

Lower Bounds for Order of Decay or of Growth Time for Solutions to Linear and Non-linear Schrödinger Equations

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Abstract

We study lower bounds of decay (or of growth) order in time for solutions to the Cauchy problem for the Schrödinger equation:

$$\begin{aligned}i\partial_t u &= -\Delta u + f(u), \quad (t, x) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^n \quad (n \geq 1), \\ u(0) &= \phi, \quad x \in \mathbf{R}^n,\end{aligned}$$

where f is a linear or non-linear complex-valued function.

Under some conditions on f and ϕ , it is shown that every nontrivial solution u has the estimate

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |t|^{n/2 - n/q} \|u(t)\|_{L^q(|x| < k|t|)} > 0$$

for sufficiently large $k > 0$ and for any $q \in [2, \infty]$.

In the previous work [12] of the first named author, we imposed on the assumption that u is *asymptotically free*. In this article, however, we shall show the assumption is, in fact, irrelevant to the results.

§ 1. Introduction

In this paper we consider the asymptotic behavior in time of solutions to the equation:

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{cases} i\partial_t u = -\Delta u + f(u), & (t, x) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^n \quad (n \geq 1), \\ u(0) = \phi \neq 0, & x \in \mathbf{R}^n, \end{cases}$$

where f describes a linear or non-linear perturbation and ϕ is a given initial data.

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More precisely, we deal with the following three types of equations.

- (1) Non-linear Schrödinger equation with power interaction:

$$i\partial_t u = -\Delta u + \lambda |u|^{p-1} u,$$

where $\lambda > 0$ and $1 < p < \alpha(n)$ with $\alpha(n) = \infty$ ($n=1, 2$), $\alpha(n) = (n+2)/(n-2)$ ($n \geq 3$).

- (2) Non-linear Schrödinger equation with non-local interaction:

$$i\partial_t u = -\Delta u + (V * |u|^2)u,$$

where $V = V(x) = \lambda |x|^{-\gamma}$ with $\lambda > 0$ and $0 < \gamma < \min(4, n)$.

- (3) Linear Schrödinger equation with long-range perturbation:

$$i\partial_t u = Hu, \quad H = H_0 + V,$$

where H_0 is the self-adjoint realization of $-\Delta$ in the Hilbert space $L^2 = L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and the long-range perturbation V is assumed to satisfy some conditions specified later.

Concerning the asymptotic behavior in time of a solution u for (1.1), it is possible to distinguish between the following two cases (a) and (b) in the category of L^2 -scattering theories.

- (a) There exist some (or equivalently, unique) states $u_{\pm} \in L^2$ such that

$$(1.2) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \|u(t) - e^{-itH_0} u_{\pm}\|_{L^2} = 0,$$

where $\{e^{-itH_0}; t \in \mathbb{R}\}$ is the free Schrödinger evolution group. In this case, we call a solution u asymptotically free.

- (b) There do not exist any states $u_{\pm} \in L^2$ satisfying (1.2).

In the case (a), it has been proved in [1] that every non-trivial solution u has the estimate

$$(1.3) \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |t|^{n/2 - n/q} \|u(t)\|_{L^q(k' < |x| < k|t|)} > 0$$

for some $0 < k' < k$ and for any $q \in [2, \infty]$. In view of the proof, it is clear that k and k' in (1.3) depend on the momentum support of u_{\pm} , i.e., the support of the Fourier transform. Therefore, the argument in [12] only gives rather implicit relations between the pair (k', k) and the initial data ϕ .

We now state our main purpose in this paper, which is twofold.

One is to obtain similar lower-bound estimates as in (1.3) even when (1.2)

do not hold. To be more specific, we show that the following estimate slightly weaker than (1.3)

$$(1.4) \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |t|^{n/2-n/q} \|u(t)\|_{L^q(|x|<k|t|)} > 0$$

holds for non-trivial solutions to the equations (1)–(3).

