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ABSTRACT. We rigorously analyze the bifurcation of so called nonlinear Bloch waves (NLBs) from the spectrum in the Gross-Pitaevskii (GP) equation with a periodic potential, in arbitrary space dimensions. These are solutions which can be expressed as finite sums of quasi-periodic functions, and which in a formal asymptotic expansion are obtained from solutions of the so called algebraic coupled mode equations. Here we justify this expansion by proving the existence of NLBs and estimating the error of the formal asymptotics. The analysis is illustrated by numerical bifurcation diagrams, mostly in 2D. In addition, we illustrate some relations of NLBs to other classes of solutions of the GP equation, in particular to so called out-of-gap solitons and truncated NLBs.

1. INTRODUCTION

The stationary nonlinear Schrödinger/Gross-Pitaevskii (GP) equation in $d \in \mathbb{N}$ dimensions,

$$(1.1) \quad \omega\varphi + \Delta\varphi - V(x)\varphi - \sigma|\varphi|^2\varphi = 0, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d$$

is a canonical model in physics. It appears in various contexts, e.g., Bose-Einstein condensation, where ω is called the chemical potential, to nonlinear optics, where $\omega/(2\pi)$ is the frequency of time-harmonic waves, see, e.g., [19, 11, 14, 4]. Equation (1.1) arises from plugging $e^{i\omega t}\varphi(x)$ in the time-dependent GP equation. Here we consider the case that the potential V is real and 2π -periodic in each coordinate direction, i.e.,

$$V(x + 2\pi e_j) = V(x) \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^d, j \in \{1, \dots, d\},$$

where e_j denotes the j -th Euclidean unit vector in \mathbb{R}^d . We make the basic assumption that $V \in H^{s-2}(\mathbb{P}^d)$ for some $s > \frac{d}{2}$, where $\mathbb{P} = (-\pi, \pi]$. This smoothness assumption on V ensures $H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)$ -smoothness of linear Bloch waves, i.e., solutions of (1.1) with $\sigma = 0$. See §1.1 for a review of spectral properties of

$$L = -\Delta + V$$

and linear Bloch waves. For suitable V , the spectrum of L shows so called spectral gaps, and in recent years a focus has been on the bifurcation of so called gap solitons from the the zero solution at band edges into the gaps. These are localized solutions, which, in the near edge asymptotics have small amplitude and long wave modulated shape. In detail, the asymptotic expansion at $\omega = \omega_* + \varepsilon^2\Omega$ with $\Omega = \pm 1$ is

$$(1.2) \quad \varphi \sim \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^N A_j(\varepsilon x) \xi_{n_j}(k^{(j)}; x),$$

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where $\xi_{n_j}(k^{(j)}; \cdot)$, $j = 1, \dots, N$ are Bloch waves at the edge ω_* , and the A_j are localized solutions of a system of (spatially homogeneous) nonlinear Schrödinger equations. See, for instance, [18, 6, 9], and the references therein.

Here we seek solutions of (1.1) which can be expressed as finite a sum of quasi-periodic functions and call such solutions *nonlinear Bloch waves* (NLBs), with quasi-periodicities determined from a selected finite subset of the Bloch waves at ω . NLBs have been studied in, for instance, [24, 6, 22, 25, 26], and one motivation is the continuation of gap-solitons to “out-of-gap” solitons, i.e., the continuation of localized solutions from one band edge across the gap and into the spectrum on the other side of the gap, where their tails start interacting with the NLBs. For this reason, the study of bifurcation of NLBs from the zero-solution has been mostly restricted to band edges. Here we show that nonlinear Bloch waves bifurcate in ω from *generic points in the spectrum* of L , and give their asymptotic expansions in terms of solutions of the so called algebraic coupled mode equations (ACME), together with error estimates.

In addition to the rigorous analysis we illustrate our results numerically. For this we focus on 2D, as this is much richer than 1D, and use the same potential as in [9], i.e.

$$(1.3) \quad V(x) = 1 + 4.35W(x_1)W(x_2)$$

with

$$W(s) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\tanh \left(7 \left(s + \frac{3\pi}{5} \right) \right) + \tanh \left(7 \left(\frac{3\pi}{5} - s \right) \right) \right].$$

This represents a square geometry with smoothed-out edges. The numerical band structure of L over the Brillouin zone $\mathbb{B} := (-1/2, 1/2]^d$, and also along the boundary of the irreducible Brillouin zone, is plotted in Fig. 1(a),(b), respectively.

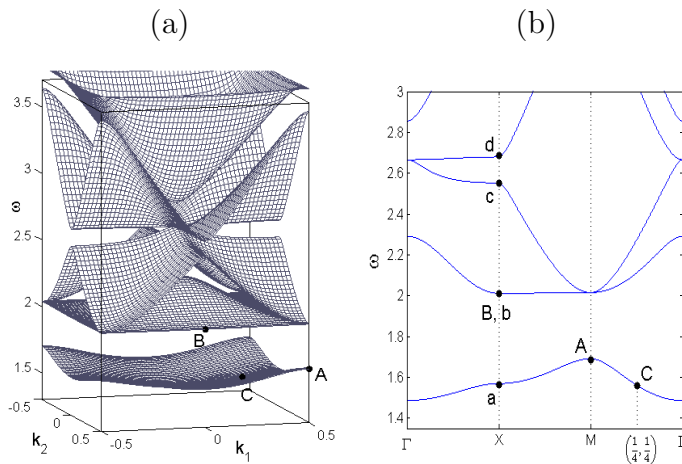


FIGURE 1. (a): Band structure of L over the Brillouin zone \mathbb{B} for the periodic potential (1.3); (b): along the boundary $\Gamma - X - M - \Gamma$ of the irreducible Brillouin zone. The points Γ, X, M are $\Gamma = (0, 0), X = (1/2, 0), M = (1/2, 1/2)$.

Example 1. Figure 2 shows a numerical bifurcation diagram of NLBs for fixed $k = X$, calculated with the package `pde2path` [20, 7], together with example plots on the bifurcating branches. Whenever ω crosses a band structure curve, a branch of NLBs bifurcates from the zero solution.

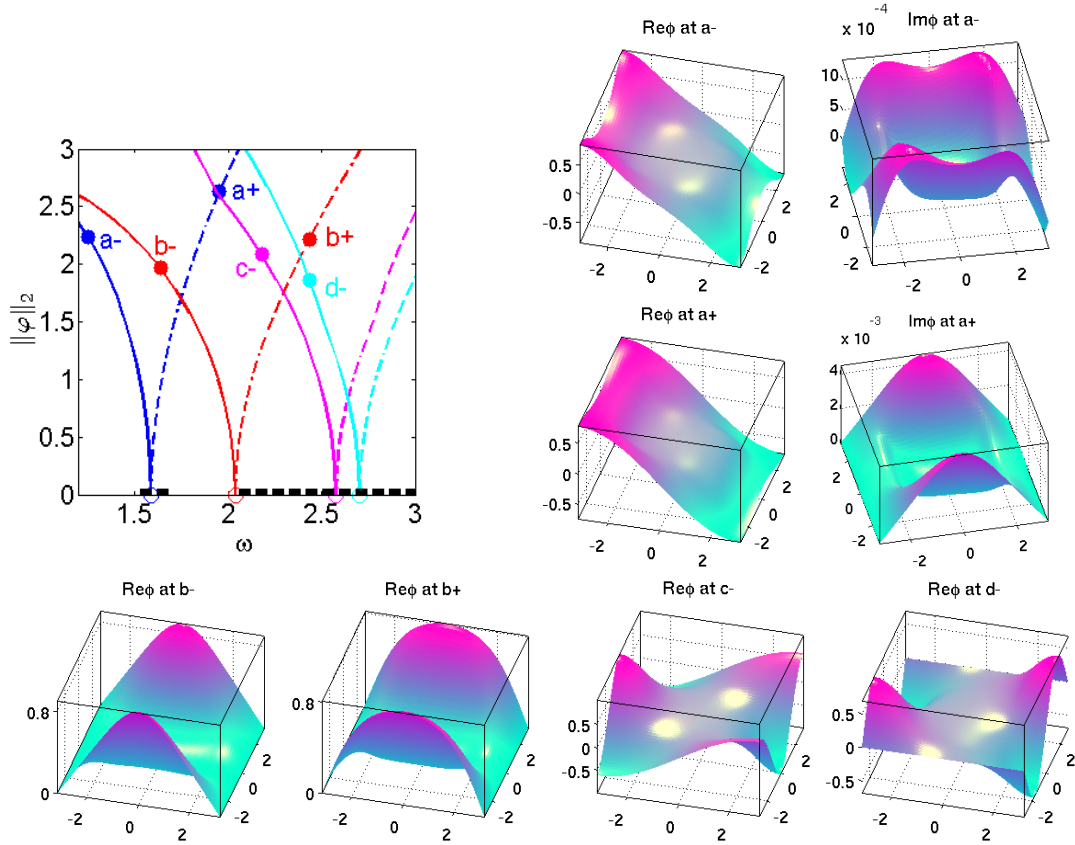


FIGURE 2. Example 1: Bifurcation diagram of the first four bifurcating branches for $k = X$, i.e. branches bifurcating from points a-d in Fig. 1 (b). Spectral bands are indicated by the black dashed line. The sign \pm in the branch labels stands for $\sigma = \pm 1$. Small panels: example solution plots of NLBs from the bifurcation diagram, over the fundamental cell $x \in (-\pi, \pi)^2$. At bifurcation we choose a real Bloch wave. Then the imaginary parts are small near bifurcation, and we only plot them for $a\pm$. Roughly horizontal axis corresponds to x_1 in all plots.

In §7 we explain the method behind Fig. 2, and study in detail the bifurcations of NLBs at the points marked A,B,C in Fig. 1(b), relating the numerical calculations to our analysis.

One of the motivations for studying NLBs are the intriguing properties of their interaction with localized solutions. For instance, when a gap soliton is continued from the gap into the spectrum, we get a so called “out-of-gap” soliton (OGS) with oscillating (delocalized) tails. In 1D, numerically these OGS can be seen to be homoclinic orbits approaching NLBs, see Fig. 9, and essentially the same happens in 2D. The same interaction scenario happens with the so called truncated NLBs (tNLBs). These are localized solutions for ω in a gap which are close to a NLB on some finite interval but approach 0 as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$. However, even in 1D at present it is unclear how to analyze OGS and tNLBs rigorously, i.e., so far there only exist heuristic asymptotics, see §8 for further comments. All this clearly motivates our rigorous bifurcation analysis of NLBs.

In the remainder of this introduction we explain the linear band structure, a simple analytical bifurcation result, formulate the main theorem, and describe the structure of the paper in more detail.

1.1. Linear Bloch waves. For $k \in \mathbb{B} := (-1/2, 1/2]^d$ consider the Bloch eigenvalue problem

$$(1.4) \quad \begin{aligned} (-\Delta + V(x))\xi_n(x, k) &= \omega_n(k)\xi_n(x, k), & x \in \mathbb{P}^d \\ \xi_n(x + 2\pi e_m, k) &= e^{2\pi i k_m} \xi_n(x, k), & m \in \{1, \dots, d\}. \end{aligned}$$

The spectrum of $L = -\Delta + V$ is continuous and is given by the union of the bands defined by the band structure $(\omega_n(k))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$, i.e.

$$\sigma(L) = \bigcup_{\substack{n \in \mathbb{N} \\ k \in \mathbb{B}}} \omega_n(k) = \bigcup_{l \in \mathbb{N}} [s_{2l-1}, s_{2l}], \quad \text{where } s_{2l-1} < s_{2l} \leq s_{2l+1} \quad \text{for all } l \in \mathbb{N},$$

see Theorem 6.5.1 in [10]. The functions $k \mapsto \omega_n(k)$ are called band functions. The Bloch waves $\xi_n(x, k)$ have the form $\xi_n(x, k) = p_n(x, k)e^{ik \cdot x}$ with $p_n(x + 2\pi e_m, k) = p_n(x, k)$ for all $m \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ and all $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$. We assume the normalization

$$\|\xi_n(\cdot, k)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} = \|p_n(\cdot, k)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} = 1 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{B}.$$

For a given point $(k, \omega) \in \mathbb{B} \times \mathbb{R}$ in the band structure, i.e. with $\omega = \omega_n(k)$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, also the point $(-k, \omega)$ lies in the band structure, which follows from the symmetry

$$(1.5) \quad \omega_n(k) = \omega_n(-k) \quad \text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}, k \in \mathbb{B}.$$

This symmetry is due to the equivalence of complex conjugation and replacing $k \mapsto -k$ in the eigenvalue problem (1.4). For simple eigenvalues $\omega_n(k)$ we also have a symmetry of the Bloch waves, namely

$$(1.6) \quad \xi_n(x, k) = \overline{\xi_n(x, -k)}.$$

For $k \in \partial\mathbb{B} \cap \mathbb{B}$ we have $-k \in \partial\mathbb{B} \setminus \mathbb{B}$ and the point $-k$ must be understood as the \mathbb{Z}^d -periodic image within \mathbb{B} . When k is one of the so called high symmetry points, i.e. $k_m \in \{0, 1/2\}$ for all $m \in \{1, \dots, d\}$, then k and $-k$ are identified via this periodicity. Equation (1.6) then implies that $\xi_n(x, k)$ is real. This can be seen directly from the eigenvalue problem (1.4), where $k_m \in \{0, 1/2\}$ for all $m \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ implies that the boundary condition is real such that a real eigenfunction must exist.

