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Global well-posedness for the KP-II equation on the background of a non-localized solution

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Abstract

Motivated by transverse stability issues, we address the time evolution under the KP-II flow of perturbations of a solution which does not decay in all directions, for instance the KdV-line soliton. We study two different types of perturbations: perturbations that are square integrable in $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}$ and perturbations that are square integrable in \mathbb{R}^2 . In both cases we prove the global well-posedness of the Cauchy problem associated with such initial data.

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1. Introduction

1.1. Presentation of the problem

The Kadomtsev-Petviashvili (KP) equations

$$(u_t + u_{xxx} + uu_x)_x \pm u_{yy} = 0 \tag{1}$$

were introduced in [13] to study the transverse stability of the solitary wave solution of the Korteweg-de Vries equation

$$u_t + u_x + uu_x + \left(T - \frac{1}{3}\right)u_{xxx} = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \ t \in \mathbb{R}.$$
(2)

Here $T \ge 0$ is the Bond number which measures surface tension effects in the context of surface hydrodynamical waves. Actually the (formal) analysis in [13] consists in looking for a *weakly transverse* perturbation of the transport

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equation $u_t + u_x = 0$. This perturbation amounts to adding to the equation a non-local term, namely $\frac{1}{2}\partial_x^{-1}u_{yy}$. The same formal procedure is applied to the KdV equation (2) yielding the KP equation of the form

$$u_t + u_x + uu_x + \left(T - \frac{1}{3}\right)u_{xxx} + \frac{1}{2}\partial_x^{-1}u_{yy} = 0.$$
(3)

By change of frame and scaling, (3) reduces to (1) with the + sign (KP-II) when $T < \frac{1}{3}$ and the - sign (KP-I) when $T > \frac{1}{2}$.

As far as the *transverse stability* of the KdV solitary wave ("1-soliton") $\psi_c(x - ct, y)$, where

$$\psi_c(x, y) = \frac{3c}{2} \cosh^{-2}\left(\frac{\sqrt{cx}}{2}\right),\tag{4}$$

is concerned, the natural initial condition associated to (1) should be $u_0 = \psi_c + v_0$ where v_0 is either "localized" in x and y, or localized in x and y-periodic. In any case this rules out initial data in Sobolev spaces like $H^s(\mathbb{R}^2)$ or their anisotropic versions $H^{s_1,s_2}(\mathbb{R}^2)$, as was for instance the case considered in [4,28,29,9,10,12,27] for the KP-II equation or in [17,14,11,31] for the KP-I equation.

Actually, it was proved in [18] that the Cauchy problem for the KP-I equation is globally well-posed for data which are localized perturbations of arbitrary size of a *non-localized* traveling wave solution such as the KdV *N*-soliton or the Zaitsev soliton (which is a localized in *x* and periodic in *y* solitary wave of the KP-I equation). The same result has been proven in [6] for localized perturbations of *small* size using Inverse Scattering techniques.

No such result seems to be known for the KP-II equation for data of arbitrary size. The aim of the present paper is to fix this issue. Observe that the results in [8] concern initial data localized in y and periodic in x, for instance belonging to $H^s(\mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R})$ which excludes initial data of type $\psi_c + v_0$ as above.

On the other hand, the Inverse Scattering method has been used formally in [1] and rigorously in [2] to study the Cauchy problem for the KP-II equation with non-decaying data along a line, that is $u(0, x, y) = u_{\infty}(x - vy) + \phi(x, y)$ with $\phi(x, y) \rightarrow 0$ as $x^2 + y^2 \rightarrow \infty$ and $u_{\infty}(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$. Typically, u_{∞} is the profile of a traveling wave solution with its peak localized on a moving line in the (x, y) plane. It is a particular case of the *N*-soliton of the KP-II equation discovered by Satsuma [22] (see the derivation and the explicit form when N = 1, 2 in the Appendix of [19]). As in all results obtained for KP equations by using the Inverse Scattering method, the initial perturbation of the non-decaying solution is supposed to be small enough in a weighted L^1 space (see [2, Theorem 13]).

As will be proven in the present paper, PDE techniques allow to consider *arbitrary large perturbations* of a (smaller) class of non-decaying solutions of the KP-II equation.

We will therefore study here the initial value problem for the Kadomtsev-Petviashvili (KP-II) equation

$$(u_t + u_{xxx} + uu_x)_x + u_{yy} = 0.$$
 (5)

We will either consider periodic in y solutions or we will suppose that $u = u(t, x, y), (x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2, t \in \mathbb{R}$, with initial data

$$u(0, x, y) = \phi(x, y) + \psi(x, y), \tag{6}$$

where ψ is the profile of a non-localized (i.e. not decaying in all spatial directions) traveling wave of the KP-II equation and ϕ is localized, i.e. belonging to Sobolev spaces on \mathbb{R}^2 . We recall (see [3]) that, contrary to the KP-II equation, the KP-II equation does not possess any *localized in both directions* traveling wave solution. The background solution could be for instance the line soliton (1-soliton) $\psi_c(x - ct, y)$ moving with velocity *c* of the Korteweg–de Vries (KdV) equation defined by (4). But it could also be the profile of the *N*-soliton solution of the KdV equation, $N \ge 2$. The KdV *N*-soliton is of course considered as a two-dimensional (constant in *y*) object.

Solving the Cauchy problem in both those functional settings can be viewed as a preliminary (and necessary!) step towards the study of the dynamics of the KP-II equation on the background of a non-fully localized solution, in particular towards a PDE proof of the nonlinear stability of the KdV soliton or *N*-soliton with respect to transversal perturbations governed by the KP-II flow. This has been established in [2, Proposition 17] by Inverse Scattering methods and very recently by Mizumachi and Tzvetkov [15] who proved (by PDE techniques but using the Miura transform for the KP-II equation) the L^2 stability of the KP-II line soliton with respect to transverse perturbations.

We recall that it is established in [30] by Inverse Scattering methods and in [20,21] by PDE techniques which extend to a large class of (non-integrable) problems, that the KdV 1-soliton is transversally nonlinearly unstable with respect to the KP-I equation.

The advantage of the PDE approach of the present paper compared to an Inverse Scattering one is that it can be straightforwardly applied to non-integrable equations such as the higher order KP-II equations (see [25,26]).

1.2. Statement of the results

As was previously mentioned our main result is that the KP-II equation is globally well-posed for data of arbitrary size in the two aforementioned functional settings.

Theorem 1.1. The Cauchy problem associated with the KP-II equation is globally well-posed in $H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ for any $s \ge 0$. More precisely for every $\phi \in H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ there is a global strong solution of (5) in $C(\mathbb{R}; H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}))$ with initial datum $u(0, x, y) = \phi(x, y)$. The solution is unique in $C(\mathbb{R}; H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}))$ if s > 2. For $s \in [0, 2]$ the uniqueness holds in the following sense. For every T > 0 there is a Banach space X_T continuously embedded in $C([-T, T]; H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}))$ and containing $C([-T, T]; H^{\infty}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}))$ such that the solution u belongs to X_T and is unique in this class. Moreover the flow is Lipschitz continuous on bounded sets of $H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$. Namely, for every bounded set B of $H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ and every T > 0 there exists a constant C such that for every $\phi_1, \phi_2 \in B$ the corresponding solutions u_1, u_2 satisfy

 $||u_1 - u_2||_{L^{\infty}([-T,T]; H^s(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{T}))} \leq C ||\phi_1 - \phi_2||_{H^s(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{T})}.$

Finally the L^2 -norm is conserved by the flow, i.e.

 $\|u(t,\cdot)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{T})} = \|\phi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{T})}, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}.$

We next state our result concerning localized perturbations.

Theorem 1.2. Let $\psi_c(x - ct, y)$ be a solution of the KP-II equation such that for every $\sigma \ge 0$, $(1 - \partial_x^2 - \partial_y^2)^{\frac{\sigma}{2}} \psi_c : \mathbb{R}^2 \to \mathbb{R}$ is bounded and belongs to $L_x^2 L_y^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^2)$. Let $s \ge 0$ be an integer. Then for every $\phi \in H^s(\mathbb{R}^2)$ there exists a global strong solution u of (5) with initial data $\phi + \psi_c$. The uniqueness holds in the following sense. For every T > 0 there is a Banach space X_T continuously embedded in $C([-T, T]; H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}))$ and containing $C([-T, T]; H^{\infty}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}))$ such that the solution u belongs to X_T and is unique in this class $\psi_c(x - ct, y) + X_T$.

The spaces X_T involved in the statements of the above results are suitable Bourgain spaces defined below.

Our proof is based on the approach by Bourgain to study the fully periodic case. We need however to deal with difficulties linked to several low frequencies cases (see for example Lemma 3.4 below) which do not occur in the purely periodic setting. Moreover in the proof of Theorem 1.2 one needs to make a use of the Kato type smoothing effect for KP-II which was not present in previous works on the low regularity well-posedness of the KP-II equation.

Remark 1.3. As was previously noticed, the result of Theorem 1.2 holds (with the same proof) when we replace ψ_c by the value at t = 0 of the *N*-soliton solution S_N of the KdV equation which satisfies similar smoothness and decay properties as ψ_c . This follows from the structure of the S_N . For instance (see [5]) the 2-soliton of the KdV equation written in the form

$$u_t - 6uu_x + u_{xxx} = 0$$

is

$$S_2(x,t) = -12 \frac{3 + 4\cosh(2x - 8t) + \cosh(4x - 64t)}{(3\cosh(x - 28t) + \cosh(3x - 36t))^2}$$

On the other hand, a priori one cannot take instead of ψ_c a function ψ which is non-decaying along a line $\{(x, y) \mid x - vy = x_0\}$, as for instance the line soliton of the KP-II equation which writes $\psi(x - vy - ct)$. However, as was pointed out to us by Herbert Koch the change of variables $(X = x + vy - v^2t, Y = y - 2vt)$ leaves invariant the KP-II equation and transforms the line soliton to an independent of y object. Therefore our analysis applies equally well to the line soliton.

1.3. Organization of the paper

The second section is devoted to the proof of a bilinear estimate for localized functions in $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}$. It is based on Bourgain's method in [4] who considers the case of functions in $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z}^2$. We prove Theorem 1.1 in Section 3 as a consequence of two bilinear estimates in Bourgain $X^{b,s}$ spaces. Finally we prove Theorem 1.2 in Section 4 by a fixed point argument in suitable Bourgain spaces, using in a crucial way the dispersive and smoothing properties of the KP-II linear group.

1.4. Notations

We will denote $\|\cdot\|_{L^p}$ (resp $\|\cdot\|_{H^s}$) the standard norm in the Lebesgue space L^p (resp. the Sobolev space H^s), the domain being clear from the context. The Fourier transform on $\mathbb{R}^2_{x,y} \times \mathbb{R}_t$ (resp. \mathbb{R}_x) is denoted \mathcal{F} or $(\text{resp. }\mathcal{F}_x)$. We will use the "Japanese bracket notation" $\langle \cdot \rangle = (1 + |\cdot|^2)^{1/2}$. The notation U(t) will stand for the (unitary in all $H^s(\mathbb{R}^2)$ or $H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ Sobolev spaces) KP-II group, that is $U(t) = e^{-t(\partial_x^3 + \partial_x^{-1}\partial_y^2)}$. For $(b, s) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, the norm of the Bourgain space associated to U(t) is, for functions defined on $\mathbb{R}^2_{x,y} \times \mathbb{R}_t$ (with the obvious modification that integration in $\eta \in \mathbb{R}$ is replaced by summation in $q \in \mathbb{Z}$ for functions defined on $\mathbb{R}_x \times \mathbb{T}_y \times \mathbb{R}_t$): $\|u\|_{X^{b,b_{1},s}} = \|U(-t)u\|_{H^{b,b_{1},s}}$, where

$$\|u\|_{H^{b,b_{1,s}}}^{2} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2}_{\xi,\eta} \times \mathbb{R}_{\tau}} \left\langle \frac{\langle \tau \rangle}{\langle \xi \rangle^{3}} \right\rangle^{2b_{1}} \langle \zeta \rangle^{2s} \langle \tau \rangle^{2b} \left| \hat{u}(\tau,\xi,\eta) \right|^{2} d\tau \, d\xi \, d\eta, \quad \zeta = (\xi,\eta)$$

that is

$$\|u\|_{X^{b,b_{1,s}}}^{2} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2}_{\xi,\eta} \times \mathbb{R}_{\tau}} \left\langle \frac{\langle \sigma(\tau,\xi,\eta) \rangle}{\langle \xi \rangle^{3}} \right\rangle^{2b_{1}} \langle \zeta \rangle^{2s} \langle \sigma(\tau,\xi,\eta) \rangle^{2b} \left| \hat{u}(\tau,\xi,\eta) \right|^{2} d\tau \, d\xi \, d\eta,$$

where $\sigma(\tau, \xi, \eta) = \tau - \xi^3 + \eta^2 / \xi$. For any T > 0, the norm in the localized version $X_T^{b, b_1, s}$ is defined as

$$\|u\|_{X_T^{b,b_1,s}} = \inf\{\|w\|_{X^{b,b_1,s}}, w(t) = u(t) \text{ on } (-T,T)\}$$

