Parametric representation of waves propagation in transmission bands of periodic media

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• Parametric resonance

- in mechanics: systems with external sources of energy

(e.g., the pendulum with oscillating pivot point, periodically varying stiffness, mass, or load),

- in fluid or plasma mechanics: frequency modulation or density fluctuations,
- in mathematical biology: periodic environmental changes.

Hill equation (analysis of the orbit of the Moon — lunar stability problem, modelling of a quadrupole mass spectrometer, as the 1D Schrödinger equation of an electron in a crystal, etc.):

$$\ddot{x} + \left(\omega_0^2 + p(t)\right)x = 0,$$
(1)

where ω_0 is a constant, and p(t) is a π -periodic function with zero average. More generally:

$$\ddot{x} + k\dot{x} + \left(\omega_0^2 + p(t)\right)F(x) = 0,$$
(2)

where k > 0 is the damping coefficient, and $F(x) = x + bx^2 + cx^3 + \cdots$.

Mathieu equation (stability of railroad rails as trains drive over them, seasonally forced population dynamics, the Floquet theory of the stability of limit cycles, etc.):

$$\ddot{x} + (a - 2q\cos 2t) x = 0, \tag{3}$$

where a is a real constant, and q can be complex.

Lamé equation (when we replace circular functions by elliptic ones):

$$\ddot{x} + (A + B\wp(t))x = 0, \tag{4}$$

where A, B are some constants, and $\wp(t)$ is the Weierstrass elliptic function. Another form:

$$\ddot{x} + \left(A + B\operatorname{sn}^{2} t\right)x = 0, \tag{5}$$

where sn(t) is the Jacobi elliptic function of the first kind.

• One-dimensional wave equation

Let us consider the following one-dimensional wave equation:

$$w''(x) + q^2(x)w(x) = 0, \qquad q(x) = \frac{\omega}{c}n(x),$$
(6)

which describes the harmonic waves $\sim \exp(-i\omega t)$ propagating in a nonuniform dielectric medium with gradually varying dielectric refraction index n(x); c is the speed of light in vacuum and \prime denotes the differentiation with respect to x.

• Floquet theorem

According to the Floquet theorem, for any periodic refraction index $n(x) = n(x + \lambda)$ (or equivalently for any periodic coefficient $q(x) = q(x + \lambda)$) the one-dimensional wave equation (6) has a quasi-periodic solution

$$w(x) = \widetilde{w}(x) \exp(\pm \mu x),\tag{7}$$

where $\tilde{w}(x)$ is a periodic function and the characteristic exponent μ can be either (i) real or (ii) purely imaginary. The former case corresponds to a parametric (anti-)resonance in the stop bands of the periodic structure, and the latter one to a periodic modulation of the carrier travelling wave.

• Periodic part of the solution

The one-dimensional wave equation for $\widetilde{w}(x)$ has the following form:

$$\widetilde{w}''(x) \pm 2\mu \widetilde{w}'(x) + \left[q^2(x) + \mu^2\right] \widetilde{w}(x) = 0.$$
(8)

• Admittance function

If we introduce an admittance function

$$y(x) = \frac{w'(x)}{q(x)w(x)} \qquad \Rightarrow \qquad w(x) = w_0 \exp\left[\int y(x)q(x)dx\right],\tag{9}$$

then it is easy to observe that Eq. (6) can be equivalently rewritten as follows:

$$q(x)y'(x) + q'(x)y(x) + q^{2}(x)\left[1 + y^{2}(x)\right] = 0,$$
(10)

i.e.,

$$\int \frac{y'(x)dx}{q(x)\left[1+y^2(x)\right]} + \int \frac{y(x)q'(x)dx}{q^2(x)\left[1+y^2(x)\right]} = x_0 - x.$$
(11)

• Harmonic oscillator

If $q(x) \equiv q_0$ is a constant, then Eq. (11) reads

$$\frac{1}{q_0} \int \frac{dy}{1+y^2} = x_0 - x. \tag{12}$$

The integral can be easily integrated with the substitution $y = \operatorname{ctg} \psi$, $dy = -d\psi/\sin^2\psi$, $1 + y^2 = 1/\sin^2\psi$. Then

$$\psi = \operatorname{ctg}^{-1} y = \psi_0 + q_0 \left(x - x_0 \right) = q_0 \left(x - \tilde{x}_0 \right), \qquad \tilde{x}_0 = x_0 - \frac{\psi_0}{q_0}, \tag{13}$$

and

$$w(x) = w_0 \exp\left[q_0 \int \operatorname{ctg} q_0 \left(x - \widetilde{x}_0\right) dx\right] = w_0 \exp\left[\int \frac{d \sin q_0 \left(x - \widetilde{x}_0\right)}{\sin q_0 \left(x - \widetilde{x}_0\right)}\right] = \widetilde{w}_0 \sin q_0 \left(x - \widetilde{x}_0\right).$$
(14)

