

HIGH ENERGY RESOLVENT ESTIMATES FOR ACOUSTIC PROPAGATORS IN A STRATIFIED MEDIA

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§1 Introduction.

Let $n \geq 2$ and $x = (y, z) \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1} \times \mathbf{R}$. In this report we study the following operator :

$$(1.1) \quad L_0 = -a_0(z)^2 \Delta,$$

where

$$a_0(z) = \begin{cases} c_+ & (z \geq h) \\ c_h & (0 < z < h) \\ c_- & (z \leq 0), \end{cases}$$

and $c_{\pm}, c_h$ and h are positive constants and

$$\Delta = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y_j^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}.$$

We consider only the case $c_h < \min(c_+, c_-)$ because we can find the guided waves (cf. Wilcox [9] or Weder [6]). It seems that there are no works dealing with high energy resolvent estimates for acoustic propagators in stratified media. Here we shall prove high energy resolvent estimates for the case $c_h < c_+ = c_-$.

Kikuchi-Tamura [3] and Kadowaki [2] have proved low energy resolvent estimates for the case $c_h < \min(c_+, c_-)$ and $c_+ \neq c_-$ and the case $c_h < c_+ = c_-$ respectively. Both works were used Mourre's commutator method (cf. Mourre[4]). But the conjugate operator in Kadowaki [2] is different from Kikuchi-Tamura [3]. Kikuchi-Tamura [3] took the generator of dailation in $\mathbf{R}^3$ as the conjugate operator. They dealt with only media of $\mathbf{R}^3$ but their result can be extended for media of $\mathbf{R}^n (n \geq 3)$ (cf. Kadowaki [2]). Kadowaki [2] has constructed the conjugate operator by using the generator of dailation in $\mathbf{R}^n$ and $\mathbf{R}^{n-1} (n \geq 3)$ together with the generalized Fourier transform of a related operator (cf. Weder [6]). The generator of dailation in $\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ has been used to estimate the guided wave (see §2). In this report, we also use Mourre's method. Our conjugate operator is similar to Kadowaki [2] (see §2).

Let $\mathcal{H}_0 = L^2(\mathbf{R}^n; a_0^{-2}(z)dx)$ be Hilbert space with inner products

$$\langle u, v \rangle_0 = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} u(x) \overline{v(x)} a_0^{-2}(z) dx.$$

In particular $L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ is the usual L^2 space defined on $\mathbf{R}_x^n$ with inner products

$$\langle u, v \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)} = \int_{\mathbf{R}_x^n} u(x) \overline{v(x)} dx$$

and the corresponding norms $|\cdot|_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)}$.

L_0 admits a unique self-adjoint realizations in $\mathcal{H}_0$. Then L_0 is a non-negative operator (zero is not an eigenvalue) and the $D(L_0)$ is given by $H^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$, $H^s(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ being Sobolev space of order s over $\mathbf{R}_x^n$. We also denoted by $R(z; L_0)$ the resolvent $(L_0 - z)^{-1}$ of L for $\text{Im} z \neq 0$.

A is considered as an operator from $L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ into itself, then its norm is denoted by the notation $\|A\|$.

We remark that Weder [6] has showed the absence of eigenvalues and the limiting absorption principle for L_0 . Our result is :

Theorem 1.1. *Let $\alpha > 1/2$. Assume that $c_h < c_+ = c_-$. Then, we have*

$$\|X_\alpha R(\lambda \pm i\kappa; L_0) X_\alpha\| = O(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty),$$

uniformly in $\kappa > 0$, where $X_\alpha = (1 + |x|^2)^{-\alpha/2}$.

We define the self-adjoint operator $L_0(\lambda)$ on $L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$,

$$\begin{cases} L_0(\lambda) = -\Delta - \lambda(a_0^{-2}(z) - c_+^{-2}) \\ D(L_0(\lambda)) = H^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n). \end{cases}$$

This operator has been introduced by Weder [7]. Theorem 1.1 is obtained as an immediate consequence of the following proposition.

Proposition 1.2. *Assume that $c_h < c_+ = c_-$. Then we have*

$$\|X_\alpha G_\kappa(0; \lambda) X_\alpha\| = O(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty),$$

uniformly in $\kappa > 0$, where

$$G_\kappa(0; \lambda) = (L_0(\lambda) - \lambda c_+^{-2} - i\kappa a_0^{-2}(z))^{-1}$$

for $\kappa > 0$

In §§2,3 we shall give the proof of above proposition.

