# On the poles of the scattering matrix for two strictly convex obstacles: An addendum

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#### §1. Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to improve the second part of Theorem 1 of the previous paper [2]. Namely, we like to give a more precise information on the existence of the poles of the scattering matrix  $\mathscr{S}(z)$ . The result we want to show in this paper is

**Theorem 1.** Suppose that  $\mathcal{O}$  satisfies the same conditions as in Theorem 1 of [2]. Then there exists at least a pole of  $\mathscr{S}(z)$  in  $\{z; |z-z_j| \leq C(|j|+1)^{-1/2}\}$  for all large |j|.

As remarked in [2], in order to show Theorem 1 it suffices to prove

**Theorem 2.** The operator  $U(\mu)$  which is defined in Theorem 2 of [2] has at least a pole in  $\{\mu; |\mu - \mu_i| \leq C(|j| + 1)^{-1/2}\}$  for all large |j|.

The plan of the proof of Theorem 2 is as follows. First we shall construct an asymptotic solution u(x, t; k) of the problem

(1.1)  $\begin{cases} \Box u = 0 & \text{in } \Omega \times \mathbf{R} \\ u = m(x, t; k) & \text{on } \Gamma \times \mathbf{R} \\ \text{supp } u \subset \overline{\Omega} \times \{t; t > 0\} \end{cases}$ 

for an oscillatory boundary data

(1.2) 
$$m(x, t; k) = e^{ik(\varphi_{\infty}(x)-t)} g(x)m(t)$$

following the process of [2], where  $\varphi_{\infty}$  is a phase function introduced in §3 of [2], and  $g(x) \in C_0^{\infty}(\Gamma_1)$ ,  $m(t) \in C_0(\mathbb{R})$ . Then the Laplace transform  $\hat{u}(x, \mu; k)$  of u(x, t; k) becomes an approximation of  $\hat{m}(\mu + ik)U(\mu)(e^{ik\varphi_{\infty}(\cdot)}g(\cdot))(x)$ , and we estimate  $\Delta_{C_j}\hat{u}(A(l_0), \mu; k_j)$  for  $A(l_0)$  a point on the segment  $a_1a_2, C_j = \{\mu; |\mu - \mu_j| = \eta\}$  $(\eta > 0)$  and  $k_j = -j\pi/d$ , where  $\Delta_C \hat{u}$  denotes the variation of arg  $\hat{u}$  along the contour C.

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It should be remarked that  $z_j = ic_0 + j\pi/d$ ,  $j = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2,...$  are nothing but the pseudo-poles  $\alpha_{m_0,\vec{m}}$ ,  $\vec{m} = 0$  of Bardos, Guillot and Ralston [1] (c.f. Definition 8). Our Theorem 1 shows that the pseudo-poles  $\alpha_{m_0,\vec{m}}$  for  $\vec{m} = 0$  approximate the actual poles.

#### §2. On the Laplace transform of asymptotic solutions

Let  $\varphi_{\infty}(x)$  be a phase function introduced in §3 of [2], and let m(x, t; k) be an oscillatory function on  $\Gamma_1 \times \mathbf{R}$  of the form

(2.1) 
$$m(x, t; k) = e^{ik(\varphi_{\infty}(x) - t)} f(x, t)$$

where  $f \in C_0^{\infty}(S_1(\delta_2) \times (0, d/2))$ . Denote by u(x, t; k) an asymptotic solution for an oscillatory data m(x, t; k) which is constructed following the method of Proposition 7.2 of [2]. Then its Laplace transform