1.2. The Bifurcation Problem.

Remark 1. *In the simplest scenario we can look for real solutions of (1.1) with the quasi-periodic boundary conditions given by a single vector $k_* \in \mathbb{B}$, i.e.*

$$(1.7) \quad \varphi(x + 2\pi e_m) = \varphi(x)e^{2\pi i k_* \cdot m} \quad \text{for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^d, m \in \{1, \dots, d\}.$$

The realness condition on φ requires

$$(1.8) \quad k_* \in \left\{0, \frac{1}{2}\right\}^d,$$

such that the sought solution is 2π -periodic or 2π -antiperiodic in each coordinate direction. We study bifurcations in the parameter ω . Classical theory for bifurcations at simple eigenvalues, e.g., Theorem 3.2.2 in [16], shows that if $\omega_ = \omega_{n_*}(k_*)$ for exactly one $n_* \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e. ω_* is a simple eigenvalue of L under the boundary conditions (1.7), then $\omega = \omega_*$ is a bifurcation point. To this end define $f(\varphi, \omega) = \omega\varphi + \Delta\varphi - V(x)\varphi - \sigma\varphi^3$ and study $f(\varphi, \omega) = 0$ on \mathbb{P}^d under the boundary conditions (1.7). We have $f(0, \omega) = 0$ for all $\omega \in \mathbb{R}$ and $f_\varphi(0, \omega) = \omega - L$. As ω_* is a simple eigenvalue, we have the one dimensional kernel*

$$\text{Ker}(f_\varphi(0, \omega_*)) = \xi_{n_*}(x, k_*)\mathbb{R}.$$

Because L with (1.7) and (1.8) is self adjoint, we have $\text{Ran}(f_\varphi(0, \omega_*)) \perp_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} \text{Ker}(f_\varphi(0, \omega_*))$. The transversality condition $f_{\omega_\varphi}(0, \omega_*)\xi_{n_*}(x, k_*) \notin \text{Ran}(f_\varphi(0, \omega_*))$ of Theorem 3.2.2 in [16] thus holds because $f_{\omega_\varphi}(0, \omega_*)\xi_{n_*}(x, k_*) = \xi_{n_*}(x, k_*) \perp_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} \text{Ran}(f_\varphi(0, \omega_*))$. As a result, the theorem guarantees the existence of a unique non-trivial branch of solutions bifurcating from $\omega = \omega_*$.

Remark 2. Without the restriction to real solutions the eigenvalue ω_* is never simple due to invariances. In the real variables $\Phi := (\varphi_R, \varphi_I)^T$, where $\varphi = \varphi_R + i\varphi_I$, the problem becomes

$$\mathcal{G}(\Phi, \omega) = \begin{pmatrix} \omega\varphi_R + \Delta\varphi_R - V(x)\varphi_R - \sigma(\varphi_R^2 + \varphi_I^2)\varphi_R \\ \omega\varphi_I + \Delta\varphi_I - V(x)\varphi_I - \sigma(\varphi_R^2 + \varphi_I^2)\varphi_I \end{pmatrix} = 0.$$

Since (1.1) possesses the phase invariance and the complex conjugation invariance, we get that \mathcal{G} is $O(2)$ invariant, i.e.

$$\mathcal{G}(\gamma\Phi, \omega) = \gamma\mathcal{G}(\Phi, \omega) \text{ for all } \gamma \in \Gamma := \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} \cos\theta & -\sin\theta \\ \sin\theta & \cos\theta \end{pmatrix} : \theta \in [0, 2\pi) \right\}.$$

Bifurcations can now be studied using the equivariant branching lemma, see e.g. [15, §5], by restricting to a fixed point subspace of a subgroup of Γ . The only nontrivial subgroup is $\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix} \right\}$ with the fixed point subspace being the vectors Φ with $\varphi_I = 0$ corresponding to real solutions of (1.1). Therefore, this leads again to real solutions. Nevertheless, more complicated solutions than the single component ones in Remark 1 can be studied. The most general real ansatz is

$$(1.9) \quad \varphi(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{2q+r} \varphi_j(x), \quad \varphi_j(x + 2\pi e_m) = e^{i2\pi k_m^{(j)}} \varphi_j(x), \quad m = 1, \dots, d$$

with $q, r \in \mathbb{N}_0$, with $k^{(j)} \in \mathbb{B}$ for all $j = 1, \dots, 2q+r$, such that $k^{(j+q)} \doteq -k^{(j)}$, $\varphi_{j+q} = \overline{\varphi_j}$ for all $j = 1, \dots, q$, and with $k^{(j)} \in \{0, 1/2\}^d$, $\varphi_j(x) \in \mathbb{R}$ for $j = 2q+1, \dots, 2q+r$. Here \doteq means equality modulo 1 in each coordinate. While the use of the equivariant branching lemma should describe the bifurcation problem and produce the effective Lyapunov-Schmidt reduction, we choose to carry out a detailed analysis without this tool in order to obtain more explicit results. This will allow us to provide estimates of the asymptotic approximation error.

Our aim is to prove a general bifurcation theorem for NLBs, and, moreover, to derive and justify an effective asymptotic model related to the Lyapunov-Schmidt reduction of the bifurcation problem including an estimate on the asymptotic error. In our approach we select a frequency ω_* in the spectrum and choose N points $\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\} \subset \mathbb{B}$ in the level set of the band structure at ω_* , such that for each j we have $\omega_* = \omega_{n_j}(k_*^{(j)})$ for some $n_j \in \mathbb{N}$. Our method requires that $\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}$ consists of pairs k, l with $l \doteq -k$, and of points $k \in \{0, 1/2\}^d$. See (H1)–(H6) on page 8 for a summary of our assumptions. We seek NLBs bifurcating from ω_* and having the asymptotic form

$$(1.10) \quad \varphi(x) \sim \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^N A_j \xi_{n_j}(x, k^{(j)}),$$

at $\omega = \omega_* \pm \varepsilon^2$. The coefficients A_j , i.e. the (complex) amplitudes of the waves, are given by solving the ACME as an effective algebraic system of N equations. Generally a sum of N quasiperiodic functions with the quasiperiodicity of each given by one of the vectors

$k^{(j)}$ cannot be an exact solution of (1.1) as the nonlinearity generates functions with other quasiperiodicities. Our ansatz for the exact solution is thus

$$\varphi(x) = \sum_{j=1}^M \varphi_j(x), \quad \varphi_j(x + 2\pi e_m) = e^{i2\pi k_m^{(j)}} \varphi_j(x), \quad m = 1, \dots, d$$

with $M \geq N$ and $k^{(j)} = k_*^{(j)}$ for $j = 1, \dots, N$. Importantly, this set $\{k^{(1)}, \dots, k^{(M)}\}$ (defined in (3.2)) can be a proper subset of the level set. The subset may be finite even if the level set is, for instance, uncountable. In fact, our assumption (H4) ensures the finiteness. Besides, the subset $\{k^{(1)}, \dots, k^{(N)}\}$ can be much smaller than $\{k^{(1)}, \dots, k^{(M)}\}$ and hence the effective ACME-system can be rather small. The subset has to satisfy only (H2-H6).

The major assumptions of our analysis are rationality (assumption (H4)) and certain non-resonance conditions (H5) on the k -vectors $\{k^{(1)}, \dots, k^{(N)}\}$. In addition, the solutions of the coupled mode equations need to satisfy certain symmetry (“reversibility”) and non-degeneracy conditions, see §5, in order for us to guarantee that (1.10) approximates a solution φ of (1.1). The main result is the following

Theorem 1. *Assume (H1)-(H6). There exist $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ and $C > 0$ such that for all $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0)$ the following holds. If the ACMEs (2.3) have a reversible non-degenerate solution $\mathbf{A} \in V_{rev}$, then (1.1) with $\omega = \omega_* + \varepsilon^2 \Omega$ has a nonlinear Bloch wave solution φ of the form (3.3), and*

$$\left\| \varphi(\cdot) - \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^N A_j \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \right\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \leq C \varepsilon^3.$$

There are two relatively straightforward generalizations of the result. Firstly, the nonlinearity $|\varphi|^2 \varphi$ can be replaced by other locally Lipschitz nonlinearities $f(\varphi)$ which are phase invariant and satisfy $f(\varphi) = o(\varphi)$ for $\varphi \rightarrow 0$. This will, however, change the powers of ε in the expansion and the error estimate. Also, the linear operator L can be generalized to elliptic self adjoint operators with periodic coefficients with an equivalent asymptotic distribution of bands, see §3.1.

1.3. The Structure of the Paper. In §2 we present a formal asymptotic approximation of nonlinear Bloch waves and a derivation of the ACMEs as effective amplitude equations. In §3 we pose conditions on the solution ansatz and the band structure which are necessary for our analysis, and apply the Lyapunov-Schmidt decomposition to the bifurcation problem. The regular part is estimated in §4. The singular part and its relation to the ACMEs is described in §5, where also the proof of the main theorem is completed. In §6 we present the ACMEs and their solutions in the scalar case ($N = 1$) and in the case of two equations ($N = 2$). Section 7 presents numerical computations of nonlinear Bloch waves in two dimensions $d = 2$ for $N = 1$ and $N = 2$. The convergence rate of the approximation error is confirmed by numerical tests. Finally, in §8 we give a numerical outlook on the interaction of localized solutions with NLBs. Firstly, 1D and 2D gap solitons and their continuation into out of gap solitons (OGSs) with oscillatory tails matching NLBs is presented. Secondly, an analogous interaction is shown for truncated NBLs (tNBLs) in 1D.

2. FORMAL ASYMPTOTICS

Let $\omega_* \in \sigma(L)$ and choose $N \in \mathbb{N}$ vectors $k^{(1)}, \dots, k^{(N)} \in \mathbb{B}$ in the level set of the band structure at ω_* . For the asymptotics of nonlinear Bloch waves near ω_* we make an analogous

ansatz to that used in [6, §3] for nonlinear Bloch waves near band edges in (1.1) with a *separable* periodic potential. Formally we write

$$(2.1) \quad \varphi(x) \sim \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^N A_j \xi_{n_j}(x, k_*^{(j)}) + \varepsilon^2 \sum_{j=1}^N \varphi_j^{(1)}(x) \quad \text{for } \omega = \omega_* + \varepsilon^2 \Omega \quad (\varepsilon \rightarrow 0),$$

where the amplitudes $A_j \in \mathbb{C}$ are to be determined and where $\varphi_j^{(1)}$ satisfies the quasiperiodicity given by the vector $k_*^{(j)}$.

Substituting (2.1) in (1.1) we get at $O(\varepsilon^3)$ for each $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$

$$(-\Delta + V(x) - \omega_*) \varphi_j^{(1)}(x) = \Omega A \xi_{n_*}(x, k_*) - \sigma \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j} A_\alpha \overline{A_\beta} A_\gamma \xi_{n_\alpha}(x, k_*^{(\alpha)}) \overline{\xi_{n_\beta}(x, k_*^{(\beta)})} \xi_{n_\gamma}(x, k_*^{(\gamma)}),$$

where

$$(2.2) \quad \mathcal{A}_j = \{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \{1, \dots, N\}^3 : k_*^{(\alpha)} - k_*^{(\beta)} + k_*^{(\gamma)} - k_*^{(j)} \in \mathbb{Z}^d\}.$$

The condition $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j$ in the sum ensures that the nonlinear terms have the same quasi-periodicity as $\varphi_j^{(1)}$. Nonlinear terms generated by the ansatz (2.1) and having other quasi-periodicity than one of those defined by $k_*^{(j)}, j = 1, \dots, N$ have been ignored in this formal calculation.

Imposing the solvability condition, i.e. making the right hand side L^2 -orthogonal to $\xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k_*^{(j)})$, we get the *algebraic coupled mode equations* (ACMEs)

$$(2.3) \quad \Omega A_j - \mathcal{N}_j(A_1, \dots, A_N) = 0, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, N\},$$

$$(2.4) \quad \begin{aligned} \mathcal{N}_j &= \sigma \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j} \mu_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, j} A_\alpha \overline{A_\beta} A_\gamma, \\ \mu_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, j} &= \int_{\mathbb{P}^d} \xi_{n_\alpha}(x, k_*^{(\alpha)}) \overline{\xi_{n_\beta}(x, k_*^{(\beta)})} \xi_{n_\gamma}(x, k_*^{(\gamma)}) \overline{\xi_{n_j}(x, k_*^{(j)})} dx. \end{aligned}$$

To make the approximation (2.1) rigorous, we must account for the nonlinear terms left out above and provide an estimate on the correction $\varphi(x) - \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^N A_j \xi_{n_j}(x, k_*^{(j)})$.

3. SOLUTION ANSATZ, ASSUMPTIONS, LYAPUNOV-SCHMIDT DECOMPOSITION

As mentioned above, one of the difficulties of the analysis is that for a sum of N functions f_1, \dots, f_N with distinct quasi-periodic conditions the nonlinearity $|f_1 + \dots + f_N|^2 (f_1 + \dots + f_N)$ can generate functions with a new quasi-periodicity. If the k -points defining these new quasi-periodic boundary conditions lie in the ω_* -level set of the band structure, then a resonance with the kernel of the linear operator occurs. Also, if the points generated by a repeated iteration of the nonlinearity merely converge to the level set, our techniques fail because a lower bound on the inverse of the linear operator cannot be obtained. These obstacles are avoided if for a selected $\omega_* \in \sigma(L)$ assumptions (H4) and (H5) below hold.

We select N distinct points $\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\} \subset \mathbb{B}$ in the ω_* -level set of the band structure. Suppose we seek solutions of (1.1) with φ given by the sum of quasiperiodic functions. The ansatz $\varphi(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N \varphi_j(x)$ with quasiperiodic φ_j such that $\varphi_j(x + 2\pi e_m) = e^{i2\pi k_{*,m}^{(j)}} \varphi_j(x)$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^d, m \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ can be a solution of (1.1) only if each term generated by

the nonlinearity applied to this sum has quasiperiodicity defined by one of the vectors in $\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}$, i.e. if the *consistency condition*

$$(3.1) \quad S_3(\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}) \subset \{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^d,$$

where

$$S_3 : \{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\} \rightarrow \{k_*^{(\alpha)} - k_*^{(\beta)} + k_*^{(\gamma)} : 1 \leq \alpha, \beta, \gamma \leq N\},$$

is satisfied. In other words the consistency condition (3.1) says that all combinations (α, β, γ) for $\alpha, \beta, \gamma \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ must lie in $\cup_{j=1}^N \mathcal{A}_j$, with \mathcal{A}_j from (2.2).

