

AN APPROACH TO BACKWARD ERROR ANALYSIS FOR VARIATIONAL DISCRETISATIONS OF PDES

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1. INTRODUCTION OF COMPUTATIONAL EXAMPLE

Consider the nonlinear wave equation

$$u_{tt} - u_{xx} - V'(\|u\|^2)u = 0$$

and its discretisation by the 5-point stencil

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \frac{1}{\Delta t^2} (u(t - \Delta t, x) - 2u(t, x) + u(t + \Delta t, x)) \\ & - \frac{1}{\Delta x^2} (u(t, x - \Delta x) - 2u(t, x) + u(t, x + \Delta x)) \\ & - V'(\langle u(t, x), u(t, x) \rangle) u(t, x). \end{aligned}$$

Let h be a (formal) variable and consider

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & \frac{1}{h^2 \Delta t^2} (u(t - h\Delta t, x) - 2u(t, x) + u(t + h\Delta t, x)) \\ & - \frac{1}{h^2 \Delta x^2} (u(t, x - h\Delta x) - 2u(t, x) + u(t, x + h\Delta x)) \\ & - V'(\langle u(t, x), u(t, x) \rangle) u(t, x). \end{aligned}$$

The ansatz $u(t, x) = R(t)\phi(x - ct)$ with $R(t) = \exp(\alpha Jt)$ with

$$J = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

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yields

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{aligned} 0 = & \frac{1}{h^2 \Delta t^2} (R(-h\Delta t)\phi(\xi + ch\Delta t) - 2\phi(\xi) + R(h\Delta t)\phi(\xi - ch\Delta t)) \\ & - \frac{1}{h^2 \Delta x^2} (\phi(\xi + h\Delta x) - 2\phi(\xi) + \phi(\xi - h\Delta x)) \\ & - V'(\langle \phi(\xi), \phi(\xi) \rangle) \phi(\xi) \end{aligned}$$

with $\xi = x + ct$. A power series expansion around $h = 0$ and isolating $\ddot{\phi}(\xi)$ from the $\mathcal{O}(h^0)$ part yields

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{\phi}(\xi) = & \frac{(\alpha^2 + V'(\langle \phi(\xi), \phi(\xi) \rangle))\phi(\xi) + 2c\alpha J\dot{\phi}(\xi)}{c^2 - 1} \\ & + h^2 g_2(\phi^{(4)}(\xi), \dots, \dot{\phi}(\xi), \phi(\xi)) \\ & + h^4 g_4(\phi^{(6)}(\xi), \dots, \phi(\xi), \phi(\xi)) \\ & + \dots \end{aligned}$$

Substituting $\ddot{\phi}(\xi)$ and higher order derivatives of ϕ on the right hand side reduces the equation to a formal second order ODE

$$(1.2) \quad \ddot{\phi}(\xi) = \frac{(\alpha^2 + V'(\langle \phi(\xi), \phi(\xi) \rangle))\phi(\xi) + 2c\alpha J\dot{\phi}(\xi)}{c^2 - 1} + \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} h^{2j} \hat{g}_{2j}(\dot{\phi}(\xi), \phi(\xi)).$$

Assume that u is \mathbb{R}^2 -valued. The first component of $\hat{g}_2(\phi, \dot{\phi})$ is given as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{2\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_2 c^7}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_1 c^6}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1 V' c^6}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} - \frac{5\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_2 c^5}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha V' \dot{\phi}_2 c^5}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_1^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c^5}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} \\ & - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c^5}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1^2 V'' c^4}{2(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c^4}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1^3 \dot{\phi}_1^2 V^{(3)} c^4}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V^{(3)} c^4}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} \\ & - \frac{2\Delta t^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V^{(3)} c^4}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_2^2 V'' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{3\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_1 c^4}{4(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{5\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1 V' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1^3 V'' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} \\ & - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1 \phi_2^2 V'' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1^3 V' V'' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \phi_2^2 V' V'' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 V'^2 c^4}{12(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_2 c^3}{(c^2 - 1)^2} \\ & + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha V' \dot{\phi}_2 c^3}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{2\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_1 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 V'' c^3}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{2\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c^3}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{2\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_2 c^3}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} + \frac{5\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_1 c^2}{12(c^2 - 1)^2} \\ & + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1 V' c^2}{2(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_1 c^2}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1 V' c^2}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_2 c}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_2 c}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha V' \dot{\phi}_2 c}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} \\ & + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_1^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 V'^2}{12(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_1}{12(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_1}{12(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1 V'}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} \\ & + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1^3 V''}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1 \phi_2^2 V''}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1^2 V''}{2(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_2^2 V''}{6(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1^3 V' V''}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} \\ & + \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \phi_2^2 V' V''}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V''}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1^3 \dot{\phi}_1^2 V^{(3)}}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V^{(3)}}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} + \frac{2\Delta t^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V^{(3)}}{3(c^2 - 1)^2}. \end{aligned}$$