The other is to give explicit lower bounds of k in (1.4) in terms of the given initial data ϕ .

As corollaries to main theorems proved in this paper, we see that L^p -decay or growth estimates obtained by many peoples (see [1], [3], [4], [7], [8], [10] and [11]) are optimal.

Finally we list some notations which will be used in the sequel.

Σ denotes the Hilbert space

$$\Sigma = \{u \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^n); \partial_j u, x_j u \in L^2(\mathbf{R}^n) \quad (j = 1, \dots, n)\}$$

with the norm

$$\|u\|_{\Sigma} = (\|u\|_2^2 + \sum_{j=1}^n \|\partial_j u\|_2^2 + \sum_{j=1}^n \|x_j u\|_2^2)^{1/2}.$$

$\|\cdot\|_p$ denotes the usual $L^p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ -norm and (\cdot, \cdot) denotes the $L^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$ -scalar product. $H^1(\mathbf{R}^n)$ denotes the usual Sobolev space of order one. For an interval $I \subset \mathbf{R}$ and a Banach space E , $C(I; E)$ denotes the space consisting of E -valued continuous functions on I and $\|\cdot\|_{\mathcal{L}(E)}$ denotes the operator norm on the space of all bounded linear maps from E into E . For a self-adjoint operator H in the Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbf{R}^n)$, $\mathcal{A}_{\text{cont}}(H)$ denotes the continuous spectral subspace of H . $-iV$ and x also denote the momentum operator and the position operator acting on the Hilbert space $L^2(\mathbf{R}^n) \otimes \mathbf{C}^n$, respectively. Different positive constants might be denoted by the same letter C , if necessary, by $C(*, \dots, *)$ in order to indicate constants depending only on the quantities appearing in parentheses.

§ 2. Non-linear Schrödinger Equations with Power Interaction

In this section we consider the equation of the form:

$$(2.1) \quad \begin{cases} i\partial_t u = -\Delta u + |u|^{p-1}u, & (t, x) \in \mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^n \quad (n \geq 1), \\ u(0) = \phi, & x \in \mathbf{R}^n, \end{cases}$$

where $1 < p < \alpha(n)$. By a mild solution of (2.1), we mean a function $u \in C(\mathbf{R}; L^2)$ satisfying the integral equation

$$(2.2) \quad u(t) = e^{-itH_0} \phi - i \int_0^t e^{-i(t-\tau)H_0} (|u(\tau)|^{p-1} u(\tau)) d\tau \quad \text{in } L^2$$

for any $t \in \mathbb{R}$. We summarize the results concerning mild solutions of (2.1).

Lemma 1. *Let $\phi \in \Sigma$. Then there exists a unique mild solution $u \in C(\mathbb{R}; \Sigma)$ of (2.1) satisfying*

$$(2.3) \quad \|u(t)\|_2 = \|\phi\|_2$$

and

$$(2.4) \quad \|\nabla u(t)\|_2^2 + \frac{2}{p+1} \|u(t)\|_{p+1}^{p+1} = \|\nabla \phi\|_2^2 + \frac{2}{p+1} \|\phi\|_{p+1}^{p+1}$$

for $t \in \mathbb{R}$. Furthermore, u satisfies

$$(2.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \|(x + 2it\nabla)u(t)\|_2^2 + \frac{8}{p+1} t^2 \|u(t)\|_{p+1}^{p+1} \\ = \|(x + 2is\nabla)u(s)\|_2^2 + \frac{8}{p+1} s^2 \|u(s)\|_{p+1}^{p+1} \\ + \frac{4(n+4-np)}{p+1} \int_s^t \tau \|u(\tau)\|_{p+1}^{p+1} d\tau, \quad t, s \in \mathbb{R}, \end{aligned}$$

$$(2.6) \quad \|u(t)\|_{p+1} \leq C(n, p, \|\phi\|_\Sigma) \cdot (1 + |t|)^{-\theta(p)}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

and

$$(2.7) \quad \|(x + 2it\nabla)u(t)\|_2 \leq C(n, p, \|\phi\|_\Sigma) \cdot (1 + |t|)^{a(p)}, \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

where $\theta(p) = n(p-1)/2(p+1)$ and $a(p) = 1 - n(p-1)/4$ if $1 < p \leq r(n) = (n+2 + (n^2 + 12n + 4)^{1/2})/2n$, $a(p) = 0$ if $r(n) < p < \alpha(n)$.

