# SINGULAR HAHN–HAMILTONIAN SYSTEMS

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Abstract. In this work, we study a Hahn–Hamiltonian system in the singular case. For this system, the Titchmarsh–Weyl theory is established. In this context, the first part provides a summary of the relevant literature and some necessary fundamental concepts of the Hahn calculus. To pass from the Hahn difference expression to operators, we define the Hilbert space  $L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0,\infty);{\mathbb C}^{2n})$  in the second part of the work. The corresponding maximal operator  $L_{\text{max}}^{\prime\prime}$  are introduced. For the Hahn–Hamiltonian system, we proved Green formula. Then we introduce a regular self-adjoint Hahn–Hamiltonian system. In the third part of the work, we study Titchmarsh-Weyl functions  $M(\lambda)$  and circles  $\mathcal{C}(a, \lambda)$  for this system. These circles proved to be embedded one to another. The number of squareintegrable solutions of the Hahn–Hamilton system is studied. In the fourth part of the work, we obtain boundary conditions in the singular case. Finally, we define a self-adjoint operator in the fifth part of the work.

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### 1. Introduction

In this paper, we consider singular Hahn–Hamiltonian systems defined as

$$
J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Z}(x) = \lambda W(x)\mathcal{Z}(x), \ x \in [\omega_0, \infty), \tag{1.1}
$$

where the matrices

$$
B(x) = \begin{pmatrix} B_1(x) & B_2^*(x) \\ B_2(x) & B_3(x) \end{pmatrix}
$$

and  $W(\cdot)$  are  $2n \times 2n$  complex Hermitian matrix-valued functions defined on  $[\omega_0,\infty)$  and are continuous at  $\omega_0$ ;  $\mathcal{Z}(x)$  is  $2n \times 1$  vector-valued function;

$$
\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} D_{\omega,q} \mathcal{Z}_1(x) \\ \frac{1}{q} D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}} \mathcal{Z}_2(x) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} D_{\omega,q} \mathcal{Z}_1(x) \\ \frac{1}{q} D_{\omega,q} \mathcal{Z}_2(h^{-1}(x)) \end{pmatrix},
$$

and

$$
J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I_n \\ I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix},
$$

where  $I_n$  is the  $n \times n$  identity matrix. The theory of Hamiltonian systems is well developed, see  $[5]$ ,  $[6]$ ,  $[9]$ – $[12]$ ,  $[14]$ – $[16]$  and it plays important role in modeling various physical systems. for example, in the study of electromechanical, electrical, and complex network systems with negligible dissipation, see [\[18\]](#page--1-7). However, to the best knowledge of the authors of this paper, there is no study on the Hahn–Hamiltonian system, though there are some results about the Hahn–Dirac systems in the literature, see [\[1\]](#page--1-8), [\[2\]](#page--1-9), [\[13\]](#page--1-10). In this paper, our main aim is to develop the Titchmarsh–Weyl theory for singular Hahn–Hamiltonian systems. In our analysis we mostly follow the development of the theory in [\[14\]](#page--1-5), [\[15\]](#page--1-11), [\[17\]](#page--1-12).

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For the reader's convenience, we recall main concepts. For further details, we refer the reader to [\[1\]](#page--1-8)–[\[4\]](#page--1-13), [\[7\]](#page--1-14), [\[8\]](#page--1-15), [\[13\]](#page--1-10). Throughout the paper, we let  $\omega > 0$ ,  $h(x) := \omega + qx$  and  $q \in (0,1)$ . Let *I* be a real interval containing  $\omega_0$ , where  $\omega_0 := \frac{\omega}{1-q}$ .

**Definition 1.1** ([\[7\]](#page--1-14),[\[8\]](#page--1-15)). Let  $u : I \to \mathbb{R}$  be a function. If u is differentiable at  $\omega_0$ , then the Hahn operator  $D_{\omega,q}$  is given by the formula

$$
D_{\omega,q}u(x) = \begin{cases} \left(\omega + (q-1)x\right)^{-1} \left(u\left(\omega + qx\right) - u(x)\right), & x \neq \omega_0, \\ u'\left(\omega_0\right), & x = \omega_0. \end{cases}
$$

We have the following theorem.

**Theorem 1.1** ([\[3\]](#page--1-16)). Let  $u, v: I \to \mathbb{R}$  be Hahn-differentiable at  $x \in I$ . Then

*i)* 
$$
D_{\omega,q}(uv)(x) = (D_{\omega,q}u(x))v(x) + u(\omega + xq)D_{\omega,q}v(x),
$$
  
\n*ii)*  $D_{\omega,q}(au + bv)(x) = aD_{\omega,q}u(x) + bD_{\omega,q}v(x), \qquad a, b \in I,$   
\n*iii)*  $D_{\omega,q}(u/v)(x) = (v(x)v(\omega + xq))^{-1}(D_{\omega,q}(u(x))v(x) - u(x)D_{\omega,q}v(x)),$   
\n*iv)*  $D_{\omega,q}u(h^{-1}(x)) = D_{-\omega q^{-1}, q^{-1}}u(x),$ 

where  $h^{-1}(x) = q^{-1}(x - \omega)$ , and  $x \in I$ .

**Definition 1.2** ([\[3\]](#page--1-16)). Let  $u : I \to \mathbb{R}$  be a function and  $a, b, \omega_0 \in I$ . The  $\omega, q$ -integral of the function *u* is given by

$$
\int_{a}^{b} u(x) d_{\omega,q} x := \int_{\omega_0}^{b} u(x) d_{\omega,q} x - \int_{\omega_0}^{a} u(x) d_{\omega,q} x,
$$

where

$$
\int_{\omega_0}^x u(x) d_{\omega,q} x := \left( (1-q) x - \omega \right) \sum_{n=0}^\infty q^n u \left( \omega \frac{1-q^n}{1-q} + x q^n \right), \qquad x \in I,
$$

provided the series converges.

## 2. Singular Hahn–Hamiltonian system

We consider the following system:

<span id="page-1-0"></span>
$$
\Gamma(\mathcal{Z}) := J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Z}(x) = \lambda W(x)\mathcal{Z}(x), \qquad x \in [\omega_0, \infty), \tag{2.1}
$$

assuming that  $\lambda$  is a complex spectral parameter,  $I + ((q - 1)x + \omega) B_2(x)$  is invertible, and  $W(\cdot)$  is nonnegative definite.

