} \left| \ I^{[q_{\text{av}},q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}]}(k) \ \right| &\leq \sum_{j\neq 0} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{2\pi\lambda_{j}} \right)^{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \partial_{y}^{2} (q_{j}(y) f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;k) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(y;k)) \right| \, \mathrm{d}y \\ &\leq \ \epsilon^{2} C (\left| q_{\text{av}} \right|_{\mathcal{L}_{2}^{1}}) \sum_{j\neq 0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \partial_{y}^{2} q_{j}(y) \right| \frac{(1+|y|)^{2}}{(1+|k|)^{2}} \ + \ \left| \partial_{y} q_{j}(y) \right| \frac{(1+|y|)^{2}}{1+|k|} \ + \ \left| q_{j}(y) \right| (1+|y|)^{2} \, \, \mathrm{d}y \\ &\leq \ \epsilon C (\left| q_{\text{av}} \right|_{\mathcal{L}_{2}^{1}}) \sum_{j\neq 0} \left| q_{j} \right|_{\mathcal{W}_{2}^{1,1}}. \end{split}$$

Arguing as in (4.8), we deduce

$$|t^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)-t^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(k)| \leq \epsilon^{2} |k|^{-1} C(\|V\|) |t^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(k)|t^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)| \leq \epsilon^{2} |k|^{-1} C(\|V\|).$$

This completes the proof of Proposition 4.2.

The following corollary follows from Theorem 4.1 and Proposition 4.2.

Corollary 4.4. Let V satisfy Hypotheses (V'), with  $q_{av} \equiv 0$ . Then, for  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

(4.10) 
$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} \left| t^{\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k) \right| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon).$$

*Proof.* The behavior for k small is controlled as in Corollary 3.4. Conditions (3.8) and (3.10) hold in particular when we restrict to real wave numbers,  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ . Therefore, one sees that the difference between  $t^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  and  $t^{q_{\text{av}}}(k)$  is small, uniformly for  $|k| \leq 1$ :

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}, |k| \le 1} \left| t^{\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(k) - t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k) \right| = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\epsilon^{3}}{\epsilon^{2} + |k|}\right).$$

The behavior for  $|k| \geq 1$  is given in Proposition 4.2, and Corollary 4.4 follows.

# 5 Detailed dispersive time decay of $\exp(-iH_{q_{\epsilon}}t) \psi_0$ ; the effect of a pole of $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ near k=0

In this section we use our detailed results on  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  to prove time decay estimates of the Schrödinger equation:

$$(5.1) i\partial_t \psi = H_V \psi \equiv -\partial_x^2 \psi + V(x)\psi, \quad \psi(0,x) = \psi_0.$$

for initial conditions  $\psi_0$ , which are orthogonal to the bound states of  $H_{q_{\epsilon}}$ .

Let  $V \in \mathcal{L}_1^1$ . Then, it is known that  $H_V$  has no singular-continuous spectrum, no positive (embedded) eigenvalues and its absolutely-continuous spectrum is  $[0, \infty)$ ; see, for example, [3]. In

general,  $H_V$  may have a finite number of negative eigenvalues that are simple:  $E_N < \dots E_0 < 0$ . We denote by  $u_j$  the eigenvector associated to the eigenvalue  $E_j$ , normalized to have  $L^2$  norm equal to one. By the spectral theorem, the solution of (5.1) can be decomposed as follows:

$$\psi(x,t) = e^{-itH_V}\psi_0 = \sum_{j=0}^N e^{-itE_j}(\psi_0, u_j)u_j + e^{-itH_V}P_c\psi_0,$$

where  $P_c$  denotes the projection onto the continuous spectral subspace of H.  $\exp(-itH_V)P_c\psi_0$  is a scattering state which spatially spreads and temporally decays:  $\left|e^{-itH_V}P_c\psi_0\right|_{L_x^\infty}\to 0$  as  $t\to\infty$ . In the case  $V(x)\equiv 0$ , we have  $\psi(x,t)=\exp(i\partial_x^2t)\psi_0=K_t\star\psi_0$ , where  $|K_t(x)|\leq (4\pi t)^{-1/2}$ , from the following decay estimate immediately follows:

$$\left| e^{-itH_0} P_c \psi_0 \right|_{L^{\infty}_x} \le C |t|^{-1/2} \left| \psi_0 \right|_{L^1}.$$

This  $|t|^{-1/2}$  decay-rate is associated with the potential  $V\equiv 0$  being non-generic. For generic potentials the decay estimate can be improved to  $\left|e^{-itH_V}P_c\psi_0\right|_{L^\infty_x}=\mathcal{O}(t^{-3/2})$ ; see [6], [12]. In [14, 2] the time-decay of spatially weighted  $L^2$  norms is studied.

Question: What is the precise behavior of the  $e^{-itH_{q_{\epsilon}}}P_c\psi_0$ , when  $q_{\epsilon}$  is a highly oscillatory potential:  $q_{\epsilon}(x) \equiv q(x,x/\epsilon)$ ? In particular, what is the influence of the effective potential well induced eigenstate (equivalently, the complex pole of  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  near k=0) on the dispersive decay properties? Using the preceding analysis we can prove:

**Theorem 5.1** (Dispersive decay estimate for  $\exp(-iH_{q_{\epsilon}}t)$ ). Let  $V_{\epsilon} = q(x, x/\epsilon)$  satisfies Hypotheses (V') with  $q_{av} \equiv 0$ , and  $\psi_0 \in \mathcal{L}_3^1$ . There exists a constant  $C = C(\|V\|) > 0$ , independent of  $\epsilon$ , such that

$$(5.2) \qquad \left| (1+|x|)^{-3} \left( e^{-itH_{q_{\epsilon}}} P_{c} \psi_{0} \right) (t,x) \right| \leq C \frac{1}{t^{1/2}} \frac{1}{1+\epsilon^{4} \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right)^{2} t} \left| \psi_{0} \right|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{1}}.$$

**Remark 5.2.** We expect an analogous result told hold with  $q = q_{av}(x) + q(x, x/\epsilon)$ , where  $q_{av}$  is any non-generic potential.

**Remark 5.3.** As a consequence of our proof, a decay estimate like (5.2) holds in the case of small potentials:  $V \equiv \lambda Q$ , with  $\int Q \neq 0$  and  $\lambda$  sufficiently small:

$$\left| (1+|x|)^{-3} \left( e^{-itH_{\lambda Q}} P_c \psi_0 \right) (t,x) \right| \leq C \frac{1}{t^{1/2}} \frac{1}{1+\lambda^2 \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} Q \right)^2 t} \left| \psi_0 \right|_{\mathcal{L}_3^1}.$$

*Proof of Theorem 5.1.* We follow the method of [6, 12]. In particular, the starting point of our analysis is the spectral theorem for H:

$$P_c \phi = \mathcal{F}^* \mathcal{F} \phi,$$

with  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{F}^*$  the distorted Fourier transform and its adjoint, bounded operators on  $L^2$ :

$$\mathcal{F} : \phi \mapsto \mathcal{F}[\phi](k) \equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}} \phi(x) \overline{\Psi(x,k)} \, \mathrm{d}x,$$
$$\mathcal{F}^* : \Phi \mapsto \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \Phi(k) \Psi(x,k) \, \mathrm{d}k$$

and

$$\Psi(x;k) \equiv \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} t(k)f_{+}(x;k) & k \ge 0, \\ t(-k)f_{-}(x;-k) & k < 0. \end{array} \right.$$

The role of the transmission coefficient,  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  on the time-evolution on the continuous spectral part of  $H_{q_{\epsilon}}$  is made explicit via the respresention of  $\psi_c(x,t) = P_c\psi(x,t)$ :

$$\psi_c(t,x) \equiv e^{-itH_{q_{\epsilon}}} P_c \psi_0 = \mathcal{F}^* e^{-itk^2} \mathcal{F} \psi_0$$
$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty e^{-ik^2 t} |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 F(x;k) \, \mathrm{d}k,$$

with

$$F(x;k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left[ f_{+}(x;k) \overline{f_{+}(y,k)} + f_{-}(x;k) \overline{f_{-}(y,k)} \right] \psi_{0}(y) dy.$$

We next decompose  $\psi_c(x,t)$  into its high and low frequency components, respectively near and far away from the edge of the continuous spectrum, using the smooth cutoff function  $\chi$  defined by

$$\chi(k) \equiv 0$$
 for  $|k| \ge 2k_0$ ,  $\chi(k) \equiv 1$  for  $|k| \le k_0$ .

