# Report 3

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# 1 The half line problem

In this section, we deal with this term

$$\partial_x (\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1} \{ \mathcal{F}_c^k \{ \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^x \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}x' \right) \} \}$$

More generally, we have the following result:

**Theorem 1.** For nice enough f defined on  $x \ge 0$ , we have

$$(\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1} \{ \mathcal{F}_c^k \{ f \} \} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty f(y) \left( \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right) dy.$$

Before we begin, recall the Riemann-Lebesgue lemma:

**Lemma 2** (Theorem 11.6, [1]). Assume that  $f \in L(I)$ . Then, for each real  $\beta$ , we have

$$\lim_{\alpha \to \infty} \int_{I} f(t) \sin(\alpha t + \beta) dt = 0.$$

Proof of Theorem 1. Consider

$$(\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1}\{\mathcal{F}_c^k\{f\}\}.$$

For generality, we consider  $(\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1}\{G(k)\}$ , where G is a function of k defined on  $k \ge 0$ . Expanding the integral, we obtain:

$$\begin{split} (\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1}\{G(k)\} &= \int_0^\infty \sin(kx)G(k)\,\mathrm{d}k \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \int_0^\infty (e^{ikx} - e^{-ikx})G(k)\,\mathrm{d}k \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{ikx}G(k)\,\mathrm{d}k - \int_0^\infty e^{-ikx}G(k)\,\mathrm{d}k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{ikx}G(k)\,\mathrm{d}k + \int_0^{-\infty} e^{ikx}G(-k)\,\mathrm{d}k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{ikx}G(k)\,\mathrm{d}k + \int_0^\infty e^{ikx}G(-k)\,\mathrm{d}k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{ikx}G(k)\,\mathrm{d}k + \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{ikx}(-G(-k))\,\mathrm{d}k \right], \end{split}$$
 (apply  $k \mapsto -k$  in the 2nd term)

where -G(-k) is an odd extension to k < 0. Now, observe the following:

$$\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \cos(kx) f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty (e^{ikx} + e^{-ikx}) f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x 
= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_0^\infty e^{ikx} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_0^\infty e^{-ikx} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \right] 
= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ -\int_0^{-\infty} e^{-ikx} f(-x) \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_0^\infty e^{-ikx} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \left[ \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{-ikx} f(-x) \, \mathrm{d}x + \int_0^\infty e^{-ikx} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-ikx} F(x) \, \mathrm{d}x,$$
(apply  $x \mapsto -x$  in the 1st term)
$$= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-ikx} F(x) \, \mathrm{d}x,$$

where we used an even extension to x < 0 and defined

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} f(x) & x > 0 \\ f(-x) & x < 0 \end{cases}.$$

For k > 0, we have

$$G(k) = \mathcal{F}_c^k\{f\} = \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \cos(kx) f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-ikx} F(x) \, \mathrm{d}x. \tag{1}$$

For k < 0, we have

$$-G(-k) = -\mathcal{F}_c^{-k}\{f\} = -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \cos(-kx)f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = -\frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \cos(kx)f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-ikx}F(x) \, \mathrm{d}x,\tag{2}$$

since cosine is an even function. Thus, using (1) and (2), we obtain

$$(\mathcal{F}_{s}^{k})^{-1} \{\mathcal{F}_{c}^{k} \{f\}\} = \frac{1}{2i} \left[ \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{ikx} \mathcal{F}_{c}^{k} \{f\} \, \mathrm{d}k + \int_{-\infty}^{0} e^{ikx} (-\mathcal{F}^{(-k)}_{c} \{f\}) \, \mathrm{d}k \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[ \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{ikx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-iky} F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k - \int_{-\infty}^{0} e^{ikx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-iky} F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[ \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{ikx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ik(x-y)} F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k - \int_{-\infty}^{0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ik(x-y)} F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k \right].$$

$$(3)$$

Let

$$V(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sin(k(x-y))F(y) \, dy = -V(-k),$$
  
$$U(k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \cos(k(x-y))F(y) \, dy = U(-k),$$

so that V is odd and U is even. This allows to rewrite (3) as:

$$\begin{split} (\mathcal{F}_{s}^{k})^{-1} \{\mathcal{F}_{c}^{k} \{f\}\} &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[ \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{ikx} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ik(x-y)} F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k - \int_{-\infty}^{0} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ik(x-y)} F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[ \int_{0}^{\infty} U(k) + iV(k) \, \mathrm{d}k - \int_{-\infty}^{0} U(k) + iV(k) \, \mathrm{d}k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[ \int_{0}^{\infty} U(k) + iV(k) \, \mathrm{d}k + \int_{\infty}^{0} U(-k) + iV(-k) \, \mathrm{d}k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[ \int_{0}^{\infty} U(k) + iV(k) \, \mathrm{d}k + \int_{0}^{\infty} -U(-k) + i(-V(-k)) \, \mathrm{d}k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \left[ \int_{0}^{\infty} U(k) + iV(k) \, \mathrm{d}k + \int_{0}^{\infty} -U(k) + iV(k) \, \mathrm{d}k \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} V(k) \, \mathrm{d}k, \end{split}$$

where on the third last line, we flipped the bounds of integration and brought the minus sign inside the integral, and on the second last line, we used that U is even and V is odd. Thus, we obtain

$$(\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1} \{ \mathcal{F}_c^k \{ f \} \} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty V(k) \, \mathrm{d}k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty \sin(k(x-y)) F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k.$$

