

## THE CAUCHY PROBLEM FOR THE MODIFIED KORTEWEG-DE VRIES-LIOUVILLE (MKDV-L) EQUATION WITH AN ADDITIONAL TERM IN THE CLASS OF PERIODIC INFINITE-GAP FUNCTIONS

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**Abstract.** In this paper, the inverse spectral problem method is used to integrate a modified Korteweg-de Vries-Liouville (mKdV-L) equation with an additional term in the class of periodic infinite-gap functions. The evolution of the spectral data of the periodic Dirac operator is introduced, and the coefficient of the Dirac operator is a solution for a modified Korteweg-de Vries-Liouville equation with an additional term. A simple algorithm for deriving the Dubrovin system of differential equations is proposed. The solvability of the Cauchy problem for a Dubrovin infinite system of differential equations in the class of six times continuously differentiable periodic infinite-gap functions is proven. It is proven that there is a global solution of the Cauchy problem for a modified Korteweg-de Vries-Liouville equation with an additional term for sufficiently smooth initial conditions.

### 1. Introduction

In this paper, we consider the Cauchy problem for a combination of the modified Korteweg-de Vries and Liouville equation (mKdV-L), with an additional term of the form

$$q_{xt} = a(t) \left\{ q_{xxxx} - \frac{3}{2} q_x^2 q_{xx} \right\} + b(t) e^q - c(t) q_{xx}, \quad q = q(x, t), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t > 0 \quad (1.1)$$

with initial condition

$$q(x, t)|_{t=0} = q_0(x), \quad q_0(x + \pi) = q_0(x) \in C^6(\mathbb{R}) \quad (1.2)$$

in the class of real infinite-gap  $\pi$ -periodic functions with respect to  $x$ :

$$q(x + \pi, t) = q(x, t), \quad q(x, t) \in C_{x,t}^{4,1}(t > 0) \cap C(t \geq 0). \quad (1.3)$$

Here  $a(t)$ ,  $b(t)$ ,  $c(t) \in C([0, \infty))$  are given continuous bounded functions.

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It is easy to verify that the compatibility conditions for the following linear equations

$$y_x = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}q_x & -\lambda \\ \lambda & -\frac{1}{2}q_x \end{pmatrix} y, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

$$y_t = \left\{ a(t) \begin{pmatrix} A & B \\ C & -A \end{pmatrix} + \frac{b(t)}{2\lambda} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & e^q \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix} + c(t) \begin{pmatrix} -\frac{1}{2}q_x & \lambda \\ -\lambda & \frac{1}{2}q_x \end{pmatrix} \right\} y,$$

are equivalent to the equation (1.1) for the function  $q = q(x, t)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t > 0$ . Here

$$A = -2\lambda^2 q_x - \frac{1}{4}q_x^3 + \frac{1}{2}q_{xxx}, \quad B = \lambda q_{xx} + 4\lambda^3 + \frac{\lambda}{2}q_x^2, \quad C = \lambda q_{xx} - 4\lambda^3 - \frac{\lambda}{2}q_x^2.$$

Note that from the equation (1.1), for the case  $a(t) = 1$ ,  $b(t) = 0$ ,  $c(t) = 0$  we obtain the modified Korteweg-de Vries equation (mKdV) [17], [45] and for  $a(t) = 0$ ,  $b(t) = 1$ ,  $c(t) = 0$  we have the Liouville equations (see [15], p. 14 and [16]). In this paper, we propose an algorithm for constructing exact solutions  $q(x, t)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t > 0$ , of the (1.1)-(1.3) by reducing to the inverse spectral problem for the following Dirac operator:

$$\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)y \equiv B \frac{dy}{dx} + \Omega(x + \tau, t)y = \lambda y, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad t > 0, \quad \tau \in \mathbb{R} \quad (1.4)$$

where

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \Omega(x, t) = \begin{pmatrix} P(x, t) & Q(x, t) \\ Q(x, t) & -P(x, t) \end{pmatrix},$$

$$P(x, t) = 0, \quad Q(x, t) = \frac{1}{2}q'_x(x, t).$$

It is well known that finding an explicit formula for solving the nonlinear evolutionary Korteweg-de Vries equation (KdV), the modified Korteweg-de Vries equation (mKdV), the nonlinear Schrodinger equation (NSE), the sine-Gordon equation (s-G), the Hirota equation and etc. in the class of periodic functions essentially depends on the number of nontrivial gaps in the spectrum of the periodic Sturm-Liouville and Dirac operator. In this regard, the class of periodic functions is conveniently divided into two sets:

1. The class of periodic finite-gap functions;
2. The class of periodic infinite-gap functions.

The complete integrability of nonlinear evolution equations (KdV, NSE, mKdV, s-G, Hirota) in the class of finite-gap periodic and quasi-periodic functions was studied using the method of the inverse spectral problem for the Sturm-Liouville and Dirac operator with a periodic potential, when the spectrum has only a finite number of non-trivial gaps, in the works of Its-Matveev [12], Dubrovin-Novikov [8], Its-Kotlyarov [13], Its [14], Smirnov [42], Matveev-Smirnov [33], [34]. In addition, an explicit formula was derived in terms of the Riemann theta functions for finite-gap solutions of nonlinear evolution equations (KdV, NSE, mKdV, s-G, Hirota, etc.).

Thus, in these papers (see [8], [12], [13], [14], [33], [34] and [42], the solvability of the Cauchy problem for nonlinear evolution equations (KdV, NSE, mKdV, s-G, etc.) was proved for any finite-gap periodic and quasi-periodic initial data. This theory is described in more detail in the monographs [38] and [46], as well as in the works [24], [28], [32].

It is known from [11] that if  $q(x) = 2a \cos 2x$ ,  $a \neq 0$ , then all gaps are open in the spectrum of the Sturm-Liouville operator  $\mathcal{L}y \equiv -y'' + q(x)y$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ , in other words,  $q(x)$  is a periodic infinite-gap potential. There are similar examples for the periodic Dirac operator in [6].

