

THE CAUCHY PROBLEM FOR A GENERALIZED KORTEWEG-DE VRIES EQUATION IN HOMOGENEOUS SOBOLEV SPACES

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Abstract. Considered in this article is the Cauchy problem of a generalized Korteweg-de Vries equation

$$\begin{cases} u_t + u_{xxx} + uu_x + |D_x|^{2\alpha}u = 0, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+, x \in \mathbb{R}, \\ u(x, 0) = \varphi(x) \end{cases}$$

with $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$. The local well-posedness of the Cauchy problem in the homogeneous Sobolev space $\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s \in (\frac{\alpha-3}{2(2-\alpha)}, 0]$ is proved. In addition, the mapping that associated to appropriate initial-data the corresponding solution is analytic as a function between appropriate Banach spaces.

1. INTRODUCTION AND STATEMENT OF THE RESULT

Consider the Cauchy problem of the generalized Korteweg-de Vries equation

$$(1.1) \quad \begin{cases} u_t + u_{xxx} + uu_x + |D_x|^{2\alpha}u = 0, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+, x \in \mathbb{R} \\ u(0) = \varphi(x), \end{cases}$$

where, $0 \leq \alpha \leq 1$, $|D_x|^{2\alpha}$ is the Fourier multiplier associated with the symbol $|\xi|^{2\alpha}$.

Equation (1.1) has been derived as a model for the propagation of weakly non-linear dispersive long waves in some physical contexts when dissipative effects occur. When $\alpha = 0$, (1.1) is the Korteweg-de Vries equation. The best known local well-posedness of the Korteweg-de Vries equation has been derived by Kenig, Ponce and Vega (see [5, 6]). They proved that the Cauchy problem for the KdV

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equation is locally well-posed in $H^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s > -\frac{3}{4}$, and that the flow-map for the KdV equation is not locally uniformly continuous in $H^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s < -\frac{3}{4}$. For the Cauchy problem of the dissipative Burgers equation

$$u_t - u_{xx} + uu_x = 0,$$

it is known that the local well-posedness in $H^s(\mathbb{R})$ holds for $s \geq -\frac{1}{2}$ (see [1]), and some non-uniqueness phenomena occur for $s < -\frac{1}{2}$ (see [3]). When $\alpha = 1$, (1.1) is the Korteweg-de Vries-Burgers equation. In [8], Molinet and Ribaud proved that the KdV-Burgers equation is globally well-posed in $H^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s > -1$ and ill-posed in homogeneous Sobolev space $\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s < -1$. In the same article they pointed out that the Cauchy problem (1.1) is ill-posed in the homogenous Sobolev space $\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s < \frac{\alpha-3}{2(2-\alpha)}$, and conjectured that the Cauchy problem (1.1) is well-posed in $H^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s > \frac{\alpha-3}{2(2-\alpha)}$. The aim of this article is to answer this open problem partially. We prove in this article that the Cauchy problem (1.1) is locally well-posed in homogenous Sobolev spaces $\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s \in (\frac{\alpha-3}{2(2-\alpha)}, 0]$. In a future publication, we shall prove that the Cauchy problem (1.1) is globally well-posed in Sobolev spaces $H^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s > -\min\{\frac{3+2\alpha}{4}, 1\}$.

To state our main result we introduce some definitions and notations. Let $\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$ be the usual homogenous Sobolev space. Denote by $\langle \cdot \rangle = (1 + |\cdot|^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}$, and define

$$\dot{X}_\alpha^{b,s} = \{u \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}^2) : \|u\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{b,s}} < +\infty\},$$

$$\dot{X}_{\alpha,T}^{b,s} = \{u : \exists v \in \dot{X}_\alpha^{b,s} \text{ satisfying } u = v \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \times [0, T]\},$$

with

$$\|u\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{b,s}} = \|\langle i(\tau - \xi^3) + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle^b |\xi|^s \hat{u}(\xi, \tau)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)},$$

$$\|u\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha,T}^{b,s}} = \inf\{\|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{b,s}} : v \in \dot{X}_\alpha^{b,s} \text{ satisfying } u = v \text{ in } \mathbb{R} \times [0, T]\}.$$

The main result obtained in this article is

Theorem 1.1. *Let $s \in (\frac{\alpha-3}{2(2-\alpha)}, 0]$ and let $\varphi \in \dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$. There exists a positive constant $T_0 = T_0(\|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})})$ depending only on $\|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})}$ such that the Cauchy problem (1.1) possesses a unique solution u satisfying*

$$u \in Z_{T_0} = C([0, T_0], \dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})) \cap \dot{X}_{\alpha,T_0}^{\frac{1}{2},s} \cap C((0, T_0], L^2(\mathbb{R})).$$

Moreover the mapping that associated to appropriate initial-data the corresponding solution is analytic as a function between appropriate Banach spaces.

Remark. In, [8]. Molinet and Ribaud proved that (1.1) is ill-posed in the homogenous Sobolev space $\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$ for $s < \frac{\alpha-3}{2(2-\alpha)}$. Our result is sharp in some sense.

In this article, we denote by C some large constant which may vary from line to line, denote by $A \lesssim B$ the statement that $A \leq CB$, and similarly denote by $A \ll B$ the statement $A \leq C^{-1}B$. We use $A \sim B$ to denote the statement that $A \lesssim B \lesssim A$. Any summations over capitalized variables such as N_j, L_j, H are presumed to be dyadic, i.e. these variables range over numbers of the form 2^k for $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ or for $k \in \mathbb{N}$. In addition to the usual notation χ_E for characteristic function, we define χ_P for statements P to be 1 if P is true and 0 otherwise, e.g. $\chi_{1 \leq |\xi| \leq 2}$.

We adopt the following summation conventions. Any summation of the form $L_{max} \sim \cdot$ is a sum over the three dyadic variables $L_1, L_2, L_3 \gtrsim 1$, thus for instance

$$\sum_{L_{max} \sim H} := \sum_{L_1, L_2, L_3 \gtrsim 1; L_{max} \sim H} .$$

Similarly, any summation of the form $N_{max} \sim \cdot$ sum over the three dyadic variables $N_1, N_2, N_3 > 0$, thus for instance

$$\sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N} := \sum_{N_1, N_2, N_3 > 0; N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N} .$$

The rest of this article is organized as follows. In section 2 we give some linear estimates. In section 3 we prove the crucial bilinear estimates by using Tao’s $[k; Z]$ -multiplier method introduced in [9]. The local well-posedness is given in Section 4.