For $(b, s) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$ the space $Z^{b,s}$ is the space associated to the norm

$$\|u\|_{Z^{b,s}} = \left\| \langle \sigma \rangle^{b-\frac{1}{2}} \langle \zeta \rangle^s \hat{u} \right\|_{L^2_{\zeta} L^1_{\tau}}$$

We define the restricted spaces $Z_T^{b,s}$ similarly to above. The notation \leq is used for $\leq C$ where *C* is an irrelevant constant. For a real number *s*, *s* – means "for any *r* < *s* close enough to *s*". If *A*, *B* $\in \mathbb{R}$, we denote $A \wedge B = \min(A, B)$ and $A \vee B = \max(A, B)$. $A \sim B$ means that there exists c > 0 such that $\frac{1}{c}|A| \leq |B| \leq c|A|$. If *S* is a Lebesgue measurable set in \mathbb{R}^n , |S|, or mes *S*, denotes its Lebesgue measure. #*S* denotes the cardinal of a finite set *S*.

2. A bilinear estimate for localized functions in $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}$

In this section we will prove the following crucial bilinear estimate for functions having some localizations related to the KP-II dispersion relation in $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}$. This is essentially a bilinear $L^4 - L^2$ Strichartz estimate associated to the linear KP-II group. We mainly follow the proof of Bourgain [4] that treats the case of functions in $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z}^2$.

Proposition 2.1. Let u_1 and u_2 be two real valued L^2 functions defined on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z}$ with the following support properties

$$(\tau,\xi,q) \in \operatorname{supp}(u_i) \implies \xi \in I_i, \quad |\xi| \sim M_i, \quad \langle \tau - \xi^3 + q^2/\xi \rangle \sim K_i, \quad i = 1, 2.$$

Then the following estimates hold,

$$\|u_1 \star u_2\|_{L^2} \lesssim (K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} (|I_1| \wedge |I_2|)^{1/2} ((K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4}) \|u_1\|_{L^2} \|u_2\|_{L^2}$$

$$(7)$$
and if $M_1 \wedge M_2 \ge 1$ then

$$\|u_{1} \star u_{2}\|_{L^{2}} \lesssim (K_{1} \wedge K_{2})^{1/2} (K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/4} (M_{1} \wedge M_{2})^{1/4} \\ \times \left[(M_{1} \wedge M_{2})^{1/4} \left\langle \frac{(K_{1} \vee K_{2})}{(M_{1} \vee M_{2})^{1-}} \right\rangle + \frac{(|I_{1}| \wedge |I_{2}|)^{1/2}}{(K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/4}} \right] \|u_{1}\|_{L^{2}} \|u_{2}\|_{L^{2}}.$$

$$(8)$$

2.1. Three basic lemmas

Before starting the proof of the proposition let us recall the three following basic lemmas that we will use intensively.

Lemma 2.2. Consider a set $\Lambda \subset \mathbb{R}_{\xi} \times \mathbb{Z}_{q}$. Let the projection of Λ on the ξ -axis be contained in a set $I \subset \mathbb{R}$. Assume in addition that for any fixed $\xi_{0} \in I$ the cardinal of the set $\Lambda \cap \{(\xi_{0}, q), q \in \mathbb{Z}\}$ is bounded by a constant C. Then $|\Lambda| \leq C|I|$.

Lemma 2.3. Let *I* and *J* be two intervals on the real line and $f: J \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be a smooth function. Then

$$\operatorname{mes}\left\{x \in J \colon f(x) \in I\right\} \leqslant \frac{|I|}{\inf_{\xi \in J} |f'(\xi)|}$$

and

$$#\left\{q \in J \cap \mathbb{Z}: f(q) \in I\right\} \leqslant \frac{|I|}{\inf_{\xi \in J} |f'(\xi)|} + 1.$$

Lemma 2.4. Let $a \neq 0$, b, c be real numbers and I be an interval on the real line. Then

$$\max\{x \in \mathbb{R}: ax^2 + bx + c \in I\} \leqslant \frac{|I|^{1/2}}{|a|^{1/2}}$$

and

$$\#\{q \in \mathbb{Z}: aq^2 + bq + c \in I\} \leqslant \frac{|I|^{1/2}}{|a|^{1/2}} + 1.$$

2.2. Proof of Proposition 2.1

According to [4, p. 320], we can suppose that $\xi \ge 0$ on the support of $u_j(\tau, \xi, q)$ (see also [24, p. 460] for a detailed discussion). We thus have to evaluate

$$\sum_{q\in\mathbb{Z}}\int_{\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{R}_+}\left|\sum_{q_1\in\mathbb{Z}}\int_{\mathbb{R}\times\mathbb{R}_+}\chi_{\{\xi-\xi_1\geqslant 0\}}u_1(\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1)u_2(\tau-\tau_1,\xi-\xi_1,q-q_1)\,d\tau_1\,d\xi_1\right|^2d\tau\,d\xi.$$

By the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality in (τ_1, ξ_1, q_1) we thus get

$$\|u_1 \star u_2\|_{L^2}^2 \lesssim \sup_{(\tau,\xi \ge 0,\eta)} |A_{\tau,\xi,q}| \|u_1\|_{L^2}^2 \|u_2\|_{L^2}^2$$
(9)

where $A_{\tau,\xi,q} \subset \mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}$ is the set

$$A_{\tau,\xi,q} := \left\{ (\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1) \colon \xi_1 \in I_1, \ \xi - \xi_1 \in I_2, \ 0 < \xi_1 \sim M_1, \ 0 < \xi - \xi_1 \sim M_2, \\ \left\langle \tau_1 - \xi_1^3 + \frac{q_1^2}{\xi_1} \right\rangle \sim K_1, \ \left\langle \tau - \tau_1 - (\xi - \xi_1)^3 + \frac{(q-q_1)^2}{\xi - \xi_1} \right\rangle \sim K_2 \right\}.$$

A use of the triangle inequality yields

$$|A_{\tau,\xi,q}| \lesssim (K_1 \wedge K_2) |B_{\tau,\xi,q}| \tag{10}$$

where

$$B_{\tau,\xi,q} := \left\{ (\xi_1, q_1): \, \xi_1 \in I_1, \, \xi - \xi_1 \in I_2, \, 0 < \xi_1 \sim M_1, \, 0 < \xi - \xi_1 \sim M_2, \\ \left\langle \tau - \xi^3 + \frac{q^2}{\xi} + 3\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1) + \frac{(\xi q_1 - \xi_1 q)^2}{\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1)} \right\rangle \lesssim (K_1 \lor K_2) \right\}.$$

Let us now first prove (7) by bounding $|B_{\tau,\xi,q}|$ in a direct way. The measure of the projection of $B_{\tau,\xi,q}$ on the ξ_1 -axis is bounded by $(|I_1| \wedge |I_2)$ and for a fixed ξ_1 , using Lemma 2.4, the cardinal of its q_1 -section is bounded by $c(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2} + 1$. Therefore Lemma 2.2 and (9)–(10) yield the bound (7).

To prove (8) we divide $B_{\tau,\xi,q}$ into two regions by setting

$$B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{1} := \left\{ (\xi_{1}, q_{1}) \in B_{\tau,\xi,q} \colon \left| \frac{q_{1}}{\xi_{1}} - \frac{q - q_{1}}{\xi - \xi_{1}} \right| \leqslant 1 \right\}$$
(11)

and

$$B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2} := \left\{ (\xi_{1}, q_{1}) \in B_{\tau,\xi,q} \colon \left| \frac{q_{1}}{\xi_{1}} - \frac{q - q_{1}}{\xi - \xi_{1}} \right| \ge 1 \right\}.$$
(12)

In the next lemma we estimate the size of the first region.

Lemma 2.5. For $M_1 \wedge M_2 \ge 1$, the following estimate holds

$$|B^1_{\tau,\xi,q}| \lesssim (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}.$$

Proof. Recall that ξ_1 and $\xi - \xi_1$ are non-negative real numbers and thus $\xi \sim \xi_1 \lor (\xi - \xi_1)$. Note also that

$$\frac{(\xi q_1 - \xi_1 q)^2}{\xi \xi_1 (\xi - \xi_1)} = \frac{\xi_1 (\xi - \xi_1)}{\xi} \left(\frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q - q_1}{\xi - \xi_1} \right)^2.$$
(13)

From the definition of $B^1_{\tau,\xi,q}$ we thus deduce that

$$|\tau - \xi^3 + q^2/\xi + 3\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1)| \lesssim K_1 \vee K_2 + M_1 \wedge M_2$$

According to Lemma 2.4, the projection of $B^1_{\tau,\xi,q}$ on the ξ_1 -axis is thus bounded by

$$\frac{(K_1 \vee K_2 + M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}} \lesssim \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}} + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}}.$$
(14)

We separate two cases:

(1) $M_1 \wedge M_2 \leq K_1 \vee K_2$. Then from the definition of $B^1_{\tau,\xi,q}$ and Lemma 2.3 we infer that for ξ_1 fixed, the cardinal of the q_1 -section of $B^1_{\tau,\xi,q}$ is bounded from above by $\langle M_1 \wedge M_2 \rangle \sim M_1 \wedge M_2$. We thus get by Lemma 2.2 that in the considered case

$$|B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{1}| \lesssim \frac{(K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/2} (M_{1} \wedge M_{2})}{(M_{1} \vee M_{2})^{1/2}} \leqslant (K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/2} (M_{1} \wedge M_{2})^{1/2}.$$

(2) $M_1 \wedge M_2 \ge K_1 \vee K_2$. In this case we subdivide once more: (2.1) $|\frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q-q_1}{\xi-\xi_1}| \le \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}$. Then again by (14), Lemmas 2.2 and 2.3, we have that in the considered case

$$\left|B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{1}\right| \lesssim \frac{(M_{1} \wedge M_{2})^{1/2}}{(M_{1} \vee M_{2})^{1/2}} \left\langle \frac{(K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/2} (M_{1} \wedge M_{2})}{(M_{1} \vee M_{2})^{1/2}} \right\rangle \lesssim (K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/2} (M_{1} \wedge M_{2})^{1/2}.$$

$$(2.2) \ 1 \geqslant \left|\frac{q_{1}}{\xi_{1}} - \frac{q - q_{1}}{\xi - \xi_{1}}\right| \geqslant \frac{(K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/2}}{(M_{1} \wedge M_{2})^{1/2}}.$$
 Since

$$\left|\frac{\partial}{\partial q_1} \left(\tau - \xi^3 + q^2/\xi + 3\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1) + \frac{\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1)}{\xi} \left(\frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q - q_1}{\xi - \xi_1}\right)^2\right)\right| = 2\left|\frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q - q_1}{\xi - \xi_1}\right|$$
(15)

it follows from Lemma 2.3 that the cardinal of the q_1 -section at fixed ξ_1 is bounded by

$$2(K_1 \vee K_2) \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}} + 1 \lesssim (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}.$$

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According to (14), the projection of this region on the ξ_1 -axis is of measure less than a uniform constant and thus in the considered case

$$|B^1_{\tau,\xi,q}| \lesssim (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}.$$

This completes the proof of Lemma 2.5. \Box

We now divide $B_{\tau,\xi,q}^2$ into three regions by setting

$$B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,1} := \left\{ (\xi_1, q_1) \in B_{\tau,\xi,q}^2 : \left| \frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q - q_1}{\xi - \xi_1} \right| < \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}} \right\},\$$

$$B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,2} := \left\{ (\xi_1, q_1) \in B_{\tau,\xi,q}^2 : \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}} \leqslant \left| \frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q - q_1}{\xi - \xi_1} \right| < \frac{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}} \right\}$$

and

$$B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q} := \left\{ (\xi_1, q_1) \in B^2_{\tau,\xi,q} \colon \max\left(\frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}, \frac{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}\right) \leqslant \left| \frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q - q_1}{\xi - \xi_1} \right| \right\}.$$

Note that $B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,1}$ and $B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,2}$ may be empty.