A method for constructing exact solutions of the Cauchy problem for combining the defocusing nonlinear Schrodinger equation and the complex modified Korteweg-de Vries equation (DNSE-cmKdV),

$$iq_t + b(t)(q_{xx} - 2|q|^2 q) - ia(t)(q_{xxx} - 6|q|^2 q_x) = 0, \quad a(t), b(t) \in C[0, \infty), x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0.$$

$$q(x, t)|_{t=0} = q_0(x), \quad q_0(x + \pi) = q_0(x) \in C^6(\mathbb{R})$$

in the class of  $\pi$ -periodic infinite-gap functions was proposed in [31]. Based on the ideas of [31], the solvability of the Cauchy problem for the mKdV-sG equation of the following form

$$q_{xt} = a(t) \left\{ q_{xxxx} - \frac{3}{2} q_x^2 q_{xx} \right\} + b(t) chq, \quad q = q(x, t), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0,$$

$$q(x, t)|_{t=0} = q_0(x), \quad q_0(x + \pi) = q_0(x) \in C^6(\mathbb{R})$$

in the class of  $\pi$ -periodic infinite-gap functions was studied in [21]. Here  $a(t), b(t) \in C([0, \infty))$  are given continuous bounded functions.

This statement of the problem has not been studied before for equation (1.1).

We note that the Cauchy problem for nonlinear evolution equations without a source and with a source, as well as with an additional term in various formulations in the class of periodic and almost periodic infinite-gap functions was studied in [2], [7], [19], [20], [22] and [27], [29], [35], [36], [39].

## 2. Evolution of spectral data

Denote by  $c(x, \lambda, \tau, t) = (c_1(x, \lambda, \tau, t), c_2(x, \lambda, \tau, t))^T$  and  $s(x, \lambda, \tau, t) = (s_1(x, \lambda, \tau, t), s_2(x, \lambda, \tau, t))^T$  solutions of the equation (1.4) with initial conditions  $c(0, \lambda, \tau, t) = (1, 0)^T$  and  $s(0, \lambda, \tau, t) = (0, 1)^T$ . Function

$$\Delta(\lambda, \tau, t) = c_1(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t) + s_2(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t)$$

is called the Lyapunov function for the equation (1.4).

Moreover, for solutions  $c(x, \lambda, \tau, t)$  and  $s(x, \lambda, \tau, t)$  for large  $|\lambda|$  the following asymptotics hold:

$$c(x, \lambda, \tau, t) = \begin{pmatrix} \cos \lambda x \\ \sin \lambda x \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2\lambda} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}[q'_x(x + \tau, t) + q'_x(\tau, t)] \sin \lambda x + a(x, \tau, t) \sin \lambda x \\ -\frac{1}{2}[q'_x(x + \tau, t) - q'_x(\tau, t)] \cos \lambda x - a(x, \tau, t) \cos \lambda x \end{pmatrix} + O\left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right), \quad |\lambda| \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$s(x, \lambda, \tau, t) = \begin{pmatrix} -\sin \lambda x \\ \cos \lambda x \end{pmatrix} + \frac{1}{2\lambda} \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2}[q'_x(x + \tau, t) - q'_x(\tau, t)] \cos \lambda x + a(x, \tau, t) \cos \lambda x \\ -\frac{1}{2}[q'_x(x + \tau, t) + q'_x(\tau, t)] \sin \lambda x + a(x, \tau, t) \sin \lambda x \end{pmatrix} + O\left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right), \quad |\lambda| \rightarrow \infty,$$

where

$$a(x, \tau, t) = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^x [q'_s(s + \tau, t)]^2 ds.$$

From these asymptotics for real  $\lambda$ , we have

$$\Delta(\lambda, \tau, t) = 2 \cos \lambda \pi + \frac{1}{\lambda} a(\pi, \tau, t) \sin \lambda \pi + O\left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right), \quad |\lambda| \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$\Delta^2(\lambda, \tau, t) - 4 = -4 \sin^2 \lambda \pi + \frac{4a(\pi, \tau, t)}{\lambda} \cos \lambda \pi \sin \lambda \pi + O\left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right), \quad |\lambda| \rightarrow \infty.$$

Vector functions

$$\psi^\pm(x, \lambda, \tau, t) = (\psi_1^\pm(x, \lambda, \tau, t), \psi_2^\pm(x, \lambda, \tau, t))^T = c(x, \lambda, \tau, t) + m^\pm(\lambda, \tau, t) s(x, \lambda, \tau, t)$$

are called Floquet solutions of the equation (1.4). The Weyl-Titchmarsh functions are defined by the following formulas [5]

$$m^\pm(\lambda, \tau, t) = \frac{s_2(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t) - c_1(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t) \mp \sqrt{\Delta^2(\lambda, \tau, t) - 4}}{2s_1(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t)}.$$

The spectrum of the Dirac operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)$  is purely continuous and consists of the following set

$$\sigma(\mathfrak{L}) = \{\lambda \in \mathbb{R} : |\Delta(\lambda)| \leq 2\} = \mathbb{R} \setminus \left( \bigcup_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} (\lambda_{2n-1}, \lambda_{2n}) \right).$$

The intervals  $(\lambda_{2n-1}, \lambda_{2n})$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , are called gaps, where  $\lambda_n$  are the roots of the equation  $\Delta(\lambda) \mp 2 = 0$ . They coincide with the eigenvalues of the periodic or antiperiodic ( $y(0) = \pm y(\pi)$ ) problem for the equation (1.4). It is easy to prove that  $\lambda_{-1} = \lambda_0 = 0$ , i.e.  $\lambda = 0$  is the double eigenvalue of the periodic problem for the equation (1.4).

The roots of the equation  $s_1(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t) = 0$  will be denoted by  $\xi_n(\tau, t)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , while  $\xi_n(\tau, t) \in [\lambda_{2n-1}, \lambda_{2n}]$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . Since the coefficient in the equation (1.4) has the form  $P(x, t) \equiv 0$ ,  $Q(x, t) = \frac{1}{2} q'_x(x, t)$ , then  $\lambda_{-1} = \lambda_0 = \xi_0 = 0$ , i.e.  $\xi = 0$  is an eigenvalue of the Dirichlet problem.

Numbers  $\xi_n(\tau, t)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  and  $\sigma_n(\tau, t) = \text{sgn}\{s_2(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t) - c_1(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t)\}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , are called the spectral parameters of the operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)$ . Spectral parameters  $\xi_n(\tau, t)$ ,  $\sigma_n(\tau, t) = \pm 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , and the spectrum boundaries  $\lambda_n(\tau, t)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , are called the spectral data of the Dirac operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)$ .

The problem of recovering the coefficient  $\Omega(x, t)$  of the operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)$  from spectral data is called the *inverse problem*.

