

Invariant measures for the periodic derivative nonlinear Schrödinger equation

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Abstract

We construct invariant measures associated to the integrals of motion of the periodic derivative nonlinear Schrödinger equation (DNLS) for small data in L^2 and we show these measures to be absolutely continuous with respect to the Gaussian measure. The key ingredient of the proof is the analysis of the gauge group of transformations associated to DNLS. As an intermediate step for our main result, we prove quasi-invariance with respect to the gauge maps of the Gaussian measure on L^2 with covariance ($\mathbb{I} + (-\Delta)^k$)⁻¹ for any $k \ge 2$.

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1 Introduction

In this paper we continue our studies on the periodic DNLS equation

$$\begin{cases} i\partial_t \psi + \psi'' = i\beta \left(\psi |\psi|^2\right)' \\ \psi(x,0) = \psi_0(x), \quad x \in \mathbb{T}, \end{cases}$$
(1.1)

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where $\psi(x, t) : \mathbb{T} \times \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{C}, \psi_0(x) : \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{C}, \psi'(x, t)$ denotes the derivative of ψ with respect to x, and $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$ is a real parameter. We denote by Φ_t the associated flow-map.

This is a dispersive nonlinear model describing the motion along the longitudinal direction of a circularly polarized wave, generated in a low density plasma by an external magnetic field [17]. It is an integrable system [13] (see also [8]), in the sense that there is an infinite sequence of linearly independent quantities (integrals of motion) which are conserved by the flow of (1.1) for sufficiently regular solutions.

In our previous work [9] we constructed a family of Gibbs measures, supported on Sobolev spaces of increasing regularity, associated to the integrals of motion of the DNLS equation. In this paper we construct a sequence of measures invariant along the flow. We prove these measures to be absolutely continuous with respect to the Gaussian measures, however we cannot show them to coincide with the Gibbs measures (albeit this is expected to be true).

The studies of PDEs from the perspective of statistical mechanics started with the seminal paper by Lebowitz et al. [16], where the periodic one dimensional NLS equation was studied by introducing the statistical ensembles naturally associated to the Hamiltonian functional. Successively, starting from the paper [3] Bourgain gave fundamental contributions to the development of this field, for a comprehensive exposition we refer to [4] and the references therein. For integrable PDEs one can profit from an infinite number of higher Hamiltonian functionals, in order to construct infinitely many invariant Gibbs measures. This was originally noted by Zhidkov [35], in the context of Korteweg-de Vries (KdV) equation and cubic nonlinear Schrödinger (NLS) equation on T. A similar result was achieved in the last years for the Benjamin-Ono equation on \mathbb{T} via a series of papers by Tzvetkov, Visciglia and Deng [6,7,27,30– 32]. In this case (likewise for DNLS) a more careful construction of the (invariant) measures is required compared to KdV and NLS. Recently a renewed interest invested the subject and numerous works treating different aspects of it for a large class of equations appeared. However we are not attempting here to give an exhaustive account of the literature, but we focus just on DNLS.

The construction of the Gibbs measure associated to the energy functional of the DNLS equation

$$E_1[\psi] = \frac{1}{2} \|\psi\|_{\dot{H}^1}^2 + \frac{3i}{4}\beta \int |\psi|^2 \psi' \bar{\psi} + \frac{\beta^2}{4} \|\psi\|_{L^6}^6, \qquad (1.2)$$

was achieved in [29], while in [20,21] the measure was proven to be invariant. The proof of [20] uses quite a sophisticated strategy, that we briefly explain. The best local well-posedness result for the DNLS equation in Sobolev spaces is for data in $H^{1/2}$ [11], which falls outside the support of the Gibbs measure (for existence of weak solutions below $H^{1/2}$ see [26]). However in [10] local well-posedness in the Fourier–Lebesgue spaces $\mathcal{F}L^{s,r}(\mathbb{T})$ with $r \in [2, \infty)$ and (s - 1)r < -1 is proven. The authors of [20] showed these spaces to be of full measure or more precisely that $(\iota, H^1, \mathcal{F}L^{s,r})$ is an abstract Wiener space, where $\iota : H^1 \mapsto \mathcal{F}L^{s,r}$ is the inclusion map (see [14]). Then they establish energy growth estimates $X_3^{2/3-,1/2}$, for initial data in $\mathcal{F}L^{2/3-,3}$.

In the present paper, we opt for a more probabilistic approach, closer to the one developed by Tzvetkov and Visciglia in the context of the Benjamin–Ono equation. As in [20], the gauge transformation introduced by Herr in the periodic setting (see [11]) constitutes one of the main ingredient of our proof, even though we make a different gauge choice. Indeed our gauge simplifies the integrals of motion rather than the equation. More precisely we consider a one-parameter family of gauge transformations (see (2.1) in Sect. 2), and for each integral of motion we select an appropriate value of the parameter. One of the advantages of this approach is that we can simply work in Sobolev spaces, without introducing any auxiliary functional space.

In the rest of the introduction we present the set-up in which our main Theorem 1.2 is stated and we explain the strategy of the proof.

1.1 Set-up and main results

We introduce here the objects we are going to deal with. According to a standard notation we denote by $H^{s}(\mathbb{T})$, $s \ge 0$, the completion of $C^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})$ with respect to the norm induced by the inner product

$$(f,g)_{H^s} := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} (1+n^{2s}) f(n) \bar{g}(n),$$

where f(n) is the *n*-th Fourier coefficient of f. For every $s \ge 0$, $H^s(\mathbb{T})$ is a separable Hilbert space, with $H^0(\mathbb{T}) = L^2(\mathbb{T})$. A function in $H^s(\mathbb{T})$ is represented as a sequence $\{f(n)\}_{n\in\mathbb{Z}}$ such that $\sum_{|n| \le N} (1 + n^{2s}) |f(n)|^2$ converges as $N \to \infty$. We also use the homogeneous Sobolev spaces $\dot{H}^s(\mathbb{T})$, defined as the completion of $C^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})$ with respect to the norm induced by the inner product

$$(f,g)_{\dot{H}^s} := \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} n^{2s} f(n) \bar{g}(n).$$

For $N \ge 0$, we consider the canonical projections

$$P_N: L^2(\mathbb{T}) \mapsto E_N := \operatorname{span}_{\mathbb{C}} \{ e^{inx} : |n| \leqslant N \},$$
(1.3)

defined as

$$P_N f := \sum_{|n| \leq N} e^{inx} f(n), \quad P_{N=\infty} f = f.$$

The orthogonal projections are $P_{>N} := \mathbb{I} - P_N$.

The space $L^2(\mathbb{T})$ can be equipped with a measurable-space structure as follows. Let $A \in \mathscr{B}(\mathbb{C}^{2N+1})$ be a Borel subset of \mathbb{C}^{2N+1} . We introduce the cylindrical sets

$$M_N(A) := \{ f \in L^2(\mathbb{T}) : (f(-N), \dots, f(N)) \in A \}.$$
(1.4)

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Hence, we define $\mathcal{T}_N := \{M_N(A)\}_{A \in \mathscr{B}(\mathbb{C}^{2N+1})}$ and $\mathcal{T} := \bigcup_{N \in \mathbb{N}} \mathcal{T}_N$, namely the algebra of cylindrical sets with Borel basis given by (1.4). We also denote by $\sigma(\mathcal{T})$ the smallest σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{T} . For any $N \in \mathbb{N}_0 := \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}, \mathcal{T}_N$ is isomorphic to $\mathscr{B}(\mathbb{C}^{2N+1})$, therefore we can identify $\sigma(\mathcal{T})$ with $\mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$, namely the Borel σ -algebra on $L^2(\mathbb{T})$. The Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{C}^{2N+1} naturally induces a measure on $(\mathcal{M}_N(\mathbb{C}^{2N+1}), \mathcal{T}_N)$, which (with a little abuse) we still refer to as Lebesgue measure, through

$$|M_N(A)| := c_N \int_A \left(\prod_{|n| \leqslant N} df(n) d\bar{f}(n) \right).$$
(1.5)

where c_N is a suitable constant. For any $k \in \mathbb{N}$, let $\mathbb{I} + (-\Delta)^k$ be the closure in $L^2(\mathbb{T})$ of the operator $1 + \left(-\frac{d^2}{dx^2}\right)^k$ acting on $C^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})$. This is a positive self-adjoint operator with a trivial kernel and its inverse $(\mathbb{I} + (-\Delta)^k)^{-1}$ is bounded and trace class. Therefore there exists a centred Gaussian probability measure with covariance $(\mathbb{I} + (-\Delta)^k)^{-1}$ (a standard reference is [14]), which we denote by γ_k , such that

$$\gamma_k(M_N(A)) := \frac{1}{Z_N} \int_A \left(\prod_{|n| \leq N} df(n) d\bar{f}(n) \right) e^{-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{|n| \leq N} (1+n^{2k}) |f(n)|^2}, \quad (1.6)$$

where Z_N is the normalisation constant.

For any $k \in \mathbb{N}$ the triple $(L^2(\mathbb{T}), \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T})), \gamma_k)$ is a Gaussian probability space. It is worth to recall that each measure γ_k concentrates on functions with less than $k - \frac{1}{2}$ derivatives in $L^2(\mathbb{T})$. More precisely

$$\gamma_k\left(\bigcap_{s< k-\frac{1}{2}}H^s(\mathbb{T})\right) = 1, \quad \gamma_k\left(H^{k-\frac{1}{2}}(\mathbb{T})\right) = 0.$$

With $L^p(\gamma_k)$ we denote the L^p spaces associated to γ_k .

We can now introduce the Gibbs measures constructed in [9]. Let R > 0 and let $\chi_R(x) := \chi(x/R)$ where $\chi : \mathbb{R} \to [0, 1]$ is a smooth compactly supported function such that $\chi(x) = 1$ for $|x| \leq 1/2$ and $\chi(x) = 0$ for |x| > 1. For $k \geq 2$, let us fix $R_m > 0$, for $m = 0, \ldots, k - 1$, and define the *k*-th Gibbs measure associated to the DNLS equation by

$$\rho_k(A) := \int_A \left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m} \left(E_m[\psi] \right) \right) e^{-\mathcal{Q}_k[\psi]} \gamma_k(d\psi), \quad A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T})), \tag{1.7}$$

where

$$Q_{k}[\psi] := E_{k}[\psi] - \frac{1}{2} \|\psi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2}$$
(1.8)

and E_1, \ldots, E_k are integrals of motion of the DNLS equation; see (2.15), (2.19). The measure ρ_k must be understood as the weak limit of the following sequence of measures. Given $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$, we denote

$$\mathcal{M}_N(A) := \{ f \in L^2(\mathbb{T}) : P_N f \in P_N A \}$$
(1.9)

the (cylindrical) set of all the $L^2(\mathbb{T})$ functions with base $P_N A$. Then we define

$$\rho_{k,N}(A) := \int_{\mathcal{M}_N(A)} \left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m} \left(E_m[P_N \psi] \right) \right) e^{-\mathcal{Q}_k[P_N \psi]} \gamma_k(d\psi).$$

Then the main result of [9] can be reformulated as follows:

Theorem 1.1 [9] Let $k \ge 2$ and let R_0 sufficiently small. Then $(L^2(\mathbb{T}), \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T})), \rho_k)$ is a probability space. Moreover, there exists $p_0 = p_0(R_0, \ldots, R_{k-1}, k, |\beta|) > 1$ such that, for all $1 \le p < p_0$, the Radon–Nykodim derivative $\frac{d\rho_k}{d\gamma_k}$ belongs to $L^{p_0}(\gamma_k)$. We can take p_0 arbitrarily large (but not $p_0 = \infty$) provided we choose a sufficiently smaller R_0 .

The small mass condition $R_0 \ll 1$ deserves few comments. As already mentioned, the periodic DNLS equation has been shown to be locally well-posed for initial data in $H^{s \ge 1/2}$ in [11]. Then, a standard procedure allows to globalise the local H^1 solutions with $\|\psi_0\|_{L^2} < \delta$, as long as δ is sufficiently small, by using the integral of motion E_1 and the Gagliardo–Nirenberg inequality

$$\|f\|_{L^{6}(\mathbb{T})}^{3} \leqslant \|f\|_{\dot{H}^{1}(\mathbb{T})} \|f\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{T})}^{2} + \frac{1}{2\pi} \|f\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{T})}^{3}.$$
(1.10)

However this approach does not give the best possible value for δ , which is an interesting open problem. The highest value of the mass for which global existence in $H^1(\mathbb{T})$ holds is $\delta = 2\sqrt{\pi/|\beta|}$. This was shown for the non-periodic framework in [34] and the argument was adapted to periodic DNLS in [19] (similarly, for the best result in $H^{\frac{1}{2}}(\mathbb{T})$ see [18]). Existence of global solution of DNLS on \mathbb{R} without any condition on the mass has been proven by inverse scattering method in [15]. In our approach the small mass condition is required to prove the integrability of the Gibbs densities. However from the standpoint of integrable systems it is reasonable to think that in the role of R_0 could be replaced by any R_j (once one looks at sufficiently regular solutions).

The main contribution of the present paper follows.

Theorem 1.2 Let $k \ge 2$ and let R_0 be sufficiently small. Then there exists a probability measure $\hat{\rho}_k$ on $(L^2(\mathbb{T}), \mathcal{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T})))$ a.c. w.r.t. γ_k , such that the flow-map Φ_t associated to DNLS is measure preserving in $(L^2(\mathbb{T}), \mathcal{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T})), \hat{\rho}_k)$.

An immediate but significant corollary follows by the Poincaré recurrence Theorem:

Corollary 1.3 Let $k \ge 2$ and let ψ be a solution of the DNLS equation with initial datum $\psi(x, 0) \in H^{s}(\mathbb{T})$ with $s < k - \frac{1}{2}$. For $\hat{\rho}_{k}$ -a.e. $\psi(x, 0)$ there exists a divergent sequence $\{t_{n}\}_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ such that

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \|\psi(x,t_n)-\psi(x,0)\|_{H^s}=0.$$

An analog conclusion for k = 1 follows from [20]. To the best of our knowledge, these are the sole known results on the long-time behaviour of the DNLS equation.

1.2 Strategy of the Proof

An alternative formulation of our main Theorem 1.2 is that for any $k \ge 2$ (in fact $k \ge 1$ considering also the result of [20]) the DNLS equation has the structure of an infinite-dimensional (Hamiltonian) dynamical system. Since the earlier works of Bourgain and Zhidkov it has revealed useful to approximate the infinite dimensional problem with a finite dimensional one, by considering the evolution of the first $|n| \le N$ Fourier modes of the solutions. These systems are actually Hamiltonian, but in general they do not preserve all the integrals of motion. This is often a major issue to cope with in this class of problems. However one expects the integrals of motion to be conserved in the limit $N \to \infty$. Following an approach developed by Tzvetkov and Visciglia for the Benjamin–Ono equation, we will show that the derivative of the integrals of motion along the flow of the truncated systems vanishes in the $L^2(\gamma_k)$ mean. Actually, as first observed in [31], one can reduce to consider only the derivative at the initial time, which is a crucial simplification.