Lemma 2.6. The following estimates hold whenever $M_1 \land M_2 \ge 1$

$$\left|B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,1}\right| \lesssim (K_1 \vee K_2) \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}} \tag{16}$$

and

$$\left|B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,2}\right| \lesssim (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}.$$
(17)

Proof. Assuming that $B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,1}$ is not empty, it follows from (13) and Lemma 2.4 that the measure of its projection on the ξ_1 -axis can be estimated as

$$\lesssim rac{(K_1 \lor K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \lor M_2)^{1/2}}$$

On the other hand, it follows from Lemma 2.3 that for a fixed ξ_1 the cardinal of its q_1 -section is bounded by

$$\lesssim (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2} + 1 \lesssim (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}.$$
(18)

This proves (16) in view of Lemma 2.2. Now coming back to (13) and using Lemma 2.4 we infer that the projection of $B^{2,2}_{\tau,\xi,g}$ on the ξ_1 -axis is bounded by

$$\frac{1}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}} \Big[(K_1 \vee K_2) + (M_1 \vee M_2) \Big]^{1/2} \leqslant C$$

since $B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,2}$ is empty as soon as $K_1 \vee K_2 \ge M_1 \vee M_2$. On the other hand, it follows from (15) and Lemma 2.2 that for a fixed ξ_1 the cardinal of its q_1 -section is also bounded by (18). This leads to (17) thanks to Lemma 2.2. This completes the proof of Lemma 2.6. \Box

We finally estimate the size of $B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,3}$.

Lemma 2.7. For any $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$ it holds

$$\left|B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,3}\right| \lesssim C_{\varepsilon} \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2 + \varepsilon/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2 - \varepsilon/2}} (K_1 \vee K_2) + |I_1| \wedge |I_2|.$$
⁽¹⁹⁾

Proof. We subdivide $B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q}$ by setting

$$B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q}(+\infty) := \left\{ (\xi_1, q_1) \in B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q} \colon \left| \frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q - q_1}{\xi - \xi_1} \right| \ge |K_1 \lor K_2| \right\}$$

and

$$B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q}(L) := \left\{ (\xi_1, q_1) \in B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q} \colon \left| \frac{q_1}{\xi_1} - \frac{q - q_1}{\xi - \xi_1} \right| \sim L \right\}$$

where $L = 2^l$, $l_0 \leq l \leq l_1$, with

$$l_0 \sim \ln\left(\max\left(\frac{M_1 \vee M_2}{M_1 \wedge M_2}, \frac{K_1 \vee K_2}{M_1 \wedge M_2}\right)\right), \qquad l_1 \sim \ln(K_1 \vee K_2)$$

In view of (15), for a fixed ξ_1 , the q_1 -section of $B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q}(+\infty)$ contains at most two elements and thus by Lemma 2.2,

$$\left|B_{\tau,\xi,q}^{2,3}(+\infty)\right| \lesssim |I_1| \wedge |I_2|.$$
⁽²⁰⁾

Now, in $B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q}(L)$ it holds

$$\left|\tau - \xi^3 + q^2/\xi + 3\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1)\right| \lesssim K_1 \vee K_1 + (M_1 \wedge M_2)L^2$$

and thus from Lemma 2.4 we infer that the measure of the projection of this region on the ξ_1 -axis is bounded by

$$\frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}} + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}}L.$$

Interpolating with the crude bound $M_1 \wedge M_2$ we obtain the bound

$$\left[\frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}} + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}}L\right]^{1-\varepsilon} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{\varepsilon}.$$

On the other hand, for a fixed ξ_1 , by using again (15) and Lemma 2.3, we obtain that the cardinal of its q_1 -section is bounded by

$$\frac{K_1 \vee K_2}{L} + 1 \lesssim \frac{K_1 \vee K_2}{L}$$

We thus get by Lemma 2.2,

$$\begin{split} \left| B^{2,3}_{\tau,\xi,q}(L) \right| \lesssim & \left[\frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}} + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2}} L \right]^{1-\varepsilon} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{\varepsilon} \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)}{L} \\ & \lesssim \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2+\varepsilon/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2-\varepsilon/2} L^{\varepsilon}}, \end{split}$$

where we used that in the considered case $L \ge \frac{(K_1 \lor K_2)^{1/2}}{(M_1 \land M_2)^{1/2}}$. A summation over *L* yields the claimed bound. This completes the proof of Lemma 2.7. \Box

Now, using Lemmas 2.5–2.7, we get

$$|B_{\tau,\xi,q}| \lesssim (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/2} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2} + C_{\varepsilon} \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/2 - \varepsilon}} + |I_1| \wedge |I_2|,$$

and thus according to (9)-(10),

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_1 \star u_2\|_{L^2} &\lesssim C_{\varepsilon} (K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} \\ &\times \left[(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4} \left\langle \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/4 - \varepsilon}} \right\rangle + \frac{(|I_1| \wedge |I_2|)^{1/2}}{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}} \right] \|u_1\|_{L^2} \|u_2\|_{L^2}. \end{aligned}$$

This completes the proof of Proposition 2.1.

Corollary 2.8. Let u_1 and u_2 be two real valued L^2 functions defined on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z}$ with the following support properties

$$(\tau, \xi, q) \in \operatorname{supp}(u_i) \implies |\xi| \sim M_i, \qquad \langle \tau - \xi^3 + q^2/\xi \rangle \sim K_i, \quad i = 1, 2$$

Then the following estimates hold,

$$\|u_{1} \star u_{2}\|_{L^{2}(|\xi| \sim M)} \lesssim (K_{1} \wedge K_{2})^{1/2} (M_{1} \wedge M_{2} \wedge M)^{1/2} \times \langle (K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/4} (M_{1} \wedge M_{2})^{1/4} \rangle \|u_{1}\|_{L^{2}} \|u_{2}\|_{L^{2}}$$
(21)

and if $M_1 \wedge M_2 \ge 1$ then

$$\|u_{1} \star u_{2}\|_{L^{2}(|\xi| \sim M)} \lesssim (K_{1} \wedge K_{2})^{1/2} (K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/4} \\ \times \left[(M_{1} \wedge M_{2})^{1/4} \left\langle \frac{(K_{1} \vee K_{2})}{(M_{1} \vee M_{2})^{1-}} \right\rangle^{1/4} + \frac{(M_{1} \wedge M_{2} \wedge M)^{1/2}}{(K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/4}} \right] \|u_{1}\|_{L^{2}} \|u_{2}\|_{L^{2}}.$$
(22)

Proof. Rewriting the functions u_i as $u_i = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} u_{i,k}$ with

$$u_{i,k} = u_i \chi_{\{kM \leqslant \xi < (k+1)M\}},$$

we easily obtain by support considerations and the Minkowsky inequality that

$$\|u_{1} \star u_{2}\|_{L^{2}(|\xi| \sim M)} = \left\| \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{0 \leq |q| \leq 1} u_{1,k} \star u_{2,-k+q} \right\|_{L^{2}(|\xi| \sim M)}$$
$$\lesssim \sum_{0 \leq q \leq 1} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \|u_{1,k} \star u_{2,-k+q}\|_{L^{2}}.$$

The desired result follows by applying Proposition 2.1 with $|I_1| = |I_2| = M$ for each $k \in \mathbb{Z}$, and then Cauchy–Schwarz in k. \Box

A rough interpolation between (7) and (8) on one side and between (21) and (22) on the other side gives the following bilinear estimates that we will use intensively in the next section.

Corollary 2.9. There exists $\beta_0 < 1/2$ such that the following holds true. Let u_1 and u_2 be two real valued L^2 functions defined on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{Z}$ with the following support properties

 $(\tau,\xi,q) \in \operatorname{supp}(u_i) \implies |\xi| \sim M_i \ge 1, \qquad \langle \tau - \xi^3 + q^2/\xi \rangle \sim K_i, \quad i = 1, 2.$

Then the following estimates hold,

$$\|u_1 \star u_2\|_{L^2} \lesssim (K_1 K_2)^{\beta_0} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/2} \|u_1\|_{L^2} \|u_2\|_{L^2}$$
(23)

and

$$\|u_1 \star u_2\|_{L^2(|\xi| \sim M)} \lesssim (K_1 K_2)^{\beta_0} \left[(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4} + (M_1 \wedge M_2 \wedge M)^{1/2} \right] \|u_1\|_{L^2} \|u_2\|_{L^2}.$$
(24)

Proof. Let us first prove (23). If $M_1 \wedge M_2 \leq 1$ then we can easily conclude by only using (7). If $M_1 \wedge M_2 \geq 1$ then (8) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_1 \star u_2\|_{L^2} &\lesssim (K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} (M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4} \\ &\times \left(1 + \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/4-}} + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4}}{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}}\right) \|u_1\|_{L^2} \|u_2\|_{L^2}. \end{aligned}$$

We now distinguish cases according to which terms dominate in the sum

$$1 + \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/4-}} + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4}}{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}}$$

If the first or the third term dominates then we get directly the needed bound. The only case we really need an interpolation between (7) and (8) is when the second term dominates. In this case we interpolate with weight θ on the bound (7) and weight $1 - \theta$ on the second bound (8) and the conditions on θ to get the needed estimate are

$$\theta > 0, \qquad \frac{3}{4}\theta < \frac{1}{2}$$

which of course can be achieved. Let us now turn to the proof of (24). Again, if $M_1 \wedge M_2 \leq 1$ then we can easily conclude by only using (21). If $M_1 \wedge M_2 \geq 1$ then (22) gives

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_1 \star u_2\|_{L^2(|\xi| \sim M)} &\lesssim (K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} \\ &\times \left[(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4} \left(1 + \frac{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/4-}} \right) + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2 \wedge M)^{1/2}}{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}} \right] \|u_1\|_{L^2} \|u_2\|_{L^2}. \end{aligned}$$

Again, we distinguish cases according to which terms dominate in the sum

$$(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4} + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2)^{1/4}(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}}{(M_1 \vee M_2)^{1/4-}} + \frac{(M_1 \wedge M_2 \wedge M)^{1/2}}{(K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4}}$$

If the first or the third term dominates then we get directly the needed bound. If the second term dominates than we interpolate with weight θ on the bound (21) and weight $1 - \theta$ on the bound (22) and the conditions on θ to get the needed estimate are

$$\theta > 0, \quad \theta < \frac{1}{2},$$

the first assumption being imposed in order to ensure the K_1, K_2 conditions and the second one for the M, M_1 and M_2 conditions. This completes the proof of Corollary 2.9. \Box

3. Global well-posedness on $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}$

3.1. Two bilinear estimates in $X^{b,b_1,s}$ spaces

The local well-posedness result is a direct consequence of the following bilinear estimates combined with a standard fixed point argument in $X^{b,b_1,s}$ spaces.

Proposition 3.1. There exist $\beta < 1/2$ and $1/4 < b_1 < 3/8$ such that for all $u, v \in X^{1/2,b_1,s}$, the following bilinear estimates hold

$$\left\|\partial_{X}(uv)\right\|_{X^{-1/2,b_{1},s}} \lesssim \|u\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}} \|v\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} + \|u\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} \|v\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}}$$
(25)

and

$$\left\|\partial_{x}(uv)\right\|_{Z^{-1/2,s}} \lesssim \left\|u\right\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}} \left\|v\right\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} + \left\|u\right\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} \left\|v\right\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}},\tag{26}$$

provided $s \ge 0$.