An example of a consistent ansatz for $N > 1$ is $N = 2, d = 2$ with $k_*^{(1)} = X = (1/2, 0), k_*^{(2)} = X' = (0, 1/2)$, like e.g. for $\omega_* = s_3$ in [9]. On the other hand, for $\omega_* = s_5$, where $N = 4, k_*^{(1)} = (k_c, k_c), k_*^{(2)} = (-k_c, k_c), k_*^{(3)} = (-k_c, -k_c), k_*^{(4)} = (k_c, -k_c)$ with $k_c \approx 0.439$, see Sec. 3.2.2.5 in [9], the ansatz is inconsistent. It is also inconsistent for typical ω_* in the interior of $\sigma(L)$ with generic $\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}$ in the level set. Therefore, we drop the consistency condition and pursue the more general case where the nonlinearity generates quasiperiodic functions with quasi-periodicity vectors k not necessarily contained in $\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}$.

Hence, we define the set of k -points generated by iterations of the nonlinear operator

$$(3.2) \quad K := \{k \in \mathbb{B} : k \in S_3^p(\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}) \oplus \mathbb{Z}^d \text{ for some } p \in \mathbb{N}\},$$

and write, with $M \geq N$,

$$K = (k^{(j)})_{j=1}^M, \text{ where } k^{(i)} = k_*^{(i)} \text{ for } i = 1, \dots, N.$$

At this point $M = \infty$ is possible but as explained below, our assumption (H4) ensures $M < \infty$, i.e. only finitely many new vectors k are generated. Thus we can search for a solution in the form of the sum of finitely many quasiperiodic functions

$$(3.3) \quad \varphi(x) = \sum_{j=1}^M \varphi_j(x), \quad \varphi_j(x + 2\pi e_m) = e^{i2\pi k_m^{(j)}} \varphi_j(x), \quad m = 1, \dots, d$$

with $\varphi_j \in H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)$ and $(k^{(j)})_{j=1}^M = K$. The choice of the function space for φ_j is made clear below.

We make the following assumptions:

(H1) $V \in H^{s-2}(\mathbb{P}^d)$ for some $s > \frac{d}{2}$, where $\mathbb{P} = (-\pi, \pi]$;

(H2) $\omega_* \in \sigma(L)$ and $k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)} \in \mathbb{B}$ are distinct points in the ω_* -level set of the band structure, i.e., there are $n_1, \dots, n_N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that

$$\omega_{n_1}(k_*^{(1)}) = \dots = \omega_{n_N}(k_*^{(N)}) = \omega_*;$$

(H3) for each $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$ the eigenvalue $\omega_{n_j}(k_*^{(j)})$ of (1.4) with $k = k_*^{(j)}$ is simple, i.e. there is no intersection or touching of band functions at $(k, \omega) = (k_*^{(j)}, \omega_*)$ for any $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$;

(H4) the points $k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)} \in \mathbb{B}$ have rational coordinates, i.e.

$$k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)} \in \mathbb{Q}^d \cap \mathbb{B};$$

(H5) the intersection of the set K with the level set of the band structure at $\omega = \omega_*$ is exactly the set $\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}$, i.e.

$$K \cap (\mathcal{L}_{\omega_*} \setminus \{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}) = \emptyset,$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}_{\omega_*} := \{k \in \mathbb{B} : \omega_n(k) = \omega_* \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N}\};$$

(H6) for each $k_*^{(j)} \in \{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}$ the opposite point lies also in the set, i.e.

$$k_*^{(j)} \in \{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\} \text{ if and only if } k_*^{(j')} \in \{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\},$$

where $\mathbb{B} \ni k_*^{(j')} \doteq -k_*^{(j)}$ and \doteq denotes congruence with respect to the 1-periodicity in each component.

The non-resonance condition (H5) is satisfied, for instance, if $\omega_* \in \partial\sigma(L)$, i.e. for ω_* at one of the band edges, and $k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}$ are all the extremal points of the band structure at which the edge ω_* is attained.

The rationality condition (H4) ensures that the set K is finite ($M < \infty$). Indeed, iterating the operator S_3 on a set of points with rational coordinates on a d -dimensional torus generates a periodic orbit, i.e. only finitely many distinct points are generated, and the number M depends solely on $k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}$. Condition (H4) is satisfied, e.g. if $\{k_*^{(1)}, \dots, k_*^{(N)}\}$ is a subset of the high symmetry points of \mathbb{B} , i.e. vertices of the irreducible Brillouin zone and of its reflections, in which case $k_*^{(j)} \in \{0, 1/2\}^d$ for all $j = 1, \dots, N$. This is frequently the case for the locations of extrema defining a band edge. In general, (H4) is, however, a serious limitation, and removing this assumption would be a major improvement. The symmetry condition (H6) is needed in the persistence step of the proof, see §5.

We assume (H1-H6) and use the Lyapunov-Schmidt decomposition in Bloch variables together with the Banach fixed point theorem to prove the main result, i.e., Theorem 1, which justifies the formal asymptotics for solutions at $\omega = \omega_* + \Omega\varepsilon^2$. Note that the symmetry (“reversibility”) condition is needed in the persistence step in the singular part of the Lyapunov-Schmidt decomposition.

3.1. Lyapunov-Schmidt Decomposition. Due to the completeness of the Bloch waves $(\xi_n(\cdot, k))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ in $L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)$ we can expand

$$(3.4) \quad \varphi_j(x) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \Phi_n^{(j)} \xi_n(x, k^{(j)}) \quad \text{with} \quad \Phi_n^{(j)} = (\varphi_j(\cdot), \xi_n(\cdot, k^{(j)}))_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} \in \mathbb{C}.$$

As the following lemma shows, working on φ_j in the $H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)$ space is equivalent to working on $\mathbf{\Phi}^{(j)} := (\Phi_n^{(j)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in l_{s/d}^2$, where

$$l_{s/d}^2 = \{\mathbf{F} = (F_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in l^2 : \|\mathbf{F}\|_{l_{s/d}^2}^2 = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (1+n)^{2s/d} |F_n|^2 < \infty\}.$$

Lemma 2. *For $s \geq 0$ the following norm equivalence holds. There exist constants $C_1, C_2 > 0$ such that*

$$C_1 \|f\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \leq \|\mathbf{F}\|_{l_{s/d}^2} \leq C_2 \|f\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \quad \text{for all } f \in H^s(\mathbb{P}^d),$$

where $\mathbf{F} := (F_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is related to $f \in H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)$ by (3.4).

The proof is analogous to that of Lemma 3.3 in [5], see also [9, §4.1]. The main ingredients are firstly the fact that for $c > 0$ large enough (such that $c + \omega_n(k) > 0$ for all n and k , e.g. $c > -\text{ess inf } V$) the squared norm $\|f\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)}^2$ is equivalent to

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |(c - \Delta + V(x))^{s/2} f(x)|^2 dx = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (c + \omega_n(k))^s \|p_n(\cdot, k)\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)}^2 |F_n|^2 = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} (c + \omega_n(k))^s |F_n|^2.$$

Secondly, one uses the asymptotic distribution of bands $\omega_n(k)$ in d dimensions, see [12, p.55]: there are constants $c_1, c_2, c_3 > 0$ such that

$$c_1 n^{2/d} \leq \omega_n(k) + c_3 \leq c_2 n^{2/d} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \forall k \in \mathbb{B}.$$

For the subsequent analysis we define for each $k^{(j)} \in K$ the set $\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_j$ of indices producing $k^{(j)}$ through the nonlinearity analogously to the definition of \mathcal{A}_j , i.e.

$$\tilde{\mathcal{A}}_j := \{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \{1, \dots, M\}^3 : k^{(\alpha)} - k^{(\beta)} + k^{(\gamma)} - k^{(j)} \in \mathbb{Z}^d\}.$$

For the ansatz (3.3), (3.4) equation (1.1) is equivalent to the algebraic system

$$(3.5) \quad \mathcal{F}_n^{(j)}(\vec{\Phi}) := (\omega_n(k^{(j)}) - \omega_* - \Omega \varepsilon^2) \Phi_n^{(j)} + \sigma G_n^{(j)} = 0, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, M\}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

where

$$G_n^{(j)} = \langle g_j, \xi_n(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} = \int_{\mathbb{P}^d} g_j(x) \overline{\xi_n(x, k^{(j)})} dx,$$

$$g_j(x) = \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_j} \sum_{n, o, q \in \mathbb{N}} \Phi_n^{(\alpha)} \overline{\Phi_o^{(\beta)}} \Phi_q^{(\gamma)} \xi_n(x, k^{(\alpha)}) \overline{\xi_o(x, k^{(\beta)})} \xi_q(x, k^{(\gamma)}) = \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_j} \varphi_\alpha \overline{\varphi_\beta} \varphi_\gamma.$$

Due to the kernel of the linear multiplication operator at $\varepsilon = 0$ in (3.5) we use a *Lyapunov-Schmidt decomposition* in order to characterize the bifurcation from $\omega = \omega_*$ (i.e. from $\varepsilon = 0$). For $j \in \{1, \dots, M\}$ we let

$$I(j) := \begin{cases} \mathbb{N} \setminus \{n_j\} & \text{if } 1 \leq j \leq N \\ \mathbb{N} & \text{if } j > N \end{cases}, \quad \text{and let } I_R := \{(j, n) : j \in \{1, \dots, M\}, n \in I(j)\}$$

and write

$$\varphi(x) = \varepsilon \varphi_{\text{sing}}(x) + \psi(x), \quad \varphi_{\text{sing}}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N B_j \xi_{n_j}(x, k^{(j)}), \quad \psi(x) = \sum_{(j, n) \in I_R} \Psi_n^{(j)} \xi_n(x, k^{(j)})$$

with $0 < \varepsilon \ll 1$, $B_j \in \mathbb{C}$ and $\Psi^{(j)} := (\Psi_n^{(j)})_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \in l_{s/d}^2$. In other words we set

$$(3.6) \quad \Phi^{(j)} = \begin{cases} \varepsilon B_j e_{n_j} + \Psi^{(j)} & \text{with } \Psi^{(j)} \in l_{s/d}^2, \Psi_{n_j}^{(j)} = 0 \text{ for } 1 \leq j \leq N \\ \Psi^{(j)} & \text{with } \Psi^{(j)} \in l_{s/d}^2 \text{ for } j > N, \end{cases}$$

where e_{n_j} is the n_j -th Euclidean unit vector in $\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$. Analogously to φ_j we also define

$$\psi_j := \sum_{n \in I(j)} \Psi_n^{(j)} \xi_n(x, k^{(j)}).$$

This decomposition splits problem (3.5) into

$$(3.7) \quad \mathcal{F}_n^{(j)} := (\omega_n(k^{(j)}) - \omega_* - \Omega \varepsilon^2) \Psi_n^{(j)} + \sigma G_n^{(j)} = 0, \quad (j, n) \in I_R,$$

$$(3.8) \quad \mathcal{F}_{n_j}^{(j)} := -\varepsilon^3 \Omega B_j + \sigma G_{n_j}^{(j)} = 0, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, N\}.$$

The following program is analogous to that in [6, 9]. Namely, for $(B_1, \dots, B_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$ given, we first show the existence of a small solution $(\Psi^{(j)})_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ of the regular part (3.7) and then prove a persistence result relating certain (reversible and non-degenerate) solutions $(A_1, \dots, A_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$ of (2.3) to solutions $(B_1, \dots, B_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$ of the singular part (3.8) including an estimate on their difference, and finally provide an estimate of $\|\varphi - \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^N A_j \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k_*^{(j)})\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)}$.

4. REGULAR PART OF THE LYAPUNOV-SCHMIDT DECOMPOSITION

We define the following spaces and norms

$$\mathcal{S}(s) := \left\{ \varphi = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \varphi_j : \varphi_j \in H^s(\mathbb{P}^d) \ \forall j, \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} := \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|\varphi_j\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} < \infty \text{ and} \right. \\ \left. \forall j \exists k \in \mathbb{B} \text{ such that } \varphi_j(x + 2\pi e_m) = e^{i2\pi k_m} \varphi_j(x), m = 1, \dots, d \text{ for a.e. } x \in \mathbb{R}^d \right\}$$

$$\mathcal{X}(s) := \left\{ \vec{\Phi} = (\Phi^{(j)})_{j \in \mathbb{N}} : \|\vec{\Phi}\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} := \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \|\Phi^{(j)}\|_{l_{s/d}^2} < \infty \right\}.$$

Note that the condition $k \in \mathbb{B}$ in the definition of $\mathcal{S}(s)$ can be replaced by $k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ because each $k \in \mathbb{R}^d$ can be written as $k = \tilde{k} + \kappa$, where $\tilde{k} \in \mathbb{B}$ and $\kappa \in \mathbb{Z}^d$. Also note that $\vec{\Phi}$ is a sequence of sequences. Similarly we denote

$$\vec{\Psi} := (\Psi^{(j)})_{j=1}^M \text{ and } \vec{\mathbf{G}} := (\mathbf{G}^{(j)})_{j=1}^M.$$

Clearly, the ansatz (3.3) satisfies $\varphi \in \mathcal{S}(s)$ if and only if $\varphi_j \in H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)$ for all $j \in \{1, \dots, M\}$. Therefore, for the problem at hand, where the solution consists of $M < \infty$ components φ_j , the spaces $\mathcal{S}(s)$ and $\mathcal{X}(s)$ could be defined with finite sums over j . However, since the use of infinite sums in the definitions does not increase the complexity and since it may prove useful in future work on the case of irrational coordinates of $k_*^{(j)}$, we keep these general definitions.

We will need the following two lemmas, the first following directly from Lemma 2.