By  $L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0,\infty);{\mathbb C}^{2n})$  we denote the Hilbert space of all 2n-dimensional vector-valued functions  $\mathcal{Z}$  defined on  $[\omega_0,\infty)$  satisfying the condition

$$
\int\limits_{\omega_0}^{\infty} (W\mathcal{Z},\mathcal{Z})_{{\mathbb C}^{2n}}\,d_{\omega,q}x <\infty
$$

with the scalar product

$$
(\mathcal{Z},\mathcal{Y}):=\int\limits_{\omega_0}^{\infty} (W\mathcal{Z},\mathcal{Y})_{{\mathbb C}^{2n}}\,d_{\omega,q}x
$$

$$
=\int\limits_{\omega_0}^{\infty}\mathcal{Y}^*(x)W(x)\mathcal{Z}(x)d_{\omega,q}x.
$$

We assume that if  $\Gamma(\mathcal{Z}) = WF$  and  $W\mathcal{Z} = 0$ , then  $\mathcal{Z} = 0$ . Furthermore, throughout this work, we assume that the following definiteness condition holds: for every nontrivial solution  $\mathcal Z$  of [\(2.1\)](#page-1-0), we have

$$
\int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} \mathcal{Z}^*(x)W(x)\mathcal{Z}(x)d_{\omega,q}x > 0.
$$

We define a maximal operator  $L_{\text{max}}$  by the formula  $L_{\text{max}} \mathcal{Z} = F$  for all  $\mathcal{Z} \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{max}}$ , where

$$
\mathcal{D}_{\max} := \begin{cases} \mathcal{Z} \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0, \infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n}) : \mathcal{Z} \text{ is a continuous at } \omega_0, \\ J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Z}(x) = W(x)F(x) \text{ is well-defined in } (\omega_0, \infty), \\ F \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0, \infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n}) \end{cases}.
$$

The next theorem introduces a Green formula.

**Theorem 2.1.** For all functions  $U, V \in D_{\text{max}}$  we have the following relation:

$$
(L_{\max}\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}) - (\mathcal{U}, L_{\max}\mathcal{V}) = \widehat{\mathcal{V}}^*(t)J\widehat{\mathcal{U}}(t) - \widehat{\mathcal{V}}^*(\omega_0)J\widehat{\mathcal{U}}(\omega_0),
$$
\n(2.2)

where  $t \in [\omega_0, \infty)$ .

*Proof.* For  $\mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V} \in D_{\text{max}}$ , there exist  $F, G \in \mathcal{H}$  such that  $L_{\text{max}} \mathcal{U} = F$  and  $L_{\text{max}} \mathcal{V} = G$ . Then we get

$$
(L_{\max} \mathcal{U}, \mathcal{V}) - (\mathcal{U}, L_{\max} \mathcal{V}) = (F, \mathcal{V}) - (\mathcal{U}, G)
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^t \mathcal{V}^*(x) W(x) F(x) d_{\omega, q} x - \int_{\omega_0}^t G^*(x) W(x) \mathcal{U}(x) d_{\omega, q} x
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^t \mathcal{V}^*(x) \Gamma(\mathcal{U}) d_{\omega, q} x - \int_{\omega_0}^t (\Gamma(\mathcal{V}))^* \mathcal{U}(x) d_{\omega, q} x
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^t \mathcal{V}^*(x) (J \mathcal{U}^{[h]}(x) + (\lambda W(x) + B(x)) \mathcal{U}(x)) d_{\omega, q} x
$$
  
\n
$$
- \int_{\omega_0}^t (J \mathcal{V}^{[h]}(x) + (\lambda W(x) + B(x)) \mathcal{V}(x))^* \mathcal{U}(x) d_{\omega, q} x
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^t \mathcal{V}^*(x) J \mathcal{U}^{[h]}(x) d_{\omega, q} x - \int_{\omega_0}^t (J \mathcal{V}^{[h]}(x))^* \mathcal{U}(x) d_{\omega, q} x
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^t \left( -\frac{1}{q} \mathcal{V}_1^*(x) D_{-\omega q^{-1}, q^{-1}} \mathcal{U}_2(x) + \mathcal{V}_2^*(x) D_{\omega, q} \mathcal{U}_1(x) \right) d_{\omega, q} x
$$
  
\n
$$
- \int_{\omega_0}^t \left( \left( -\frac{1}{q} D_{-\omega q^{-1}, q^{-1}} \mathcal{V}_2^*(x) \right) \mathcal{U}_1(x) + D_{\omega, q} \mathcal{V}_1^*(x) \mathcal{U}_2(x) \right) d_{\omega, q} x
$$

$$
=\int_{\omega_0}^t \left(\mathcal{V}_1^*(x)\left(-\frac{1}{q}D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{U}_2(x)\right)-D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{V}_1^*(x)\mathcal{U}_2(x)\right)d_{\omega,q}x
$$

$$
+\int_{\omega_0}^t \left(\mathcal{V}_2^*(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{U}_1(x)-\left(-\frac{1}{q}D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{V}_2^*(x)\right)\mathcal{U}_1(x)\right)d_{\omega,q}x.
$$

On the other hand,

$$
D_{\omega,q}(\mathcal{V}_1^*(x)\mathcal{U}_2(h^{-1}(x))) = \mathcal{V}_1^*(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{U}_2(h^{-1}(x)) D_{\omega,q}h^{-1}(x) + D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{V}_1^*(x)\mathcal{U}_2(x)
$$
  

$$
= \mathcal{V}_1^*(x)\frac{1}{q}(D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{U}_2(x)) + (D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{V}_1(x))^*\mathcal{U}_2(x)
$$

and

$$
D_{\omega,q}(\mathcal{V}_2^*\left(h^{-1}(x)\right)\mathcal{U}_1(x)) = D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{V}_2^*\left(h^{-1}(x)\right)D_{\omega,q}\left(h^{-1}(x)\right)\mathcal{U}_1(x) + \mathcal{V}_2^*(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{U}_1(x) = \frac{1}{q}(D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{V}_2^*(x))\mathcal{U}_1(x) + \mathcal{V}_2^*(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{U}_1(x).
$$

Therefore,

$$
\int_{\omega_0}^t \mathcal{V}^*(x) \left( \Gamma(\mathcal{U}) \right) d_{\omega,q} x - \int_{\omega_0}^t \left( \Gamma(\mathcal{V}) \right)^* \mathcal{U}(x) d_{\omega,q} x = \int_{\omega_0}^t D_{\omega,q} \left( \frac{-\mathcal{V}_1^*(x) \mathcal{U}_2(h^{-1}(x))}{+\mathcal{V}_2^*(h^{-1}(x)) \mathcal{U}_1(x)} \right) d_{\omega,q} x = \widehat{\mathcal{V}}^*(t) J \widehat{\mathcal{U}}(t) - \widehat{\mathcal{V}}^*(\omega_0) J \widehat{y}(\omega_0).
$$

The proof is complete.