(2.2) 
$$\hat{u}(x,\,\mu;\,k) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\mu t} \, u(x,\,t;\,k) dt$$

converges for Re  $\mu > -c_0$ , and by virtue of Proposition 7.2, (i) and Proposition 8.3 of [2] have the following:

$$\begin{split} \hat{u}(x,\,\mu;\,k) &= \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1}F_0(x,\,\mu;\,k) + \widetilde{F}_{0,0}(x,\,\mu;\,k) \\ &+ \sum_{r=1}^N \,k^{-r} \{\mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-r-1}\widetilde{F}_r(x,\,\mu;\,k) + \widetilde{F}_{r,0}(x,\,\mu;\,k) \\ &+ \sum_{h=1}^r \,\sum_{l=0}^\infty \,(\lambda \tilde{\lambda} e^{-2\mu d})^l \,\sum_{j=0}^r \,\mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-(r-j+1)} \widetilde{F}_{r,h,l,j}(x,\,\mu;\,k) \} \end{split}$$

where

$$\mathcal{P}(\mu) = 1 - \lambda \tilde{\lambda} e^{-2\mu d}$$

and  $\tilde{F}_r$ ,  $\tilde{F}_{r,h,l,j}$  and  $\tilde{F}_{r,0}$  are  $C^{\infty}(\bar{\Omega})$ -valued holomorphic function in  $\mathcal{D} = \{\mu; \operatorname{Re} \mu > -c_0 - c_1\}$ . Moreover they verify the following estimates for all  $\mu \in \mathcal{D}_{\varepsilon} = \{\mu; \operatorname{Re} \mu \ge -c_0 - c_1 + \varepsilon\}$  ( $\varepsilon > 0$ )

$$\begin{split} &\sum_{|\beta| \le m} \sup_{x \in \Omega_R} |D_x^{\beta} \widetilde{F}_r(x, \mu; k)| \le C_{r,m,R,\varepsilon} k^m B_{m+2(N+N')} \\ &\sum_{j=0}^r \sum_{|\beta| \le m} \sup_{x \in \Omega_R} |D_x^{\beta} \widetilde{F}_{r,h,l,j}(x, \mu; k)| \le C_{r,m,R,\varepsilon} k^m \alpha^l l^{r-h} B_{m+2(N+N')} \\ &B_m = \sum_{|\beta| \le m} \sup_{\Gamma_1 \times \mathbf{R}} |D_{x,t}^{\beta} f(x, t)| \,, \end{split}$$

which are derived from (7.12) and (7.13) of [2].

Let  $\{\varphi_q\}_{q=0}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of phase functions defined for  $\varphi$  following the process in §2 of [2]. When  $\varphi(x) = \varphi_{\infty}(x)$  it follows from Remark 2 of §3 of [2] that

(2.3) 
$$\begin{cases} \varphi_{2q}(x) = \varphi_{\infty}(x) + 2qd \\ \varphi_{2q+1}(x) = \tilde{\varphi}_{\infty}(x) + (2q+1)d \end{cases}$$

for q = 0, 1, 2, ..., and if we use (2.3) in the definition of  $\tilde{U}_r$ , we see easily that the second term appeared in the definition of  $\tilde{U}_r$  is identically zero, that is,

$$\tilde{U}_{r} = \{ e^{ik(\varphi_{2q}-t)} \, z_{r,q}, \, e^{ik(\varphi_{2q}+t-t)} \, \tilde{z}_{r,q} \}_{q=0}^{\infty}.$$

In this case the estimate (7.14) can be replaced by

$$|\tilde{\boldsymbol{U}}_r|_{M_{2r,m}} \leq C_{m,r} k^m B_{m+2r},$$

which implies

$$\sum_{|\beta| \le m} \sup_{x \in \Omega_R} |D_x^\beta \widetilde{F}_{r,0}(x, \mu; k)| \le C_{m,R,r,\varepsilon} k^m B_{m+2(N+N')} \quad \text{for all} \quad \mu \in \mathcal{D}_{\varepsilon}.$$

Therefore if we set

 $F_r(x, \mu; k), r = 0, 1, 2, ..., N$ , are holomorphic in  $\mathcal{D}$  and satisfies an estimate

(2.4) 
$$\sum_{|\beta| \le m} \sup_{x \in \Omega_R} |D_x^{\beta} F_r(x, \mu; k)| \le C_{m, R, r, \varepsilon} k^m B_{m+2(N+N')} \quad \text{for all} \quad \mu \in \mathscr{D}_{\varepsilon}.$$

Evidently we have

(2.5) 
$$\hat{u}(x, \mu; k) = \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1} \{ F_0(x, \mu; k) + (k \mathscr{P}(\mu))^{-1} F_1(x, \mu; k) + \cdots \\ \cdots + (k \mathscr{P}(\mu))^{-N} F_N(x, \mu; k) \}.$$