• (i) real characteristic exponent

A wide class of analytical solutions can be found by the method of phase parameter:

$$y(x) = \operatorname{ctg} \psi(x). \tag{15}$$

Then Eq. (10) reads

$$-\frac{q(x)\psi'(x)}{\sin^2\psi(x)} + q'(x)\operatorname{ctg}\psi(x) + \frac{q^2(x)}{\sin^2\psi(x)} = 0,$$
(16)

i.e.,

$$\psi'(x) - \frac{q'(x)}{2q(x)}\sin 2\psi(x) = q(x).$$
(17)

If there exists the inversion $x = X(\psi)$, then we can write w(x), y(x), and q(x) as functions of ψ , i.e.,

$$w[X(\psi)] = W(\psi), \quad y[X(\psi)] = Y(\psi) \equiv \operatorname{ctg} \psi, \quad q[X(\psi)] = Q(\psi).$$
(18)

Then Eqs. (9) and (11) can be rewritten as follows:

$$W(\psi) = w_0 \sin \psi \exp\left[-\int \dot{G}(\psi) \cos^2 \psi \, d\psi\right],\tag{19}$$

$$X(\psi) = x_0 + \frac{1}{q_0} \left[\int \frac{d\psi}{\exp G(\psi)} - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\dot{G}(\psi) \sin 2\psi \, d\psi}{\exp G(\psi)} \right],\tag{20}$$

where we made a substitution $Q(\psi) = q_0 \exp G(\psi)$; here and below dots denote the differentiation with respect to ψ .

• Periodic refraction index

In particular, for any periodic refraction index $n(x) = n(x + \lambda)$ defined implicitly by a Fourier series

$$G(\psi) = a_0 + \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left(a_{2m} \cos 2m\psi + b_{2m} \sin 2m\psi \right),$$
(21)

we obtain a Floquet solution

$$w(x) = \widetilde{w}(x) \exp(-\mu x), \tag{22}$$

where $\widetilde{w}(x)$ is a periodic function, i.e.,

$$\widetilde{w}(x+2\lambda) = \widetilde{w}(x),\tag{23}$$

and the characteristic exponent $\mu = \nu/\lambda$ is given by the explicit formulae for the period λ :

$$\lambda = \frac{2}{q_0} \int_0^\pi \exp\left[-G(\psi)\right] \sin^2 \psi d\psi, \tag{24}$$

and attenuation per period ν :

$$\nu = \int_0^\pi G(\psi) \sin 2\psi d\psi.$$
(25)

These analytical relations, giving the very simple description of the wave field attenuation in a periodic structure, are useful for the optimal design of multilayer mirrors and Bragg fiber claddings. However, from the theoretical point of view this solution remains incomplete until a similar parametric representation is found for propagating waves in transmission bands of a periodic medium.

\bullet (*ii*) complex characteristic exponent

For a complex wave also is possible to define a phase parameter $\psi(x)$, which obviously must be a homogeneous function of w(x) and w'(x).

Let us observe that

$$\frac{y(x)+i}{y(x)-i} = \frac{\operatorname{ctg}\psi+i}{\operatorname{ctg}\psi-i} = \frac{\cos\psi+i\sin\psi}{\cos\psi-i\sin\psi} = \exp\left(2i\psi\right),\tag{26}$$

then Eq. (15) can be equivalently rewritten as follows:

$$\psi(x) = \operatorname{ctg}^{-1} y(x) = \frac{1}{2i} \ln \frac{y(x) + i}{y(x) - i} = \frac{1}{2i} \ln \frac{w'(x) + iq(x)w(x)}{w'(x) - iq(x)w(x)}.$$
(27)