2. LINEAR ESTIMATES

Let $U(\cdot)$ be the free evolution of the KdV equation defined by $U(t) = e^{itP(D_x)}$, where $P(D_x)$ is the Fourier multiplier with the symbol $P(\xi) = \xi^3$. Obviously $U(\cdot)$ is a unitary group in $\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$, $s \in \mathbb{R}$. Since $\mathcal{F}(U(-t)u)(\tau, \xi) = \mathcal{F}(u)(\tau + \xi^3, \xi)$, one can rewrite the norm of $\dot{X}_\alpha^{b,s}$ as

$$\| u \|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{b,s}} = \| |i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} >^b |\xi|^s \mathcal{F}(U(-t)u)(\tau, \xi) \|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)} .$$

Let $W(\cdot)$ be the semigroup associated with the free evolution of (1.1) defined by

$$\mathcal{F}_x(W(t)\varphi)(\xi) = e^{it\xi^3 - t|\xi|^{2\alpha}} \hat{\varphi}(\xi), \quad \varphi \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}), t \geq 0,$$

and we extend $W(\cdot)$ to a linear operator defined on the whole real axis by setting

$$\mathcal{F}_x(W(t)\varphi)(\xi) = e^{it\xi^3 - t|\xi|^{2\alpha}} \hat{\varphi}(\xi), \quad \varphi \in \mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R}), t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Denote by ψ the time cut-off function satisfying

$$\psi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}), \text{ supp}\psi \subset [-2, 2], \psi \equiv 1 \text{ on } [-1, 1],$$

and let $\psi_T(\cdot) = \psi(\cdot/T)$ for a given $T > 0$.

Proposition 2.1. *For $s \in \mathbb{R}$, we have*

$$\| \psi(t)W(t)\varphi \|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha}^{\frac{1}{2},s}} \lesssim \| \varphi \|_{\dot{H}^s}, \quad \forall \varphi \in \dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R}).$$

Proof. Set $g_\xi = \psi(t)e^{-|t||\xi|^{2\alpha}}$. For $b \in \{0, \frac{1}{2}\}$ we have

$$\| g_\xi \|_{H_t^b} \leq \| \langle \tau \rangle^b \hat{\psi} \|_{L^1} \| e^{-|t||\xi|^{2\alpha}} \|_{L_t^2} + \| \hat{\psi} \|_{L^1} \| e^{-|t||\xi|^{2\alpha}} \|_{\dot{H}_t^b}.$$

Note that $\| \langle \tau \rangle^b \hat{\psi} \|_{L^1} \leq C$ because of $\psi \in C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R})$, and

$$\| e^{-|t||\xi|^{2\alpha}} \|_{\dot{H}_t^b} \sim (|\xi|^{2\alpha})^{b-\frac{1}{2}} \| e^{-|t|} \|_{\dot{H}_t^b}.$$

Thus,

$$(2.1) \quad \| g_\xi \|_{H_t^b} \lesssim (|\xi|^{-\alpha} + |\xi|^{2\alpha b - \alpha}) \leq C |\xi|^{2\alpha(b-\frac{1}{2})} \quad \text{for } |\xi| \geq 1,$$

and

$$(2.2) \quad \begin{aligned} \| g_\xi \|_{H_t^b} &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{|\xi|^{2\alpha n}}{n!} \| \psi(t)t^n \|_{H_t^b} \\ &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{|\xi|^{2\alpha n}}{n!} \| \psi(t)t^n \|_{H_t^1} \lesssim 1 \quad \text{for } |\xi| \leq 1, \end{aligned}$$

which imply

$$(2.3) \quad \| g_\xi \|_{H_t^b} \lesssim \langle \xi \rangle^{\alpha(2b-1)}, \quad b = 0 \text{ or } \frac{1}{2}.$$

Then one deduces from (2.3) that

$$\begin{aligned} \| \psi(t)W(t)\varphi \|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha}^{\frac{1}{2},s}} &\lesssim \left\| |\xi|^s \hat{\varphi}(\xi) \| \langle \tau \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{F}_t(\psi(t)e^{-|t||\xi|^{2\alpha}})(\tau) \|_{L_\tau^2} \right\|_{L_\xi^2} \\ &\quad + \left\| |\xi|^{s+\alpha} \hat{\varphi}(\xi) \| \psi(t)e^{-|t||\xi|^{2\alpha}} \|_{L_t^2} \right\|_{L_\xi^2} \\ &\lesssim \left\| |\xi|^s \hat{\varphi}(\xi) \| g_\xi(t) \|_{H_t^{\frac{1}{2}}} \right\|_{L_\xi^2} + \left\| |\xi|^{s+\alpha} \hat{\varphi}(\xi) \| g_\xi(t) \|_{H_t^0} \right\|_{L_\xi^2} \\ &\lesssim \| |\xi|^s \hat{\varphi}(\xi) \|_{L_\xi^2} + C \| |\xi|^s \hat{\varphi}(\xi) \|_{L_\xi^2} \lesssim \| \varphi \|_{\dot{H}^s}. \quad \blacksquare \end{aligned}$$

The following proposition comes from Proposition 2.2 in [8].

Proposition 2.2. For given $\omega \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ one denotes K_ξ by

$$K_\xi(t) = \psi(t) \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{e^{it\tau} - e^{-t|\xi|^{2\alpha}}}{i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha}} \hat{\omega}(\tau) d\tau.$$

Then

$$(2.4) \quad \left\| \langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathcal{F}_t(K_\xi)(\tau) \right\|_{L^2_\tau(\mathbb{R})}^2 \lesssim \left[\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{\omega}(\tau)|}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} d\tau \right)^2 + \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{\omega}(\tau)|^2}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} d\tau \right]$$

holds for any $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proposition 2.3. Given $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$, one has

$$(2.5) \quad \left\| \chi_{R^+}(t) \psi(t) \int_0^t W(t-t') v(t') dt' \right\|_{\dot{X}^{\frac{1}{2},s}_\alpha} \lesssim \|v\|_{\dot{X}^{\frac{1}{2},s}_\alpha} + \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |\xi|^{2s} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{v}(\tau)|}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} d\tau \right)^2 d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

for any $v \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^2)$,

$$(2.6) \quad \left\| \chi_{R^+}(t) \psi(t) \int_0^t W(t-t') v(t') dt' \right\|_{\dot{X}^{\frac{1}{2},s}_\alpha} \lesssim \|v\|_{\dot{X}^{-\frac{1}{2}+\delta,s}_\alpha} \text{ for any } v \in \dot{X}^{-\frac{1}{2}+\delta,s}_\alpha.$$

Proof. Assume that $v \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}^2)$. Taking that for x -Fourier transform we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \chi_{R^+}(t) \psi(t) \int_0^t W(t-t') v(t') dt' \\ &= U(t) \chi_{R^+}(t) \psi(t) \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{ix\xi} \int_0^t e^{-(t-t')|\xi|^{2\alpha}} \mathcal{F}_x(U(-t')v(t')) dt' d\xi \\ &= U(t) \chi_{R^+}(t) \psi(t) \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{ix\xi} \hat{\omega}(\tau, \xi) e^{-t|\xi|^{2\alpha}} \int_0^t e^{t'|\xi|^{2\alpha}} e^{it'\tau} dt' d\xi d\tau \\ &= U(t) \chi_{R^+}(t) \psi(t) \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} e^{ix\xi} \hat{\omega}(\tau, \xi) \frac{e^{it\tau} - e^{-t|\xi|^{2\alpha}}}{i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha}} d\xi d\tau \\ &= U(t) \chi_{R^+}(t) \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{ix\xi} K_\xi(t) d\xi, \end{aligned}$$

where we denote by $\omega(t') = U(-t')v(t')$. By using Proposition 2.2, one deduces