For Lemma 1, see, e.g., [1], [3] and [15].

We now have:

Theorem 1. *Let $\phi \in \Sigma \setminus \{0\}$ and let $u \in C(\mathbb{R}; \Sigma)$ be the solution given by Lemma 1. Then for any*

$$(2.8) \quad k > k_0 = 2 \left(\|\nabla \phi\|_2^2 + \frac{2}{p+1} \|\phi\|_{p+1}^{p+1} \right)^{1/2} / \|\phi\|_2,$$

we have

$$(2.9) \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \int_{|x| < k|t|} |u(t, x)|^2 dx > 0.$$

Proof. We assume

$$(2.10) \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x| < kt} |u(t, x)|^2 dx = 0$$

for some $k > k_0$ and we deduce a contradiction. From the assumption (2.10), there exist a sequence $\{t_j; j \geq 1\}$ in \mathbf{R} such that $0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_j \uparrow \infty$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$(2.11) \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x| < kt_j} |u(t_j, x)|^2 dx = 0.$$

(2.7) and (2.11) give

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{|x| < kt_j} |\nabla u(t_j, x)|^2 dx \\ & \leq 2 \int_{|x| < kt_j} \left| \frac{x}{2it_j} u(t_j, x) \right|^2 dx + 2 \int_{|x| < kt_j} \left| \left(\frac{x}{2it_j} + \nabla \right) u(t_j, x) \right|^2 dx \\ & \leq \frac{k^2}{2} \int_{|x| < kt_j} |u(t_j, x)|^2 dx + 2 \left\| \left(\frac{x}{2it_j} + \nabla \right) u(t_j) \right\|_2^2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (j \rightarrow \infty), \end{aligned}$$

from which we get

$$\begin{aligned} (2.12) \quad & \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x| > kt_j} |\nabla u(t_j, x)|^2 dx \\ & =: \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \|\nabla u(t_j)\|_2^2 \\ & = \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \left(\|\nabla \phi\|_2^2 + \frac{2}{p+1} \|\phi\|_{p+1}^{p+1} - \frac{2}{p+1} \|u(t_j)\|_{p+1}^{p+1} \right) \\ & = \|\nabla \phi\|_2^2 + \frac{2}{p+1} \|\phi\|_{p+1}^{p+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Here we have used (2.4) and (2.6). Similarly, by (2.3) and (2.11) we have

$$(2.13) \quad \lim_{j \rightarrow \infty} \int_{|x| > kt_j} |u(t_j, x)|^2 dx = \|\phi\|_2^2.$$

A simple calculation leads to

$$\begin{aligned} (2.14) \quad & \left(\int_{|x| > kt_j} |\nabla u(t_j, x)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2} \\ & \geq \frac{k}{2} \left(\int_{|x| > kt_j} |u(t_j, x)|^2 dx \right)^{1/2} - \left\| \left(\frac{x}{2it_j} + \nabla \right) u(t_j) \right\|_2. \end{aligned}$$

We take the limit $j \rightarrow \infty$ in (2.14) and apply (2.12)–(2.13) to (2.14) to conclude

$$\left(\|\nabla \phi\|_2^2 + \frac{2}{p+1} \|\phi\|_{p+1}^{p+1} \right)^{1/2} \geq \frac{k}{2} \|\phi\|_2.$$

This contradicts the fact that $k > k_0$.