Lemma 3. *For $s \geq 0$ there exist $c_1, c_2 > 0$ such that for all*

$$\mathcal{S}(s) \ni \varphi(\cdot) = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \Phi_n^{(j)} \xi_n(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \text{ we have } c_1 \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} \leq \|\vec{\Phi}\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} \leq c_2 \|\varphi\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)}.$$

Lemma 4. *For $s > d/2$ the space $\mathcal{S}(s)$ is an algebra, i.e. there is a constant $c > 0$ such that $\|fg\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} \leq c \|f\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} \|g\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)}$ for all $f, g \in \mathcal{S}(s)$.*

Proof. We define the sets K_f and K_g of k -points, which determine the quasiperiodicity of the functions f_j and $g_j, j \in \mathbb{N}$, i.e.

$$K_f := \{k \in \mathbb{B} : \exists j \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } f_j(x + 2\pi e_m) = e^{2\pi i k_m} f_j(x) \text{ for all } m = 1, \dots, d \text{ and a.e. } x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}, \\ K_g := \{k \in \mathbb{B} : \exists j \in \mathbb{N} \text{ with } g_j(x + 2\pi e_m) = e^{2\pi i k_m} g_j(x) \text{ for all } m = 1, \dots, d \text{ and a.e. } x \in \mathbb{R}^d\}.$$

We have

$$\|fg\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} = \left\| \left(\sum_{\alpha \in \mathbb{N}} f_\alpha \right) \left(\sum_{\beta \in \mathbb{N}} g_\beta \right) \right\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} = \sum_{\substack{k^{(j)} \in K_f \oplus K_g \\ k^{(j)} \text{ distinct}}} \left\| \sum_{k^{(\alpha)} + k^{(\beta)} \in k^{(j)} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^d} f_\alpha g_\beta \right\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \\ \leq c \sum_{\substack{k^{(j)} \in K_f \oplus K_g \\ k^{(j)} \text{ distinct}}} \sum_{k^{(\alpha)} + k^{(\beta)} \in k^{(j)} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^d} \|f_\alpha\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \|g_\beta\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} = c \|f\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} \|g\|_{\mathcal{S}(s)},$$

where the inequality follows by the triangle inequality and by the algebra property of the H^s norm

$$\|uv\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \leq C \|u\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \|v\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \quad \forall u, v \in H^s(\mathbb{P}^d) \text{ and } s > d/2,$$

see Theorem 5.23 in [2]. \square

Our result on the regular part of the Lyapunov-Schmidt decomposition is the following

Proposition 5. *Assume (H1)-(H5) and let $\mathbf{B} := (B_1, \dots, B_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$ be given (not necessarily a solution of (3.8)). There exist $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ and $C = C(\|\mathbf{B}\|_{l^1}) > 0$ such for all $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0)$ there exists a solution $\vec{\Psi} \in \mathcal{X}(s)$ of (3.7) such that*

$$\|\vec{\Psi}\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} \leq C\varepsilon^3.$$

Proof. Writing (3.7) in the fixed point formulation

$$\Psi_n^{(j)} = (\omega_n(k^{(j)}) - \omega_*)^{-1}(\varepsilon^2 \Omega \Psi_n^{(j)} - \sigma G_n^{(j)}) =: H_n^{(j)}(\vec{\Psi}), \quad (j, n) \in I_R,$$

we seek a fixed point with $\|\vec{\Psi}\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} \leq \text{const.}\varepsilon^3$. Lemma 3 allows us to work interchangeably in $\mathcal{S}(s)$ in the physical variables. We show the contraction property of $\vec{\mathbf{H}}$ within

$$D_{C\varepsilon^3} := \{\vec{\Psi} : \|\vec{\Psi}\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} \leq C\varepsilon^3\}$$

for some $C > 0$.

The nonlinearity is

$$|\varphi|^2 \varphi = \varepsilon^3 |\varphi_{\text{sing}}|^2 \varphi_{\text{sing}} + \varepsilon^2 (2|\varphi_{\text{sing}}|^2 \psi + \varphi_{\text{sing}}^2 \overline{\psi}) + \varepsilon (2\varphi_{\text{sing}} |\psi|^2 + \overline{\varphi_{\text{sing}}} \psi^2) + |\psi|^2 \psi$$

so that we need to bound terms of the form $\varepsilon^3 |\varphi_{\text{sing}}|^2 \varphi_{\text{sing}}$, $\varepsilon^2 |\varphi_{\text{sing}}|^2 \psi$, $\varepsilon \varphi_{\text{sing}} |\psi|^2$, and $|\psi|^2 \psi$. Using the algebra property from Lemma 4 and the regularity of Bloch waves, we obtain

$$\varepsilon^3 \| |\varphi_{\text{sing}}|^2 \varphi_{\text{sing}} \|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} \leq c\varepsilon^3 \| \varphi_{\text{sing}} \|_{\mathcal{S}(s)}^3 \leq c\varepsilon^3 \left(\sum_{j=1}^N |B_\alpha| \| \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \right)^3 \leq c\varepsilon^3 \| \mathbf{B} \|_{l^1}^3.$$

Similarly, for the remaining terms we have

$$\begin{aligned} \varepsilon^2 \| |\varphi_{\text{sing}}|^2 \psi \|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} &\leq c\varepsilon^2 \| \mathbf{B} \|_{l^1}^2 \| \psi \|_{\mathcal{S}(s)}, \\ \varepsilon \| \varphi_{\text{sing}} |\psi|^2 \|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} &\leq c\varepsilon \| \mathbf{B} \|_{l^1} \| \psi \|_{\mathcal{S}(s)}^2, \\ \| |\psi|^2 \psi \|_{\mathcal{S}(s)} &\leq c \| \psi \|_{\mathcal{S}(s)}^3. \end{aligned}$$

Next, thanks to assumptions (H3)-(H5) we have the uniform lower bound

$$|\omega_n(k^{(j)}) - \omega_*| > c > 0 \text{ for all } (j, n) \in I_R.$$

This follows from the fact that the j -set in I_R is finite so that the minimum of $|\omega_n(k^{(j)}) - \omega_*|$ in j can be taken. (H3) and (H5) ensure that the minimum is positive.

Collecting the above estimates, we thus have

$$\|\vec{\mathbf{H}}\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} \leq C \left[\varepsilon^3 \| \mathbf{B} \|_{l^1}^3 + \varepsilon^2 (\| \mathbf{B} \|_{l^1}^2 + |\Omega|) \| \vec{\Psi} \|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} + \varepsilon \| \mathbf{B} \|_{l^1} \| \vec{\Psi} \|_{\mathcal{X}(s)}^2 + \| \vec{\Psi} \|_{\mathcal{X}(s)}^3 \right].$$

We conclude that for $\varepsilon > 0$ small enough $\vec{\mathbf{H}}$ maps $D_{C\varepsilon^3}$ to itself.

Similarly, the contraction property of \mathbf{H} follows by the same estimates as above, the simple identities

$$\begin{aligned} |\psi_a|^2 - |\psi_b|^2 &= \frac{1}{2} [(\psi_a - \psi_b)(\overline{\psi_a} + \overline{\psi_b}) + (\psi_a + \psi_b)(\overline{\psi_a} - \overline{\psi_b})], \\ |\psi_a^2 - \psi_b^2| &= |\psi_a + \psi_b| |\psi_a - \psi_b|, \\ |\psi_a|^2 \psi_a - |\psi_b|^2 \psi_b &= (|\psi_a|^2 + |\psi_b|^2)(\psi_a - \psi_b) + \psi_a \psi_b (\overline{\psi_a} - \overline{\psi_b}), \end{aligned}$$

and by the algebra property. We find

$$\begin{aligned} \|\vec{\mathbf{H}}(\vec{\Psi}_a) - \vec{\mathbf{H}}(\vec{\Psi}_b)\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} &\leq C \left[\varepsilon^2 (\|\mathbf{B}\|_{l^1}^2 + |\Omega|) + \varepsilon \|\mathbf{B}\|_{l^1} (\|\vec{\Psi}_a\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} + \|\vec{\Psi}_b\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)}) \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \|\vec{\Psi}_a\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)}^2 + \|\vec{\Psi}_b\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)}^2 \right] \|\vec{\Psi}_a - \vec{\Psi}_b\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} \end{aligned}$$

for all $\vec{\Psi}_a, \vec{\Psi}_b \in \mathcal{X}(s)$. In conclusion, the existence of a solution $\vec{\Psi} \in D_{C(\|\mathbf{B}\|_{l^1})\varepsilon^3}$ follows. \square

5. SINGULAR PART OF THE LYAPUNOV-SCHMIDT DECOMPOSITION, PERSISTENCE

The singular part (3.8) of the Lyapunov-Schmidt decomposition is equivalent to the *extended algebraic coupled mode equations*

$$(5.1) \quad \Omega B_j - \mathcal{N}_j(B_1, \dots, B_N) = R_j, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$$

with $R_j := \varepsilon^{-3} G_{n_j}^{(j)} - \mathcal{N}_j(B_1, \dots, B_N)$. Proposition 5 thus leads to the following

Corollary 6. *Assume (H1)-(H5), and let $(B_1, \dots, B_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$ be a solution of (5.1). There exist $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ and $C > 0$ such that for all $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon)$ equation (1.1) with $\omega = \omega_* + \varepsilon^2 \Omega$ has a nonlinear Bloch wave solution φ of the form (3.3) such that*

$$\left\| \varphi(\cdot) - \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^N B_j \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \right\|_{H^s(\mathbb{P}^d)} \leq C \varepsilon^3.$$

Corollary 6 is of little practical use since $G_{n_j}^{(j)}$ in (5.1) depend on the unknown ψ such that solving (5.1) for (B_1, \dots, B_N) explicitly is not possible. This problem can be avoided by showing persistence of solutions $(A_1, \dots, A_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$ of the formally derived explicit ACMEs (2.3) to solutions $(B_1, \dots, B_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$ of (5.1), which is our next step. We show that persistence holds for “reversible non-degenerate” solutions $(A_1, \dots, A_N) \in \mathbb{C}^N$. The problem then reduces to finding reversible non-degenerate solutions of the ACMEs. Writing the ACMEs as $F_j(A_1, \dots, A_N) = 0$, equation (5.1) reads

$$F_j(B_1, \dots, B_N) = R_j, \quad j \in \{1, \dots, N\}.$$

Lemma 7. *Under the assumptions of Proposition 5*

$$|R_j| \leq C \varepsilon^2$$

for all $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$, where $C = C(\|\mathbf{B}\|_{l^1}) > 0$.

Proof. Substituting for φ_j the decomposition (3.6), we get

$$\begin{aligned} R_j &= \varepsilon^{-3} \sigma G_{n_j}^{(j)} - \mathcal{N}_j(B_1, \dots, B_N) = \\ &= \varepsilon^{-1} \sigma \left\{ 2 \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j} B_\alpha \overline{B_\beta} \langle \psi_\gamma(\cdot) \xi_\alpha(\cdot, k^{(\alpha)}) \overline{\xi_\beta(\cdot, k^{(\beta)})}, \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j} B_\alpha B_\gamma \langle \overline{\psi_\beta(\cdot)} \xi_\alpha(\cdot, k^{(\alpha)}) \xi_\gamma(\cdot, k^{(\gamma)}), \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& + \varepsilon^{-2} \sigma \left\{ 2 \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j} B_\alpha \langle \overline{\psi}_\beta(\cdot) \psi_\gamma(\cdot) \xi_\alpha(\cdot, k^{(\alpha)}), \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} \right. \\
& \quad \left. + \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j} \overline{B}_\beta \langle \psi_\alpha(\cdot) \psi_\gamma(\cdot) \overline{\xi_\beta(\cdot, k^{(\beta)})}, \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)} \right\} \\
& + \varepsilon^{-3} \sigma \sum_{(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j} \langle \psi_\alpha(\cdot) \overline{\psi}_\beta(\cdot) \psi_\gamma(\cdot), \xi_{n_j}(\cdot, k^{(j)}) \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^d)}.
\end{aligned}$$

With the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality, the regularity of Bloch waves, and Proposition 5, we obtain the desired estimate for $|R_j|$. \square

Next we let $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b}$, where similarly to \mathbf{A} we denote $\mathbf{B} := (B_1, \dots, B_N)^T$. The difference \mathbf{b} solves

$$(5.2) \quad \mathbf{Jb} = \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{b}), \quad \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{b}) := \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b}) - (\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b}) - \mathbf{Jb}),$$

where $\mathbf{F} := (F_1, \dots, F_N)^T$, $\mathbf{R} := (R_1, \dots, R_N)^T$, and $\mathbf{J} = D_{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A})$ is the Jacobian¹ of \mathbf{F} at \mathbf{A} . Due to $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$, we get that $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b}) - \mathbf{Jb}$ is at least quadratic in \mathbf{b} so that for $|\mathbf{b}|$ small we have (in the Euclidean norm $|\cdot|$)

$$|\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b}) - \mathbf{Jb}| \leq c|\mathbf{b}|^2.$$

As a result

$$(5.3) \quad |\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{b})| \leq c \{ \varepsilon^2 + \varepsilon^2 |\mathbf{b}| + |\mathbf{b}|^2 \}$$

for $|\mathbf{b}|$ small, where the $c\varepsilon^2$ term comes from \mathbf{A} -homogenous terms in \mathbf{R} and $\varepsilon^2|\mathbf{b}|$ from linear terms in \mathbf{b} .

We aim to apply a fixed point argument on $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{J}^{-1}\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{b})$ in a neighborhood of 0 to produce a solution \mathbf{b} with $|\mathbf{b}| < c\varepsilon^2$. However, due to the phase invariance $\mathbf{A} \mapsto e^{i\nu}\mathbf{A}$, $\nu \in \mathbb{R}$ of $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$ the Jacobian \mathbf{J} is not invertible. To overcome this difficulty, we assume first that the zero eigenvalue of $\mathbf{J} = D_{\mathbf{A}}\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A})$ is simple. We call \mathbf{A} *non-degenerate* if this condition holds. Second, we restrict to \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{b} in a certain reversible space V_{rev} in which \mathbf{J} is invertible. More precisely, the conditions on V_{rev} are:

$$(5.4) \quad \text{If } 0 \neq \mathbf{A} \in V_{\text{rev}}, \text{ then } \begin{cases} \text{(i)} & \exists \delta > 0 \text{ such that } |\mathbf{Jb}| > \delta|\mathbf{b}| \text{ for all } \mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}, \\ \text{(ii)} & \mathbf{J}^{-1}\mathbf{W}(\mathbf{b}) \in V_{\text{rev}} \text{ for all } \mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}. \end{cases}$$

A natural choice of V_{rev} motivated by an intrinsic symmetry of the Bloch eigenvalue problem (1.4) is

$$V_{\text{rev}} = \{ \mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{C}^N : v_i = \overline{v}_{i'} \text{ for all } i \in \{1, \dots, N\} \},$$

where i' is given by

$$\mathbb{B} \ni k^{(i')} \doteq -k^{(i)}.$$

We call \mathbf{A} *reversible* if $\mathbf{A} \in V_{\text{rev}}$. Recall that when $-k^{(i)} \in \partial\mathbb{B} \setminus \mathbb{B}$ (e.g., for $d = 2$, $-k^{(i)} = (-1/2, a)$ with $a \in (-1/2, 1/2)$), then $k^{(i')}$ is \mathbb{Z}^d -periodic image of $-k^{(i)}$ within \mathbb{B} (for the example: $k^{(i')} = (1/2, a)$.)