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| \chi_{R^+}(t)\psi(t) \int_0^t W(t-t')v(t')dt' \right\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2},s}} \leq \left\| \langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} |\xi|^s \mathcal{F}_t(K_\xi(t)) \right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^2)} \\ & \lesssim \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |\xi|^{2s} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{\omega}(\tau)|}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} d\tau \right)^2 d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |\xi|^{2s} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{\omega}(\tau)|^2}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} d\tau d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ & \lesssim \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |\xi|^{2s} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{v}(\tau)|}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} \|e^{-it\xi^3}\|_{L^\infty} d\tau \right)^2 d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} + \|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2},s}} \\ & \lesssim \|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2},s}} + \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |\xi|^{2s} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{v}(\tau)|}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} d\tau \right)^2 d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

which completes the proof of (2.5). For $\delta \in (0, \frac{1}{2})$, it is obvious that

$$\|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2},s}} \leq \|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2}+\delta,s}}.$$

By the Hölder inequality,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{v}(\tau)|}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} d\tau \lesssim \left\| |\hat{v}(\tau)| \langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle^{-\frac{1}{2}+\delta} \right\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})},$$

and then one gets

$$\left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} |\xi|^{2s} \left(\int_{\mathbb{R}} \frac{|\hat{v}(\tau)|}{\langle i\tau + |\xi|^{2\alpha} \rangle} d\tau \right)^2 d\xi \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \lesssim \|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2}+\delta,s}}.$$

Proposition 2.4. *Let $s \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\delta > 0$. For $f \in \dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2}+\delta,s}$ one has*

$$(2.7) \quad t \mapsto \int_0^t W(t-t')f(t')dt' \in C(\mathbb{R}^+, \dot{H}^{s+2\delta}).$$

Moreover, if $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence with $f_n \rightarrow 0$ in $\dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2}+\delta,s}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$(2.8) \quad \left\| \int_0^t W(t-t')f_n(t')dt' \right\|_{L^\infty(\mathbb{R}^+, \dot{H}^{s+2\delta})} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Proof. The proof is similar to that of Proposition 2.4 in [8], we omit it. ■

3. A BILINEAR ESTIMATE

In this section we give a bilinear estimate by using Tao’s $[k; Z]$ -multiplier method introduced in [9]. Let Z be any abelian additive group with an invariant measure $d\eta$. For any integer $k \geq 2$, we denote by $\Gamma_k(Z)$ the hyperplane

$$\Gamma_k(Z) = \{(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_k) \in Z^k : \eta_1 + \dots + \eta_k = 0\},$$

endowing with the obvious measure

$$\int_{\Gamma_k(Z)} f := \int_{Z^{k-1}} f(\eta_1, \dots, \eta_{k-1}, -\eta_1 - \dots - \eta_{k-1}) d\eta_1 \dots d\eta_{k-1}.$$

We define a $[k; Z]$ -multiplier to be any function $m : \Gamma_k(Z) \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$. If m is a $[k; Z]$ -multiplier, we define $\|m\|_{[k; Z]}$ to be the best constant such that the inequality

$$\left| \int_{\Gamma_k(Z)} m(\eta) \prod_{j=1}^k f_j(\eta_j) \right| \leq \|m\|_{[k; Z]} \prod_{j=1}^k \|f_j\|_{L^2(Z)},$$

holds for all test functions f_j on Z .

In the paper, we choose $Z = \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$, $k = 3$ and $\eta = (\tau, \xi)$. For $N_1, N_2, N_3 > 0$, we define the quantities $N_{max} \geq N_{med} \geq N_{min}$ to be the maximum, median and minimum of N_1, N_2, N_3 respectively. Similarly define $L_{max} \geq L_{med} \geq L_{min}$ whenever $L_1, L_2, L_3 \geq 1$. Define

$$h_j(\xi_j) = i\xi_j^3 - |\xi_j|^{2\alpha}, \lambda_j = i\tau_j - h_j(\xi_j), j = 1, 2, 3,$$

and

$$h(\xi) = h_1(\xi_1) + h_2(\xi_2) + h_3(\xi_3).$$

We shall take homogenous dyadic decomposition of the variable $|\xi_j| \sim N_j > 0$, and take non-homogenous dyadic decomposition of the variable $|\lambda_j| \sim L_j \geq 1$ as well as the function $|h(\xi)| \sim H \geq 1$ (here the notations $|\lambda_j| \sim 1$ and $|h(\xi)| \sim 1$ mean $|\lambda_j| \leq 1, |h(\xi)| \leq 1$, respectively). Define

$$X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3} := \chi_{|h(\xi)| \sim H} \prod_{j=1}^3 \chi_{|\xi_j| \sim N_j} \chi_{|\lambda_j| \sim L_j}.$$

Lemma 3.1. *Let $N_1, N_2, N_3 > 0, L_1, L_2, L_3 \gtrsim 1$ and $H \gtrsim 1$ satisfy*

$$(3.1) \quad N_{max} \sim N_{med}, L_{max} \sim \max\{H, L_{med}\}, H \sim \max\{N_{max}^2 N_{min}, N_{max}^{2\alpha}\}.$$

(1) *In the high modulation case $L_{max} \sim L_{med} \gg H$ we have*

$$(3.2) \quad \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

(2) *In the low modulation case $L_{max} \sim H$,*

(a) if $N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N_{min}$, we have

$$(3.3) \quad \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} \min\{N_{max}^{-\frac{1}{4}} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4}}, L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4\alpha}}\};$$

(b) if $N_2 \sim N_3 \gg N_1$ and $H \sim L_1 \geq L_2, L_3$, we have, for any $\beta \in (0, 2]$,

$$(3.4) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ & \lesssim L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} \min\{N_1^{\frac{1}{2}}, L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4\alpha}}, N_2^{\frac{\beta-2}{2\beta}} N_1^{-\frac{1}{2\beta}} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2\beta}}\}; \end{aligned}$$

similarly for permutations;

(c) in all other cases, we have

$$(3.5) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ & \lesssim L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} \min\{N_{max}^{-1} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}}, L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4\alpha}}, N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof. We consider the high modulation case $L_{max} \sim L_{med} \gg H$. By using the comparison principle (Lemma 3.1 in [9]), we have (without loss of generality we assume $L_1 \geq L_2 \geq L_3$ and $N_1 \geq N_2 \geq N_3$)

$$(3.6) \quad \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim \|\chi_{|\lambda_3| \sim L_3} \chi_{|\xi_3| \sim N_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]}.$$

By Lemma 3.14 and Lemma 3.6 in [9],

$$(3.7) \quad \|\chi_{|\lambda_3| \sim L_3} \chi_{|\xi_3| \sim N_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim \|\chi_{|\lambda_3| \sim L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R}]} \|\chi_{|\xi_3| \sim N_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim L_3^{\frac{1}{2}} N_3^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