To prove this bilinear estimate we first note that by symmetry it suffices to consider $\partial_x \Lambda(u, v)$ where $\Lambda(\cdot, \cdot)$ is defined by

$$\mathcal{F}_x\big(\Lambda(u,v)\big) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_{|\xi_1| \leqslant |\xi - \xi_1|} (\mathcal{F}_x u)(\xi_1) (\mathcal{F}_x v)(\xi - \xi_1) d\xi_1.$$

The following resonance relation (see [4]) is crucial for our analysis:

$$|\sigma - \sigma_1 - \sigma_2| = \left| 3\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1) + \frac{(\xi q_1 - \xi_1 q)^2}{\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1)} \right| \ge 3\left|\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1)\right|,\tag{27}$$

where

$$\sigma := \sigma(\tau, \xi, q) := \tau - \xi^3 + q^2 / \xi, \qquad \sigma_1 := \sigma(\tau_1, \xi_1, q_1),$$

and $\sigma_2 := \sigma(\tau - \tau_1, \xi - \xi_1, q - q_1)$. We start by giving an estimate for interactions of high frequencies in x whose sum is not close to zero.

Lemma 3.2. There exists $\beta < 1/2$ such that

 $\|\partial_x P_{\geq 1} \Lambda(P_{\geq 1}u, v)\|_{X^{-1/2, b_1, s}} \lesssim \|u\|_{X^{1/2, b_1, s}} \|v\|_{X^{\beta, 0, s}} + \|u\|_{X^{\beta, 0, s}} \|v\|_{X^{1/2, b_1, s}},$ provided $s \geq 0$ and $1/4 < b_1 < 3/8.$

Proof. By duality we have to prove that

$$I := \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^4} \sum_{(q,q_1)\in\mathbb{Z}^2} \Gamma^{\tau,\xi,q}_{\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1} f(\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1) g(\tau_2,\xi_2,q_2) h(\tau,\xi,q) \, d\tau \, d\tau_1 \, d\xi \, d\xi_1 \right| \\ \lesssim \left(\|f\|_{X^{1/2,b_1,s}} \|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} + \|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} \|g\|_{X^{1/2,b_1,s}} \right) \|h\|_2$$

$$(28)$$

where

$$\Gamma_{\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1}^{\tau,\xi,q} := \chi_{\{1 \leqslant |\xi_1| \leqslant |\xi-\xi_1|, |\xi| \geqslant 1\}} \langle \sigma \rangle^{-1/2} \left(\frac{\langle \sigma \rangle}{\langle \xi \rangle^3} \right)^{b_1} |\xi| \langle \zeta \rangle^s \langle \zeta_1 \rangle^{-s} \langle \zeta - \zeta_1 \rangle^{-s}$$

For $s \ge 0$,

$$\langle \zeta \rangle^s \lesssim \langle \zeta_1 \rangle^s + \langle \zeta - \zeta_1 \rangle^s.$$
⁽²⁹⁾

We therefore need to prove (28) only for s = 0. In addition, we obtain that thanks to (29) the estimate (28) holds with the following left-hand side

$$\left(\|f\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}}\|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}+\|f\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},0}}\|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}}+\|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}}\|g\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},0}}+\|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}\|g\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}}\right)\|h\|_{2}.$$

The above refinement allows us to get tame estimates which provides the propagation of regularity in the proof of Theorem 1.1. We will not further detail this (standard) aspect of the analysis in the sequel.

We can of course assume that f, g and h are non-negative functions in $\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{Z}$. For any L^2 function w of (τ, ξ, q) and any $(K, M) \in [1, +\infty[\times \mathbb{R}^*_+ \text{ we define the following localized versions of } w:$

$$w_K := w\chi_{\{\langle \sigma \rangle \sim K\}}, \qquad w_M := w\chi_{\{|\xi| \sim M\}} \quad \text{and} \quad w_{K,M} := w\chi_{\{\langle \sigma \rangle \sim K, |\xi| \sim M\}}.$$
(30)

We now consider the dyadic level

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$$D_{M,M_1,M_2}^{K,K_1,K_2} := \left\{ (\tau,\xi,q,\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1) \colon |\xi| \sim M, \ |\xi_1| \sim M_1, \\ |\xi - \xi_1| \sim M_2, \ \langle \sigma \rangle \sim K, \ \langle \sigma_1 \rangle \sim K_1, \ \langle \sigma_2 \rangle \sim K_2 \right\}.$$

Denoting by $J_{M,M_1,M_2}^{K,K_1,K_2}$ the contribution of $D_{M,M_1,M_2}^{K,K_1,K_2}$ to (28), then clearly

$$I \lesssim \sum_{K,K_1,K_2,M,M_1 \leqslant M_2} J_{M,M_1,M_2}^{K,K_1,K_2}$$
(31)

where K, K_1, K_2, M, M_1 and M_2 describe the dyadic level $2^{\mathbb{N}}$. From the resonance estimate (27) it follows that $D_{M,M_1,M_2}^{K,K_1,K_2}$ is empty whenever max $(K, K_1, K_2) \leq MM_1M_2$. We thus have only to consider the three following contributions:

- **A.** $K \gtrsim MM_1M_2$,
- **B.** $K_1 \gtrsim MM_1M_2$ and $K \lesssim MM_1M_2$,
- C. $K_2 \gtrsim MM_1M_2$ and $\max(K, K_1) \lesssim MM_1M_2$.

Moreover, since $M_1 \leq M_2$, it is clear that either

- 1. $M \lesssim M_1 \sim M_2$ or
- 2. $M_1 \lesssim M \sim M_2$.

We will now estimate all these contributions.

A.1. $K \gtrsim MM_1M_2$ and $M \lesssim M_1 \sim M_2$. In this case we can write $K \sim 2^l MM_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Moreover one has clearly $K \gtrsim M^3$. From (24) we thus have

$$\begin{split} I \lesssim & \sum_{K,K_1,K_2,M_1,M \lesssim M_2} MK^{-1/2} \big(1 + K^{b_1}/M^{3b_1} \big) \langle f_{M_1K_1} \star g_{M_2,K_2}, h_{M,K} \rangle \\ \lesssim & \sum_{K_1,K_2,M \lesssim M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{Z}_+} (K_1K_2)^{\beta_0} \frac{(M_2^{1/4} + M^{1/2})M^{1-3b_1}}{2^{(1/2-b_1)l}M^{1/2-b_1}M_2^{1-2b_1}} \| f_{M_2,K_1} \|_2 \| g_{M_2,K_2} \|_2 \| h_{M,2^l M M_2^2} \|_2 \\ \lesssim & \sum_{K_1,K_2,M \lesssim M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{Z}_+} 2^{-(1/2-b_1)l} (K_1K_2)^{\beta_0} \bigg[M_2^{-1/4} + \bigg(\frac{M}{M_2} \bigg)^{1-2b_1} \bigg] \| f_{M_2,K_1} \|_2 \| g_{M_2,K_2} \|_2 \| h_{M,2^l M M_2^2} \|_2. \end{split}$$

Here and in the sequel we use a slight abuse of notation by denoting still by *I* the contribution of the region of dyadic values under consideration to *I* (see (31)). Summing over K_1 , K_2 , *l* and over *M* taking values $\leq M_2$, we get for $\beta \in (\beta_0, 1/2)$,

$$I \lesssim \sum_{M_2} \|f_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_2$$

and Cauchy–Schwarz in M_2 yields

$$I \lesssim \left(\sum_{M_2} \|f_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}^2\right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{M_2} \|g_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}^2\right)^{1/2} \|h\|_2 \lesssim \|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_2.$$

A.2. $K \gtrsim MM_1M_2$ and $M_1 \lesssim M \sim M_2$. In this case we can write $K \sim 2^l M_1 M_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. We distinguish between the cases $K < M^3$ and $K \ge M^3$.

(i) $K < M^3$. Then according to (23), it holds

$$I \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \ge 0}} (K_1 K_2)^{\beta_0} \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{2^{l/2} M_1^{1/2} M_2} \|f_{M_1, K_1}\|_2 \|g_{M_2, K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M_2, 2^l M_1 M_2^2}\|_2$$

$$\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \ge 0}} 2^{-l/2} (K_1 K_2)^{\beta_0} \|f_{M_1, K_1}\|_2 \|g_{M_2, K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M_2, 2^l M_1 M_2^2}\|_2.$$

Summing over K_1 , K_2 and applying Cauchy–Schwarz in (M_1, M_2) it leads to

$$I \lesssim \sum_{l \ge 0} 2^{-l/2} \left(\sum_{M_1} \|f_{M_1}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{M_2} \|g_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{M_1,M_2} \|h_{M_2,2^l M_1 M_2^2}\|_2^2 \right)^{1/2},$$

provided $\beta \in (\beta_0, 1/2)$ which leads to the needed bound.

(ii) $K \ge M^3$. Then using (24) we have

$$I \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \ge 0}} (K_1 K_2)^{\beta_0} \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2^{1-3b_1}}{2^{(1/2-b_1)l} M_1^{1/2-b_1} M_2^{1-2b_1}} \|f_{M_2, K_1}\|_2 \|g_{M_2, K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M, 2^l M M_2^2}\|_2$$

$$\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \ge 0}} 2^{-(1/2-b_1)l} (K_1 K_2)^{\beta_0} \left(\frac{M_1}{M_2}\right)^{b_1} \|f_{M_1, K_1}\|_2 \|g_{M_2, K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M, 2^l M M_2^2}\|_2.$$

Summing as in A.1, exchanging the role of M and M_1 and using that $b_1 > 0$ yields the needed bound.

B.1. $K_1 \gtrsim MM_1M_2$, $K \lesssim MM_1M_2$ and $M \lesssim M_1 \sim M_2$. Then we can write $K_1 \sim 2^l MM_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{N}$. We separate again the cases $K < M^3$ and $K \ge M^3$ and use that $K_1 \gtrsim K$.

(i) $K < M^3$. Then we get using Corollary 2.9

$$\begin{split} I &\lesssim \sum_{K,K_1,K_2,M \lesssim M_1,M_2} MK^{-1/2} \left(1 + K^{b_1}/M^{3b_1}\right) \langle f_{M_1K_1}, \check{g}_{M_2,K_2} \star h_{M,K} \rangle \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_2 \\ M \leqslant M_2, \ l \geqslant 0}} (KK_2)^{\beta_0} \frac{M^{1/2}M(2^{l/2}M^{1/2}M_2)}{(2^{l/2}M^{1/2}M_2)K^{1/2}} \| f_{M_2,2^l M M_2^2} \|_2 \| g_{M_2,K_2} \|_2 \| h_{M,K} \|_2 \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_2 \\ M \leqslant M_2, \ l \geqslant 0}} 2^{-l/2} K^{-(1/2-\beta_0)} \left(\frac{M}{M_2}\right) (2^{l/2}M^{1/2}M_2) \| f_{M_2,2^l M M_2^2} \|_2 K_2^{\beta_0} \| g_{M_2,K_2} \|_2 \| h_{M,K} \|_2 \end{split}$$

Summing as in A.1 yields for $\beta \in (\beta_0, 1/2)$,

$$I \lesssim \|f\|_{X^{1/2,0,0}} \|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_2$$

Observe that in this case and in some places of the sequel we use that the localization assumptions in the bilinear estimates established in the previous section are invariant under the transformation $(\tau, \xi, q) \rightarrow (-\tau, -\xi, -q)$. (ii) $K \ge M^3$. Then we have using Corollary 2.9

$$\begin{split} I \lesssim & \sum_{\substack{K,K_2 \\ M \leqslant M_2, \ l \geqslant 0}} K^{\beta_0} \frac{M^{1/2} M^{1-3b_1}}{2^{(1/2-b_1)l} M^{1/2-b_1} M_2^{1-2b_1} K^{1/2}} \\ & \times \left(2^{l/2} M^{1/2} M_2\right) \|f_{M_2,2^l M M_2^2} \|_2 K_2^{\beta_0} \|g_{M_2,K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M,K}\|_2 \\ \lesssim & \sum_{\substack{K,K_2 \\ M \leqslant M_2, \ l \geqslant 0}} 2^{-(1/2-b_1)l} K^{-(1/2-\beta_0)} \left(\frac{M}{M_2}\right)^{1-2b_1} \\ & \times \left(2^{l/2} M^{1/2} M_2\right) \|f_{M_2,2^l M M_2^2} \|_2 K_2^{\beta_0} \|g_{M_2,K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M,K}\|_2. \end{split}$$

This implies the result as above.