Let us define the quasi-phase parameter $\psi(x)$ of a complex wave function w(x) as follows:

$$\psi(x) = \frac{1}{2i} \ln \frac{w'(x) + iq(x)w(x)}{w^{*'}(x) - iq(x)w^{*}(x)} = \int \left\{ q(x) + \frac{q'(x)}{q(x)} \frac{\operatorname{Re}\left[y(x)\right]}{|y(x) + i|^2} \right\} dx.$$
(28)

The complex-valued admittance y(x) as a function of ψ reads

$$y[X(\psi)] = Y(\psi) = \frac{\dot{W}(\psi)}{\dot{X}(\psi)Q(\psi)W(\psi)},$$
(29)

and then Eq. (1) can be rewritten as a pair of nonlinear differential equations

$$\dot{X} = \frac{1}{Q} \left(1 - \frac{\dot{G} \operatorname{Re} Y}{|Y+i|^2} \right), \qquad \dot{Y} = \frac{\dot{G} \operatorname{Im} Y \left[i \left(Y^2 - 1 \right) - 2Y \right]}{|Y+i|^2} - \left(1 + Y^2 \right). \tag{30}$$

Proof. The second part of Eq. (28) can be obtained from the first one by the direct calculation of the integral representation of the logarithm, i.e.,

$$\operatorname{Re}\left[\frac{1}{i}\int\frac{d(w'+iqw)}{w'+iqw}\right] = \operatorname{Re}\left[\frac{1}{i}\int\frac{w''+i(qw'+q'w)}{w'+iqw}dx\right]$$
(31)

and now, using Eq. (6) and the facts that $\operatorname{Re}(iz) = -\operatorname{Im}(z)$, $\operatorname{Im}(iz) = \operatorname{Re}(z)$, we finally obtain that Eq. (31) can be rewritten as follows:

$$\operatorname{Im}\left[\int \frac{iq\left(w'+iqw\right)+iq'w}{w'+iqw}dx\right] = \int \left(q + \frac{q'}{q}\operatorname{Re}\left[\frac{1}{y(x)+i}\right]\right)dx.$$
(32)

Let us also note that

$$|y(x) + i|^{2} = |y(x)|^{2} + 2\operatorname{Im}[y(x)] + 1.$$
(33)

As for the first of Eqs. (30), it follows directly from Eq. (28), i.e.,

$$\frac{d\psi}{dx} \equiv \frac{1}{\dot{X}(\psi)} = Q(\psi) + \frac{\dot{G}(\psi)}{\dot{X}(\psi)} \frac{\operatorname{Re}\left[Y(\psi)\right]}{|Y(\psi) + i|^2}.$$
(34)

And the second of Eqs. (30) is obtained inserting w''(x) = [q(x)w(x)h(x)]' into Eq. (6), then

$$w''[X(\psi)] = Q^2 W \left(\frac{\dot{Y} + Y\dot{G}}{Q\dot{X}} + Y^2\right) \equiv -Q^2 W = -q^2 w,$$
(35)

what provides us also with the compatibility condition (cf. Eq. (10))

$$\dot{Y} + Y\dot{G} + (1+Y^2)Q\dot{X} = 0$$
(36)

imposing constraints on choosing the complex admittance $Y(\psi)$.

• \mathcal{R}, \mathcal{Y} -variables

For the sake of convenience, let us denote $Y = \mathcal{R} \exp(i\mathcal{Y})$ and separate real and imaginary parts of the second of Eqs. (30), then as a result we obtain the following pair of nonlinear differential equations:

$$\dot{\mathcal{R}} = -\dot{G} \mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{Y}) \left[2\mathcal{R} + (1 + \mathcal{R}^2) \sin \mathcal{Y} \right] - (1 + \mathcal{R}^2) \cos \mathcal{Y} = -\dot{G} \mathcal{R} + (\mathcal{R}^2 + 1) \left[\dot{G} \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{Y}) - 1 \right] \cos \mathcal{Y}, \quad (37)$$

$$\dot{\mathcal{Y}} = \frac{\mathcal{R}^2 - 1}{\mathcal{R}} \left[\dot{G} \, \mathcal{C} \left(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{Y} \right) - 1 \right] \sin \mathcal{Y}, \tag{38}$$

where

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) = \frac{\mathcal{R}\sin\mathcal{Y}}{1+\mathcal{R}^2+2\mathcal{R}\sin\mathcal{Y}}, \quad \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) = \frac{\mathcal{R}\cos\mathcal{Y}}{1+\mathcal{R}^2+2\mathcal{R}\sin\mathcal{Y}}.$$
(39)