We give a comment for the assumption of Theorem 1.1. This follows from our method. Applying Mourre's method to the original operator, L_0 , we do not get the Mourre's estimates on the neighborhood of thresholds of L_0 (cf. Wilcox [9] or Weder [6]). The conjugate operator for L_0 is constructed by using generator of dilation in $\mathbf{R}^n$ and exterior domains of ball in $\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ together with the generalized Fourier transform for L_0 (cf. Kadowaki [1]). While, since $L_0(\lambda)$ does not have thresholds on $[0, \infty)$ (see Weder [7]), we can obtain Mourre's estimates. But, to prove only Lemma 3.6 in §3, we need the assumption $c_h < c_+ = c_-$. In brief we deal with only $c_h < c_+ \leq c_-$.

As an application of our theorem, we can consider scattering problem for wave equations with dissipative terms in stratified media. This is due to Mochizuki [4]. He has proved existence of scattering states for wave equations with dissipative terms in the case $c_h = c_+ = c_- = 1$. His idea is due to Kato's smooth perturbation theory together with low and high energy resolvent estimates for Laplacian in $\mathbf{R}^n (n \neq 2)$. To consider scattering problem for stratified media, we need low energy estimates which is required in Mochizuki [4]. Kikuchi-Tamura [3] and Kadowaki [2] have proved low energy estimates in perturbed stratified media. But the 3-dimensional case in Kadowaki [3] and Kikuchi-Tamura [2] do not satisfy Mochizuki's condition (for detail see Mochizuki [4]). For Kikuchi-Tamura's result, we can remake it to satisfy Mochizuki's condition (see Kadowaki [3]). We will give low energy estimates for stratified media of $\mathbf{R}^n (n \geq 2)$ elsewhere and consider scattering problem.

§2 Conjugate operator and Mourre's estimates.

In this section we construct the conjugate operators and show Mourre's estimates (2.1). First we define conjugate operator, $D(\lambda)$, as follows :

$$D(\lambda) = F_0(\lambda)^*(-D_n)F_0(\lambda) + F_1(\lambda)^*(-D_{n-1})F_1(\lambda) \\ + \sum_{j=1}^{Q(\lambda)} G_j(\lambda)^*(-D_{n-1})G_j(\lambda),$$

where $k = (\bar{k}, k_0) \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1} \times \mathbf{R}$, $F_0(\lambda)$, $F_1(\lambda)$ and $G_j(\lambda)$ are partially isometric operators for $L_0(\lambda)$ (see Appendix) and

$$D_n = \frac{1}{2i}(k \cdot \nabla_k + \nabla_k \cdot k), \quad D_{n-1} = \frac{1}{2i}(\bar{k} \cdot \nabla_{\bar{k}} + \nabla_{\bar{k}} \cdot \bar{k}).$$

We consider the commutator $i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]$ as a form on $H^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n) \cap D(D(\lambda))$ as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]u, u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)} \\ &= i(\langle D(\lambda)u, L_0(\lambda)u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)} - \langle L_0(\lambda)u, D(\lambda)u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)}) \end{aligned}$$

for $u \in H^2(\mathbf{R}^n) \cap D(D(\lambda))$. Then Lemma A of the Appendix implies that

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]u, u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)} \\ &= i\{ \langle |k|^2 F_0(\lambda)u, D_n F_0(\lambda)u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_k^n)} - \langle D_n F_0(\lambda)u, |k|^2 F_0(\lambda)u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_k^n)} \\ &+ \langle |\bar{k}|^2 F_1(\lambda)u, D_{n-1} F_1(\lambda)u \rangle_{L^2(\Omega_0)} - \langle D_{n-1} F_1(\lambda)u, |\bar{k}|^2 F_1(\lambda)u \rangle_{L^2(\Omega_0)} \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{Q(\lambda)} (\langle |\bar{k}|^2 G_j(\lambda)u, D_{n-1} G_j(\lambda)u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_k^{n-1})} \\ &- \langle D_{n-1} G_j(\lambda)u, |\bar{k}|^2 G_j(\lambda)u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_k^{n-1})}) \}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus we have by integral by parts

$$\begin{aligned} & \langle i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]u, u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)} \\ &= \langle 2(F_0(\lambda)^*|k|^2 F_0(\lambda) + F_1(\lambda)^*|\bar{k}|^2 F_1(\lambda) + \sum_{j=1}^{Q(\lambda)} G_j(\lambda)^*|\bar{k}|^2 G_j(\lambda))u, u \rangle_{L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)} \end{aligned}$$