The second component of $\hat{g}_2(\phi, \dot{\phi})$ is given as

$$\begin{aligned} & - \frac{2\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_1 c^7}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_2 c^6}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_2 V' c^6}{3(c^2 - 1)^4} + \frac{5\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_1 c^5}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha V' \dot{\phi}_1 c^5}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_1^2 \dot{\phi}_1 V'' c^5}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} \\ & + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_1 V'' c^5}{3(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_2^2 V'' c^4}{2(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c^4}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_2^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V^{(3)} c^4}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_2^3 \dot{\phi}_2 V^{(3)} c^4}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} \\ & - \frac{2\Delta t^2 \phi_1 \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V^{(3)} c^4}{3(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1^2 V'' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^2} - \frac{3\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_2 c^4}{4(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{5\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_2 V' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_2^3 V'' c^4}{6(c^2 - 1)^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -\frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \dot{\phi}_1^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c^4}{6(c^2-1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_2^3 V' V'' c^4}{6(c^2-1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_1^2 \dot{\phi}_2 V' V'' c^4}{6(c^2-1)^3} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \phi_2 V'^2 c^4}{12(c^2-1)^3} + \frac{2\Delta x^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_1 c^3}{3(c^2-1)^4} \\
& - \frac{4\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_1 c^3}{3(c^2-1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha V' \dot{\phi}_1 c^3}{3(c^2-1)^2} - \frac{2\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_1^2 \dot{\phi}_1 V'' c^3}{3(c^2-1)^2} - \frac{2\Delta t^2 \alpha \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \dot{\phi}_2 V'' c^3}{3(c^2-1)^2} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_2 c^2}{2(c^2-1)^2} \\
& + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^2 \phi_2 V' c^2}{2(c^2-1)^2} - \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha^4 \phi_2 c^2}{3(c^2-1)^4} - \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha^2 \phi_2 V' c^2}{3(c^2-1)^4} + \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_1 c}{3(c^2-1)} - \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha^3 \dot{\phi}_1 c}{3(c^2-1)^3} - \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha V' \dot{\phi}_1 c}{3(c^2-1)^3} \\
& - \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha \phi_1^2 \dot{\phi}_1 V'' c}{3(c^2-1)^3} - \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_1 V'' c}{3(c^2-1)^3} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \phi_2 V'^2}{12(c^2-1)^3} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha^4 \phi_2}{12(c^2-1)^3} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha^2 \phi_2 V'}{6(c^2-1)^3} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha^2 \phi_2^3 V''}{6(c^2-1)^3} \\
& + \frac{\Delta x^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1^2 V''}{6(c^2-1)^2} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_2^2 V''}{2(c^2-1)^2} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \alpha^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2 V''}{6(c^2-1)^3} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \phi_2^3 V' V''}{6(c^2-1)^3} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \phi_1^2 \phi_2 V' V''}{6(c^2-1)^3} \\
& + \frac{\Delta x^2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V''}{3(c^2-1)^2} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \phi_2^2 \phi_1^2 V^{(3)}}{3(c^2-1)^2} + \frac{\Delta x^2 \phi_2^3 \dot{\phi}_2^2 V^{(3)}}{3(c^2-1)^2} + \frac{2\Delta x^2 \phi_1 \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 V^{(3)}}{3(c^2-1)^2} - \frac{\Delta t^2 \alpha^4 \phi_2}{12(c^2-1)}.
\end{aligned}$$

In the above expressions, the potential V and its derivative are evaluated at $\|\phi\|^2 = \phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2$. Refer to the Mathematica Notebook files for higher order terms.

2. CASE $\alpha = 0$.

We consider the special case $\alpha = 0$. The ODE arises as the Euler-Lagrange equations of a first order Lagrangian. To compute the Lagrangian we make the ansatz

$$L(\phi, \dot{\phi}) = \frac{1}{2}(c^2 - 1)\langle \dot{\phi}, \dot{\phi} \rangle + W(\phi) + h^2 L^2(\phi, \dot{\phi}) + h^4 L^4(\phi, \dot{\phi}) + h^6 L^6(\phi, \dot{\phi}) + \mathcal{O}(h^8)$$

with $W(\phi) = \frac{1}{2}V(\|\phi\|^2)$. We obtain an ansatz for L^2 , L^4 , L^6 via bicoloured trees as described in the paper.

$$\begin{aligned}
L^2 = & a(2, 1) \left(\left(W^{(0,1)} \right)^2 + \left(W^{(1,0)} \right)^2 \right) \\
& + a(2, 2) \left(2W^{(1,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(2,0)} \left(\dot{\phi}_1 \right)^2 + W^{(0,2)} \left(\dot{\phi}_2 \right)^2 \right).
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
L^4 = & a(4, 1) \left(4W^{(3,1)} \left(\dot{\phi}_1 \right)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 + 6W^{(2,2)} \left(\dot{\phi}_1 \right)^2 \left(\dot{\phi}_2 \right)^2 \right. \\
& + 4W^{(1,3)} \dot{\phi}_1 \left(\dot{\phi}_2 \right)^3 + W^{(4,0)} \left(\dot{\phi}_1 \right)^4 + W^{(0,4)} \left(\dot{\phi}_2 \right)^4 \Big) \\
& + a(4, 2) \left(2W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + 2W^{(1,0)} W^{(2,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(2,1)} \left(\dot{\phi}_1 \right)^2 \right. \\
& + W^{(1,0)} W^{(3,0)} \left(\dot{\phi}_1 \right)^2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(0,3)} \left(\dot{\phi}_2 \right)^2 + W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,2)} \left(\dot{\phi}_2 \right)^2 \Big) \\
& + a(4, 3) \left(2W^{(1,1)} W^{(0,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + 2W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,0)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + \left(W^{(1,1)} \right)^2 \left(\dot{\phi}_1 \right)^2 \right. \\
& + \left(W^{(2,0)} \right)^2 \left(\dot{\phi}_1 \right)^2 + \left(W^{(0,2)} \right)^2 \left(\dot{\phi}_2 \right)^2 + \left(W^{(1,1)} \right)^2 \left(\dot{\phi}_2 \right)^2 \Big) \\
& + a(4, 4) \left(W^{(0,2)} \left(W^{(0,1)} \right)^2 + 2W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(0,1)} + \left(W^{(1,0)} \right)^2 W^{(2,0)} \right)
\end{aligned}$$