Although we derived (3.7) assuming $L_1 \geq L_2 \geq L_3$ and $N_1 \geq N_2 \geq N_3$, it is clear from symmetry that

$$(3.8) \quad \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

We first consider the low modulation case $H \sim L_{max}$. Suppose for the moment that $N_1 \geq N_2 \geq N_3$. The ξ_3 variable is currently localized to the annulus $\{|\xi_3| \sim N_3\}$. By a finite partition of unity we can restrict it further to a ball $\{|\xi_3 - \xi_3^0| \ll N_3\}$ for some $|\xi_3^0| \sim N_3$. Then by Box Localization (Lemma 3.13 in [9]) we may localize ξ_1, ξ_2 similarly to regions $\{|\xi_1 - \xi_1^0| \ll N_3\}$ and $\{|\xi_2 - \xi_2^0| \ll N_3\}$ where $|\xi_j^0| \sim N_j$. We may assume that $|\xi_1^0 + \xi_2^0 + \xi_3^0| \ll N_3$ since we have $\xi_1 + \xi_2 + \xi_3 = 0$. We summarize this symmetrically as

$$(3.9) \quad \begin{aligned} & \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ & \lesssim \left\| \chi_{|h(\xi)| \sim H} \prod_{j=1}^3 \chi_{|\lambda_j| \sim L_j} \chi_{|\xi_j - \xi_j^0| \ll N_{min}} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]}, \end{aligned}$$

for some $\xi_1^0, \xi_2^0, \xi_3^0$ satisfying

$$|\xi_j^0| \sim N_j, |\xi_1^0 + \xi_2^0 + \xi_3^0| \ll N_{min}.$$

Without loss of generality, we assume $L_1 \geq L_2 \geq L_3$. By Lemma 3.6, Lemma 3.1 and Corollary 3.10 in [9] we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ (3.10) \quad & \lesssim \left\| \chi_{|h(\xi)| \sim H} \Pi_{j=2}^3 \chi_{|\xi_j - \xi_j^0| \ll N_{min}} \chi_{|\lambda_j| \sim L_j} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ & \lesssim \left| \{(\tau_2, \xi_2) : |\xi_2 - \xi_2^0| \ll N_{min}, |i\tau_2 - h_2(\xi_2)| \sim L_2, \right. \\ & \quad \left. |\xi - \xi_2 - \xi_3^0| \ll N_{min}, |i(\tau - \tau_2) - h_3(\xi - \xi_2)| \sim L_3\} \right|^{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

for some $(\tau, \xi) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$. For fixed ξ_2 , the set of possible τ_2 ranges in an interval of length $O(\min\{L_2, L_3\})$, and vanishes unless

$$|i\tau - h_2(\xi_2) - h_3(\xi - \xi_2)| = O(\max\{L_2, L_3\}).$$

Then we get, for some $(\tau, \xi) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim L_3^{\frac{1}{2}} |\{\xi_2 : |\xi_2 - \xi_2^0| \ll N_{min}, \\ & \quad |\xi - \xi_2 - \xi_3^0| \ll N_{min}, |i\tau - h_2(\xi_2) - h_3(\xi - \xi_2)| = O(L_2)\}|^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that the inequality $|\xi - \xi_2 - \xi_3^0| \ll N_{min}$ implies $|\xi - \xi_1^0| \ll N_{min}$. Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ (3.11) \quad & \lesssim L_3^{\frac{1}{2}} |\{\xi_2 : |\xi_2 - \xi_2^0| \ll N_{min}, |\xi - \xi_1^0| \ll N_{min}, \\ & \quad |i\tau - h_2(\xi_2) - h_3(\xi - \xi_2)| = O(L_2)\}|^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

To compute the right-hand side of the expression (3.11) we use the identity

$$|i\tau - h_2(\xi_2) - h_3(\xi - \xi_2)| = \left| i\tau - 3i\xi\left(\xi_2 - \frac{\xi}{2}\right)^2 + i\frac{\xi^3}{4} + (|\xi_2|^{2\alpha} + |\xi_2 - \xi|^{2\alpha}) \right| = O(L_2),$$

which implies

$$(3.12) \quad 3\xi\left(\xi_2 - \frac{\xi}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{\xi^3}{4} = \tau + O(L_2)$$

and

$$(3.13) \quad |\xi_2|^{2\alpha} + |\xi_2 - \xi|^{2\alpha} = O(L_2).$$

We need only consider three cases: $N_1 \sim N_2 \sim N_3$, $N_1 \sim N_2 \gg N_3$, and $N_2 \sim N_3 \gg N_1$. (The case $N_1 \sim N_3 \gg N_2$ then follows by symmetry).

If $N_1 \sim N_2 \sim N_3$, by $|\xi - \xi_1^0| \ll N_{min}$, we deduce $|\xi| \sim N_1$. We see from (3.12) that ξ_2 variable is contained in the union of two intervals of length $O(N_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}})$ at worst, and from (3.13) that $|\xi_2| \leq L_2^{\frac{1}{2\alpha}}$, and (3.3) follows from (3.11).

If $N_1 \sim N_2 \gg N_3$, by $|\xi - \xi_1^0| \ll N_{min}$, $|\xi_2 - \xi_2^0 - \frac{\xi - \xi_1^0}{2} - \xi_3^0| \ll N_{min}$ and

$$\left| \xi_2 - \frac{\xi}{2} \right| = \left| \xi_2 - \xi_2^0 - \frac{\xi - \xi_1^0}{2} - \xi_3^0 - \frac{\xi_1^0}{2} \right|$$

we get $|\xi| \sim N_1$ and $|\xi_2 - \frac{\xi}{2}| \sim N_1$. We see from (3.12) that ξ_2 variable is contained in the union of two intervals of length $O(N_1^{-2} L_2)$ at worst, and from (3.13) that $|\xi_2| \leq L_2^{\frac{1}{2\alpha}}$, and (3.5) follows from (3.11).

If $N_2 \sim N_3 \gg N_1$, then we must have $|\xi| \sim N_1$ and $|\xi_2 - \frac{\xi}{2}| \sim N_2$. For a given $\beta \in (0, 2]$, we have $|\xi| |\xi_2 - \frac{\xi}{2}|^{2-\beta} \sim N_1 N_2^{2-\beta}$. We see from (3.12) that ξ_2 variable is contained in the union of two intervals of length $O(N_1^{-\frac{1}{\beta}} N_2^{\frac{\beta-2}{\beta}} L_2^{\frac{1}{\beta}})$ at worst, and from (3.13) that $|\xi_2| \leq L_2^{\frac{1}{2\alpha}}$. (3.4) follows from (3.11) and the fact that $|\xi_2 - \xi_2^0| \ll N_3$ for some $|\xi_2^0| \ll N_3$. ■

Lemma 3.2. For a given $\rho \in [0, \frac{3-\alpha}{2(2-\alpha)})$ and for any $\delta > 0$ small we have

$$(3.14) \quad \left\| \frac{|\xi_1|^\rho |\xi_2|^\rho |\xi_3|^{1-\rho}}{\langle \lambda_1 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_3 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim 1.$$