Let  $\zeta_1, \zeta_2, \gamma_1, \gamma_2$  be matrices satisfying

$$
\zeta_1 \zeta_1^* + \zeta_2 \zeta_2^* = I_n, \qquad \zeta_1 \zeta_2^* - \zeta_2 \zeta_1^* = 0,
$$
\n(2.3)

$$
\gamma_1 \gamma_1^* + \gamma_2 \gamma_2^* = I_n, \qquad \gamma_1 \gamma_2^* - \gamma_2 \gamma_1^* = 0,
$$
\n(2.4)

and

rank  $(\zeta_1 \quad \zeta_2) = \text{rank}(\gamma_1 \quad \gamma_2) = n.$ 

We impose the following boundary conditions:

<span id="page-3-2"></span><span id="page-3-0"></span>
$$
\Sigma \tilde{\mathcal{Z}}\left(\omega_0\right) = 0,\tag{2.5}
$$

<span id="page-3-1"></span>
$$
\Xi \widehat{\mathcal{Z}}(a) = 0,\tag{2.6}
$$

where

$$
\Sigma = \begin{pmatrix} \zeta_1 & \zeta_2 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \qquad \Xi = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 \end{pmatrix},
$$

and

$$
\widehat{\mathcal{Z}}(x) = \begin{pmatrix} \mathcal{Z}_1(x) \\ \mathcal{Z}_2(h^{-1}(x)) \end{pmatrix}.
$$

It follows from [\(2.5\)](#page-3-0) that  $\Sigma J \Sigma^* = 0$  and  $\Xi J \Xi^* = 0$ . It is obvious that [\(2.1\)](#page-1-0) with conditions [\(2.5\)](#page-3-0), [\(2.6\)](#page-3-1) defines a regular self-adjoint problem.

We denote by

<span id="page-3-3"></span>
$$
Z = (\varphi \quad \psi) = \begin{pmatrix} \varphi_1 & \psi_1 \\ \varphi_2 & \psi_2 \end{pmatrix}
$$
 (2.7)

the fundamental matrix for  $\Gamma(\mathcal{Z}) = \lambda W \mathcal{Z}$  satisfying

$$
\widehat{Z}(\omega_0) = E := \begin{pmatrix} \zeta_1^* & -\zeta_2^* \\ \zeta_2^* & \zeta_1^* \end{pmatrix}.
$$

Thus,  $(\zeta_1 \quad \zeta_2) \hat{\varphi}(\omega_0) = I_n$ , and  $(\zeta_1 \quad \zeta_2) \hat{\psi}(\omega_0) = 0$ .

Lemma 2.1. The following relation holds

<span id="page-4-1"></span>
$$
\widehat{Z}^*(x,\lambda) J\widehat{Z}(x,\lambda) = J. \tag{2.8}
$$

Proof. From Theorem 2.1, we see that

$$
0 = \int_{\omega_0}^{x} Z^*(t, \lambda) \Gamma(Z(t, \lambda)) d\omega_{,q} t - \int_{\omega_0}^{x} \Gamma(Z^*(t, \lambda) Z(t, \lambda) d\omega_{,q} t
$$
  
=  $\widehat{Z}^*(x, \lambda) J\widehat{Z}(x, \lambda) - \widehat{Z}^*(\omega_0, \lambda) J\widehat{Z}(\omega_0, \lambda).$ 

Thus,

$$
\widehat{Z}^*(x,\lambda) J\widehat{Z}(x,\lambda) = \widehat{Z}^*(\omega_0,\lambda) J\widehat{Z}(\omega_0,\lambda).
$$

Since  $Z(\omega_0, \lambda) = E$ , we obtain

$$
\widehat{Z}^*(x,\lambda) J\widehat{Z}(x,\lambda) = J.
$$

The proof is complete.

# 3. The Titchmarsh–Weyl function

In this section, we construct the Titchmarsh–Weyl function  $M(\lambda)$  for system [\(2.1\)](#page-1-0), [\(2.5\)](#page-3-0).

Definition 3.1. Let

$$
\widehat{Y}_a(x,\lambda) = \widehat{Z}(x,\lambda) \begin{pmatrix} I_n \\ M(a,\lambda) \end{pmatrix},
$$

where Im  $\lambda \neq 0$  and  $M(a, \lambda)$  is a  $n \times n$  matrix-valued function. Then  $M(a, \lambda)$  is called the Titchmarsh–Weyl function for boundary value problem  $(2.1)$ ,  $(2.5)$ ,  $(2.6)$ .

The following theorem holds true.