$$L^6 = a(6, 4) \left(\left(W^{(0,1)} \right)^2 \left(W^{(0,2)} \right)^2 + 2W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(0,2)} + \left(W^{(0,1)} \right)^2 \left(W^{(1,1)} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + (W^{(1,0)})^2 (W^{(1,1)})^2 + (W^{(1,0)})^2 (W^{(2,0)})^2 + 2W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,0)}) \\
& + a(6, 3) \left(2W^{(1,1)} (W^{(0,2)})^2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + 2W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,0)} W^{(0,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + 2(W^{(1,1)})^3 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \right. \\
& + 2W^{(1,1)} (W^{(2,0)})^2 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + (W^{(1,1)})^2 W^{(0,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + (W^{(2,0)})^3 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + 2(W^{(1,1)})^2 W^{(2,0)} \\
& (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + (W^{(0,2)})^3 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 2(W^{(1,1)})^2 W^{(0,2)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + (W^{(1,1)})^2 W^{(2,0)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \Big) \\
& + a(6, 10) \left(W^{(0,3)} (W^{(0,1)})^3 + 3W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,2)} (W^{(0,1)})^2 + 3(W^{(1,0)})^2 W^{(2,1)} W^{(0,1)} \right. \\
& + (W^{(1,0)})^3 + W^{(3,0)}) \Big) + a(6, 5) \left(2W^{(0,1)} W^{(0,2)} W^{(1,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + 2W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(1,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \right. \\
& + 2W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + 2W^{(1,0)} W^{(2,0)} W^{(2,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(0,2)} W^{(2,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 \\
& + W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(3,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + W^{(1,0)} W^{(2,0)} W^{(3,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 \\
& + W^{(0,1)} W^{(0,2)} W^{(0,3)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + W^{(0,3)} W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(1,2)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \\
& + W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,2)} W^{(2,0)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \Big) + a(6, 2) \left(W^{(0,1)} W^{(0,3)} W^{(1,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(0,2)} W^{(1,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \right. \\
& + W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(1,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,2)} W^{(2,0)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(0,2)} W^{(1,0)} W^{(2,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \\
& + W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(1,0)} W^{(2,0)} W^{(2,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(3,0)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \\
& + W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(1,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(2,0)} W^{(2,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 \\
& + W^{(1,0)} W^{(2,0)} W^{(3,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(0,2)} W^{(0,3)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + W^{(0,2)} W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,2)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \\
& + W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(1,2)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,1)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \Big) + a(6, 8) \left(4W^{(1,2)} W^{(2,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 \right. \\
& + 4W^{(2,1)} W^{(3,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 + 4(W^{(1,2)})^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 4(W^{(2,1)})^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \\
& + 2W^{(0,3)} W^{(2,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 2W^{(1,2)} W^{(3,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 4W^{(0,3)} W^{(1,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 \\
& + 4W^{(1,2)} W^{(2,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 + (W^{(2,1)})^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 + (W^{(3,0)})^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 + (W^{(0,3)})^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^4 \\
& + (W^{(1,2)})^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^4 \Big) + a(6, 6) \left(2(W^{(0,1)})^2 W^{(1,3)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + 4W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,0)} W^{(2,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \right. \\
& + 2(W^{(1,0)})^2 W^{(3,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 + (W^{(0,1)})^2 W^{(2,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + 2W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,0)} W^{(3,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 \\
& + (W^{(1,0)})^2 W^{(4,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + (W^{(0,1)})^2 W^{(0,4)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 2W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,3)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \\
& + (W^{(1,0)})^2 W^{(2,2)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \Big) + a(6, 7) \left(3W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(0,2)} W^{(3,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 \right. \\
& + 3W^{(2,0)} W^{(3,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 + W^{(1,1)} W^{(4,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 + 3W^{(1,1)} W^{(1,3)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \\
& + 3W^{(0,2)} W^{(2,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 3W^{(2,0)} W^{(2,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 3W^{(1,1)} W^{(3,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \\
& + W^{(0,4)} W^{(1,1)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 + 3W^{(0,2)} W^{(1,3)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 + W^{(1,3)} W^{(2,0)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 \\
& + 3W^{(1,1)} W^{(2,2)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 + W^{(1,1)} W^{(3,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 + W^{(2,0)} W^{(4,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 + W^{(0,2)} W^{(0,4)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^4 \\
& + W^{(1,1)} W^{(1,3)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^4 \Big) + a(6, 9) \left(4W^{(0,1)} W^{(3,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 + 4W^{(1,0)} W^{(4,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 \dot{\phi}_2 \right. \\
& + 6W^{(0,1)} W^{(2,3)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 6W^{(1,0)} W^{(3,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 + 4W^{(0,1)} W^{(1,4)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 \\
& + 4W^{(1,0)} W^{(2,3)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(4,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 + W^{(1,0)} W^{(5,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 + W^{(0,1)} W^{(0,5)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^4 \\
& + W^{(1,0)} W^{(1,4)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^4 \Big) + a(6, 1) \left(6W^{(5,1)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^5 \dot{\phi}_2 + 15W^{(4,2)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 \right. \\
& + 20W^{(3,3)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^3 (\dot{\phi}_2)^3 + 15W^{(2,4)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^4 + 6W^{(1,5)} \dot{\phi}_1 (\dot{\phi}_2)^5 + W^{(6,0)} (\dot{\phi}_1)^6 \\
& + W^{(0,6)} (\dot{\phi}_2)^6 \Big)
\end{aligned}$$

Equating coefficients and ignoring higher order terms we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
a(2, 1) &= \frac{c^4 \Delta t^2 - \Delta x^2}{24(c^2 - 1)^2} \\
a(2, 2) &= \frac{c^4 \Delta t^2 - \Delta x^2}{12(c^2 - 1)} \\
a(4, 1) &= \frac{-3\Delta t^4 c^8 - 2\Delta t^4 c^6 + 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 - 2\Delta x^4 c^2 - 3\Delta x^4}{2160(c^2 - 1)^2} \\
a(4, 2) &= \frac{-3\Delta t^4 c^8 - 2\Delta t^4 c^6 + 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 - 2\Delta x^4 c^2 - 3\Delta x^4}{360(c^2 - 1)^3} \\
a(4, 3) &= \frac{-2\Delta t^4 c^8 - 3\Delta t^4 c^6 + 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 - 3\Delta x^4 c^2 - 2\Delta x^4}{720(c^2 - 1)^3} \\
a(4, 4) &= \frac{-3\Delta t^4 c^8 - 2\Delta t^4 c^6 + 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 - 2\Delta x^4 c^2 - 3\Delta x^4}{720(c^2 - 1)^4} \\
a(6, 1) &= \frac{10\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 22\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 3\Delta t^6 c^8 - 77\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 28\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 28\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 3\Delta x^6 c^4 + 77\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 22\Delta x^6 c^2 - 10\Delta x^6}{302400(c^2 - 1)^3} \\
a(6, 2) &= \frac{10\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 22\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 3\Delta t^6 c^8 - 77\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 28\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 28\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 3\Delta x^6 c^4 + 77\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 22\Delta x^6 c^2 - 10\Delta x^6}{5040(c^2 - 1)^5} \\
a(6, 3) &= \frac{10\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 22\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 3\Delta t^6 c^8 - 77\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 28\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 28\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 3\Delta x^6 c^4 + 77\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 22\Delta x^6 c^2 - 10\Delta x^6}{30240(c^2 - 1)^5} \\
a(6, 4) &= \frac{72\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 94\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 9\Delta t^6 c^8 - 413\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 112\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 112\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 9\Delta x^6 c^4 + 413\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 94\Delta x^6 c^2 - 72\Delta x^6}{120960(c^2 - 1)^6} \\
a(6, 5) &= \frac{72\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 94\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 9\Delta t^6 c^8 - 413\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 112\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 112\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 9\Delta x^6 c^4 + 413\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 94\Delta x^6 c^2 - 72\Delta x^6}{60480(c^2 - 1)^5} \\
a(6, 6) &= \frac{10\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 22\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 3\Delta t^6 c^8 - 77\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 28\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 28\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 3\Delta x^6 c^4 + 77\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 22\Delta x^6 c^2 - 10\Delta x^6}{6720(c^2 - 1)^5} \\
a(6, 7) &= \frac{10\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 22\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 3\Delta t^6 c^8 - 77\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 28\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 28\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 3\Delta x^6 c^4 + 77\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 22\Delta x^6 c^2 - 10\Delta x^6}{15120(c^2 - 1)^4} \\
a(6, 8) &= \frac{72\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 94\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 9\Delta t^6 c^8 - 413\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 112\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 112\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 9\Delta x^6 c^4 + 413\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 94\Delta x^6 c^2 - 72\Delta x^6}{120960(c^2 - 1)^4} \\
a(6, 9) &= \frac{10\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 22\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 3\Delta t^6 c^8 - 77\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 28\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 28\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 3\Delta x^6 c^4 + 77\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 22\Delta x^6 c^2 - 10\Delta x^6}{20160(c^2 - 1)^4} \\
a(6, 10) &= \frac{10\Delta t^6 c^{12} + 22\Delta t^6 c^{10} + 3\Delta t^6 c^8 - 77\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 28\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 28\Delta t^4 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 3\Delta x^6 c^4 + 77\Delta t^2 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 22\Delta x^6 c^2 - 10\Delta x^6}{20160(c^2 - 1)^6}.
\end{aligned}$$