Note that the integral in k is an improper integral, so

$$\int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty \sin(k(x-y))F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k = \lim_{\alpha \to \infty} \int_0^\alpha \int_{-\infty}^\infty \sin(k(x-y))F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k.$$

Now, interchanging the order of integration, we have

$$\int_0^\alpha \int_{-\infty}^\infty \sin(k(x-y))F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k = \int_{-\infty}^\infty F(y) \int_0^\alpha \sin(k(x-y)) \, \mathrm{d}k \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^\infty F(y) \left[ -\frac{\cos(k(x-y))}{x-y} \Big|_0^\alpha \right] \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^\infty F(y) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} - \frac{\cos(\alpha(x-y))}{x-y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^\infty F(y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x-y))}{x-y} \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

The interchange is justified, since sine is bounded and differentiable on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Finally, we use the Riemann-Lebesgue lemma to deal with the last term:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x - y))}{x - y} \, \mathrm{d}y = \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x - y))}{x - y} \, \mathrm{d}y + \int_{-\infty}^{0} f(-y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x - y))}{x - y} \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x - y))}{x - y} \, \mathrm{d}y - \int_{\infty}^{0} f(y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x + y))}{x + y} \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x - y))}{x - y} \, \mathrm{d}y + \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x + y))}{x + y} \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{1}{x - y} \, \mathrm{d}y - \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{\cos(\alpha(x - y))}{x - y} \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$+ \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{1}{x + y} \, \mathrm{d}y - \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \frac{\cos(\alpha(x + y))}{x + y} \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

As  $\alpha \to \infty$ , the terms

$$\int_0^\infty f(y) \frac{\cos(\alpha(x-y))}{x-y} \, dy, \qquad \int_0^\infty f(y) \frac{\cos(\alpha(x+y))}{x+y} \, dy \to 0$$

by the Riemann-Lebesgue lemma with  $\beta = \pi/2$ , so that

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(y) \frac{1 - \cos(\alpha(x - y))}{x - y} \, \mathrm{d}y = \int_{0}^{\infty} f(y) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

Thus,

$$(\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1} \{ \mathcal{F}_c^k \{ f \} \} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \int_{-\infty}^\infty \sin(k(x-y)) F(y) \, \mathrm{d}y \, \mathrm{d}k = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty f(y) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

The proof is complete.

Remark 3. Note that the integral

$$\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty f(y) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy =$$

looks like a convolution-type transform. In fact, the term with 1/(x-y) is pretty much the Hilbert transform, but on a half-line.

The theorem yields

$$\partial_x (\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1} \{ \mathcal{F}_c^k \{ \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^x \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}x' \right) \} \} = \partial_x \left( \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^y \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y \right).$$

For generality, let  $f(y) = \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^y \eta_t \, dy' \right)$ . Note the following:

$$\partial_x \left( \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty f(y) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy \right) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty f(y) \partial_x \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy$$
$$= -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty f(y) \left[ \frac{1}{(x - y)^2} + \frac{1}{(x + y)^2} \right] dy,$$

so that

$$\partial_x (\mathcal{F}_s^k)^{-1} \{ \mathcal{F}_c^k \{ \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^x \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}x' \right) \} \} = -\frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^y \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{(x-y)^2} + \frac{1}{(x+y)^2} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y. \tag{4}$$

As can be seen, the integral (4) is singular whenever x = y or x = -y, over y. To deal with this issue, one may need to use a Residue theorem. To conclude, the surface expression on a half-line becomes:

$$\eta_{tt} - \eta_{xx} = \mu^{2} \left( \frac{1}{3} \eta_{xxxx} + \partial_{x} (\mathcal{F}_{s}^{k})^{-1} \{ \mathcal{F}_{c}^{k} \{ \partial_{t} \left( \eta \int_{0}^{x} \eta_{t} \, \mathrm{d}x' \right) \} \} + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{x}^{2} \left( \int_{0}^{x} \eta_{t} \, \mathrm{d}x' \right)^{2} \right)$$

$$= \mu^{2} \left( \frac{1}{3} \eta_{xxxx} - \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} \partial_{t} \left( \eta \int_{0}^{y} \eta_{t} \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{(x-y)^{2}} + \frac{1}{(x+y)^{2}} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \frac{1}{2} \partial_{x}^{2} \left( \int_{0}^{x} \eta_{t} \, \mathrm{d}x' \right)^{2} \right).$$

## 2 Approximate equations: half-line

In this section, we derive the approximate equations from

$$\eta_{tt} - \eta_{xx} = \varepsilon \left( \frac{1}{3} \eta_{xxxx} + \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^y \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \frac{1}{2} \partial_x^2 \left( \int_0^x \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}x' \right)^2 \right). \tag{5}$$