Theorem 3.1. Let

<span id="page-4-0"></span>
$$
\left(\gamma_1 \quad \gamma_2\right) \hat{Y}_a\left(a,\lambda\right) = 0. \tag{3.1}
$$

Then

$$
M (a, \lambda) = - (\gamma_1 \psi_1(a) + \gamma_2 \psi_2(h^{-1}(a)))^{-1} (\gamma_1 \varphi_1(a) + \gamma_2 \varphi_2(h^{-1}(a))) ,
$$

and

$$
\widehat{Y}_a^*\left(a,\lambda\right)J\widehat{Y}_a\left(a,\lambda\right)=0,
$$

where  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  are defined in [\(2.4\)](#page-3-2). And vice versa, if  $\widehat{Y}_a$  satisfies

$$
\widehat{Y}_a^*(a,\lambda) J\widehat{Y}_a(a,\lambda) = 0,
$$

then there exists  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2$  satisfying [\(2.4\)](#page-3-2) such that

$$
\left(\gamma_1 \quad \gamma_2\right) \widehat{Y}_a\left(a,\lambda\right) = 0,
$$

and

$$
M (a, \lambda) = - (\gamma_1 \psi_1(a) + \gamma_2 \psi_2(h^{-1}(a)))^{-1} (\gamma_1 \varphi_1(a) + \gamma_2 \varphi_2(h^{-1}(a))) .
$$

*Proof.* Let  $(\gamma_1 \ \gamma_2) \hat{Y}_a(a,\lambda) = 0$ . Then we get

$$
\left[\gamma_1\psi_1(a)+\gamma_2\psi_2\left(h^{-1}(a)\right)\right]M\left(a,\lambda\right)=-\left(\gamma_1\varphi_1(a)+\gamma_2\varphi_2\left(h^{-1}(a)\right)\right),\,
$$

and

$$
M (a, \lambda) = - (\gamma_1 \psi_1(a) + \gamma_2 \psi_2(h^{-1}(a)))^{-1} (\gamma_1 \varphi_1(a) + \gamma_2 \varphi_2(h^{-1}(a))).
$$

Since  $\lambda$  is not an eigenvalue of the self-adjoint problem on  $[\omega_0, a]$ , the inverse of the matrix  $\gamma_1 \psi_1(a) + \gamma_2 \psi_2(h^{-1}(a))$  exists. By [\(3.1\)](#page-4-0), we see that

$$
\widehat{Y}_a(a,\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I_n \\ I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1^* \\ \gamma_2^* \end{pmatrix} K
$$

for

$$
\begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1 & \gamma_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I_n \\ I_n & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \gamma_1^* \\ \gamma_2^* \end{pmatrix} K = 0.
$$

Hence,

$$
\left(I_n \quad M^*(a,\lambda)\right) \widehat{Z}^*(a,\lambda) J\widehat{Z}(a,\lambda) \left(\begin{matrix}I_n\\ M\left(a,\lambda\right)\end{matrix}\right) = 0,
$$

that is,  $\hat{Y}_a^*(a, \lambda) J \hat{Y}_a(a, \lambda) = 0.$ 

Vice versa, for some  $M$  we let

$$
\widehat{Y}_a^*(a,\lambda) J\widehat{Y}_a(a,\lambda) = (I_n \quad M^*(a,\lambda)) \widehat{Z}^*(a,\lambda) J\widehat{Z}(a,\lambda) \begin{pmatrix} I_n \\ M(a,\lambda) \end{pmatrix} = 0.
$$

We let

$$
\left(\gamma_1 \quad \gamma_2\right) = \left(I_n \quad M^*\left(a,\lambda\right)\right) \widehat{Z}^*\left(a,\lambda\right) J
$$

and we get the desired results. The proof is complete.

We introduce Titchmarsh–Weyl circles.

Definition 3.2. Let

<span id="page-5-1"></span>
$$
\mathcal{C}(a,\lambda) = \begin{pmatrix} I_n & M^*(a,\lambda) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \Theta_1 & \Theta_2^* \\ \Theta_2 & \Theta_3 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I_n \\ M(a,\lambda) \end{pmatrix} = 0, \tag{3.2}
$$

where  $\Theta_m$  are  $n \times n$  matrices for  $m = 1, 2, 3$  and

<span id="page-5-0"></span>
$$
\begin{pmatrix} \Theta_1 & \Theta_2^* \\ \Theta_2 & \Theta_3 \end{pmatrix} = -\operatorname{sgn} \left( \operatorname{Im} \lambda \right) \widehat{Z}^* \left( a, \overline{\lambda} \right) \left( J/i \right) \widehat{Z} \left( a, \lambda \right). \tag{3.3}
$$

Then  $C(a, \lambda)$  is called the Titchmarsh–Weyl circle for boundary value problem [\(2.1\)](#page-1-0), [\(2.5\)](#page-3-0),  $(2.6).$  $(2.6).$ 

From the above definition we deduce that

$$
\mathcal{C}(a,\lambda) = (M_a + \Theta_3^{-1}\Theta_2)^* \Theta_4 (M_a + \Theta_3^{-1}\Theta_2) + \Theta_1 - \Theta_2^* \Theta_3^{-1}\Theta_2
$$
  
=  $(M_a - \Theta_4) K_1^{-2} (M_a - \Theta_4) - K_2^2 = 0,$ 

where

$$
\Theta_4 = -\Theta_3^{-1}\Theta_2
$$
,  $K_1^{-2} = \Theta_3^{-1}$ ,  $K_2^2 = \Theta_2^*\Theta_3^{-1}\Theta_2 - \Theta_1$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** The inequality  $\Theta_3 > 0$  holds true.

*Proof.* From  $(2.7)$  and  $(3.3)$  we see that

$$
\begin{pmatrix}\n\Theta_1 & \Theta_2^* \\
\Theta_2 & \Theta_3\n\end{pmatrix} = -\operatorname{sgn}(\operatorname{Im}\lambda) \begin{pmatrix}\n\varphi_1^*(x) & \varphi_2^*(h^{-1}(x)) \\
\psi_1^*(x) & \psi_2^*(h^{-1}(x))\n\end{pmatrix} \\
\cdot \begin{pmatrix}\n0 & iI_n \\
-iI_n & 0\n\end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}\n\varphi_1(x) & \psi_1(x) \\
\varphi_2(h^{-1}(x)) & \psi_2(h^{-1}(x))\n\end{pmatrix} \\
= -\operatorname{sgn}(\operatorname{Im}\lambda) \begin{pmatrix}\n\widehat{\varphi}^*(J/i) & \widehat{\varphi}^*(J/i) & \widehat{\psi} \\
i\widehat{\psi}^*(J/i) & \widehat{\varphi}^*(J/i) & \widehat{\psi}\n\end{pmatrix}.
$$

Hence,

$$
\Theta_3 = -\operatorname{sgn} \left( \operatorname{Im} \lambda \right) \widehat{\psi}^* \left( J/i \right) \widehat{\psi}.
$$

Straightforward calculations give:

$$
2 \operatorname{Im} \lambda \left( \int_{\omega_0}^a \psi^* W \psi d\omega_q x \right) = \widehat{\psi}^* \left( J/i \right) \widehat{\psi}(a) - \widehat{\psi}^* \left( J/i \right) \widehat{\psi}(\omega_0).
$$

Since  $\hat{\psi}^*(J/i)\hat{\psi}(\omega_0) = 0$ , we get the desired result.