Here, we set  $k_0 = 1 + \|V\|$ , motivated by the high frequency analysis of [12]. Using  $\chi(k)$ , we decompose into high and low energy components  $\psi_{\text{high}}$  and  $\psi_{\text{low}}$ :

(5.3)

$$\psi_c(t,x) = \psi_{\text{low}} + \psi_{\text{high}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \chi(k) e^{-ik^2t} |t^{q_\epsilon}(k)|^2 F(x;k) dk + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty (1 - \chi(k)) e^{-ik^2t} |t^{q_\epsilon}(k)|^2 F(x;k) dk.$$

 $\psi_{\text{high}}$ , can be estimated without regard to whether or not V is generic. We refer to Proposition 3 of [6] and Theorem 3.1 of [12], for the following estimate:

$$(5.4) \qquad \left| (1+|x|)^{-1} \psi_{\text{high}} \right|_{L_x^{\infty}} = \left| (1+|x|)^{-1} e^{-itH_{q_{\epsilon}}} (1-\chi(H)) P_c \psi_0 \right|_{L_x^{\infty}} \leq C |t|^{-3/2} \left| \psi_0 \right|_{\mathcal{L}_1^1},$$

where C depends on  $|q_{\epsilon}|_{L^{1}_{1}}$  and is bounded, independent of  $\epsilon$ .

To bound on the low energy component,  $\psi_{\text{low}}$ , we make use of estimates on the Jost solutions,  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$  and use the precise behavior of  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  obtained in Corollary 4.4. We first obtain  $\mathcal{O}(t^{-1/2})$ -decay, uniformly for  $\epsilon$ . In a second step, we obtain the precise behavior in the statement of Theorem 5.1, for  $\epsilon$  small.

Let us decompose  $\psi_{low}$  into contributions from frequencies in the ranges:

$$0 \le k \le \frac{k_0}{\sqrt{t}}$$
 and  $\frac{k_0}{\sqrt{t}} \le k \le 2k_0$ .

In terms of the cutoff function,  $\chi$ , we have:

$$\psi_{\text{low}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty \chi(k\sqrt{t}) \chi(k) \ e^{-ik^2 t} |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 \ F(x;k) \ dk$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\infty (1 - \chi(k\sqrt{t})) \chi(k) \ e^{-ik^2 t} |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 \ F(x;k) \ dk$$

$$= \psi_{\text{low}}^{(i)}(x,t) + \psi_{\text{low}}^{(ii)}(x,t)$$
(5.5)

Straightforward estimate  $\psi_{\text{low}}^{(i)}$  gives: of  $\psi_{\text{low}}^{(i)}$  gives:

$$\left| \psi_{\text{low}}^{(i)}(x,t) \right| \le \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2k_0/\sqrt{t}} |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 |F(x;k)| \, \mathrm{d}k \le \frac{k_0}{\pi} \frac{1}{t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} |F(x,k)|.$$

To estimate  $\psi_{\text{low}}^{(ii)}$ , we integrate by parts:

$$\psi_{\text{low}}^{(ii)}(x,t) = \frac{-1}{4\pi i t} \int_0^\infty e^{-ik^2 t} \partial_k \left( (1 - \chi(k\sqrt{t}))\chi(k)k^{-1} |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 F(x;k) \right) dk.$$

Note that there is no boundary contribution from  $k = \infty$ , since  $\chi(k)$  is compactly supported, and no boundary contribution from k=0, since  $|t^{q_{\epsilon}}(0)|=0$ ;  $q_{\epsilon}$  is generic for  $\epsilon$  is small enough. Since  $\chi(x,k)\equiv 0$  for  $k\geq 2k_0$  and  $1-\chi(k\sqrt{t})\equiv 0$  for  $k\leq k_0/\sqrt{t}$ , it follows that

$$\left| \psi_{\text{low}}^{(ii)}(x,t) \right| \leq \frac{C}{t} \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \left| |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 F(x;k) \partial_k \left[ \chi(k) \frac{1 - \chi(k\sqrt{t})}{2ik} \right] \right| + \left| \frac{\partial_k \left[ |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 F(x;k) \right]}{k} \right| dk$$

$$\leq \frac{C}{t} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} |F(x,k)| \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \sqrt{t} \, \frac{|\chi'(k\sqrt{t})|}{k} + \frac{1}{k^2} \, dk + \frac{C}{t} \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \left| \frac{\partial_k \left[ |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 F(x;k) \right]}{k} \right| dk$$

Note that

$$\sqrt{t} \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \frac{|\chi'(k\sqrt{t})|}{k} dk = \sqrt{t} \int_{k_0}^{2k_0\sqrt{t}} \frac{|\chi'(z)|}{z} dz = \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{t}),$$

since  $\chi'(z)$  vanishes near 0 and is of compact support. Therefore,

$$\left| \psi_{\text{low}}^{(ii)}(x,t) \right| \leq \frac{C(1+k_0^{-1})}{t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} |F(x,k)| + \frac{C}{t} \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \left| \frac{\partial_k \left[ |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 F(x;k) \right]}{k} \right| dk.$$

The estimates (5.6) and (5.7) are bounded thanks to uniform (in  $\epsilon$ ) control of  $t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , F(x;k)and their k-derivatives, which are given in (5.20) and Lemma 5.4, below. It follows then from (5.5)that

(5.8) 
$$\left| (1+|x|)^{-3} \psi_{\text{low}}(x,t) \right| \leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1}{t^{1/2}} \left| \psi_0 \right|_{\mathcal{L}_3^1}.$$

We now refine (5.8) by carefully considering the  $\epsilon$ - dependence for  $\epsilon$  small at  $t \gg 1$ . In order to achieve a  $\mathcal{O}(t^{-3/2})$  estimate, we first integrate by parts:

(5.9) 
$$\psi_{\text{low}} = \frac{-1}{4\pi i t} \int_0^\infty e^{-ik^2 t} \partial_k \left( \chi(k) k^{-1} |t^{q_{\epsilon}}(k)|^2 F(x;k) \right) dk \equiv \frac{-1}{4\pi i t} \int_0^\infty e^{-ik^2 t} \mathcal{F}(x;k) dk.$$

Note again, as above, that there are no boundary contributions from  $k = \infty$  or, for  $\epsilon$  small, from k=0, by genericity of  $q_{\epsilon}$ . We now decompose  $\psi_{\text{low}}$  further into contributions from frequencies in the ranges:

$$0 \le k \le \frac{k_0}{\sqrt{t}}$$
 and  $\frac{k_0}{\sqrt{t}} \le k \le 2k_0$ .

In terms of the cutoff function,  $\chi$ , we have:

(5.10) 
$$\psi_{\text{low}} = \frac{-1}{4\pi i t} \int_0^\infty \chi(k\sqrt{t}) e^{-ik^2 t} \mathcal{F}(x;k) \, dk + \frac{-1}{4\pi i t} \int_0^\infty (1 - \chi(k\sqrt{t})) e^{-ik^2 t} \mathcal{F}(x;k) \, dk$$
$$= \psi_{\text{low}}^{(1)}(x,t) + \psi_{\text{low}}^{(2)}(x,t)$$

Estimation of  $\psi_{\text{low}}^{(1)}$  gives:

$$\left| \psi_{\text{low}}^{(1)}(x,t) \right| \leq \frac{1}{4\pi t} \int_{0}^{2k_0/\sqrt{t}} |\mathcal{F}(x,k)| \, dk \leq \frac{k_0}{\pi} \frac{1}{t^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathcal{F}(x,k)|.$$

To estimate  $\psi_{\text{low}}^{(2)}$ , we subject it to one further integration by parts:

$$\psi_{\text{low}}^{(2)}(x,t) = \frac{1}{4\pi t^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-ik^2 t} \frac{\partial}{\partial k} \left[ \frac{1 - \chi(k\sqrt{t})}{2ik} \mathcal{F}(x,k) \right] dk.$$

Since  $\mathcal{F}(x,k) \equiv 0$  for  $k \geq 2k_0$ , it follows that

$$\left| \psi_{\text{low}}^{(2)}(x,t) \right| \leq \frac{C}{t^2} \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \left| \mathcal{F}(x,k) \frac{\partial}{\partial k} \left[ \frac{1 - \chi(k\sqrt{t})}{2ik} \right] \right| + \left| \frac{\partial_k \mathcal{F}(x,k)}{k} \right| dk$$

$$(5.12) \qquad \leq \frac{C}{t^2} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \mathcal{F}(x,k) \right| \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \sqrt{t} \, \frac{\left| \chi'(k\sqrt{t}) \right|}{k} + \frac{1}{k^2} \, dk + \frac{C}{t^2} \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \left| \frac{\partial_k \mathcal{F}(x,k)}{k} \right| dk$$