The case $t < 0$ can be treated similarly.

Q.E.D.

Remark 1. (2.9) gives a propagation property of quantum particles obeying non-linear Schrödinger equations with power interaction. We also have from (2.6) that for any $R > 0$,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \int_{|x| < R} |u(t, x)|^2 dx = 0.$$

Compare (2.9).

Corollary 1. *Under the assumptions of Theorem 1, the unique mild solution $u \in C(\mathbb{R}; \Sigma)$ has the estimate*

$$(2.15) \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |t|^{n/2-n/q} \|u(t)\|_{L^q(|x| < k|t|)} > 0$$

for any $k > k_0$ and $q \in [2, \infty]$.

Proof. (2.15) is an easy consequence of (2.9) and the Hölder inequality.

Q.E.D.

Remark 2. Lower-bound estimates for the case $1 + 2/n < p < \alpha(n)$ have been obtained in [12].

§ 3. Non-linear Schrödinger Equations with Non-local Interaction

This section deals with the following Hartree type equation:

$$(3.1) \quad \begin{cases} i\partial_t u = -\Delta u + (V * |u|^2)u, & (t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n \quad (n \geq 1), \\ u(0) = \phi, & x \in \mathbb{R}^n, \end{cases}$$

where $V = V(x) = |x|^{-\gamma}$ with $0 < \gamma < \min(4, n)$.

By a mild solution of (3.1), we mean a function $u \in C(\mathbb{R}; L^2)$ satisfying the integral equation in L^2 associated with (3.1).

We state the results corresponding to Lemma 1.

Lemma 2. *Let $\phi \in \Sigma$. Then, there exists a unique mild solution $u \in C(\mathbb{R}; \Sigma)$ of (3.1) satisfying*

$$(3.2) \quad \|u(t)\|_2 = \|\phi\|_2$$

and

$$(3.3) \quad \|\nabla u(t)\|_2^2 + P(u(t)) = \|\nabla \phi\|_2^2 + P(\phi)$$

for $t \in \mathbb{R}$, where

$$(3.4) \quad P(\phi) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} \frac{|\phi(x)|^2 |\phi(y)|^2}{|x-y|^\gamma} dx dy .$$

Furthermore, u satisfies

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \| (x+2it\mathcal{V})u(t) \|_2^2 + 4t^2 P(u(t)) \\ &= \| (x+2is\mathcal{V})u(s) \|_2^2 + 4s^2 P(u(s)) \\ & \quad + 4(2-\gamma) \int_s^t \tau P(u(\tau)) d\tau, \quad t, s \in \mathbf{R}, \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.6) \quad P(u(t)) \leq C(n, \gamma, \|\phi\|_{\mathbf{2}}) \cdot (1+|t|)^{-\gamma}, \quad t \in \mathbf{R},$$

and

$$(3.7) \quad \| (x+2it\mathcal{V})u(t) \|_2 \leq C(n, \gamma, \|\phi\|_{\mathbf{2}}) \cdot (1+|t|)^{b(\gamma)}, \quad t \in \mathbf{R},$$

where $b(\gamma) = 1-\gamma/2$, if $0 < \gamma \leq 4/3$ ($n \geq 2$) or $0 < \gamma < 1$ ($n=1$), and $b(\gamma) = 0$ if $4/3 < \gamma < \min(4, n)$ ($n \geq 2$).

Proof. For the case $4/3 < \gamma < \min(4, n)$, see [4], [5] and [8]. For the cases $0 < \gamma \leq 4/3$ ($n \geq 2$) and $0 < \gamma < 1$ ($n=1$), see Appendix in § 5. Q.E.D.