3. POLYNOMIAL POTENTIAL

Consider the potential

$$V(s) = v_0 + v_1 s + \frac{1}{2} v_2 s^2 + \frac{1}{6} v_3 s^3.$$

This time we compute the modified Lagrangian using a general polynomial ansatz for the special cases $\alpha = 0$, $c = 0$, and $\Delta x = c\Delta t$. We make the ansatz

$$L = L^0(\phi, \dot{\phi}) + h^2 L^2(\phi, \dot{\phi}) + \mathcal{O}(h^4),$$

where L^0 and L^2 are general order 10 polynomials in ϕ and $\dot{\phi}$. The modified equation (1.2) for $\ddot{\phi}$ for the potential V above is substituted into the Euler-Lagrange equations $\mathcal{E}(L) = 0$ for L (truncated after the h^2 -term), where \mathcal{E} is the Euler-Lagrange operator. Since the initial values $\phi(0), \dot{\phi}(0)$ can be chosen independently and $\mathcal{E}(L)$ truncated after $\mathcal{O}(h^2)$ is a multivariate polynomial in $h, \phi, \dot{\phi}$, we can equate each coefficient with zero and obtain an under-determined system of linear

equations. In the special cases $\alpha = 0$, $c = 0$ or $\Delta x = c\Delta t$ this system is solvable. In each case L^0 can be chosen as the exact Lagrangian

$$L^0(\phi, \dot{\phi}) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\alpha^2 \langle \phi, \phi \rangle - 2\alpha c \langle J\phi, \dot{\phi} \rangle + (c^2 - 1) \langle \dot{\phi}, \dot{\phi} \rangle + V(\langle \phi, \phi \rangle) \right).$$

For each case we report one admissible choice for L^2 below.

3.1. Non-rotating wave, $\alpha = 0$. In this case the wave is not rotating and the case is covered by the Lagrangian derived in the previous section. Using the polynomial ansatz, the term L^2 is given as

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{(c^4 \Delta t^2 - \Delta x^2)}{288(c^2 - 1)^2} \left(3 \left(v_3(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2) \left(4(c^2 - 1)(\phi_1^2(5\dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_2^2) \right. \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. \left. + 8\phi_2\phi_1\dot{\phi}_1\dot{\phi}_2 + \phi_2^2(\dot{\phi}_1^2 + 5\dot{\phi}_2^2) \right) + v_3(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2)^4 \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + 4v_2 \left(2(c^2 - 1)(\phi_1^2(3\dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_2^2) + 4\phi_2\phi_1\dot{\phi}_1\dot{\phi}_2 \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + \phi_2^2(\dot{\phi}_1^2 + 3\dot{\phi}_2^2) \right) + v_3(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2)^4 \right) + 4v_2^2(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2)^3 \Big) \\ & \quad \left. - 12v_1^2(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2) + 4v_1(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2)^2(2v_3(\phi_1^2 + \phi_2^2) + 3v_2) \right). \end{aligned}$$

The expression for L^2 does not happen to coincide with the terms obtained using a P -series type ansatz in the previous section. However, the Euler–Lagrange equations for both Lagrangians govern the modified, reduced ODE (1.2).

3.2. Standing wave $c = 0$. If the wave speed is zero, the functional equation (1.1) simplifies to

$$\begin{aligned} 0 = & -\frac{1}{\Delta x^2} \phi(\xi + \Delta x) + \left(\frac{2}{\Delta x^2} + \frac{2}{\Delta t^2} (\cos(\alpha \Delta t) - 1) \right) \phi(\xi) - \frac{1}{\Delta x^2} \phi(\xi - \Delta x) \\ & - V'(\|\phi\|^2) \phi. \end{aligned}$$

As this corresponds to a linear 3-step method, the underlying 1-step map is conjugate symplectic, i.e. symplectic with respect to a modified symplectic structure. Therefore, the reduced series expansion (1.2) is variational. The Lagrangian is given as $L = L^0 + h^2 L^2 + \mathcal{O}(h^4)$, where L^2 is given by the following expression.