As we approximate, we assume an expansion of  $\eta$  in  $\varepsilon$ :

$$\eta = \eta_0 + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2). \tag{6}$$

### First order approximation

Substitution of (6) into equation (5) yields

$$\eta_{0tt} - \eta_{0xx} + \varepsilon(\eta_{1tt} - \eta_{1xx}) = \varepsilon \left[ \frac{1}{3} \eta_{0xxxx} + \frac{d}{dx} \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^y \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \frac{1}{2} \partial_x^2 \left( \int_{-\infty}^x (\eta_0 + \varepsilon \eta_1)_t \, \mathrm{d}x' \right)^2 \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2). \tag{7}$$

In the leading order  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^0)$ , equation (7) becomes

$$\eta_{0tt} - \eta_{0xx} = 0. \tag{8}$$

This is the wave equation with velocity 1, whose solution depends on the type of boundary conditions we prescribe for  $\eta$  at x = 0. For now, we prescribe

$$\eta_x(0,t) = 0.$$

The general solution is

$$\eta(x,t) = \begin{cases} F(x-t) + G(x+t) & x > t \\ F(t-x) + G(x+t) & x < t \end{cases},$$

where F, G are to be determined.

### Second order approximation

As in the velocity potential case, we employ multiple scales. First, we find an expression for  $\eta_0$ . We introduce

$$\tau_0 = t, \qquad \tau_1 = \varepsilon t, \qquad \tau_2 = \varepsilon^2 t, \dots,$$

so that

$$\eta(x,t) = \eta(x,\tau_0,\tau_1,\ldots).$$

With this in mind, the expansion (6) becomes

$$\eta(x, \tau_0, \tau_1, \dots) = \eta_0(x, \tau_0, \tau_1, \dots) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^1). \tag{9}$$

Substituting (9) into (5), within  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^0)$ , we obtain

$$\eta_{0\tau_0\tau_0} - \eta_{0xx} = 0, \tag{10}$$

so that the general solution is

$$\eta_0(x,\tau_0,\tau_1,\ldots) = \begin{cases} F_2(x-\tau_0,\tau_1,\ldots) + G_2(x+\tau_0,\tau_1,\ldots) & x \geqslant \tau_0 \\ F_1(\tau_0-x,\tau_1,\ldots) + G_1(x+\tau_0,\tau_1,\ldots) & x < \tau_0 \end{cases},$$

where we recalled the boundary conditions  $\eta_x(0,t) = 0$ . Now, although we have found an expression for  $\eta_0$ , the functions  $F_i, G_i$  used are still general functions. To determine  $F_i, G_i$ , we proceed to the next order, i.e.  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^1)$ . We introduce

$$\xi = x - \tau_0$$
  $\zeta = x + \tau_0$ 

so that

$$\eta_0(x, \tau_0, \tau_1, \ldots) = \begin{cases} F_1(\xi, \tau_1, \ldots) + G_1(\zeta, \tau_1, \ldots) & x \geqslant t \\ F_2(-\xi, \tau_1, \ldots) + G_2(\zeta, \tau_1, \ldots) & x < t \end{cases},$$

and

$$\partial_x = \partial_\xi \frac{\mathrm{d}\xi}{\mathrm{d}x} + \partial_\zeta \frac{\mathrm{d}\zeta}{\mathrm{d}x} = \partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta,$$

$$\partial_t = \partial_\xi \frac{\mathrm{d}\xi}{\mathrm{d}t} + \partial_\zeta \frac{\mathrm{d}\zeta}{\mathrm{d}t} + \partial_{\tau_1} \frac{\mathrm{d}\tau_1}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta + \varepsilon \partial_{\tau_1}.$$

Remark 4. We emphasize the piecewise nature of solutions, which is why we write that  $F_1, F_2$  as different functions even though they share the same variable  $\xi$ . It is very important to be aware which  $F_i$  we need to use, as we will demonstrate when dealing with the non-local terms. In addition, we also need to impose some more conditions at  $x = \tau_0$ , to reinforce some sort of continuity between  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ ..

### The case $x < \tau_0$

We consider the case x < t. First, we use

$$\eta = \eta_0 + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2) 
= F_1(t - x, \varepsilon t, ...) + G_1(x + t, \varepsilon t, ...) + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2) 
= F_1(-\xi, \tau_1, ...) + G_1(\zeta, \tau_1, ...) + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2) 
= F_1 + G_1 + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2).$$

For ease of writing, we suppress explicit dependence on variables, though the reader should bear in mind that function  $F_1$ ,  $(G_1)$  depend on  $-\xi$ ,  $(\zeta)$ ,  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ , etc. In addition, observe that

$$(\partial_t^2 - \partial_x^2) = \left( -4\partial_\xi \partial_\zeta + 2\varepsilon (\partial_\zeta \partial_{\tau_1} - \partial_\xi \partial_{\tau_1}) + \varepsilon^2 \partial_{\tau_1}^2 \right),\,$$

so that the LHS of (5) becomes

$$(\partial_t^2 - \partial_x^2)\eta = \varepsilon \left( -4\eta_{1\xi\zeta} - 2\partial_\xi \partial_{\tau_1}(F_1)_{\tau_1} + 2\partial_\zeta \partial_{\tau_1}G_1 \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2). \tag{11}$$