Since we have Lemma 2, in the same way as in the proof of Theorem 1 we obtain:

Theorem 2. *Let $\phi \in \Sigma \setminus \{0\}$ and let $u \in C(\mathbf{R}; \Sigma)$ be the solution given by Lemma 2. Then for any*

$$k > k_1 = 2(\|\mathcal{V}\phi\|_2^2 + P(\phi))^{1/2} / \|\phi\|_2,$$

we have

$$(3.8) \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \int_{|x| < k|t|} |u(t, x)|^2 dx > 0 .$$

Remark 3. When $n=3$ and $\gamma=1$, Glassey [6] has proved that for any $R > 0$,

$$(3.9) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \int_{|x| < R} |u(t, x)|^2 dx = 0 .$$

Since we easily obtain L^p -decay ($2 < p < \alpha(n)+1$) estimates by applying the Gagliardo-Nirenberg inequality to (3.7), we find that (3.9) holds when $n \geq 1$ and $0 < \gamma < \min(4, n)$.

Corollary 2. *Under the assumptions of Theorem 2, the unique mild solution $u \in C(\mathbf{R}; \Sigma)$ has the estimate*

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |t|^{n/2-n/q} \|u(t)\|_{L^q(|x| < k|t|)} > 0$$

for any $k > k_1$ and $q \in [2, \infty]$.

Remark 4. From the Theorem 3.1 in [8] and the same argument as in [12], we have the following assertion:

Suppose $n \geq 2$ and $1 < r < \min(4, n)$. Assume $\phi \in \Sigma^1 \setminus \{0\}$. Let $u \in C(\mathbb{R}; \Sigma^1)$ be the solution given by Lemma 2. Then there exist $0 < k' < k$ satisfying

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \int_{k'|t| < |x| < k|t|} |u(t, x)|^2 dx > 0$$

and

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |t|^{n/2-n/q} \|u(t)\|_{L^q(k'|t| < |x| < k|t|)} > 0$$

for any $q \in [2, \infty]$.

Corollary 3. Under the assumptions of Theorem 2, $P(u(t))$ has the estimate

$$(3.10) \quad \liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |t|^\gamma P(u(t)) > 0.$$

Proof. We first prove (3.10) in the case $1 \leq r < \min(4, n)$. Let $k > k_1$. Then, $|x|, |y| < k|t|$ implies $|x - y|^\gamma < (2k|t|)^\gamma$. Consequently,

$$P(u(t)) \geq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2k|t|} \right)^\gamma \left(\int_{|x| < k|t|} |u(t, x)|^2 dx \right)^2$$

from which (3.10) follows.

We next assume $0 < r < 1$. Let $k > 2k_1$ and $k|t| > 1$. We estimate $P(u(t))$ from below as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} P(u(t)) &\geq \frac{1}{2} \iint_{1 < |x-y| < k|t|} \frac{|u(t, x)|^2 |u(t, y)|^2}{|x-y|^\gamma} dx dy \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2} \iint_{|x-y| < 1} \frac{|u(t, x)|^2 |u(t, y)|^2}{|x-y|^\gamma} dx dy \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{k|t|} \right)^\gamma \iint_{|x-y| < k|t|} |u(t, x)|^2 |u(t, y)|^2 dx dy \\ &\geq \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{k|t|} \right)^\gamma \left(\int_{|x| < k|t|/2} |u(t, x)|^2 dx \right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Since $k/2 > k_1$, we obtain (3.10) for $0 < r < 1$.

Q.E.D.

Remark 5. (3.6) and (3.10) completely characterize the large time behavior of the so-called *direct potential energy* $P(u(t))$.

§ 4. Linear Schrödinger Equations with Long-range Perturbation

In this section we freely use the operator theoretic language (see, e.g., [9] and [14]). We consider the symmetric form

$$(4.1) \quad h = h_0 + h_1 \text{ (as a form sum) ,}$$

where h_0 is defined as $h_0[\phi, \psi] = (\nabla\phi, \nabla\psi)$ with form domain $Q(h_0) = H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ and h_1 is assumed to be a closed symmetric form relatively bounded with h_0 -bounded less than one.