It is helpful to recall that the integrals of motion of DNLS have the following form

$$E_{k}[\psi] = \frac{1}{2} \|\psi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} - \frac{1}{2}\beta(2k+1)\operatorname{Im} \int \psi^{(k)}\bar{\psi}^{(k-1)}|\psi|^{2} + \text{remainders}, \quad k \geq 2,$$
(1.11)

where we consider as remainders all the terms that are bounded in the support of γ_k . The difficulty to show the asymptotic (w.r.t. *N*) conservation of E_k comes form the second addendum in the r.h.s. of Eq. (1.11). Notably the integrals of motion of the Benjamin–Ono equation have an analog structure. However in that case a convenient cancellation coming from the symmetries of the problem simplifies substantially the computations. We cannot find a similar cancellation here. Nevertheless it is possible to eliminate the troubling term using a suitable gauge transformation. As already mentioned, these gauge transformations form a one-parameter group \mathscr{G}_{α} indexed by $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ (see (2.1)). A generic gauge choice yields the following expression for the integrals of motion of the gauged equation

$$\mathcal{E}_{k}[\varphi] = \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} + ik\alpha\mu \int \bar{\varphi}^{(k)}\varphi^{(k-1)} - \frac{1}{2}\left((2k+2)\alpha + (2k+1)\beta\right) \operatorname{Im} \int \varphi^{(k)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)}|\varphi|^{2} + \text{remainders},$$

where $\varphi = \mathscr{G}_{\alpha} \psi$ is the solution of the gauged equation and we shortened

$$\mu := \frac{1}{2\pi} \|\varphi\|_{L^2}^2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \|\psi\|_{L^2}^2.$$

In general we will use the notation $\mu[f] := \frac{1}{2\pi} ||f||_{L^2}^2$ and we will simply write μ if there will be no ambiguity. We recover (1.11) as $\alpha = 0$. Setting

$$\alpha = -\frac{2k+1}{2k+2}\beta,\tag{1.12}$$

we reduce to

$$\mathcal{E}_{k}[\varphi] = \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} - ik \frac{2k+1}{2k+2} \beta \mu \int \bar{\varphi}^{(k)} \varphi^{(k-1)} + \text{remainders.}$$

This form of the integrals of motion is much more suitable in order to prove the asymptotic conservation property and such a reduction is the crux of our proof. Of course also the flow of DNLS changes accordingly to the gauge transformation: indeed our gauge choice leads to a somewhat more involved form for the equation (see (2.8)). However this does not introduce significant difficulties, as the form of the nonlinearity is essentially the same and we are working with rather regular solutions (at least in $H^{s>5/4}$). It is worthy to point out the difference with what is usually done in the low regularity theory for DNLS, where the choice of the gauge parameter $\alpha = -\beta$ aims to simplify the equation; see also Remark 1.5.

The next step is to define for any $k \ge 2$ a gauged Gibbs measure starting from the gauge-transformed (or *gauged*) integrals of motion and to prove its invariance w.r.t. the gauged flow. This requires some groundwork, namely a careful analysis of the DNLS-flow and gauge-flow maps, in order to adapt the strategy of [31].

The invariance of the gauged Gibbs measure under the gauged flow easily implies the invariance of the push-forward of it through \mathscr{G}_{α} under the DNLS flow. This will be our invariant measure $\hat{\rho}_k$. We stress that in principle one expects $\rho_k = \hat{\rho}_k$. The missing step to show the invariance of the Gibbs measures is the proof of absolute continuity of the pull-back $\gamma_k \circ \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}$ w.r.t. γ_k with the explicit density. So far what we can prove is the following theorem:

Theorem 1.4 *Let* $R_0 > 0$ *small enough and*

$$\tilde{\gamma}_k(A) = \gamma_k(A \cap \{f \in L^2 : \mu[f] \leqslant R_0\}).$$

Then for any $k \ge 2$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ the measure $\tilde{\gamma}_k \circ \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}$ is absolutely continuous w.r.t. γ_k .

The absolute continuity of $\hat{\rho}_k$ w.r.t. γ_k is then a direct consequence of Theorem 1.4; see Remark 7.1.

The change of variable formula for k = 1 was established in [21]. This is however a very special case, as the typical trajectories for γ_1 are complex Brownian bridges, whose properties are crucially employed in the argument of [21]. For more regular processes one cannot expect to reproduce the same proof and some new idea is needed. Since the work of Ramer [25], much attention has been given to the transformation properties of Gaussian measures under anticipative transformations (as the DNLS gauge is). However the gauge group does not match the typology of transformations studied by Ramer onward. For this reason the study of the quasi-invariance of γ_k under the gauge map is of independent interest. Recently Tzvetkov [28] proposed a strategy for proving quasi-invariance of the Gaussian measure under a one-parameter group of transformations via a *soft* argument, which does not provide the explicit density. The method has been successively refined in [22–24]. We use this approach to prove Theorem 1.4, from which we deduce the absolutely continuity of $\hat{\rho}_k$ w.r.t. γ_k . To prove that the Gibbs measures are invariant, one should known the exact form of the densities after the change of variables given by the gauge also for $k \ge 2$. As in the case k = 1, these densities should complete exactly the part of the integrals of motion missing in the gauged Gibbs measure. We do not give here further details, leaving the discussion of this problem to future works.

Remark 1.5 Finally we come back briefly to the case k = 1. As we have noted, the gauge transformation relative to the choice (1.12) introduces a significant simplification in the form of the conservation laws. This allows us to obtain the key Proposition 4.1, which can be easily extended to the case k = 1. In [20, Theorem4.2] they prove a (deterministic) analogous of this proposition, which is again the main step in the proof of the invariance of the measure, but their choice $\alpha = -\beta$ does not give any simplification in this part. Our argument does not immediately cover the case k = 1, since the missing step is to extend the stability Proposition 3.4 to low regularity. In particular, the works of Herr [11] and Grünrock–Herr [10] suggest that such a result should be harder to achieve under our choice (1.12) of α in place of the usual $\alpha = -\beta$.

1.3 Organisation of the paper

The paper is organised as follows. In Sect. 2 we introduce the gauge transformation used throughout the paper and we analyse the way the DNLS equation and its integrals of motion change according to it. This leads to the gauged DNLS Eq. (2.8), which we refer to as GDNLS, and to the gauged integrals of motion $\mathcal{E}_{\ell}, \ell \in \mathbb{N}_0$, defined in (2.16). The main results of this section are Corollaries 2.11 and 2.12 where the explicit representation of the gauged integrals of motion \mathcal{E}_{ℓ} is obtained. In Sect. 3 we introduce the truncated GDNLS equation (3.1) and we show in Proposition 3.3 that its flow preserves the Lebesgue measure (1.5). Moreover, we show that this flow is close to the one of the GDNLS equations in a suitable Sobolev topology for short time, see Proposition 3.4. Sect. 4 is devoted to the study of the asymptotic conservation of the integrals of motion in the probabilistic sense. We show in Proposition 4.1 that the L^2 norm w.r.t. γ_k ($k \ge 2$) of the time derivative calculated at t = 0 of the integrals of motion \mathcal{E}_{ℓ} vanishes as $N \to \infty$ (namely as the truncation disappears). In order to prove this result we need to study the asymptotic conservation of the monomials appearing in the explicit form of the integrals of motion \mathcal{E}_{ℓ} obtained in Sect. 2. For most of them we have also convergence γ_k -a.s. for $k \ge 2$, as proved in Lemmas 4.3 and 4.4. However this is can not be easily proved in general. The more complicated terms are handled using Wick theorem in Lemmas 4.5 and 4.6. In Sect. 5 we perform the construction of the invariant measures of Theorem 1.2. First we construct the gauged Gibbs measures, essentially repeating the argument used for the Gibbs measures in [9] starting by the gauged integrals of motions. Then, following [31], we prove that they are invariant under the flow of the GDNLS equation, using the results of Sects. 3 and 4. The last two sections are devoted to the proof of absolute continuity of the invariant measures

w.r.t the Gaussian measures via the quasi-invariance of the latter under the gauge flow. In Sect. 6 we introduce and analyse the truncated gauge flow in analogy with what was done in Sect. 3. In Sect. 6 we exploit the argument of [28] to prove Theorem 1.4. This ultimates also the proof of Theorem 1.2.

Notations

Throughout f will always be a generic complex function, ψ a solution of DNLS, φ the image of ψ via the gauge transformation, u can be either φ or $\overline{\varphi}$. We denote by f(n) the *n*-th Fourier coefficient of $f : \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{C}$. We set $\mu[f] := \frac{1}{2\pi} ||f||_{L^2}^2$ and sometimes we shorten this simply writing μ . For the ease of notation, $\mathbb{E}[\cdot]$ denotes the expectation value w.r.t. γ_k , regardless of k. Anyway the particular γ_k considered will be always clear from the context. $B^s(R)$ is the ball of center zero and radius R in the topology induced by $\|\cdot\|_{H^s}$. We write $X \leq Y$ to denote that $X \leq CY$ for some positive constant C independent on X, Y. We also use the symbol \mathcal{O} for the Landau big O. We denote $\mathbb{N}_0 = \mathbb{N} \cup \{0\}$. We use the following notations for further (space) derivatives of the solutions $\varphi' := \partial_x \varphi, \varphi'' := \partial_x^2 \varphi, \varphi^{(k)} := \partial_x^k \varphi, k \geq 3$.

2 Gauge transformations

The DNLS equation has interesting transformation properties with respect to a group of gauge maps (introduced in the periodic setting in [11]) which will be now discussed.

For $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ let $\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} : L^2(\mathbb{T}) \to L^2(\mathbb{T})$ be defined by

$$(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f)(x) := e^{i\alpha\mathcal{I}[f(x)]}f(x).$$
(2.1)

where

$$\mathcal{I}[f(x)] := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} d\theta \int_{\theta}^x \left(|f(y)|^2 - \frac{\|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{T})}^2}{2\pi} \right) dy.$$
(2.2)

One can easily check that the (real) function $\mathcal{I}[f(x)]$ is the unique zero average $(2\pi$ -periodic) primitive of $|f(x)|^2 - (2\pi)^{-1} ||f||_{L^2}^2$. Note that $|f| = |\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f|$ and $\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f$ is 2π -periodic. Hence, \mathcal{G}_{α} maps $L^2(\mathbb{T})$ into $L^2(\mathbb{T})$ preserving the norm (namely $||\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f||_{L^2} = ||f||_{L^2}$). Using that $\mathcal{I}[f] = \mathcal{I}[\mathcal{G}_{\alpha}(f)]$ one can easily show that the map $\alpha \to \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}$ is a one parameter group of transformations on $(\mathbb{R}, +)$, namely

 $\mathscr{G}_0 = \mathbb{I}$ and $\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_1} \circ \mathscr{G}_{\alpha_2} = \mathscr{G}_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2}$, for any $\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. (2.3)

For any $s \ge 0$ the gauge transformation \mathscr{G}_{α} is also a homeomorphism of $H^{s}(\mathbb{T})$ into itself. This is an immediate consequence of the following useful inequality

$$\|(e^{i\alpha\mathcal{I}[f]} - e^{i\alpha\mathcal{I}[g]})h\|_{H^{s}} \leq C e^{|\alpha|C(\|f\|_{H^{s}}^{2} + \|g\|_{H^{s}}^{2})} (\|f\|_{H^{s}} + \|g\|_{H^{s}})\|f - g\|_{H^{s}}\|h\|_{H^{s}},$$
(2.4)

where *C* only depends on *s*, proved in [11] in the case $\alpha = -1$ (the adaptation of the proof to the general case $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ is straightforward). Let indeed assume $f, g \in B^{s}(R)$,

where $B^{s}(R)$ is the ball of center zero and radius R > 0 in the topology induced by $\|\cdot\|_{H^{s}}$. Using (2.4) one easily deduces

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f - \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}g\|_{H^{s}} &\leq \|(e^{i\alpha\mathcal{I}[f]} - e^{i\alpha\mathcal{I}[g]})f\|_{H^{s}} \\ &+ \|(e^{i\alpha\mathcal{I}[g]} - 1)(f - g)\|_{H^{s}} + \|f - g\|_{H^{s}} \\ &\leq (2\tilde{C}R^{2}e^{|\alpha|2\tilde{C}R^{2}} + \tilde{C}R^{2}e^{|\alpha|\tilde{C}R^{2}} + 1)\|f - g\|_{H^{s}} \\ &\leq CR^{2}e^{|\alpha|CR^{2}}\|f - g\|_{H^{s}}, \end{aligned}$$
(2.5)

where the constants $C \ge \tilde{C} > 1$ here still only depends on *s*.

2.1 Gauged DNLS equation

Let ψ be a solution of the DNLS Eq. (1.1). For any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, we set for brevity

$$\varphi := \mathscr{G}_{\alpha} \psi. \tag{2.6}$$

From (2.3) we clearly have $\psi = \mathscr{G}_{-\alpha}(\varphi)$. We also have

$$\psi^{(k)} = \partial_x^k (\mathscr{G}_{-\alpha}(\varphi)) = e^{-i\alpha \mathcal{I}(\psi)} (\partial_x - i\alpha (|\varphi|^2 - \mu[\varphi]))^k \varphi, \qquad (2.7)$$

where $\mu[f] := \frac{1}{2\pi} ||f||_{L^2}^2$. Note that, since $|\varphi| = |\psi|$, we have $\mu[\varphi(x, t)] = \mu[\psi(x, t)]$ and, since this quantity is conserved by the flow of the DNLS equation (see (2.15), namely $\mu[\psi(x, t)] = \mu[\psi(x, 0)]$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$) we will often simply denote it by μ .

The following proposition specifies the gauged form of the DNLS equation. For brevity we denote throughout by φ the solution of this one parameter family of equations, even if φ depends on the choice of the parameter α , see (2.6).

Proposition 2.1 Let ψ be a solution of the DNLS Eq. (1.1). Then, for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, the function $\varphi = \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}(\psi)$ satisfies the equation

$$i\partial_t\varphi + \varphi'' + 2i\alpha\mu\varphi' = ic_1|\varphi|^2\varphi' + ic_2\varphi^2\bar{\varphi}' + c_3|\varphi|^4\varphi + c_4\mu|\varphi|^2\varphi + \Gamma[\varphi]\varphi, \quad (2.8)$$

where

$$c_1 = 2(\alpha + \beta), c_2 = 2\alpha + \beta, c_3 = -\alpha^2 - \frac{\alpha\beta}{2}, c_4 = -\alpha\beta$$
 (2.9)

and

$$\Gamma[f] = \left(\frac{3\alpha\beta}{4\pi} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi}\right) \|f\|_{L^4}^4 - \alpha^2 \mu[f]^2 + \frac{i\alpha}{\pi} \int_{\mathbb{T}} f'\bar{f}.$$
 (2.10)

Proof Using (2.7) we get

$$\psi'' = e^{-i\alpha\mathcal{I}(\psi)}(\varphi'' - 3i\alpha|\varphi|^2\varphi' - i\alpha\varphi^2\bar{\varphi}' + 2i\alpha\mu\varphi' -\alpha^2|\varphi|^4\varphi + 2\alpha^2\mu|\varphi|^2\varphi - \alpha^2\mu^2\varphi),$$

$$(|\psi|^2\psi)' = e^{-i\alpha\mathcal{I}(\psi)}(2|\varphi|^2\varphi' + \varphi^2\bar{\varphi}' - i\alpha|\varphi|^4\varphi + i\alpha\mu|\varphi|^2\varphi).$$
(2.11)

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Note that

$$\partial_t \psi = e^{-i\alpha \mathcal{I}[\psi]} \left(\partial_t \varphi - i\alpha \varphi \partial_t \mathcal{I}[\psi] \right).$$
(2.12)

Using the DNLS equation (1.1), integration by parts, and Eq. (2.7) it is straightforward to get

$$\partial_t \mathcal{I}[\psi] = i\varphi'\bar{\varphi} - i\varphi\bar{\varphi}' + \left(2\alpha + \frac{3\beta}{2}\right)|\varphi|^4 - 2\alpha\mu|\varphi|^2 + 2\alpha\mu^2 - \left(\frac{3\beta}{4\pi} + \frac{\alpha}{\pi}\right)\|\varphi\|_{L^4}^4 - \frac{i}{\pi}\int_{\mathbb{T}}\varphi'\bar{\varphi}.$$
(2.13)

Substituting (2.11) and (2.12) in the DNLS equation (1.1) and using Eq. (2.13) we get the statement. \Box

Remark 2.2 Note that c_1, c_2, c_3 and c_4 in (2.9), and $\Gamma[f]$ in (2.10) are real (indeed, using integration by parts, one can check that $\int f' \bar{f}$ is purely imaginary).