Note again that

$$\sqrt{t} \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \frac{|\chi'(k\sqrt{t})|}{k} \, \mathrm{d}k = \sqrt{t} \int_{k_0}^{2k_0\sqrt{t}} \frac{|\chi'(z)|}{z} \, dz = \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{t}),$$

since  $\chi'(z)$  vanishes near 0 and is of compact support. Therefore,

$$\left| \psi_{\text{low}}^{(2)}(x,t) \right| \leq \frac{C(1+k_0^{-1})}{t^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} ||\mathcal{F}(x,k)|| + \left| \frac{C}{t^2} \int_{k_0/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_0} \left| \frac{\partial_k \mathcal{F}(x,k)}{k} \right|| dk$$

We now use the following two bounds, proved below, to complete our estimation of  $\psi_{\text{low}}^{(1)}(x,t)$  and  $\psi_{\text{low}}^{(2)}(x,t)$ :

$$|\mathcal{F}(x;k)| \leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1+|x|^2}{k^2+\epsilon^4(\int\Lambda)^2} \leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1+|x|^2}{\epsilon^4(\int\Lambda)^2} |\psi_0|_{\mathcal{L}^1_2},$$

$$(5.15) |\partial_k \mathcal{F}(x;k)| \leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1+|x|^3}{k(k^2+\epsilon^4(\int\Lambda)^2)} |\psi_0|_{\mathcal{L}_3^1}.$$

Using these bounds in (5.11) and (5.13), we obtain:

$$(5.16) (1+|x|^2)^{-1} \left| \psi_{\text{low}}^{(1)}(x,t) \right| \leq C(\|V\|) t^{-\frac{3}{2}} \frac{1}{\epsilon^4 \left( \int_{\mathbb{R}} \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right)^2} |\psi_0|_{\mathcal{L}_2^1}$$

and

$$(1 + |x|^{3})^{-1} \left| \psi_{\text{low}}^{(2)}(x, t) \right| \leq C(\|V\|) t^{-2} \int_{k_{0}/\sqrt{t}}^{2k_{0}} \frac{1}{k^{2}(k^{2} + \epsilon^{4} \left(\int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right)^{2}} dk |\psi_{0}|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{1}}$$

$$\leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1}{k_{0} t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \int_{1}^{2\sqrt{t}} \frac{1}{l^{2}} \frac{dl}{k_{0}^{2} l^{2} + \epsilon^{4} \left(\int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right)^{2} t} |\psi_{0}|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{1}}$$

$$\leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1}{k_{0} t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{1}{k_{0}^{2} + \epsilon^{4} \left(\int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right)^{2} t} \int_{1}^{2\sqrt{t}} \frac{1}{l^{2}} dl |\psi_{0}|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{1}}$$

$$\leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1}{k_{0} t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{1}{k_{0}^{2} + \epsilon^{4} \left(\int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right)^{2} t} |\psi_{0}|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{1}}$$

$$\leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1}{k_{0} t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{1}{k_{0}^{2} + \epsilon^{4} \left(\int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right)^{2} t} |\psi_{0}|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{1}}$$

$$\leq C(\|V\|) \frac{1}{k_{0} t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \frac{1}{k_{0}^{2} + \epsilon^{4} \left(\int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}\right)^{2} t} |\psi_{0}|_{\mathcal{L}_{3}^{1}}$$

Finally, one has from (5.10), (5.16) and (5.17) the estimate

(5.18) 
$$\left| (1+|x|)^{-3} \psi_{\text{low}}(x,t) \right| \leq C(\|V\|) \frac{t^{-3/2}}{\epsilon^4 \left( \int \Lambda_{\text{eff}} \right)^2} \left| \psi_0 \right|_{\mathcal{L}^1_3}.$$

Theorem 5.1 is a consequence of (5.4), (5.8) and (5.18).

We conclude the proof by establishing (5.14)-(5.15). This requires sharp estimates on the transmission coefficient and the Jost solutions, as well as their derivatives. These estimates are given in Lemmata 3.6 and 3.9 of [2] for any generic V sufficiently decreasing at infinity. We shall adapt the estimates to  $V_{\epsilon} \equiv V(x, x/\epsilon)$ .

The estimates concerning the Jost solutions are uniform with respect to  $\epsilon$ . In particular, one has from Lemma 3.6 of [2]:

$$\sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \partial_k^j \left( e^{-ikx} f_+^{V_{\epsilon}}(x;k) \right) \right| \leq C(\left| V_{\epsilon} \right|_{\mathcal{L}_3^1}) (1 + \max(0, -x))^{j+1}, 
\sup_{k \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \partial_k^j \left( e^{ikx} f_-^{V_{\epsilon}}(x;k) \right) \right| \leq C(\left| V_{\epsilon} \right|_{\mathcal{L}_3^1}) (1 + \max(0, x))^{j+1}, \quad j = 0, 1, 2.$$

Therefore.

(5.20) 
$$|\partial_k^j F(x;k)| \leq C(|V_{\epsilon}|_{\mathcal{L}_3^1})(1+|x|^{j+1})|\psi_0|_{\mathcal{L}_{j+1}^1}, \qquad j=0,1,2.$$

Estimates (5.14)-(5.15) are now a direct consequence of the following Lemma, together with (5.20).

**Lemma 5.4.** Let  $V_{\epsilon} = V(x, x/\epsilon)$  satisfying Hypotheses (V'), with  $q_{av} \equiv 0$ . Then for  $\epsilon$  small enough, one has

$$\left| \partial_k^j t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k) \right| \leq C(\|V\|) \left| \frac{k^{1-j}}{k + \epsilon^2 \int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}} \right|$$

with j = 0, 1, 2.

Proof of the Lemma. The estimate for j=0 is a consequence of Corollary 4.4 with the estimate (B.3). Estimates on the derivatives are obtained by deriving identity (2.11) with respect to k. We recall

$$t^{V_\epsilon}(k) \; = \; \frac{2ik}{2ik-I^{V_\epsilon}(k)}, \qquad \text{where} \quad I^{V_\epsilon}(k) \; \equiv \; \int_{-\infty}^\infty V_\epsilon(y) e^{-iky} f_+^{V_\epsilon}(y;k) \; \mathrm{d}y,$$

so that

$$\partial_k t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k) = \frac{2i}{2ik - I^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)} - \frac{2ik(2i - \partial_k I^{V_{\epsilon}}(k))}{(2ik - I^{V_{\epsilon}}(k))^2} = \frac{t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)}{k} - \frac{(t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k))^2(2i - \partial_k I^{V_{\epsilon}}(k))}{2ik}.$$

Using (5.19), one controls uniformly  $\partial_k I^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)$ , so that

$$\left| \partial_k t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k) \right| \leq \frac{|t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)|}{k} (1 + C|t^{V_{\epsilon}}(k)|) \leq C(\|V\|) \left| \frac{1}{k + \epsilon^2 \int \Lambda_{\text{eff}}} \right|.$$

The second derivative in k follows in the same way.

### 6 The effective potential, $\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(\mathbf{x})$ ; proof of Theorem 3.3

As discussed in the introduction, for small |k|,  $t^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  is <u>not</u> uniformly approximated by the transmission coefficient of the homogenized (averaged) potential  $q^{\rm av}(x)=\int_0^1 V(x,y)\,\mathrm{d}y$ , for  $\epsilon$  small. In this section we prove for k bounded that a uniform approximation can be achieved comparing  $t^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)$  to the transmission coefficient of an appropriate effective potential well:

$$V_{\epsilon}^{\text{eff}}(x) = q_{\text{av}}(x) + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x), \text{ where}$$

$$\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x) \equiv -\epsilon^{2} \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(x) \equiv -\frac{\epsilon^{2}}{(2\pi)^{2}} \sum_{j \neq 0} \frac{|q_{j}(x)|^{2}}{\lambda_{j}^{2}}.$$

The point of departure for the analysis is the identity (2.20), with the choices  $V = q_{av} + q_{\epsilon}$  and  $W = q_{av} + \sigma$ :

(6.2) 
$$\frac{k}{t^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(k)} - \frac{k}{t^{q_{\text{av}}+\sigma}(k)} = \frac{i}{2} I^{[q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon},q_{\text{av}}+\sigma]}(k), \text{ with}$$

(6.3) 
$$I^{[q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon},q_{\mathrm{av}}+\sigma]}(k) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+\sigma}(y;k) \left( q_{\epsilon}(y) - \sigma(y) \right) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(y;k) \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

Here,  $\sigma(x)$  is unspecified and to be chosen so that  $I^{[q_{av}+q_{\epsilon},q_{av}+\sigma]}$  is sufficiently high order in  $\epsilon$ . The main step in the proof is:

**Proposition 6.1.** Let  $V_{\epsilon} \equiv q_{av}(x) + q(x, x/\epsilon)$  satisfying Hypotheses (**V**), and  $k \in K$  satisfying Hypotheses (**K**). Define the effective potential  $\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon} \in L_{\beta}^{\infty}$ , by the expression in (6.1). Then, uniformly in  $(\epsilon, k) \in [0, \epsilon_0) \times K$ , we have the bound:

$$I^{[q_{\rm av} + \sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}, q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}]}(k) \leq \epsilon^{3} M_{K} C\left( |V|, \sup_{k \in K} |k| \right)$$

Theorem 3.3 is then a consequence of the bound (6.4), applied to the right hand side of (6.2).