Using the initial function  $q_0(x + \tau)$ ,  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ , we construct the Dirac operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, 0)$  of the following form

$$\mathfrak{L}(\tau, 0)y \equiv B \frac{dy}{dx} + \Omega_0(x + \tau)y = \lambda y, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}, \quad \tau \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$\Omega_0(x + \tau) = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & \frac{1}{2} q'_0(x + \tau) \\ \frac{1}{2} q'_0(x + \tau) & 0 \end{pmatrix}, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

then we will see that the boundaries of the spectrum  $\lambda_n(\tau)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , of the obtained problem do not depend on the parameter  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ , i.e.  $\lambda_n(\tau) = \lambda_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and the spectral parameters depend on the parameter  $\tau$ :  $\xi_n^0 = \xi_n^0(\tau)$ ,  $\sigma_n^0 = \sigma_n^0(\tau) = \pm 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , and they are periodic functions:  $\xi_n^0(\tau + \pi) = \xi_n^0(\tau)$ ,  $\sigma_n^0(\tau + \pi) = \sigma_n^0(\tau)$ ,  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ .

Solving the direct problem, find the spectral data  $\{\lambda_n, \xi_n^0(\tau), \sigma_n^0(\tau), n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}\}$  of the operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, 0)$ .

The inverse problem for the Dirac operator of the following form

$$Ly \equiv \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y'_1 \\ y'_2 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} p(x) & q(x) \\ q(x) & -p(x) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{pmatrix} = \lambda y, x \in \mathbb{R}$$

with periodic coefficients  $p(x) = p(x + \pi)$ ,  $q(x) = q(x + \pi)$ , were studied in various formulations in [3], [4], [10], [18], [23], [25], [26], [30], [37], [40], [41]. It should be noted that the inverse problem in terms of the spectral data  $\{\lambda_n, \xi_n, \sigma_n, n \geq 1\}$  for the Hill operator was studied in [1], [9] and [43], [44].

### 3. Main results

The main result of this paper is contained in the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.1.** *Let  $q(x, t)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t > 0$ , function be a solution of the Cauchy problem (1.1)-(1.3). Then the boundaries of the spectrum  $\lambda_n(\tau, t)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ , of the operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)$  do not depend on the parameters  $\tau$  and  $t$ , i.e.  $\lambda_n(\tau, t) = \lambda_n$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , and the spectral parameters  $\xi_n(\tau, t)$ ,  $\sigma_n(\tau, t) = \pm 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , satisfy the first and second systems of Dubrovin differential equations, respectively:*

$$1. \begin{cases} \frac{\partial \lambda_n(\tau, t)}{\partial \tau} = 0, & n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}, \\ \frac{\partial \xi_n(\tau, t)}{\partial \tau} = 2(-1)^{n-1} \sigma_n(\tau, t) h_n(\xi(\tau, t)) \xi_n(\tau, t), & n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}; \end{cases} \quad (3.1)$$

$$2. \begin{cases} \frac{\partial \lambda_n(\tau, t)}{\partial t} = 0, & n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}, \\ \frac{\partial \xi_n(\tau, t)}{\partial t} = 2(-1)^n \sigma_n(\tau, t) h_n(\xi(\tau, t)) g_n(\xi(\tau, t)), & n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}. \end{cases} \quad (3.2)$$

Here the signs  $\sigma_n(\tau, t) = \pm 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , are reversed for each point collision  $\xi_n(\tau, t)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , with the boundaries of its gap  $[\lambda_{2n-1}, \lambda_{2n}]$ . In addition, the following initial conditions are satisfied

$$\xi_n(\tau, t)|_{t=0} = \xi_n^0(\tau), \quad \sigma_n(\tau, t)|_{t=0} = \sigma_n^0(\tau), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \quad (3.3)$$

where  $\xi_n^0(\tau)$ ,  $\sigma_n^0(\tau) = \pm 1$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  are spectral parameters of the Dirac operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, 0)$ . The sequences  $h_n(\xi)$  and  $g_n(\xi)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , involved in the equation (3.2) are determined by the following formulas:

$$\begin{aligned} h_n(\xi) &= \sqrt{(\xi_n(\tau, t) - \lambda_{2n-1})(\lambda_{2n} - \xi_n(\tau, t))} \times f_n(\xi), \\ f_n(\xi) &= \sqrt{\prod_{k=-\infty, k \neq n}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda_{2k-1} - \xi_n(\tau, t))(\lambda_{2k} - \xi_n(\tau, t))}{(\xi_k(\tau, t) - \xi_n(\tau, t))^2}}, \\ g_n(\xi) &= a(t) \left\{ 4\xi_n^3(\tau, t) + \xi_n(\tau, t) \left[ \frac{1}{2}q_\tau^2 + q_{\tau\tau} \right] \right\} + \\ &\quad + \frac{b(t)}{2\xi_n(\tau, t)} \exp\{q(\tau, t)\} + c(t)\xi_n(\tau, t). \end{aligned} \quad (3.4)$$

**Proof.** Let  $\pi$  periodic with respect to  $x$  function  $q(x, t)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t > 0$  satisfy the equation (1.1). Denote by  $y_n = (y_{n,1}(x, \tau, t), y_{n,2}(x, \tau, t))^T$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  orthonormal eigenfunctions of the operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)$  considered on the segment  $[0, \pi]$ , with Dirichlet boundary conditions

$$y_1(0, \tau, t) = 0, y_1(\pi, \tau, t) = 0, \tag{3.5}$$

corresponding to eigenvalues  $\xi_n = \xi_n(\tau, t)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . Differentiating with respect to  $t$  the following equality

$$\xi_n(\tau, t) = (\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)y_n, y_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\},$$

and using the symmetry operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)$ , we have

$$\frac{\partial \xi_n(\tau, t)}{\partial t} = (\dot{\Omega}(x + \tau, t)y_n, y_n), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}. \tag{3.6}$$

Using the following explicit form of the dot product

$$(y, z) = \int_0^\pi [y_1(x)\overline{z_1(x)} + y_2(x)\overline{z_2(x)}]dx, \quad y = \begin{pmatrix} y_1(x) \\ y_2(x) \end{pmatrix}, \quad z = \begin{pmatrix} z_1(x) \\ z_2(x) \end{pmatrix},$$

we rewrite the equality (3.6) in the following form

$$\frac{\partial \xi_n(\tau, t)}{\partial t} = \int_0^\pi y_{n,1}y_{n,2}q_{xt}dx. \tag{3.7}$$