Proof. By using the comparison principle in [9] and by taking non-homogenous dyadic decomposition of the variable $|\lambda_j| \sim L_j \geq 1$, we get

$$(3.15) \quad \begin{aligned} & \left\| \frac{|\xi_1|^\rho |\xi_2|^\rho |\xi_3|^{1-\rho} \chi_{|\xi_1| \lesssim 1} \chi_{|\xi_2| \lesssim 1} \chi_{|\xi_3| \lesssim 1}}{\langle \lambda_1 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_3 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ & \lesssim \left\| \frac{\chi_{|\xi_1| \lesssim 1} \chi_{|\xi_2| \lesssim 1} \chi_{|\xi_3| \lesssim 1}}{\langle \lambda_1 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_3 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ & \lesssim \sum_{L_1, L_2, L_3 \gtrsim 1} \frac{\left\| \prod_{j=1}^3 \chi_{|\xi_j| \lesssim 1} \chi_{|\lambda_j| \sim L_j} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} }{\langle L_1 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle L_2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle L_3 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\lesssim \sum_{L_1, L_2, L_3 \gtrsim 1} \frac{L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\langle L_1 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle L_2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle L_3 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \\ &\lesssim \sum_{L_{min}, L_{med}, L_{max} \gtrsim 1} \frac{1}{\langle L_{med} \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle L_{max} \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \lesssim 1, \end{aligned}$$

here we have used the estimate (without loss of generality we assume $L_1 \lesssim L_2 \lesssim L_3$)

$$\left\| \prod_{j=1}^3 \chi_{|\xi_j| \lesssim 1} \chi_{|\lambda_j| \sim L_j} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim \left\| \chi_{|\xi_1| \lesssim 1} \left\| \chi_{|i\tau_1 - h_1(\xi)| \sim L_1} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R}]} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} = L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

What remains is to estimate the term

$$(3.16) \quad \left\| \frac{|\xi_1|^\rho |\xi_2|^\rho |\xi_3|^{1-\rho} \chi_{\max\{|\xi_1|, |\xi_2|, |\xi_3|\} \gtrsim 1}}{\langle \lambda_1 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_3 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]}.$$

By taking the homogenous dyadic decomposition of the variable $|\xi_j| \sim N_j > 0$, by taking the non-homogenous dyadic decomposition of the variable $|\lambda_j| \sim L_j \geq 1$, and the function $|h(\xi)| \sim H \geq 1$ (here the notation $|\lambda_j| \sim L_j = 1$, $|h(\xi)| \sim H = 1$ means $|\lambda_j| \leq 1$, $|h(\xi)| \leq 1$, respectively), we have

$$(3.17) \quad \begin{aligned} &\left\| \frac{|\xi_1|^\rho |\xi_2|^\rho |\xi_3|^{1-\rho} \chi_{\max\{|\xi_1|, |\xi_2|, |\xi_3|\} \gtrsim 1}}{\langle \lambda_1 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_2 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}} \langle \lambda_3 \rangle^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\ &\lesssim \left\| \sum_{N_1, N_2, N_3 > 0, N_{max} \gtrsim 1} \sum_{L_1, L_2, L_3 \geq 1} \sum_{H \geq 1} \frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N_1^\rho N_2^\rho}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \right. \\ &\quad \left. X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \end{aligned}$$

where $X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}$ is the multiplier

$$X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3} := \chi_{|h(\xi)| \sim H} \prod_{j=1}^3 \chi_{|\xi_j| \sim N_j} \chi_{|\lambda_j| \sim L_j}.$$

From the identities $\xi_1 + \xi_2 + \xi_3 = 0$ and $\tau_1 + \tau_2 + \tau_3 = 0$ we see that

$$h(\xi) = -\lambda_1 - \lambda_2 - \lambda_3 = 3i\xi_1\xi_2\xi_3 - (|\xi_1|^{2\alpha} + |\xi_2|^{2\alpha} + |\xi_3|^{2\alpha}).$$

Then the multiplier $X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}$ vanishes unless

$$(3.18) \quad N_{max} \sim N_{med}, L_{max} \sim \max\{H, L_{med}\}, H \sim \max\{N_{max}^2 N_{min}, N_{max}^{2\alpha}\}.$$

Thus we may implicitly assume (3.18) in the summations. By applying Schur's test (Lemma 3.11 in [9]),

$$(3.19) \quad (3.17) \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \left\| \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N} \sum_{H \geq 1} \sum_{L_{max} \sim \max\{H, L_{med}\}} \frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N_1^\rho N_2^\rho}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3} \right\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]}.$$

In light of (3.18) and the comparison principle in [9], we thus see that at least one of the inequalities

$$(3.19) \quad \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N} \sum_{L_{max} \gtrsim L_{med} \gtrsim L_{min}} \\ (3.20) \quad \frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N_1^\rho N_2^\rho}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; L_{max}; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]},$$

or

$$(3.19) \quad \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N} \sum_{L_{max} \sim L_{med}} \sum_{H \ll L_{max}} \\ (3.21) \quad \frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N_1^\rho N_2^\rho}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]}$$

holds. It is sufficient to prove (3.20) $\lesssim 1$ and (3.21) $\lesssim 1$.

The proof of (3.21) $\lesssim 1$. Note that the inequality $N_{max}^2 N_{min} \geq N_{max}^{2\alpha}$ implies $N_{min} \geq N_{max}^{2\alpha-2}$. By using the estimate (1) in Lemma 3.1, we get from (3.17) and (3.18),

$$(3.21) \quad \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N} \sum_{L_{max} \sim L_{med}} \sum_{\max\{N_{max}^2 N_{min}, N_{max}^{2\alpha}\} \sim H \ll L_{max}} \\ \frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N_1^\rho N_2^\rho}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N_{max}^{2\alpha-2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim L_{med}} \sum_{N_{max}^2 N_{min} \sim H \ll L_{max}} \\ \frac{N_{min}^{1-\rho} N_{max}^{2\rho}}{L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{max}^{1-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ (3.22) \quad + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N_{max}^{2\alpha-2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim L_{med}} \sum_{N_{max}^{2\alpha} \sim H \ll L_{max}} \\ \frac{N_{min}^{1-\rho} N_{max}^{2\rho}}{L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{max}^{1-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N_{max}^{2\alpha-2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim L_{med} \gtrsim N^2 N_{min}} \\ \frac{N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}-\rho+2\delta} N_{max}^{2\rho-2+4\delta}}{L_{max}^\delta} \log_2(L_{max})$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N^{2\alpha-2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim L_{med} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}} \\
 & \frac{N_{min}^{\frac{3}{2}-\rho} N^{2\rho-2\alpha+2\alpha\delta}}{L_{max}^\delta} \log_2(L_{max}) \\
 & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N^{2\alpha-2}} N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}-\rho+2\delta} N^{2\rho-2+4\delta} \\
 & + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{max} \sim N_{med} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N^{2\alpha-2}} N_{min}^{\frac{3}{2}-\rho} N^{2\rho-2\alpha+2\alpha\delta}.
 \end{aligned}$$

When $\frac{1}{2} < \rho \leq 1$, we get from (3.22),

$$(3.23) \quad (3.21) \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{(4-2\alpha)\rho+\alpha-3+(8\alpha-4)\delta} + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{(4-2\alpha)\rho+\alpha-3+2\alpha\delta} \lesssim 1,$$

for $\delta > 0$ small, since $\rho < \frac{3-\alpha}{2(2-\alpha)}$ implies

$$(4-2\alpha)\rho + \alpha - 3 + (8\alpha - 4)\delta < 0, \quad (4-2\alpha)\rho + \alpha - 3 + 2\alpha\delta < 0$$

for $\delta > 0$ small. When $\rho \leq \frac{1}{2}$, we get from (3.22) that

$$(3.24) \quad (3.21) \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{\rho-\frac{3}{2}+6\alpha} + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{(4-2\alpha)\rho+\alpha-3+2\alpha\delta} \lesssim 1,$$

for $\delta > 0$ small. We complete the proof of the estimate (3.21) $\lesssim 1$.