Now, we deal with the RHS of (5). By appropriate substitutions, the terms become:

$$\frac{1}{3}\eta_{xxxx} = \frac{1}{3}(\partial_{\xi}^{4}F_{1} + \partial_{\zeta}^{4}G_{1} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon));$$

$$\left(\int_{0}^{x}\eta_{t} \,dx'\right)^{2} = \left(\int_{0}^{x}\eta_{0t} \,dx'\right)^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

$$= \left(\int_{0}^{x}(-\partial_{\xi'} + \partial_{\zeta'} + \varepsilon\partial_{\tau_{1}})(F_{1} + G_{1}) \,dx'\right)^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

$$= \left(\int_{0}^{x}-\partial_{\xi'}F_{1} + \partial_{\zeta'}G_{1} \,dx'\right)^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

$$= \left(\int_{0}^{x}-\partial_{\xi'}F_{1} \,dx'\right)^{2} - 2\left(\int_{0}^{x}(\partial_{\xi'}F_{1} \,dx'\right)\left(\int_{0}^{x}\partial_{\zeta'}G_{1} \,dx'\right) + \left(\int_{0}^{x}\partial_{\zeta'}G_{1} \,dx'\right)^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

$$= (F_{1} - F_{1}(\tau_{0}))^{2} - 2(F_{1} - F_{1}(\tau_{0}))(G_{1} - G_{1}(\tau_{0})) + (G_{1} - G_{1}(\tau_{0}))^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon),$$

where for the last line we translate  $\xi' = x' - t$ ,  $\zeta' = x' + t$  to obtain

$$\int_{0}^{x} -\partial_{\xi'}(F_{1}(\tau_{0} - \xi')) dx' = \int_{-t}^{x-t} (F_{1})_{\xi'}(-\xi', \tau_{1}) d\xi' = \int_{-\tau_{0}}^{\xi} (F_{1})_{\xi'}(-\xi', \tau_{1}) d\xi' = F_{1} - F_{1}(\tau_{0}),$$

$$\int_{0}^{x} (G_{1})_{\zeta'}(x' + \tau_{0}, \tau_{1}) dx' = \int_{t}^{x+t} (G_{1})_{\zeta'}(\zeta', \tau_{1}) d\zeta' = \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\zeta} (G_{1})_{\zeta'}(\zeta', \tau_{1}) d\zeta' = G_{1} - G_{1}(\tau_{0}).$$

Note that previously we wrongly assumed that there is some strange term F(-t). But F that we used was rather  $F_2$ , which is appropriate when  $x \ge \tau_0$ . In this case,  $x < \tau_0$ , so we need to use  $F_1$ , which provides the right viewpoint. Finally, from Proposition 5, we also have

$$\int_0^\infty \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^y \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_0^{\tau_0} \left(2F_1 \partial_{\xi} F_1 + 2G_1 \partial_{\zeta} G_1\right) \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} \left(2F_2 \partial_{\xi} F_2 + 2G_2 \partial_{\zeta} G_2\right) \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy.$$

Substitution of terms into the RHS of (5) leads to:

$$\frac{1}{3}\eta_{xxxx} + \frac{d}{dx}\frac{1}{\pi}\int_{0}^{\infty}\partial_{t}\left(\eta\int_{0}^{y}\eta_{t}\,dy'\right)\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy + \frac{1}{2}\partial_{x}^{2}\left(\int_{0}^{x}\eta_{t}\,dx'\right)^{2} \\
= \frac{1}{3}(\partial_{\xi}^{4}F_{1} + \partial_{\zeta}^{4}G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}(\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta})\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}(2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1})\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty}(2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2})\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy\right) \\
+ \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{\xi}^{2} + 2\partial_{\xi}\partial_{\zeta} + \partial_{\zeta}^{2})\left((F_{1} - F_{1}(\tau_{0}))^{2} - 2(F_{1} - F_{1}(\tau_{0}))(G_{1} - G_{1}(\tau_{0})) + (G_{1} - G_{1}(\tau_{0}))^{2}\right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \\
= \frac{1}{3}(\partial_{\xi}^{4}F_{1} + \partial_{\zeta}^{4}G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}(\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta})\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}(2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1})\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty}(2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2})\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy\right) \\
+ \partial_{\xi}\left((F_{1} - G_{1})\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\right) + \partial_{\zeta}\left((G_{1} - F_{1})\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\right) - 2\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}. \tag{12}$$

Combining (11) and (12), in  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^1)$  we have

$$-4\eta_{1\xi\zeta} = 2\partial_{\xi}\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{1} - 2\partial_{\zeta}\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{1} + \frac{1}{3}(\partial_{\xi}^{4}F_{1} + \partial_{\zeta}^{4}G_{1})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\pi}(\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta})\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} (2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1})\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} (2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2})\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right)$$

$$+ \partial_{\xi}\left((F_{1} - G_{1})\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\right) + \partial_{\zeta}\left((G_{1} - F_{1})\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\right) - 2\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}.$$
(13)