By the KLMN theorem [14] we see that h is a lower-semibounded closed symmetric form with domain $Q(h) = Q(h_0)$ and that h has a unique self-adjoint operator H with domain $D(H)$ satisfying

$$(4.2) \quad D(H) \subset Q(h)$$

and

$$(4.3) \quad \begin{aligned} (H\psi, \phi) &= h[\psi, \phi] \\ &= (\nabla\psi, \nabla\phi) + h_1[\psi, \phi], \quad \text{for } \psi \in D(H) \text{ and } \phi \in Q(h) . \end{aligned}$$

Moreover, for some $j > 0$,

$$(4.4) \quad Q(h) = D((H+j)^{1/2})$$

and

$$(4.5) \quad h[\psi, \phi] = ((H+j)^{1/2}\psi, (H+j)^{1/2}\phi) - j(\psi, \phi), \quad \psi, \phi \in Q(h) .$$

Thus, we conclude by the closed graph theorem that $(H_0+j)^{1/2}(H+j)^{-1/2}$ is a bounded operator defined on L^2 .

We need the following lemma.

Lemma 3. *Let H be as above. Then we have:*

- (1) e^{-itH} maps $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ into $H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ continuously and furthermore, there exists a constant $a > 0$ such that

$$\|e^{-itH}\phi\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq a\|\phi\|_{H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)}, \quad (t, \phi) \in \mathbb{R} \times H^1(\mathbb{R}^n) .$$

- (2) e^{-itH} maps Σ into Σ continuously and furthermore, there exists a constant $b > 0$ such that

$$\|e^{-itH}\phi\|_{\Sigma} \leq b(1 + |t|)\|\phi\|_{\Sigma}, \quad (t, \phi) \in \mathbb{R} \times \Sigma .$$

$$(3) \quad h[\phi, \phi] = h[e^{-itH} \phi, e^{-itH} \phi], \quad (t, \phi) \in \mathbb{R} \times H^1(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

Proof. (1) and (2) have been proved by Radin and Simon [13]. We prove (3). Let $\phi \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^n) = Q(h_0) = Q(h)$ and fix $t \in \mathbb{R}$. We set $R_\lambda = i\lambda(H+i\lambda)^{-1}$ for $\lambda > 0$. It follows that

$$R_\lambda e^{-itH} \phi, \quad R_\lambda \phi \in D(H)$$

and that

$$\begin{aligned} h[R_\lambda e^{-itH} \phi, R_\lambda e^{-itH} \phi] &= (HR_\lambda e^{-itH} \phi, R_\lambda e^{-itH} \phi) \\ &= (He^{-itH} R_\lambda \phi, e^{-itH} R_\lambda \phi) = (HR_\lambda \phi, R_\lambda \phi) \\ &= h[R_\lambda \phi, R_\lambda \phi]. \end{aligned}$$

Since h is a lower-semibounded closed form, we have the assertion if we prove that for any $\psi \in H^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$, $\{h[R_\lambda \psi, R_\lambda \psi]; \lambda > 0\}$ is a Cauchy sequence in \mathbb{R} . From the assumption on h_1 , it suffices to show

$$\|\mathcal{V}(R_\lambda \psi - R_\mu \psi)\|_2 \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } \lambda, \mu \rightarrow \infty.$$

We now do this. Let $j > 0$ be as in (4.4)–(4.5). Then,

$$\begin{aligned} &\|\mathcal{V}(R_\lambda \psi - R_\mu \psi)\|_2^2 \\ &= \|(H_0 + j)^{1/2}(R_\lambda \psi - R_\mu \psi)\|_2^2 - j\|R_\lambda \psi - R_\mu \psi\|_2^2 \\ &\leq \|(H_0 + j)^{1/2}(H + j)^{-1/2}\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^2)}^2 \cdot \|(H + j)^{1/2}(R_\lambda \psi - R_\mu \psi)\|_2^2 \\ &= \|(H_0 + j)^{1/2}(H + j)^{-1/2}\|_{\mathcal{L}(L^2)}^2 \cdot \|(R_\lambda - R_\mu)(H + j)^{1/2}\psi\|_2^2 \rightarrow 0 \\ &\hspace{15em} (\lambda, \mu \rightarrow \infty), \end{aligned}$$

which proves our claim. Q.E.D.