Proof of (3.20) $\lesssim 1$. We first deal with the contribution where (3.3) holds. In this case we have $N_1 \sim N_2 \sim N_3 \sim N$, $L_{max} \sim N^3$ and $L_{min} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}$, since we have $L_j \sim |\lambda_j| \geq |\xi_j|^{2\alpha}$. So we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.20) & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{L_{med} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}, L_{max} \sim N^3} \frac{N^{1+\rho}}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} \min\{N^{-\frac{1}{4}} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4}}, L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4}}\} \\
 (3.25) & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{L_{med} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}, L_{max} \sim N^3} \frac{N^{\frac{3}{4}+\rho}}{L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4}} L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^3} \frac{N^{-\frac{3}{4}+\rho-\frac{\alpha}{2}+6\delta}}{L_{max}^\delta} \\
 & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{-\frac{3}{4}+\rho-\frac{\alpha}{2}+6\delta} \lesssim 1
 \end{aligned}$$

for $\delta > 0$ small, since we have $\rho < \frac{3-\alpha}{2(2-\alpha)} \leq \frac{3}{4} + \frac{\alpha}{2}$.

Second, we deal with the cases where (3.4) applies. We do not have perfect symmetry and must consider

Case I. $N \sim N_1 \sim N_2 \gg N_3; H \sim L_3 \gtrsim L_1, L_2,$

Case II. $N \sim N_1 \sim N_3 \gg N_2; H \sim L_2 \gtrsim L_1, L_3,$

separately.

The estimate in Case I. In this case, we have $L_{max} \sim N^2 N_3$ and $L_{med} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}$, and then $N_3^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2\alpha}}$.

When $L_{med} \geq N_3^{\beta+1} N^{2-\beta} \geq N^{2\alpha}$, and then $N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}$, we get from (3.4) and (3.20) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.20) &\lesssim \sum_{N \gg N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^2 N_3, L_{med} \geq N_3^{\beta+1} N^{2-\beta}} \frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho}}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_3^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 (3.26) &\lesssim \sum_{N \gg N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^2 N_3, L_{med} \geq N_3^{\beta+1} N^{2-\beta}} \frac{N_3^{1-\rho+\delta} N^{2\rho-1+2\delta}}{L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{N \gg N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} \sum_{L_{med} \lesssim L_{max} \sim N^2 N_3} \frac{N_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{\beta}{2}-\rho+\delta(2+\beta)} N^{2\rho-2+\frac{\beta}{2}+\delta(4-\beta)}}{L_{med}^{\delta}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{N \gg N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} N_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{\beta}{2}-\rho+\delta(2+\beta)} N^{2\rho-2+\frac{\beta}{2}+\delta(4-\beta)}.
 \end{aligned}$$

When $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\beta}{2} - \rho < 0$, we get from (3.26) that

$$(3.20) \lesssim N^{2\rho-2+\frac{\beta}{2}+\delta(4-\beta)+\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}(\frac{1}{2}-\frac{\beta}{2}-\rho+\delta(2+\beta))} \lesssim 1,$$

for $\delta > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ small, since the inequality $\rho < \frac{3-\alpha}{2(2-\alpha)}$ means

$$2\rho - 2 + \frac{\beta}{2} + \delta(4 - \beta) + \frac{2\alpha - 2 + \beta}{\beta + 1} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\beta}{2} - \rho + \delta(2 + \beta) \right) < 0$$

hold for $\delta > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ small. When $\frac{1}{2} - \frac{\beta}{2} - \rho \geq 0$, we get from (3.26) that

$$(3.20) \lesssim N^{\rho-\frac{3}{2}+6\delta} \lesssim 1$$

for $\delta > 0$ small.

When $L_{med} \geq N_3^{\beta+1} N^{2-\beta}$, $L_{med} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}$ and $N_3^{\beta+1} N^{2-\beta} \leq N^{2\alpha}$, we have $N_3 \leq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}$. We get from (3.4) and (3.20) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.20) &\lesssim \sum_{N_3 \leq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} \sum_{L_3 \sim N^2 N_3, L_{med} \geq N^{2\alpha}} \frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho}}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_3^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 (3.27) &\lesssim \sum_{N_3 \leq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} \sum_{L_3 \sim N^2 N_3, L_{med} \geq N^{2\alpha}} \frac{N_3^{1-\rho+\delta} N^{2\rho-1+2\delta}}{L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{N_3 \leq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} \sum_{L_{min} \leq L_{med}} \frac{N_3^{1-\rho+\delta} N^{2\rho-1+2\delta-(1-2\delta)\alpha}}{L_{med}^{\delta}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{N_3 \leq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} N_3^{1-\rho+\delta} N^{2\rho-1+2\delta-(1-2\delta)\alpha} \lesssim 1
 \end{aligned}$$

for $\delta > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ small, since the inequality $\rho < \frac{3-\alpha}{2(2-\alpha)}$ means

$$2\rho - 1 + 2\delta - (1 - 2\delta)\alpha + \frac{2\alpha - 2 + \beta}{\beta + 1}(1 - \rho + \delta) < 0$$

hold for $\delta > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ small.

When $L_{med} \leq N_3^{\beta+1} N^{2-\beta}$ and $L_{med} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}$, we have $N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}$. We get from (3.4) and (3.20) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.20) &\lesssim \sum_{N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} \sum_{L_{med} \leq N_3^{\beta+1} N^{2-\beta}, L_3 \sim N^2 N_3} \\
 (3.28) &\frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho}}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_3^{\frac{1}{2}} N^{\frac{\beta-2}{2\beta}} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2\beta}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^2 N_3} \frac{N_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\rho+(2+\beta)\delta-\frac{1}{2\beta}} N^{2\rho-2+2\delta+\frac{\beta}{2}+(2-\beta)\delta}}{L_{med}^{\beta}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{N_3 \geq N^{\frac{2\alpha-2+\beta}{\beta+1}}} N_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\rho+(2+\beta)\delta-\frac{1}{2\beta}} N^{2\rho-2+2\delta+\frac{\beta}{2}+(2-\beta)\delta} \lesssim 1
 \end{aligned}$$

for $\delta > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ small, since the inequality $\rho < \frac{3-\alpha}{2(2-\alpha)}$ means

$$2\rho - 2 + 2\delta + \frac{\beta}{2} + (2 - \beta)\delta + \frac{2\alpha - 2 + \beta}{\beta + 1} \left(\frac{1}{2} - \rho + (2 + \beta)\delta - \frac{1}{2\beta} \right) < 0$$

hold for $\delta > 0$ and $\beta > 0$ small. We complete the estimate in Case I.