We now turn to derivation of the effective potential well  $\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}$ , and the proof of Proposition 6.1.

## 6.1 The heart of the matter; derivation of the effective potential well, $\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x)$ , and the proof of Proposition 6.1

To prove Proposition 6.1 we need to bound  $I^{[q_{\rm av}+\sigma_{\rm eff}^\epsilon,q_{\rm av}+q_\epsilon]}$ , given by the integral expression in (6.3). We seek a decomposition of the integrand into oscillatory and non-oscillatory terms. Oscillatory terms can be integrated by parts to obtain bounds of high order in  $\epsilon$ . Non-oscillatory terms are removed by appropriate choice of  $\sigma(x)$ .

We begin with  $f_+^{q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}}$ . Using Volterra equation (2.17) with  $V=q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}$  and  $W=q_{av}$ , one has

(6.5) 
$$f_{\perp}^{q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(x; k) = f_{\perp}^{q_{\text{av}}}(x; k) + J[q_{\text{av}}, q_{\epsilon}](x; k) ,$$

where

$$(6.6) J[q_{\rm av}, q_{\epsilon}](\zeta; k) \equiv \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} q_{\epsilon}(y) \frac{f_{+}^{q_{\rm av}}(\zeta; k) f_{-}^{q_{\rm av}}(y; k) - f_{-}^{q_{\rm av}}(\zeta; k) f_{+}^{q_{\rm av}}(y; k)}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{q_{\rm av}}, f_{-}^{q_{\rm av}}]} f_{+}^{q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}}(y; k) \, \mathrm{d}y,$$

Therefore.

$$(6.7) \quad (q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) - \sigma(\zeta)) \quad f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) = q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(\zeta; k) - \sigma(\zeta) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) + q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) J[q_{\mathrm{av}}, q_{\epsilon}](\zeta; k),$$

implying that  $I^{[q_{av}+\sigma,q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}]}$ , given by (6.3), can be written as (6.8)

$$I^{[q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma, q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}]} = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma}(\zeta; k) \left( q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(\zeta; k) - \sigma(\zeta) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) + q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) J[q_{\mathrm{av}}, q_{\epsilon}](\zeta; k) \right) d\zeta.$$

We next show that there exists a natural choice,  $\sigma = \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x) = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^2)$  such that the contribution of

$$-\sigma(\zeta)f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta;k) + q_{\epsilon}(\zeta)J[q_{\text{av}},q_{\epsilon}](\zeta;k)$$

to the integral (6.8) is of order  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)$ .

**Lemma 6.2** (Cancellation Lemma). Let V(x,y) satisfies hypotheses (V), and  $k \in K$  satisfy Hypotheses (K). Define

(6.9) 
$$\sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(x) = -\frac{\epsilon^2}{(2\pi)^2} \sum_{j \neq 0} \frac{|q_j(x)|^2}{\lambda_j^2} = -\epsilon^2 \Lambda_{\text{eff}}(x).$$

Then, there exists a constant  $C(V,K) = C(|V|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|)$  such that for  $(\epsilon, k) \in [0,1) \times K$ 

$$-\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}(\zeta)f_{+}^{q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta;k) + q_{\epsilon}(\zeta)J[q_{av},q_{\epsilon}](\zeta;k)$$

$$= \epsilon^{2} \sum_{j\neq 0} \tilde{q}_{j}(\zeta)e^{2i\pi\lambda_{j}\zeta/\epsilon} + \epsilon^{2} \sum_{\substack{j,l\neq 0\\j+l\neq 0}} \tilde{q}_{j,l}(\zeta)e^{2i\pi(\lambda_{j}+\lambda_{l})\zeta/\epsilon} + \epsilon^{3}q_{\epsilon}(\zeta)R^{\epsilon}(\zeta;k), \text{ where}$$

$$|R^{\epsilon}(\zeta;k)| + \sum_{j\neq 0} \left(|\tilde{q}_{j}(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}| + |\tilde{q}'_{j}(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}| + |\tilde{q}''_{j}(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}|\right) \leq C(V,K)M_{K}(1+|\zeta|^{2})e^{\alpha|\zeta|}, \quad \beta > 2\alpha,$$

$$\sum_{\substack{j,l\neq 0\\j+l\neq 0}} \left(|\tilde{q}_{j,l}(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}| + |\tilde{q}'_{j,l}(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}| + |\tilde{q}''_{j,l}(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}|\right) \leq C(V,K), \quad \beta > 2\alpha.$$

Therefore, one has

$$(6.10) I^{[q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}, q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}]}(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) \Big( q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}} + \epsilon^{2} \sum_{j \neq 0} \tilde{q}_{j}(\zeta) e^{2i\pi\lambda_{j}\zeta/\epsilon} + \epsilon^{2} \sum_{j,l \neq 0} \tilde{q}_{j,l}(\zeta) e^{2i\pi(\lambda_{j} + \lambda_{l})\zeta/\epsilon} + \epsilon^{3} q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) R^{\epsilon}(\zeta; k) \Big) dy.$$

Lemma 6.2 is proved in the next section. We first apply it to conclude the proof of Theorem 3.3. In succession, each term in (6.10) is now controlled, for  $|k| \le 1$  and  $k \in K$  by the bounds of the following:

**Lemma 6.3.** If V(x,y) satisfies hypotheses (V), and  $k \in K$  satisfy Hypotheses (K), then

$$\left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) \ q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) \ f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(\zeta; k) \ d\zeta \right| \leq \epsilon^{3} \ C(\left| V \right|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|),$$

$$\sum_{j \neq 0} \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) \ \tilde{q}_{j}(\zeta) \ e^{2i\pi\lambda_{j}\zeta/\epsilon} \ d\zeta \right| \leq \epsilon^{2} \ M_{K} \ C(\left| V \right|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|),$$

$$\sum_{\substack{j,l \neq 0 \\ j+l \neq 0}} \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) \ \tilde{q}_{j,l}(\zeta) \ e^{2i\pi(\lambda_{j} + \lambda_{l})\zeta/\epsilon} \ d\zeta \right| \leq \epsilon^{2} \ C(\left| V \right|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|),$$

$$\left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) \ q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) \ R^{\epsilon}(\zeta; k) \ d\zeta \right| \leq M_{K} \ C(\left| V \right|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|).$$

The constant  $C(\mid V \mid , \sup_{k \in K} |k|)$  is independent of  $\epsilon \in [0, \epsilon_0)$ .

Applying Lemma 6.3 to (6.10) allows to obtain the desired  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)$  bound on  $I^{[q_{av}+\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon},q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}]}(k)$ . Proposition 6.1, and therefore Theorem 3.3 follow. We now turn to the proofs of Lemmata 6.2 and 6.3, in Sections 6.2 and 6.3.