By rearranging appropriately, (13) becomes

$$-4\eta_{1\xi\zeta} = \partial_{\xi}(2\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{1} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\xi}^{3}F_{1} + F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right))$$

$$+ \partial_{\zeta}(-2\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{1} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\zeta}^{3}G_{1} + G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right))$$

$$+ \partial_{\xi}(-G_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right))$$

$$+ \partial_{\zeta}(-F_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right)) - 2\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}.$$

$$(14)$$

Integration of (14) with respect to  $\zeta$  yields

$$-4\eta_{1\xi} = \zeta \partial_{\xi} (2\partial_{\tau_{1}} F_{1} + \frac{1}{3} \partial_{\xi}^{3} F_{1} + F_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy \right)$$

$$+ \left( -2\partial_{\tau_{1}} G_{1} + \frac{1}{3} \partial_{\zeta}^{3} G_{1} + G_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy \right) \right)$$

$$+ \partial_{\xi} \int (G_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy \right) \right) d\zeta$$

$$+ \left( -F_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy \right) \right) - 2\partial_{\xi} F_{1} G_{1}.$$

$$(15)$$

and further integration with respect to  $\xi$  leads to

$$-4\eta_{1} = \zeta(2\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{1} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\xi}^{3}F_{1} + F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right))$$

$$+ \xi(-2\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{1} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\zeta}^{3}G_{1} + G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right))$$

$$+ \int (G_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right)) d\zeta$$

$$+ \int (-F_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right)) d\xi - 2F_{1}G_{1}.$$

Since  $\eta_1$  must be bounded, we must have

$$2\partial_{\tau_1} F_1 + \frac{1}{3} \partial_{\xi}^3 F_1 + F_1 \partial_{\xi} F_1 + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_0^{\tau_0} 2F_1 \partial_{\xi} F_1 \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} 2F_2 \partial_{\xi} F_2 \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy \right) = 0, \tag{16}$$

$$-2\partial_{\tau_1} G_1 + \frac{1}{3} \partial_{\zeta}^3 G_1 + G_1 \partial_{\zeta} G_1 + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_0^{\tau_0} 2G_1 \partial_{\zeta} G_1 \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} 2G_2 \partial_{\zeta} G_2 \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy \right) = 0. \tag{17}$$

In other words, we have obtained two KdV-like equations, (16) and (17), whose solutions  $F_1, G_1$  describe behaviour of the surface elevation in the leading order, when  $x < \tau_0$ .

#### The case $x \geqslant \tau_0$

On the domain  $x \ge \tau_0$ , we use

$$\eta = \eta_0 + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$$

$$= F_2(x - t, \varepsilon t, \dots) + G_2(x + t, \varepsilon t, \dots) + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$$
  

$$= F_2(\xi, \tau_1, \dots) + G_2(\zeta, \tau_1, \dots) + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$$
  

$$= F_2 + G_2 + \varepsilon \eta_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2).$$

For ease of writing, we suppress explicit dependence on variables, though the reader should bear in mind that function  $F_2$ ,  $(G_2)$  depend on  $\xi$ ,  $(\zeta)$ ,  $\tau_1$ ,  $\tau_2$ , etc. In addition, D'Alembert operator becomes

$$(\partial_t^2 - \partial_x^2) = \left(-4\partial_\xi \partial_\zeta + 2\varepsilon(\partial_\zeta \partial_{\tau_1} - \partial_\xi \partial_{\tau_1}) + \varepsilon^2 \partial_{\tau_1}^2\right),$$

so that the LHS of (5) becomes

$$(\partial_t^2 - \partial_x^2)\eta = \varepsilon \left( -4\eta_{1\xi\zeta} - 2\partial_\xi \partial_{\tau_1} F_1 + 2\partial_\zeta \partial_{\tau_1} G_1 \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2). \tag{18}$$

Now, we deal with the RHS of (5). By appropriate substitutions, the terms become:

$$\frac{1}{3}\eta_{xxxx} = \frac{1}{3}(\partial_{\xi}^{4}F_{2} + \partial_{\zeta}^{4}(G_{2}) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon));$$

$$\left(\int_{0}^{x}\eta_{t} \,dx'\right)^{2} = \left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}\eta_{t} \,dx' + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{x}\eta_{t} \,dx'\right)^{2}$$

$$= \left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}\eta_{0t} \,dx' + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{x}\eta_{0t} \,dx'\right)^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

$$= \left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}(-\partial_{\xi'} + \partial_{\zeta'} + \varepsilon\partial_{\tau_{1}})(F_{1} + G_{1}) \,dx' + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{x}(-\partial_{\xi'} + \partial_{\zeta'} + \varepsilon\partial_{\tau_{1}})(F_{2} + G_{2}) \,dx'\right)^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

$$= \left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}(-\partial_{\xi'} + \partial_{\zeta'})(F_{1} + G_{1}) \,dx' + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{x}(-\partial_{\xi'} + \partial_{\zeta'})(F_{2} + G_{2}) \,dx'\right)^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon),$$