To check (i) and (ii) in (5.4) we first formulate \mathbf{b} , \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{F} and \mathbf{J} in real variables and define the symmetry matrix \hat{S} corresponding to the reversibility symmetry in V_{rev} . For $\mathbf{v} \in \mathbb{C}^N$

¹Strictly speaking, the problem should first be rewritten in real variables to define a Jacobian, see the discussion below, but for brevity we use this compact symbolic notation here.

define $\hat{\mathbf{v}} := \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{v}_R \\ \mathbf{v}_I \end{pmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N}$, where $\mathbf{v}_R \in \mathbb{R}^N$ and $\mathbf{v}_I \in \mathbb{R}^N$ are the vectors of real and imaginary parts of \mathbf{v} . Then

$$(5.5) \quad \mathbf{v} \in V_{\text{rev}} \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \hat{\mathbf{v}} = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{v}},$$

where

$$\hat{S} = \begin{pmatrix} P & \\ & -P \end{pmatrix}, \quad P = (\mathbf{e}_{1'}, \mathbf{e}_{2'}, \dots, \mathbf{e}_{N'}),$$

and \mathbf{e}_i is the i -th Euclidean unit vector in \mathbb{R}^N . Let us denote by $\hat{\mathbf{A}}, \hat{\mathbf{b}}, \hat{\mathbf{F}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N}$ the quantities $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b}, \mathbf{F}$ in real variables and let $\hat{\mathbf{J}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N \times 2N} = D\hat{\mathbf{F}}$ be the Jacobian of $\hat{\mathbf{F}}$.

The uniform boundedness property (i) in (5.4) follows since by the non-degeneracy condition $\hat{\mathbf{J}}$ has only one zero eigenvalue and for $\mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}$ is $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$ orthogonal to the corresponding eigenvector. This is shown in the following

Lemma 8. *If $\mathbf{b}, \mathbf{A} \in V_{\text{rev}}, \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A}) = 0$, and if \mathbf{A} is non-degenerate, then*

$$\hat{\mathbf{b}}^T \hat{\mathbf{v}} = 0 \text{ for all } \hat{\mathbf{v}} \in \ker(\hat{\mathbf{J}}) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{A}} \right\}.$$

Proof. The well known fact $\ker(\hat{\mathbf{J}}) = \text{span} \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{A}} \right\}$ follows from the phase invariance $\mathbf{F}(e^{i\nu} \mathbf{A}) = 0$ for all $\nu \in \mathbb{R}$ by rewriting it in real variables, differentiating in ν and evaluating at $\nu = 0$. Using now (5.5) for $\hat{\mathbf{A}}$ and $\hat{\mathbf{b}}$, we get

$$\hat{\mathbf{b}}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{A}} = \hat{\mathbf{b}}^T \begin{pmatrix} P^T & 0 \\ 0 & -P^T \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 0 & P \\ P & 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{A}} = -\hat{\mathbf{b}}^T \begin{pmatrix} 0 & -I \\ I & 0 \end{pmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{A}}. \quad \square$$

For (ii) in (5.4) let us first show that $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}} \Rightarrow \mathbf{W}(\mathbf{b}) \in V_{\text{rev}}$. Because of the symmetry (1.6) (guaranteed by (H3), i.e. the simplicity of the Bloch eigenvalues $\omega_{n_j}(k^{(j)})$, $j = 1, \dots, N$) and the symmetry $(\alpha, \beta, \gamma) \in \mathcal{A}_j \Leftrightarrow (\alpha', \beta', \gamma') \in \mathcal{A}_{j'}$ we get from (2.4) that $\mu_{\alpha', \beta', \gamma', j'} = \overline{\mu_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, j}}$ for all $\alpha, \beta, \gamma, j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$. As a result, \mathbf{F} has the symmetry

$$(5.6) \quad \hat{\mathbf{F}}(\hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{v}}) = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{F}}(\hat{\mathbf{v}}) \quad \text{for all } \hat{\mathbf{v}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N}.$$

For $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}$ this results in $\hat{\mathbf{F}}(\hat{\mathbf{A}} + \hat{\mathbf{b}}) = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{F}}(\hat{\mathbf{A}} + \hat{\mathbf{b}})$, i.e. $\mathbf{F}(\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b}) \in V_{\text{rev}}$.

Next, differentiating (5.6), we get

$$\hat{\mathbf{F}}'(\hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{v}})\hat{S} = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{F}}'(\hat{\mathbf{v}}) \quad \text{for all } \hat{\mathbf{v}} \in \mathbb{R}^{2N}.$$

If $\mathbf{A} \in V_{\text{rev}}$, then this translates for $\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{A}$ to

$$(5.7) \quad \hat{\mathbf{J}}\hat{S} = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{J}}$$

and for $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}$ we thus have $\hat{\mathbf{J}}\hat{\mathbf{b}} = \hat{\mathbf{J}}\hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{b}} = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{J}}\hat{\mathbf{b}}$, so that $\mathbf{J}\mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}$.

The last term in \mathbf{W} is \mathbf{R} , where $R_j = \varepsilon^{-3}G_{n_j}^{(j)} - \mathcal{N}_j$, $j = 1, \dots, N$. For \mathcal{N}_j the above identity $\mu_{\alpha', \beta', \gamma', j'} = \overline{\mu_{\alpha, \beta, \gamma, j}}$ implies that for $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}$

$$\mathcal{N}_j = \overline{\mathcal{N}_{j'}}.$$

For $G_{n_j}^{(j)}$ we argue as follows. First, we define the symmetry map

$$S : \vec{\Phi} \mapsto S\vec{\Phi}, \quad \text{where } (S\vec{\Phi})^{(j)} = \overline{\vec{\Phi}^{(j')}}.$$

Lemma 9. $\vec{\mathbf{G}}$ commutes with S , i.e.

$$\vec{\mathbf{G}}(S\vec{\Phi}) = S\vec{\mathbf{G}}(\vec{\Phi}).$$

Proof. For all $j \in \{1, \dots, M\}$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$ we get, using (1.6),

$$\begin{aligned} G_n^{(j)}(S\vec{\Phi}) &= \sum_{(\alpha\beta\gamma) \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_j} \sum_{m,o,q \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{\Phi_m^{(\alpha)}} \overline{\Phi_o^{(\beta)}} \overline{\Phi_q^{(\gamma)}} \int_{\mathbb{P}^d} \xi_m(x, k^{(\alpha)}) \overline{\xi_o(x, k^{(\beta)})} \overline{\xi_q(x, k^{(\gamma)})} \overline{\xi_n(x, k^{(j)})} dx \\ &= \sum_{(\alpha'\beta'\gamma') \in \tilde{\mathcal{A}}_{j'}} \sum_{m,o,q \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{\Phi_m^{(\alpha')}} \overline{\Phi_o^{(\beta')}} \overline{\Phi_q^{(\gamma')}} \int_{\mathbb{P}^d} \overline{\xi_m(x, k^{(\alpha')})} \overline{\xi_o(x, k^{(\beta')})} \overline{\xi_q(x, k^{(\gamma')})} \xi_n(x, k^{(j')}) dx \\ &= \overline{G_n^{(j')}(\vec{\Phi})}. \end{aligned} \quad \square$$

Lemma 10. *If $\mathbf{B} \in V_{\text{rev}}$, then there exists a solution $\vec{\Psi}$ of (3.7) with the properties as in Proposition 5, and such that*

$$\vec{\Psi} = S\vec{\Psi}.$$

Proof. Defining $\vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}}$ via

$$\vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}}^{(j)} = \begin{cases} B_j e_{n_j}, & j \in \{1, \dots, N\}, \\ 0, & j \in \{N+1, \dots, M\}, \end{cases}$$

we have $\vec{\Phi} = \varepsilon \vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}} + \vec{\Psi}$. Due to (H6) is $\mathbf{B} \in V_{\text{rev}}$ equivalent to $S\vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}} = \vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}}$. And if $S\vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}} = \vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}}$, then the fixed point iteration $\vec{\Psi} = \vec{\mathbf{H}}(\vec{\Psi})$ preserves the symmetry of $\vec{\Psi}$, i.e.

$$\vec{\Psi} = S\vec{\Psi} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{\mathbf{H}}(\vec{\Psi}) = S\vec{\mathbf{H}}(\vec{\Psi}).$$

This is clear from the form

$$H_n^{(j)} = (\omega_n(k^{(j)}) - \omega_*)^{-1} \left(\varepsilon^2 \Omega \Psi_n^{(j)} - \sigma G_n^{(j)}(\varepsilon \vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}} + \vec{\Psi}) \right)$$

and from Lemma 9. □

From Lemma 10 we conclude that given $\mathbf{B} \in V_{\text{rev}}$, the full vector $\vec{\Phi}$ is S -symmetric, i.e. $\vec{\Phi} = \varepsilon \vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}} + \vec{\Psi} = \varepsilon S\vec{\Phi}_{\text{sing}} + S\vec{\Psi} = S\vec{\Phi}$. Lemma 9 then yields for all $j \in \{1, \dots, N\}$

$$G_{n_j}^{(j)} = \overline{G_{n_j}^{(j')}}.$$

Thanks to (H6) $j' \in \{1, \dots, N\}$, and in conclusion $\mathbf{R} \in V_{\text{rev}}$ for $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}$.

Summarizing, we have $\mathbf{W} \in V_{\text{rev}}$ for $\mathbf{A}, \mathbf{b} \in V_{\text{rev}}$. To conclude the proof of (ii) in (5.4) we need to prove $\mathbf{v} \in V_{\text{rev}} \Rightarrow \mathbf{J}^{-1}\mathbf{v} \in V_{\text{rev}}$. From (5.7) we get within V_{rev} , where \mathbf{J}^{-1} is defined,

$$\hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{J}}^{-1}\hat{S}^{-1} = \hat{\mathbf{J}}^{-1}.$$

If $\mathbf{v} \in V_{\text{rev}}$, then $\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{v}}$ and

$$\hat{\mathbf{J}}^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{J}}^{-1}\hat{S}^{-1}\hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{v}} = \hat{S}\hat{\mathbf{J}}^{-1}\hat{\mathbf{v}}.$$

This shows that $\mathbf{J}^{-1}\mathbf{v} \in V_{\text{rev}}$. We can thus finally solve the fixed point problem (5.2) to obtain \mathbf{b} with $|\mathbf{b}| < C\varepsilon^2$. Herewith we obtain the following

Proposition 11. *Assume (H3, H4, H6), and let \mathbf{A} be a reversible non-degenerate solution of the coupled mode equations (2.3). There exist $\varepsilon_0 > 0$ and $C > 0$ such that for all $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0)$ the following holds. Given $\vec{\Psi} \in \mathcal{X}(s)$ with $\|\vec{\Psi}\|_{\mathcal{X}(s)} \leq C\varepsilon^3$, there exists a solution $\mathbf{B} \in V_{\text{rev}}$ of the extended coupled mode equations (5.1) such that*

$$|\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{B}| < C\varepsilon^2.$$

Our main result, i.e. Theorem 1, for the bifurcation of nonlinear Bloch waves follows from Corollary 6, Proposition 11 and the triangle inequality.

6. ACMEs FOR $N = 1$ AND $N = 2$

We present here the complete solution structure of the ACMEs for the cases $N = 1$ and $N = 2$.

6.1. One Mode: $N = 1$. If $N = 1$, then necessarily also $M = 1$ since $S_3(\{k_*\}) = \{k_*\}$ for each $k_* \in \mathbb{B}$. Hence, $N = 1$ is always consistent. However, only for $k_* \in \{0, \frac{1}{2}\}^d$ condition (H6) is satisfied. The ACMEs (2.3) now have the scalar form

$$(6.1) \quad \Omega A - \sigma \mu |A|^2 A = 0, \quad \mu = \|\xi_{n_*}(\cdot, k_*)\|_{L^4(\mathbb{P}^d)}^4 > 0,$$

where $\xi_{n_*}(x, k_*)$ is the linear Bloch wave for the selected eigenvalue index n_* . Note that n_* has to be chosen such that (H3) holds. Clearly, nonzero solutions of (6.1) satisfy

$$|A| = \sqrt{\frac{\Omega}{\sigma \mu}},$$

which implies a bifurcation to the left in ω from ω_* in the focusing case $\sigma < 0$ and to the right in the defocusing case $\sigma > 0$.

6.2. Two Modes: $N = 2$. Also for $N = 2$ the solutions of the resulting ACMEs can be calculated explicitly. We discuss only solutions with $A_1 A_2 \neq 0$. This is without any loss of generality because if $k_*^{(2)} \in -k_*^{(1)} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^d$, then the reversibility $\mathbf{A} \in V_{\text{rev}}$ implies $A_2 = \overline{A_1}$ and if $k_*^{(2)} \notin -k_*^{(1)} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^d$, then considering only one nonzero component in \mathbf{A} is equivalent to considering the case $N = 1$.

For $N = 2$ the form of the ACMEs depends on the choice of $\{k_*^{(1)}, k_*^{(2)}\}$. There are the following two cases.