Substituting the expressions (1.1) into (3.7), we obtain the following equality

$$\frac{\partial \xi_n(\tau, t)}{\partial t} = a(t)I_1(\tau, t) + b(t)I_2(\tau, t) + c(t)I_3(\tau, t) \tag{3.8}$$

where

$$I_1(\tau, t) = \int_0^\pi \left[ y_{n,1}y_{n,2} \left\{ q_{xxxx}(x + \tau, t) - \frac{3}{2}q_x^2(x + \tau, t)q_{xx}(x + \tau, t) \right\} \right] dx, \tag{3.9}$$

$$I_2(\tau, t) = \int_0^\pi [y_{n,1}y_{n,2}e^{q(x+\tau,t)}] dx, \tag{3.10}$$

$$I_3(\tau, t) = - \int_0^\pi [y_{n,1}y_{n,2}q_{xx}] dx. \tag{3.11}$$

Using the following equalities

$$\begin{cases} y_{n,1}(x, \tau, t) = \frac{1}{\xi_n(\tau, t)} (y'_{n,2}(x, \tau, t) + \frac{1}{2}q'_x(x + \tau, t)y_{n,2}(x, \tau, t)), \\ y_{n,2}(x, \tau, t) = \frac{1}{\xi_n(\tau, t)} (-y'_{n,1}(x, \tau, t) + \frac{1}{2}q'_x(x + \tau, t)y_{n,1}(x, \tau, t)), \end{cases}$$

it is easy to derive the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} & y_{n,1}y_{n,2} \left\{ q_{xxxx}(x + \tau, t) - \frac{3}{2}q_x^2(x + \tau, t)q_{xx}(x + \tau, t) \right\} = \\ & = \left\{ \left( \frac{1}{2}\xi_n q_x^2 + 4\xi_n^3 - \xi_n q_{xx} \right) y_{n,1}^2 + \right. \\ & \left. + \left( q_{xxx} - \frac{1}{2}q_x^3 - 4\xi_n^2 q_x \right) y_{n,1}y_{n,2} + \left( \frac{1}{2}\xi_n q_x^2 + 4\xi_n^3 + \xi_n q_{xx} \right) y_{n,2}^2 \right\}'. \end{aligned}$$

Using this equality in the above, it is easy to calculate  $I_1(\tau, t)$ :

$$I_1(\tau, t) = \left( \frac{1}{2} \xi_n q_\tau^2(\tau, t) + 4\xi_n^3(\tau, t) + \xi_n q_{\tau\tau}(\tau, t) \right) [y_{n,2}^2(\pi, \tau, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, \tau, t)]. \quad (3.12)$$

Then calculate  $I_2(\tau, t)$  and  $I_3(\tau, t)$ :

$$\begin{aligned} I_2(\tau, t) &= \int_0^\pi [y_{n,1} y_{n,2} e^{q(x+\tau, t)}] dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{\xi_n(\tau, t)} \int_0^\pi \left[ y_{n,2} e^{q(x+\tau, t)} \left( y'_{n,2}(x, \tau, t) + \frac{1}{2} q'_x(x + \tau, t) y_{n,2}(x, \tau, t) \right) \right] dx = \\ &= \frac{1}{2\xi_n(\tau, t)} \left( \int_0^\pi [y_{n,2}^2(x, \tau, t) e^{q(x+\tau, t)}]' dx \right) = \\ &= \frac{1}{2\xi_n(\tau, t)} e^{q(\tau, t)} [y_{n,2}^2(\pi, \tau, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, \tau, t)], \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_3(\tau, t) &= - \int_0^\pi [y_{n,1} y_{n,2} q_{xx}] dx = \int_0^\pi [\{y'_{n,1} y_{n,2} + y_{n,1} y'_{n,2}\} q_x] dx = \\ &= \xi_n \int_0^\pi [\{y_{n,1}^2 - y_{n,2}^2\} q_x] dx = \xi_n \int_0^\pi [y_{n,1}^2 + y_{n,2}^2]' dx = \\ &= \xi_n [y_{n,2}^2(\pi, \tau, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, \tau, t)], \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$I_2(\tau, t) = \frac{1}{2\xi_n(\tau, t)} e^{q(\tau, t)} [y_{n,2}^2(\pi, \tau, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, \tau, t)], \quad (3.13)$$

$$I_3(\tau, t) = \xi_n [y_{n,2}^2(\pi, \tau, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, \tau, t)]. \quad (3.14)$$

Substituting (3.12), (3.13) and (3.14) into (3.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \xi_n(\tau, t)}{\partial t} &= \left[ a(t) \left\{ 4\xi_n^3(\tau, t) + \xi_n(\tau, t) \left[ \frac{1}{2} q_\tau^2 + q_{\tau\tau} \right] \right\} + \right. \\ &\left. + \frac{b(t)}{2\xi_n(\tau, t)} \exp \{q(\tau, t)\} + c(t) \xi_n \right] \times [y_{n,2}^2(\pi, \tau, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, \tau, t)]. \quad (3.15) \end{aligned}$$

Since the eigenvalues  $\xi_n = \xi_n(\tau, t)$  of the Dirichlet problem for the equation (1.4) are simple, the following equality holds:

$$y_n(x, \tau, t) = \frac{1}{c_n(\tau, t)} s(x, \xi_n, \tau, t),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} c_n^2(\tau, t) &= \int_0^\pi [s_1^2(x, \xi_n, \tau, t) + s_2^2(x, \xi_n, \tau, t)] dx = \\ &= - \frac{\partial s_1(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t)}{\partial \lambda} \cdot s_2(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t). \end{aligned}$$

Using these equalities, we have

$$y_{n,2}^2(\pi, \tau, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, \tau, t) = - \frac{s_2(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t) - \frac{1}{s_2(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t)}}{\frac{\partial s_1(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t)}{\partial \lambda}}.$$

Substituting into this relation the following equality

$$s_2(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t) - \frac{1}{s_2(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t)} = \sigma_n(\tau, t)\sqrt{\Delta^2(\xi_n) - 4},$$

we have

$$y_{n,2}^2(\pi, \tau, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, \tau, t) = -\frac{\sigma_n(\tau, t)\sqrt{\Delta^2(\xi_n) - 4}}{\frac{\partial s_1(\pi, \xi_n, \tau, t)}{\partial \lambda}}. \tag{3.16}$$

Using the known expansions

$$\Delta^2(\lambda) - 4 = -4\pi^2 \prod_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{(\lambda - \lambda_{2k-1})(\lambda - \lambda_{2k})}{a_k^2},$$

$$s_1(\pi, \lambda, t) = \pi \prod_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\xi_k - \lambda}{a_k},$$

where  $a_0 = 1$  and  $a_k = k$  at  $k \neq 0$ , rewrite the equality (3.16) as the following form:

$$y_{n,2}^2(\pi, t) - y_{n,2}^2(0, t) = 2(-1)^n \sigma_n(\tau, t) h_n(\xi).$$

Substituting this expression into the equality (3.15), we get (3.2). Similarly, the equality (3.1) can be proved.