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{288} \left(-3\phi_1^2 \left(4\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 - 4\alpha^4 \Delta x^2 \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + 8\Delta x^2 v_2 \left(\alpha^2 \phi_2^2 - 3\dot{\phi}_1^2 - \dot{\phi}_2^2 + 2v_3 \phi_2^6 \right) \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. + 8\alpha^2 \Delta x^2 v_3 \phi_2^4 + 8\Delta x^2 v_1 \left(-\alpha^2 + v_3 \phi_2^4 + v_2 \phi_2^2 \right) - 24\Delta x^2 v_3 \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_1^2 \right. \right. \\ & \quad \left. \left. - 24\Delta x^2 v_3 \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_2^2 + 5\Delta x^2 v_3^2 \phi_2^8 + 12\Delta x^2 v_2^2 \phi_2^4 - 4\Delta x^2 v_1^2 \right) \right. \\ & \quad \left. + \phi_2^2 \left(-12\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 + 12\alpha^4 \Delta x^2 \right. \right. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -12\Delta x^2 v_2 \left(\alpha^2 \phi_2^2 - 2\dot{\phi}_1^2 - 6\dot{\phi}_2^2 + v_3 \phi_2^6 \right) \\
& -8\alpha^2 \Delta x^2 v_3 \phi_2^4 + 4\Delta x^2 v_1 (6\alpha^2 - 2v_3 \phi_2^4 - 3v_2 \phi_2^2) + 12\Delta x^2 v_3 \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_1^2 \\
& + 60\Delta x^2 v_3 \phi_2^2 \dot{\phi}_2^2 - 3\Delta x^2 v_3^2 \phi_2^8 - 12\Delta x^2 v_2^2 \phi_2^4 + 12\Delta x^2 v_1^2 \Big) \\
& -6\Delta x^2 \phi_1^4 \left(v_3 (-2(5\dot{\phi}_1^2 + \dot{\phi}_2^2) + 4\phi_2^2 (\alpha^2 + v_1) + 5v_3 \phi_2^6) \right. \\
& + 2v_2 (\alpha^2 + 6v_3 \phi_2^4 + v_1) + 6v_2^2 \phi_2^2 \Big) - 2\Delta x^2 \phi_1^6 \left(v_3 (4\alpha^2 + 15v_3 \phi_2^4 + 4v_1) \right. \\
& + 24v_3 v_2 \phi_2^2 + 6v_2^2 \Big) + 96\Delta x^2 v_3 \phi_2 \phi_1^3 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 \\
& + 96\Delta x^2 \phi_2 \phi_1 \dot{\phi}_1 \dot{\phi}_2 (v_3 \phi_2^2 + v_2) - 3\Delta x^2 v_3^2 \phi_1^{10} \\
& \left. - 3\Delta x^2 v_3 \phi_1^8 (5v_3 \phi_2^2 + 4v_2) \right)
\end{aligned}$$

3.3. Special discretisation values, $\Delta x = c\Delta t$. In this case the stencil (1.1) only relates the three points $\phi(\xi)$, $\phi(\xi + \Delta x)$, $\phi(\xi - \Delta x)$ rather than 5 points. The second order term of the Lagrangian is given as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{\Delta t^2}{1440(c^2 - 1)^2} \left(15c^2(c^2 - 1)v_3^2 \phi_1(\xi)^{10} + 15c^2(c^2 - 1)v_3(5v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^2 + 4v_2)\phi_1(\xi)^8 \right. \\
& + 10c^2 \left(6(c^2 - 1)v_2^2 + 24(c^2 - 1)v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^2 v_2 + v_3 \left(15(c^2 - 1)v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^4 \right. \right. \\
& + 2(3c^2 - 5)\alpha^2 + 4(c^2 - 1)v_1 \Big) \Big) \phi_1(\xi)^6 + 30c^2 \left(6(c^2 - 1)v_2^2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 \right. \\
& + 2v_2 \left(6(c^2 - 1)v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^4 + 2(c^2 - 2)\alpha^2 + (c^2 - 1)v_1 \right) \\
& + v_3 \left(5(c^2 - 1)v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^6 + 2((3c^2 - 5)\alpha^2 + 2(c^2 - 1)v_1)\phi_2(\xi)^2 \right. \\
& \left. \left. - 24c(c^2 - 1)\alpha \dot{\phi}_1(\xi)\phi_2(\xi) + 2(c^2 - 1)^2(5\dot{\phi}_1(\xi)^2 + \dot{\phi}_2(\xi)^2) \right) \right) \phi_1(\xi)^4 \\
& + 480c^2(c^2 - 1)^2 v_3 \phi_2(\xi) \dot{\phi}_1(\xi) \dot{\phi}_2(\xi) \phi_1(\xi)^3 - 15 \left(-5c^4 v_3^2 \phi_2(\xi)^8 + 5c^2 v_3^2 \phi_2(\xi)^8 \right. \\
& - 12c^2(c^2 - 1)v_2^2 \phi_2(\xi)^4 - 12c^4 \alpha^2 v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^4 + 20c^2 \alpha^2 v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^4 + 32c^5 \alpha v_3 \dot{\phi}_1(\xi)\phi_2(\xi)^3 \\
& - 32c^3 \alpha v_3 \dot{\phi}_1(\xi)\phi_2(\xi)^3 - 24c^6 v_3 \dot{\phi}_1(\xi)^2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 + 48c^4 v_3 \dot{\phi}_1(\xi)^2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 \\
& - 24c^2 v_3 \dot{\phi}_1(\xi)^2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 - 24c^6 v_3 \dot{\phi}_2(\xi)^2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 + 48c^4 v_3 \dot{\phi}_2(\xi)^2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 \\
& - 24c^2 v_3 \dot{\phi}_2(\xi)^2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 + 12c^2 \alpha^4 + 4\alpha^4 + 4c^2(c^2 - 1)v_1^2 \\
& - 8c^2 v_1 \left((c^2 - 1)v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^4 + (c^2 - 1)v_2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 - 2\alpha^2 \right) \\
& - 8c^2 v_2 \left(2(c^2 - 1)v_3 \phi_2(\xi)^6 + 2(c^2 - 2)\alpha^2 \phi_2(\xi)^2 - 8c(c^2 - 1)\alpha \dot{\phi}_1(\xi)\phi_2(\xi) \right. \\
& \left. \left. + (c^2 - 1)^2(3\dot{\phi}_1(\xi)^2 + \dot{\phi}_2(\xi)^2) \right) \right) \phi_1(\xi)^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + 480c^2(c^2 - 1)^2\phi_2(\xi)(v_3\phi_2(\xi)^2 + v_2)\dot{\phi}_1(\xi)\dot{\phi}_2(\xi)\phi_1(\xi) + \phi_2(\xi)\left(15c^2(c^2 - 1)v_3^2\phi_2(\xi)^9\right. \\
& + 60c^2(c^2 - 1)v_2v_3\phi_2(\xi)^7 + 20c^2\left(3(c^2 - 1)v_2^2 + ((3c^2 - 5)\alpha^2 + 2(c^2 - 1)v_1)v_3\right)\phi_2(\xi)^5 \\
& - 144c^3(c^2 - 1)\alpha v_3\dot{\phi}_1(\xi)\phi_2(\xi)^4 + 60c^2\left(v_3(\dot{\phi}_1(\xi)^2 + 5\dot{\phi}_2(\xi)^2)(c^2 - 1)^2\right. \\
& + (2(c^2 - 2)\alpha^2 + (c^2 - 1)v_1)v_2\left.\right)\phi_2(\xi)^3 - 320c^3(c^2 - 1)\alpha v_2\dot{\phi}_1(\xi)\phi_2(\xi)^2 \\
& - 60\left((3c^2 + 1)\alpha^4 + 4c^2v_1\alpha^2 + c^2(c^2 - 1)v_1^2 - 2c^2(c^2 - 1)^2v_2(\dot{\phi}_1(\xi)^2 + 3\dot{\phi}_2(\xi)^2)\right)\phi_2(\xi) \\
& \left. + 480c(c^2 + 1)\alpha^3\dot{\phi}_1(\xi)\right).
\end{aligned}$$