The estimate in Case II. In this case, we have $L_{max} \sim N^2 N_2$ and $L_{med} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}$, and then $N_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2\alpha}}$.

When $\frac{1}{2} \leq \rho \leq 1$, we get from (3.4) with $\beta = 2$ and (3.20) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.20) &\lesssim \sum_{N \sim N_1 \sim N_3 \gg N_2} \sum_{L_1, L_3 \leq L_2 \sim N^2 N_2} \\
 &\frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N_1^\rho N_2^\rho}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; L_{max}; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{N \sim N_1 \sim N_3 \gg N_2} \sum_{L_1, L_3 \leq L_2 \sim N^2 N_2} \\
 &\frac{N_3^\rho N_1^\rho N_2^{1-\rho}}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}}} \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; L_{max}; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} .
 \end{aligned}$$

By symmetry and the estimate obtained in Case I we get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.20) &\lesssim \sum_{N \sim N_1 \sim N_3 \gg N_2} \sum_{L_1, L_3 \leq L_2 \sim N^2 N_2} \\
 &\frac{N_3^{1-\rho} N_1^\rho N_2^\rho}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} \|X_{N_1, N_2, N_3; H; L_1, L_2, L_3}\|_{[3, \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}]} \lesssim 1.
 \end{aligned}$$

When $0 \leq \rho < \frac{1}{2}$, we have $L_2 \sim N^2 N_2$ and $L_{med} \gtrsim N^{2\alpha}$, and then $N_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \leq L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2\alpha}}$. We get from (3.4) and (3.20) that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.20) &\lesssim \sum_{N_1 \sim N_3 \sim N} \sum_{L_2 \sim N^2 N_2 \gtrsim L_{med} \geq N_2^3 \geq N^{2\alpha}} \frac{N_2^\rho N}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 &+ \sum_{N_1 \sim N_3 \sim N} \sum_{L_2 \sim N^2 N_2 \gtrsim L_{med} \geq N^{2\alpha} \geq N_2^3} \frac{N_2^\rho N}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_2^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 (3.29) &+ \sum_{N_1 \sim N_3 \sim N} \sum_{L_2 \sim N^2 N_2, N^{2\alpha} \leq L_{med} \leq N_2^3} \frac{N_2^\rho N}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N_2^{\frac{1}{4}} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4}} \\
 &\lesssim \sum_{N_2 \gtrsim N^{\frac{2\alpha}{3}}} \sum_{L_2 \sim N^2 N_2, L_{med} \geq N_2^3} \\
 &\frac{N_2^\rho N^{2\delta}}{L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}}} + \sum_{N_2 \lesssim N^{\frac{2\alpha}{3}}} \sum_{L_2 \sim N^2 N_2, L_{med} \geq N^{2\alpha}} \frac{N_2^{\rho+\delta} N^{2\delta}}{L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \sum_{N_2 \gtrsim N^{\frac{2\alpha}{3}}} \sum_{L_2 \sim N^2 N_2, L_{med} \leq N_2^3} \frac{N_2^{\frac{1}{4} + \rho} N}{L_{med}^{\frac{1}{4} - \delta}} \\
 \lesssim & \sum_{N_2 \gtrsim N^{\frac{2\alpha}{3}}} \left[N_2^{-\frac{3}{2} + \rho + 4\delta} + N_2^{-\frac{3}{4} + \rho + 4\delta} \right] N^{2\delta} \\
 & + \sum_{N_2 \lesssim N^{\frac{2\alpha}{3}}} N_2^{\rho + \delta} N^{-\alpha + 2(1 + \alpha)\delta} \lesssim 1,
 \end{aligned}$$

for $\delta > 0$ small. We complete the estimate in Case II.

To finish the estimate of (3.20) it remains to deal with the cases where (3.5) holds. When $N_{min} = N_3$, we have $L_3 \ll L_{max}$, and

$$\begin{aligned}
 (3.20) & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N} \sum_{L_3 \ll L_{max} \sim \max\{N^2 N_{min}, N^{2\alpha}\}} \frac{N_{min}^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho}}{L_1^{\frac{1}{2}} L_2^{\frac{1}{2}} L_3^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N^{-1} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N} \sum_{L_{max} \sim \max\{N^2 N_{min}, N^{2\alpha}\}} \frac{N_{min}^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho-1}}{L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N^{-1} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N} \sum_{L_{max} \sim \max\{N^2 N_{min}, N^{2\alpha}\}} \frac{N_{min}^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho}}{L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} \\
 & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N^{2\alpha-2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^2 N_{min}} \frac{N_{min}^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho}}{L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} \\
 (3.30) & + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N^{2\alpha-2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^{2\alpha}} \frac{N_{min}^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho}}{L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} \\
 & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N^{2\alpha-2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^2 N_{min}} \frac{N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2} - \rho + 2\delta} N^{2\rho-2+4\delta}}{L_{max}^\delta} \\
 & + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N^{2\alpha-2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^{2\alpha}} \frac{N_{min}^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho-1-\alpha+2\alpha\delta}}{L_{max}^\delta} \\
 & \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N^{2\alpha-2}} N_{min}^{\frac{1}{2} - \rho + 2\delta} N^{2\rho-2+4\delta} \\
 & + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N^{2\alpha-2}} N_{min}^{1-\rho} N^{2\rho-1-\alpha+2\alpha\delta}.
 \end{aligned}$$

When $\frac{1}{2} < \rho \leq 1$, we get from (3.30) that

$$(3.31) \quad (3.20) \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{\alpha-3+2(2-\alpha)\rho+4\alpha\delta} + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{\alpha-3+2(2-\alpha)\rho+2\alpha\delta} \lesssim 1,$$

for $\delta > 0$ small, since the inequality $\rho < \frac{3-\alpha}{2(2-\alpha)}$ means

$$\alpha - 3 + 2(2 - \alpha)\rho + 4\alpha\delta < 0$$

and

$$\alpha - 3 + 2(2 - \alpha)\rho + 2\alpha\delta < 0$$

hold for $\delta > 0$ small. When $0 \leq \rho \leq \frac{1}{2}$, we get from (3.30) that

$$(3.32) \quad (3.20) \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{\rho - \frac{3}{2} + 6\delta} + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{\alpha - 3 + 2(2 - \alpha)\rho + 2\alpha\delta} \lesssim 1,$$

for $\delta > 0$ small.