If we replace the Dirichlet boundary conditions with periodic ( $y(0, t) = y(\pi, t)$ ) or antiperiodic ( $y(0, t) = -y(\pi, t)$ ) boundary conditions, then instead of equation (3.15), we have

$$\frac{\partial \lambda_n(\tau, t)}{\partial t} = 0, \text{ i.e. } \lambda_n(\tau, t) = \lambda_n(\tau, 0), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}.$$

Now put  $t = 0$ , in the equation  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)\nu_n = \lambda_n(\tau, t)\nu_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . Since the eigenvalues  $\lambda_n(\tau) = \lambda_n(\tau, 0), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , periodic or antiperiodic problem for the equation  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, 0)\nu_n = \lambda_n(\tau)\nu_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$  do not depend on the parameter  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $\lambda_n(\tau, t) = \lambda_n(\tau) = \lambda_n, \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ .

Theorem 3.1 is proved. ■

Then, taking into account the following trace formulas

$$q'_\tau(\tau, t) = 2 \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \sigma_k(\tau, t) h_k(\xi(\tau, t)), \tag{3.17}$$

$$q(\tau, t) = C(t) + 2 \int_0^\tau \left( \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \sigma_k(s, t) h_k(\xi(s, t)) \right) ds, \tag{3.18}$$

$$\left( \frac{1}{2} q_\tau(\tau, t) \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} q_{\tau\tau}(\tau, t) = \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\lambda_{2k-1}^2 + \lambda_{2k}^2}{2} - \xi_k^2(\tau, t) \right), \tag{3.19}$$

where  $C(t)$  is some bounded continuous function, the (3.2) system can be rewritten in closed form:

$$\frac{\partial \xi_n(\tau, t)}{\partial t} = 2(-1)^n \sigma_n(\tau, t)\sqrt{(\xi_n(\tau, t) - \lambda_{2n-1})(\lambda_{2n} - \xi_n(\tau, t))} f_n(\xi) g_n(\xi), \tag{3.20}$$



where

$$\begin{aligned}
g_n(\xi) &= a(t) \left[ 4\xi_n^3(\tau, t) + 2\xi_n(\tau, t) \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\lambda_{2k-1}^2 + \lambda_{2k}^2}{2} - \xi_k^2(\tau, t) \right) \right] + \\
&+ \frac{b(t)}{2\xi_n(\tau, t)} \exp \left\{ C(t) + 2 \int_0^\tau \left( \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \sigma_k(s, t) h_k(\xi(s, t)) \right) ds + \right. \\
&\left. + c(t)\xi_n(\tau, t) \right\}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.21}$$

Applying the Mittag-Leffler theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{s_2(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t) - c_1(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t)}{s_1(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t)} = \\
&= \frac{2}{\lambda} \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \sigma_k(\tau, t) h_k(\xi(\tau, t)) + O\left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right), \quad |\lambda| \rightarrow \infty.
\end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, using the asymptotics for the solutions  $c(x, \lambda, \tau, t)$  and  $s(x, \lambda, \tau, t)$  for large  $|\lambda|$ , we have

$$\frac{s_2(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t) - c_1(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t)}{s_1(\pi, \lambda, \tau, t)} = \frac{1}{\lambda} q'_\tau(\tau, t) + O\left(\frac{1}{\lambda^2}\right), \quad |\lambda| \rightarrow \infty.$$

Comparing these asymptotics, we obtain the trace formula (3.17).

If  $y(x, \tau, t) = (y_1(x, \tau, t), y_2(x, \tau, t))^T$  is a solution of a periodic or antiperiodic problem for the equation (1.4) corresponding to the spectral parameter  $\lambda \neq 0$ , then  $y_1(x, \tau, t)$  is a solution to the following boundary value problems

$$-y_1'' + q_1(x + \tau, t)y_1 = \lambda^2 y_1, \quad y_1(0, \tau, t) = \pm y_1(\pi, \tau, t)$$

where

$$q_1(x, t) = \frac{1}{4}q_x^2(x, t) + \frac{1}{2}q_{xx}(x, t).$$

Since, the function  $q_1(x + \tau, t)$  satisfies the following equality

$$q(\tau, t) = \lambda_0^2 + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (\lambda_{2k-1}^2 + \lambda_{2k}^2 - 2\xi_k^2(\tau, t)).$$

From this follows the formula (3.19).

As a result of the change of variables

$$\xi_n(\tau, t) = \lambda_{2n-1} + (\lambda_{2n} - \lambda_{2n-1}) \sin^2 x_n(\tau, t), \quad n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \tag{3.22}$$

Dubrovin system of differential equations (3.20) and the initial conditions (3.3) can be rewritten as a single equation in the Banach space  $\mathbb{K}$ :

$$\frac{dx(\tau, t)}{dt} = H(x(\tau, t)), \quad x(\tau, t)|_{t=0} = x^0(\tau) \in \mathbb{K}, \tag{3.23}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{K} &= \{x(\tau, t) = (\dots, x_{-1}(\tau, t), x_1(\tau, t), \dots) : \\ &\|x(\tau, t)\| = \left. \sum_{n=-\infty, n \neq 0}^{\infty} (1 + |n|) (\lambda_{2n} - \lambda_{2n-1}) |x_n(\tau, t)| < \infty \right\}, \\ H(x) &= (\dots, H_{-1}(x), H_1(x), \dots), \\ H_n(x) &= (-1)^n \sigma_n^0(\tau) \cdot g_n(\dots, \lambda_1 + (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) \sin^2 x_1(\tau, t), \dots) \times \\ &\times f_n(\dots, \lambda_1 + (\lambda_2 - \lambda_1) \sin^2 x_1(\tau, t), \dots) = (-1)^n \sigma_n^0(\tau) g_n(x(\tau, t)) f_n(x(\tau, t)). \end{aligned}$$

It is known that if  $q_0(x + \pi) = q_0(x) \in C^6(\mathbb{R})$  then  $(q_0(x))' \in C^5(\mathbb{R})$ . Therefore, for the gap length of the operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, 0)$ , we have the following equality (see [37], p. 98):

$$\gamma_k \equiv \lambda_{2k} - \lambda_{2k-1} = \frac{|q_{2k}^5|}{2^4 |k|^5} + \frac{\delta_k}{|k|^6},$$

where

$$\lambda_{2k}, \lambda_{2k-1} = k + \sum_{j=1}^6 c_j k^{-j} \pm 2^{-5} |k|^{-5} |q_{2k}^5| + |k|^{-6} \varepsilon_k^{\pm}, \quad (3.24)$$

$$\sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} |q_{2k}^5|^2 < \infty, \quad \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} (\varepsilon_k^{\pm})^2 < \infty, \quad \delta_k = \varepsilon_k^+ - \varepsilon_k^-.$$