Lemma 3.2. The inequality

$$
\Theta_2^* \Theta_3^{-1} \Theta_2 - \Theta_1 = \overline{\Theta_3}^{-1} > 0
$$

holds, where  $\overline{\Theta_3}^{-1} := \Theta_3^{-1} (\overline{\lambda})$ .

*Proof.* It follows from [\(2.8\)](#page-4-1) that  $\hat{Z}(x, \lambda) J\hat{Z}^*(x, \lambda) = J$ . Thus,

$$
J = \widehat{Z}^* (x, \overline{\lambda}) \left( -J\widehat{Z} (x, \lambda) J\widehat{Z}^* (x, \lambda) J \right) \widehat{Z} (x, \overline{\lambda})
$$
  
= 
$$
- \left( \widehat{Z}^* (x, \overline{\lambda}) (J/i) \widehat{Z} (x, \lambda) \right) J \left( -\widehat{Z}^* (x, \lambda) (J/i) \widehat{Z} (x, \overline{\lambda}) \right),
$$

and

$$
\begin{pmatrix}\n0 & -I_n \\
I_n & 0\n\end{pmatrix} = -\begin{pmatrix}\n\Theta_1 & \Theta_2^* \\
\Theta_2 & \Theta_3\n\end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}\n0 & -I_n \\
I_n & 0\n\end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix}\n\overline{\Theta_1} & \overline{\Theta_2^*} \\
\overline{\Theta_2} & \overline{\Theta_3}\n\end{pmatrix},
$$

since there is a sign change in the matrix when  $\lambda$  replaces  $\lambda$ . Therefore,

$$
0 = \Theta_1 \overline{\Theta_2} - \Theta_2^* \overline{\Theta_1},
$$
  
\n
$$
I_n = \Theta_2 \overline{\Theta_2} - \Theta_3 \overline{\Theta_1},
$$
  
\n
$$
-I_n = \Theta_1 \overline{\Theta_3} - \Theta_2^* \overline{\Theta_2},
$$
  
\n
$$
0 = \Theta_2 \overline{\Theta_3} - \Theta_3 \overline{\Theta_2^*}.
$$

The last and second identities imply that

$$
\overline{\Theta_3}^{-1} = \Theta_2^* \Theta_3^{-1} \Theta_2 - \Theta_1.
$$

This completes the proof.

Corollary 3.1.  $K_2 = \overline{K_1}$ 

**Theorem 3.2.** As a increases,  $\Theta_3$ ,  $K_1$  and  $K_2$  decrease.

Proof. Since

$$
\Theta_3 = 2 |\text{Im }\lambda| \left( \int_{\omega_0}^a \psi^* W \psi d_{\omega, q} x \right),
$$

we get the desired results.

Corollary 3.2. The following limits exist

$$
\lim_{a \to \infty} K_1(a, \lambda) = K_0, \qquad \lim_{a \to \infty} K_2(a, \lambda) = \overline{K_0},
$$

where  $K_0 \geqslant 0$  and  $\overline{K_0} \geqslant 0$ .

**Theorem 3.3.** As  $a \to \infty$ , the circles  $C(a, \lambda) = 0$  are embedded. Proof. The interior of the circle is

$$
-\operatorname{sgn}(\operatorname{Im}\lambda)\left(I_n \quad M^*(a,\lambda)\right) \widehat{Z}^*\left(a,\overline{\lambda}\right) \left(J/i\right) \widehat{Z}\left(a,\lambda\right) \left(\begin{matrix}I_n\\ M\left(a,\lambda\right)\end{matrix}\right) \leqslant 0.
$$

By  $(3.2)$  we see that

$$
\mathcal{C}\left(a,\lambda\right) = 2\left|\operatorname{Im}\lambda\right| \left(\int_{\omega_0}^a Y_a^* W Y_a d_{\omega,q} x\right) \pm \frac{1}{i} \left(M_a^* - M_a\right).
$$

 $\Box$ 

 $\Box$ 

If  $M_a$  is in the circle at  $a_2 \in I$ ,  $a_2 > a$ , then  $\mathcal{C}(a, \lambda) \leq 0$  at the point  $a_2$ . At the point  $a_2$ ,  $\mathcal{C}(a, \lambda)$  is certainly smaller, and so  $\mathcal{C}(a, \lambda)$  is in the circle at the point  $a_2$  as well. Hence, the circles  $\mathcal{C}(a, \lambda) = 0$  are embedded as  $a \to \infty$ .  $\Box$ 

Theorem 3.4. The following limit exists

$$
\lim_{a \to \infty} C(a, \lambda) = C^0.
$$

Proof. From  $(3.2)$ , we conclude that

$$
C(a, \lambda) = (M_a - D)^* K_1^{-2} (M_a - D) - K_2^2 = 0.
$$

Therefore,

<span id="page-7-0"></span>
$$
\left(K_1^{-1}\left(M_a - D\right)\overline{K_1^{-1}}\right)^* \left(K_1^{-1}\left(M_a - D\right)\overline{K_1^{-1}}\right) = I_n.
$$
\n(3.4)

It follows from [\(3.4\)](#page-7-0) that  $U = K_1^{-1} (M_a - D) K_1^{-1}$ , where U is a unitary matrix, i.e.,  $U^*U = I_n$ . Thus,

<span id="page-7-1"></span>
$$
M_a(\lambda) = D + K_1 U \overline{K_1}.
$$
\n
$$
(3.5)
$$

As U ranges over the  $n \times n$  unit sphere,  $M_a(\lambda)$  ranges over a circle with center D.