We now state the assumption on H .

(H) For any $\phi \in \Sigma \cap \mathcal{G}_{\text{cont}}(H)$, we have

$$(4.6) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \left\| \left(\frac{x}{2it} + \mathcal{V} \right) e^{-itH} \phi \right\|_2 = 0.$$

By virtue of Lemma 3, the conditions given by Enss [2] are sufficient for (4.6) to hold. They cover the case where h_1 is obtained by the following perturbation V :

V is decomposable as $V = V_s + V_l$, where V_s is a short-range potential and V_l is a multiplication operator by a continuously differentiable real-valued function V_l satisfying

$$V_l(x), x \cdot \nabla V_l(x) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } |x| \rightarrow +\infty.$$

Theorem 3. *Let H be as above. Assume that (H) holds. Let $\phi \in (\Sigma \cap \mathcal{A}_{\text{cont}}(H)) \setminus \{0\}$. Then for any*

$$k > k_2 := 2(h[\phi, \phi])^{1/2} / \|\phi\|_2,$$

we have

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} \int_{|x| < k|t|} |(e^{-itH}\phi)(x)|^2 dx > 0.$$

If in addition, there exist $t_0 > 0$ and $q \in [2, \infty]$ such that

$$e^{-itH}\phi \in L^q_{\text{loc}}(\mathbb{R}^n), \quad |t| \geq t_0,$$

then,

$$\liminf_{t \rightarrow \pm\infty} |t|^{n/2 - n/q} \|e^{-itH}\phi\|_{L^q(|x| < k|t|)} > 0.$$

Proof. Proof is immediate since we have Lemma 3–3) and (H). Q.E.D.

§ 5. Appendix

In this appendix, we prove Lemma 2 in the cases $0 < r \leq 4/3$ ($n \geq 2$) and $0 < r < 1$ ($n = 1$). For $T > 0$, we introduce the following Banach space B_T by

$$B_T = C([-T, T]; \Sigma) \text{ with the norm } \|u\|_{B_T} = \sup_{|t| \leq T} \|e^{itH_0}u(t)\|_{\Sigma}$$

and the closed ball $B_T(\rho)$ ($\rho > 0$) by

$$B_T(\rho) = \{u \in B_T; \|u\|_{B_T} \leq \rho\}.$$

Note that $\|\cdot\|_{B_T}$ is an equivalent norm to the usual norm on $C([-T, T]; \Sigma)$.

We are now in a position to complete the proof of Lemma 2.

Proof of Lemma 2 in the cases $0 < r \leq 4/3$ ($n \geq 2$) and $0 < r < 1$ ($n = 1$).

Let $w \in B_T(\rho)$. We define Sw by

$$(5.1) \quad (Sw)(t) = e^{-itH_0}\phi - i \int_0^t e^{-i(t-\tau)H_0}((V*|w|^2)w(\tau))d\tau, \quad |t| \leq T.$$

In the same way as in the proof of Theorem 4.1 in [8] we get

$$(5.2) \quad \|e^{i\tau H_0}((V*|w|^2)w(\tau))\|_{\Sigma} \leq C(n, r)g(\tau)\|e^{i\tau H_0}w(\tau)\|_{\Sigma}, \quad |\tau| \leq T,$$

where $g(\tau) = \|w(\tau)\|_r^2 + \|w(\tau)\|_{r+\epsilon}^2 + \|w(\tau)\|_{r-\epsilon}^2$ with sufficiently small $\epsilon > 0$ and $r = 2n/(n-r)$.