#### 6.2 Proof of Lemma 6.2

For ease of presentation, we will use the simplified notation:

$$J[q_{\mathrm{av}}, q_{\epsilon}](\zeta; k) \equiv \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} q_{\epsilon}(y) \frac{f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(\zeta; k) f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y; k) - f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(\zeta; k) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y; k)}{\mathcal{W}[f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}, f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}]} f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(y; k) \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$(6.11) \qquad \equiv \sum_{j \neq 0} \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) \, q_{j}(y) \, e^{c\lambda_{j} y/\epsilon} \, f(y) \, \mathrm{d}z,$$

where

$$c = 2\pi i$$
,  $f(y) = f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(y; k)$  and  $\mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) = \frac{f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(\zeta; k) f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y; k) - f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(\zeta; k) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y; k)}{\mathcal{W}[f_{\perp}^{q_{\text{av}}}, f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}]}$ 

To make explicit the smallness of certain terms due to cancellations, we shall integrate by parts, keeping in mind that we do not control more than two derivatives of  $f \equiv f_+^{q_{\rm av}+q_{\epsilon}}$ . To evaluate boundary terms which arise, we shall use that

$$\left.\left\{\mathfrak{m}(\zeta,y;k),\partial_y\mathfrak{m}(\zeta,y;k),\partial_y^2\mathfrak{m}(\zeta,y;k)\right\}\right|_{y=\zeta}=\{0,1,0\}.$$

We now embark on the detailed expansion. From (6.11), using integration by parts, one has

$$J[q_{\rm av}, q_{\epsilon}](\zeta; k) \equiv \sum_{j} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2} \left[q_{j} f e^{c\lambda_{j}\zeta/\epsilon} + \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \partial_{y}^{2}(\mathfrak{m} q_{j} f) e^{c\lambda_{j}y/\epsilon} dy\right].$$

We now decompose the integrand by using:  $\partial_y^2(\mathfrak{m} \ q_j \ f) = \partial_y^2(\mathfrak{m} \ q_j) \ f + 2\partial_y(\mathfrak{m} \ q_j) \ \partial_y f + \mathfrak{m} \ q_j \ \partial_y^2 f$ . The first two terms can be integrated by parts once more. This gives for  $j \neq 0$ :

$$\int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \partial_y^2(\mathfrak{m} \ q_j) \ f e^{c\lambda_j y/\epsilon} \ \mathrm{d}y \ = \ -\frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_j} \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \partial_y \left( \partial_y^2(\mathfrak{m} \ q_j) \ f \right) \ e^{c\lambda_j y/\epsilon} \ \mathrm{d}y \ - \ 2 \frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_j} q_j'(\zeta) f(\zeta) e^{c\lambda_j \zeta/\epsilon},$$
 
$$\int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \partial_y (\mathfrak{m} \ q_j) \ \partial_y f e^{c\lambda_j y/\epsilon} \ \mathrm{d}y \ = \ -\frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_j} \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \partial_y \left( \partial_y (\mathfrak{m} \ q_j) \ \partial_y f \right) \ e^{c\lambda_j y/\epsilon} \ \mathrm{d}y \ - \ \frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_j} q_j(\zeta) \ f'(\zeta) e^{c\lambda_j \zeta/\epsilon}.$$

As for the last term, we use the equation for the Jost solution, f, to express  $\partial_y^2 f$  in terms of f:  $\partial_y^2 f = \partial_y^2 f_+^{q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}} = (q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon} - k^2) f_+^{q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}}$ . Thus we eventually obtain:

$$J[q_{\rm av}, q_{\epsilon}](\zeta; k) = \sum_{j \neq 0} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2} \left[q_{j} f e^{c\lambda_{j}\zeta/\epsilon} + \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m}q_{j}(q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon} - k^{2}) f e^{c\lambda_{j}y/\epsilon} \, \mathrm{d}y \right]$$

$$+ \frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_{j}} \left\{ \sum_{l,m,n} c_{lmn} \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \left( \partial^{l} \mathfrak{m} \partial^{m}q_{j}\partial^{n}f \right) e^{c\lambda_{j}y/\epsilon} \, \mathrm{d}y - 2 \left(q_{j}f\right)' e^{c\lambda_{j}\zeta/\epsilon} \right\} \right],$$

$$(6.12)$$

with  $0 \le l, m \le 3, \ 0 \le n \le 2$ , and  $c_{lmn} \in \mathbb{N}$ .

We now study each of the terms of (6.12) separately, beginning with an  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon^3)$  bound on the curly bracket terms in (6.12). Using the estimates of Lemmata A.2 and A.3, one has for any  $0 \le l, m \le 3, 0 \le n \le 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \partial_{y}^{l} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) \partial_{y}^{m} q_{j}(y) \partial_{y}^{n} f_{+}^{q_{\alpha} + q_{\epsilon}}(y; k) \right| &\leq C(1 + |k|^{l}) \left( 1 + M_{K} |y - \zeta| (1 + |y|) (1 + |\zeta|) e^{\alpha |\zeta|} e^{\alpha |y|} \right) \\ &\times (1 + |k|^{n}) (1 + |y|) e^{\alpha |y|} \left| \partial_{y}^{m} q_{j}(y) \right|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the contribution to  $J[q_{av}, q_{\epsilon}]$  of the sum over all integrals in curly brackets in (6.12) is bounded by  $\epsilon^3 M_K C$  (|V|,  $\sup_{k \in K} |k|$ )  $(1+|\zeta|)^2 e^{\alpha|\zeta|}$  uniformly for  $k \in K$ . The boundary term in the curly brackets satisfy a similar bound. Its contribution is bounded by  $\epsilon^3 M_K C$  (|V|,  $\sup_{k \in K} |k|$ ).

We now turn to the first two terms, in square brackets, of (6.12). Using the Fourier decomposition of  $q_{\epsilon}(x)$ , (1.5), one sees that there are two types of terms: (a) terms where  $\lambda_l = -\lambda_j$  (l = -j),  $q_{-j}e^{-2i\pi\lambda_j y/\epsilon}$ , where no oscillations remain due to phase-cancellation, and (b) contributions from terms where  $\lambda_l + \lambda_j \neq 0$ , which are highly oscillatory for  $\epsilon$  small. Here, an additional factor of  $\epsilon$  is gained via one more integration by parts. Precisely, one has

$$\int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m} q_{j} (q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon} - k^{2}) f \ e^{c\lambda_{j}y/\epsilon} \ \mathrm{d}y = \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m} q_{j} q_{-j} f \ \mathrm{d}y 
+ \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m} q_{j} f \left( (q_{\mathrm{av}} - k^{2}) e^{c\lambda_{j}y/\epsilon} + \sum_{l \notin \{0, -j\}} q_{i} e^{c(\lambda_{l} + \lambda_{j})y/\epsilon} \right) \ \mathrm{d}y.$$

The last terms can be integrated by parts; the resulting integral and boundary terms are estimated as above. Finally, recalling that  $f = f^{q_{av} + q_{\epsilon}}$ , we obtain

$$(6.13) J[q_{\mathrm{av}}, q_{\epsilon}](\zeta; k) = \sum_{j \neq 0} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2} \left[q_{j} f^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta; k) e^{c\lambda_{j}\zeta/\epsilon} + \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) q_{j}(y) q_{-j}(y) f^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(y; k) dy\right] + \epsilon^{3} R^{\epsilon}(\zeta; k),$$

with 
$$\left| R^{\epsilon}(\zeta; k) \right| \leq M_K C \left( \left| q \right|_{W^{3,\infty}_{\beta}}, \sup_{k \in K} |k| \right) (1 + |\zeta|^2) e^{\alpha |\zeta|}$$
.

Now multiply (6.13) by  $q_{\epsilon}(\zeta) = \sum_{l \neq 0} q_l(\zeta) \exp(2\pi i \lambda_l \zeta/\epsilon)$  and then add the result to  $-\sigma f_+^{q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}$  to obtain (decomposing again into non-oscillatory and highly oscillatory terms and using the notation  $c = 2\pi i$ ):

(6.15)

$$\begin{split} &-\sigma(\zeta)f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta;k)+q_{\epsilon}(\zeta)\ J[q_{\mathrm{av}},q_{\epsilon}](\zeta;k)\\ &=\left(-\sigma(\zeta)\ +\ \sum_{j\neq 0}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2}\ q_{j}(\zeta)q_{-j}(\zeta)\right)\ f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta;k)\\ &+\ \sum_{l\notin\{0,-j\}}\sum_{j\neq 0}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2}\ \left[q_{l}q_{j}e^{c(\lambda_{l}+\lambda_{j})\zeta/\epsilon}f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}\right]\\ &+\ \sum_{l\neq 0}\sum_{j\neq 0}\left(\frac{\epsilon}{c\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2}\ \left[q_{l}e^{c\lambda_{l}\zeta/\epsilon}\int_{\zeta}^{\infty}\mathfrak{m}(\zeta,y)\ q_{j}(y)q_{-j}(y)f^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(y;k)\ \mathrm{d}y\right]\ +\ \epsilon^{3}q_{\epsilon}(\zeta)R^{\epsilon}(\zeta;k). \end{split}$$