B.2. $K_1 \gtrsim MM_1M_2$, $K \lesssim MM_1M_2$ and $M_1 \lesssim M \sim M_2$. Then one can write $K_1 \sim 2^l M_1 M_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{N}$ and clearly $K \lesssim M^3 \sim M_2^3$. Using Corollary 2.9, we obtain

$$I \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_2\\M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \ge 0}} K^{-(1/2-\beta_0)} \frac{(M_1^{1/2} + M_2^{1/4})M_2}{2^{l/2}M_1^{1/2}M_2} \times (2^{l/2}M_1^{1/2}M_2) \|f_{M_1,2^lM_1M_2^2} \|_2 K_2^{\beta_0} \|g_{M_2,K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M,K}\|_2.$$

Next, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{(M_1^{1/2} + M_2^{1/4})M_2}{2^{l/2}M_1^{1/2}M_2} &\lesssim 2^{-l/2} \bigg(\frac{M_1^{2b_1}}{M_2^{2b_1}} + \frac{1}{M_1^{1/2 - 2b_1}M_2^{2b_1 - 1/4}} \bigg) \bigg(\frac{K_1}{M_1^3} \bigg)^{b_1} \\ &\lesssim 2^{-l/2} \bigg(\frac{M_1^{2b_1}}{M_2^{2b_1}} + \frac{M_1^{2b_1 - 1/4}}{M_2^{2b_1 - 1/4}} \bigg) \bigg(\frac{K_1}{M_1^3} \bigg)^{b_1} \end{aligned}$$

and we can conclude as in the previously considered cases thanks to our assumptions on b_1 . Note that this is a case where we need to introduce the additional factor in the Fourier transform restriction norm.

C.1. $K_2 \gtrsim MM_1M_2$, max $(K, K_1) \lesssim MM_1M_2$ and $M \lesssim M_1 \sim M_2$. Then we can write $K_2 \sim 2^l MM_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Since $M_1 \sim M_2$ this contribution can be treated exactly as the contribution of the case B.1 by exchanging the roles of K_1 and K_2 .

C.2. $K_2 \gtrsim MM_1M_2$, max $(K, K_1) \lesssim MM_1M_2$ and $M_1 \lesssim M \sim M_2$. Then we can write $K_2 \sim 2^l M_1M_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{N}$. In the considered case $K \lesssim M^3$ and thus using Corollary 2.9, we get

$$\begin{split} I &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1\\M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} (KK_1)^{\beta_0} \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{(2^{l/2} M_1^{1/2} M_2) K^{1/2}} \| f_{M_1,K_1} \|_2 (2^{l/2} M_1^{1/2} M_2) \| g_{M_2,2^l M_1 M_2^2} \|_2 \| h_{M_2,K} \|_2 \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1\\M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} 2^{-l/2} K^{-(1/2-\beta_0)} K_1^{\beta_0} \| f_{M_1,K_1} \|_2 (2^{l/2} M_1^{1/2} M_2) \| g_{M_2,2^l M_1 M_2^2} \|_2 \| h_{M_2,K} \|_2. \end{split}$$

Summing as in A.2 case (i) yields the result. This completes the proof of Lemma 3.2. \Box

Let us now treat interactions of frequencies in x whose sum is closed to zero.

Lemma 3.3. There exists $\beta < 1/2$ such that

 $\|\partial_{x} P_{\leq 2} \Lambda(u, v)\|_{X^{-1/2, b_{1}, s}} \lesssim \|u\|_{X^{1/2, b_{1}, s}} \|v\|_{X^{\beta, 0, s}} + \|v\|_{X^{1/2, b_{1}, s}} \|u\|_{X^{\beta, 0, s}},$

provided $s \ge 0$ *and* $1/4 < b_1 < 3/8$ *.*

Proof. By duality it is equivalent to prove (28) with

$$\Gamma_{\tau_{1},\xi_{1},q_{1}}^{\tau,\xi,q} := \chi_{\{|\xi_{1}| \leqslant |\xi-\xi_{1}|, |\xi| \leqslant 1\}} \langle \sigma \rangle^{-1/2} \left(\frac{\langle \sigma \rangle}{\langle \xi \rangle^{3}} \right)^{b_{1}} |\xi| \langle \zeta \rangle^{s} \langle \zeta_{1} \rangle^{-s} \langle \zeta - \zeta_{1} \rangle^{-s}$$

Again we can restrict our attention to the case s = 0. We proceed in a similar way as in the proof of Lemma 3.2. The only difference is that here M describes the dyadic levels $2^{-\mathbb{N}}$ and M_1 , M_2 describe the dyadic levels $2^{\mathbb{Z}}$. We distinguish between the region 1. $|\xi_1| \sim |\xi_2|$ and the region 2. $|\xi| \sim |\xi_2|$.

1. $|\xi_1| \sim |\xi_2|$. In this region $|\xi| \leq |\xi_1|$. We treat only the case $|\sigma_1| \leq |\sigma_2|$ since, as $|\xi_1| \sim |\xi_2|$, the case $|\sigma_2| \leq |\sigma_1|$ is similar. We subdivide this region in the two subregions $|\sigma_1| \geq |\sigma|$ and $|\sigma_1| < |\sigma|$. In the first one, according to (7) we infer that

$$I \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M\leqslant 1,M_2}} \frac{(K \wedge K_2)^{1/2} (K \vee K_2)^{1/4} M^{1/2}}{K^{1/2-b_1}} \|f_{K_1,M_2}\|_2 \|g_{K_2,M_2}\|_2 \|h_{K,M}\|_2$$
$$\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M\leqslant 1,M_2}} (K_1K_2)^{3/8} K^{b_1-1/2} M^{1/2} \|f_{K_1,M_2}\|_2 \|g_{K_2,M_2}\|_2 \|h_{K,M}\|_2.$$

Summing in M, K_2 , K, K_1 , using that $b_1 < 1/2$ and applying Cauchy–Schwarz in M_2 implies the desired result.

Now in the subregion $|\sigma_1| < |\sigma|$ we know from the resonance relation (27) that $|\sigma| \gtrsim |\xi_1| |\xi_2| |\xi|$ and thus according to (21)

$$\begin{split} I \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M\leqslant 1,\ M_2>1}} \frac{(K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} M_2^{1/4} M}{(MM_2^2)^{1/8} K^{3/8-b_1}} \|f_{K_1,M_2}\|_2 \|g_{K_2,M_2}\|_2 \|h_{K,M}\|_2 \\ &+ \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M\leqslant 1,\ 0< M_2\leqslant 1}} \frac{(K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} M}{K^{1/2-b_1}} \|f_{K_1,M_2}\|_2 \|g_{K_2,M_2}\|_2 \|h_{K,M}\|_2 \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M\leqslant 1,M_2}} (K_1 K_2)^{3/8} K^{b_1-3/8} M^{7/8} \|f_{K_1,M_2}\|_2 \|g_{K_2,M_2}\|_2 \|h_{K,M}\|_2 \end{split}$$

which can be summed in the same way as above for $b_1 < 3/8$.

2. $|\xi| \sim |\xi_2|$. In this region $|\xi_1| \leq |\xi|$ and M, M_1 and M_2 describe only the dyadic levels $2^{-\mathbb{N}}$. Since $M_1 \leq M \sim M_2$, it follows from (7) that

$$I \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M_1 \leqslant 1, \ M_2 \leqslant 1}} \frac{(K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} M_1^{1/2}}{K^{1/2-b_1}} \|f_{K_1,M_1}\|_2 \|g_{K_2,M_2}\|_2 \|h_{K,M_2}\|_2$$

$$\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M_1 \leqslant 1, \ M_2 \leqslant 1}} K_1^{3/8} K_2^{3/8} K^{b_1-1/2} M_1^{1/2} \|f_{K_1,M_1}\|_2 \|g_{K_2,M_2}\|_2 \|h_{K,M_2}\|_2.$$

Summing in M_1 , K_2 , K, K_1 , using that $b_1 < 1/2$ and applying Cauchy–Schwarz in M_2 we obtain the desired result. This completes the proof of Lemma 3.3. \Box

It remains to treat interactions between very low frequencies and high frequencies. For this purpose we define the operators Λ_i , i = 0, 1, 2, by

$$\mathcal{F}_{t,x,y}(\Lambda_{i}(u,v))(\tau,\xi,q) \\ := \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2}} \sum_{q \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi_{\{(\tau,\tau_{1},\xi,\xi_{1},q,q_{1})\in A_{i}\}}(\mathcal{F}_{t,x,y}u)(\tau_{1},\xi_{1},q_{1})(\mathcal{F}_{t,x,y}v)(\tau-\tau_{1},\xi-\xi_{1},q-q_{1})\,d\xi_{1}\,d\tau_{1},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_0 &:= \big\{ (\tau, \tau_1, \xi, \xi_1, q, q_1) \in B \colon |\sigma| \ge |\xi| |\xi_1| |\xi - \xi_1| \big\}, \\ A_1 &:= \big\{ (\tau, \tau_1, \xi, \xi_1, q, q_1) \in B \colon |\sigma_1| \ge |\xi| |\xi_1| |\xi - \xi_1| > \max \big(|\sigma|, |\sigma_2| \big) \big\}, \\ A_2 &:= \big\{ (\tau, \tau_1, \xi, \xi_1, q, q_1) \in B \colon |\sigma_2| \ge |\xi| |\xi_1| |\xi - \xi_1| > |\sigma| \big\}, \end{aligned}$$

with

$$B := \{ (\tau, \tau_1, \xi, \xi_1, q, q_1) \in \mathbb{R}^4 \times \mathbb{Z}^2 \colon |\xi_1| \leq |\xi - \xi_1| \}.$$

Lemma 3.4. *There exists* $\beta < 1/2$ *such that*

$$\left\|\partial_{x}\Lambda_{0}(P_{\leq 1}u, P_{\geq 2}v)\right\|_{X^{-1/2,b_{1},s}} \lesssim \|u\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}} \|v\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} + \|u\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} \|v\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}},\tag{32}$$

 $\| \partial_{x} \Lambda_{0}(F \leq [u, F \geq v) \|_{X^{-1/2, b_{1, s}}} \lesssim \| u \|_{X^{1/2, b_{1, s}}} \| v \|_{X^{\beta, 0, s}} + \| u \|_{X^{\beta, 0, s}} \| v \|_{X^{1/2, b_{1, s}}} \\ \| \partial_{x} \Lambda_{2}(P \leq [u, P \geq v) \|_{X^{-1/2, b_{1, s}}} \lesssim \| u \|_{X^{1/2, b_{1, s}}} \| v \|_{X^{\beta, 0, s}} + \| u \|_{X^{\beta, 0, s}} \| v \|_{X^{1/2, b_{1, s}}}$ (33)

and

$$\left\|\partial_{X}\Lambda_{1}(P_{\leq 1}u, P_{\geq 2}v)\right\|_{X^{-1/2,b_{1},s}} \lesssim \|u\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}} \|v\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} + \|u\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} \|v\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}},\tag{34}$$

provided $1/4 < b_1 < 3/8$.

Proof. By duality it is equivalent to prove (28) with

$$\Gamma_{\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1}^{\tau,\xi,q} := \chi_{A_i} \chi_{\{|\xi_1|\leqslant 1|, |\xi-\xi_1|\geqslant 2\}} \langle \sigma \rangle^{-1/2} \left(\frac{\langle \sigma \rangle}{\langle \xi \rangle^3} \right)^{b_1} |\xi| \langle \zeta \rangle^s \langle \zeta_1 \rangle^{-s} \langle \zeta - \zeta_1 \rangle^{-s}.$$

We thus proceed similarly to the previous propositions. The only difference is that here M_1 describes the dyadic level $2^{-\mathbb{N}}$ and M, M_2 describe the dyadic level $2^{\mathbb{N}}$. Again, we only consider the case s = 0.

We first prove (32). Note that in A_0 we have $|\xi_1| \leq 1$, $|\xi| \sim |\xi_2| \ge 2$ and $|\sigma| \ge |\xi| |\xi_1| |\xi_2|$. We can thus write $K \sim 2^l M_1 M_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{N}$. We distinguish between the two cases $K < M^3$ and $K \ge M^3$.