We call Eq. (2.8) with coefficients given by (2.9) and (2.10) the *gauged derivative* nonlinear Schrödinger (GDNLS) equation. We recall that Φ_t denotes the flow-map of the DNLS Eq. (1.1). Then, the flow defined by the GDNLS Eq. (2.8) is given by

$$\Phi_{t,\alpha} := \mathscr{G}_{\alpha} \, \Phi_t \, \mathscr{G}_{-\alpha}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}.$$
(2.14)

Remark 2.3 For the choice of $\alpha = -\beta = -1$ the GDNLS equation (2.8) already appeared in [11,20].

2.2 Integrals of motion

Recall from [13] (see also [8,9]) that there exists an infinite sequence of integrals of motion $\{E_k[\psi]\}_{k \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{N}_0}$ for the DNLS Eq. (1.1). The first few of them are listed below:

$$\begin{split} E_{0}[\psi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|\psi\|_{L^{2}}^{2}, \\ E_{\frac{1}{2}}[\psi] &= \frac{i}{2} \int \psi' \bar{\psi} + \frac{\beta}{4} \|\psi\|_{L^{4}}^{4}, \\ E_{1}[\psi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|\psi\|_{\dot{H}^{1}}^{2} + \frac{3i}{4} \beta \int |\psi|^{2} \psi' \bar{\psi} + \frac{\beta^{2}}{4} \|\psi\|_{L^{6}}^{6}, \\ E_{\frac{3}{2}}[\psi] &= \frac{i}{2} \int \psi'' \bar{\psi}' + \frac{\beta}{4} \int ((\psi')^{2} \bar{\psi}^{2} + 8|\psi|^{2} \psi' \bar{\psi}' + \psi^{2} (\bar{\psi}')^{2}) \\ &\quad + \frac{5i}{4} \beta^{2} \int |\psi|^{4} \psi' \bar{\psi} + \frac{5}{16} \beta^{3} \|\psi\|_{L^{8}}^{8}, \\ E_{2}[\psi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|\psi\|_{\dot{H}^{2}}^{2} + \frac{5i}{4} \beta \int |\psi|^{2} (\psi'' \bar{\psi}' - \psi' \bar{\psi}'') + \frac{5}{4} \beta^{2} \int |\psi|^{2} ((\psi')^{2} \bar{\psi}^{2} \\ &\quad + \psi^{2} (\bar{\psi}')^{2}) + \frac{25}{4} \beta^{2} \int |\psi|^{4} \psi' \bar{\psi}' + \frac{35i}{16} \beta^{3} \int |\psi|^{6} \psi' \bar{\psi} + \frac{7}{16} \beta^{4} \|\psi\|_{L^{10}}^{10}. \end{split}$$

$$(2.15)$$

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Remark 2.4 These integrals of motion are slightly different from those appearing in the introduction of [9], where there is a typo in the coefficient of β of $E_1[\psi]$.

In this section we study the way the sequence of integrals of motion of the DNLS equation $\{E_k[\psi]\}_{k \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{N}_0}$ changes under the gauge transformation \mathscr{G}_{α} .

Recall that we have denoted by ψ a solution of the DNLS Eq. (1.1) and we proved in Proposition 2.1 that $\varphi = \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}(\psi)$ is a solution of the GDNLS Eq. (2.8), for every $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. We can rewrite the integrals of motion $E_k[\psi]$, $k \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{N}_0$, in terms of the new variables $\varphi^{(k)} := \partial_x^k \varphi$ in the following way

$$\mathcal{E}_{k}[\varphi] := E_{k}[\mathscr{G}_{-\alpha}\varphi] = E_{k}[\psi], \quad k \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{N}_{0}.$$
(2.16)

Again, we will omit the dependence on α of \mathcal{E}_k in order to simplify the notations. Clearly, when $\alpha = 0$ we have $\mathcal{E}_k = E_k$. By a direct calculation one can check that the first few integrals of motion (2.15) of the DNLS equation rewrite in the new variables $\varphi^{(k)}$ as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{0}[\varphi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi\|_{L^{2}}^{2}, \\ \mathcal{E}_{\frac{1}{2}}[\varphi] &= \frac{i}{2} \int \varphi' \bar{\varphi} + \frac{1}{4} (2\alpha + \beta) \|\varphi\|_{L^{4}}^{4} - \pi \alpha \mu^{2}, \\ \mathcal{E}_{1}[\varphi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{1}}^{2} + i \alpha \mu \int \varphi \bar{\varphi}' + \frac{i}{4} (4\alpha + 3\beta) \int |\varphi|^{2} \varphi' \bar{\varphi} \\ &+ \pi \alpha^{2} \mu^{3} - \frac{\alpha}{4} (4\alpha + 3\beta) \, \mu \|\varphi\|_{L^{4}}^{4} + \frac{1}{4} (\alpha + \beta) (2\alpha + \beta) \|\varphi\|_{L^{6}}^{6}, \end{aligned}$$
(2.17)

$$\begin{split} \mathcal{E}_{\frac{3}{2}}[\varphi] &= \frac{i}{2} \int \varphi''\bar{\varphi}' - \frac{3}{2}\alpha\mu \int \varphi'\bar{\varphi}' + \frac{1}{4}(2\alpha + \beta) \int ((\varphi')^2\bar{\varphi}^2 + \varphi^2(\bar{\varphi}')^2) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2}(5\alpha + 4\beta) \int |\varphi|^2\varphi'\bar{\varphi}' + \frac{3}{2}i\alpha^2\mu^2 \int \varphi'\bar{\varphi} - 3i\alpha(\alpha + \beta)\mu \int |\varphi|^2\varphi'\bar{\varphi} \\ &+ \frac{i}{4}(6\alpha^2 + 12\alpha\beta + 5\beta^2) \int |\varphi|^4\varphi'\bar{\varphi} - \pi\alpha^3\mu^4 + \frac{3}{2}\alpha^2(\alpha + \beta)\mu^2 \|\varphi\|_{L^4}^4 \\ &- \frac{1}{4}\alpha(6\alpha^2 + 12\alpha\beta + 5\beta^2)\mu \|\varphi\|_{L^6}^6 + \frac{1}{16}(2\alpha + \beta)(4\alpha^2 + 10\alpha\beta + 5\beta^2) \|\varphi\|_{L^8}^8, \\ \mathcal{E}_2[\varphi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^2}^2 - 2i\alpha\mu \int \varphi''\bar{\varphi}' + \frac{1}{4}i(6\alpha + 5\beta) \int |\varphi|^2(\varphi''\bar{\varphi}' - \varphi'\bar{\varphi}'') \\ &- \frac{1}{2}i\alpha \int ((\varphi')^2\bar{\varphi}\bar{\varphi}' - \varphi\varphi'(\bar{\varphi}')^2) + 3\alpha^2\mu^2 \int \varphi'\bar{\varphi}' - 10\alpha(\alpha + \beta)\mu \int |\varphi|^2\varphi'\bar{\varphi}' \\ &- \frac{1}{4}\alpha(8\alpha + 5\beta)\mu \int ((\varphi')^2\bar{\varphi}^2 + \varphi^2(\bar{\varphi}')^2) + \frac{1}{4}(4\alpha + 5\beta)(8\alpha + 5\beta) \int |\varphi|^4\varphi'\bar{\varphi}' \\ &+ \frac{5}{4}(\alpha + \beta)(2\alpha + \beta) \int |\varphi|^2(\varphi^2(\bar{\varphi}')^2 + \bar{\varphi}^2(\varphi')^2) - 2i\alpha^3\mu^3 \int \varphi'\bar{\varphi} \\ &+ \frac{3}{4}i\alpha^2\mu^2(4\alpha + 5\beta) \int |\varphi|^2(\varphi'\bar{\varphi} - \varphi\bar{\varphi}') \end{split}$$

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$$\begin{split} &-\frac{3}{4}i\alpha\mu(4\alpha^2+10\alpha\beta+5\beta^2)\int|\varphi|^4(\varphi'\bar{\varphi}-\varphi\bar{\varphi}')\\ &+\frac{1}{16}i(32\alpha^3+120\alpha^2\beta+120\alpha\beta^2+35\beta^3)\int\!|\varphi|^6\varphi'\bar{\varphi}+\pi\alpha^4\mu^5\\ &-\frac{1}{2}\alpha^3(4\alpha+5\beta)\mu^3\|\varphi\|_{L^4}^4+\frac{3}{4}\alpha^2(4\alpha^2+10\alpha\beta+5\beta^2)\mu^2\|\varphi\|_{L^6}^6\\ &-\frac{1}{16}\alpha(32\alpha^3+120\alpha^2\beta+120\alpha\beta^2+35\beta^3)\mu\|\varphi\|_{L^8}^8\\ &+\frac{1}{16}(\alpha+\beta)(2\alpha+\beta)(4\alpha^2+14\alpha\beta+7\beta^2)\|\varphi\|_{L^{10}}^{10}. \end{split}$$

We have $\psi(x, t) = \Phi_t(\psi(x, 0))$, as ψ solves (1.1). Hence, from (2.16) and the conservation of $E_k[\psi]$ for the DNLS flow, it is $\mathcal{E}_k[\varphi(x, t)] = E_k[\psi(x, 0)]$. In other words, $\mathcal{E}_k[\varphi]$ is an integral of motion for the GDNLS equation (2.8) for every $k \in \frac{1}{2}\mathbb{N}_0$.

We want to give a more detailed description of the integrals of motion $\{\mathcal{E}_k[\varphi]\}_{k\in\mathbb{N}_0}$ defined in (2.16). We start by reviewing some results from [9] about the structure of the integrals of motion $E_k[\psi]$ of the DNLS equation.

Let $\mathcal{V} = [\psi^{(n)}, \bar{\psi}^{(n)} | n \in \mathbb{N}_0]$ be the algebra of differential polynomials in the variables ψ and $\bar{\psi}$. On the differential algebra \mathcal{V} we have the usual polynomial degree, which we denoted by deg, defined by setting $\deg(\psi^{(n)}) = \deg(\bar{\psi}^{(n)}) = 1$, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, and the usual differential degree, which we denoted by dd, defined by setting $\operatorname{dd}(\psi^{(n)}) = \operatorname{dd}(\bar{\psi}^{(n)}) = n$, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. For $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we also let $\mathcal{V}_n = \{f \in \mathcal{V} \mid \frac{\partial f}{\partial u^{(m)}} = 0$, for every $m > n, u = \psi$ or $\bar{\psi}\}$.

It is shown in [9] that there exists an infinite sequence $\{h_k\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}_0} \subset \mathcal{V}$ such that the local functionals $\int h_k$, $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$, are integrals of motion for the DNLS Eq. (1.1). Moreover

$$h_k = \sum_{m=0}^k \beta^m h_{k,m},$$
 (2.18)

with deg $(h_{k,m}) = 2m+2$ and dd $(h_{k,m}) = k-m$, for every m = 0, ..., k. The integrals of motion $\{E_k[\psi]\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}_0}$, introduced at the beginning of this section are defined by

$$E_k[\psi] = \int h_{2k}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$
(2.19)

Remark 2.5 We recall from [9] that the Gibbs measures for the DNLS equation are associated to the integrals $\int h_{2k}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Let us introduce an integral grading on \mathcal{V} , which we denote by deg, by setting

$$\overline{\operatorname{deg}}(\psi^{(n)}) = -\overline{\operatorname{deg}}(\overline{\psi}^{(n)}) = 1, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}_0.$$

We also write $\mathcal{V} = \bigoplus_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \mathcal{V}[m]$, where $\mathcal{V}[m] = \{f \in \mathcal{V} \mid \overline{\deg}(f) = m\}$ denotes the space of homogeneous elements of degree $m \in \mathbb{Z}$.

Lemma 2.6 Let $m \in \mathbb{Z}$, and let $f \notin \mathbb{C}$ be such that $f \in \mathcal{V}[m]$.

(a) For every $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we have that $\overline{\deg}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \psi^{(n)}}) = \overline{\deg}(f) - 1$ and $\overline{\deg}(\frac{\partial f}{\partial \overline{\psi}^{(n)}}) = \overline{\deg}(f) + 1$.

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(b) We have that $\overline{\deg}(\partial f) = \overline{\deg}(f)$. Hence, $\overline{\deg}(\partial^n f) = \overline{\deg}(f)$, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. (c) If $f \notin \partial \mathcal{V}$, then $\overline{\deg}(\frac{\delta f}{\delta \psi}) = \overline{\deg}(f) - 1$ and $\overline{\deg}(\frac{\delta f}{\delta \psi}) = \overline{\deg}(f) + 1$.

Proof Part (a) is clear. Part (b) follows from part (a) and the fact that $\partial = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0} (\psi^{(n+1)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi^{(n)}} + \bar{\psi}^{(n+1)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \bar{\psi}^{(n)}})$. Part (c) follows from parts (a) and (b), the definition of the variational derivatives $\frac{\delta}{\delta \psi} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0} (-\partial)^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi^{(n)}}$ and $\frac{\delta}{\delta \bar{\psi}} = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}_0} (-\partial)^n \frac{\partial}{\partial \psi^{(n)}}$, and the fact that Ker $\frac{\delta}{\delta \psi} = \text{Ker } \frac{\delta}{\delta \psi} = \mathbb{C} + \partial \mathcal{V}$ (see [1]).

Proposition 2.7 $h_k \in \mathcal{V}[0]$ for every $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Proof The differential polynomials $h_k \in \mathcal{V}$ are inductively defined (up to total derivatives) by the recurrence relation (2.10) in [9]. In terms of the variables $\psi = a - ib$ and $\bar{\psi} = a + ib$, it becomes $(k \in \mathbb{N}_0)$

$$\begin{cases} \partial((\psi + \bar{\psi})g) = -2\psi\partial\left(\frac{\delta h_k}{\delta\psi}\right) - 2\bar{\psi}\partial\left(\frac{\delta h_k}{\delta\bar{\psi}}\right) \\ \frac{\delta h_{k+1}}{\delta\psi} = -i\partial\left(\frac{\delta h_k}{\delta\psi}\right) - \frac{\beta}{2}\bar{\psi}(\psi + \bar{\psi})g \\ \frac{\delta h_{k+1}}{\delta\bar{\psi}} = i\partial\left(\frac{\delta h_k}{\delta\bar{\psi}}\right) - \frac{\beta}{2}\psi(\psi + \bar{\psi})g , \end{cases}$$
(2.20)

where g, $\frac{\delta h_{k+1}}{\delta \psi}$ and $\frac{\delta h_{k+1}}{\delta \psi}$ are uniquely determined by this recurrence if we know $\frac{\delta h_k}{\delta \psi}$ and $\frac{\delta h_k}{\delta \psi}$. We can directly check from Eq. (2.15) that $\overline{\deg}(h_0) = 0$. Moreover, since the integrals of motion $\int h_k$ are non-trivial, we have that $h_k \notin \partial \mathcal{V}$, for every $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$. Let us assume that $\overline{\deg}(h_k) = 0$ and let us show that $\overline{\deg}(h_{k+1}) = 0$. By Lemma 2.6 (b) and (c), from the first identity in (2.20) we get that $\overline{\deg}((\psi + \bar{\psi})g) = 0$. Hence, using Lemma 2.6 b) the RHS of the second identity in (2.20) is homogeneous of degree $\overline{\deg}(h_k) - 1 = -1$ by inductive assumption. This force $\overline{\deg}(h_{k+1}) = 0$ using Lemma 2.6 (c).