Concerning the boundary value of  $\hat{u}$  it follows from (ii) of Proposition 7.2 and Proposition 8.3 that

(2.6) 
$$\hat{u}(x,\mu;k) = \begin{cases} e^{ik\varphi_{-x}(x)} \hat{f}(x,\mu+ik) + k^{-N} \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-N-1} G_{N,1}(x,\mu;k) & \text{on } \Gamma_1 \\ k^{-N} \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-N-1} G_{N,2}(x,\mu;k) & \text{on } \Gamma_2, \end{cases}$$

where  $G_{N,j}$ , j = 1, 2, are  $C^{\infty}(\Gamma_j)$  valued holomorphic functions in  $\mathcal{D}$  satisfying

(2.7) 
$$|G_{N,j}(\cdot, \mu; k)|_m(\Gamma_j) \leq C_{N,m,\varepsilon} k^m B_{m+2(N+N')} \quad \text{for all} \quad \mu \in \mathscr{D}_{\varepsilon}.$$

Thus we have

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $\varphi_{\infty}(x)$  be a real valued  $C^{\infty}$  function introduced in §3 of [2], and let  $f(x, t) \in C_0^{\infty}(S_1(\delta_2) \times (0, d/2))$ . Then there exists a  $C^{\infty}(\overline{\Omega})$  valued function  $\hat{u}(x, \mu; k)$  defined in  $\mathcal{D} = \{\mu; \operatorname{Re} \mu > -c_0 - c_1\}$  which has the form (2.5) and satisfies (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7), and

(2.8) 
$$(\mu^2 - \Delta)\hat{u}(x, \mu; k) = 0 \quad \text{in} \quad \Omega$$

for all  $\mu \in \mathcal{D} - \{\mu_j; j=0, \pm 1, \pm 2,...\}$  and  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ .

# §3. An explicit representation of $F_0(x, \mu; k)$ on the segment $a_1a_2$

Denote by  $v_0$  the solution of the transport equation

$$\begin{cases} \boldsymbol{T}\boldsymbol{v}_0 = 0 & \text{in } \boldsymbol{\omega} \times \boldsymbol{R} \\ \boldsymbol{v}_0 = \boldsymbol{f} & \text{on } \boldsymbol{S}(\boldsymbol{\delta}_2) \times \boldsymbol{R} \end{cases}$$

in the sense of Definition 6.2 of [2] where  $f = \{f_q, \tilde{f}_q\}_{q=0}^{\infty}$ ,  $f_0 = f$ ,  $f_q = 0$  for all  $q \ge 1$  and  $\tilde{f}_q = 0$  for all  $q \ge 0$ . Then Proposition 5.6 shows that  $v_0$  is decomposed as

$$v_0 = w_0 + z_0, \quad w_0 \in K(0), \quad z_0 \in M_1(0).$$

Set

$$4(l) = a_1 + l(a_2 - a_1)/|a_2 - a_1|, \quad 0 \le l \le d.$$

About the functions and the constant appearing in Proposition 5.6 we have from (2.3)

$$a(A(l)) = (\det [I + l\mathscr{K}_{\infty}(0)])^{-1/2} / \lambda$$
  

$$\tilde{a}(A(l)) = (\det [I + (d - l)\mathscr{\widetilde{K}}_{\infty}(0)])^{-1/2} / \tilde{\lambda}$$
  

$$j_{\infty}(A(l)) = l, \quad \tilde{j}_{\infty}(A(l)) = d - l,$$
  

$$A_{0} = a_{1}, \quad b_{0} = 1, \quad d_{\infty,0} = 0.$$

Then we have for all  $q \ge 0$ 

(3.1) 
$$\begin{cases} w_q(A(l), t) = (\lambda \tilde{\lambda})^q (\det [I + l \mathscr{K}_{\infty}(0)])^{-1/2} f(a_1, t - 2qd - l) \\ \tilde{w}_q(A(l), t) = (\lambda \tilde{\lambda})^q \lambda (\det [I + (d - l) \mathscr{\tilde{K}}_{\infty}(0)])^{-1/2} f(a_1, t - (2q + 2)d - l).^{1}) \end{cases}$$