for $u \in H^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n) \cap D(D(\lambda))$. Thus the form $i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]$ can be extended to a bounded operator from $H^1(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ to $H^{-1}(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ which is denoted by $i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]^0$. Let $\lambda > 1$, take $f_\lambda(r) \in C_0^\infty(\mathbf{R})$, $0 \leq f_\lambda \leq 1$ such that f_λ has support in $((c_+^{-2} - c_-^{-2}/2)\lambda, 2c_+^{-2}\lambda)$ and $f_\lambda = 1$ on $[(c_+^{-2} - c_-^{-2}/4)\lambda, 3c_+^{-2}\lambda/2]$. Noting that

$$\begin{aligned} & f_\lambda(L_0(\lambda))i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]^0 f_\lambda(L_0(\lambda)) \\ &= 2(F_0(\lambda)^*|k|^2 f_\lambda(|k|^2 + q_-(\lambda))^2 F_0(\lambda) + F_1(\lambda)^*|\bar{k}|^2 f_\lambda(|\bar{k}|^2 - k_0^2 + q_-(\lambda))^2 F_1(\lambda) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{Q(\lambda)} G_j(\lambda)^*|\bar{k}|^2 f_\lambda(|\bar{k}|^2 - \omega_j^2(\lambda))^2 G_j(\lambda)). \end{aligned}$$

Then there exists a positive constant C which is independent of λ such that

$$(2.1) \quad f_\lambda(L_0(\lambda))i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]^0 f_\lambda(L_0(\lambda)) \geq C\lambda f_\lambda(L_0(\lambda))^2$$

in the form sense.

§3 Proof of Proposition 1.2.

Proposition 1.2 follows from lemmas in this section. But we omit the proof of lemmas and give only a comment of the proof.

We can prove the following lemmas in the same way as in the proof of Lemma 2.5 of Weder [7].

Lemma 3.1. *Let $f \in C_0^\infty(\mathbf{R})$. Then*

- (i) $f(L_0(\lambda))$ sends $D(D(\lambda))$ into $D(D(\lambda))$.
- (ii) $[f(L_0(\lambda)), D(\lambda)]$ defined as operator on $D(D(\lambda))$ is extended to a bounded operator on $L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ which is denoted by $[f(L_0(\lambda)), D(\lambda)]^0$.

It follows from (2.1) that $M_0(\lambda)$ is non-negative and hence we define an operator, $G_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda)$, on $L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ by

$$(3.1) \quad G_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda) = (L_0(\lambda) - \lambda c_+^{-2} - i\kappa a_0^{-2}(z) - i\epsilon M_0(\lambda))^{-1}$$

for $\kappa > 0$ and $\epsilon > 0$. Using (2.1), we can prove the following lemma (for detail, see that of Lemma 5.3 of Kikuchi-Tamura [3]).

Lemma 3.2. *For $\epsilon > 0$, as $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$, one has*

$$\|G_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda)\| = \epsilon^{-1}O(\lambda^{-1}), \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty)$$

uniformly in $\kappa > 0$.

We write

$$F_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda) = \lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda) G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}} \epsilon; \lambda) Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda),$$

where $Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda) = (\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} + |D(\lambda)|)^{-\alpha} (\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} + \epsilon |D(\lambda)|)^{\alpha-1}$.

This is due to Yafaev [8]. But we do not use the scaling argument for λ (cf. (3.1)).

Let $g_\lambda(p) = 1 - f_\lambda(p)$. We write in brief f_λ and g_λ for $f_\lambda(L_0(\lambda))$ and $g_\lambda(L_0(\lambda))$ respectively.