(a) Let

$$(6.2) \quad 2k_*^{(1)} - k_*^{(2)} \in k_*^{(2)} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^d, \text{ i.e. } k_*^{(1)} \in k_*^{(2)} \oplus \{-1/2, 1/2\}^d.$$

This can be easily seen to be the consistent case $S_3(\{k_*^{(1)}, k_*^{(2)}\}) \subset \{k_*^{(1)}, k_*^{(2)}\} \oplus \mathbb{Z}^d$, i.e. the case $M = N = 2$. In this case we have

$$\mathcal{A}_1 = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 2, 2), (2, 2, 1), (2, 1, 2)\}, \quad \mathcal{A}_2 = \{(2, 2, 2), (2, 1, 1), (1, 1, 2), (1, 2, 1)\},$$

and the ACMEs read

$$(6.3) \quad \begin{aligned} \Omega A_1 - \sigma [(\mu_{1111}|A_1|^2 + 2\mu_{1221}|A_2|^2)A_1 + \mu_{2121}A_2^2\overline{A_1}] &= 0, \\ \Omega A_2 - \sigma [(\mu_{2222}|A_2|^2 + 2\mu_{1221}|A_1|^2)A_2 + \overline{\mu_{2121}}A_1^2\overline{A_2}] &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

where the obvious identities $\mu_{1221} = \mu_{2112}$ and $\mu_{1212} = \overline{\mu_{2121}}$ have been used. A simple calculation yields that solutions with both A_1 and A_2 nonzero satisfy

$$\begin{aligned} \arg(A_2) &= \arg(A_1) - \frac{\arg(\mu_{2121})}{2} + q\frac{\pi}{2}, \quad q \in \mathbb{Z}, \\ |A_1|^2 &= \frac{\Omega}{\sigma} \frac{\gamma - \mu_{2222}}{\gamma^2 - \mu_{1111}\mu_{2222}}, \quad |A_2|^2 = \frac{\Omega}{\sigma} \frac{\gamma - \mu_{1111}}{\gamma^2 - \mu_{1111}\mu_{2222}}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\gamma := 2\mu_{1221} + (-1)^q |\mu_{2121}|$.

A solution with $A_1, A_2 \neq 0$ thus exists for $\text{sign}(\Omega) = \text{sign}(\sigma)$ if and only if

$$\text{sign}(\gamma - \mu_{2222}) = \text{sign}(\gamma - \mu_{1111}) = \text{sign}(\gamma^2 - \mu_{1111}\mu_{2222})$$

is satisfied either for $q = 0$ or $q = 1$. For $\text{sign}(\Omega) = -\text{sign}(\sigma)$ the existence follows if and only if

$$\text{sign}(\gamma - \mu_{2222}) = \text{sign}(\gamma - \mu_{1111}) = -\text{sign}(\gamma^2 - \mu_{1111}\mu_{2222})$$

either for $q = 0$ or $q = 1$.

In order to satisfy the reversibility condition $\mathbf{A} \in V_{\text{rev}}$, we need $A_2 = \overline{A_1}$. This is possible if and only if $\mu_{1111} = \mu_{2222}$ such that $|A_1| = |A_2|$. The equality $A_2 = \overline{A_1}$ then follows if we choose

$$\arg(A_1) = \frac{\arg(\mu_{2121}) - q\pi}{4}.$$

(b) If (6.2) does not hold, then we have an inconsistent case $M > N = 2$,

$$\mathcal{A}_1 = \{(1, 1, 1), (1, 2, 2), (2, 2, 1)\}, \quad \mathcal{A}_2 = \{(2, 2, 2), (2, 1, 1), (1, 1, 2)\},$$

and the ACMEs have the form

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega A_1 - \sigma(\mu_{1111}|A_1|^2 + 2\mu_{1221}|A_2|^2)A_1 &= 0, \\ \Omega A_2 - \sigma(\mu_{2222}|A_2|^2 + 2\mu_{1221}|A_1|^2)A_2 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Solutions with both A_1 and A_2 nonzero satisfy

$$|A_1|^2 = \frac{\Omega}{\sigma} \frac{2\mu_{1221} - \mu_{2222}}{4\mu_{1221}^2 - \mu_{1111}\mu_{2222}}, \quad |A_2|^2 = \frac{\Omega}{\sigma} \frac{2\mu_{1221} - \mu_{1111}}{4\mu_{1221}^2 - \mu_{1111}\mu_{2222}}.$$

Again, the reversibility condition can be satisfied (by choosing $\arg(A_1) = -\arg(A_2)$) if and only if $\mu_{1111} = \mu_{2222}$.

In one dimension $d = 1$ with $N = 2$ the only consistent cases satisfying (H6) are

$$\{k_*^{(1)}, k_*^{(2)}\} = \{0, 1/2\} \quad \text{and} \quad \{k_*^{(1)}, k_*^{(2)}\} = \{-1/4, 1/4\}.$$

In two dimensions $d = 2$ with $N = 2$ there are 12 possible sets $\{k_*^{(1)}, k_*^{(2)}\}$ satisfying (H6) and the consistency, namely

$$\begin{aligned} &\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ &\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1/4 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ -1/4 \end{pmatrix} \right\} \\ &\left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1/4 \\ -1/4 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ -1/4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1/4 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ 1/4 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} 1/2 \\ -1/4 \end{pmatrix} \right\} && \left\{ \begin{pmatrix} 1/4 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix}, \begin{pmatrix} -1/4 \\ 1/2 \end{pmatrix} \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

7. NUMERICAL EXAMPLES IN TWO DIMENSIONS $d = 2$

In all our numerical computations we use the package `pde2path` [20, 7] for numerical continuation and bifurcation in nonlinear elliptic systems of PDEs. The package uses linear finite elements for the discretization, Newton's iteration for the computation of nonlinear solutions and arclength continuation of solution branches. In the case $N = 1$ below we discretize \mathbb{P}^2 by $2 * 200^2 = 80000$ isosceles triangles of equal size. For example B below with $N = 2$ we use $2 * 280^2 = 156800$ triangles. This fine discretization is needed only in the tests of ε -convergence of the asymptotic error to ensure that the asymptotic error dominates the discretization error. For all the numerical solutions (solution branches) presented in this and the following sections we verified that these approximate PDE solutions by standard error estimators and adaptive mesh-refinement.

For $N = 1$ we simply write $\varphi(x) = e^{ik_* \cdot x} \eta(x)$ and use real variables $\eta = u_1 + iu_2$ to obtain

$$(7.1) \quad 0 = - \begin{pmatrix} \Delta u_1 \\ \Delta u_2 \end{pmatrix} + 2 \begin{pmatrix} k_* \cdot \nabla u_2 \\ -k_* \cdot \nabla u_1 \end{pmatrix} + (|k_*|^2 - \omega + V(x)) \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix} + \sigma(u_1^2 + u_2^2) \begin{pmatrix} u_1 \\ u_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

on the torus $\mathbb{T}^2 = \mathbb{R}^2/(2\pi\mathbb{Z}^2)$. For the consistent case with $N > 1$ we may plug $\varphi(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N e^{ik_*^{(j)} \cdot x} \eta_j(x)$ with 2π -periodic η_j into (1.1) and collect terms multiplying $e^{ik_*^{(j)} \cdot x}$ in separate equations. Using the real variables $\eta_j = u_1^{(j)} + iu_2^{(j)}$ we obtain a real system of $2N$ equations for $u = (u_1^{(1)}, u_2^{(1)}, \dots, u_1^{(N)}, u_2^{(N)})$.

We may then use two methods to generate branches of NLBs. The first is to let `pde2path` find the bifurcation points from the trivial branch $u = 0$ and then perform branch switching to and continuation of the bifurcating branches. This is what we did in Example 1 from the Introduction to obtain Figure 2. However, as due to the phase invariance the eigenvalues of the linearization of (7.1) are always double, this needs some slight modification of the standard bifurcation detection and branch-switching routines of `pde2path`, see [8, §2.6.4]. Thus, in the examples below we alternatively use the asymptotic approximation $\varphi(x) = \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^N A_j \xi_{n_j}(x, k_*^{(j)})$ as the initial guess in the Newton's iteration for the first continuation step near $\omega = \omega_*$.

We choose the potential (1.3), which is the same as in [9]. The band structure along the boundary of the irreducible Brillouin zone is plotted in Fig. 1(b), and in Example 1 we already gave an overview of the lowest bifurcations at point X with $N = 1$. In the following examples we consider in more detail the points marked (A),(B),(C).

7.1. Numerical Example for $N = 1$. For $N = 1, d = 2$ the only cases which satisfy (H6) are

$$k_* = (0, 0), k_* = (1/2, 0), k_* = (0, 1/2), \text{ and } k_* = (1/2, 1/2).$$

$k_* = X = (1/2, 0)$ with $N = 1$ was considered in Example 1, and in §7.2 we reconsider this k_* at point (B) in Fig. 1 with $N = 2$. Here we present in some more detail nonlinear Bloch waves bifurcating from point (A) with $k_* = (1/2, 1/2)$.

Example A. We choose $k_* = (1/2, 1/2)$ and $\partial\sigma(-\Delta + V) \ni \omega_* = \omega_1(k_*) \approx 1.703$, see point (A) in Fig. 1. This leads to $\mu = \|\xi_1(\cdot, k_*)\|_{L^4(\mathbb{P}^d)}^4 \approx 0.0765$ and choosing $\Omega = \sigma$ and $\arg(A) = 0$, we get

$$A = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\mu}} \approx 3.6154.$$

Figure 3 shows the continuation diagram (in the $(\omega, \|\varphi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^2)})$ -plane) of the nonlinear Bloch waves bifurcating from ω_* for $\sigma = -1$ and $\sigma = 1$, the asymptotic curves $(\omega_* + \Omega\varepsilon^2, \varepsilon|A|)$ for $\varepsilon \geq 0$, and the error between the two in the log-log scale. The observed convergence rate is 3.11, in agreement with Theorem 1. In Fig. 4 we plot profiles φ and the asymptotic approximation $\varepsilon A \xi_1(x, k_*)$ at $\omega = \omega_* + \varepsilon^2 \Omega$ with $\varepsilon \approx 0.12$, i.e. close to the bifurcation point, see points (A1-) and (A1+) in Fig. 3, and φ at $\omega \approx 0.62$ for $\sigma = -1$ and $\omega \approx 2.75$ for $\sigma = 1$, i.e. far from the bifurcation, cf. points (A2-) and (A2+). The asymptotic approximation is real since the Bloch wave $\xi_1(x, k_*)$ has been selected real. This is possible as k_* is one of the high symmetry points Γ, X, M .

7.2. Numerical Examples for $N = 2$. We present computations for two consistent examples with $N = M = 2$, cf. §6.2 (a), where the ACMEs (6.3) are valid. In example B we choose $\omega_* \in \partial\sigma(-\Delta + V)$ and in example C we take $\omega_* \in \text{int}(\sigma(-\Delta + V))$.

Example B: We choose $k_*^{(1)} = (1/2, 0), k_*^{(2)} = (0, 1/2), \partial\sigma(-\Delta + V) \ni \omega_* = \omega_2(k_*^{(1)}) = \omega_2(k_*^{(2)}) \approx 2.035$, see point (B) in Fig. 1. Choosing real Bloch waves $\xi_2(\cdot, k_*^{(1)}), \xi_2(\cdot, k_*^{(2)})$

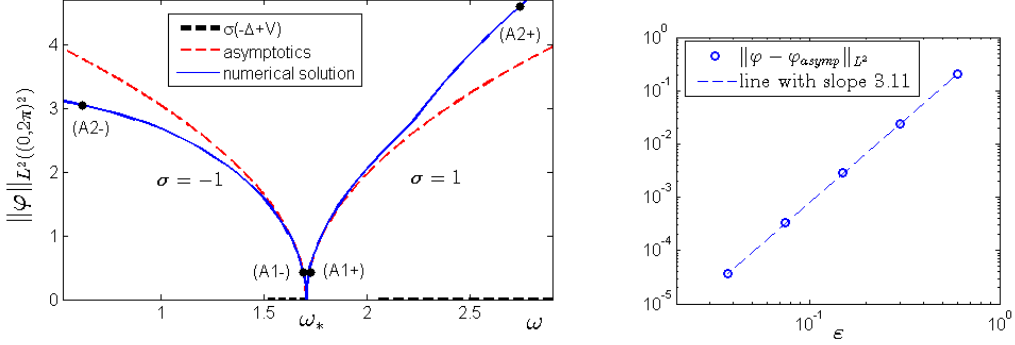


FIGURE 3. Left: Bifurcation diagram in the $(\omega, \|\varphi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^2)})$ -plane for example A: $N = 1$, $k_* = (\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$. Dashed lines: approximation $\|\varphi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^2)} \sim |A| \sqrt{(\omega - \omega_*)/\Omega}$ with $\Omega = \sigma = \pm 1$. Curves bifurcating to the left/right of ω_* are for $\sigma = \mp 1$, respectively. The spectrum $\sigma(-\Delta + V)$ is plotted on the horizontal axis. Right: Error for $\sigma = -1$, where $\varphi_{asympt} := \varepsilon A \xi_1(x, k_*)$.