Let us also note that in new variables we have that

Re
$$Y(\psi) = \mathcal{R}(\psi) \cos \mathcal{Y}(\psi)$$
, Im $Y(\psi) = \mathcal{R}(\psi) \sin \mathcal{Y}(\psi)$ (40)

and

$$|Y(\psi) + i|^2 = 1 + \mathcal{R}^2(\psi) + 2\mathcal{R}(\psi)\sin\mathcal{Y}(\psi).$$
(41)

Then the functions $\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{Y})$ and $\mathcal{C}(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{Y})$ can be also defined as follows:

$$\mathcal{S}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) = \frac{\operatorname{Im} Y(\psi)}{|Y(\psi) + i|^2}, \qquad \mathcal{C}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) = \frac{\operatorname{Re} Y(\psi)}{|Y(\psi) + i|^2}$$
(42)

with the compatibility condition

$$S^{2}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) + \mathcal{C}^{2}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) = \frac{|Y(\psi)|^{2}}{|Y(\psi) + i|^{4}}.$$
(43)

• Another form of equations

Let us note that Eqs. (37) and (38) can be equivalently rewritten as follows:

$$\frac{\dot{\mathcal{R}} + \dot{G}\mathcal{R}}{\mathcal{R}^2 + 1} = \left[\dot{G} \,\mathcal{C} \,(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{Y}) - 1 \right] \cos \mathcal{Y},\tag{44}$$

$$\frac{\mathcal{R}\dot{\mathcal{Y}}}{\mathcal{R}^2 - 1} = \left[\dot{G}\,\mathcal{C}\,(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) - 1\right]\sin\mathcal{Y}.\tag{45}$$

• Solution

In a general complex case Eqs. (37) and (38) can be integrated with respect to $\mathcal{Y}(\psi)$:

$$\mathcal{Y}(\psi) = \arcsin\left\{\frac{1+\mathcal{R}^2(\psi)}{\mathcal{R}(\psi)}Q(\psi)\exp\left[-2\int\frac{\dot{G}(\psi)d\psi}{1+\mathcal{R}^2(\psi)}\right]\right\}.$$
(46)

Proof. Let us denote

$$\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) = \frac{\mathcal{R}\sin\mathcal{Y}}{\mathcal{R}^2 + 1}.$$
(47)

Then using Eqs. (37) and (38) we can calculate its derivative with respect to ψ :

$$\dot{\mathcal{J}}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}) = \frac{(1-\mathcal{R}^2)\dot{\mathcal{R}}\sin\mathcal{Y} + (1+\mathcal{R}^2)\mathcal{R}\dot{\mathcal{Y}}\cos\mathcal{Y}}{(\mathcal{R}^2+1)^2} = \frac{\mathcal{R}^2-1}{\mathcal{R}^2+1}\dot{G}\mathcal{J}(\mathcal{R},\mathcal{Y}).$$
(48)

We see that Eq. (48) can be easily integrated.

• Second-order nonlinear differential equation

For the function $\mathcal{C}(\psi) = \mathcal{C}[\mathcal{R}(\psi), \mathcal{Y}(\psi)]$ we obtain a nice nonlinear second-order differential equation

$$\ddot{\mathcal{C}}(\psi) + 4\mathcal{C}(\psi) = \frac{\dot{G}(\psi)}{2} \left[\dot{\mathcal{C}}^2(\psi) + 4\mathcal{C}^2(\psi) - 1 \right]$$
(49)

with the eigenfrequency 2 and modulation determined by the variable refraction index

$$n(x) = n_0 \exp\left[G\left[\psi(x)\right]\right],\tag{50}$$

where $n_0 = (c/\omega) q_0$.

• Parametric solutions

Therefore, there are two ways of constructing sought parametric solutions:

- (i) to define $G(\psi)$ and then solve Eq. (49) with respect to $\mathcal{C}(\psi)$ or
- (*ii*) to define $C(\psi)$ and then find $G(\psi)$ by integration:

$$G(\psi) = 2 \int \frac{\ddot{\mathcal{C}}(\psi) + 4\mathcal{C}(\psi)}{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^2(\psi) + 4\mathcal{C}^2(\psi) - 1} d\psi.$$
(51)

Remark: If we take that $\dot{\mathcal{C}}(\psi) \equiv 0$, then the function $\mathcal{C}(\psi)$ is constant and from Eq. (51) we obtain that

$$G(\psi) = \frac{8\mathcal{C}}{4\mathcal{C}^2 - 1} \left(\psi - \psi_0\right).$$
(52)