Let  $D_1$  be the center at  $a' \in I$ ,  $D_2$  be the center at  $a'' \in I$ ,  $a'' < a'$ . By Theorem 3.7, we see that  $\mathcal{C}(a'',\lambda) \subset \mathcal{C}(a',\lambda)$ . By [\(3.5\)](#page-7-1) we find that

$$
M_{a'}\left(\lambda\right) = D_1 + K_1(a')U_1\overline{K_1(a')},
$$

and

<span id="page-7-2"></span>
$$
M_{a''}(\lambda) = D_2 + K_1(a'') U_2 \overline{K_1(a'')}.
$$
\n(3.6)

Since  $\mathcal{C}(a'',\lambda) \subset \mathcal{C}(a',\lambda)$ , we conclude that

<span id="page-7-3"></span>
$$
M_{a''}(\lambda) = D_1 + K_1(a') V_1 \overline{K_1(a')}, \qquad (3.7)
$$

where  $V_1$  is a contraction. Subtracting [\(3.6\)](#page-7-2) from [\(3.7\)](#page-7-3) yields

$$
D_1 - D_2 = K_1(a'')U_2\overline{K_1(a'')} - K_1(a')V_1\overline{K_1(a')}.
$$

This gives:

$$
V_1 = \left[ D_1 - D_2 + K_1(a') V_1 \overline{K_1(a')} \right].
$$

We define a mapping  $\Upsilon$  by the formula  $\Upsilon(U_2) = V_1$ . The mapping  $\Upsilon$  is a continuous one from the unit ball into itself. Hence, it has a unique fixed point. Replacing  $U_2$  and  $V_1$  by  $U$ , we conclude that

$$
||D_1 - D_2|| = ||K_1(a'')U\overline{K_1(a'')} - K_1(a')U\overline{K_1(a')}||
$$
  
\$\leq\$  $||K_1(a'')|| ||\overline{K_1(a'')} - \overline{K_1(a')}|| + ||K_1(a'') - K_1(a')|| ||\overline{K_1(a')}||.$ 

As  $a'$  and  $a''$  approach  $a, K_1$  and  $\overline{K_1}$  have limits. The centers form a Cauchy sequence and converge.

Straightforward calculations give:

$$
\Theta_2 = \pm \left( 2 \operatorname{Im} \lambda \left( \int_{\omega_0}^{a'} \psi^* W \varphi d_{\omega, q} x \right) - i I_n \right).
$$

Thus, at  $a'$ , the center

$$
D = -\Theta_3^{-1}\Theta_2
$$

$$
= -\left(2 \operatorname{Im} \lambda \left(\int_{\omega_0}^{a'} \psi^* W_1 \psi d_{\omega,q} x\right)\right)^{-1} \left(2 \operatorname{Im} \lambda \left(\int_{\omega_0}^{a'} \psi^* W_1 \psi d_{\omega,q} x\right) - iI_n\right).
$$

Hence, we obtain

$$
\lim_{a'\to\infty} \mathcal{C}(a',\lambda) = \mathcal{C}^0.
$$

The proof is complete.

It is obvious that  $M(\lambda) = D + K_1 U \overline{K_1}$  is well defined. As U ranges over the unit circle in  $n \times n$  space, the limit circle or point C is covered.

Now we investigate the number of square-integrable solutions to [\(2.1\)](#page-1-0).

**Theorem 3.5.** Let M be a point inside  $C^0 \leq 0$ . Let  $\chi = \varphi + \psi M$ . Then

$$
\chi \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0,\infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n}).
$$

Proof. Since

$$
\mathcal{C}\left(a,\lambda\right) = 2\left|\operatorname{Im}\lambda\right| \left(\int_{\omega_0}^a \chi^* W \chi d_{\omega,q} x\right) \pm \frac{1}{i} \left[M - M^*\right] \leqslant 0,
$$

we obtain

$$
0 \leqslant \int_{\omega_0}^a \chi^* W \chi d_{\omega,q} x \leqslant \frac{1}{2i |\operatorname{Im} \lambda|} \left[ M - M^* \right].
$$

As  $a \to \infty$ , the upper bound is fixed. The proof is complete.

**Lemma 3.3.** Let rank  $\overline{K_1} = r$  and  $S(U) = K_1 U \overline{K_1}$ , where U is unitary. Then we have the following relations: i) rank  $S(U) \leq r$ ,

ii)  $\sup_U \text{rank } S(U) = r$ .

The proof follows clearly from the matrix theory.

**Theorem 3.6.** Let  $m = n+r$ . For Im  $\lambda \neq 0$ , there exists at least m square integrable solutions of  $(2.1), n \leq m \leq 2n$  $(2.1), n \leq m \leq 2n$ .

*Proof.*  $\varphi + D\psi$  consists of *n* solutions in the space  $L^2_{q,W}((\omega_0, a); \mathbb{C}^{2n})$ . As U varies,  $\psi\left(K_1 U \overline{K_1}\right)$ gives  $m-n$  additional linearly independent solutions. By the reflection principles, the number of solutions is the same for Im  $\lambda < 0$  or Im  $\lambda > 0$ . This completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

### 4. Boundary conditions in singular case

**Theorem 4.1.** Let  $\mathcal Y$  be a solution of the equation

$$
J\mathcal{Y}^{[h]}(x) = (\lambda_0 W + B) \mathcal{Y},
$$

where Im  $\lambda_0 \neq 0$ . Then for all  $\mathcal{Z} \in \mathcal{D}_{\text{max}}$ , the following limit

$$
A\left(\mathcal{Z}\right) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \widehat{\mathcal{Y}}^* J \widehat{\mathcal{Z}}
$$

exists if and only if  $\mathcal{Y} \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0, \infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n}).$ 

 $\Box$ 

Proof. From the following equalities

$$
J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Z}(x) = W(x)F(x),
$$

and

$$
J\mathcal{Y}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Y}(x) = \lambda_0 W(x)\mathcal{Y}(x),
$$

we obtain

$$
\int_{\omega_0}^x \mathcal{Y}^*(x)W(x)\Big(F(x) - \lambda_0 \mathcal{Z}(x)\Big) d_{\omega,q}x = \int_{\omega_0}^x \left(\frac{\mathcal{Y}^*(x)\left(J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Z}(x)\right)}{-(J\mathcal{Y}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Y}(x)\right)^* \mathcal{Z}(x)}\right) d_{\omega,q}x
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^x \mathcal{Y}^*(x)J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x)d_{\omega,q}x - \int_{\omega_0}^x \left(J\mathcal{Y}^{[h]}(x)\right)^* \mathcal{Z}(x)d_{\omega,q}x
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^x \left(\mathcal{Y}^*_1(x)\left(-\frac{1}{q}D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{Z}_2(x)\right) + \mathcal{Y}^*_2(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Z}_1(x)\right)d_{\omega,q}x
$$
  