For $0 < r < \min(2, n)$, we have by the Gagliardo-Nirenberg inequality

$$(5.3) \quad \|w(t)\|_r \leq C(n, r) \|w(t)\|_2^{1-\gamma/2} \|\nabla w(t)\|_2^{\gamma/2},$$

and

$$(5.4)_\pm \quad \|w(t)\|_{r \pm \varepsilon} \leq C(n, r) \|w(t)\|_2^{1-\gamma(\pm\varepsilon)/2} \|\nabla w(t)\|_2^{\gamma(\pm\varepsilon)},$$

where

$$r(\pm\varepsilon) = \left(r \pm \frac{n}{2} \left(1 - \frac{r}{n} \right) \varepsilon \right) / \left(2 \pm \left(1 - \frac{r}{n} \right) \varepsilon \right).$$

(5.2)–(5.4)_± imply

$$(5.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|e^{itH_0}((V * |w|^2)w(\tau))\|_{\Sigma} \\ & \leq C(n, r) \rho^2 \cdot \sup_{|t| \leq T} \|e^{itH_0}w(\tau)\|_{\Sigma} \\ & \leq C(n, r) \rho^3, \quad t \in [-T, T], \end{aligned}$$

from which it follows that

$$Sw \in C([-T, T]; \Sigma)$$

and

$$(5.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|e^{itH_0}(Sw)(t)\|_{\Sigma} \\ & \leq \|\phi\|_{\Sigma} + \left\| \int_0^t e^{i\tau H_0}((V * |w|^2)w(\tau))d\tau \right\|_{\Sigma} \\ & \leq \|\phi\|_{\Sigma} + C(n, r) \rho^3 |t|, \quad t \in [-T, T]. \end{aligned}$$

This gives

$$(5.7) \quad \|Sw\|_{B_T} \leq \|\phi\|_{\Sigma} + C(n, r) \rho^3 T.$$

We also have for $w_1, w_2 \in B_T$ that

$$(5.8) \quad \|Sw_1 - Sw_2\|_{B_T} \leq C(n, r) \rho^2 T \|w_1 - w_2\|_{B_T}.$$

If ρ and T are chosen to satisfy

$$\rho \geq 2\|\phi\|_{\Sigma} \quad \text{and} \quad T \leq 1/(2C(n, r)\rho^2),$$

then (5.7) and (5.8) allows us to conclude that S is a contraction mapping from $B_T(\rho)$ into itself. This implies that there exists a unique mild solution $u \in B_T(\rho)$ for sufficiently small $T > 0$. Furthermore, along the line of the argument of Ginibre and Velo [4] it is easily verified that u satisfies (3.2), (3.3) and (3.5) for any $t, s \in [-T, T]$. Then, by virtue of (3.2), (3.3), (3.5) and the Gagliardo-Nirenberg inequality we have

$$(5.9) \quad \|u(t)\|_2, \|\nabla u(t)\|_2 \leq C(n, r, \|\phi\|_{\Sigma}),$$

and

$$(5.10) \quad \|xe^{itH_0}u(t)\|_2 \leq C(n, r, \|\phi\|_{\Sigma}) \cdot (1 + |t|)$$

for any $t \in [-T, T]$. From (5.9) and (5.10) it follows that for any $T > 0$ there exists a unique mild solution $u \in B_T$ of (3.1) satisfying (3.2) and (3.3) for any $t \in \mathbf{R}$ and that u satisfies (3.5) for any $t, s \in \mathbf{R}$. Therefore we have $u \in C(\mathbf{R}; \Sigma)$. In the same fashion as in the proof of (5.9) and (5.10) in [8], we observe that u satisfies (3.6) and (3.7) with $b(r)$ replaced by $1 - r/2$. This completes the proof. Q.E.D.

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