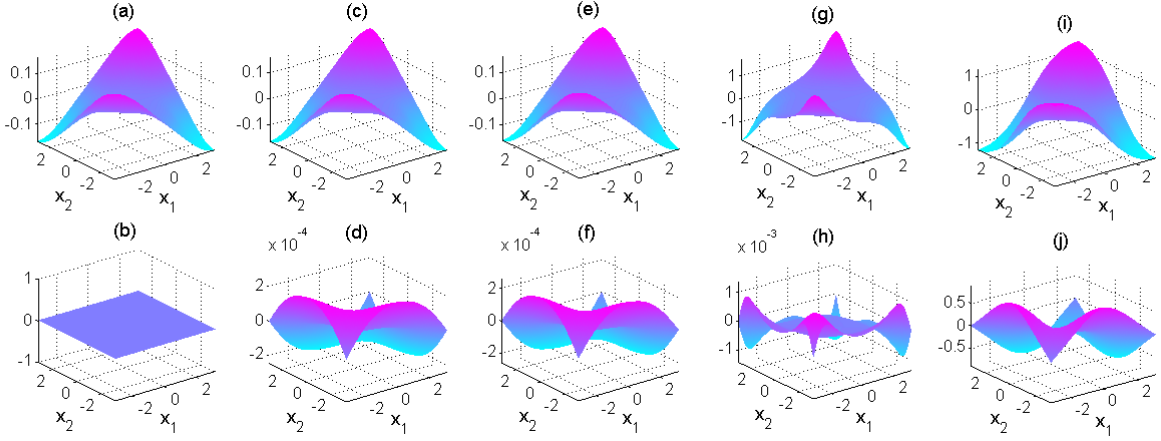


FIGURE 4. Nonlinear Bloch waves for example A. (a) and (b): real and imaginary part of the approximation $\varepsilon A \xi_1(x, (1/2, 1/2))$ at $\varepsilon = 0.12$; (c) and (d): real and imag. part of φ at (A1-) in Fig. 3, i.e. for $\sigma = -1$ and $\omega = \omega_* + \sigma \varepsilon^2$; (e) and (f): real and imag. part of φ at (A1+) ($\sigma = 1$ and $\omega = \omega_* + \sigma \varepsilon^2$); (g) and (h): real and imag. part of φ at (A2-) ($\sigma = -1$, $\omega \approx 0.62$); (i) and (j): real and imag. part of φ at (A2+) ($\sigma = 1$, $\omega \approx 2.75$).

(possible due to the real boundary conditions in (1.4)), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{1111} &= \mu_{2222} = \|\xi_2(\cdot, k_*^{(1)})\|_{L^4(\mathbb{P}^d)}^4 \approx 0.0901, \\ \mu_{2121} &= \mu_{1221} = \int_{\mathbb{P}^2} \xi_2(x, k_*^{(1)})^2 \xi_2(x, k_*^{(2)})^2 dx \approx 0.003, \end{aligned}$$

where the equalities between the μ coefficients follow by the symmetry $\xi_2((x_1, x_2), k_*^{(1)}) = \xi_2((x_2, x_1), k_*^{(1)})$ and the fact that real Bloch waves $\xi_2(x, k_*^{(1)})$, $\xi_2(x, k_*^{(2)})$ have been chosen.

The resulting values of $|A_1|$ and $|A_2|$ are $|A_1| = |A_2| \approx 3.17567$ and in order to satisfy reversibility, we choose zero phases, such that

$$A_1 = A_2 \approx 3.17567.$$

The non-degeneracy condition is satisfied as our computation of the eigenvalues of $\hat{\mathbf{J}}$ produces

$$\lambda_1 \approx -0.1223, \lambda_2 = 0, \lambda_3 \approx 1.6332, \lambda_4 = 2.$$

The continuation diagram in Fig. 5 plots the families of nonlinear Bloch waves bifurcating from ω_* for $\sigma = -1$ and $\sigma = 1$, the asymptotic curves $(\omega_* + \Omega\varepsilon^2, \varepsilon \|\sum_{j=1}^2 A_j \xi_2(\cdot, k_*^{(j)})\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^2)})$ for $\varepsilon \geq 0$, and the ε -convergence of the approximation error for this case. The solutions φ

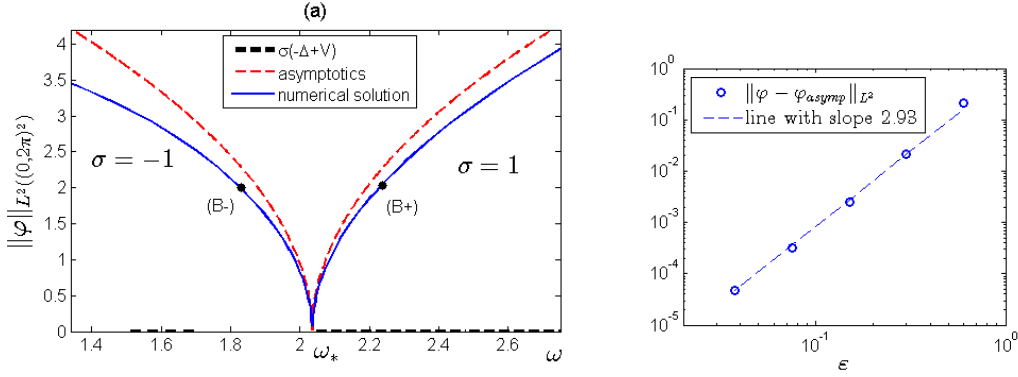


FIGURE 5. Left: Bifurcation diagram in the $(\omega, \|\varphi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^2)})$ -plane for example B: $N = 2, k_*^{(1)} = (1/2, 0), k_*^{(2)} = (0, 1/2)$. Full lines: numerically computed solution φ ; dashed lines: asymptotic approximation $\|\varphi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^2)} \sim \sqrt{(\omega - \omega_*)/\Omega} \|\sum_{j=1}^2 A_j \xi_2(\cdot, k_*^{(j)})\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^2)}$ with $\Omega = \sigma = \pm 1$. Right: error for $\sigma = -1$, $\varphi_{asympt} := \varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^2 A_j \xi_2(x, k_*^{(j)})$.

at the points (B-), i.e. $\omega = 1.8304$, and (B+), i.e. $\omega = 2.2392$, marked in Fig. 5 are plotted in Fig. 6 together with the asymptotic approximation $\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^2 A_j \xi_2(x, k_*^{(j)})$ at $\omega = \omega_* + \varepsilon^2 \Omega$ with $\varepsilon \approx 0.452 \approx \sqrt{\omega_* - 1.8304} \approx \sqrt{2.2392 - \omega_*}$. Despite the large value of ε the asymptotic approximation is relatively good.

Example C: Finally we take $k_*^{(1)} = (1/4, 1/4), k_*^{(2)} = (-1/4, -1/4), \text{int}(\sigma(-\Delta + V)) \ni \omega_* = \omega_1(k_*^{(1)}) = \omega_1(k_*^{(2)}) \approx 1.576$, see Point (C) in Fig. 1. Fixing the free complex phase of the Bloch waves by setting $\text{Im}(\xi_1((0, 0), k_*^{(1)})) = \text{Im}(\xi_1((0, 0), k_*^{(2)})) = 0$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{1111} &= \mu_{2222} = \mu_{1221} = \|\xi_1(\cdot, k_*^{(1)})\|_{L^4(\mathbb{P}^d)}^4 \approx 0.0526, \\ \mu_{2121} &= \int_{\mathbb{P}^2} \xi_1(x, k_*^{(2)})^2 \overline{\xi_1(x, k_*^{(1)})^2} dx \approx 0.0412. \end{aligned}$$

The identities $\mu_{1111} = \mu_{2222} = \mu_{1221}$ follow from $\xi_1(x, k_*^{(2)}) = \overline{\xi_1(x, k_*^{(1)})}$, and $\mu_{2121} \in \mathbb{R}$ follows because $\text{Im}(\xi_1(x, k_*^{(1,2)}))$ happen to be antisymmetric in the $x_1 = x_2$ direction. The resulting values of A_1 and A_2 (once again selected real due to $\mu_{2121} \in \mathbb{R}$) are

$$A_1 = A_2 \approx 2.242.$$

Also here the non-degeneracy condition is satisfied as our computation of the eigenvalues of $\hat{\mathbf{J}}$ produces $\lambda_1 \approx -0.9427, \lambda_2 \approx -0.828, \lambda_3 = 0, \lambda_4 = 2$.

The continuation diagram from ω_* for $\sigma = -1$ and $\sigma = 1$ and an error plot for $\sigma = -1$ are in Fig. 7, and the solutions φ at the points (C \mp) with $\omega = 1.31, \omega = 1.842$, are in Fig. 8 together with the asymptotic approximation $\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^2 A_j \xi_1(x, k_*^{(j)})$ at $\omega = \omega_* + \varepsilon^2 \Omega$ with $\varepsilon \approx 0.516 \approx \sqrt{\omega_* - 1.31} \approx \sqrt{1.842 - \omega_*}$.

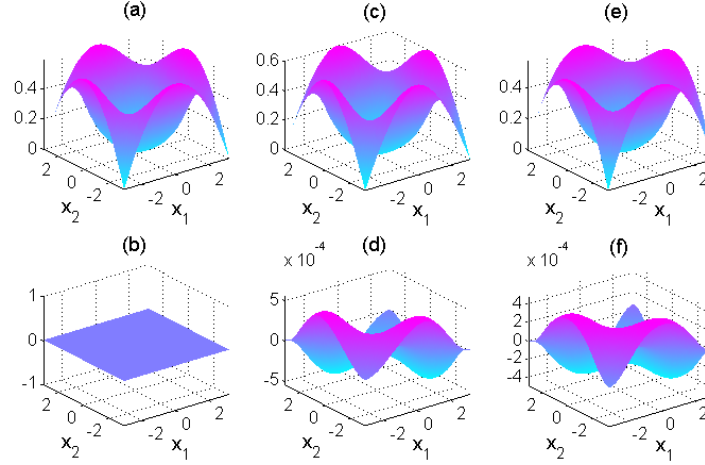


FIGURE 6. Nonlinear Bloch waves for example B. (a) and (b): real and imaginary part of the asymptotic approximation $\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^2 A_j \xi_2(x, k_*^{(j)})$ at $\varepsilon = 0.452$; (c) and (d): real and imaginary part of φ at (B-) in Fig. 5, i.e. for $\sigma = -1$ and $\omega = \omega_* + \sigma\varepsilon^2$; (e) and (f): real and imaginary part of φ at (B+) in Fig. 5, i.e. for $\sigma = 1$ and $\omega = \omega_* + \sigma\varepsilon^2$.

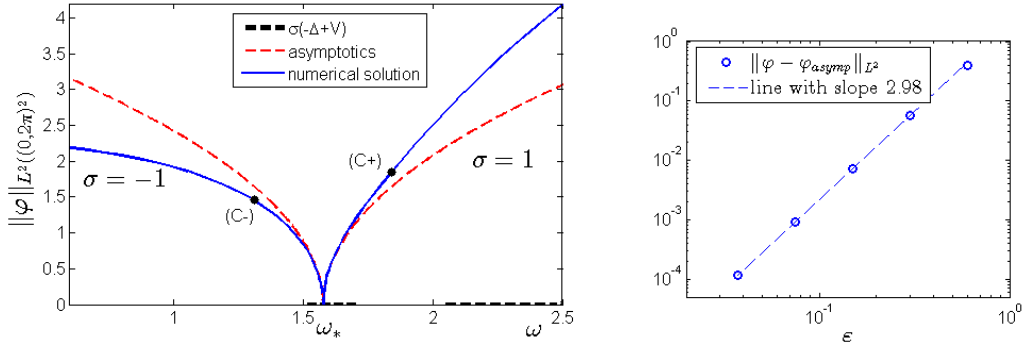


FIGURE 7. Bifurcation diagram in the $(\omega, \|\varphi\|_{L^2(\mathbb{P}^2)})$ -plane and error for $\sigma = -1$ for example C: $N = 2, k_*^{(1)} = (1/4, 1/4), k_*^{(2)} = -k_*^{(1)}$.

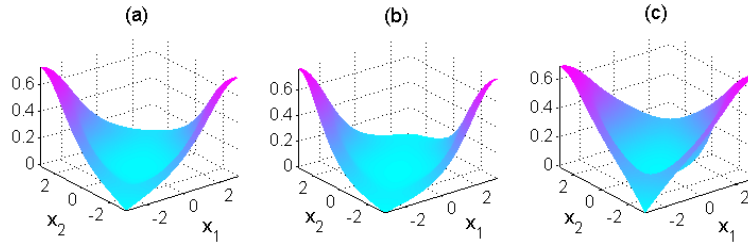


FIGURE 8. Nonlinear Bloch waves for example C. (a): the approximation $\varepsilon \sum_{j=1}^2 A_j \xi_1(x, k_*^{(j)})$ with $\varepsilon = 0.516$; (b) and (c): φ at (C-) and (C+) resp. in Fig. 7. In (b) $\sigma = -1$ and $\omega = \omega_* - \varepsilon^2 \approx 1.31$ and in (c) $\sigma = 1$ and $\omega = \omega_* + \varepsilon^2 \approx 1.842$.

8. GAP SOLITONS, OUT-OF-GAP SOLITONS, AND TNLBs

NLBs play an important role in the bifurcation structure of many other solutions of (1.1). As the numerical computations below suggest, when solutions with decaying tails are continued from spectral gaps into spectrum of $-\Delta + V$, they delocalize as the tails become oscillatory with the oscillation structure agreeing with a certain NLB. This puts NLBs in a strong connection with other prominent solutions of (1.1).

8.1. 1D simulations. We first consider (1.1) in 1D with $V(x) = \sin^2(\frac{\pi x}{10})$, which is a standard choice in 1D. See Fig. 9(a) for the band-structure, which shows the gaps (s_2, s_3) and (s_4, s_5) . The first five spectral edges are, approximately,

$$s_1 \approx 0.2832, \quad s_2 \approx 0.2905, \quad s_3 \approx 0.7468, \quad s_4 \approx 0.8434, \quad s_5 \approx 1.0568.$$

For suitable $\sigma = \pm 1$, so called gap solitons bifurcate from the edges into a gap [1, 3, 17]. W.l.o.g we choose $\sigma = 1$, such that gap soliton bifurcate to the right from edges s_2 and s_4 . To study these numerically, we consider (1.1) on a large domain $x \in (-100, 100)$ with Neumann boundary conditions, and obtain the bifurcation diagram in Fig. 9(b), where moreover we restrict to real solutions.