• Relations

The variables \mathcal{R} and \mathcal{Y} can be expressed through \mathcal{C} and its first derivative $\dot{\mathcal{C}}$ as follows:

ctg
$$\mathcal{Y} = \frac{\mathcal{C}}{\mathcal{S}} = \frac{4\mathcal{C}}{1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 - \dot{\mathcal{C}}^2}, \qquad \mathcal{R}^2 = \frac{4\mathcal{C}^2 + (1 + \dot{\mathcal{C}})^2}{4\mathcal{C}^2 + (1 - \dot{\mathcal{C}})^2}.$$
 (53)

Therefore, the complex admittance $Y = \mathcal{R} \exp(i\mathcal{Y})$ can be expressed through \mathcal{C} and its first derivative $\dot{\mathcal{C}}$ as follows:

$$Y = (1 + \mathcal{R}^2) \left[\frac{\mathcal{R}\cos\mathcal{Y}}{1 + \mathcal{R}^2} + i \, \frac{\mathcal{R}\sin\mathcal{Y}}{1 + \mathcal{R}^2} \right] = \frac{4\mathcal{C} + i\left(1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 - \dot{\mathcal{C}}^2\right)}{4\mathcal{C}^2 + \left(1 - \dot{\mathcal{C}}\right)^2}.$$
(54)

If the functions $Q(\psi)$ and/or $\mathcal{C}(\psi)$ are given, then the following expressions for $X(\psi)$ and the complex-valued wave function $W(\psi)$ can be written:

$$X(\psi) = \int \left(1 - \dot{G}(\psi)\mathcal{C}(\psi)\right) \frac{d\psi}{Q(\psi)},\tag{55}$$

$$W(\psi) = w_0 \exp\left[\int \left(1 - \dot{G}(\psi)\mathcal{C}(\psi)\right)Y(\psi)d\psi\right] = w_0 \exp\left[\int \frac{\left(1 - \dot{G}\mathcal{C}\right)\left[4\mathcal{C} + i\left(1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 - \dot{\mathcal{C}}^2\right)\right]}{4\mathcal{C}^2 + \left(1 - \dot{\mathcal{C}}\right)^2}d\psi\right].$$
 (56)

• Partial solutions

Let us note that for any function $\dot{G}(\psi)$ there are two particular solutions of Eq. (49), namely,

$$C_1(\psi) = \alpha \sin \beta \psi, \qquad C_2(\psi) = \alpha \cos \beta \psi,$$
(57)

where

$$\alpha = \pm \frac{1}{\beta}, \qquad \beta = \pm 2. \tag{58}$$

Proof. It is easy to check that the first particular solution $C_1(\psi)$ is the solution of Eq. (49) by direct calculations of the following terms:

$$\hat{\mathcal{C}}_1(\psi) + 4\mathcal{C}_1(\psi) = (4 - \beta^2) \alpha \sin \beta \psi, \qquad (59)$$

$$\dot{\mathcal{C}}_{1}^{2}(\psi) + 4\mathcal{C}_{1}^{2}(\psi) - 1 = \left(4 - \beta^{2}\right)\alpha^{2}\sin^{2}\beta\psi + \left(\alpha^{2}\beta^{2} - 1\right).$$
(60)

Therefore, if we suppose that α and β fulfil the following conditions:

$$\alpha^2 \beta^2 - 1 = 0, \qquad 4 - \beta^2 = 0, \tag{61}$$

then for any function $\dot{G}(\psi)$ the left- and right-hand sides of Eq. (49) are equal to zero separately.

The same is true for the second particular solution $C_2(\psi)$.

• Real-valued admittance

For the partial solutions of Eq. (49), the admittance $Y(\psi)$ is purely real, i.e.,

$$Y(\psi) = \begin{cases} "+": \ \operatorname{ctg}(\psi - \psi_0), \\ "-": \ -\operatorname{tg}(\psi - \psi_0), \end{cases}$$
(62)

therefore, for any given function $\dot{G}(\psi)$ (equivalently $Q(\psi)$) we obtain the following expressions for $X(\psi)$:

$$X(\psi) = \int \left[1 \mp \dot{G}(\psi) \sin\left(\psi - \psi_0\right) \cos\left(\psi - \psi_0\right) \right] \frac{d\psi}{Q(\psi)},\tag{63}$$

and the complex-valued wave function $W(\psi)$:

$$W(\psi) = w_0 \sqrt{1 - Z^2(\psi)} \exp\left[-\int \dot{G}(\psi) Z^2(\psi) d\psi\right], \qquad (64)$$

where

$$Z(\psi) = \begin{cases} "+": \cos(\psi - \psi_0), \\ "-": \sin(\psi - \psi_0). \end{cases}$$
(65)