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(i) $K < M^3$. In this case we can write

$$\begin{split} I &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} (K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} \langle (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} M_1^{1/4} \rangle \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{2^{l/2} M_1^{1/2} M_2} \| f_{M_1, K_1} \|_2 \| g_{M_2, K_2} \|_2 \| h_{M_2, 2^l M_1 M_2^2} \|_2 \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} 2^{-l/2} K_1^{3/8} K_2^{3/8} \| f_{M_1, K_1} \|_2 \| g_{M_2, K_2} \|_2 \| h_{M_2, 2^l M_1 M_2^2} \|_2. \end{split}$$

Summing in K_1 , K_2 and then applying Cauchy–Schwarz in (M_1, M_2) implies

$$I \lesssim \sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}} 2^{-l/2} \left(\sum_{M_1} \|f_{M_1}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{M_2} \|g_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{M_1,M_2} \|h_{M_2,2^l M_1 M_2^2}\|_2^2 \right)^{1/2} \lesssim \|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_{2},$$

provided $\beta \in (3/8, 1/2)$.

(ii) $K \ge M^3$. Then we have for $\beta \in (3/8, 1/2)$,

$$\begin{split} I \lesssim & \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} (K_1 \wedge K_2)^{1/2} \langle (K_1 \vee K_2)^{1/4} M_1^{1/4} \rangle \\ & \times \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2^{1-3b_1}}{2^{(1/2-b_1)l} M_1^{1/2-b_1} M_2^{1-2b_1}} \| f_{M_1, K_1} \|_2 \| g_{M_2, K_2} \|_2 \| h_{M_2, 2^l M_1 M_2^2} \|_2 \\ \lesssim & \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} 2^{-(1/2-b_1)l} (K_1 K_2)^{3/8-\beta} M_1^{b_1} M_2^{-b_1} \| f \|_{X^{\beta, 0, 0}} \| g \|_{X^{\beta, 0, 0}} \| h \|_2. \end{split}$$

A direct summing in l, K_1 , K_2 , M_1 and M_2 yields the desired result.

Let us now prove (33). In A_2 , we have $|\xi_1| \leq 1$, $|\xi| \sim |\xi_2| \ge 2$ and $|\sigma_2| \ge |\xi| |\xi_1| |\xi_2| > |\sigma|$. We can thus write $K_2 \sim 2^l M_1 M_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{N}$.

(i) $K < M^{\frac{3}{5}}$. In this case we can write by using (7)

$$\begin{split} I &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1 \\ M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} (K \wedge K_1)^{1/2} (K \vee K_1)^{1/4} \\ &\times \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{2^{l/2} M_1^{1/2} M_2 K^{1/2}} \| f_{M_1,K_1} \|_2 (2^{l/2} M_1^{1/2} M_2) \| g_{M_2,2^l M_1 M_2^2} \|_2 \| h_{M_2,K} \|_2 \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1 \\ M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} 2^{-l/2} K^{-1/8} K_1^{3/8} \| f_{M_1,K_1} \|_2 (2^{l/2} M_1^{1/2} M_2) \| g_{M_2,2^l M_1 M_2^2} \|_2 \| h_{M_2,K} \|_2. \end{split}$$

Summing in K, K_1 and then applying Cauchy–Schwarz in (M_1, M_2) , it results for $\beta \in (3/8, 1/2)$,

$$I \lesssim \sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}} 2^{-l/2} \left(\sum_{M_1} \|f_{M_1}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{M_2} \|h_{M_2}\|_2^2 \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{M_1,M_2} 2^l M_1 M_2^2 \|g_{M_2,2^l M_1 M_2^2}\|_2^2 \right)^{1/2} \\ \lesssim \|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g\|_{X^{1/2,0,0}} \|h\|_2.$$

(ii) $K \ge M^3$. Then using that $K_2 \ge K$ we have

$$\frac{K/M^3}{K_2/M_2^3} \lesssim 1$$

and thus we can proceed exactly as in the case $K < M^3$, the obtained bound being

 $\|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}}\|g\|_{X^{1/2,b_1,0}}\|h\|_2.$

Let us finally prove (34). In this case we have

$$K_1 \gtrsim K + K_2, \qquad K \lesssim M^3, \qquad K_1 \gtrsim M_1 M_2^2.$$

Thus using (28) and (7) we can write

$$I \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M_1 \lesssim 1, M_2 \gtrsim 1}} K_2^{1/2} K_1^{1/4} \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{K^{1/2}} \|f_{M_1,K_1}\|_2 \|g_{M_2,K_2}\|_2 \|h\|_2$$

(we simply neglect the *h* localizations). We now naturally split the sum into two contributions, the contribution of $M_1^{1/2}M_2 \ge 1$ and $M_1^{1/2}M_2 \le 1$. In the first case we can write for $\delta \in (0, b_1 - 1/4)$ and $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $b_1 - \delta - 1/4 - 2\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\begin{split} I \lesssim & \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ M_1 M_2^2 \geqslant 1}} K_1^{1/4} \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{K^{1/2+b_1-2\varepsilon}} K_1^{1/2+b_1-\varepsilon} \|f_{M_1,K_1}\|_2 K_2^{1/2-\varepsilon} \|g_{M_2,K_2}\|_2 \|h\|_2 \\ \lesssim & \sum_{\substack{K_1,K_2\\M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ M_1 M_2^2 \geqslant 1}} \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{K_1^{1/2+\delta} K_1^{b_1-\delta-1/4-2\varepsilon}} K_1^{1/2+b_1-\varepsilon} \|f_{M_1,K_1}\|_2 K_2^{1/2-\varepsilon} \|g_{M_2,K_2}\|_2 \|h\|_2 \\ \lesssim & \sum_{\substack{M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ M_1 M_2^2 \geqslant 1}} \frac{1}{(M_1 M_2^2)^{\delta}} \|f_{M_1}\|_{X^{1/2,b_1,0}} \|g_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_2 \\ \lesssim & \sum_{\substack{M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ I \in \mathbb{N}}} 2^{-\delta I} \|f_{2^I M_2^{-2}}\|_{X^{1/2,b_1,0}} \|g_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_2 \\ \lesssim & \|f\|_{X^{1/2,b_1,0}} \|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_2, \end{split}$$

where $\beta \in [1/2 - \varepsilon, 1/2[$ and in the last inequality we use the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality in the M_2 summation (at fixed *l*). In the second case the argument is even easier since we do not use the lower bound on K_1 . Namely, we can write for $\beta \in (3/8, 1/2)$,

$$\sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ M_1 M_2^2 \leqslant 1}} K_2^{1/2} K_1^{1/4} \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{K^{1/2}} \|f_{M_1,K_1}\|_2 \|g_{M_2,K_2}\|_2 \|h\|_2$$
$$\lesssim \sum_{\substack{M_2 \gtrsim 1, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} 2^{-l/2} \|f_{2^{-l} M_2^{-2}}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g_{M_2}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_2 \lesssim \|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_2.$$

This competes the proof of Lemma 3.4. \Box

Now (25) follows by combining Lemmas 3.2–3.4.

3.2. Proof of (26).

Since $X^{-1/2+,0,s}$ is continuously embedded in Z^s and since in the proof of Lemmas 3.2–3.4, except in the case A in Lemma 3.2 and in the proof of (32) in Lemma 3.4, we can keep a factor K^{0+} with h_K , it remains to treat the corresponding regions. Actually it is obvious to see that we can even restrict ourselves to the intersection of these regions with the region $|\sigma| \ge 2$. By duality we have to prove

$$\begin{aligned} J &:= \left| \int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^4} \sum_{\substack{(q,q_1) \in \mathbb{Z}^2}} \chi_{|\xi_1| \leqslant |\xi - \xi_1|} \mathcal{O}_{\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1}^{\tau,\xi,q} f(\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1) g(\tau_2,\xi_2,q_2) h(\xi,q) \, d\tau \, d\tau_1 \, d\xi \, d\xi_1 \right| \\ &\lesssim \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T})} \|g\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2 \times \mathbb{T})} \|h\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\Theta_{\tau_1,\xi_1,q_1}^{\tau,\xi,q} := \langle \sigma \rangle^{-1} |\xi| \langle \zeta \rangle^s \langle \zeta_1 \rangle^{-s} \langle \zeta - \zeta_1 \rangle^{-s}.$$

Again we can suppose that s = 0 and moreover we will not make use of the factors involving b_1 . Recall that in the region A of Lemma 3.2 we have $M, M_1, M_2 \ge 1$ and we can write $K \sim 2^l M M_1 M_2$ with $l \in \mathbb{N}$. We separate the cases $M_1 \sim M_2$ and $M \sim M_2$.

A.1. $\tilde{K} \gtrsim MM_1M_2$ and $M \lesssim M_1 \sim M_2$. Then we can write $K \sim 2^l M M_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. From (27) and (24) we thus have

$$\begin{split} &J \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M \lesssim M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} (K_1 K_2)^{\beta_0} \frac{M_2^{1/2} M}{2^l M M_2^2} \| f_{M_2, K_1} \|_2 \| g_{M_2, K_2} \|_2 \| h_M \chi_{\{\langle \sigma \rangle \sim 2^l M M_2^2\}} \|_2 \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M \lesssim M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} 2^{-l/2} (K_1 K_2)^{\beta_0} \left(\frac{M}{M_2}\right)^{1/2} \| f_{M_2, K_1} \|_2 \| g_{M_2, K_2} \|_2 \| h_M \|_2. \end{split}$$

Summing over $M \leq M_2$, K_1 , K_2 and l and then applying Cauchy–Schwarz in M_2 we get the desired result. A.2. $K \gtrsim MM_1M_2$ and $M_1 \lesssim M \sim M_2$. We have

$$J \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} \frac{M_2}{2^l M_1 M_2^2} (h_{M_2} \chi_{\{\langle \sigma \rangle \sim 2^l M_1 M_2^2\}}, f_{K_1, M_1} \star g_{K_2, M_2})_{L^2}.$$
(35)

If $K_2 \ge K$, we can easily conclude by using (24). We shall therefore suppose that $K \ge K_2$. For fixed (ξ, q) ,

$$\chi_{\{\langle\sigma\rangle\sim K\}}\lesssim \chi_{\{\langle\sigma\rangle\sim K\}}\star_{\tau}\left(\frac{1}{K}\chi_{\{|\tau|\leqslant K\}}\right).$$

Using that the function $\chi_{\{|\tau| \leq K\}}$ is pair, the L^2 scalar product in (35) can be estimated by

$$\left(h_{M_2}\chi_{\{\langle\sigma\rangle\sim 2^lM_1M_2^2\}}, f_{K_1,M_1}\star \left(g_{K_2,M_2}\star_{\tau}\left(\frac{1}{K}\chi_{\{\langle\sigma\rangle\leqslant 2^lM_1M_2^2\}}\right)\right)\right)_{L^2}$$

We have that $g_{K_2,M_2} \star_{\tau} (\frac{1}{K} \chi_{\{\langle \sigma \rangle \leq 2^l M_1 M_2^2\}})$ is of the form $g'_{M_2,K+K_2}$ with

$$\|g'_{M_2,K+K_2}\|_2 \lesssim \left(\frac{K_2}{K}\right)^{1/2} \|g_{K_2,M_2}\|_2.$$
(36)

Indeed the linear operator $T_{K,K_2}: v \mapsto \frac{1}{K}v(\cdot)\chi_{\{\langle\cdot\rangle \sim K_2\}} \star \chi_{\{\langle\cdot\rangle \leqslant K\}}$ is a continuous endomorphism of $L^1(\mathbb{R})$ and of $L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ with

$$\|T_{K,K_2}v\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})} \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{K} \bigg| \int_{\mathbb{R}} v(y)\chi_{\{\langle y \rangle \sim K_2\}} \star \chi_{\{\langle x-y \rangle \leqslant K\}} dy \bigg| \lesssim \frac{K_2}{K} \|v\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})}$$

and

$$\|T_{K,K_2}v\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R})} \leqslant \frac{1}{K} \|v\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R})} \|\chi_{\{\langle \cdot \rangle \leqslant K\}}\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R})} \lesssim \|v\|_{L^1(\mathbb{R})}.$$

Therefore, by Riesz interpolation theorem T_{K,K_2} is a continuous endomorphism of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ with

$$\|T_{K,K_2}v\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}\left(\frac{K_2}{K}\right)^{1/2}\|v\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}.$$

Applying (23) with (36) at hand we get

$$J \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} K_1^{\beta_0} K_2^{\beta_0} \frac{M_1^{1/2} M_2}{2^l M_1 M_2^2} \|f_{M_1, K_1}\|_2 \|g'_{M_2, K+K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M_2} \chi_{\{\langle \sigma \rangle \sim 2^l M_1 M_2^2\}} \|_{L^2_{t,x,y}}$$
$$\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_1, K_2 \\ M_1 \leqslant M_2, \ l \in \mathbb{N}}} 2^{-l/2} K_1^{\beta_0} K_2^{\beta_0} \left(\frac{K_2}{2^l M_1 M_2^2}\right)^{1/2} \|f_{M_1, K_1}\|_2 \|g_{M_2, K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M_2}\|_{L^2_{x,y}}$$
$$\lesssim 2^{-l/2} K_1^{\beta_0} K_2^{\beta_0} K_2^{\delta} (M_1 M_2^2)^{-\delta} \|f_{M_1, K_1}\|_2 \|g_{M_2, K_2}\|_2 \|h_{M_2}\|_{L^2_{x,y}}.$$

By choosing $\delta \in (0, 1/2 - \beta_0)$, we can sum over K_1, K_2, M_1, M_2 and l which yields the needed bound.