4. GENERAL CASE

As argued in the paper, outside special cases there is no expression L in ϕ and $\dot{\phi}$ such that the 1st order Euler-Lagrange equations govern (1.2). Though there exist variables (q, \dot{q}) such that (1.2) is governed by the Euler-Lagrange equations for some Lagrangian $L(q, \dot{q})$, the change of variables on the jet-space $(\phi, \dot{\phi}) \mapsto (q, \dot{q})$ does not respect the natural fibration and cannot be expected to admit an expression in elementary terms. However, the motion can be described by a Hamiltonian system on the 1-jet space consisting of a modified Hamiltonian and a modified symplectic structure.

The modified Hamiltonian is given as

$$\begin{aligned}
(4.1) \quad \mathcal{H} = & \frac{1}{2}(-\alpha^2\|\phi\|^2 + (c^2 - 1)\|\dot{\phi}\|^2 - V) \\
& + h^2\left(d_1\|\phi\|^2 + d_2\|\dot{\phi}\|^2 + d_3\langle\dot{\phi}, J\phi\rangle + d_4\langle\phi, \dot{\phi}\rangle^2\right) + \mathcal{H}_4 + \mathcal{O}(h^6)
\end{aligned}$$

with

$$d_1 = \frac{2\alpha^2 V'(\Delta x^2 - c^4 \Delta t^2) + (V')^2(\Delta x^2 - c^4 \Delta t^2) + \alpha^4((1 - 2c^2)\Delta t^2 + \Delta x^2)}{24(c^2 - 1)^2}$$

$$d_2 = \frac{\alpha^2(-3c^4 \Delta t^2 + c^2(5\Delta x^2 - 3\Delta t^2) + \Delta x^2) + (c^2 - 1)V'(c^4 \Delta t^2 - \Delta x^2)}{12(c^2 - 1)^2}$$

$$d_3 = \frac{\alpha c(c^2 \Delta t^2 - \Delta x^2)(\alpha^2 + V')}{3(c^2 - 1)^2}$$