• Special solutions

Though it is hardly possible to find the exact solution of Eq. (49) in a general case, the above analysis clarifies the nature of quasi-periodic Bloch waves in the transmission band and allows one to construct a wide class of special analytical solutions. A continual set of integrable wave equations can be obtained if we choose

$$\dot{G}\left[\psi(\mathcal{C})\right] = \frac{d\ln M(\mathcal{C})}{d\mathcal{C}} = \frac{1}{M(\mathcal{C})} \frac{dM(\mathcal{C})}{d\mathcal{C}},\tag{66}$$

where $M(\mathcal{C})$ is an arbitrary real-valued function. In this case Eq. (49) has an energy integral

$$\dot{\mathcal{C}}^2 = 1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 + M(\mathcal{C}) \tag{67}$$

and a periodic solution $C(\psi) = C(\psi + \tau)$ given by the following expressions:

$$\psi = \pm \int \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 + M(\mathcal{C})}}, \qquad \tau = 2 \int_{\mathcal{C}_{-}}^{\mathcal{C}_{+}} \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 + M(\mathcal{C})}}, \tag{68}$$

where the turning points \mathcal{C}_{\pm} are the roots of the radical.

Proof. Let us notice that using Eq. (66) we can calculate the complete derivative of $M[\mathcal{C}(\psi)]$ with respect to ψ as follows:

$$\frac{\dot{M}(\mathcal{C})}{M(\mathcal{C})} = \frac{1}{M(\mathcal{C})} \frac{dM(\mathcal{C})}{d\mathcal{C}} \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{d\psi} = \dot{G}\dot{\mathcal{C}}.$$
(69)

Then rewriting Eq. (49) in the form

$$\dot{G}\dot{\mathcal{C}} = \frac{2\dot{\mathcal{C}}\left(\ddot{\mathcal{C}} + 4\mathcal{C}\right)}{\dot{\mathcal{C}}^2 + 4\mathcal{C}^2 - 1} = \frac{d}{d\psi}\ln\left[\dot{\mathcal{C}}^2 + 4\mathcal{C}^2 - 1\right] \equiv \frac{d}{d\psi}\ln M(\mathcal{C})$$
(70)

and integrating Eq. (70) we obtain Eq. (67).

• General reasoning

Eq. (49) can be written in the following form:

$$\ddot{\mathcal{C}} = f\left(\dot{\mathcal{C}}, \mathcal{C}, \psi\right),\tag{71}$$

where the direct dependence on ψ is realized only through the function $\dot{G}(\psi)$. Let us suppose that in some way we have rewritten it as a function of \mathcal{C} , i.e., $\dot{G}(\mathcal{C}) = \dot{G}[\psi(\mathcal{C})]$. Then in Eq. (71) the direct dependence on ψ is missing, and therefore, we can take \mathcal{C} as an independent variable. Then we obtain that $\dot{\mathcal{C}} = y(\mathcal{C}), \ \ddot{\mathcal{C}} = y(\mathcal{C})y'(\mathcal{C})$, and Eq. (71) reads

$$2y(\mathcal{C})y'(\mathcal{C}) - \dot{G}(\mathcal{C})y^2(\mathcal{C}) = \dot{G}(\mathcal{C})\left(4\mathcal{C}^2 - 1\right) - 8\mathcal{C},\tag{72}$$

where \prime denotes the derivative with respect to C. Let us note that

$$\left(\frac{y^2}{M(\mathcal{C})}\right)' = \frac{1}{M(\mathcal{C})} \left[2yy' - \frac{M'(\mathcal{C})}{M(\mathcal{C})}y^2\right],\tag{73}$$

and we see that to integrate Eq. (72) it is enough to suppose that the connection between the functions $G(\mathcal{C})$ and $M(\mathcal{C})$ is given by Eq. (66). Then we obtain the following first-order differential equation:

$$\dot{\mathcal{C}}^2 = y^2 = M(\mathcal{C}) \left[\int \frac{4\mathcal{C}^2 - 1}{M^2(\mathcal{C})} \, dM(\mathcal{C}) - \int \frac{8\mathcal{C}}{M(\mathcal{C})} \, d\mathcal{C} \right]. \tag{74}$$