$$= F_{2}^{2} - 2F_{2}G_{2} + G_{2}^{2} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon),$$

where for the last line we have simplified as follows:

$$\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} -\partial_{\xi'}(F_{1}(\tau_{0} - \xi')) dx' = -\int_{-\tau_{0}}^{0} \partial_{\xi'}F_{1}(-\xi', \tau_{1}) d\xi' = -F_{1}(0) + F_{1}(\tau_{0}),$$

$$\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} \partial_{\zeta'}G_{1}(x' + \tau_{0}, \tau_{1}) dx' = \int_{\tau_{0}}^{2\tau_{0}} \partial_{\zeta'}G_{1}(\zeta', \tau_{1}) d\zeta' = G_{1}(2\tau_{0}) - G_{1}(\tau_{0})$$

$$\int_{\tau_{0}}^{x} -\partial_{\xi'}(F_{2}(\tau_{0} - \xi')) dx' = -\int_{0}^{x-\tau_{0}} \partial_{\xi'}F_{2}(\xi', \tau_{1}) d\xi' = -F_{2} + F_{2}(0),$$

$$\int_{\tau_0}^x \partial_{\zeta'} G_2(x' + \tau_0, \tau_1) \, \mathrm{d}x' = \int_{2\tau_0}^{x + \tau_0} \partial_{\zeta'} G_2(\zeta', \tau_1) \, \mathrm{d}\zeta' = G_2 - G_2(2\tau_0).$$

Addition of terms yields

$$\int_0^{\tau_0} (-\partial_{\xi'} + \partial_{\zeta'})(F_1 + G_1) \, dx' + \int_{\tau_0}^x (-\partial_{\xi'} + \partial_{\zeta'})(F_2 + G_2) \, dx' = -F_1(0) + F_1(\tau_0) + G_1(2\tau_0) - G_1(\tau_0) - F_2 + F_2(0) + G_2 - G_2(2\tau_0)$$

$$= -F_2 + G_2 - F_1(0) + F_2(0) + G_1(2\tau_0) - G_2(2\tau_0) + F_1(\tau_0) - G_1(\tau_0)$$

$$= -F_2 + G_2,$$

where we recall the interface conditions  $F_1(0) = F_2(0)$ ,  $G_1(2\tau_0) = G_2(2\tau_0)$  and the boundary conditions  $\eta_x(0,t) = 0$ . The latter yields that

$$\eta_x(0,t) = \partial_x(F_1(\tau_0 - x) + G_1(\tau_0 + x)) \Big|_{x=0}^{x=0} = -F_1'(\tau_0) + G_1'(\tau_0) = 0 \implies F_1'(\tau_0) = G_1'(\tau_0) \implies F_1(\tau_0) = G_1(\tau_0),$$

where we set the scalar of integration to be 0. Finally, by Proposition 5, we also have

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \partial_{t} \left( \eta \int_{0}^{y} \eta_{t} \, dy' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, dy$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} \left( 2F_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} + 2G_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} \left( 2F_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} + 2G_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, dy.$$

Substitution of terms into the RHS of (5) leads to:

$$\frac{1}{3}\eta_{xxxx} + \frac{d}{dx}\frac{1}{\pi}\int_{0}^{\infty}\partial_{t}\left(\eta\int_{0}^{y}\eta_{t}\,\mathrm{d}y'\right)\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]\,\mathrm{d}y + \frac{1}{2}\partial_{x}^{2}\left(\int_{0}^{x}\eta_{t}\,\mathrm{d}x'\right)^{2} \\
= \frac{1}{3}(\partial_{\xi}^{4}F_{2} + \partial_{\zeta}^{4}G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}(\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta})\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}\left(2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\right)\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]\,\mathrm{d}y + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty}\left(2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\right)\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]\,\mathrm{d}y\right) \\
+ \frac{1}{2}(\partial_{\xi}^{2} + 2\partial_{\xi}\partial_{\zeta} + \partial_{\zeta}^{2})\left(F_{2}^{2} - 2F_{2}G_{2} + G_{2}^{2}\right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \\
= \frac{1}{3}(\partial_{\xi}^{4}F_{2} + \partial_{\zeta}^{4}G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}(\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta})\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}\left(2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\right)\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]\,\mathrm{d}y + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty}\left(2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\right)\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]\,\mathrm{d}y\right) \\
+ \partial_{\xi}\left((F_{2} - G_{2})\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\right) + \partial_{\zeta}\left((G_{2} - F_{2})\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\right) - 2\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}. \tag{19}$$

Combining (18) and (19), in  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^1)$  we have

$$-4\eta_{1\xi\zeta} = 2\partial_{\xi}\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{2} - 2\partial_{\zeta}\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{2} + \frac{1}{3}(\partial_{\xi}^{4}F_{2} + \partial_{\zeta}^{4}G_{2})$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\pi}(\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta})\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} (2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1})\left[\frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} (2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2})\left[\frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y}\right] dy\right)$$

$$+ \partial_{\xi}\left((F_{2} - G_{2})\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\right) + \partial_{\zeta}\left((G_{2} - F_{2})\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\right) - 2\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}.$$
(20)