$$d_4 = \frac{V''(c^4 \Delta t^2 - \Delta x^2)}{6(c^2 - 1)}$$

and with \mathcal{H}_4 given as

$$\begin{aligned}
& \frac{h^4}{720(c^2 - 1)^5} \left(2(c^2 - 1)((3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)V''(\alpha^2 + V')^2 - 2(c^2 \right. \\
& - 1)(2\Delta t^4 c^8 + 3\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 3\Delta x^4 c^2 + 2\Delta x^4)(\dot{\phi}_1)^2(V'')^2 - 4(c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^8 \\
& + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)(\dot{\phi}_1)^2((c^2 - 1)V^{(4)}(\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + (\alpha^2 + V')V^{(3)}))\phi_1^4 \\
& + 8(c^2 - 1)\dot{\phi}_2(-(c^2 - 1)(2\Delta t^4 c^8 + 3\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 3\Delta x^4 c^2 + 2\Delta x^4)\phi_2\dot{\phi}_1(V'')^2 \\
& + \alpha c(7\Delta t^4 c^6 + (3\Delta t^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^4 + (3\Delta x^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^2 + 7\Delta x^4)(\alpha^2 + V')V'' - 2(c^2 \\
& - 1)\dot{\phi}_1(\alpha c(c^2 - 1)(6\Delta t^4 c^6 + 3\Delta t^4 c^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + \Delta x^4)\dot{\phi}_1 V^{(3)} + (3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4 \phi_2 (2(c^2 - 1)V^{(4)}(\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + (\alpha^2 + V')V^{(3)}))\phi_1^3 + (\\
& -72\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^{14} - 72\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^{14} - 12\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^{12} \\
& - 36\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^{12} + 168\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^{12} + 168\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^{12} \\
& - 48\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^{10} + 136\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^{10} - 72\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^{10} \\
& + 240\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^{10} - 72\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^{10} + 240\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^{10} \\
& + 232\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^8 + 100\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^8 - 44\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^8 \\
& - 40\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^8 - 72\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^8 - 48\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^8 - 720\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^8 \\
& - 72\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^8 - 48\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^8 - 720\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^8 \\
& - 6\alpha^6 \Delta t^4 c^6 + 15\alpha^6 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 112\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^6 + 28\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^6 \\
& - 460\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^6 - 56\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^6 + 24\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^6 \\
& - 160\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^6 + 48\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^6 + 72\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^6 \\
& + 720\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^6 + 48\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^6 + 72\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^6 \\
& + 720\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^6 - 10\alpha^6 \Delta t^4 c^4 - 10\alpha^6 \Delta x^4 c^4 + 5\alpha^6 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 \\
& - 60\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^4 + 60\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^4 + 300\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^4 + 60\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^4 \\
& + 200\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^4 + 72\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^4 - 240\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^4 \\
& + 72\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^4 - 240\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^4 - 5\alpha^6 \Delta t^4 c^2 - 7\alpha^6 \Delta x^4 c^2 \\
& + 15\alpha^6 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 - 44\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^2 + 60\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' c^2 - 72\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^2 \\
& - 168\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} c^2 - 168\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} c^2 - 8\alpha(c^2 - 1)\phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 (\alpha^2 (7\Delta t^4 c^6 + 3\Delta t^4 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^4 + (3\Delta x^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^2 + 7\Delta x^4) V'' - 2(c^2 - 1)^2 (6\Delta t^4 c^6 + 3\Delta t^4 c^4 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + \Delta x^4) ((\dot{\phi}_1)^2 - 2(\dot{\phi}_2)^2) V^{(3)} c + \alpha^6 \Delta t^4 - 3\alpha^6 \Delta x^4 + (c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4) (V')^3 + 5\alpha^6 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 - 44\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' \\
& - 12\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' + (V')^2 ((2\Delta t^4 c^{10} + 8\Delta t^4 c^8 - 15\Delta t^4 c^6 + (-15\Delta t^4 + 10\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 - 6\Delta x^4) c^4 \\
& + 5(6\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 - \Delta x^4) c^2 - 9\Delta x^4) \alpha^2 + 4(c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 \\
& + 3\Delta x^4) \phi_2^2 V'' + 72\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^4 V^{(3)} + 72\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)} + V' (-12\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^{12} \\
& + 16\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^{10} + 4\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^8 + 4\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^8 + 40\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^8 - 9\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& + 25\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 8\Delta t^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^6 - 8\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^6 - 80\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^6 - 35\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^4 \\
& - 18\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 c^4 + 5\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 4\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^4 + 40\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^4 - 13\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 c^2 \\
& + 45\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + 16\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' c^2 - 8\alpha(c^2 - 1)(7\Delta t^4 c^6 + (3\Delta t^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^4 + (3\Delta x^4 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^2 + 7\Delta x^4) \phi_2 \dot{\phi}_1 V'' c - 9\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 + 5\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 - 4(c^2 - 1)^2 (11\Delta t^4 c^8 + 9\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& - 40\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 9\Delta x^4 c^2 + 11\Delta x^4) (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' - 12\Delta x^4 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V'' + 8(c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4) \phi_2^2 (\alpha^2 V'' - (c^2 - 1)((\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + (\dot{\phi}_2)^2) V^{(3)}) + 4(c^2 \\
& - 1) \phi_2^2 ((3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4) V'' \alpha^4 - (c^2 - 1)(2\Delta t^4 c^8 + 3\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 3\Delta x^4 c^2 + 2\Delta x^4) ((\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + (\dot{\phi}_2)^2) (V'')^2 - 2(c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4) ((V^{(3)} \alpha^2 + 6(c^2 - 1)(\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(4)}) (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + \alpha^2 (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(3)})) \phi_1^2 \\
& - 4\dot{\phi}_2 (2(c^2 - 1)^2 \dot{\phi}_1 ((2\Delta t^4 c^8 + 3\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 3\Delta x^4 c^2 + 2\Delta x^4) (V'')^2 + 2(3\Delta t^4 c^8 \\
& + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4) (V^{(3)} \alpha^2 + 2(c^2 - 1)(\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V^{(4)})) \phi_2^3 - 2\alpha c(c^2 \\
& - 1) ((7\Delta t^4 c^6 + (3\Delta t^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^4 + (3\Delta x^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^2 + 7\Delta x^4) V'' \alpha^2 + 2(c^2 \\
& - 1)^2 (6\Delta t^4 c^6 + 3\Delta t^4 c^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + \Delta x^4) (2(\dot{\phi}_1)^2 - (\dot{\phi}_2)^2) V^{(3)} \phi_2^2 - 2(c^2 \\
& - 1) \dot{\phi}_1 (\alpha^2 (6\Delta t^4 c^{10} - 40\Delta t^4 c^8 + (29\Delta t^4 + 35\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2) c^6 + (15\Delta t^4 - 40\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 + \Delta x^4) c^4 \\
& + (\Delta x^4 - 15\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^2 + 8\Delta x^4) V'' - 6(c^2 - 1)^2 (3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 \\
& + 3\Delta x^4) ((\dot{\phi}_1)^2 + (\dot{\phi}_2)^2) V^{(3)} \phi_2 - 3\alpha c(c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^6 + (2\Delta t^4 - 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^4 + (2\Delta x^4 \\
& - 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^2 + 3\Delta x^4) (V')^2 + \alpha c((2\Delta t^4 - 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) c^6 + (21\Delta t^4 - 25\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 + 10\Delta x^4) c^4 \\
& + 3(5\Delta t^4 - 10\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 + 7\Delta x^4) c^2 + 9\Delta x^4 - 15\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2) \alpha^4 + 2(c^2 - 1)^3 (6\Delta t^4 c^6 + 3\Delta t^4 c^4 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + \Delta x^4) (\dot{\phi}_1)^2 V'' + 2(c^2 - 1)^3 (6\Delta t^4 c^6 + 3\Delta t^4 c^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + \Delta x^4) (\dot{\phi}_2)^2 V''
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& -2V'(c(2\Delta t^4 c^8 + 4\Delta t^4 c^6 + (-21\Delta t^4 + 5\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 - 2\Delta x^4)c^4 + (-5\Delta t^4 + 30\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 - 9\Delta x^4)c^2 \\
& - 9\Delta x^4 + 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)\alpha^3 + c(c^2 - 1)(7\Delta t^4 c^6 + (3\Delta t^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^4 + (3\Delta x^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^2 \\
& + 7\Delta x^4)\phi_2^2 V''\alpha - (c^2 - 1)^2(8\Delta t^4 c^8 + 7\Delta t^4 c^6 - 30\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 7\Delta x^4 c^2 + 8\Delta x^4)\phi_2 \phi_1 V'' \\
& - 2(c^2 - 1)^2(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)\phi_2^3 \phi_1 V^{(3)})\phi_1 \\
& + 4\alpha c \phi_2 \phi_1 (12\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^{12} - 30\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^{10} + 18\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^8 - 20\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^8 \\
& + 4\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^6 + 6\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 + 2\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 + 60\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 \\
& + 21\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^4 + 10\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 25\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 - 6\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^4 - 6\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^4 \\
& - 60\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^4 + 15\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^2 + 21\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 c^2 - 30\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + 6\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^2 \\
& + 20\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^2 + 9\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 - 15\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 - 3(c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^6 + (2\Delta t^4 - 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^4 \\
& + (2\Delta x^4 - 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)(V')^2 - 2\alpha^2(2\Delta t^4 c^8 + 4\Delta t^4 c^6 + (-21\Delta t^4 + 5\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 \\
& - 2\Delta x^4)c^4 + (-5\Delta t^4 + 30\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 - 9\Delta x^4)c^2 - 9\Delta x^4 + 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)V' + 2(c^2 - 1)^3(6\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& + 3\Delta t^4 c^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + \Delta x^4)(\phi_1)^2 V'' - 2\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' - ((\phi_1)^2 \\
& + (\phi_2)^2)(18\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^{14} - 42\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^{12} + 18\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^{10} - 60\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^{10} \\
& + 10\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^8 - 25\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^8 + 18\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^8 + 12\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^8 \\
& + 180\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^8 + 95\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^6 + 35\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 c^6 - 130\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^6 - 12\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 \\
& - 18\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 - 180\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 + 120\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^4 + 112\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 190\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 \\
& - 18\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^4 + 60\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^4 + 15\alpha^4 \Delta t^4 c^2 + 91\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 c^2 - 130\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 \\
& + 42\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^2 + 2\alpha^4 \Delta x^4 - 5\alpha^4 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 + (c^2 - 1)^2(2\Delta t^4 c^8 + 3\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 \\
& + 3\Delta x^4 c^2 + 2\Delta x^4)(V')^2 - 2\alpha^2(c^2 - 1)(6\Delta t^4 c^8 + (49\Delta t^4 - 25\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^6 + (15\Delta t^4 \\
& - 100\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 + 21\Delta x^4)c^4 + (47\Delta x^4 - 15\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^2 + 2\Delta x^4)V' + 6(c^2 - 1)^3(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)(\phi_1)^2 V'' - 18\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' - 8\alpha c(c^2 - 1)\phi_2^3 \phi_1 ((7\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& + (3\Delta t^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^4 + (3\Delta x^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^2 + 7\Delta x^4)(\alpha^2 + V')V'' - 2(c^2 - 1)^2(6\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& + 3\Delta t^4 c^4 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + \Delta x^4)(\phi_2)^2 V^{(3)}) - \phi_2^2(72\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^{14} + 12\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^{12} \\
& - 168\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^{12} + 48\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^{10} + 72\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^{10} \\
& - 240\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^{10} - 232\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^8 - 100\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^8 \\
& + 72\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^8 + 48\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^8 + 720\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^8 + 6\alpha^6 \Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& - 15\alpha^6 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^6 + 112\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 - 28\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 + 460\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^6 \\
& - 48\Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^6 - 72\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^6 - 720\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^6 + 10\alpha^6 \Delta t^4 c^4 \\
& + 10\alpha^6 \Delta x^4 c^4 - 5\alpha^6 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 60\alpha^2 \Delta t^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^4 - 60\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^4 \\
& - 300\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^4 - 72\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^4 + 240\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^4 + 5\alpha^6 \Delta t^4 c^2 \\
& + 7\alpha^6 \Delta x^4 c^2 - 15\alpha^6 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^2 + 44\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^2 - 60\alpha^2 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 (\phi_2)^2 V'' c^2 \\
& + 168\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)}c^2 - \alpha^6 \Delta t^4 + 3\alpha^6 \Delta x^4 - (c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 \\
& + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)(V')^3 - 5\alpha^6 \Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 + \alpha^2(-2\Delta t^4 c^{10} - 8\Delta t^4 c^8 + 15\Delta t^4 c^6 + (15\Delta t^4 \\
& - 10\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 + 6\Delta x^4)c^4 + 5\Delta x^2(\Delta x^2 - 6\Delta t^2)c^2 + 9\Delta x^4)(V')^2 + 44\alpha^2 \Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^2 V'' \\
& - V'((4\Delta t^4 c^8 + (25\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 - 9\Delta t^4)c^6 + (-35\Delta t^4 + 5\Delta x^2 \Delta t^2 - 18\Delta x^4)c^4 + (45\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 \\
& - 13\Delta x^4)c^2 - 9\Delta x^4 + 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)\alpha^4 - 4(c^2 - 1)^2(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 \\
& + 3\Delta x^4)(\phi_1)^2 V'' - 4(c^2 - 1)^2(11\Delta t^4 c^8 + 9\Delta t^4 c^6 - 40\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 9\Delta x^4 c^2 + 11\Delta x^4)(\phi_2)^2 V'' \\
& - 72\Delta x^4 (\phi_2)^4 V^{(3)} + 4(c^2 - 1)(\phi_1)^2((9\Delta t^4 c^{10} - 25\Delta t^4 c^8 - 2(7\Delta t^4 - 5\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2)c^6 \\
& + (50\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 - 6\Delta x^4)c^4 - 21\Delta x^4 c^2 - 3\Delta x^4)V''\alpha^2 + 6(c^2 - 1)^2(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 \\
& - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)(\phi_2)^2 V^{(3)}) + 2(c^2 - 1)\phi_2^4((3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 \\
& + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)V''(\alpha^2 + V')^2 - 2(c^2 - 1)(2\Delta t^4 c^8 + 3\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 3\Delta x^4 c^2 \\
& + 2\Delta x^4)(\phi_2)^2(V'')^2 - 4(c^2 - 1)(3\Delta t^4 c^8 + 2\Delta t^4 c^6 - 10\Delta t^2 \Delta x^2 c^4 + 2\Delta x^4 c^2 + 3\Delta x^4)(\phi_2)^2((c^2 \\
& - 1)V^{(4)}(\phi_2)^2 + (\alpha^2 + V')V^{(3)})) + O(h^6).
\end{aligned}$$