If we compare Eq. (74) with Eq. (67), we obtain the compatibility condition

$$\frac{4\mathcal{C}^2 - 1}{M(\mathcal{C})} + \int \frac{4\mathcal{C}^2 - 1}{M^2(\mathcal{C})} dM(\mathcal{C}) = 1 + \int \frac{8\mathcal{C}}{M(\mathcal{C})} d\mathcal{C}.$$
(75)

• $M(\mathcal{C}) = const \implies sin$

If we suppose that the function $M(\mathcal{C})$ is constant, i.e.,

$$M(\mathcal{C}) = c, \qquad c > -1, \qquad c \neq 0, \tag{76}$$

then $\dot{G} = 0$ and we obtain that

$$\psi(\mathcal{C}) = \pm \int \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1+c-4\mathcal{C}^2}} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dy}{\sqrt{1-y^2}}, \qquad y = \frac{2\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1+c}}, \tag{77}$$
$$\mathcal{C}(\psi) = \pm \frac{\sqrt{1+c}}{2} \sin 2(\psi - \psi_0), \qquad \psi_0 = \psi(0). \tag{78}$$

• $M(\mathcal{C}) = c + 8e\mathcal{C} \implies \sin$

If we suppose that

$$M(\mathcal{C}) = c + 8e\mathcal{C}, \qquad c > -1 - 4e^2, \qquad c \neq 0,$$
 (79)

where c and e are constants, then

$$\psi(\mathcal{C}) = \pm \int \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1+c+8e\mathcal{C}-4\mathcal{C}^2}} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dy}{\sqrt{1-y^2}}, \qquad y = \frac{2(\mathcal{C}-e)}{\sqrt{1+c+4e^2}}.$$
(80)

$$C(\psi) = e \pm \frac{\sqrt{1+c+4e^2}}{2} \sin 2(\psi - \psi_0).$$
(81)

•
$$M(\mathcal{C}) = c + 8e\mathcal{C} - d^2\mathcal{C}^2 \implies \sin$$

If we suppose that

$$M(\mathcal{C}) = c + 8e\mathcal{C} - d^2\mathcal{C}^2, \qquad c > -1 - \frac{16e^2}{d^2 + 4}, \qquad c \neq 0,$$
(82)

where c, e, and d are constants, then

$$\psi(\mathcal{C}) = \pm \int \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1+c+8e\mathcal{C} - (d^2+4)\mathcal{C}^2}} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dy}{\sqrt{1-y^2}}, \quad y = \frac{(d^2+4)\mathcal{C} - 4e}{\sqrt{(1+c)(d^2+4) + 16e^2}}.$$

$$\mathcal{C}(\psi) = \frac{1}{d^2+4} \left\{ 4e \pm \sqrt{(1+c)(d^2+4) + 16e^2} \sin\left[\sqrt{d^2+4}(\psi-\psi_0)\right] \right\}.$$
(83)

•
$$M(\mathcal{C}) = c + 8e\mathcal{C} + (k^2 + 4)\mathcal{C}^2 \implies \text{sh}$$

If we suppose that

$$M(\mathcal{C}) = c + 8e\mathcal{C} + (k^2 + 4)\mathcal{C}^2, \qquad c > -1 + \frac{16e^2}{k^2}, \qquad k > 0, \qquad c \neq 0,$$
(85)

where c, e, and k are constants, then

$$\psi(\mathcal{C}) = \pm \int \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1+c+8e\mathcal{C}+k^2\mathcal{C}^2}} = \pm \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dy}{\sqrt{1+y^2}}, \qquad y = \frac{k^2\mathcal{C}+4e}{\sqrt{(1+c)k^2-16e^2}}.$$
(86)

$$\mathcal{C}(\psi) = \frac{1}{k^2} \left\{ -4e \pm \sqrt{(1+c)k^2 - 16e^2} \operatorname{sh} k \left(\psi - \psi_0\right) \right\}.$$
(87)