Substituting x = A(l) and (2.3) into (5.9) of [2] we have

(3.2) 
$$v_q(A(l), t) = w_q(A(l), t), \quad \tilde{v}_q(A(l), t) = \tilde{w}_q(A(l), t) \text{ for all } q^{2}$$

Recall that  $\mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1}F_0(x, \mu; k)$  is

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\mu t} \sum_{q=0}^{\infty} \left\{ e^{ik(\varphi_{2q}(x)-t)} v_{0,q}(x,t) - e^{ik(\varphi_{2q+1}(x)-t)} \tilde{v}_{0,q}(x,t) \right\} dt,$$

where we set  $\boldsymbol{v}_0 = \{v_{0,q}, \tilde{v}_{0,q}\}_{q=0}^{\infty}$ . Then it follows from (3.1) and (3.2)

(3.3) 
$$F_{0}(A(l), \mu; k) = \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\mu t} \left\{ e^{ik(\varphi_{\infty}(x)-t)} w_{0}(x, t) - e^{ik(\bar{\varphi}_{\infty}(x)-t)} \tilde{w}_{0}(x, t) \right\} dt \right]_{x = A(l)}.$$

Note that

$$\varphi_{\infty}(A(l)) = l, \quad \tilde{\varphi}_{\infty}(A(l)) = d - l.$$

<sup>1, 2)</sup> Since we adopt now Definition 6.2,  $w_q$ ,  $\tilde{w}_q$  and  $v_q$ ,  $\tilde{v}_q$  correspond to  $w_{2q}$ ,  $w_{2q+1}$  and  $v_{2q}$ ,  $v_{2q+1}$  in Proposition 5.6 of [2] respectively.

Then we have from (3.1)

$$w_0(A(l), t) = R(l)f(a_1, t-l)$$
  

$$\tilde{w}_0(A(l), t) = \tilde{R}(l)f(a_1, t-(2d-l))\lambda$$

where we set

(3.4) 
$$R(l) = (\det [l + l \mathscr{K}_{\infty}(0)])^{-1/2}$$

(3.5) 
$$\widetilde{R}(l) = (\det \left[I + (d-l)\mathscr{K}_{\infty}(0)\right])^{-1/2}$$

Substituting these relations into (3.3) we have

$$\begin{split} F_0(A(l), \, \mu; \, k) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\mu t} \{ e^{ik(l-t)} \, R(l) f(a_1, \, t-l) - e^{ik(d-l+d-t)} \, \tilde{R}(l) f(a_1, \, t-(2d-l)) \lambda \} dt \\ &= e^{-\mu l} \, R(l) \hat{f}(a_1, \, \mu+ik) - e^{-(2d-l)\mu} \, \tilde{R}(l) \hat{f}(a_1, \, \mu+ik) \lambda, \end{split}$$

where

$$\hat{f}(x, \mu) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\mu t} f(x, t) dt.$$

Thus we have

**Lemma 3.1.** For all  $\mu \in C$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $l \in (0, d)$  it holds that

$$F_0(A(l), \mu; k) = e^{-\mu l} R(l) \{1 - e^{-2(d-l)\mu} \lambda \tilde{R}(l) / R(l)\} f(a_1, \mu + ik),$$

where R(l) and  $\tilde{R}(l)$  are given by (3.4) and (3.5) respectively.

## §4. Existence of the poles of $U(\mu)$

**Lemma 4.1.** There exists  $l_0 \in (0, d)$ , and positive constants  $\varepsilon_0$ ,  $\eta_0$  such that

(4.1) 
$$|e^{-\mu l_0} R(l_0)(1 - e^{-2(d-l_0)\mu} \tilde{R}(l_0)R(l_0)^{-1}\lambda)| \ge 2\varepsilon_0$$

for all  $\mu \in \{\mu; |\text{Re} \mu - (-c_0)| \le \eta_0\}$ .