Let us denote by $\tilde{\mathcal{V}} = \mathbb{C}[\varphi^{(n)}, \bar{\varphi}^{(n)} | n \in \mathbb{N}_0]$ the algebra of differential polynomials in the variables φ and $\bar{\varphi}$. By an abuse of notation we denote with the same symbols the polynomials and differential gradings of \mathcal{V} and $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}$. Clearly, on $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}$, they are defined by $\deg(\varphi^{(n)}) = \deg(\bar{\varphi}^{(n)}) = 1$, and $\operatorname{dd}(\varphi^{(n)}) = \operatorname{dd}(\bar{\varphi}^{(n)}) = n$, for $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$. For $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we also let $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}_n = \{f \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}} \mid \frac{\partial f}{\partial u^{(m)}} = 0$, for every $m > n, u = \varphi$ or $\bar{\varphi}\}$. Using Eq. (2.7) we get a linear map

$$\mathcal{V}[0] \to \widetilde{\mathcal{V}}[\alpha, \mu]$$
 (2.21)

from the space $\mathcal{V}[0]$ to the algebra of polynomials in the variables α and μ with coefficients in $\widetilde{\mathcal{V}}$.

Lemma 2.8 For every $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$, the integrals of motion $\mathcal{E}_k[\varphi]$ of the GDNLS equation have the form

$$\mathcal{E}_{k}[\varphi] = \sum_{m=0}^{2k} \sum_{p=0}^{2k-m} \sum_{q=0}^{p} \beta^{m} \alpha^{p} \mu^{q} \int \widetilde{h}_{2k,m;p,q}, \qquad (2.22)$$

where $\tilde{h}_{2k,m;p,q} \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}$ are such that $\deg(\tilde{h}_{2k,m;p,q}) = 2(m + p + 1 - q)$ and $\mathrm{dd}(\tilde{h}_{2k,m;p,q}) = 2k - m - p$.

Proof By expanding the RHS of Eq. (2.7) we have that $(n \in \mathbb{N}_0)$

$$\psi^{(n)} = e^{-i\alpha \mathcal{I}[\psi]} \sum_{p=0}^{n} \sum_{q=0}^{p} \alpha^{p} \mu^{q} P_{p,q}, \qquad (2.23)$$

where $P_{p,q} \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}$ are such that deg $P_{p,q} = 2(p-q) + 1$ and dd $(P_{p,q}) = n - p$. By Proposition 2.7, and Eqs. (2.16) and (2.19) it follows that $\mathcal{E}_k[\varphi] = \int \tilde{h}_{2k}$, where \tilde{h}_{2k} is the image of h_{2k} in $\tilde{\mathcal{V}}[\alpha, \mu]$. The result thus follows by substituting (2.23) in (2.18). \Box

By expanding the RHS of Eq. (2.7), we can write $(k \ge 2)$

$$\psi^{(k)} = e^{-i\alpha \mathcal{I}(\psi)} (\varphi^{(k)} - ik\alpha |\varphi|^2 \varphi^{(k-1)} + ik\alpha \mu \varphi^{(k-1)} - i\alpha (|\varphi|^2)^{(k-1)} \varphi + g_k), \quad (2.24)$$

where $g_k \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-2}$.

Lemma 2.9 Under the gauge transformation (2.1) we have $(k \ge 2)$

$$\begin{split} \|\psi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} &= \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} + 2ik\alpha\mu\int\varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k)} \\ &+ i(k+1)\alpha\int|\varphi^{2}|\left(\varphi^{(k)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)} - \varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k)}\right) + \int r_{k}, \end{split}$$

where $r_k \in \mathcal{V}_{k-1}$.

Proof Using Eq. (2.24) and integration by parts we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|\psi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} &= \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} + 2ik\alpha\mu\int\varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k)} + ik\alpha\int|\varphi|^{2}\left(\varphi^{(k)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)} - \varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k)}\right) \\ &+ i\alpha\int(|\varphi|^{2})^{(k-1)}\left(\varphi^{(k)}\bar{\varphi} - \varphi\bar{\varphi}^{(k)}\right) + \int\varphi^{(k)}\bar{g}_{k} + \int g_{k}\bar{\varphi}^{(k)} + \int r_{k}, \end{aligned}$$
(2.25)

where $r_k \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-1}$. Note that, using integration by part we have

$$\int \varphi^{(k)} \bar{g}_k = -\int \varphi^{(k-1)} \partial \bar{g}_k = \int f, \qquad (2.26)$$

for some $f \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-1}$, since $\partial \bar{g}_k \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-1}$. Similarly we have

$$\int g_k \bar{\varphi}^{(k)} = \int h, \qquad (2.27)$$

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for some $h \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-1}$. Using again integration by parts we have

$$\int (|\varphi|^2)^{(k-1)} \varphi^{(k)} \bar{\varphi} = -\int (|\varphi|^2)^{(k)} \varphi^{(k-1)} \bar{\varphi} + \int q_k$$
$$= -\int \varphi^{(k)} \varphi^{(k-1)} \bar{\varphi}^2 - \int |\varphi|^2 \varphi^{(k-1)} \bar{\varphi}^{(k)} + \int \tilde{q}_k, \quad (2.28)$$

where $q_k, \tilde{q}_k \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-1}$. In the second identity we have used

$$\partial^k(ab) = \sum_{i=0}^k \binom{k}{i} a^{(i)} b^{(k-i)},$$

which holds for any $a, b \in \mathcal{V}$. Recall from [9, Proof of Corollary 2.9] that

$$\varphi^{(k)}\varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^2 = \int l,$$
 (2.29)

for some $l \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-1}$. Using Eq. (2.28) (and its conjugate version) and (2.29) we get

$$\int (|\varphi|^2)^{(k-1)} \left(\varphi^{(k)} \bar{\varphi} - \varphi \bar{\varphi}^{(k)} \right) = \int |\varphi|^2 \left(\varphi^{(k)} \bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)} - \varphi^{(k-1)} \bar{\varphi}^{(k)} \right) + \int \tilde{\tilde{q}}_k,$$
(2.30)

where $\tilde{\tilde{q}}_k \in \mathcal{V}_{k-1}$. The proof is concluded by combining Eqs. (2.25), (2.26), (2.27) and (2.30).

Lemma 2.10 Under the gauge transformation (2.1) we have $(k \ge 2)$

$$\int |\psi|^2 \psi^{(k)} \bar{\psi}^{(k-1)} = \int |\varphi|^2 \varphi^{(k)} \bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)} + \int \tilde{r}_k,$$

where $\tilde{r}_k \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-1}$.

Proof It is immediate using Eq. (2.24), integration by parts and the fact that $\partial \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_n \subset \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{n+1}$, for every $n \in \mathbb{N}_0$.

Recall from [9] that, for $k \ge 2$, we have

$$E_{k}[\psi] = \frac{1}{2} \|\psi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} + i\frac{2k+1}{4}\beta \int |\psi|^{2} \left(\psi^{(k)}\bar{\psi}^{(k-1)} - \psi^{(k-1)}\bar{\psi}^{(k)}\right) + \int R_{k},$$
(2.31)

where $R_k \in \mathcal{V}_{k-1}$. Hence, we get the following result about the structure of the integrals of motion of the GDNLS equation.

Corollary 2.11 For every $k \ge 2$, the integrals of motion of the GDNLS equation (2.31) may be written as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{k}[\varphi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} + ik\alpha\mu \int \varphi^{(k-1)} \bar{\varphi}^{(k)} \\ &+ \frac{i}{4} \left((2k+2)\alpha + (2k+1)\beta \right) \int |\varphi|^{2} \left(\varphi^{(k)} \bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)} - \varphi^{(k-1)} \bar{\varphi}^{(k)} \right) + \int R_{k}, \end{aligned}$$
(2.32)

where $R_k \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{k-1}$.

Proof It follows by the definition of $\mathcal{E}_k[\varphi]$ given in (2.16), Eq. (2.31) and Lemmas 2.9 and 2.10.

In Sect. 4, for every $k \ge 2$, we will make a choice of the parameter α in order to simplify the expression of the integrals of motion $\mathcal{E}_k[\varphi]$ given by (2.32) as stated in the next result.

Corollary 2.12 Let $k \ge 2$ and let us fix $\alpha = -\frac{2k+1}{2k+2}\beta$. Then, the integrals of motion of the GDNLS equation have the form $(\ell \in \mathbb{N}_0)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\varphi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{\ell}}^{2} + i \frac{2k+1}{2k+2} \ell \beta \mu \int \varphi^{(\ell)} \bar{\varphi}^{(\ell-1)} \\ &+ \frac{i}{4} \frac{\ell-k}{k+1} \beta \int |\varphi|^{2} (\varphi^{(\ell)} \bar{\varphi}^{(\ell-1)} - \varphi^{(\ell-1)} \bar{\varphi}^{(\ell)}) + \int R_{\ell} \,, \end{aligned}$$
(2.33)

where $R_{\ell} \in \tilde{\mathcal{V}}_{\ell-1}$. For $\ell \neq k$ any monomial h giving contribution to R_{ℓ} satisfies $dd(h) \leq 2\ell - 1$. For $\ell = k$ the term R_k can be decomposed as $R_{k,W} + R_{k,P}$, where $R_{k,W}$ is a linear combination of monomials of the following form (and of their conjugates)

(1)
$$\varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)}\varphi'\bar{\varphi}$$
, (2) $\varphi^{(k-1)}\varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}'\bar{\varphi}$,
(3) $\varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)}$, (4) $\varphi^{(k-1)}\varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^2$, (2.34)
(5) $\varphi^{(k-1)}\varphi^{(k-1)}\varphi\bar{\varphi}^3$, (6) $\varphi^{(k-1)}\bar{\varphi}^{(k-1)}|\varphi|^{2m}$, $m = 1, 2$,

while $R_{k,P}$ is a linear combination of monomials of the form $(m \ge 2)$

$$u^{(\alpha_1)}\cdots u^{(\alpha_m)}, \quad k-1 \ge \alpha_1 \ge \cdots \ge \alpha_m \ge 0, \quad \alpha_2 \le k-2, \quad (2.35)$$

where u may be either φ or $\overline{\varphi}$.

Proof It follows from Corollary 2.11, letting $\alpha = -\frac{2k+1}{2k+2}\beta$ into (2.32), and Lemma 2.8.

3 Truncated GDNLS equation

We recall that given a function $f : \mathbb{T} \to \mathbb{C}$ we denote by f(n) its *n*-th Fourier coefficient, and that the canonical projections (see (1.3)) P_N , for $N \in \mathbb{N}_0$, are defined by

$$P_N f := \sum_{|n| \leqslant N} e^{inx} f(n), \quad P_{>N} := \mathbb{I} - P_N.$$

For every $N \in \mathbb{N}_0$, we define the *truncated GDNLS equation* as the following equation

$$i\partial_t \varphi_N + \varphi_N'' + 2i\alpha \mu[\varphi_N]\varphi_N' = ic_1 P_N(|\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N') + ic_2 P_N(\varphi_N^2 \bar{\varphi}_N') + c_3 P_N(|\varphi_N|^4 \varphi_N) + c_4 \mu[\varphi_N] P_N(|\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N) + \Gamma[\varphi_N]\varphi_N, \qquad (3.1)$$

with initial datum

$$\varphi_N(x,0) := P_N \varphi(x,0), \qquad (3.2)$$

where the constants c_j and the functional Γ have been defined in (2.9) and (2.10). Again, for brevity, we simply denote the solutions of (3.1) by φ_N even if they also depend on the parameter α . Note that any solution of the truncated GDNLS equation (3.1)–(3.2) satisfies $\varphi_N = P_N \varphi_N$. We denote with $\Phi_{t,\alpha}^N$ the flow associated to equation (3.1). It is immediate to show that the flow map is locally (in time) well defined looking at the Fourier transform of Eq. (3.1). and solving the associated ordinary differential equation. Then, since the local existence time only depends on the L^2 norm of the initial datum which is a conserved quantity, as shown in Proposition 3.2, also the global well-posedness follows.

When $\alpha = 0$ the truncated GDNLS equation reduces to the truncated DNLS equation

$$i\partial_t \psi_N + \psi_N'' = i\beta P_N (|\psi_N|^2 \psi_N)', \qquad (3.3)$$

with initial datum

$$\psi_N(x,0) := P_N \psi(x,0) \,. \tag{3.4}$$

Indeed, for $\alpha = 0$ we have $c_1 = 2\beta$, $c_2 = \beta$, $c_3 = c_4 = c_5 = \Gamma = 0$. We shorten $\Phi_{t,\alpha=0}^N = \Phi_t^N$ for the flow associated to (3.3).

Since $\psi_N = P_N \psi_N$, passing to the Fourier coefficients, equation (3.3) rewrites as a system of ordinary differential equations

$$\frac{d}{dt}\psi_N(n) = -in^2\psi_N(n) + i\beta n \sum_{\substack{|k|, |\ell|, |m| \leq N \\ k+m=\ell+n}} \psi_N(k)\bar{\psi}_N(\ell)\psi_N(m), \quad |n| \leq N, \quad (3.5)$$

which can be written in a Hamiltonian form and preserves the Euclidean norm. This well-known facts are stated without proof in the next proposition.

Proposition 3.1 Let $\{\cdot, \cdot\}$ be the Poisson bracket defined through

$$\{\psi_N(n), \psi_N(n)\} = \{\bar{\psi}_N(n), \bar{\psi}_N(n)\} = 0, \quad \{\psi_N(n), \bar{\psi}_N(m)\} = -2in\delta_{n,m}.$$

and define $h = E_{\frac{1}{2}}[P_N\psi]$ (see (2.15)), namely

$$h = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_{|m| \leq N} m \psi_N(m) \bar{\psi}_N(m) + \frac{\beta}{4} \sum_{\substack{|p|, |q|, |k|, |\ell| \leq N \\ p+k=q+\ell}} \psi_N(p) \bar{\psi}_N(q) \psi_N(k) \bar{\psi}_N(\ell).$$

Then, the system (3.5) can be written as

$$\frac{d}{dt}\psi_N(n) = \{h, \psi_N(n)\}, \quad |n| \leq N.$$

Moreover, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}\sum_{|n|\leqslant N}|\psi_N(n)|^2=0.$$
(3.6)

Equation (3.6) means that the mass μ is an integral of motion of the truncated GDNLS equation when $\alpha = 0$. This actually holds for any value of $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$, as shown in Proposition 3.2. As we already observed, as consequence we have that the truncated flow map $\Phi_{L,\alpha}^N$, $t \in \mathbb{R}$, is globally well defined for initial data in L^2 .

Proposition 3.2 Let φ_N be a solution of the truncated GDNLS Eq. (3.1). Then, we have

$$\frac{d}{dt}\sum_{|n|\leqslant N}|\varphi_N(n)|^2=0.$$

Proof We want to show that $\frac{d}{dt} \int |\varphi_N|^2 = 2\text{Re} \int \bar{\varphi}_N \partial_t \varphi_N = 0$. By the truncated GDNLS Eq. (3.1) we get

$$\begin{split} \partial_{t}\varphi_{N} &= i\varphi_{N}'' - 2\alpha\mu[\varphi_{N}]\varphi_{N}' + c_{1}|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}' + c_{2}\varphi_{N}^{2}\bar{\varphi}_{N}' - ic_{3}|\varphi_{N}|^{4}\varphi_{N} \\ &- ic_{4}\mu[\varphi_{N}]|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N} - i\Gamma[\varphi_{N}]\varphi_{N} \\ &- c_{1}P_{>N}(|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}') - c_{2}P_{>N}(\varphi_{N}^{2}\bar{\varphi}_{N}') \\ &+ ic_{3}P_{>N}(|\varphi_{N}|^{4}\varphi_{N}) + ic_{4}\mu[\varphi_{N}]P_{>N}(|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}). \end{split}$$

Using the above formula, Remark 2.2, and the orthogonality relation $\int P_{>N}(f)P_N(g) = 0$, which holds for any $f, g \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$, we are left to show that

$$\operatorname{Re} \int \bar{\varphi}_N \partial \varphi_N = \operatorname{Re} \int i \bar{\varphi}_N \varphi_N'' + c_1 |\varphi_N|^2 \bar{\varphi}_N \varphi_N' + c_2 |\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N \bar{\varphi}_N' = 0.$$
(3.7)

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Using integration by parts, it is straightforward to check that $\int f'' \bar{f}$ is real, while $\int |f|^2 f' \bar{f}$ is purely imaginary, for every $f \in L^2(\mathbb{T})$. Hence, Eq. (3.7) follows by the above considerations and the fact that c_1 and c_2 are real numbers, see Remark 2.2. \Box

Another consequence of Proposition 3.1 is that, when $\alpha = 0$, the truncated flow relative to (3.1) preserves the Lebesgue measure on $M_N(\mathbb{C}^{2N+1})$ (see (1.5)). Again, this is indeed the case for any $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ (see [20] for $\alpha = -1$). Recall that $M_N(A)$ is the cylindrical set (1.4) with base $A \in \mathscr{B}(\mathbb{C}^{2N+1})$ and \mathcal{T}_N is the σ -algebra generated by these sets.