Noting that

$$G_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda)D(D(\lambda)) \subset D(D(\lambda)) \cap H^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$$

(cf. Kadowaki [2]), we decompose $(d/d\epsilon)F_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda)$ as a form on $L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$

$$(3.2) \quad (d/d\epsilon)F_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda) = \sum_{j=1}^8 Y_\kappa^j(\epsilon; \lambda),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} Y_\kappa^1 &= iZ_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)g_\lambda[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]^0 f_\lambda G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda), \\ Y_\kappa^2 &= iZ_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)g_\lambda[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]^0 g_\lambda G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda), \\ Y_\kappa^3 &= iZ_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)f_\lambda[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]^0 g_\lambda G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda), \\ Y_\kappa^4 &= -iZ_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)\{D(\lambda)G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda) + G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)D(\lambda)\}Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda) \\ Y_\kappa^5 &= \kappa Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)[a_0(z)^{-2}, D(\lambda)]G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda), \\ Y_\kappa^6 &= \epsilon Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)[M_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda), \\ Y_\kappa^7 &= \lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\left\{\frac{d}{d\epsilon}Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)\right\}G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda), \\ Y_\kappa^8 &= \lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)\frac{d}{d\epsilon}Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda). \end{aligned}$$

We need the following lemmas (Lemma 3.3~Lemma 3.5) to estimate each term of the right side of (3.2).

Note that there is $c_0, c_0 > 0$ such that $(L_0(\lambda) + c_0\lambda)^{-1}$ exists.

Lemma 3.3. *As $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$, one has :*

- (i) $\|g_\lambda G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)\| = O(\lambda^{-1})$,
 - (ii) $\|(L_0(\lambda) + c_0\lambda)^{1/2}f_\lambda G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)\| = \epsilon^{-1/2}\|F_\kappa\|^{1/2}O(1)$,
 - (iii) $\|(L_0(\lambda) + c_0\lambda)^{1/2}g_\lambda G_\kappa(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon; \lambda)Z_\alpha(\epsilon, \lambda)\| = O(\lambda^{-1})$,
 - (iv) $\|F_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda)\| = \epsilon^{-1}O(\lambda^{-1})$,
- uniformly in $\kappa > 0$.

For a proof of Lemma 3.5 (i), see that of Lemma 5.4 of Kikuchi-Tamura [3]. Also, for a proof of (ii) and (iii), see that of Lemma 5.5 of Kikuchi-Tamura [3]. (ii) and (iii) imply (iv).

Lemma 3.4. *Assume that $c_h < c_+ = c_-$. Then $[a_0^{-2}(z), D(\lambda)]$ defined as a form on $D(D(\lambda))$ is extended to a bounded operator from $H^1(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ to $H^{-1}(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ which is denoted by $[a_0^{-2}(z), D(\lambda)]^0$. Moreover we have*

$$\begin{aligned} & i[a_0^{-2}(z), D(\lambda)]^0 \\ &= (c_h^{-2} - 1)((n-1)\chi_{0 < z < h}(z) - (\partial_{k_0}F_0(\lambda)\chi_{0 < z < h}(z))^*k_0F_0(\lambda) \\ & \quad - (k_0F_0(\lambda))^*\partial_{k_0}F_0(\lambda)\chi_{0 < z < h}(z) + F_0(\lambda)^*F_0(\lambda)) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|(L_0(\lambda) + c_0\lambda)^{-1/2}i[a_0^{-2}(z), D(\lambda)]^0(L_0(\lambda) + c_0\lambda)^{-1/2}\| = O(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty).$$

proof. Noting that the representation of $F_0(\lambda)$, we show this lemma by straightforward calculation (cf. Kadowaki [2]).

Using Lemma 3.1 and the representation of $i[L_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]^0$ we show the following lemma.

Lemma 3.5. *As $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$, one has :*

$$\|[M_0(\lambda), D(\lambda)]^0\| = O(\lambda).$$

Using Lemma 3.2 ~ 3.5, we can evaluate the norm of Y_κ^j , $1 \leq j \leq 8$ (see Kikuchi-Tamura [3]). Thus we obtain the following differential inequality :

$$(3.3) \quad \|(d/d\epsilon)F_\kappa(\epsilon; \lambda)\| \leq C(\lambda^{-1}\epsilon^{\alpha-1} + \lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}\epsilon^{\alpha-\frac{3}{2}}\|F_\kappa\|^{1/2} + \|F_\kappa\|)$$

It follows from Lemma 3.3(iv) and (3.3) that

$$(3.4) \quad \|(\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} + |D(\lambda)|)^{-\alpha} G_\kappa(0; \lambda) (\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} + |D(\lambda)|)^{-\alpha}\| = O(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}-\alpha}), \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty),$$

uniformly in $\kappa > 0$.