Hence, taking into account  $\xi_n(\tau, t) \in [\lambda_{2n-1}, \lambda_{2n}]$ , we have

$$\inf_{k \neq n} |\xi_n(\tau, t) - \xi_k(\tau, t)| \geq a > 0.$$

Now, using this inequality and (3.24), we estimate the following functions:

$$|f_n(x(\tau, t))|, \left| \frac{\partial f_n(x(\tau, t))}{\partial x_m} \right|, |g_n(x(\tau, t))|, \left| \frac{\partial g_n(x(\tau, t))}{\partial x_m} \right|.$$

**Lemma 3.1.** *The following estimates are valid:*

$$1. C_1 \leq |f_n(x)| \leq C_2, \left| \frac{\partial f_n(x)}{\partial x_m} \right| \leq C_3 \gamma_m, \quad (3.25)$$

$$2. |g_n(x)| \leq C_4 |n|^3, \left| \frac{\partial g_n(x)}{\partial x_m} \right| \leq C_5 \gamma_m |m| |n|, m, n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \quad (3.26)$$

where  $C_j > 0, j = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5$ , do not depend on the parameters  $m$  and  $n$ .

**Proof.** The inequality (3.25) was proved in [39]. Therefore, we prove the inequalities (3.26). Since the functions  $a(t), b(t)$  and  $c(t)$  are bounded, then  $\exists M_j > 0, j = 1, 2, 3$ , such that the following inequalities are valid:  $|a(t)| \leq M_1, |b(t)| \leq M_2, |c(t)| \leq M_3$ . Using this inequalities and (3.22), we obtain the

following estimates:

$$\begin{aligned}
|g_n(x(\tau, t))| &\leq 4M |\lambda_{2n-1} + \gamma_n \sin^2 x_n(\tau, t)|^3 + M |\lambda_{2n-1} + \gamma_n \sin^2 x_n(\tau, t)| \times \\
&\times \left| \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \{ [\lambda_{2k} + \lambda_{2k-1} + \gamma_k \sin^2 x_k(\tau, t)] \gamma_k \cos^2 x_k(\tau, t) \} \right| + \\
&+ M |\lambda_{2n-1} + \gamma_n \sin^2 x_n(\tau, t)| \times \\
&\times \left| \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \{ [2\lambda_{2k-1} + \gamma_k \sin^2 x_k(\tau, t)] \gamma_k \sin^2 x_k(\tau, t) \} \right| + \\
&+ \frac{M}{2|\lambda_{2n-1} + \gamma_n \sin^2 x_n(\tau, t)|} \times \\
&\times \exp \left\{ |C(t)| + \int_0^\tau \left| \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \gamma_k \sigma_k^0(s) \sin(2x_k(s, t)) f_k(x(s, t)) \right| ds \right\} + \\
&+ M |\lambda_{2n-1} + \gamma_n \sin^2 x_n(\tau, t)| \leq 4M(A_1|n|)^3 + MA_1|n| \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \{A_2|n|\gamma_k\} + \\
&+ MA_1|n| \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \{A_3|n|\gamma_k\} + \frac{M}{2A_4|n|} \exp \left\{ M_1 + \int_0^\tau \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} C_2 \gamma_k ds \right\} + \\
&+ MA_1|n| \leq C_4|n|^3,
\end{aligned}$$

where  $M = \max \{M_1, M_2, M_3\}$ .

Now, let's estimate the function  $\left| \frac{\partial g_n(x(\tau, t))}{\partial x_m} \right|$ :

$$\begin{aligned}
\left| \frac{\partial g_n(x(\tau, t))}{\partial x_m} \right| &\leq |a(t)| |-2[\lambda_{2n-1} + \gamma_n \sin^2 x_n(\tau, t)](\lambda_{2m-1} + \gamma_m \sin^2 x_m(\tau, t))| \times \\
&\times \gamma_m \sin^2 x_m(\tau, t) + \frac{|b(t)|}{2|\lambda_{2n-1} + \gamma_n \sin^2 x_n(\tau, t)|} \times \\
&\times \exp \left\{ |C(t)| + \int_0^\tau \left| \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \gamma_k \sigma_k^0(s) \sin(2x_k(s, t)) f_k(x(s, t)) \right| ds \right\} \times \\
&\times \left[ \left| \int_0^\tau (-1)^{m-1} \gamma_m \sigma_m^0(s) \times \right. \right. \\
&\times \left. \left[ 2 \cos(2x_m(s, t)) f_m(x(s, t)) + \sin(2x_m(s, t)) \frac{\partial f_m(x(s, t))}{\partial x_m(s, t)} \right] ds \right| + \\
&+ \left. \int_0^\tau \left| \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq m}^{\infty} (-1)^{k-1} \gamma_k \sigma_k^0(s) \sin(2x_k(s, t)) \frac{\partial f_k(x(s, t))}{\partial x_m(s, t)} \right| ds \right] \leq \\
&\leq MB_1|n||m|\gamma_m + \frac{M}{2A_4|n|} \exp \left\{ M_1 + \int_0^\tau \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} C_2 \gamma_k ds \right\} \times
\end{aligned}$$

$$\times \left\{ B_2 \gamma_m |\tau| + B_3 \gamma_m^2 |\tau| + \gamma_m \int_0^\tau \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq m}^{\infty} C_3 \gamma_k ds \right\} \leq C_5 \gamma_m |n| |m|.$$

Lemma 3.1 is proved.