Proposition 3.3 The flow $\Phi_{t,\alpha}^N$ preserves the Lebesgue measure (1.5) on $(M_N(\mathbb{C}^{2N+1}), \mathcal{T}_N)$.

Proof Passing to the Fourier coefficients, the truncated GDNLS Eq. (3.1) rewrites as

$$\frac{d}{dt}\varphi_N(n) = F_n, \quad |n| \leqslant N, \tag{3.8}$$

where

$$F_n := F_n^0 + F_n^1 + F_n^2 + F_n^3 + F_n^4, \qquad (3.9)$$

with

$$\begin{split} F_n^0 &:= i\varphi_N''(n) - 2\alpha\mu[\varphi_N]\varphi_N'(n), \\ F_n^1 &:= c_1(P_N(|\varphi_N|^2\varphi_N'))(n) + c_2(P_N(\varphi_N^2\bar{\varphi}_N'))(n) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{|k|,|\ell|,|m| \leqslant N \\ k+\ell = m+n}} i(c_1\ell - c_2m)\varphi_N(k)\varphi_N(\ell)\bar{\varphi}_N(m), \\ F_n^2 &:= -ic_3(P_N(|\varphi_N|^4\varphi_N))(n) \\ &= -ic_3\sum_{\substack{|k|,|\ell|,|m|,|p| \leqslant N \\ k+\ell+p = m+n+q}} \varphi_N(k)\varphi_N(\ell)\bar{\varphi}_N(m)\varphi_N(p)\bar{\varphi}_N(q), \\ F_n^3 &:= -ic_4\mu[\varphi_N](P_N(|\varphi_N|^2\varphi_N))(n) = -ic_4\mu[\varphi_N]\sum_{\substack{|k|,|\ell|,|m| \leqslant N \\ k+\ell = m+n}} \varphi_N(k)\varphi_N(\ell)\bar{\varphi}_N(m), \\ F_n^4 &:= -i(\Gamma[\varphi_N]\varphi_N)(n) \end{split}$$

$$= -i\left(\frac{3\alpha\beta}{4\pi} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi}\right)\mu[\varphi_N^2]\varphi_N(n) + i\alpha^2\mu[\varphi_N]^2\varphi_N(n) + \frac{i\alpha}{\pi}\varphi_N(n)\sum_{|m|\leqslant N}m|\varphi_N(m)|^2.$$
(3.10)

We will show that

$$\operatorname{div} F = 0, \qquad (3.11)$$

where the divergence operator is defined as

div
$$F = \sum_{|n| \leq N} \left(\frac{\partial F_n}{\partial \varphi_N(n)} + \frac{\partial \bar{F}_n}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)} \right).$$
 (3.12)

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analyzing separately all these contributions. Recalling that the Lebesgue measure on $M_N(\mathbb{C}^{2N+1})$ has density proportional to $\prod_{|n| \leq N} d\varphi_N(n) d\overline{\varphi}_N(n)$, this proves the statement.

Note that

$$\mu[\varphi_N] = \sum_{|m| \leqslant N} |\varphi_N(m)|^2 = \overline{\mu[\varphi_N]}, \qquad \frac{\partial \mu[\varphi_N]}{\partial \varphi_N(n)} = \overline{\varphi}_N(n), \qquad \frac{\partial \mu[\varphi_N]}{\partial \overline{\varphi}_N(n)} = \varphi_N(n).$$

Then, from Eq. (3.10) it is straightforward to get

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial F_n^0}{\partial \varphi_N(n)} &= -in^2 - 2i\alpha n \mu[\varphi_N] - 2i\alpha n |\varphi_N(n)|^2 = -\frac{\partial \bar{F}_n^0}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)},\\ \frac{\partial F_n^1}{\partial \varphi_N(n)} &= \sum_{|m| \leqslant N} i \left((m+n)c_1 - 2mc_2 \right) |\varphi_N(m)|^2 = -\frac{\partial \bar{F}_n^1}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)},\\ \frac{\partial F_n^2}{\partial \varphi_N(n)} &= -ic_3 \mu[\varphi_N^2] = -\frac{\partial \bar{F}_n^2}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)},\\ \frac{\partial F_n^3}{\partial \varphi_N(n)} &= -ic_4 \bar{\varphi}_N(n) \sum_{\substack{|k|, |\ell|, |m| \leqslant N \\ k+\ell = m+n}} \bar{\varphi}_N(k) \varphi_N(\ell) \bar{\varphi}_N(m) - 2ic_4 \mu[\varphi_N]^2,\\ \frac{\partial \bar{F}_n^3}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)} &= ic_4 \varphi_N(n) \sum_{\substack{|k|, |\ell|, |m| \leqslant N \\ k+\ell = m+n}} \bar{\varphi}_N(k) \bar{\varphi}_N(\ell) \varphi_N(m) + 2ic_4 \mu[\varphi_N]^2,\\ \frac{\partial F_n^4}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)} &= -i \left(\frac{3\alpha\beta}{2\pi} + \frac{2\alpha^2}{\pi}\right) \varphi_N(n) \sum_{\substack{|k|, |\ell|, |m| \leqslant N \\ k+\ell = m+n}} \bar{\varphi}_N(k) \bar{\varphi}_N(\ell) \varphi_N(m) + 2ic_4 \mu[\varphi_N]^2,\\ \frac{\partial \bar{F}_n^4}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)} &= -i \left(\frac{3\alpha\beta}{2\pi} + \frac{2\alpha^2}{\pi}\right) \varphi_N(n) \sum_{\substack{|k|, |\ell|, |m| \leqslant N \\ k+\ell = m+n}} \bar{\varphi}_N(k) \bar{\varphi}_N(\ell) \varphi_N(m) + 2ic_4 \mu[\varphi_N]^2,\\ \frac{\partial \bar{F}_n^4}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)} &= -i \left(\frac{3\alpha\beta}{2\pi} + \frac{2\alpha^2}{\pi}\right) \varphi_N(n) \sum_{\substack{|k|, |\ell|, |m| \leqslant N \\ k+\ell = m+n}} \bar{\varphi}_N(k) \bar{\varphi}_N(\ell) \varphi_N(m) + 2ic_4 \mu[\varphi_N]^2,\\ \frac{\partial \bar{F}_n^4}{\partial \bar{\varphi}_N(n)} &= i \left(\frac{3\alpha\beta}{2\pi} + \frac{2\alpha^2}{\pi}\right) \bar{\varphi}_N(n) |^2 - i \left(\frac{3\alpha\beta}{4\pi} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi}\right) \mu[\varphi_N^2] \\ - i\alpha \left(\frac{m}{\pi} + 2\alpha\mu[\varphi_N]\right) |\varphi_N(n)|^2 + i \left(\frac{3\alpha\beta}{4\pi} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi}\right) \mu[\varphi_N^2] \\ - i\alpha \left(\frac{m}{\pi} + 2\alpha\mu[\varphi_N]\right) |\varphi_N(n)|^2 - i\alpha^2\mu[\varphi_N]^2. \end{split}$$

Equation (3.11) follows immediately from the decomposition of *F* given in (3.9) and taking the sum over all $|n| \leq N$ of the terms in (3.13).

Now we establish a nearness property of the gauged flow to the truncated one which will be used in the sequel. Let us recall that $B^r(R)$ is the ball in $H^r(\mathbb{T})$ of radius R,

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centered at zero. We write $\Phi_{t,\alpha}(A) := \{\Phi_{t,\alpha}(f) : f \in A\}$ and $\Phi_{t,\alpha}^N(A) := \{\Phi_{t,\alpha}^N(f) : f \in A\}$. The following proposition is the main achievement of this section.

Proposition 3.4 Let $0 \leq s < r$ with r > 5/4 and R > 1. For every $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $N^* = N^*(\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{N}$, depending also on $s, r, |\alpha|, R, |\beta|$, such that

$$\Phi_{t,\alpha}^{N}(A) \subseteq \Phi_{t,\alpha}(A) + B^{s}(\varepsilon), \quad |t| \leq t_{R}, \quad N > N^{*}, \quad A \subset B^{r}(R), \qquad (3.14)$$

where $0 < t_R < 1$ is a sufficiently small threshold which depends on $R, r, |\alpha|, |\beta|$.

We need two accessory lemmas. The first one is a (local in time) integral estimate for solutions of the truncated GDNLS. Similar estimates have been proved for the Benjamin–Ono equation in [32] and the argument easily adapts to GDNLS.

Lemma 3.5 Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$. For all r > 5/4 and for any $T \in [0, 1]$ we have

$$\int_{0}^{T} \|\varphi_{N}'(x,s)\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})} ds \leq CT^{3/4} \left(\sup_{s \in [0,T]} \|\varphi_{N}(x,s)\|_{H^{r}(\mathbb{T})} + |\beta|T \left(1 + \sup_{s \in [0,T]} \|\varphi_{N}(x,s)\|_{H^{r}(\mathbb{T})}^{5} \right) \right), \quad (3.15)$$

where $\varphi_{\infty} := \varphi$ is a solution to the GDNLS Eq. (2.8), φ_N is a solution to the truncated GDNLS Eq. (3.1), and C is a constant depending on r, $|\alpha|$, $|\beta|$ but uniform over N.

Proof Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ and denote

$$\Delta_0 := P_1, \quad \Delta_j := P_{2^j} - P_{2^{j-1}}, \quad j \ge 1,$$

Since φ_N is a solution of the truncated GDNLS Eq. (3.1) or of the non truncated Eq. (2.8), when we pass to the integral formulation and we apply the operator $\Delta_j \partial_x$, since $[P_N, \partial_x] = 0$, we arrive to

$$\partial_t \Delta_j \varphi'_N = e^{it\partial_x^2} \Delta_j \varphi'_N + \beta \int_0^t e^{i(t-s)\partial_x^2} \Delta_j P_N Z(\varphi_N)', \qquad (3.16)$$

where we have denoted

$$Z(\varphi_N) := c_1 |\varphi_N|^2 \varphi'_N + c_2 \varphi_N^2 \bar{\varphi}'_N + 2\alpha \mu [\varphi_N] \varphi'_N - i c_3 P_N (|\varphi_N|^4 \varphi_N) - i c_4 \mu [\varphi_N] P_N (|\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N) - i \Gamma [\varphi_N] \varphi_N .$$

Using the algebra property of H^s , we easily get

$$\|Z(\varphi_N)\|_{H^s} \leqslant C(1+\|\varphi_N\|_{H^{s+1}}^5), \qquad (3.17)$$

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for some *C* that only depends on *s*, $|\alpha|$, $|\beta|$. Now, let $\{t_\ell\}_{\ell=0,\dots,2^j} \subset [0, T]$ be such that

$$t_0 = 0, \quad t_{2^j} = T \quad \text{and} \quad t_\ell - t_{\ell-1} = \frac{T}{2^j}.$$

Looking at the integral Eq. (3.16), using the Strichartz-type estimates (see [2])

$$\left(\int_{0}^{T2^{-j}} \|e^{it\partial_{x}^{2}} \Delta_{j}f\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})}^{4} dt\right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \leqslant C \|\Delta_{j}f\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{T})}, \qquad (3.18)$$

$$\left(\int_{0}^{T2^{-j}} \left\| \int_{0}^{t} e^{i(t-s)\partial_{x}^{2}} \Delta_{j} F(x,s) \right\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})}^{4} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \leq C \int_{0}^{T2^{-j}} \|\Delta_{j} F(x,s)\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{T})} ds,$$
(3.19)

valid for all $T \in [0, 1]$ and $j \ge 1$, for some absolute constant *C*, we can bound

$$\int_{t_{\ell}}^{t_{\ell+1}} \|\Delta_{j}\varphi_{N}'(x,t)\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})} dt \leqslant T^{\frac{3}{4}} 2^{-\frac{3}{4}j} \left(\int_{t_{\ell}}^{t_{\ell+1}} \|\Delta_{j}\varphi_{N}'(x,t)\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})}^{4} dt \right)^{\frac{1}{4}} \\
\lesssim T^{\frac{3}{4}} 2^{-\frac{3}{4}j} \left(\|\Delta_{j}\varphi_{N}'(x,t_{\ell})\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{T})} + |\beta| \int_{t_{\ell}}^{t_{\ell+1}} \|\Delta_{j}Z(\varphi_{N})'(x,s)\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{T})}^{2} ds \right) \\
\lesssim T^{\frac{3}{4}} 2^{-j(1+\varepsilon)} \|\Delta_{j}\varphi_{N}'(x,t_{\ell})\|_{H^{\frac{1}{4}+\varepsilon}(\mathbb{T})} \\
+ |\beta| T^{\frac{3}{4}} 2^{-j\varepsilon} \int_{t_{\ell}}^{t_{\ell+1}} \|\Delta_{j}Z(\varphi_{N})(x,s)\|_{H^{\frac{1}{4}+\varepsilon}(\mathbb{T})}^{4} ds, \qquad (3.20)$$

for all $\varepsilon > 0$. More precisely, in the first bound we used Hölder inequality to dominate the $L^1([t_\ell, t_{\ell+1}])$ norm with the $L^4([t_\ell, t_{\ell+1}])$ norm, the second bound is an immediate consequence of (3.16)–(3.19) and the last one is the Bernstein inequality, since we are localising the frequencies over the annulus $2^{\ell} < |n| \leq 2^{\ell+1}$. Thus, summing over $\ell = 0, \ldots, 2^j - 1$, we obtain

$$\begin{split} \int_{0}^{T} \|\Delta_{j}\varphi_{N}'(x,t)\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})} dt &\lesssim T^{\frac{3}{4}} \sup_{t \in [0,T]} \|\Delta_{j}\varphi_{N}'(x,t)\|_{H^{\frac{1}{4}+\varepsilon}(\mathbb{T})} \sum_{\ell=0}^{2^{j}-1} 2^{-j(1+\varepsilon)} \\ &+ |\beta| T^{\frac{3}{4}} 2^{-j\varepsilon} \sum_{\ell=0}^{2^{j}-1} \int_{t_{\ell}}^{t_{\ell+1}} \|\Delta_{j} Z(\varphi_{N})(x,s)\|_{H^{\frac{1}{4}+\varepsilon}(\mathbb{T})} ds \\ &\leqslant \|\beta| T^{\frac{3}{4}} 2^{-j\varepsilon} \left(\sup_{t \in [0,T]} \|\Delta_{j}\varphi_{N}'(x,t)\|_{H^{\frac{1}{4}+\varepsilon}(\mathbb{T})} + |\beta| \int_{0}^{T} \|\Delta_{j} Z(\varphi_{N})(x,s)\|_{H^{\frac{1}{4}+\varepsilon}(\mathbb{T})} ds \right). \tag{3.21}$$

Since $\varphi'_N = \sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \Delta_j \varphi'_N$, the (3.15) follows, for any $r = \frac{5}{4} + \varepsilon$, by (3.21) and (3.17), via triangle inequality.

Next we show that the Sobolev norms stay bounded for short time under the evolution of the GDNLS flow. We remark that this is interesting for solutions of the truncated GDNLS Eq. (3.1), for which no further integrals of motion are available.