Noting Lemma 3.1 we rewrite $D(\lambda)f_\lambda X_1$ as

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{i}(f_\lambda \nabla_y \cdot y X_1 + \frac{n-1}{2} f_\lambda X_1) \\ & - \frac{1}{i}(f_\lambda F_0(\lambda)^* k_0 \partial_{k_0} F_0(\lambda) X_1 + \frac{1}{2} f_\lambda F_0(\lambda)^* F_0(\lambda) X_1) \\ & + [D(\lambda), f_\lambda]^0 X_1. \end{aligned}$$

We can show that

$$(3.6) \quad \|[D(\lambda), f_\lambda]^0\| = O(1), \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty),$$

(for proof, see that of Lemma 5.6 of Kikuchi-Tamura [3]).

By straightforward calculation we can show next lemma.

Lemma 3.6. *As $\lambda \rightarrow \infty$, one has :*

$$\|f_\lambda F_0(\lambda)^* k_0 \partial_{k_0} F_0(\lambda) X_1\| = O(\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}})$$

It follows from (3.5), (3.6) and Lemma 3.8 that

$$\|D(\lambda)f_\lambda X_1\| = O(\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}}) \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty).$$

Thus we obtain by interpolation

$$(3.) \quad \|(\lambda^{\frac{1}{2}} + |D(\lambda)|)^\alpha f_\lambda X_\alpha\| = O(\lambda^{\frac{\alpha}{2}}) \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty).$$

Note that

$$\|g_\lambda G_\kappa(0; \lambda)\| = O(\lambda^{-1}) \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty).$$

(3.4) and (3.7) imply that

$$\|X_\alpha G_\kappa(0; \lambda) X_\alpha\| = O(\lambda^{-\frac{1}{2}}) \quad (\lambda \rightarrow \infty).$$

Now the proof of Proposition 1.2 is complete.

Appendix.

In this Appendix we state the generalized Fourier transform of $L_0(\lambda)$ established by Weder (cf. Weder [6]).

For $\lambda \gg 1$ large enough, we consider the following operator :

$$\begin{cases} h(\lambda) = -\frac{d^2}{dz^2} - \lambda(a_0^{-2}(z) - c_+^{-2}), \\ D(h(\lambda)) = H^2(\mathbf{R}_z). \end{cases}$$

This is the self-adjoint operator in $L^2(\mathbf{R}_z)$.

$h(\lambda)$ has finite number $Q(\lambda) \in \mathbf{N}$, of eigenvalues, $-\omega_j^2(\lambda)$, $0 < \omega_j^2(\lambda) < q_h(\lambda) = \lambda(c_h^{-2} - c_+^{-2})$, $1 \leq j \leq Q(\lambda)$, of multiplicity one. There exist $F_0(\lambda)$, $F_1(\lambda)$ and $G_j(\lambda)$ ($j = 1, 2, 3 \dots Q(\lambda)$) which are partially isometric operators from $L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ onto $L^2(\mathbf{R}_k^n)$, $L^2(\Omega_0)$ and $L^2(\mathbf{R}_k^{n-1})$ respectively, where $\Omega_0 = \{k \in \mathbf{R}^n; 0 < k_0 < \sqrt{q_-(\lambda)} = \sqrt{\lambda(c_+^{-2} - c_-^{-2})}\}$. Defining the operator $F(\lambda)$ as

$$F(\lambda)u = (F_0(\lambda)u, F_1(\lambda)u, G_1(\lambda)u, G_2(\lambda)u, G_3(\lambda)u \dots G_{Q(\lambda)}u(\lambda))$$

for $u \in L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$, we have

Lemma A. $F(\lambda)$ is unitary operator from $L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$ onto

$$\hat{\mathcal{H}} = L^2(\mathbf{R}_k^n) \bigoplus L^2(\Omega_0) \bigoplus_{j=1}^{Q(\lambda)} L^2(\mathbf{R}_k^{n-1})$$

and for every $u \in D(L_0(\lambda)) = H^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n)$

$$\begin{aligned} F(\lambda)L_0(\lambda)u = & ((|k|^2 + q_-(\lambda))F_0(\lambda)u, (|\bar{k}|^2 - k_0^2 + q_-(\lambda))F_1(\lambda)u, \\ & (|\bar{k}|^2 - \omega_1^2(\lambda))G_1(\lambda)u, (|\bar{k}|^2 - \omega_2^2(\lambda))G_2(\lambda)u, \dots, \\ & (|\bar{k}|^2 - \omega_{Q(\lambda)}^2(\lambda))G_{Q(\lambda)}(\lambda)u). \end{aligned}$$

For the proof, see Weder [6].

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