By rearranging appropriately, (20) becomes

$$-4\eta_{1\xi\zeta} = \partial_{\xi}(2\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{2} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\xi}^{3}F_{2} + F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right))$$

$$+ \partial_{\zeta}(-2\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{2} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\zeta}^{3}G_{2} + G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right))$$

$$+ \partial_{\xi}(-G_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right))$$

$$+ \partial_{\zeta}(-F_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right)) - 2\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}.$$

$$(21)$$

Integration of (14) with respect to  $\zeta$  yields

$$-4\eta_{1\xi} = \zeta \partial_{\xi} (2\partial_{\tau_{1}} F_{2} + \frac{1}{3} \partial_{\xi}^{3} F_{2} + F_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy \right)$$

$$+ \left( -2\partial_{\tau_{1}} G_{2} + \frac{1}{3} \partial_{\zeta}^{3} G_{2} + G_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy \right) \right)$$

$$+ \partial_{\xi} \int (G_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy \right) \right) d\zeta$$

$$+ \left( -F_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi} \left( \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy \right) \right) - 2\partial_{\xi} F_{2} G_{2}.$$

$$(22)$$

and further integration with respect to  $\xi$  leads to

$$-4\eta_{1} = \zeta(2\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{2} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\xi}^{3}F_{2} + F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right)$$

$$\begin{split} & + \xi (-2\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{2} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\zeta}^{3}G_{2} + G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty}2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy\right)) \\ & + \int (G_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty}2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy\right))d\zeta \\ & + \int (-F_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}}2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty}2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy\right))d\xi - 2F_{2}G_{2}. \end{split}$$

Since  $\eta_1$  must be bounded, we must have

$$2\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{2} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\xi}^{3}F_{2} + F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy\right) = 0,$$

$$-2\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{2} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\zeta}^{3}G_{2} + G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right]dy\right) = 0.$$
(23)

In other words, we have obtained two KdV-like equations, (23) and (24), whose solutions  $F_2$ ,  $G_2$  describe behaviour of the surface elevation in the leading order, when  $x \ge \tau_0$ .

#### Conclusion

In summary, we have obtained 2 systems of 2 equations: one in  $F_1, F_2$ :

$$2\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{1} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\xi}^{3}F_{1} + F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right) = 0;$$

$$2\partial_{\tau_{1}}F_{2} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\xi}^{3}F_{2} + F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2F_{1}\partial_{\xi}F_{1}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2F_{2}\partial_{\xi}F_{2}\left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right) = 0;$$

$$(25)$$

and another one in  $G_1, G_2$ :

$$-2\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{1} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\zeta}^{3}G_{1} + G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right) = 0;$$

$$-2\partial_{\tau_{1}}G_{2} + \frac{1}{3}\partial_{\zeta}^{3}G_{2} + G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} + \frac{1}{\pi}\left(\int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} 2G_{1}\partial_{\zeta}G_{1} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} 2G_{2}\partial_{\zeta}G_{2} \left[\frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y}\right] dy\right) = 0.$$
(26)

It should be noted that even though two systems (25) and (26) seem to be unrelated, this separation was due to the boundary conditions that we imposed at the interface

$$F_1(0) = F_2(0), G_1(2\tau_0) = G_2(2\tau_0),$$

and the free boundary condition at the midpoint

$$\eta_x(0,t) = -F_1'(\tau_0) + G_1'(\tau_0) = 0.$$

#### The Hilbert Transform term

Proposition 5. We have

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \partial_{t} \left( \eta \int_{0}^{y} \eta_{t} \, dy' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, dy$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} \left( 2F_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} + 2G_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, dy + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} \left( 2F_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} + 2G_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, dy.$$

*Proof.* Note:

$$\begin{split} \int_0^\infty \partial_t \left( \eta \int_0^y \eta_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y &= \int_0^\infty (-\partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta + \varepsilon \partial_{\tau_1}) \left( (\eta_0 + \varepsilon \eta_1) \int_0^y (\eta_0 + \varepsilon \eta_1)_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2) \\ &= \int_0^\infty (-\partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta) \left( (\eta_0 + \varepsilon \eta_1) \int_0^y (\eta_0 + \varepsilon \eta_1)_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \\ &= \int_0^\infty (-\partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta) \left( \eta_0 \int_0^y (\eta_0)_t \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \\ &= \int_0^\infty (-\partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta) \left( \eta_0 \int_0^y (-\partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta + \varepsilon \partial_{\tau_1}) \eta_0 \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \\ &= \int_0^\infty (-\partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta) \left( \eta_0 \int_0^y (-\partial_\xi + \partial_\zeta) \eta_0 \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon). \end{split}$$

Now, recalling that  $\eta_0$  is piecewise, we split the integral:

$$\int_0^{\tau_0} (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \left( \eta_0 \int_0^y (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \eta_0 \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y, \tag{27}$$

and

$$\int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} \left(-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}\right) \left(\eta_0 \int_0^y \left(-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}\right) \eta_0 \, \mathrm{d}y'\right) \left[\frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y}\right] \, \mathrm{d}y. \tag{28}$$