Lemma 3.6 Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$, r > 5/4, R > 1 and $\varphi(x, 0) \in B^r(R)$. There exists $t_R > 0$ such that

$$\sup_{|t| \leqslant t_R} \|\Phi_{t,\alpha}^N(\varphi(x,0))\|_{H^r} \leqslant 5R, \qquad (3.22)$$

where $\Phi_{t,\alpha}^{\infty} := \Phi_{t,\alpha}$ is the flow associated to (2.8) and $\Phi_{t,\alpha}^{N}$ is the flow associated to (3.1). The threshold t_{R} depends on R and on $|\alpha|$, $|\beta|$ and r but is independent on N.

Proof Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$. Recall that, when $\alpha = 0$, we have denoted by $\varphi_N = \Phi_t^N(\varphi(x, 0))$ a solution to the truncated DNLS Eq. (3.3) with initial datum $P_N\varphi(x, 0)$, while φ_∞ is a solution to the DNLS Eq. (1.1) with initial datum $P_\infty\varphi(x, 0) = \varphi(x, 0)$. We will show that

$$\sup_{|t| \leq cR^{-\frac{32}{3}}} \sup_{\varphi(x,0) \in B^{r}(R)} \|\varphi_{N}\|_{H^{r}} \leq 5R,$$
(3.23)

for a sufficiently small constant c > 0 which depends on $|\alpha|$, $|\beta|$ and r. First we prove this for $t \in [0, cR^{-\frac{32}{3}}]$. We apply the Bessel kernel J^r , namely the operator with symbol $(1 + n^2)^{r/2}$, to the truncated or non truncated GDNLS equation. Since J^r commutes with ∂_x and P_N and since $\partial_x J^r = J^{r+1}$, we get

$$\partial_t J^r \varphi_N - i J^{r+2} \varphi_N = c_1 P_N J^r (|\varphi_N|^2 \varphi'_N) + c_2 P_N J^r (\varphi_N^2 \bar{\varphi}'_N) + 2\alpha \mu [\varphi_N] J^{r+1} \varphi_N - i c_3 P_N J^r (|\varphi_N|^4 \varphi_N) - i c_4 \mu [\varphi_N] P_N J^r (|\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N) - i \Gamma [\varphi_N] P_N J^r \varphi_N.$$

We take the L^2 inner product of this equation against $J^r \varphi_N = P_N J^r \varphi_N$, and then the real part, so that, using integration by parts and recalling that $||f||_{H^r} \simeq ||J^r f||_{L^2}$, we obtain

$$\partial_t \|\varphi_N\|_{H^r}^2 \simeq \operatorname{Re}\left(Z_1(\varphi_N) + Z_2(\varphi_N) + Z_3(\varphi_N)\right), \qquad (3.24)$$

where

$$Z_{1}(\varphi_{N}) := c_{1} \int (J^{r}(|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}'))J^{r}\bar{\varphi}_{N}, \qquad Z_{2}(\varphi_{N}) := c_{2} \int (J^{r}(\varphi_{N}^{2}\bar{\varphi}_{N}'))J^{r}\bar{\varphi}_{N}.$$

$$Z_{3}(\varphi_{N}) := -ic_{3}P_{N}J^{r}(|\varphi_{N}|^{4}\varphi_{N}) - ic_{4}\mu[\varphi_{N}]P_{N}J^{r}(|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}) - i\Gamma[\varphi_{N}]P_{N}J^{r}\varphi_{N},$$

and we have used that Re $\int (J^{r+1}\varphi_N)J^r\bar{\varphi}_N = 0$. Integrating by parts we get

$$Z_1(\varphi_N) = c_1 \widetilde{Z}_1(\varphi_N) + c_1 \int ([J^r, |\varphi_N|^2] \varphi'_N) J^r \overline{\varphi}_N,$$

where

$$\widetilde{Z}_1(\varphi_N) := \int |\varphi_N|^2 (J^r \varphi'_N) J^r \bar{\varphi}_N.$$

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But, integrating by parts, we notice

$$\widetilde{Z}_{1}(\varphi_{N}) = -\overline{\widetilde{Z}_{1}(\varphi_{N})} - \int (|\varphi_{N}|^{2})' |J^{r}\varphi_{N}|^{2}, \qquad (3.25)$$

so that,

Re
$$\widetilde{Z}_1(\varphi_N) = -\frac{1}{2} \int (|\varphi_N|^2)' |J^r \varphi_N|^2$$
.

Thus

Re
$$Z_1(\varphi_N) = -\frac{c_1}{2} \int (|\varphi_N|^2)' |J^r \varphi_N|^2 + c_1 \int ([J^r, |\varphi_N|^2] \varphi'_N) J^r \bar{\varphi}_N$$

Using the Kato–Ponce commutator estimate [12]:

$$\|[J^r, f]g\|_{L^2} \lesssim \|f'\|_{L^{\infty}} \|g\|_{H^{r-1}} + \|f\|_{H^r} \|g\|_{L^{\infty}},$$

with $f = |\varphi_N|^2$ and $g = \varphi'_N$, the Sobolev embedding $H^r \hookrightarrow L^\infty$, and the algebra property of H^r , we can bound

$$|\operatorname{Re} Z_{1}(\varphi_{N})| \leq C \Big(\| (|\varphi_{N}|^{2})'\|_{L^{\infty}} \| J^{r} \varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}} + \| (|\varphi_{N}|^{2})'\|_{L^{\infty}} \| \varphi_{N}'\|_{H^{r-1}} + \| |\varphi_{N}|^{2} \|_{H^{r}} \| \varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \Big) \| J^{r} \bar{\varphi}_{N} \|_{L^{2}} \leq C \| \varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \| \varphi_{N} \|_{L^{\infty}} \| \varphi_{N} \|_{H^{r}}^{2} + \| \varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \| \varphi_{N} \|_{H^{r}}^{3} \leq \| \varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \| \varphi_{N} \|_{H^{r}}^{3}, \qquad (3.26)$$

were C are possibly increasing constants which only depend on r, $|\alpha|$, $|\beta|$. Similarly

$$Z_2(\varphi_N) = c_2 \widetilde{Z_2}(\varphi_N) + c_2 \int ([J^r, \varphi_N^2] \overline{\varphi}'_N) J^r \overline{\varphi}_N$$

where

$$\widetilde{Z}_2(\varphi_N) := \int \varphi_N^2 (J^r \bar{\varphi}'_N) J^r \bar{\varphi}_N$$

and, integrating by parts, we notice

$$\widetilde{Z}_2(\varphi_N) = -\widetilde{Z}_2(\varphi_N) - \int (\varphi_N^2)' |J^r \varphi_N|^2, \qquad (3.27)$$

namely

$$\widetilde{Z}_2(\varphi_N) = -\frac{1}{2} \int (\varphi_N^2)' |J^r \varphi_N|^2$$

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so that

$$Z_2(\varphi_N) = -\frac{c_2}{2} \int (\varphi_N^2)' |J^r \varphi_N|^2 + c_2 \int ([J^r, \varphi_N^2] \bar{\varphi}'_N) J^r \bar{\varphi}_N ,$$

and (here we let $f = \varphi_N^2$ and $g = \bar{\varphi}_N'$)

$$|Z_{2}(\varphi_{N})| \lesssim \left(\|(\varphi_{N}^{2})'\|_{L^{\infty}} \|J^{r}\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}} + \|(\varphi_{N}^{2})'\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\bar{\varphi}_{N}'\|_{H^{r-1}} + \|\varphi_{N}^{2}\|_{H^{r}} \|\bar{\varphi}_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \right) \|J^{r}\bar{\varphi}_{N}\|_{L^{2}}$$

$$\lesssim \|\varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\varphi_{N}\|_{H^{r}}^{2} + \|\varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\varphi_{N}\|_{H^{r}}^{3} \lesssim \|\varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\varphi_{N}\|_{H^{r}}^{3} .$$
(3.28)

On the other hand, using the algebra property of H^r , we easily get

$$\|Z_3(\varphi_N)\|_{H^r} \leqslant C(1 + \|\varphi_N\|_{H^r}^5), \qquad (3.29)$$

for some *C* that only depends on *s*, $|\alpha|$, $|\beta|$. Plugging (3.26), (3.28) and (3.29) into (3.24), we arrive to

$$\partial_t \|\varphi_N\|_{H^r}^2 \leqslant C^* (1 + \|\varphi_N'\|_{L^{\infty}}) \left(1 + \|\varphi_N\|_{H^r}^5\right), \qquad (3.30)$$

for some larger C^* that only depends on s, $|\alpha|$, $|\beta|$. We take $C^* > 2$. Now we use that $\partial_t \eta = \frac{2}{3} a \eta^{5/2}$ for $\eta = (1 - a)^{-2/3}$ with the choice $\eta(t) = \|\varphi_N(x, t)\|_{H^r}^2$. Distinguishing the time regimes where $0 \leq \eta(t) \leq 1$ and where $\eta(t) > 1$, the estimate (3.30) implies, via comparison principle, the following a priori bound

$$\begin{aligned} \|\varphi_{N}(x,t)\|_{H^{r}}^{2} &\leqslant \|\varphi_{N}(x,0)\|_{H^{r}}^{2} \left(2C^{*} \int_{0}^{t} (1+\|\varphi_{N}'(x,s)\|_{L^{\infty}}) ds \right. \\ &\left. + \left(1-3C^{*}\|\varphi_{N}(x,0)\|_{H^{r}}^{3} \int_{0}^{t} \left(1+\|\varphi_{N}'(x,s)\|_{L^{\infty}}\right) ds\right)^{-\frac{2}{3}} \right) \\ &< 1+4\|\varphi_{N}(x,0)\|_{H^{r}} \leqslant 5R \,, \end{aligned}$$
(3.31)

as long as

$$3C^* \left(\|\varphi_N(x,0)\|_{H^r}^2 + \|\varphi_N(x,0)\|_{H^r}^3 \right) \int_0^t (1+\|\varphi_N'(x,s)\|_{L^\infty} ds) < \frac{1}{2}.$$
 (3.32)

Now we set

$$X(t, \varphi_N(x, 0)) := \sup_{s \in [0, t]} \|\varphi_N(x, t)\|_{H^1}$$

and we assume that $\{t > 0 : X(t) > 5R\}$ is not empty, otherwise the statement follows in the larger time regime $t \in [0, \infty]$. Then we set

$$T(\varphi_N(x, 0)) = \inf \{t > 0 : X(t) > 5R\}$$
.

Our goal is to show that $T(\varphi_N(x, 0)) > cR^{-\frac{32}{3}}$ for any $P_N\varphi(x, 0) \in B^r(R)$, that would imply the statement in the case $t \in [0, cR^{-\frac{32}{3}}]$. By the continuity of $t \to \|\varphi_N(x, t)\|_{H^r}$ it is clear that

$$X(T(\varphi_N(x,0)),\varphi_N(x,0)) = 5R.$$
(3.33)

With a little abuse of notation we will simply denote these quantities by *T* and *X*(*T*), namely we will omit the dependence on $\varphi_N(x, 0)$. Let now assume that $T \leq cR^{-\frac{32}{3}}$. We deduce a contradiction by (3.31), using the dispersive estimate (3.15), proven in Lemma 3.5. Since $\varphi_N(x, 0) \in B^r(R)$ and R > 1, the (3.32) would be true once

$$6C^*R^3 \int_0^t (1 + \|\varphi_N'(x,s)\|_{L^\infty} ds) < \frac{1}{2}$$
(3.34)

Since $T \in [0, cR^{-\frac{32}{3}}], X(T) = 5R$, the (3.15) gives (assume c < 1 so that T < 1)

$$\begin{aligned} & 6C^*R^3\int_0^T (1+\|\varphi_N'(x,s)\|_{L^\infty})ds \leqslant 6C^*R^3(T+CT^{\frac{3}{4}}(X(T)+|\beta|TX^5)) \\ & \leqslant 6C^*2^5R^8T^{\frac{3}{4}}(1+C(1+|\beta|)) = 6C^*2^5c^{\frac{3}{4}}(1+C(1+|\beta|)) < \frac{1}{2}, \end{aligned}$$

where in the last inequality we have chosen *c* sufficiently small. Thus (3.34) and so (3.32) are satisfied, so that we can apply the (3.31) with $t \in [0, T]$ and we get X(T) < 5R in contradiction with (3.33).

This completes the proof of (3.23) in the case $t \in [0, cR^{-\frac{32}{3}}]$. As for $t \in [-cR^{-\frac{32}{3}}, 0]$, one can consider the equations (3.1), (2.8) with φ_N replaced by $\overline{\varphi}_N$, that is satisfied by $\varphi_N(-x, -t)$, for which the argument above applies with obvious modifications, to show that (3.23) holds also when we restrict to negative times thus concluding the proof.

Now we can prove Proposition 3.4.

Proof of Proposition 3.4 Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$. Assume that we have shown

$$\sup_{|t| \leq t_R} \sup_{\varphi(x,0) \in B^r(R)} \|\Phi_{t,\alpha}(\varphi(x,0)) - \Phi^N_{t,\alpha}(\varphi(x,0))\|_{L^2} \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad N \to \infty, \quad (3.35)$$

for some $t_R \in (0, 1)$ that we conveniently choose to be the threshold quantity in Lemma (3.6). This allows us to use the (*N*-uniform) bound (3.22) to get, for $0 \leq s < r$, the following

$$\begin{split} \|\Phi_{t,\alpha}(\varphi(x,0)) - \Phi_{t,\alpha}^{N}(\varphi(x,0))\|_{H^{s}} \\ &\leqslant \|\Phi_{t,\alpha}(\varphi(x,0)) - \Phi_{t,\alpha}^{N}(\varphi(x,0))\|_{L^{2}}^{(r-s)/r} \|\Phi_{t,\alpha}(\varphi(x,0)) - \Phi_{t,\alpha}^{N}(\varphi(x,0))\|_{H^{r}}^{s/r} \\ &\leqslant (10R)^{s/r} \|\Phi_{t,\alpha}(\varphi(x,0)) - \Phi_{t,\alpha}^{N}(\varphi(x,0))\|_{L^{2}}^{(r-s)/r} \,, \end{split}$$

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for all $\varphi(x, 0) \in B^r(R)$. Thus, using (3.35), we would get

$$\sup_{|t| \leq t_R} \sup_{\varphi(x,0) \in B^r(R)} \|\Phi_{t,\alpha}(\varphi(x,0)) - \Phi^N_{t,\alpha}(\varphi(x,0))\|_{H^s} \to 0 \text{ as } N \to \infty, \quad (3.36)$$

which implies (3.14). It remains to prove the (3.35). We consider the difference

$$\delta_N(x,t) := \varphi(x,t) - \varphi_N(x,t) := \Phi_t(\varphi(x,0)) - \Phi_t^N(\varphi(x,0))$$
(3.37)

that, recalling (2.8) and (3.1), solves the equation

$$\begin{cases} \partial_t \delta_N - i \delta_N'' + 2\alpha \mu \delta_N' = -2\alpha (\mu[\varphi] - \mu[\varphi_N]) \varphi_N' + \sum_{\ell=1}^7 Z_\ell[\varphi, \varphi_N] \\ + P_{>N} \sum_{\ell=1}^4 R_\ell[\varphi_N], \\ \delta_N(x, 0) = P_{>N} \varphi(x, 0), \end{cases}$$
(3.38)

where, with $c_5 := \frac{3\alpha\beta}{4\pi} + \frac{\alpha^2}{\pi}$, $c_6 := -\alpha^2$ and $c_7 := \frac{i\alpha}{\pi}$, we have denoted

$$\begin{split} Z_{1}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}] &:= c_{1}(|\varphi|^{2}\varphi' - |\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi'_{N}), \qquad Z_{2}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}] := c_{2}(\varphi^{2}\bar{\varphi}' - \varphi_{N}^{2}\bar{\varphi}'_{N}), \\ Z_{3}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}] &:= -ic_{3}(|\varphi|^{4}\varphi - |\varphi_{N}|^{4}\varphi_{N}), \qquad Z_{4}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}] := -ic_{4}(\mu[\varphi]|\varphi|^{2}\varphi - \mu[\varphi_{N}]|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}), \\ Z_{5}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}] &:= -ic_{5}(||\varphi||_{L^{4}}^{4} - ||\varphi_{N}||_{L^{4}}^{4}), \qquad Z_{6}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}] := -ic_{6}(\mu[\varphi]^{2} - \mu[\varphi_{N}]^{2}), \\ Z_{7}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}] &:= -ic_{7}\left(\int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi'\bar{\varphi} - \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi'_{N}\bar{\varphi}_{N}\right), \end{split}$$

and

$$R_{1}[\varphi_{N}] := (|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N})', \qquad R_{2}[\varphi_{N}] := c_{2}\varphi_{N}^{2}\bar{\varphi}_{N}', R_{3}[\varphi_{N}] := -ic_{3}|\varphi_{N}|^{4}\varphi_{N}, R_{4}[\varphi_{N}] := -ic_{4}\mu[\varphi_{N}]|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N},$$