It remains to treat the part of the region A_0 where $|\xi_1| \leq 1$, $|\xi_2| \geq 2$. We can write

$$J \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K,K_1,K_2\\M_1 \lesssim 1, \ M_2 \gtrsim 1}} K^{-1} M_2(h_{M_2}\chi_{\{\langle\sigma\rangle \sim K\}}, f_{K_1,M_1} \star g_{K_2,M_2})_{L^2}$$

We now consider separately the contributions of the regions $M_1M_2^2 \le 1$ and $M_1M_2^2 > 1$ to J. Let us denote by J_1 the contribution of $M_1M_2^2 \le 1$. Then we can write by using (23) for some $\beta_0 < \beta < 1/2$

$$\begin{split} J_{1} &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{K, K_{1}, K_{2} \\ M_{1} \lesssim 1, \ M_{2} \gtrsim 1, \ M_{1}M_{2}^{2} \leqslant 1}} \frac{M_{2}M_{1}^{1/2}}{K^{1/2}} (K_{1}K_{2})^{\beta_{0}} \|h_{M_{2}}\|_{2} \|f_{K_{1},M_{1}}\|_{2} \|g_{K_{2},M_{2}}\|_{2} \\ &\lesssim \sum_{\substack{M_{1} \lesssim 1, \ M_{2} \gtrsim 1, \ M_{1}M_{2}^{2} \leqslant 1}} M_{2}M_{1}^{1/2} \|h\|_{2} \|f_{M_{1}}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g_{M_{2}}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \\ &\lesssim \sum_{l \in \mathbb{N}, \ M_{2} \gtrsim 1} 2^{-l/2} \|h\|_{2} \|f_{2^{-l}M_{2}^{-2}}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g_{M_{2}}\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \\ &\lesssim \|f\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|g\|_{X^{\beta,0,0}} \|h\|_{2}, \end{split}$$

where in the last inequality we used the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality for fixed l and then summing in a straightforward way in l.

We next estimate the contribution of $M_1M_2^2 > 1$. Denote by J_2 this contribution to J. Since $|\sigma| \gtrsim |\xi| |\xi_1| |\xi_2|$, we can write $\langle \sigma \rangle \sim 2^l M_1 M_2^2$ with $l \in \mathbb{N}$. We only consider the case $K \gtrsim K_2$, the case $K \lesssim K_2$ being simpler. Using (7) and proceeding as in A.2 above, we obtain

$$J_{2} \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_{1},K_{2} \\ M_{1} \lesssim 1, \ M_{2} \geqslant 1, \ l \in \mathbb{N}, \ M_{1}M_{2}^{2} > 1}} (K_{1} \wedge K_{2})^{1/2} \langle (K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/4} M_{1}^{1/4} \rangle$$
$$\times \frac{M_{1}^{1/2}M_{2}}{2^{l}M_{1}M_{2}^{2}} \| f_{M_{1},K_{1}} \|_{2} \| g'_{M_{2},K+K_{2}} \|_{2} \| h_{M_{2}}\chi_{\{\langle \sigma \rangle \sim 2^{l}M_{1}M_{2}^{2}\}} \|_{2},$$

where again $g'_{M_2,2^l M_1 M_2^2 + K_2}$ satisfies (36). Thus

$$J_{2} \lesssim \sum_{\substack{K_{1}, K_{2}, 2^{l} M_{1} M_{2}^{2} \gtrsim K_{2} \\ M_{1} \lesssim 1, M_{2}, l \in \mathbb{N}, M_{1} M_{2}^{2} > 1}} (K_{1} \wedge K_{2})^{1/2} \langle (K_{1} \vee K_{2})^{1/4} M_{1}^{1/4} \rangle \times \frac{M_{1}^{1/2} M_{2}}{2^{l} M_{1} M_{2}^{2}} \left(\frac{K_{2}}{2^{l} M_{1} M_{2}^{2}} \right)^{1/2} (2^{l} M_{1} M_{2}^{2})^{1/2} \|f_{M_{1}, K_{1}}\|_{2} \|g_{M_{2}, K_{2}}\|_{2} \|h_{M_{2}}\|_{2}.$$

We therefore obtain that for a suitable $\delta > 0$ and $\beta < 1/2$,

$$\begin{split} J_2 \lesssim \sum_{\substack{M_1 \lesssim 1, M_2, \ M_1 M_2^2 > 1}} & \left(M_1 M_2^2 \right)^{-\delta} \| f \|_{X^{\beta, 0, 0}} \| g_{M_2} \|_{X^{\beta, 0, 0}} \| h_{M_2} \|_2 \\ \lesssim \| f \|_{X^{\beta, 0, 0}} \| g \|_{X^{\beta, 0, 0}} \| h \|_2, \end{split}$$

where in the last inequality we write $M_1M_2^2 = 2^q$ with $q \in \mathbb{N}$, we apply the Cauchy–Schwarz in M_2 and then we sum in q. This completes the proof of Proposition 3.1. \Box

3.3. Global well-posedness

Let $s \ge 0$ and $1/4 < b_1 < 3/8$. Noticing that in all the estimates in Sections 3.1–3.2 we can keep a factor K_1^{0+} or K_2^{0+} with f_{M_1,K_1} or g_{M_2,K_2} and that for any function $v \in X^{1/2,s}$ supported in time in]-T, T[,

$$\|v\|_{X^{\beta,0,s}} \lesssim T^{(1/2-\beta)-} \|v\|_{X^{1/2,0,s}},\tag{37}$$

we infer that the following restricted bilinear estimates hold:

$$\left\|\partial_{x}(uv)\right\|_{X_{T}^{-1/2,b_{1},s}} \lesssim T^{\nu} \|u\|_{X_{T}^{1/2,b_{1},s}} \|v\|_{X_{T}^{1/2,b_{1},s}}$$
(38)

and

$$\left\|\partial_{x}(uv)\right\|_{Z_{T}^{-1/2,s}} \lesssim T^{\nu} \|u\|_{X_{T}^{1/2,b_{1},s}} \|v\|_{X_{T}^{1/2,b_{1},s}},\tag{39}$$

with $\nu > 0$. Estimates (38), (39) in conjugation with the linear estimate (see [7])

$$\left\|\psi(t)\int_{0}^{t}U(t-t')\partial_{x}F(t')\,dt'\right\|_{X^{1/2,b_{1},s}\cap Z^{1/2,s}}\lesssim \|F\|_{X^{-1/2,b_{1},s}\cap Z^{-1/2,s}},$$

with $\psi \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$, lead to the well-posedness result by a standard fixed point argument in $X_T^{1/2,b_1,s} \cap Z_T^{1/2,s}$, T > 0 small enough, on the Duhamel formulation of (5):

$$u(t) = U(t)\varphi - \frac{1}{2}\int_{0}^{t} U(t-t')\partial_{x}(u^{2}(t')) dt'.$$
(40)

Also standard considerations prove that the time of existence T^* of the solution only depends on $\|\varphi\|_{L^2}$ (see (29)). The uniqueness statement for s > 2 follows from the Gronwall lemma. Next, from (40) and the fact that $H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ is an algebra for s > 1 we infer that for s > 1, $\partial_x^{-1}u$ belongs to $C([0, T^*]; H^s(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T}))$ provided $\varphi \in H^s_{-1}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ where

$$\|\varphi\|_{H^s_{-1}}^2 = \sum_{\eta \in \mathbb{Z}} \int_{\mathbb{R}_{\xi}} \left\langle |\xi|^{-1} \right\rangle^2 \left\langle (\xi, \eta) \right\rangle^{2s} \left| \hat{\varphi}(\xi, \eta) \right|^2 d\xi.$$

Taking the L^2 scalar product of (5) with $\partial_x^{-1}u$ it is then easy to check that the $L^2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ -norm of such solutions is a constant of the motion. The density of $H^s_{-1}(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ in $L^2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ combining with the continuity with respect to initial data in $L^2(\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{T})$ ensures that the L^2 -norm is a constant of the motion for our solutions (see [16] for details on this point). This proves that the solutions exist for all time. This completes the proof of Theorem 1.1.

4. Proof of Theorem 1.2

We write the solution u of (5), (6) as

$$u(t, x, y) = \psi_c(x - ct, y) + v(t, x - ct, y)$$

where v(t, ..., .) is an $L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ function. This v satisfies the equation

$$\left(v_t - cv_x + v_{xxx} + vv_x + \partial_x(\psi_c v)\right)_x - v_{yy} = 0, \qquad v(0, x, y) = \phi(x, y).$$
(41)

Our strategy is to perform a fixed point argument in some Bourgain's type spaces on the Duhamel formulation of (41). In the context of (41) some straightforward modifications taking into account the term cv_x of the unitary group U(t) and the Bourgain spaces should be done.

We will use in a crucial way the following linear estimates of Strichartz or smoothing type (see for instance [23]) injected in the framework of the Bourgain spaces.

Lemma 4.1. One has

$$\|v\|_{L^4_{try}} \lesssim \|v\|_{X^{b,0,0}} \tag{42}$$

and

$$\|v_x\|_{L^{\infty}_x L^2_{ty}} \lesssim \|v\|_{X^{b,0,0}},\tag{43}$$

provided b > 1/2.

Proof. We only briefly recall the proof of (43), for (42) we refer to [28] for instance. By usual considerations (see [7]) it suffices to prove that

$$\left\|\partial_x \left(U(t)\varphi\right)\right\|_{L^\infty_x L^2_{ty}} \lesssim \|\varphi\|_{L^2_{xy}}.$$
(44)

We first notice that

$$\partial_x \big(U(t)\varphi \big)(x,y) = c \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} (i\xi) e^{i(x\xi+y\eta)} e^{i(\xi^3+c\xi-\eta^2/\xi)t} \hat{\varphi}(\xi,\eta) \, d\xi \, d\eta$$

and that, for any fixed $\eta, \xi \mapsto \xi^3 + c\xi - \eta^2/\xi$ is an increasing bijection from \mathbb{R}^*_+ into \mathbb{R} and from \mathbb{R}^*_- into \mathbb{R} . Therefore splitting the ξ integral into two pieces corresponding to positive and negative values of ξ and after performing the change of variables $\xi \mapsto \xi^3 + c\xi - \eta^2/\xi$ a short computation leads to

$$\left\|\partial_{x}U(t)\varphi\right\|_{L^{2}_{ty}}^{2} = c \int_{\mathbb{R}^{2}} \left|\hat{\varphi}(\xi,\eta)\right|^{2} \frac{\xi^{2}}{3\xi^{2} + c + \eta^{2}/\xi^{2}} d\xi d\eta$$

This yields (44). \Box

Lemma 4.2. *For any* $s \ge 0$, $0 < T \le 1$, b > 1/2 *one has*

$$\left\|\partial_{x}(\psi_{c}v)\right\|_{X_{T}^{0,0,s}} \lesssim \left(\left\|\partial_{x}\psi_{c}\right\|_{W^{s,\infty}} + \sum_{|\alpha|\leqslant s} \left\|\partial_{x,y}^{\alpha}\psi_{c}\right\|_{L_{x}^{2}L_{y}^{\infty}}\right) \|v\|_{X_{T}^{b,0,s}}.$$
(45)

Proof. We write $\partial_x(\psi_c v)$ as $\partial_x \psi_c v + v_x \psi_c$ and we treat each term separately. Write

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_x \psi_c v\|_{X_T^{0,0,s}} &= \|\partial_x \psi_c v\|_{L_T^2 H_{xy}^s} \\ &\lesssim \|\partial_x \psi_c\|_{W^{s,\infty}} \|v\|_{L_T^\infty H^s} \\ &\lesssim \|\partial_x \psi_c\|_{W^{s,\infty}} \|v\|_{X_T^{b,0,s}}. \end{aligned}$$

Further, we have

$$\|\psi_c v_x\|_{X^{0,0,s}_T} \lesssim \left(\sum_{|\alpha|\leqslant s} \|\partial_{x,y}^{\alpha}\psi_c\|_{L^2_x L^\infty_{Ty}}\right) \left(\sum_{|\beta|\leqslant s} \|\partial_{x,y}^{\beta}v_x\|_{L^\infty_x L^2_{ty}}\right).$$

This leads to (45) thanks to Lemma 4.1. \Box

Proposition 4.3. There exists $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ such that the following bilinear estimate holds

$$\left\|\partial_{x}(uv)\right\|_{X^{-1/2+2\varepsilon,b_{1},s}} \lesssim \|u\|_{X^{1/2+\varepsilon,b_{1},s}} \|v\|_{X^{1/2+\varepsilon,b_{1},s}}$$
(46)

provided $1/4 < b_1 < 3/8$, $s \ge 0$ and $0 < \varepsilon < \varepsilon_0$.