When $N_{min} = N_2$, we have $L_2 \ll L_{max}$, and

$$(3.33) \quad \begin{aligned} (3.20) &\lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N} \sum_{L_2 \ll L_{max} \sim \max\{N^2 N_{min}, N^{2\alpha}\}} \\ &\quad \frac{N_{min}^\rho N}{L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}} L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} L_{min}^{\frac{1}{2}} N^{-1} L_{med}^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &\lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N} \sum_{L_2 \ll L_{max} \sim \max\{N^2 N_{min}, N^{2\alpha}\}} \frac{N_{min}^\rho}{L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} \\ &\lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N^{2\alpha - 2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^2 N_{min}} \frac{N_{min}^\rho}{L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} \\ &\quad + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N^{2\alpha - 2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^{2\alpha}} \frac{N_{min}^\rho}{L_{max}^{\frac{1}{2} - \delta}} \\ &\lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N^{2\alpha - 2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^2 N_{min}} \frac{N_{min}^{\rho - \frac{1}{2} + 2\delta} N^{-1 + 2\delta}}{L_{max}^\delta} \\ &\quad + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N^{2\alpha - 2}} \sum_{L_{max} \sim N^{2\alpha}} \frac{N_{min}^\rho N^{\alpha + 2\alpha\delta}}{L_{max}^\delta} \\ &\lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \geq N^{2\alpha - 2}} N_{min}^{\rho - \frac{1}{2} + 2\delta} N^{-1 + 2\delta} \\ &\quad + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} \sum_{N_{med} \sim N_{max} \sim N, N_{min} \leq N^{2\alpha - 2}} N_{min}^\rho N^{\alpha + 2\alpha\delta}. \end{aligned}$$

When $\frac{1}{2} \leq \rho \leq 1$, we get from (3.33) that

$$(3.34) \quad (3.20) \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{\rho - \frac{3}{2} + 4\delta} + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{\alpha - 2 + 2\alpha\delta} \lesssim 1,$$

for $\delta > 0$ small. When $\rho < \frac{1}{2}$, we get from (3.33) that

$$(3.35) \quad (3.20) \lesssim \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{(2\alpha-2)\rho-\alpha+2\delta(2\alpha-1)} + \sup_{N \gtrsim 1} N^{\alpha-2+2\alpha\delta} \lesssim 1,$$

for $\delta > 0$ small.

By symmetry, the same estimate holds when $N_{min} = N_3$. We complete the proof of (3.20) $\lesssim 1$. ■

Theorem 3.2. *Given $s \in (\frac{\alpha-3}{2(2-\alpha)}, 0]$, there exist $\mu > 0, \delta > 0$ such that for any couple $(u, v) \in \dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}$ with compact support in $[-T, T]$,*

$$(3.36) \quad \|\partial_x(uv)\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2}+\delta,s}} \lesssim T^\mu \|u\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}} \|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}}.$$

Proof. By duality, (3.36) is equivalent to, for all $w \in \dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2}-\delta,s}$,

$$(3.37) \quad |\langle \partial_x(uv), w \rangle| \lesssim T^\mu \|u\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}} \|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}} \|w\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s-\delta}},$$

which follows from a combination of Lemma 3.2 with Lemma 3.6 in [8]. ■

4. PROOF OF THE MAIN THEOREM

Let

$$(4.1) \quad F(u) = \psi(t) \left[W(t)\varphi - \frac{\chi_{\mathbb{R}^+}(t)}{2} \int_0^t W(t-t') \partial_x(\psi_T^2(t')u^2(t')) dt' \right].$$

Clearly, if u is a solution of the integral equation $u = F(u)$, then u is a solution of (1.1) for $0 \leq t \leq T$. Let $s \in (\frac{\alpha-3}{2(2-\alpha)}, 0]$. For a given $\varphi \in \dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$ and for any $u, v \in \dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}$, one deduces from Proposition 2.1 and Theorem 3.2 that

$$(4.2) \quad \|F(u)\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}} \lesssim \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^s} + T^\mu \|u\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}}^2.$$

Similarly, using $\partial_x(u^2) - \partial_x(v^2) = \partial_x[(u+v)(u-v)]$,

$$(4.3) \quad \|F(u) - F(v)\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}} \lesssim T^\mu \|u - v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}} \left[\|u\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}} + \|v\|_{\dot{X}_\alpha^{\frac{1}{2},s}} \right].$$

(4.2) and (4.3) implies that, for $T \leq T_0 \lesssim \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})}^{-1/\mu}$, F is strictly contractive on the ball of radius $\lesssim \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})}$. This proves the existence of a solution $u \in \dot{X}_\alpha^{-\frac{1}{2},s}$ to the Cauchy problem (1.1) on the time interval $[0, T_0]$ with $T_0 = T_0(\|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^s}) > 0$.

Let $u_1, u_2 \in \dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}$ be two solution of the integral equation (1.1) on the time interval $[0, T]$ with $T \leq T_0$. On account of Proposition 2.4, $u_1, u_2 \in C([0, T]; \dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R}))$. For $0 < \beta < T/2$ to be specified later, we define $\tilde{u}_i, i = 1, 2$. by

$$\tilde{u}_i = \begin{cases} u_i(t), & t \in [0, \beta] \\ u_i(2\beta - t), & t \in [\beta, 2\beta] \\ \emptyset, & \text{else} \end{cases}$$

Obviously $t \mapsto \tilde{u}_i$ is locally continuous in $\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}$, and $\tilde{u}_1 - \tilde{u}_2 \equiv 0$ on $\mathbb{R} \setminus [0, 2\beta]$. By (4.1) and Theorem 3.2, one has

$$\begin{aligned} \|u_1 - u_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}} &\lesssim \|\partial_x((\tilde{u}_1(t') - \tilde{u}_2(t'))(u_1(t') + u_2(t')))\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{-\frac{1}{2} + \delta, s}} \\ &\lesssim \beta^\mu \|\tilde{u}_1 - \tilde{u}_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}} \|u_1 + u_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}}, \end{aligned}$$

for some $\mu > 0$. By the construction, we easily get

$$\|\tilde{u}_1 - \tilde{u}_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}} \lesssim \|u_1 - u_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}}.$$

Hence,

$$\|u_1 - u_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}} \lesssim \beta^\mu (\|u_1\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}} + \|u_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}}) \|u_1 - u_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}}.$$

Taking $\beta \lesssim [(\|u_1\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}} + \|u_2\|_{\dot{X}_{\alpha, T}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}})^{-\mu}]$, we conclude $u_1 \equiv u_2$ on $[0, \beta]$. Iterating this argument, one extends the uniqueness result on the whole time interval $[0, T_0]$.

Note that for $\varphi \in \dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})$ with $s \leq 0$, one has

$$W(\cdot)\varphi \in C([0, +\infty), \dot{H}^s(\mathbb{R})) \cap C((0, +\infty), L^2(\mathbb{R})).$$

Let u be the solution of (1.1) associated with φ . It follows from the estimate $u \in \dot{X}_{\alpha, T_0}^{\frac{1}{2}, s}$ together with Theorem 3.2 that $\partial_x(u^2) \in \dot{X}_{\alpha, T_0}^{-\frac{1}{2} + \delta, s}$. Using Proposition 2.4, one deduces

$$t \mapsto \int_0^t W(t-t')\partial_x(u^2(t-t'))dt' \in C((0, T_0], \dot{H}^{s+\delta}),$$

and so

$$(4.4) \quad u \in C([0, T_0], \dot{H}^s) \cap C((0, T_0], \dot{H}^{s+\delta}).$$

That $u \in C([0, T_0], \dot{H}^s) \cap C((0, T_0], L^2(\mathbb{R}))$ is deduced from (4.4) and the uniqueness result by induction. Finally, the mapping that associated to initial-data the corresponding solution is analytic as a function between appropriate Banach spaces directly from Proposition 2.4 and the implicit function theorem (see [5], [7] and references therein).

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