*Proof.* Since  $e^{4(d-1)c_0}$  is a holomorphic function of  $l \in C$ , and  $\tilde{R}(l)^2 R(l)^{-2} \lambda^2$  is rational but not holomorphic in the whole plane, they are not identical in C. Therefore it does not holds that

$$e^{4(d-l)c_0} = \tilde{R}(l)^2 R(l)^{-2} \lambda^2$$
 for all  $l \in (0, d)$ .

This assures that there exists  $l_0 \in (0, d)$  such that

$$e^{4(d-l_0)c_0} \neq \tilde{R}(l_0)^2 R(l_0)^{-2} \lambda^2.$$

This implies that

$$1 - |e^{-2(d-l_0)\mu} \tilde{R}(l_0)R(l_0)^{-1}\lambda| \neq 0$$

holds for all Re  $\mu = -c_0$ . Set the absolute value of the left hand side  $=4\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_1 > 0$ . Since

$$\frac{d}{d\mu} \left( e^{-2\mu(d-l_0)} \tilde{R}(l_0) R(l_0)^{-1} \lambda \right)$$

is uniformly bounded in  $\{\mu; \operatorname{Re} \mu \ge -c_0 - \eta\}$  for  $\eta$  fixed, it holds that

$$|1 - |e^{-2(d-l_0)\mu} \tilde{R}(l_0)R(l_0)^{-1}\lambda|| \ge 2\varepsilon_1$$
 if  $|\text{Re}\,\mu - (-c_0)| \le \eta_0$ 

for  $\eta_0$  sufficiently small. Note that  $R(l_0) > R(d) > 0$ . Set  $\varepsilon_0 = R(l_0)e^{l_0(c_0 - \eta_0)}\varepsilon_1$ . Then we have for  $|\operatorname{Re} \mu - (-c_0)| \le \eta_0$ 

$$|e^{-\mu l_0} R(l_0) (1 - e^{-2(d - l_0)\mu} \widetilde{R}(l_0) R(l_0)^{-1} \lambda)|$$
  

$$\geq e^{l_0(c_0 - \eta_0)} R(l_0) |1 - |e^{-2(d - l_0)\mu} \widetilde{R}(l_0) R(l_0)^{-1} \lambda| |\geq 2\varepsilon_0,$$

which is the desired estimate.

Let m(t) be a function of  $C_0^{\infty}(0, d/2)$  such that

$$m(t) \ge 0, \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} m(t) dt = 1.$$

Then, since  $\hat{m}(-c_0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{c_0 t} m(t) dt > 1$ , we have for some  $\eta_1 > 0$ 

(4.2) 
$$|\hat{m}(\mu)| \ge 1$$
 for all  $|\mu - (-c_0)| \le \eta_1$ .

Let g(x) be a function in  $C_0^{\infty}(S_1(\delta_2))$  verifying

(4.3) 
$$g(a_1) = 1$$

Set

$$m(x, t; k) = e^{ik(\varphi_{\infty}(x)-t)} g(x)m(t)$$

and denote by  $\hat{u}(x, \mu; k)$  the one in Lemma 2.1 for this m(x, t; k). Set

$$\eta = \min \{ \eta_0, \ \eta_1, \ \pi/4d \},\$$
$$D_j = \{ \mu; \ |\mu - \mu_j| \le \eta \}, \quad C_j = \{ \mu; \ |\mu - \mu_j| = \eta \}.$$

Recall that  $U(\mu)$  exists on  $C_j$  for large |j| by virtue of Theorem 2 of [2]. Then from relations (2.6) and (2.8) it follows that

(4.4) 
$$U(\mu)(e^{ik\phi_{\infty}(\cdot)}g(\cdot)\hat{m}(\mu+ik))(x) = \hat{u}(x, \mu; k) - U(\mu)(k^{-N}\mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-N-1}G_{N}(\cdot, \mu; k))(x) \quad \text{for all} \quad \mu \in C_{j},$$

where  $G_N$  is a function on  $\Gamma$  defined by

$$G_N(x, \mu; k) = G_{N,j}(x, \mu; k)$$
 on  $\Gamma_j, j = 1, 2$ .