Proof. We have that Proposition 2.1, Corollaries 2.8–2.9 and their proofs are still valid for functions of \mathbb{R}^3 . Since as noticed in Section 3.2 we can always keep a factor *K* except in the cases $|\sigma| \ge 2$ dominant and $|\xi| \ge 2$, we deduce that there exists $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ such that

$$\left\|\mathcal{F}_{txy}(\chi_{\{|\sigma|<\max(\langle\sigma_1\rangle,\langle\sigma_2\rangle)\}}\chi_{\{|\xi|<2\}}\xi\,\hat{u}*\hat{v})\right\|_{X^{-1/2+2\varepsilon,b_1,s}} \lesssim \|u\|_{X^{1/2+\varepsilon,b_1,s}}\|v\|_{X^{1/2+\varepsilon,b_1,s}}$$

provided $1/4 < b_1 < 3/8$, $s \ge 0$ and $0 < \varepsilon < \varepsilon_0$. It thus remains to treat this region $|\sigma| \ge \max(\langle \sigma_1 \rangle, \langle \sigma_2 \rangle), |\xi| \ge 2$. We thus have to prove that

$$J := \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^6} \Gamma_{\tau_1,\xi_1,\eta_1}^{\tau,\xi,q} f(\tau_1,\xi_1,\eta_1) g(\tau_2,\xi_2,\eta_2) h(\tau,\xi,\eta) \, d\tau \, d\tau_1 \, d\xi \, d\xi_1 \, d\eta \, d\eta_1 \right| \lesssim \|f\|_2 \|g\|_2 \|h\|_2$$

where

$$\Gamma_{\tau_{1},\xi_{1},\eta_{1}}^{\tau,\xi,\eta} := \chi_{\{1 \leq |\xi_{1}| \leq |\xi-\xi_{1}|, |\xi| \geq 2, |\sigma| \geq \max(\langle\sigma_{1}\rangle, \langle\sigma_{2}\rangle)\}} \times \frac{\langle \frac{\langle\sigma\rangle}{\langle\xi\rangle^{3}} \rangle^{b_{1}} |\xi| \langle\zeta\rangle^{s} \langle\zeta_{1}\rangle^{-s} \langle\zeta-\zeta_{1}\rangle^{-s}}{\langle\sigma\rangle^{1/2-2\varepsilon} \langle\sigma_{1}\rangle^{1/2+\varepsilon} \langle \frac{\langle\sigma_{1}\rangle}{\langle\xi_{1}\rangle^{3}} \rangle^{b_{1}} \langle\sigma_{2}\rangle^{1/2+\varepsilon} \langle \frac{\langle\sigma_{2}\rangle}{\langle\xi-\xi_{1}\rangle^{3}} \rangle^{b_{1}}}$$

(47)

with $\sigma := \sigma(\tau, \xi, \eta) := \tau - \xi^3 - c\xi + \eta^2 / \xi, \sigma_1 := \sigma(\tau_1, \xi_1, \eta_1)$ and

$$\sigma_2 := \sigma \left(\tau - \tau_1, \xi - \xi_1, \eta - \eta_1 \right).$$

Notice that the crucial non-resonance relation (27) for σ , σ_1 and σ_2 still holds with the slight modification of the definition of σ . We can of course assume that f, g and h are non-negative functions in \mathbb{R}^3 . We separate the domain of integration into two regions.

1. $100|\sigma| \ge |\xi|^3$. By Plancherel and then Hölder inequality, using the Strichartz inequality (42), we infer that for $\varepsilon \ll 1$,

$$\begin{split} J &\lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} |\xi|^{1-3b_1-3(1/2-2\varepsilon-b_1)} h(\tau,\xi,\eta) \int_{\mathbb{R}^3} \frac{f(\tau_1,\xi_1,\eta_1)g(\tau-\tau_1,\xi-\xi_1,\eta-\eta_1)}{\langle \sigma_1 \rangle^{1/2+\varepsilon} \langle \sigma_2 \rangle^{1/2+\varepsilon}} d\tau_1 d\xi_1 d\eta_1 d\tau d\xi d\eta \\ &\lesssim \left\| \mathcal{F}_{\tau,\xi,\eta} \left(\frac{f}{\langle \sigma \rangle^{1/2+\varepsilon}} \right) \right\|_4 \left\| \mathcal{F}_{\tau,\xi,\eta} \left(\frac{g}{\langle \sigma \rangle^{1/2+\varepsilon}} \right) \right\|_{L^4} \|h\|_{L^2} \lesssim \|f\|_{L^2} \|g\|_{L^2} \|h\|_{L^2}. \end{split}$$

2. $100|\sigma| \leq |\xi|^3$. Applying Cauchy–Schwarz in (τ_1, ξ_1, η_1) and setting $(\tau_2, \xi_2, \eta_2) := (\tau - \tau_1, \xi - \xi_1, \eta - \eta_1)$ we get

$$J \lesssim \int_{\mathbb{R}^{3}} I(\tau,\xi,\eta) \bigg[\int_{\mathbb{R}^{3}} \big| f(\tau_{1},\xi_{1},\eta_{1}) g(\tau_{2},\xi_{2},\eta_{2}) \big|^{2} d\tau_{1} d\xi_{1} d\eta_{1} \bigg]^{1/2} h(\tau,\xi,\eta) d\tau d\xi d\eta,$$
(48)

where, using the elementary inequality,

$$\int\limits_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{d\theta}{\langle \theta - a \rangle^{1 + 2\varepsilon} \langle \theta - b \rangle^{1 + 2\varepsilon}} \lesssim \frac{1}{\langle a + b \rangle^{1 + 2\varepsilon}}$$

it holds, by the resonance relation,

$$I(\tau,\xi,\eta) \lesssim \frac{|\xi|}{\langle\sigma\rangle^{1/2-2\varepsilon}} \bigg[\int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^2} \bigg(\int\limits_{\max(|\sigma_1|,|\sigma_2|) \leqslant |\sigma|} \frac{d\tau_1}{\langle\sigma_1\rangle^{1+2\varepsilon} \langle\sigma_2\rangle^{1+2\varepsilon}} \bigg) d\xi_1 d\eta_1 \bigg]^{1/2} \\ \lesssim \frac{|\xi|}{\langle\sigma\rangle^{1/2-2\varepsilon}} \bigg(\int\limits_{\mathbb{R}^2 \cap \{|\xi\xi_1(\xi-\xi_1)| \leqslant |\sigma|\}} \frac{d\xi_1 d\eta_1}{\langle\sigma_1+\sigma_2\rangle^{1+2\varepsilon}} \bigg)^{1/2}.$$

We perform the change of variables $(\xi_1, \eta_1) \mapsto (\nu, \mu)$ with

$$\begin{cases} \nu = 3\xi\xi_1(\xi - \xi_1), \\ \mu = \sigma_1 + \sigma_2. \end{cases}$$

Noticing that $\nu \in [-3|\sigma|, 3|\sigma|]$,

$$d\xi_1 d\eta_1 = c \frac{|\nu|^{1/2} d\nu d\mu}{|\xi|^{3/2} (\frac{3}{4}\xi^3 - \nu)^{1/2} |\sigma + \nu - \mu|^{1/2}}$$

and using the elementary inequality

$$\int\limits_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{d\theta}{\langle \theta - a \rangle^{1+2\varepsilon} |\theta - b|^{1/2}} \lesssim \frac{1}{\langle a + b \rangle^{1/2}},$$

we thus infer that

$$\begin{split} I \lesssim \frac{|\xi|^{1/4}}{\langle \sigma \rangle^{1/2 - 2\varepsilon}} \Bigg[\int_{-3|\sigma|}^{3|\sigma|} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{|\nu|^{1/2} \, d\nu \, d\mu}{\langle \mu \rangle^{1 + 2\varepsilon} (\frac{3}{4}\xi^3 - \nu)^{1/2} |\sigma + \nu - \mu|^{1/2}} \Bigg]^{1/2} \\ \lesssim \frac{|\xi|^{1/4}}{\langle \sigma \rangle^{1/2 - 2\varepsilon}} \Bigg[\int_{-3|\sigma|}^{3|\sigma|} \frac{|\nu|^{1/2} \, d\nu}{(\frac{3}{4}\xi^3 - \nu)^{1/2} \langle \sigma + \nu \rangle^{1/2}} \Bigg]^{1/2}. \end{split}$$

By the definition of ν it holds $|\nu| \leq \frac{3}{8} |\xi|^3$, i.e. $|\frac{3}{4}\xi^3 - \nu| \sim |\xi|^3$ and thus

$$I \lesssim \frac{|\xi|^{-1/2}}{\langle \sigma \rangle^{1/2 - 2\varepsilon}} \left[\int_{-3|\sigma|}^{3|\sigma|} \frac{|\nu|^{1/2} d\nu}{\langle \sigma + \nu \rangle^{1/2}} \right]^{1/2} \lesssim |\xi|^{-1/2} \langle \sigma \rangle^{2\varepsilon} \lesssim |\xi|^{-1/2 + 6\varepsilon} \lesssim 1,$$

provided $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1/12$. This concludes the proof of (46) by applying Cauchy–Schwarz in (τ, ξ, η) in (48). This completes the proof of Proposition 4.3. \Box

For $T \leq 1$ and $\varepsilon \ll 1$, we have the following estimate (see [7,28])

$$\left\| \int_{0}^{t} U(t-t')F(t') dt' \right\|_{X_{T}^{1/2+\varepsilon,b_{1},s}} \lesssim \|F\|_{X_{T}^{-1/2+\varepsilon,b_{1},s}}.$$
(49)

Moreover, using [28, Theorem 3.1], we obtain that for some $\nu > 0$,

$$\|F\|_{X_T^{-1/2+\varepsilon,b_1,s}} \lesssim T^{\nu} \|F\|_{X_T^{-1/2+2\varepsilon,b_1,s}}.$$
(50)

Combining Proposition 4.3, Lemma 4.2 and the bounds (49), (50), we infer that the map

$$\mathcal{G}: v \mapsto U(t)\phi - \int_{0}^{t} U(t-t')\partial_{x}(v^{2}/2 + \psi_{c}v) dt'$$

is a strictly contractive map in the ball of radius $R := 2\|\phi\|_{H^s}$ of $X_T^{1/2+\varepsilon,b_1,s}$ provided T = T(R) > 0 is small enough. Therefore there exists a unique local solution. Moreover, arguing as in Section 3.3 it is easy to check that the following differential identity holds for our solutions:

$$\frac{1}{2}\frac{d}{dt}\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} v^2 = -\frac{1}{2}\int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \partial_x(\psi_c) v^2$$

and thus

$$\left\|v(t)\right\|_{L^2} \lesssim \exp\left(t \left\|\psi_x\right\|_{L^\infty}\right) \left\|\phi\right\|_{L^2}.$$

This leads to the global well-posedness result.

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