•
$$M(\mathcal{C}) = (4a^2 - 1) + b^2 \mathcal{C}^4 \implies \text{sn}$$

Let us also consider an instructive example of modulated waves in a periodic dielectric medium, determined by the following potential:

$$M(\mathcal{C}) = (4a^2 - 1) + b^2 \mathcal{C}^4, \qquad a, b > 0, \qquad ab < 1, \qquad 4a^2 \neq 1.$$
(88)

Then we obtain that

$$\psi(\mathcal{C}) = \psi_0 \pm \int_0^{\mathcal{C}} \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{4a^2 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 + b^2\mathcal{C}^4}} = \psi_0 \pm \frac{1}{b} \int_0^{\mathcal{C}} \frac{d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{(\mathcal{C}_+^2 - \mathcal{C}^2)(\mathcal{C}_-^2 - \mathcal{C}^2)}},\tag{89}$$

where the roots of the radical are given as follows:

$$\mathcal{C}_{\pm}^{2} = \frac{2}{b^{2}} \left(1 \pm \sqrt{1 - a^{2}b^{2}} \right).$$
(90)

If we take that $C_+ > C_- > C > 0$ (the roots C_{\pm} are real for $ab \leq 1$; additionally the condition $C_+ > C_-$ imposes $ab \neq 1$), then the auxiliary function $C(\psi)$ is expressed through the Jacobi elliptic functions of the first kind:

$$C(\psi) = \pm a\sqrt{1+p^2} \,\operatorname{sn}\left[\frac{2\,(\psi-\psi_0)}{\sqrt{1+p^2}}, p\right],\tag{91}$$

where

$$\frac{\mathcal{C}_{-}}{\mathcal{C}_{+}} = p = \frac{\sqrt{1 - \sqrt{1 - a^2 b^2}}}{\sqrt{1 + \sqrt{1 - a^2 b^2}}} = \frac{1 - \sqrt{1 - a^2 b^2}}{ab}, \qquad \sqrt{1 + p^2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{ab}\sqrt{1 - \sqrt{1 - a^2 b^2}} = \frac{\mathcal{C}_{-}}{a}, \qquad \mathcal{C}_{+}\mathcal{C}_{-} = \frac{2a}{b}, \qquad (92)$$

• Complex-valued wave function

For any given function $M[\mathcal{C}(\psi)]$ the complex-valued wave function $W(\psi)$ can be rewritten as follows:

$$W = w_0 \exp\left[\pm \int \frac{4\mathcal{C} - iM}{4\mathcal{C}^2 + \left(1 \mp \sqrt{1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 + M}\right)^2} \frac{(M - \mathcal{C}M') \, d\mathcal{C}}{M\sqrt{1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 + M}}\right].$$
(93)

In particular, for the complex increment we obtain that

$$\chi + i\eta = \ln\left[\frac{W(\psi + \tau)}{W(\psi)}\right] = 2\int_{\mathcal{C}_{-}}^{\mathcal{C}_{+}} \frac{2+M}{M^{2} + 16\mathcal{C}^{2}} \left\{\frac{4\mathcal{C}}{M} - i\right\} \frac{(M - \mathcal{C}M')\,d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1 - 4\mathcal{C}^{2} + M}}.$$
(94)

• Even functions $M(\mathcal{C})$

Let us take an arbitrary even function $M(\mathcal{C})$, then the function

$$G(\psi) = \int \dot{G}(\psi)d\psi = \pm \int \frac{dM(\mathcal{C})}{M(\mathcal{C})\sqrt{1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 + M(\mathcal{C})}}$$
(95)

will be periodic. Moreover, for any even function $M(\mathcal{C})$ we have that

$$\chi = 2 \int_{\mathcal{C}_{-}}^{\mathcal{C}_{+}} \frac{2+M}{M^{2}+16\mathcal{C}^{2}} \left\{ 1 - \frac{\mathcal{C}M'}{M} \right\} \frac{4\mathcal{C}d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1-4\mathcal{C}^{2}+M}} = 0,$$
(96)

which means that $|W(\psi)|$ is periodic, while the phase advance per period τ , i.e.,

$$\eta = 4 \int_0^{\mathcal{C}_+} \frac{2+M}{M^2 + 16\mathcal{C}^2} \frac{(\mathcal{C}M' - M) \, d\mathcal{C}}{\sqrt{1 - 4\mathcal{C}^2 + M}},\tag{97}$$

determines the modulation period $T = (2\pi/\eta) \tau$ of the quasi-periodic solution $W(\psi)$ predicted by the Floquets theory.

Thank you for your attention!