The first term on the right hand side of (6.15) is non-oscillatory in  $\zeta$  for small  $\epsilon$ . We remove it by choosing

(6.16) 
$$\sigma(\zeta) = \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}(\zeta) \equiv \sum_{j \neq 0} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2i\pi\lambda_j}\right)^2 q_{-j}(\zeta) q_j(\zeta) = -\frac{\epsilon^2}{4\pi^2} \sum_{j \neq 0} \frac{|q_j(\zeta)|^2}{\lambda_j^2} .$$

Then

$$\begin{split} &-\sigma_{\mathrm{eff}}^{\epsilon}(\zeta)f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta;k) + q_{\epsilon}(\zeta)J[q_{\mathrm{av}},q_{\epsilon}](\zeta;k) \\ &= \epsilon^{2} \sum_{l \neq 0} \tilde{q}_{l}(\zeta)e^{2i\pi\lambda_{l}\zeta/\epsilon} + \epsilon^{2} \sum_{\substack{j,l \neq 0 \\ j+l \neq 0}} \tilde{q}_{j,l}(\zeta)e^{2i\pi(\lambda_{j}+\lambda_{l})\zeta/\epsilon} + \epsilon^{3}q_{\epsilon}(\zeta)R^{\epsilon}(\zeta;k), \end{split}$$

which we've written in the form of the statement of Lemma 6.2. Here,  $\tilde{q}_j(\zeta)$  and  $\tilde{q}_{j,l}(\zeta)$  are given by

(6.17) 
$$\tilde{q}_{l}(\zeta) \equiv q_{l}(\zeta) \sum_{j \neq 0} \left(\frac{1}{2i\pi\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2} \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) q_{j} q_{-j}(y) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(y; k) \, dy,$$

(6.18) 
$$\tilde{q}_{j,l}(\zeta) \equiv \left(\frac{1}{2i\pi\lambda_j}\right)^2 q_l(\zeta) q_j(\zeta) f_+^{q_{\rm av} + q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta;k).$$

To conclude, we verify the necessary estimates on  $\tilde{q}_j$  and  $\tilde{q}_{j,l}(\zeta)$ , and their first and second derivatives.

As for (6.17), we use Lemmata A.2 and A.3, and obtain

$$\left| \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) q_{j} q_{-j}(y) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}} + q_{\epsilon}}(y; k) \, dy \right| \leq M_{K} C(|V|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|) (1 + |\zeta|^{2}) e^{\alpha|\zeta|}.$$

For the derivatives, we use

$$\partial_{\zeta} \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) q_{j} q_{-j}(y) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\varepsilon}}(y; k) \, \mathrm{d}y = \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \partial_{\zeta}^{2} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) q_{j} q_{-j}(y) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\varepsilon}}(y; k) \, \mathrm{d}y,$$

$$\partial_{\zeta}^{2} \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) q_{j} q_{-j}(y) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\varepsilon}}(y; k) \, \mathrm{d}y = \int_{\zeta}^{\infty} \partial_{\zeta}^{2} \mathfrak{m}(\zeta, y; k) q_{j} q_{-j}(y) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\varepsilon}}(y; k) \, \mathrm{d}y,$$

$$- q_{j} q_{-j}(\zeta) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + q_{\varepsilon}}(\zeta; k),$$

so that the integrals are uniformly bounded in the same way. As these objects are multiplied by  $q_l$ ,  $q'_l$  or  $q''_l$ , and since  $q_l \in W^{2,\infty}_{\beta}$ , it follows

$$|\tilde{q}_l(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}| + |\tilde{q}'_l(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}| + |\tilde{q}''_l(\zeta)e^{\beta|\zeta|}| \leq M_K C(|q_l|_{W^{2,\infty}_\beta}, \sup_{k \in K} |k|)(1 + |\zeta|^2)e^{\alpha|\zeta|},$$

uniformly for  $k \in K$ .

As for (6.18), one has

$$\begin{aligned} \left| q_{l}(\zeta)q_{j}(\zeta)f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta;k) \right| &\leq |q_{l}(\zeta)||q_{j}f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(\zeta;k)| \leq e^{-\beta|\zeta|}|q_{l}|_{L_{\beta}^{\infty}}|q_{j}f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}+q_{\epsilon}}(\cdot;k)|_{L^{\infty}} \\ &\leq C(\left| V \right|, \sup_{k \in K}|k|)|q_{j}|_{L_{\beta}^{\infty}}|q_{l}|_{L_{\beta}^{\infty}}e^{-\beta|\zeta|}, \end{aligned}$$

where we used Lemma A.2 to estimate  $f_+^{q_{av}+q_{\epsilon}}$ . The first and second derivatives are bounded in the same way, and the double series converge.

This concludes the proof of the Cancellation Lemma 6.2.

#### 6.3 Proof of Lemma 6.3

The last estimate of Lemma 6.3 follows from bounds on  $R^{\epsilon}$  (see Lemma 6.2) and  $f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(y; k)$  (see Lemma A.2), and the decay hypotheses (V) on  $q_{\epsilon}$ . One has

$$\begin{split} & \left| \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}} + \sigma_{\text{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(y;k) q_{\epsilon}(y) R^{\epsilon}(y;k) \right| \, \mathrm{d}y \, \Big| \\ & \leq M_{K} \, C(\left| V \right|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|) \, \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (1 + |y|)^{3} e^{2\alpha|y|} |q_{\epsilon}(y)| \, \, \mathrm{d}y \, \leq M_{K} \, C(\left| V \right|, \sup_{k \in K} |k|). \end{split}$$

To prove the  $\epsilon^2$ -smallness of the second estimate of Lemma 6.3, we integrate by parts:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(y;k) \tilde{q}_{j} e^{2i\pi\lambda_{j}/\epsilon} \, \mathrm{d}y = \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2i\pi\lambda_{j}}\right)^{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (f_{-}^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(\cdot;k) \tilde{q}_{j})''(y) e^{2i\pi\lambda_{j}y/\epsilon} \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

The estimate follows as previously from the bounds on  $\tilde{q}_j$  (Lemma 6.2) and the ones on  $f_-^{q_{\rm av}+\sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(y;k)$  (Lemma A.2), as well as the hypotheses on  $\lambda_j$ : (3.3) in Hypotheses (**V**).

The third estimate follows as previously, as

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(y;k) \tilde{q}_{j,l} e^{2i\pi(\lambda_j + \lambda_l)/\epsilon} \, \mathrm{d}y = \left(\frac{i\epsilon}{2\pi(\lambda_j + \lambda_l)}\right)^2 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (f_{-}^{q_{\rm av} + \sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}}(\cdot;k) \tilde{q}_{j,l})''(y) e^{2i\pi\lambda_j y/\epsilon} \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

The estimate follows, using now the bounds on  $\tilde{q}_{i,l}$  (Lemma 6.2).

Finally, we use three integration by parts for the first estimate of Lemma 6.3:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(y;k) q_{j}(y) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(\cdot;k) e^{\frac{2i\pi\lambda_{j}}{\epsilon}} \, \mathrm{d}y = \left(\frac{i\epsilon}{2\pi\lambda_{j}}\right)^{3} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} + \sigma_{\mathrm{eff}}^{\epsilon}}(\cdot;k) q_{j} f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(\cdot;k))'''(y) e^{\frac{2i\pi\lambda_{j}y}{\epsilon}} \, \mathrm{d}y,$$

which is estimated using the third item of Lemma A.2, and Hypotheses (V).

#### A Some useful estimates used throughout the paper

We recall that the Jost solution is defined through the Volterra equation

(A.1) 
$$f_{+}^{V}(x;k) - e^{ikx} = \int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(k(y-x))}{2ik} V(y) f_{+}^{V}(y;k) \, dy.$$

A detailed discussion of Jost solutions,  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$ , applying to  $\Im(k) \geq 0$  can be found in [3], where it is assumed that  $V \in \mathcal{L}_2^1$ . We present in the following Lemma the results holding when  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , and deal with the analytic continuation in a complex strip around the real axis afterwards.