Now we take the L^2 inner product of equation (3.38) with δ_N , and then the real part, so that, after integration by parts, we arrive to

$$\partial_{t} \int |\delta_{N}|^{2} = -2\alpha \operatorname{Re} \int (\mu[\varphi] - \mu[\varphi_{N}])\varphi_{N}' \bar{\delta}_{N} + \sum_{\ell=1}^{7} \operatorname{Re} \int Z_{\ell}[\varphi, \varphi_{N}] \bar{\delta}_{N} + P_{>N} \operatorname{Re} \int \sum_{\ell=1}^{4} R_{\ell}[\varphi_{N}] \bar{\delta}_{N}.$$
(3.39)

Now we need to bound the terms on the right hand side of (3.39). Notice that, since $A \subset B^r(R)$, by Lemma 3.6 we have that $\varphi(x, t), \varphi_N(x, t) \subset B^r(5R)$ for $|t| \leq t_R$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{Re} \, \int (\mu[\varphi] - \mu[\varphi_N]) \varphi'_N \bar{\delta}_N \right| &= \left| \operatorname{Re} \left(\int (|\varphi| - |\varphi_N|) (|\varphi| + |\varphi_N|)) \right) \left(\int \varphi'_N \bar{\delta}_N \right) \right| \\ &\leqslant \|\delta_N\|_{L^2}^2 (\|\varphi\|_{L^2} + \|\varphi_N\|_{L^2}) \|\varphi'_N\|_{L^2} \lesssim R^2 \|\delta_N\|_{L^2}^2 \,. \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.40)$$

Then

$$\begin{vmatrix} \operatorname{Re} \int Z_1[\varphi,\varphi_N]\bar{\delta}_N \end{vmatrix} = |c_1| \left| \operatorname{Re} \int (|\varphi|^2 \varphi' - |\varphi_N|^2 \varphi'_N)\bar{\delta}_N \right| \\ = |c_1| \left| \operatorname{Re} \int |\varphi|^2 \delta'_N \bar{\delta}_N + (|\varphi| + |\varphi_N|)(|\varphi| - |\varphi_N|)\varphi'_N \bar{\delta}_N \right| \end{aligned}$$

and since

Re
$$\int |\varphi|^2 \delta'_N \bar{\delta}_N = \frac{1}{2} \int (|\delta_N|^2)' |\varphi|^2 = -\frac{1}{2} \int |\delta_N|^2 (|\varphi|^2)',$$

we arrive to

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{Re} \int Z_{1}[\varphi, \varphi_{N}] \overline{\delta}_{N} \right| &\lesssim |c_{1}| \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \|\varphi\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\varphi'\|_{L^{\infty}} \\ &+ |c_{1}| \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} (\|\varphi\|_{L^{\infty}} + \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}}) \|\varphi'_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}} \\ &\leqslant CR(\|\varphi'\|_{L^{\infty}} + \|\varphi'_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}}) \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2}, \end{aligned}$$
(3.41)

where hereafter *C* denotes several constants, possibly increasing from line to line, that only depend on $|\alpha|$, $|\beta|$, *r*. Similarly

$$\begin{vmatrix} \operatorname{Re} \int Z_2[\varphi, \varphi_N] \bar{\delta}_N \end{vmatrix} = |c_2| \left| \operatorname{Re} \int (\varphi^2 \bar{\varphi}' - \varphi_N^2 \bar{\varphi}'_N) \bar{\delta}_N \right| \\ = |c_2| \left| \operatorname{Re} \int \varphi^2 \bar{\delta}'_N \bar{\delta}_N + (\varphi + \varphi_N) \bar{\varphi}'_N |\delta_N|^2 \right| \end{aligned}$$

and since

$$\int \varphi^2 \bar{\delta}'_N \bar{\delta}_N = \frac{1}{2} \int \varphi^2 (\bar{\delta}_N^2)' = -\frac{1}{2} \int (\varphi^2)' \bar{\delta}_N^2 \,,$$

we arrive to

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{Re} \int Z_{2}[\varphi, \varphi_{N}] \overline{\delta}_{N} \right| &\lesssim |c_{2}| \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \|\varphi\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\varphi'\|_{L^{\infty}} \\ &+ |c_{2}| \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} (\|\varphi\|_{L^{\infty}} + \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}}) \|\varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}} \\ &\leqslant CR(\|\varphi'\|_{L^{\infty}} + \|\varphi_{N}'\|_{L^{\infty}}) \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2}. \end{aligned}$$
(3.42)

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Moreover

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{Re} \int Z_{3}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}]\bar{\delta}_{N} \right| &= |c_{3}| \left| \operatorname{Re} \int |\varphi|^{4} |\delta_{N}|^{2} + |\varphi_{N}|(|\varphi|^{4} - |\varphi_{N}|^{4})\bar{\delta}_{N} \right| \\ &= |c_{3}| \left| \operatorname{Re} \int |\varphi|^{4} |\delta_{N}|^{2} + |\varphi_{N}|(|\varphi| - |\varphi_{N}|)(|\varphi| + |\varphi_{N}|)(|\varphi|^{2} + |\varphi_{N}|^{2})\bar{\delta}_{N} \right| \\ &\lesssim |c_{3}| \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} (\|\varphi\|_{L^{\infty}}^{4} + \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}}^{4}) \leqslant R^{4} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2}, \end{aligned}$$
(3.43)

and similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{Re} \int Z_{4}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}]\bar{\delta}_{N} \right| &= |c_{4}| \left| \operatorname{Re} \int (\mu[\varphi]|\varphi|^{2}\varphi - \mu[\varphi_{N}]|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N})\bar{\delta}_{N} \right| \\ &= |c_{4}| \left| \operatorname{Re} \int \mu[\varphi]|\varphi|^{2}|\delta_{N}|^{2} + \mu[\varphi](|\varphi| - |\varphi_{N}|)(|\varphi| + |\varphi_{N}|)\varphi_{N}\bar{\delta}_{N} \\ &+ \left(\int (|\varphi| - |\varphi_{N}|)(|\varphi| + |\varphi_{N}|) \right) \left(\operatorname{Re} \int |\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}\bar{\delta}_{N} \right) \right| \\ &\lesssim |c_{4}| \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \left(\|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}}^{2} + \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} (\|\varphi\|_{L^{\infty}}^{2} + \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}}^{2}) + \|\varphi\|_{L^{\infty}}^{4} + \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{\infty}}^{4} \right) \\ &\leqslant R^{4} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} . \end{aligned}$$

$$(3.44)$$

We finally estimate

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{Re} \int Z_{5}[\varphi, \varphi_{N}] \overline{\delta}_{N} \right| \\ &= |c_{5}| \left| \left(\int |\varphi|^{4} \right) \left(\int |\delta_{N}|^{2} \right) + \left(\int |\varphi|^{4} - |\varphi_{N}|^{4} \right) \left(\int \overline{\varphi}_{N} \overline{\delta}_{N} \right) \right| \\ &\leq |c_{5}| \|\varphi\|_{L^{4}}^{4} \|\delta\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + |c_{5}| \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \int (|\varphi| - |\varphi_{N}|) (|\varphi| + |\varphi_{N}|) (|\varphi|^{2} + |\varphi_{N}|^{2}) \\ &\leq CR^{4} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + (\|\varphi\|_{L^{2}}^{4} + \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{4}) \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \leq CR^{4} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2}, \end{aligned}$$
(3.45)

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{Re} \int Z_{6}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}]\bar{\delta}_{N} \right| &= |c_{6}| \left| \left(\int |\varphi|^{2} \right)^{2} \left(\int |\delta_{N}|^{2} \right) + \left(\int |\varphi|^{2} - |\varphi_{N}|^{2} \right)^{2} \left(\int \bar{\varphi}_{N}\bar{\delta}_{N} \right) \right| \\ &\lesssim |c_{6}|R^{4} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + R \left(\int (|\varphi| - |\varphi_{N}|)(|\varphi| + |\varphi_{N}|) \right) \left(\int \bar{\varphi}_{N}\bar{\delta}_{N} \right) \\ &\lesssim |c_{6}|R^{4} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + R^{2} (\|\varphi\|_{L^{2}} + \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}}) \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \leqslant CR^{4} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2}, \quad (3.46) \end{aligned}$$

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and

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \operatorname{Re} \int Z_{7}[\varphi,\varphi_{N}]\bar{\delta}_{N} \right| &= |c_{7}| \left| \left(\int \varphi'\bar{\varphi} \right) \left(\int |\delta_{N}|^{2} \right) + \left(\int \varphi'\bar{\varphi} - \varphi'_{N}\bar{\varphi}_{N} \right) \left(\int \bar{\varphi}_{N}\bar{\delta}_{N} \right) \right| \\ &\lesssim |c_{7}| \|\varphi'\|_{L^{2}} \|\varphi\|_{L^{2}} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \left(\int \varphi'\bar{\delta}_{N} - \delta'_{N}\bar{\varphi}_{N} \right) \left(\int \bar{\varphi}_{N}\bar{\delta}_{N} \right) \\ &= |c_{7}| \|\varphi'\|_{L^{2}} \|\varphi\|_{L^{2}} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \left(\int \varphi'\bar{\delta}_{N} + \delta_{N}\bar{\varphi}'_{N} \right) \left(\int \bar{\varphi}_{N}\bar{\delta}_{N} \right) \\ &\leqslant CR^{2} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \left(\|\varphi'\|_{L^{2}} + \|\varphi'_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \right) \|\varphi_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \leqslant CR^{2} \|\delta_{N}\|_{L^{2}}^{2}. \end{aligned}$$
(3.47)

Letting

$$\eta(t) = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{T}} (|\varphi'(x, t)|^2 + |\varphi'_N(x, t)|^2),$$

and plugging (3.40), (3.41), (3.42). (3.43), (3.44), (3.45), (3.46), (3.47) into (3.39) we arrive to

$$\partial_t \int |\delta(x,t)|^2 \leq C(R^4 + R\eta(t)) \int |\delta(x,t)|^2 + P_{>N} \operatorname{Re} \int \sum_{\ell=1}^4 R_\ell [\varphi_N] \bar{\delta}_N \quad |t| \leq t_R.$$
(3.48)

Using the algebra property of H^{r-1} and Lemma 3.6 it is immediate to show that $R_{\ell}[\varphi_N(x,t)]\bar{\delta}_N(x,t)$ belong to $B^{r-1}(CR^5)$ for all $\ell = 1, ..., 4$ and for $|t| \leq t_R$, so that

$$\left| P_{>N} \operatorname{Re} \int \sum_{\ell=1}^{4} R_{\ell}[\varphi_{N}] \overline{\delta}_{N} \right| \leq C R^{6} N^{-2(r-1)} \quad |t| \leq t_{R}.$$

so that, using the Grönwall inequality, the estimate (3.48) gives

$$\begin{split} \int |\delta(x,t)|^2 &\leqslant \ e^{CR^5 t + CR \int_0^t \eta(\tau) d\tau} \int |\delta(x,0)|^2 \\ &+ CR^6 N^{-2(r-1)} \int_0^t e^{CR^5 (t-s) + CR \int_s^t \eta(\tau) d\tau} ds \\ &\leqslant \ Ce^{CR^6 t} R^2 N^{-2r} + CR^6 N^{-2(r-1)} t e^{CR^6}, \quad |t| \ \leqslant \ t_R \,, \end{split}$$

that implies the (3.35), so that the proof is concluded.

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4 Asymptotic stationarity of the integrals of motion

Let $k \ge 2$. In this section we only work with the truncated GDNLS under the choice

$$\alpha = \alpha_k := -\frac{2k+1}{2k+2}\beta, \qquad (4.1)$$

namely

$$i\partial_{t}\varphi_{N} + \varphi_{N}'' - i\beta\mu \frac{2k+1}{k+1}\varphi_{N}' = ic_{1}P_{N}(|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}') + ic_{2}P_{N}((\varphi_{N})^{2}\bar{\varphi}_{N}') + c_{3}P_{N}(|\varphi_{N}|^{4}\varphi_{N}) + c_{4}\mu P_{N}(|\varphi_{N}|^{2}\varphi_{N}) + \Gamma[\varphi_{N}]\varphi_{N},$$
(4.2)

with initial datum

$$\varphi_N(x,0) := P_N \varphi(x,0), \qquad (4.3)$$

where

$$c_1 = \frac{\beta}{k+1}, \quad c_2 = -\frac{k}{k+1}\beta, \quad c_3 = -\frac{k(2k+1)}{4(k+1)^2}\beta^2, \quad c_4 = \frac{\beta}{2}\frac{2k+1}{k+1},$$
 (4.4)

and

$$\Gamma[\varphi_N] = \frac{(2k+1)(k-1)}{8\pi(k+1)^2} \beta^2 \|\varphi_N\|_{L^4}^4 - \frac{(2k+1)^2}{4(k+1)^2} \mu^2 - \frac{i(2k+1)}{2(k+1)} \int_{\mathbb{T}} \varphi_N' \bar{\varphi}_N \,. \tag{4.5}$$

We have denoted the associated flow by Φ_{t,α_k}^N . We write $\Phi_{t,\alpha_k} = \Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^\infty$ for the flow associated to the non truncated equation.

This choice of α simplifies the (higher order) integrals of motion $\mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\varphi_N], \ell \in \mathbb{N}_0$, which take the following form for $\ell = k$ (see (2.33)):

$$\mathcal{E}_{k}[\varphi_{N}] = \frac{1}{2} \|\varphi_{N}\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} + i \frac{2k+1}{2k+2} k\beta \mu \int \varphi_{N}^{(k)} \bar{\varphi}_{N}^{(k-1)} + \int R_{k} \,.$$

The main goal of this section is to prove the following estimate.

Proposition 4.1 Let $k \ge 2, 0 \le \ell \le k$ and (4.1). We have

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \left\| \frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N(\varphi(x,0))] \right|_{t=0} \right\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)} = 0.$$
(4.6)

For $\ell = 0$, equation (4.6) is a consequence of the (stronger) result provided by Proposition 3.2.