**Lemma 3.2.** *If  $q_0(x + \pi) = q_0(x) \in C^6(\mathbb{R})$ , then the vector function  $H(x(\tau, t))$  satisfies the Lipschitz condition in the Banach space  $\mathbb{K}$ , i.e. there exists a constant  $\mathfrak{L} > 0$  such that the following inequality holds for arbitrary elements  $x(\tau, t), y(\tau, t) \in \mathbb{K}$*

$$\|H(x(\tau, t)) - H(y(\tau, t))\| \leq L \|x(\tau, t) - y(\tau, t)\|$$

where

$$L = C \sum_{n=-\infty, n \neq 0}^{\infty} |n|^3 (|n| + 1) (\lambda_{2n} - \lambda_{2n-1}) < \infty. \quad (3.27)$$

**Proof.** First, using Lemma 3.1, we estimate the derivative with respect to  $x_m(\tau, t)$  of the function  $F_n(x) = g_n(x)f_n(x)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \frac{\partial F_n(x)}{\partial x_m} \right| &= \left| \frac{\partial g_n(x)}{\partial x_m} f_n(x) + \frac{\partial f_n(x)}{\partial x_m} g_n(x) \right| \leq \left| \frac{\partial f_n(x)}{\partial x_m} \right| |g_n(x)| + \left| \frac{\partial g_n(x)}{\partial x_m} \right| |f_n(x)| \leq \\ &\leq C_3 C_4 |n|^3 \gamma_m + C_2 C_5 |m| |n| \gamma_m \leq C |n|^3 (|m| + 1) \gamma_m \end{aligned}$$

where  $C = \text{const} > 0$  does not depend on  $m$  and  $n$ .

Next, using the following equality

$$H_n(x(\tau, t)) = (-1)^n \sigma_n^0(\tau) F_n(x(\tau, t)), n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\},$$

we have

$$|H_n(x(\tau, t)) - H_n(y(\tau, t))| = |F_n(x(\tau, t)) - F_n(y(\tau, t))|.$$

Now, let's apply Lagrange Mean Value Theorem to the function

$$\varphi(t) = F_n(x + t(y - x)),$$

on the interval  $t \in [0, 1]$ . Then we have the following equality

$$\varphi(1) - \varphi(0) = \varphi'(t^*),$$

i.e.

$$F_n(x) - F_n(y) = \sum_{m=-\infty, m \neq 0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial F_n(\theta)}{\partial x_m} (x_m - y_m),$$

where  $\theta = x + t^*(y - x)$ . Hence it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |H_n(x(\tau, t)) - H_n(y(\tau, t))| &= |F_n(x(\tau, t)) - F_n(y(\tau, t))| \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{m=-\infty, m \neq 0}^{\infty} \left| \frac{\partial F_n(\theta)}{\partial x_m} \right| \cdot |x_m(\tau, t) - y_m(\tau, t)| \leq \\ &\leq C |n|^3 \sum_{m=-\infty, m \neq 0}^{\infty} (|m| + 1) \cdot |\lambda_{2m} - \lambda_{2m-1}| \cdot |x_m(\tau, t) - y_m(\tau, t)| = \\ &= C |n|^3 \|x - y\|. \end{aligned}$$

Now let's estimate the norm  $\|H(x(\tau, t)) - H(y(\tau, t))\|$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \|H(x) - H(y)\| &= \sum_{n=-\infty, n \neq 0}^{\infty} (|n| + 1) (\lambda_{2n} - \lambda_{2n-1}) |H_n(x) - H_n(y)| \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{n=-\infty, n \neq 0}^{\infty} C |n|^3 (|n| + 1) (\lambda_{2n} - \lambda_{2n-1}) \cdot \|x - y\| = L \|x - y\|. \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} L &= \sum_{n=-\infty, n \neq 0}^{\infty} C |n|^3 (|n| + 1) (\lambda_{2n} - \lambda_{2n-1}) = \\ &= C \sum_{n=-\infty, n \neq 0}^{\infty} |n|^3 (|n| + 1) \gamma_n < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the Lipschitz condition is satisfied. Therefore, the solution of the Cauchy problem (3.2), (3.3) exists and is unique for all  $t > 0$  and  $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ .

Lemma 3.2 is proved.

*Remark 3.1.* Theorem 3.1 and Lemma 3.2 give a method for solving the problem (1.1)-(1.3).

**Proof.** To do this, first find the spectral data  $\lambda_n, \xi_n^0(\tau), \sigma_n^0(\tau) = \pm 1, n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ , of the Dirac operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, 0)$ . Denote the spectral data of the operator  $\mathfrak{L}(\tau, t)$  by  $\lambda_n, \xi_n(\tau, t), \sigma_n(\tau, t) = \pm 1, n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . Then, solving the Cauchy problem (3.20), (3.3) for an arbitrary value of  $\tau$ , and find  $\xi_n(\tau, t), \sigma_n(\tau, t), n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ . From the trace formula (3.17) we define the function  $q_\tau(\tau, t)$ , i.e. solving the problem (1.1)-(1.3).

So far, we have assumed that the Cauchy problem (1.1)-(1.3) has a solution. It is not difficult to get rid of this assumption by directly verifying that the function  $q_\tau(\tau, t), \tau \in \mathbb{R}, t > 0$  obtained in this way actually satisfies the equations (1.1).

*Remark 3.2.* The function  $q_\tau(\tau, t)$  which is constructed using the Dubrovin system of equations (3.2), (3.3) and the trace formula (3.17) satisfies the equation (1.1).

**Proof.** To do this, we use the second trace formula

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}q_\tau(\tau, t)\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}q_{\tau\tau}(\tau, t) = \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\lambda_{2k-1}^2 + \lambda_{2k}^2}{2} - \xi_k^2(\tau, t)\right). \quad (3.28)$$

Differentiating the formula (3.28) with respect to  $t$ , we have

$$\frac{1}{2}q_\tau(\tau, t)q_{\tau t}(\tau, t) + \frac{1}{2}(q_{\tau\tau}(\tau, t))_\tau = - \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} 2\xi_k(\tau, t)\frac{\partial \xi_k(\tau, t)}{\partial t}. \quad (3.29)$$

Here, we used the equality  $(q_\tau(\tau, t))_{t\tau} = (q_\tau(\tau, t))_{\tau t}$ . Further, taking into account the Dubrovin system of equations (3.2) and equality (3.29), we obtain

$$q_\tau(\tau, t)z(\tau, t) + z_\tau(\tau, t) = -8 \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \sigma_k(\tau, t)h_k(\xi)\xi_k(\tau, t) \times$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \times \left[ a(t) \left\{ 4\xi_k^3(\tau, t) + \xi_k(\tau, t) \left[ \frac{1}{2}q_\tau^2 + q_{\tau\tau} \right] \right\} + \right. \\ & \left. + \frac{b(t)}{2\xi_k(\tau, t)} e^q + c(t)\xi_k(\tau, t) \right], \end{aligned} \quad (3.30)$$

where

$$z(\tau, t) = q_{\tau t}(\tau, t). \quad (3.31)$$

Now, we use Dubrovin system of differential equations corresponding to the equation (1.4),

$$\frac{\partial \xi_n(\tau, t)}{\partial \tau} = 2(-1)^{n-1} \sigma_n(\tau, t) h_n(\xi(\tau, t)) \xi_n(\tau, t), \quad (3.32)$$

as well as the trace formula (3.17). Then from (3.30), we have the following equality

$$\begin{aligned} q_\tau(\tau, t) z(\tau, t) + z_\tau(\tau, t) &= 4a(t) \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \xi_k^4(\tau, t)}{\partial \tau} + \\ + 2a(t) \left[ \frac{1}{2}q_\tau^2 + q_{\tau\tau} \right] &\sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \xi_k^2(\tau, t)}{\partial \tau} + 2b(t)e^{q(\tau, t)} q_\tau(\tau, t) + 2c(t) \sum_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \xi_k^2(\tau, t)(\tau, t)}{\partial \tau}. \end{aligned} \quad (3.33)$$