Suppose that  $U(\mu)$  is holomorphic in  $D_j$ . Then  $U(\mu)(e^{ik\varphi_{\infty}(\cdot)}g(\cdot))$  is holomorphic in  $D_j$ . Therefore we have

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(4.5) 
$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta_{C_j}(U(\mu)(e^{ik\varphi_{\infty}(\cdot)}g(\cdot)\hat{m}(\mu+ik))(x) \ge 0 \quad \text{for all} \quad x \in \Omega$$

Set

$$k_i = -jd/\pi$$
.

Then for  $\mu \in D_j$  we have

$$\mu + ik_i = -c_0 + \tau e^{i\theta}, \quad 0 \le \tau \le \eta \quad \text{and} \quad 0 \le \theta < 2\pi.$$

Therefore (4.2) implies

$$(4.6) \qquad |\hat{m}(\mu+ik_j)| \ge 1 \qquad \text{for all} \quad \mu \in D_j.$$

By using (2.7) and the estimate of  $U(\mu)$  of Theorem 2 of [2] we have

(4.7) 
$$|U(\mu)(G_N(\cdot, \mu; k_j))(A(l_0))| \le C|j|^7 \quad \text{for all} \quad \mu \in C_j$$

Note that

$$(4.8) \qquad |\mathscr{P}(\mu)| \ge \alpha_0 > 0 \qquad \text{for all} \quad \mu \in C_j.$$

Since

$$F_0(A(l_0), \mu; k) = e^{-\mu l_0} R(l_0) (1 - e^{-2(d - l_0)\mu} \tilde{R}(l_0) R(l_0)^{-1} \lambda) \hat{m}(\mu + ik_j)$$

follows from Lemma 3.1 and (4.3), the estimates (4.1) and (4.6) imply

(4.9) 
$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta_{C_j} F_0(A(l_0), \mu; k_j) = 0.$$

On the other hand we have from (4.1), (4.6) and (4.8)

$$|\mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1}F_0(A(l_0), \mu; k_j)| \ge \alpha_0^{-1}2\varepsilon_0, \quad \text{for all} \quad \mu \in C_j$$

and by using (2.4), (4.7) and (4.8) we have for all  $\mu \in C_j$ 

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1} \sum_{r=1}^{N} (k_{j} \mathscr{P}(\mu))^{-r} F_{r}(A(l_{0}), \mu; k_{j}) \\ &- U(\mu) (k_{j}^{-N} \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-N-1} G_{N}(\cdot, \mu; k_{j})) (A(l_{0}))| \\ &\leq C \alpha_{0}^{-1} \{ \sum_{r=1}^{N} |\alpha_{0} k_{j}|^{-r} + |k_{j}|^{-N} |k_{j}|^{7} \} \end{aligned}$$

where C is a constant independent of j. Therefore for large |j|

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1}F_0(A(l_0), \mu; k_j)| > |\mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1} \sum_{r=1}^N (k_j \mathscr{P}(\mu))^{-r} F_r(A(l_0), \mu; k_j)| \\ + |U(\mu)(k_j^{-N} \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-N-1} G_N(\cdot, \mu; k_j))(A(l_0))| \end{aligned}$$

holds for all  $\mu \in C_j$ . This shows that

$$\begin{split} &\frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta_{C_j} \{ \hat{u}(A(l_0), \, \mu; \, k_j) - U(\mu)(k_j^{-N} \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-N-1} G_N(\,\cdot\,, \, \mu; \, k_j))(A(l_0)) \} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta_{C_j} \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1} F_0(A(l_0), \, \mu; \, k_j). \end{split}$$

Taking account of (4.9) we have

$$\frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta_{C_j} \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1} F_0(A(l_0), \mu; k_j) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta_{C_j} \mathscr{P}(\mu)^{-1} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \Delta_{C_j} F_0(A(l_0), \mu; k_j) = -1.$$

Then it is proved that the variation of the argument along  $C_j$  of the right hand side of (4.4) at  $x = A(l_0)$  is equal to  $-2\pi$  for large |j|. This contradicts with (4.5). Thus  $U(\mu)$  is not holomorphic in  $D_j$  for large |j|, which prove Theorem 2.

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