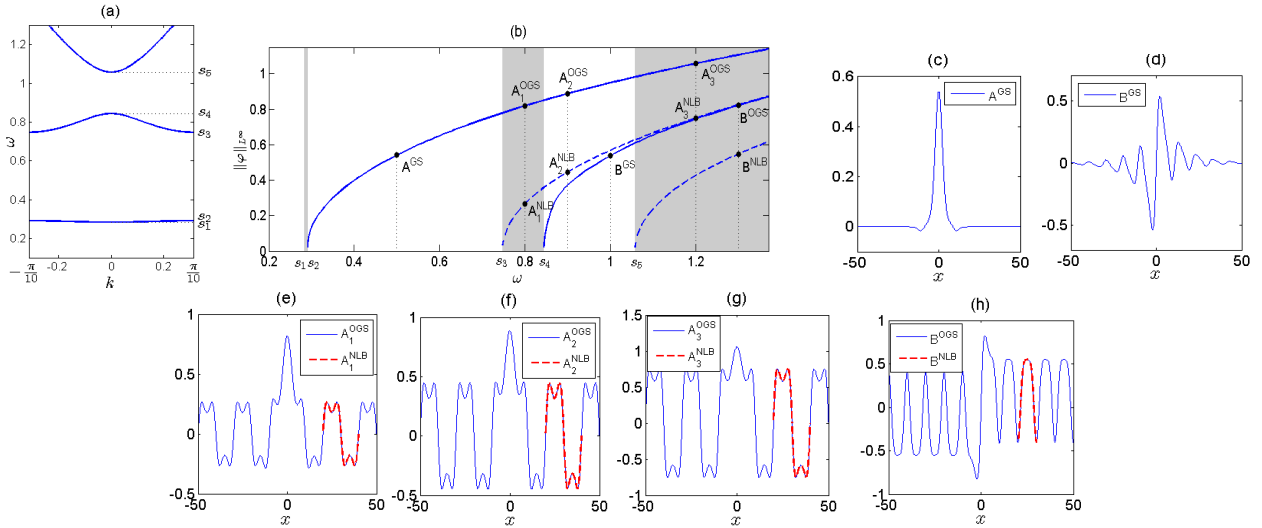


FIGURE 9. Panel (a): the band-structure for $V(x) = \sin^2(\frac{\pi x}{10})$; (b): a bifurcation diagram of GS and NLBs for (1.1) in 1D, $\sigma = 1$. (c) and (d): plots of the GS at A^{GS} and B^{GS} resp.; (e)-(h): OGS and NLB at the remaining marked points.

The gap solitons can be continued in ω well into the gap. In fact, numerically they can also be continued into the next spectral band (and even further into higher gaps and bands), where they are called out-of-gap solitons (OGS) [24, 13]. During this continuation the tails of the OGS pick up the oscillations from the NLB that bifurcates at the first gap edge, where the continuation family enters the spectrum, i.e., the A branch of OGS picks up the oscillations from the NLB branch A^{NLB} that bifurcates at s_3 to the right. Moreover, the numerics then show that the tails of the OGS are very close to the pertinent NLB for *all* $\omega > s_j$, i.e., the tails of A (resp. B) are given by A^{NLB} (resp. B^{NLB}) for all $\omega > s_3$ (resp. $\omega > s_5$). Thus, an OGS is a homoclinic orbit to a NLB.

Besides GSs the NLB play a role in the delocalization of many other solutions. In Fig. 10 we show two other solution branches for illustration. The B branch is an example of a so

called *truncated NLB* (tNLB), [4, 22, 25]. Point B_0 at $\omega = 0.5$ on that branch is obtained from using

$$(8.1) \quad \varphi_{IG}(x) = a \operatorname{sech}(x^2/w), \quad a = 0.5, w = 50,$$

as an initial guess for a Newton–loop for (1.1). It is homoclinic to 0 and composed of three periods of the NLB bifurcating from s_1 in the middle. That is why such solutions are called truncated NLBs. By varying, e.g., w in (8.1), we can in fact produce tNLBs composed of any number of periods of the NLB.

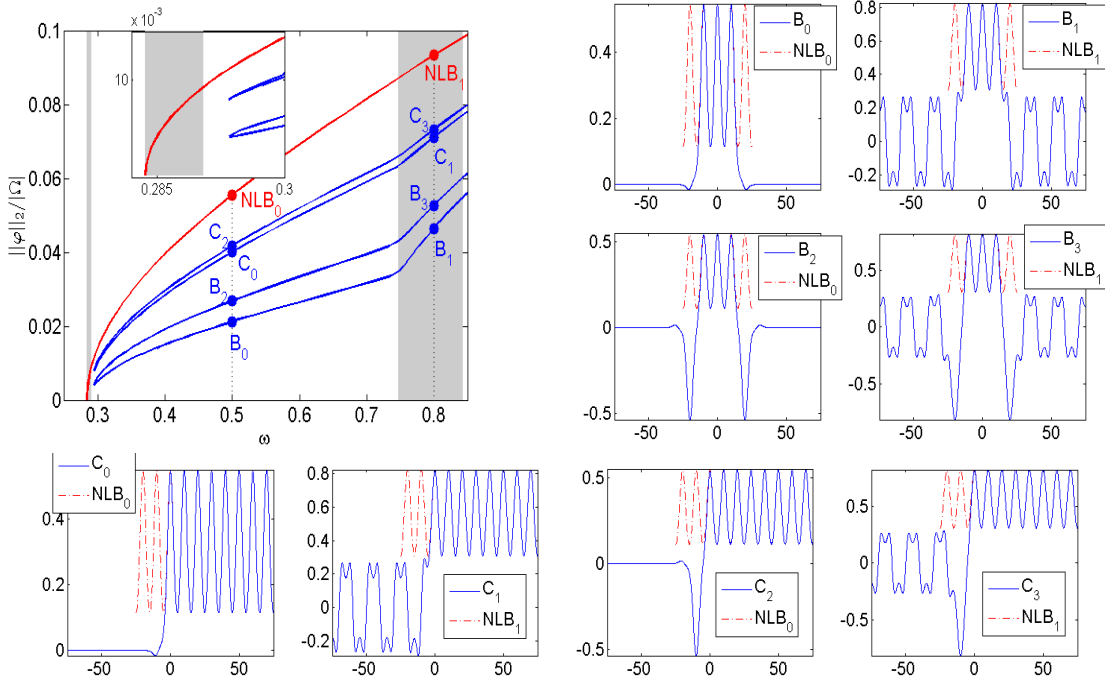


FIGURE 10. Big panel: bifurcation diagram of first NLB and example tNLBs and heteroclinics for $V(x) = \sin^2(\frac{\pi x}{10})$, $\sigma = 1$; spectral bands in grey. For the B (tNLB) and C (heteroclinic) branches we continue from $\omega = 0.5$ in the positive and negative ω direction. For the negative ω -directions we obtain folds close to s_2 , cf. the inset. The NLB branch bifurcates from s_1 . Smaller panels: example plots, where the red dash-dotted line indicates the s_1 -NLB at the respective ω -values. The tails of the tNLBs, and the zero-level of the heteroclinic, pick up the s_3 -NLB when entering the second band.

An important feature of tNLBs is that they do *not* bifurcate from 0, in contrast to the GS. In fact, as a tNLB approaches the gap edge next to the ω value where its building-block NLB bifurcates, it turns around while picking up a negative copy of the pertinent NLB. See also [21] for a further discussion (in 2D). On the other hand, tNLBs behave quite similarly to GS upon continuation through the other gap-edge: the tails again pick up the NLB bifurcating at the edge (i.e., A^{per} in Fig. 10), and afterwards can be continued to arbitrarily large ω as homoclinics to these NLBs, still being close to the original NLB in the middle.

Finally, as there are “arbitrarily long” tNLBs, it is not surprising that there also exist heteroclinics between 0 and NLBs. Upon continuation in ω these essentially behave like tNLBs, see the C branch in Fig. 10 for an example.

A rigorous analysis of OGS, tNLBs, and the above heteroclinics remains an intriguing open problem, even in 1D. For the 1D case with *narrow* gaps a system of first order differential coupled mode equations for the envelopes of the linear gap edge Bloch waves is derived in [24]. Under suitable conditions, this system has spatial homoclinic orbits to nonzero fixed points, which thus corresponds to tNLBs or OGS. However, presently it is not clear how to make this analysis rigorous. In [13] some explicit OGS solutions are given for the case of a 1D discrete NLS. Concerning tNLBs, [26] gives so called composition relations, which however are rather heuristic.

8.2. 2D simulations. In 2D similar effects as in Figs. 9 and 10 occur, but the solution structure becomes much richer, also qualitatively. For instance, since in 1D the pertinent NLS amplitude equation is scalar, there typically is only one GS bifurcating at some s_j (modulo phase invariance, and on-site or off-site effects, see [17]). In 2D, in many cases the GS are described by *systems* of NLS equations, see [9], and there may be various different GSs. Moreover, while typically in 1D different tNLBs at fixed ω only differ in the number of NLB periods, and the number and arrangements of “ups” and “downs”, in 2D we can easily produce qualitatively different tNLBs. Accordingly, in the references already cited, in particular [21], various families of 2D tNLBs have been studied, with focus on the fold structure near one of the gap-edges.

However, the continuation of either tNLBs or GSs into the other spectral band seems to be much less studied, but see also [23]. Here we restrict ourselves to just illustrating the continuation of two (real) families of GS to OGS. We return to the potential (1.3), and in Fig. 11 continue the $\sigma = \pm 1$ GS from the first gap into the respective other spectral band. Numerically we again use a large domain $x \in (-40\pi, 40\pi)^2$ with Neumann boundary conditions. For the GS these boundary conditions hardly matter, but the way in which the tails pick up NLBs as the GS enter the spectral bands does significantly depend on the boundary conditions, as should be expected. For instance, in (b) we find dislocations in the tail patterns along the coordinate axes, and in (e) along one of the diagonals. Numerically, these dislocations strongly depend on the chosen domain size and boundary conditions. Nevertheless, in all cases considered the tails of the GS again pick up a pertinent NLB in large parts of the domains. Figure 11 just gives two illustrations.

Note that in 2D there is typically a number of NLB families bifurcating from a given point in the spectrum, cf. Theorem 1 with $N > 1$. At $\omega = s_3$ the level set of the band structure is $\{(1/2, 0), (0, 1/2)\}$, i.e. to capture at least all the NLBs predicted by Theorem 1 to bifurcate from s_3 , we must take $N = 2$. The resulting ACMEs are (6.3). The NLB family B in Fig. 11, which happens to describe the oscillations in A^{OGS} , has $A_1 = A_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. In general it is not clear how to choose the correct solution of ACME which matches the tail oscillations in a given OGS in dD with $d \geq 2$.

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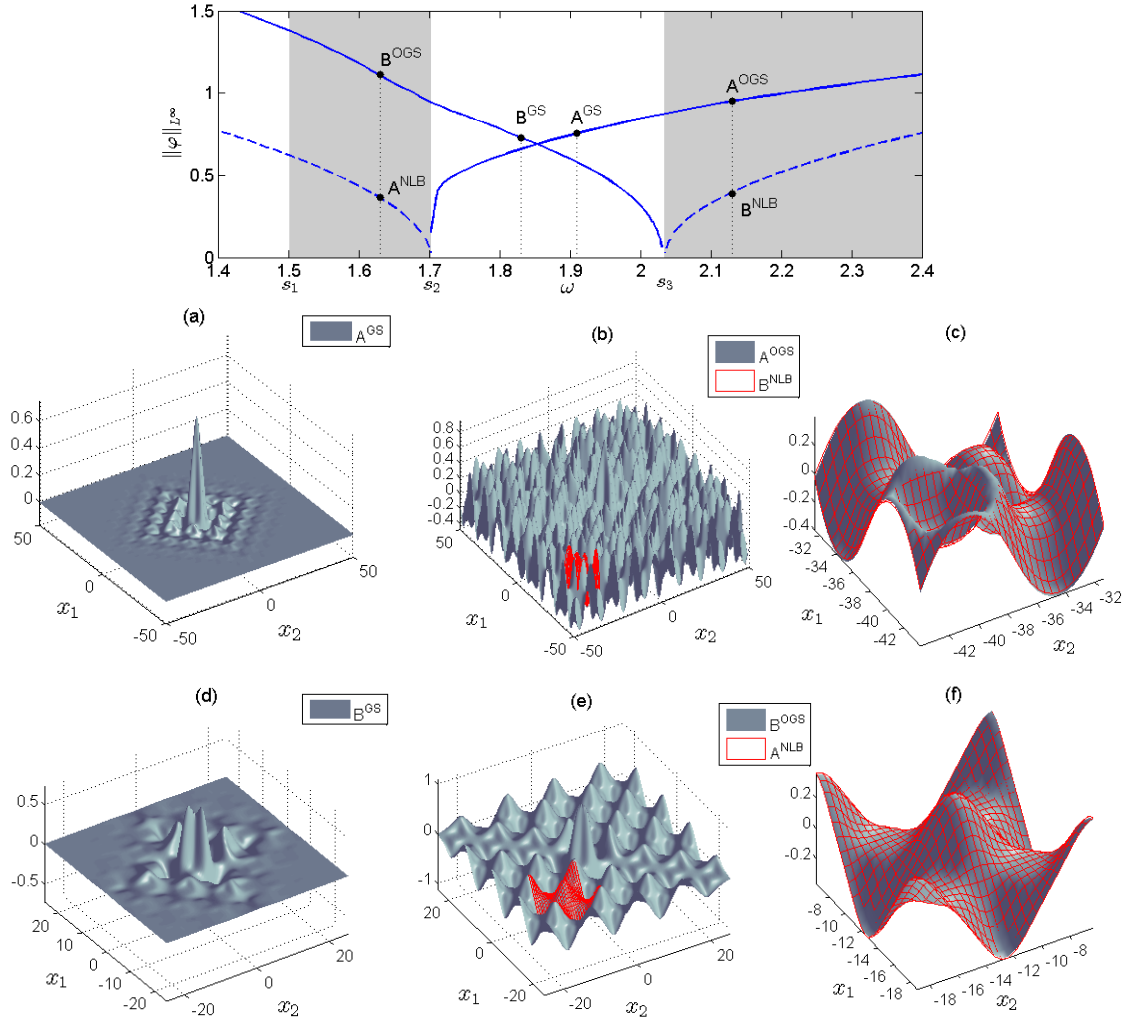


FIGURE 11. Continuation of 2D-GS from the first spectral gap to OGS, see the text for comments.

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