The modified symplectic structure in the frame $\frac{\partial}{\partial \phi^1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi^2}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi^1}, \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi^2}$ is given as

$$\omega^{\text{MAT}} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2\alpha c & 1-c^2 & 0 \\ -2\alpha c & 0 & 0 & 1-c^2 \\ c^2-1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & c^2-1 & 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + h^2 \begin{pmatrix} w_1 J & W \\ -W & w_2 J \end{pmatrix} + \mathcal{O}(h^4)$$


with

$$\begin{aligned} w_1 &= \frac{\alpha c}{3(c^2-1)} (\alpha(\Delta x^2 - \Delta t^2) + (\Delta x^2 - 2c^2 \Delta t^2 + c^4 \Delta t^2)(V' + \|\phi\|^2 V'')) \\ w_2 &= \frac{\alpha c(c^2 \Delta t^2 - \Delta x^2)}{3(c^2-1)} \\ W &= \left(-\frac{a^2(c^2((c^2-3)\Delta t^2 + \Delta x^2) + \Delta x^2)}{6(c^2-1)^2} + \frac{(c^2-1)(\Delta x^2 - c^4 \Delta t^2)}{6(c^2-1)^2} V' \right) \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \\ &\quad - \frac{(c^4 \Delta t^2 - \Delta x^2)}{3(c^2-1)} V'' \begin{pmatrix} \phi_1^2 & \phi_1 \phi_2 \\ \phi_1 \phi_2 & \phi_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \\ J &= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Refer to the Mathematica notebooks for the 4th order terms of the symplectic structure. These explicitly depend on $\dot{\phi}$ in contrast to the second order data.

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