**Lemma A.1.** If  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $V \in \mathcal{L}_2^1$ , then one has

$$|f_+^V(x;k)| \le C(1+|k|)^{-1}(1+|x|),$$

(A.3) 
$$|\partial_x f_{\pm}^V(x;k)| \leq C \frac{1 + |k|(1+|x|)}{1+|k|} \leq C(1+|x|),$$

(A.4) 
$$|\partial_x^2 f_{\pm}^V(x;k)| \leq |V(x) - k^2||f_{+}^V(x;k)| \leq C(1+|k|)(1+|x|),$$

where  $C = C(|V|_{\mathcal{L}_2^1})$ . Moreover, if  $\partial_x V \in \mathcal{L}_2^1$ , then

$$\left| \partial_x^3 f_{\pm}^V(x;k) \right| \ \le \ C(1+|k|^2)(1+|x|),$$

with  $C = C(|V|_{\mathcal{W}_2^{1,1}})$ .

*Proof.* As for the first five estimates, equivalent bounds are given in [3], Lemma 1, for the function  $m_{\pm}(x;k) \equiv f_{\pm}(x;k)e^{\pm ikx}$ . The results for  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$  follow straightforwardly.

If  $e^{2\alpha|x|}V \in L^1$ , then  $f_{\pm}(x;k)$  has an analytic continuation to  $\Im(k) > -\alpha$ . Some results are presented in [11]. In this section we review and obtain the required extensions of these results. In order to simplify the results, we also restrict to k in the complex strip  $|\Im(k)| < \alpha$ .

**Lemma A.2.** If  $|\Im(k)| < \alpha$  and  $V \in L_{\beta}^{\infty}$ , with  $\beta > 2\alpha \geq 0$ , then one has

(A.5) 
$$|f_+^V(x;k)| \le C(1+|x|)e^{\alpha|x|},$$

(A.6) 
$$|\partial_x f_+^V(x;k)| \le C(1+|k|)(1+|x|)e^{\alpha|x|},$$

$$(A.7) |\partial_x^2 f_+^V(x;k)| \le |V(x) - k^2||f_+^V(x;k)| \le C(1+|k|^2)(1+|x|)e^{\alpha|x|},$$

where  $C = C(|V|_{L^{\infty}_{\alpha}})$ . Moreover, if  $V \in W^{1,\infty}_{\beta}$ , then

$$\left|\partial_x^3 f_+^V(x;k)\right| \le C(1+|k|^3)(1+|x|)e^{\alpha|x|},$$

with 
$$C = C(|V|_{W_{\alpha}^{1,\infty}})$$
.

*Proof.* We prove bounds for  $f_+^V$ . Analogous bounds  $f_-^V(x;k)$  are similarly proved and are obtained from the above by replacing x by -x, and  $x \ge 0$  by  $-x \ge 0$  etc.

The estimates follow from the Volterra equation (A.1) satisfied by the Jost solutions, and make use of the following bounds: for  $k \in \mathbb{C}$ , and for  $y \geq x$ , one has

$$(A.8) \quad |\cos(k(y-x))| + |\sin(k(y-x))| \leq Ce^{|\Im(k)|(y-x)} \leq Ce^{\alpha|x|}e^{\alpha|y|}$$

(A.9) 
$$\frac{|\sin(k(y-x))|}{|k|} \le C \frac{y-x}{1+|k|(y-x)} e^{|\Im(k)|(y-x)} \le C(y-x)e^{\alpha|x|}e^{\alpha|y|}.$$

By Theorem XI.57 of [11], one deduces from a careful study of the iterates of the Volterra equation (A.1), that for  $x \ge 0$ , one has

(A.10) 
$$|f_{+}^{V}(x;k) - e^{ikx}| \le e^{\alpha|x|} |e^{Q_{k}(x)} - 1| \le Ce^{\alpha|x|},$$

with  $Q_k(x) \equiv \int_x^\infty \frac{4y}{1+|k|y|} |V(y)| e^{2\alpha|y|} dy$ . Equation (A.5) follows for  $x \ge 0$ . As for the case  $x \le 0$ , (A.1) yields

$$|f_{+}^{V}(x;k)| = \left| e^{ikx} + \int_{x}^{\infty} \frac{\sin(k(y-x))}{k} V(y) f_{+}^{V}(y;k) \, \mathrm{d}y \right|$$

$$\leq e^{\alpha|x|} + \int_{x}^{\infty} (y-x) e^{\alpha|x|} e^{\alpha|y|} |V(y)| |f_{+}^{V}(y;k)| \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$\leq e^{\alpha|x|} \left[ 1 + \int_{0}^{\infty} y e^{\alpha|y|} |V(y)| |f_{+}^{V}(y;k)| \, \mathrm{d}y \right]$$

$$+ (-x) \int_{x}^{\infty} e^{\alpha|y|} |V(y)| |f_{+}^{V}(y;k)| \, \mathrm{d}y \right]$$

$$\leq e^{\alpha|x|} \left[ C_{0} + (-x) \int_{x}^{\infty} e^{\alpha|y|} |V(y)| |f_{+}^{V}(y;k)| \, \mathrm{d}y \right].$$

The last inequality follows from (A.10), with x=0. Therefore, one has with  $g(x)\equiv\frac{|f_+^V(x;k)|}{(C_0+(-x))e^{\alpha|x|}}$ ,

$$|g(x)| \le 1 + \int_{x}^{\infty} e^{\alpha|y|} |V(y)||g(y;k)|(C_0 + (-y))e^{\alpha|y|} dy$$
.

By Gronwall's inequality

$$g(x) \leq \exp\left(\int_{x}^{\infty} (C_0 + (-y))e^{2\alpha|y|}|V(y)| \, \mathrm{d}y\right) \leq C(|V|_{L_{\beta}^{\infty}}|).$$

Finally, one has

$$f(x;k) \le C(|V|_{L^{\infty}_{\beta}}|)(C_0 + (-x))e^{\alpha|x|} \le C(1+|x|)e^{\alpha|x|},$$

with  $C = C(|V|_{L^{\infty}}|)$ . This completes the proof of (A.5).

The proof of (A.6) is similar, and obtained by differentiation and estimation of the Volterra integral equation (A.1). The bound (A.7) is a direct consequence of  $\partial_x^2 f_+^V = (V - k^2) f_+^V$  and the above bounds.

**Lemma A.3.** Let  $q_{av} \in W^{1,\infty}_{\beta}$  and  $k \in K$ , satisfying Hypotheses (K). Define

$$\mathfrak{m}(x,y;k) \ \equiv \ \frac{f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(x;k)f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) - f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(x;k)f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k)}{W[f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}},f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}]}.$$

Then one has, for  $0 \le l \le 3$ ,

(A.11) 
$$|\partial_y^l \mathfrak{m}(x, y; k)| + |\partial_x^l \mathfrak{m}(x, y; k)| \le C(1 + |k|)^l \left(1 + M_K |y - x|(1 + |y|)(1 + |x|)e^{\alpha|x|}e^{\alpha|y|}\right),$$
  
where  $C = C(|q_{av}|_{W_a^{1,\infty}})$ , and  $M_K$  is defined in (3.5).

Restricting to  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ , and assuming only  $q_{av} \in \mathcal{W}_2^{1,1}$ , one has for  $0 \le l \le 3$ 

$$|\partial_y^l \mathfrak{m}(x,y;k)| \ + \ |\partial_x^l \mathfrak{m}(x,y;k)| \ \leq \ C(1+|k|)^{l-2} \Big(1+|y-x|(1+|y|)(1+|x|)\Big),$$

where  $C = C(|q_{av}|_{\mathcal{W}_2^{1,1}}).$ 

*Proof.* Let us start with the estimate (A.11) when l = 0. One can always assume that y > x, since  $\mathfrak{m}(x,y;k) = -\mathfrak{m}(y,x;k)$ . Using Taylor's theorem with remainder in the integral form, one has

$$f_{\pm}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;k) = f_{\pm}^{q_{\text{av}}}(x;k) + (y-x) \left( \partial_y f_{\pm}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;k) \right) \Big|_{y=x} + \frac{1}{2} \int_{x}^{y} \left( \partial_y^2 f_{\pm}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y;k) \right) \Big|_{y=t}(y-t) \, dt.$$

It follows that

$$\mathfrak{m}(x,y;k) = (y-x) + \frac{1}{2} \int_{x}^{y} \frac{f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(x;k) f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(t;k) - f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(x;k) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(t;k)}{W[f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}, f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}]} (q_{\text{av}}(t) - k^{2})(y-t) dt$$

$$= (y-x) + \frac{1}{2} \int_{x}^{y} \mathfrak{m}(x,t;k) (q_{\text{av}}(t) - k^{2})(y-t) dt.$$