\n
$$
- \int_{\omega_0}^x \left(\left(-\frac{1}{q}D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{Y}^*_2(x)\right)\mathcal{Z}_1(x) + D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Y}^*_1(x)\mathcal{Z}_2(x)\right)d_{\omega,q}x
$$
  
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^x \left(\mathcal{Y}^*_1(x)\left[\left(-\frac{1}{q}D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{Z}_2(x)\right) - D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Y}^*_1(x)\mathcal{Z}_2(x)\right)d_{\omega,q}x
$$
  
\n
$$
+ \int_{\omega_0}^x \left(\mathcal{Y}^*_2(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Z}_1(x) - \left(-\frac{1}{q}D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{Y}^*_2(x)\right)\mathcal{Z}_1(x)\right)d_{\omega,q}x.
$$

Since

$$
D_{\omega,q}(\mathcal{Y}_1^*(x)\mathcal{Z}_2\left(h^{-1}(x)\right)) = \mathcal{Y}_1^*(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Z}_2\left(h^{-1}(x)\right)D_{\omega,q}\left(h^{-1}(x)\right) + D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Y}_1^*(x)\mathcal{Z}_2(x)
$$
  
=  $\mathcal{Y}_1^*(x)\left(\frac{1}{q}D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{Z}_2(x)\right) + D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Y}_1^*(x)\mathcal{Z}_2(x)$ 

and

$$
D_{\omega,q}(\mathcal{Y}_2^*\left(h^{-1}(x)\right)\mathcal{Z}_1(x)) = (D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Y}_2^*\left(h^{-1}(x)\right)D_{\omega,q}\left(h^{-1}(x)\right)\mathcal{Z}_1(x) + \mathcal{Y}_2^*(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Z}_1(x)
$$
  

$$
= \left(\frac{1}{q}D_{-\omega q^{-1},q^{-1}}\mathcal{Y}_2^*(x)\right)\mathcal{Z}_1(x) + \mathcal{Y}_2^*(x)D_{\omega,q}\mathcal{Z}_1(x).
$$

Hence,

<span id="page-9-0"></span>
$$
\int_{\omega_0}^x \mathcal{Y}^*(x) W(x) (F(x) - \lambda_0 \mathcal{Z}(x)) d_{\omega,q} x
$$
\n
$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^x D_{\omega,q} \{ \mathcal{Y}^*_2 (h^{-1}(x)) \mathcal{Z}_1(x) - \mathcal{Y}^*_1(x) \mathcal{Z}_2 (h^{-1}(x)) \} d_{\omega,q} x
$$
\n
$$
= \hat{\mathcal{Y}}^* J \hat{\mathcal{Z}}(x) - \hat{\mathcal{Y}}^* J \hat{\mathcal{Z}}(\omega_0).
$$
\n(4.1)

If  $\mathcal{Y} \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0,\infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n})$ , then as  $x \to \infty$ , the integral in [\(4.1\)](#page-9-0) converges, and the limit

$$
\lim_{x \to \infty} (\widehat{\mathcal{Y}}^* J \widehat{\mathcal{Z}})(x)
$$

exists. And vice versa, suppose that the integral in [\(4.1\)](#page-9-0) converges for all

$$
\mathcal{Z}, F \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0, \infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n}).
$$

By the Hahn–Banach theorem on existence of a linear bounded functional and the Riesz representation theorem, we see that

$$
\mathcal{Y} \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0, \infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n}).
$$

The proof is complete.

Suppose that  $\lambda_0$  is fixed, where Im  $\lambda_0 \neq 0$ .

Definition 4.1. Let

$$
M_a\left(\overline{\lambda}\right) = \overline{D} + \overline{K_1} UK_1
$$

be on the limit circle. Let

$$
\chi(x,\overline{\lambda_0}) = \varphi(x,\overline{\lambda_0}) + \psi(x,\overline{\lambda_0}) M(\overline{\lambda_0}) \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0,\infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n})
$$

and let  $\chi(x,\overline{\lambda_0})$  satisfies the equation

$$
J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) = (\lambda_0 W(x) + B(x)) \mathcal{Z}(x).
$$

Then we define  $S_{\lambda_0}(\mathcal{Z})$  by the formula

$$
S_{\lambda_0}(\mathcal{Z}) = \lim_{x \to \infty} \widehat{\chi}^*(x, \lambda_0) J\widehat{\mathcal{Z}}(x)
$$

for all  $\mathcal{Z} \in \mathcal{D}_{\max}$ .

## 5. Self-adjoint operator

Here we define a self-adjoint operator. We suppose that the number of solutions of [\(2.1\)](#page-1-0) is m. Then we define the operator  $L$  by the rule

$$
L: \mathcal{D} \to L^2_{\omega, q, W}((\omega_0, \infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n}),
$$
  

$$
\mathcal{Z} \to L\mathcal{Z} = F \text{ if and only if } \Gamma(\mathcal{Z}) = WF,
$$

where

$$
\mathcal{D} := \left\{ \mathcal{Z} \in \mathcal{D}_{\max} : \Sigma \widehat{\mathcal{Z}}\left(\omega_0\right) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad S_{\lambda_0} \left(\mathcal{Z}\right) = 0, \text{ Im } \lambda_0 \neq 0 \right\}.
$$

The following theorem holds true.