We deal with (27):

$$\int_0^{\tau_0} (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \left( \eta_0 \int_0^y (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \eta_0 \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y = \int_0^{\tau_0} (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \left( (F_1 + G_1) \int_0^y (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) (F_1 + G_1) \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_0^{\tau_0} (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \left( (F_1 + G_1) \int_0^y (-\partial_{\xi} F_1 + \partial_{\zeta} G_1) \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$\begin{split} &= \int_0^{\tau_0} \left( -\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta} \right) \left( (F_1 + G_1) \left( -(F_1 - F_1(\tau_0)) + G_1 - G_1(\tau_0) \right) \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^{\tau_0} \left( -\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta} \right) \left( (F_1 + G_1) \left( -F_1 + G_1 + F_1(\tau_0) \right) - G_1(\tau_0) \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^{\tau_0} \left( -\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta} \right) \left( -F_1^2 + G_1^2 \right) + \left( -\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta} \right) (F_1 + G_1) (F_1(\tau_0)) - G_1(\tau_0) \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy \\ &= \int_0^{\tau_0} \left( 2F_1 \partial_{\xi} F_1 + 2G_1 \partial_{\zeta} G_1 \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy, \end{split}$$

where we can set  $F_1(\tau_0) - G_1(\tau_0) = 0$  by imposing a free end condition  $\eta_x(0,t) = 0$ . Now, we deal with (28):

where for the last line we translate  $\xi' = x' - t$ ,  $\zeta' = x' + t$  to obtain

$$\int_{t}^{y} -\partial_{\xi'}(F_{2}(\xi'-\tau_{0})) dx' = \int_{0}^{y-t} (F_{2})_{\xi'}(\xi',\tau_{1}) d\xi' = \int_{0}^{\xi} (F_{2})_{\xi'}(\xi',\tau_{1}) d\xi' = F_{2}(\xi,\tau_{1}) - F_{2}(0,\tau_{1}),$$

$$\int_{t}^{y} \partial_{\zeta'}(G_{2})(\xi'+\tau_{0},\tau_{1}) dx' = \int_{2t}^{y+t} (G_{2})_{\zeta'}(\zeta',\tau_{1}) d\zeta' = \int_{2\tau_{0}}^{\zeta} (G_{2})_{\zeta'}(\zeta',\tau_{1}) d\zeta' = G_{2}(\zeta,\tau_{1}) - G_{2}(2\tau_{0},\tau_{1}).$$

We have that

$$\int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \left( (F_2 + G_2)(-F_2 + G_2) \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy = \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) (-F_2^2 + G_2^2) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy \\
= \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} (\partial_{\xi} (F_2^2) + \partial_{\zeta} (G_2^2)) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy$$

$$= \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} (2F_2 \partial_{\xi} F_2 + 2G_2 \partial_{\zeta} G_2) \left[ \frac{1}{x-y} + \frac{1}{x+y} \right] dy.$$

Looking at the term

$$\int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} \left(-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}\right) \left( (F_2 + G_2)(F_2(0) - F_1(0) + F_1(\tau_0) + G_1(2\tau_0) - G_2(2\tau_0) - G_1(\tau_0) \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] dy, \tag{29}$$

we observe interaction between  $F_i$ ,  $G_i$  at the interface  $x = \tau_0$ . If we impose continuity, then  $F_2(0) = F_1(0)$ ,  $G_2(2\tau_0) = G_1(2\tau_0)$ , which leaves us with  $F_1(\tau_0) - G_1(\tau_0)$ . As before, we can eliminate this term by imposing a free end condition  $\eta_x(0,t) = 0$ . Therefore, the term (29) vanishes due to boundary conditions. So, we obtain

$$\int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \left( \eta_0 \int_0^y (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \eta_0 \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y = \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} (-\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta}) \left( (F_2 + G_2)(-F_2 + G_2) \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{\tau_0}^{\infty} (2F_2 \partial_{\xi} F_2 + 2G_2 \partial_{\zeta} G_2) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y,$$

so that

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \partial_{t} \left( \eta \int_{0}^{y} \eta_{t} \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} \left( -\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta} \right) \left( \eta_{0} \int_{0}^{y} \left( -\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta} \right) \eta_{0} \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} \left( -\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta} \right) \left( \eta_{0} \int_{0}^{y} \left( -\partial_{\xi} + \partial_{\zeta} \right) \eta_{0} \, \mathrm{d}y' \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y$$

$$= \int_{0}^{\tau_{0}} \left( 2F_{1} \partial_{\xi} F_{1} + 2G_{1} \partial_{\zeta} G_{1} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y + \int_{\tau_{0}}^{\infty} \left( 2F_{2} \partial_{\xi} F_{2} + 2G_{2} \partial_{\zeta} G_{2} \right) \left[ \frac{1}{x - y} + \frac{1}{x + y} \right] \, \mathrm{d}y.$$

The proof is complete.

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