Therefore, one has with  $g_x(y) \equiv \frac{|\mathfrak{m}(x,y;k)|}{|x-y|}$ ,

$$g_x(y) \le 1 + \frac{1}{2|x-y|} \int_x^y g_x(t)|x-t||q_{\mathrm{av}}(t) - k^2||y-t|| dt \le 1 + \frac{1}{2} \int_x^y g_x(t)|x-t||q_{\mathrm{av}}(t) - k^2||dt,$$

since  $|y-t| \leq |y-x|$  for  $t \in [x,y]$ . By Gronwall's inequality, one has

$$g_x(y) \le \exp\left(\frac{1}{2}\int_x^y |x-t||q_{\rm av}(t)-k^2|\right) dt \le C(|q_{\rm av}|_{L^\infty_\beta})e^{\frac{1}{4}k^2(y-x)^2}.$$

Therefore, we have an estimate on  $|\mathfrak{m}(x,y;k)|$ , uniformly for k such that  $|k||x-y| \leq 1$ . When  $|k||x-y| \geq 1$ , one has from Lemma A.2

$$\begin{split} |\mathfrak{m}(x,y;k)| &\leq C \frac{(1+|x|)e^{\alpha|x|}(1+|y|)e^{\alpha|y|}}{W[f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}, f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}]} \\ &\leq C(1+|x|)(1+|y|)\frac{e^{\alpha|x|}e^{\alpha|y|}}{|k|} \leq CM_{K}(1+|x|)(1+|y|)|x-y|e^{\alpha|x|}e^{\alpha|y|}, \end{split}$$

where we used that  $\frac{1}{W[f_+^{q_{av}}, f_-^{q_{av}}](k)} = \frac{t^{q_{av}}(k)}{-2ik}$  from (2.6), and  $|t^{q_{av}}(k)| \leq M_K$ , (from Hypothese(**K**)). The estimate (A.11), when l = 0, is now straightforward.

Let us now look at  $\partial_y \mathfrak{m}(x, y; k)$ . Using

$$\partial_y f_{\pm}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) = \left( \partial_y f_{\pm}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) \right) \Big|_{y=x} + \int_x^y \left( \partial_y^2 f_{\pm}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) \right) \Big|_{y=t} \, \mathrm{d}t,$$

one has the identity

$$\partial_y \mathfrak{m}(x,y;k) = 1 + \int_x^y \mathfrak{m}(x,t;k)(q_{\mathrm{av}}(t) - k^2) dt.$$

If  $|k||x-y| \leq 1$ , we use that  $\mathfrak{m}(x,y;k)$  is uniformly bounded, and obtain

$$\left| \partial_y \mathfrak{m}(x,y;k) \right| \leq 1 + \int_x^y |\mathfrak{m}(x,t;k)| |q_{\mathrm{av}}(t) - k^2| \; \mathrm{d}t \leq C(1 + |x-y| + |k|^2 |x-y|) \leq C(1 + |x-y|)(1 + |k|).$$

When  $|k||x-y| \ge 1$ , one uses the definition of  $\mathfrak{m}$  with Lemma A.2, and one obtains as previously

$$|\partial_y \mathfrak{m}(x, y; k)| \leq CM_K (1 + |k|)(1 + |x|)(1 + |y|)|x - y|e^{\alpha |x|}e^{\alpha |y|}.$$

Estimate (A.11) follows for l = 1, using the symmetry  $\mathfrak{m}(x, y; k) = -\mathfrak{m}(y, x; k)$ .

Estimate (A.11) for l = 2 is straightforward when remarking that

$$\partial_y^2 \mathfrak{m}(x, y; k) = (q_{av}(y) - k^2) \mathfrak{m}(x, y; k),$$

and the case l=3 follows in the same way.

The proof when  $k \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $q_{av}$ ,  $\partial_x q_{av} \in \mathcal{L}_2^1$  is identical, using the estimates of Lemma A.1 instead of Lemma A.2.

### B Transmission coefficient of $\sigma(x) \equiv -\epsilon^2 \Lambda(x)$

In this section, we study the transmission coefficient of potentials of the form  $\sigma(x) \equiv -\epsilon^2 \Lambda(x)$ , where  $\Lambda \in L^{\infty}_{\beta}$ , is independent of  $\epsilon$ . We are particularly interested in the special case where  $\sigma(x)$  is the effective potential

$$\sigma_{\rm eff}^{\epsilon}(x) \ \equiv \ -\frac{\epsilon^2}{4\pi^2} \sum_{i \neq 0} \frac{|q_j(x)|^2}{{\lambda_j}^2}, \label{eq:eff_eff}$$

derived earlier.

**Lemma B.1** (Transmission coefficient  $t^{q_{\text{av}}-\epsilon^2\Lambda}(k)$ ). Let  $q_{\text{av}}$  and  $\Lambda$  be any functions in  $L^{\infty}_{\beta}$ . Then, for  $k \in K$  satisfying Hypotheses (**K**), one has

(B.1) 
$$\frac{k}{t^{q_{\rm av}-\epsilon^2\Lambda}(k)} = \left(\frac{k}{t^{q_{\rm av}}(k)} + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_-^{q_{\rm av}}(y;k)\Lambda(y) f_+^{q_{\rm av}}(y;k) dy\right) + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4).$$

*Proof.* We recall the identity (2.20), satisfied by the transmission coefficient related to any potential  $V, W \in L_{\beta}^{\infty}$ :

$$\frac{k}{t^{V}(k)} = \frac{k}{t^{W}(k)} - \frac{I^{[V,W]}(k)}{2i}, \text{ with } I^{[V,W]}(k) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{W}(y;k)(V-W)(y)f_{+}^{V}(y;k) dy.$$

Now, in the case where  $W \equiv q_{\rm av}$  and  $V \equiv q_{\rm av} - \epsilon^2 \Lambda(x)$ , one has

$$\frac{k}{t^{q_{\mathrm{av}}-\epsilon^2\Lambda}(k)} - \frac{k}{t^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(k)} = \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} I^{\epsilon}(k), \quad I^{\epsilon}(k) \equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) \Lambda(y) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}-\epsilon^2\Lambda}(y;k) \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

Then, the Volterra equation (2.17) with  $V = q_{\rm av} - \epsilon^2 \Lambda$  and  $W = q_{\rm av}$ , leads to

$$f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}} - \epsilon^2 \Lambda}(x; k) = f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(x; k) - \epsilon^2 \int_{x}^{\infty} \Lambda(y) \frac{f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(x; k) f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y; k) - f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}(x; k) f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}(y; k)}{W[f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}}}, f_{-}^{q_{\text{av}}}]} f_{+}^{q_{\text{av}} - \epsilon^2 \Lambda}(y; k) \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

We can then use the estimates of Lemmata A.2 and A.3, so that

$$\begin{split} \left| \ I^{\epsilon}(k) - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) \Lambda(y) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) \ \mathrm{d}y \ \right| \\ & \leq \ C \epsilon^{2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_{-}^{q_{\mathrm{av}}}(y;k) \Lambda(y) \int_{y}^{\infty} \Lambda(z) \mathfrak{m}(y,z;k) f_{+}^{q_{\mathrm{av}} - \epsilon^{2} \Lambda}(z;k) \ \mathrm{d}z \ \mathrm{d}y \\ & \leq \epsilon^{2} M_{K} C, \qquad \text{uniformly for } k \in K. \end{split}$$

This concludes the proof.

A simple consequence is the following

Corollary B.2. Assume  $q_{av} \equiv 0$  and let  $\Lambda \in L_{\beta}^{\infty}$ . Then,

(B.2) 
$$\frac{k}{t^{-\epsilon^2 \Lambda}(k)} = k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda(y) dy + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4),$$

or, equivalently,

(B.3) 
$$t^{-\epsilon^2 \Lambda}(k) = \frac{k}{k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int \Lambda + \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^4)}.$$

It follows that if

$$\left| k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda \right| \geq C \max(\epsilon^{\tau}, |k|), \quad for \quad \tau < 4, \quad k \in K,$$

then one has

(B.4) 
$$\left| t^{\sigma_{eff}^{\epsilon}}(k) - \frac{k}{k + \frac{\epsilon^2}{2i} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Lambda} \right| = \mathcal{O}(\epsilon^{4-\tau}).$$

*Proof.* Since  $q_{\rm av}(x) \equiv 0$ , we have  $t^{q_{\rm av}} \equiv 1$  and  $f_{\pm}^{q_{\rm av}}(x;k) = e^{\pm ikx}$ . The corollary now follows by substitution into (B.1), and straightforward computations.

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