**Theorem 5.1.** If  $J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Z}(x) = W(x)F(x)$ ,  $W\mathcal{Z} = 0$  implies  $\mathcal{Z} = 0$ , then the set  $\mathcal D$  is dense in  $L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0,\infty); \mathbb C^{2n}).$ 

*Proof.* Suppose that  $D$  is not dense in  $L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0,\infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n})$ . Then there exists

$$
G \in L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0,\infty);{\mathbb C}^{2n})
$$

such that G is orthogonal to the set  $D$ . Let  $\mathcal Y$  satisfy  $\mathcal Y \in \mathcal D$ ,

$$
J\mathcal{Y}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Y}(x) = \overline{\lambda_0}W(x)\mathcal{Y}(x) + W(x)G(x)
$$

for Im  $\lambda_0 \neq 0$ . Then for  $\mathcal{Z} \in \mathcal{D}$ , we see that

$$
0 = (\mathcal{Z}, G) = \int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} G^* W \mathcal{Z} d_{\omega, q} x
$$
  
= 
$$
\int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} (J \mathcal{Y}^{[h]}(x) - B(x) \mathcal{Y}(x) - \overline{\lambda_0} W(x) \mathcal{Y}(x))^* \mathcal{Z} d_{\omega, q} x
$$

$$
= \int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} \mathcal{Y}^* \left( J \mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) - B(x) \mathcal{Z}(x) - \lambda_0 W(x) \mathcal{Z}(x) \right) d_{\omega,q}x.
$$

We define

$$
J\mathcal{Z}^{[h]}(x) - B(x)\mathcal{Z}(x) - \lambda_0 W(x)\mathcal{Z}(x) = W(x)F(x).
$$

Then we have

$$
0 = (F, \mathcal{Y}) = \int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} \mathcal{Y}^* W F d_{\omega, q} x.
$$
 (5.1)

Since F is arbitrary, we take  $F = \mathcal{Y}$ . By [\(5.1\)](#page--1-17), we see that  $\mathcal{Y} = 0$  which yields  $WG = 0$  and  $G = 0$  in  $L^2_{\omega,q,W}((\omega_0, \infty); \mathbb{C}^{2n})$ . The proof is complete.  $\Box$ 

Define

$$
(L - \lambda I)^{-1} = \int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} G(\lambda, x, t) W(t) F(t) d_{\omega, q} t,
$$
\n(5.2)

where  $\text{Im }\lambda \neq 0$  and

$$
G(\lambda, x, t) = \begin{cases} \chi(x, \lambda) \psi^*(t, \lambda), & \omega_0 \leq t \leq x < \infty, \\ \psi(x, \lambda) \chi^*(t, \lambda), & \omega_0 \leq x \leq t < \infty. \end{cases}
$$

The following theorem holds.

**Theorem 5.2.**  $L$  is a self-adjoint operator.

*Proof.* Let  $LZ - \lambda_0 Z = F$  and  $L^*Z - \overline{\lambda_0}Z = H$  (Im  $\lambda_0 \neq 0$ ). Then

$$
\begin{split}\n\left((L-\lambda_0I)^{-1}F,H\right) &= \int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} H^*(x)W(x) \left(\int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} G\left(\lambda_0, x, t\right) W(t)F(t)d_{\omega,q}t\right) d_{\omega,q}x \\
&= \int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} (G\left(\lambda_0, x, t\right))^* W(x)H(x)d_{\omega,q}x\right)^* W(t)F(t)d_{\omega,q}t \\
&= \int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} (G\left(\overline{\lambda_0}, t, x\right) W(x)H(x)d_{\omega,q}x\right)^* W(t)F(t)d_{\omega,q}t \\
&= \int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{\omega_0}^{\infty} G\left(\overline{\lambda_0}, x, t\right) W(t)H(t) d_{\omega,q}t\right)^* W(x)F(x)d_{\omega,q}x \\
&= \left(F, \left(L - \overline{\lambda_0}I\right)^{-1}H\right),\n\end{split}
$$

due to  $G\left(\overline{\lambda_0}, t, x\right) = (G(\lambda_0, x, t))^*.$ Since

$$
((L - \lambda_0 I)^{-1} F, H) = (F, (L^* - \overline{\lambda_0} I)^{-1} H),
$$

we see that

$$
\left(L-\overline{\lambda_0}I\right)^{-1}=\left(L^*-\overline{\lambda_0}I\right)^{-1}.
$$

We thus get  $L = L^*$ . The proof is complete.

**Theorem 5.3.** Let  $\text{Im }\lambda_0 \neq 0$ . The operator  $(L - \lambda_0 I)^{-1}$  defined by the formula [\(5.2\)](#page--1-18) is a bounded operator and

$$
\left\| (L - \lambda_0 I)^{-1} \right\| \leqslant \frac{1}{|\text{Im }\lambda_0|}.
$$

*Proof.* Let  $(L - \lambda_0 I) \mathcal{Z} = F$ . Then

$$
(\mathcal{Z}, F) - (F, \mathcal{Z}) = (\mathcal{Z}, (L - \lambda_0 I) \mathcal{Z}) - ((L - \lambda_0 I) \mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{Z})
$$

$$
= (\lambda_0 - \overline{\lambda_0}) (\mathcal{Z}, \mathcal{Z}).
$$

Using Cauchy-Schwartz inequality, we obtain

$$
2\left|\operatorname{Im}\lambda_0\right| \left|\left|\mathcal{Z}\right|\right|^2\leqslant 2\left|\left|\mathcal{Z}\right|\right| \left|\left|F\right|\right|.
$$

Hence,

$$
\left\| \left(L - \lambda_0 I \right)^{-1} F \right\| \leqslant \frac{1}{|\text{Im }\lambda_0|} \left\| F \right\|
$$

yields the result.

Theorem 5.4. Let

$$
\chi(x,\lambda_0) = \varphi(x,\lambda_0) + \psi(x,\lambda_0) M(\lambda_0),
$$

where  $\text{Im }\lambda_0 \neq 0$ . Then we have

$$
\lim_{x \to \infty} \widehat{\chi}^*(x, \lambda_0) J \widehat{\chi}(x, \lambda_0) = 0.
$$

Proof. Since

$$
\widehat{\chi}^*(x,\lambda_0) J\widehat{\chi}(x,\lambda_0) = (I_n \quad M^*(\lambda_0)) \widehat{\mathcal{Z}}^*(x,\lambda_0) J\widehat{\mathcal{Z}}(x,\lambda_0) \begin{pmatrix} I_n \\ M(\lambda_0) \end{pmatrix}
$$

$$
= (I_n \quad M^*(\lambda_0)) J\begin{pmatrix} I_n \\ M(\lambda_0) \end{pmatrix} = 0,
$$

we get the desired result. The proof is complete.

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