Next, we calculate the sums of the following functional series:

$$\sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \xi_k^4(\tau, t)}{\partial \tau}, \quad \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \xi_k^2(\tau, t)}{\partial \tau}.$$

To do this, we differentiate with respect to  $\tau$  the trace formulas (3.28), then we have

$$\begin{aligned} -q_{\tau\tau\tau\tau}(\tau, t) - q_\tau(\tau, t)q_{\tau\tau\tau}(\tau, t) + q_{\tau\tau}(\tau, t)q_\tau^2(\tau, t) + \frac{1}{4}q_\tau^4(\tau, t) &= \\ = 4 \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \left( \frac{\lambda_{2k}^4 + \lambda_{2k-1}^4}{2} - \xi_k^4(\tau, t) \right). \end{aligned} \quad (3.34)$$

Thus,

$$q_{\tau\tau\tau\tau} + q_{\tau\tau}q_{\tau\tau\tau} + q_\tau q_{\tau\tau\tau\tau} - q_{\tau\tau\tau}q_\tau^2 - 2q_{\tau\tau}^2q_\tau - q_\tau^3q_{\tau\tau} = 4 \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \xi_k^4}{\partial \tau},$$

$$q_\tau q_{\tau\tau} + q_{\tau\tau\tau} = -2 \sum_{k=-\infty, k \neq 0}^{\infty} \frac{\partial \xi_k^2}{\partial \tau}.$$

Using these formulas from (3.33), we have

$$\begin{aligned} q_\tau z(\tau, t) + z_\tau(\tau, t) &= \\ &= a(t) (q_{\tau\tau\tau\tau} + q_{\tau\tau}q_{\tau\tau\tau} + q_\tau q_{\tau\tau\tau\tau} - q_{\tau\tau\tau}q_\tau^2 - 2q_{\tau\tau}^2q_\tau - q_\tau^3q_{\tau\tau}) - \\ &- a(t) \left[ \frac{1}{2}q_\tau^2 + q_{\tau\tau} \right] (q_\tau q_{\tau\tau} + q_{\tau\tau\tau}) + 2b(t)e^q q_\tau, \end{aligned}$$

i.e.

$$\begin{aligned}
& q_\tau z(\tau, t) + z_\tau(\tau, t) = \\
& = a(t) \left[ q_{\tau\tau\tau\tau} + q_\tau q_{\tau\tau\tau} - \frac{3}{2} q_{\tau\tau} q_\tau^2 - 3q_{\tau\tau}^2 q_\tau - \frac{3}{2} q_\tau^3 q_{\tau\tau} \right] + \\
& + 2b(t)e^{q(\tau, t)} q_\tau - c(t)q_\tau q_{\tau\tau} - c(t)q_{\tau\tau\tau}.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.35}$$

Here,  $q = q(\tau, t)$ ,  $\xi_k = \xi_k(\tau, t)$ .

It is easy to check that the function

$$z(\tau, t) = a(t) \left( q_{\tau\tau\tau} - \frac{3}{2} q_\tau^2 q_{\tau\tau} \right) + b(t)e^q - c(t)q_{\tau\tau} + C_1(t)e^{-q}$$

is a solution of the linear equation (3.35). Choosing  $C_1(t) = 0$ , we have

$$z(\tau, t) = a(t) \left( q_{\tau\tau\tau} - \frac{3}{2} q_\tau^2 q_{\tau\tau} \right) + b(t)e^q - c(t)q_{\tau\tau}.$$

From here and from the notation (3.31), we get the equation (1.1):

$$q_{\tau t}(\tau, t) = a(t) \left\{ q_{\tau\tau\tau}(\tau, t) - \frac{3}{2} q_\tau^2(\tau, t) q_{\tau\tau}(\tau, t) \right\} + b(t)e^{q(\tau, t)} - c(t)q_{\tau\tau}(\tau, t).$$

*Remark 3.3.* The uniform convergence of the series in the above formulas (3.17)-(3.19) and (3.27), as well as (3.34) follow from the equality (3.24) and the estimate (3.25).

Thus, we have established the solvability of the Cauchy problem (1.1)-(1.3) in the class  $C^n(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $n \geq 6$ , of periodic infinite-gap functions.

**Theorem 3.2.** *If the initial function  $q_0(x)$  satisfies the following condition*

$$q_0(x + \pi) = q_0(x) \in C^n(\mathbb{R}), n \geq 6,$$

*then there exists a solution  $q'_x(x, t)$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $t > 0$  of the problem (1.1)-(1.3), which is uniquely is given by the formula (3.17) and belongs to the class  $C_{x,t}^{4,1}(t > 0) \cap C(t \geq 0)$ .*

**Corollary 3.1.** *Using the results of [18], [44], we deduce that if the initial function  $q_0(x)$  is a real analytic  $\pi$  periodic function, then the solution  $q(x, t)$  is a real analytic function with respect to  $x$ .*

**Corollary 3.2.** *If the number  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  is a period (antiperiod) for the initial function  $q_0(x)$ , then all roots of the equation  $\Delta(\lambda) + 2 = 0$  ( $\Delta(\lambda) - 2 = 0$ ) are double. Since the Lyapunov function corresponding to the coefficient  $q(x, t)$  coincides with  $\Delta(\lambda)$ , according to the results of [4], [23] the number  $\frac{\pi}{2}$  is also a period (antiperiod) for the solution  $q(x, t)$  with respect to the variable  $x$ .*

#### 4. Open Question.

Currently, the problem of the solvability of the Cauchy problem (1.1)-(1.3) in the class  $C^n(\mathbb{R})$ ,  $0 \leq n \leq 5$ , is open.

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