Proof Following [35] we define the linear operator D_N which acts on the multilinear form $\int u^{(\alpha_1)} \cdots u^{(\alpha_m)}$ according to the Leibniz rule

$$D_N \int u^{(\alpha_1)} \cdots u^{(\alpha_m)}$$

:= $i \sum_{j=1}^m \int u^{(\alpha_1)} \cdots P_{>N} \left(ic_1 |u|^2 u' + ic_2 u^2 \bar{u}' + c_3 |u|^4 u + c_4 |u|^2 u \right)^{(\alpha_j)} \cdots u^{(\alpha_m)}.$
(4.7)

Notice that equation (4.2) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{split} \partial_t \varphi_N = & i \varphi_N'' + \beta \mu \frac{2k+1}{k+1} \varphi_N' + c_1 |\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N' + c_2 (\varphi_N)^2 \bar{\varphi}_N' - i c_3 |\varphi_N|^4 \varphi_N \\ & - i c_4 \mu |\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N - i \Gamma[\varphi_N] \varphi_N - c_1 P_{>N} (|\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N') - c_2 P_{>N} ((\varphi_N)^2 \bar{\varphi}_N') \\ & + i c_3 P_{>N} (|\varphi_N|^4 \varphi_N) + i c_4 \mu P_{>N} (|\varphi_N|^2 \varphi_N) \,, \end{split}$$

where the first line is the GDNLS equation (2.8) for $\alpha = -\frac{2k+1}{2k+2}\beta$, whose flow preserves the integrals of motion \mathcal{E}_{ℓ} . More precisely

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(P_N\varphi(x,0))] = 0$$

Using this, the fact that \mathcal{E}_{ℓ} are linear combinations of multilinear forms, and the fact that $\Phi_{0,\alpha_{\ell}}^{N} = P_{N} = \Phi_{0,\alpha_{k}} P_{N}$, one can easily check that

$$\frac{d}{dt}\mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}(\varphi(x,0))]\Big|_{t=0} = D_{N}\mathcal{E}_{\ell}[P_{N}\varphi(x,0)], \qquad (4.8)$$

Actually, the (4.8) holds at any time $t \in \mathbb{R}$. However, we will only use this identity in the case t = 0.

In order to simplify the notation, until the end of the section we will write φ in place of $\varphi(x, 0)$. Nevertheless, all the functions we will consider are always calculated at time t = 0. Notice that, by orthogonality

$$D_N \| P_N \varphi \|_{\dot{H}^{\ell}}^2 = 0, \quad \text{for all } \ell \in \mathbb{N}_0, \qquad D_N \int (P_N \varphi)^{(\ell)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\ell-1)} = 0, \quad \text{for all } \ell \in \mathbb{N}.$$
(4.9)

We will show that

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \|D_N \mathcal{E}_{\ell}[P_N \varphi]\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)} = 0, \qquad (4.10)$$

for all $0 \leq \ell \leq k$, that imples (4.6) by (4.8).

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Case $0 \leq \ell \leq k-1$

In this case the gauged integrals of motion have the form (see (2.33)):

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{E}_{\ell}[P_{N}\varphi] &= \frac{1}{2} \|P_{N}\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{\ell}}^{2} + i\frac{2k+1}{2k+2}\ell\beta\mu \int (P_{N}\varphi)^{(\ell)}(P_{N}\bar{\varphi})^{(\ell-1)} \\ &+ \frac{i}{4}\frac{\ell-k}{k+1}\beta \int |P_{N}\varphi|^{2} \left((P_{N}\varphi)^{(\ell)}(P_{N}\bar{\varphi})^{(\ell-1)} - (P_{N}\varphi)^{(\ell-1)}(P_{N}\bar{\varphi}_{N})^{(\ell)} \right) + \int R_{\ell}. \end{aligned}$$

When we apply the operator D_N , we are left to consider only its action on the last two terms in the RHS, since the first two terms give no contribution by (4.9). Recalling that $R_{\ell} \in \mathcal{V}_{\ell-1}$ and using the fact that $\ell - 1 \leq k - 2$, we have that R_{ℓ} is a a linear combination of monomials of the form

$$D_N \int u_N^{(\alpha_1)} \cdots u_N^{(\alpha_j)} \cdots u_N^{(\alpha_m)}, \quad \alpha_j \leqslant k-2, \quad j=1,\ldots,m,$$
(4.11)

where u_N is either $P_N \varphi$ or $P_N \overline{\varphi}$. Thus, using (4.7) and reordering the indexes, we have that (4.11) is a linear combination of terms of the form

$$\int u_N^{(\beta_1)} \cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m-1})} P_{>N}(u_N^{(\beta_m)} \dots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r})}), \quad r = 2 \text{ or } 4, \qquad (4.12)$$

with $\beta_j \leq k-2$, j = 1, ..., m+r-1 and $\beta_{m+r} \leq k-1$. Hence the contribution of these terms to (4.10) is

$$\int u_N^{(\beta_1)} \cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m-1})} P_{>N} \left(u_N^{(\beta_m)} \ldots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r})} \right),$$

which goes to zero, as $N \to \infty$, due to the forthcoming Lemma 4.3.

Finally, we apply D_N to the term $\int |(P_N\varphi)|^2 ((P_N\varphi)^{(\ell)}(P_N\bar{\varphi})^{(\ell-1)} - (P_N\varphi)^{(\ell-1)})$. By a simple integration by parts argument, we obtain a linear combination of terms like (4.12) (for m = 3), whose contribution to (4.10) vanishes as $N \to \infty$, and of terms of the form

$$\int u_N^{(\beta_1)} u_N^{(\beta_2)} P_{>N}(u_N^{(\beta_3)} \dots u_N^{(\beta_{3+r})}), \quad r = 2 \text{ or } 4, \qquad (4.13)$$

with $\beta_j \leq k-2$ for all j = 2, ..., r+2 and $\beta_1, \beta_{3+r} \leq k-1$, whose contribution to (4.10) again vanishes by Lemma 4.3.

Case $\ell = k$

The gauged integral of motion has the form (see (2.33)):

$$\mathcal{E}_{k}[P_{N}\varphi] = \frac{1}{2} \|P_{N}\varphi\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} + i\frac{2k+1}{2k+2}k\beta\mu \int (P_{N}\varphi)^{(k)}(P_{N}\bar{\varphi})^{(k-1)} + \int R_{k}, \quad (4.14)$$

and again, because of (4.8) and (4.9), we only need to evaluate $D_N \int R_k$. Let us split the terms appearing in R_k into two classes according to Corollary 2.12. The first class $R_{k,P}$ contains terms of the form

$$u_N^{(\alpha_1)} \cdots u_N^{(\alpha_m)}, \quad \alpha_j \leqslant k-2, \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, m-1, \quad \alpha_m \leqslant k-1, (4.15)$$

where again u_N is either $P_N\varphi_N$ or $P_N\bar{\varphi}$. The second class $R_{k,W}$ contains the terms of the form (2.34). The contribution of the terms of $R_{k,P}$ to (4.10) is zero in the limit $N \to \infty$, as shown in the forthcoming Lemma 4.4. The harder terms of class $R_{k,W}$ are treated in the following way. First of all, recalling (4.9), we do not need to consider the terms of the kind (3) in (2.34). Then we notice that D_N maps a generic element of $R_{k,W}$ into a linear combination of monomials that, after integation over \mathbb{T} , are, modulo conjugation, of the following two types:

$$\int P_{>N} \left((P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_1)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_5)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_2)} \right) P_{>N} \left((P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_6)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_3)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_7)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_4)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_8)} \right), \quad (4.16)$$

with $\beta_1 + \dots + \beta_8 = 2k - 1$, $\beta_1 \leq k$ and $\beta_j \leq k - 1$, $j = 1, \dots, 8$, or

$$\int P_{>N} \left((P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_1)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_4)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_2)} \right) P_{>N} \left((P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_5)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_3)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_6)} \right),$$
(4.17)

with $\beta_1 + \ldots + \beta_6 \in \{2k, 2k - 1\}, \beta_1 \leq k \text{ and } \beta_j \leq k - 1, j = 1, \ldots, 6$. These terms give a null contribution to (4.10), in the limit $N \to \infty$, as consequence of Lemmas 4.5 and 4.6. Thus the proof is concluded.

Remark 4.2 Since each integral of motion $\mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\varphi]$ is a linear combination of multilinear forms, using the hypercontractivity of the measure γ_k , the estimate (4.6) can be promoted to any $L^p(\gamma_k)$ norm, for $p < \infty$.

We again recall that in the rest of the section all functions will be evaluated at time t = 0, even though not explicitly indicated.

Lemma 4.3 Let $k \ge 2$, $m, r \in \mathbb{N}_0$ with $m \ge 2$ and $\beta_j \le k-2$ for all $j = 1, \ldots, m-2, j = m, \ldots, m+r-1$ and $\beta_{m-1}, \beta_{m+r} \le k-1$. Then, letting u_N denote either $P_N \varphi$ or $P_N \overline{\varphi}$, we have

$$\int u_N^{(\beta_1)} \cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m-1})} P_{>N}\left(u_N^{(\beta_m)} \dots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r})}\right) \to 0 \quad as \quad N \to \infty,$$
(4.18)

 γ_k -a.s. and in $L^2(\gamma_k)$ mean. The same is true if we rather assume $\beta_j \leq k-2$ for all $j = 1, \dots, m+r-2$ and $\beta_{m+r-1}, \beta_{m+r} \leq k-1$.

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Proof In both cases Hölder inequality and of Sobolev embedding yield

$$\left| \int u_{N}^{(\beta_{1})} \cdots u_{N}^{(\beta_{m-1})} P_{>N}(u_{N}^{(\beta_{m})} \dots u_{N}^{(\beta_{m+r})}) \right|$$

$$\lesssim \|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}}^{m-1} \|P_{>N}(u_{N}^{(\beta_{m})} \cdots u_{N}^{(\beta_{m+r})})\|_{L^{2}}.$$
 (4.19)

We decompose

$$\|P_{>N}u_{N}^{(\beta_{m})}\cdots u_{N}^{(\beta_{m+r})}\|_{L^{2}} \leq \|P_{>N}(u^{(\beta_{m})}\cdots u^{(\beta_{m+r})})\|_{L^{2}} + \|(u_{N}^{(\beta_{m})}\cdots u_{N}^{(\beta_{m+r})} - u^{(\beta_{m})}\cdots u^{(\beta_{m+r})})\|_{L^{2}}.$$
(4.20)

where u is either φ or $\overline{\varphi}$, in such a way that $u_N \to u$ in the H^{r-1} topology. Since

$$\|u^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u^{(\beta_{m+r})}\|_{L^2} \leq \|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}}^{r+1},$$

recalling that $\|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}} \leq C$ for γ_k -almost any φ , we see that $\|P_{>N}(u^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u^{(\beta_{m+r})})\|_{L^2}$ converges to zero γ_k -a.s. as $N \to \infty$. Then, taking advantage of the multilinearity of the monomials involved, also the second term on the right hand side of (4.20) similarly vanishes. Indeed, this is clear when r = 0 and, assuming this true for any integer smaller than r, we can show it decomposing

$$\begin{split} \|P_{>N}(u_N^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r})}-u^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u^{(\beta_{m+r})})\|_{L^2} &\leq \|u_N^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r-1})}(u_N^{\beta_{m+r}}-u^{\beta_{m+r}})\|_{L^2} \\ &+\|(u_N^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r-1})}-u^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u^{(\beta_{m+r-1})})u^{\beta_{m+r}}\|_{L^2} \\ &\leq \|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}}^r\|u_N^{\beta_{m+r}}-u^{\beta_{m+r}}\|_{L^2}+\|u_N^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r-1})}-u^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u^{(\beta_{m+r-1})}\|_{L^2}\|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}}\,, \end{split}$$

that, as a consequence of the induction assumption, clearly goes to zero γ_k -a.s., as $N \to \infty$.

In conclusion, we have shown that $\|P_{>N}(u_N^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_m+r)})\|_{L^2}$ converges to zero γ_k -a.s., as $N \to \infty$. Looking at the (4.19) and recalling that $\|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}}$ is γ_k -a.s. finite, we have shown that $\int u_N^{(\beta_1)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m-1})}P_{>N}(u_N^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r})})$ converges to zero γ_k -almost surely. Since

$$\left|\int u_N^{(\beta_1)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m-1})}P_{>N}\left(u_N^{(\beta_m)}\cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r})}\right)\right|^2 \lesssim \|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}}^{2(m+r)},$$

and $\|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}}^{2(m+r)}$ is integrable with respect to γ_k , also the $L^2(\gamma_k)$ convergence follows and the proof is concluded. The integrability of $\|\varphi\|_{H^{k-1}}^{2(m+r)}$ is a consequence of the Fernique Theorem; see [14] Chapter 3 Theorem 3.1.

Lemma 4.4 Let $k \ge 2, 2 \le m \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\alpha_1 \le \cdots \le \alpha_j \ldots \le \alpha_m$, with $\alpha_m \le k-1$ and $\alpha_{m-1} \le k-2$. Then, letting u_N denote either $P_N \varphi$ or $P_N \overline{\varphi}$, we have

$$D_N \int u_N^{(\alpha_1)} \cdots u_N^{(\alpha_m)} \longrightarrow 0 \quad as \ N \to \infty \,,$$
 (4.21)

γ_k -a.s. and in $L^2(\gamma_k)$ mean.

Proof Recalling (4.7), after reordering the indexes, the expression (4.21) is a linear combination of terms of the form

$$\int u_N^{(\beta_1)} \cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m-1})} P_{>N} \left(u_N^{(\beta_m)} \cdots u_N^{(\beta_{m+r})} \right), \qquad (4.22)$$

where $3 \leq r \in \mathbb{N}$ and either

$$\beta_j \leq k-2 \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, m+r-1, \quad \beta_{m+r} \leq k,$$
 (4.23)

or

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$$\beta_j \leq k-2 \text{ for } j = 1, \dots, m-2, \ j = m, \dots, m+r-1, \qquad \beta_{m-1}, \ \beta_{m+r} \leq k-1.$$

(4.24)

If we are in the case of (4.24), we can simply apply Lemma 4.3 to deduce the statement. In the case (4.23), after integration by parts we reduce to a linear combination of terms of the form (4.22), but with β_i which satisfies (4.24) or such that

$$\beta_j \leqslant k-2$$
 for all $j = 1, \dots, m+r-2$, $\beta_{m+r-1}, \beta_{m+r} \leqslant k-1$.

Since we are still under the assumptions of Lemma 4.3, we can use it to control these terms too, so that the proof is concluded. \Box

To evaluate the contribution of (4.16), (4.17) to (4.10) we need a different approach, based on the Wick theorem, that we shall use in the following form. Let $\ell \in \mathbb{N}$ and S_{ℓ} be the symmetric group on $\{1, \ldots, \ell\}$, whose elements are denoted by σ . Then

$$\mathbb{E}\left[\prod_{j=1}^{\ell}\varphi(n_j)\bar{\varphi}(m_j)\right] = \sum_{\sigma\in S_{\ell}}\prod_{j=1}^{\ell}\frac{\delta_{m_j,n_{\sigma(j)}}}{1+n_{\sigma(j)}^{2k}},\qquad(4.25)$$

where we recall that \mathbb{E} is the expectation with respect to the Gaussian measure γ_k , so that

$$\mathbb{E}\left[f\bar{f} \right] = \|f\|_{L^{2}(\gamma_{k})}^{2}.$$
(4.26)

We say that σ contracts the pairs of indexes $(m_j, n_{\sigma(j)})$.

Lemma 4.5 Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \leq \beta_1 \leq k$ and $0 \leq \beta_j \leq k-1$ for j = 2, ..., 8. We have that

$$\left\| \int P_{>N} \left((P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_1)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_5)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_2)} \right) \right\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)} \lesssim \frac{\ln N}{\sqrt{N}}$$

$$\left((P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_6)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_3)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_7)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_4)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_8)} \right) \right\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)} \lesssim \frac{\ln N}{\sqrt{N}}$$
(4.27)

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Proof Writing

$$\begin{split} P_{>N} \left((P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_1)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_5)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_2)} \right) \\ P_{>N} \left((P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_6)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_3)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_7)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_4)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_8)} \right) \\ = \sum_{\substack{|n_1 - m_1 + n_2| > N \\ |m_2 - n_3 + m_3 - n_4 + m_4| > N \\ |n_1| \leq N, j = 1, \dots, 4 \\ |m_1| \leq N, j = 1, \dots, 4 \\ \end{split} \left(\prod_{j=1}^{4} (in_j)^{\beta_j} (-im_j)^{\beta_{j+4}} \varphi(n_j) \bar{\varphi}(m_j) \right) e^{i(n_1 - m_1 + n_2 - m_2 + n_3 - m_3 + n_4 - m_4)x} \end{split}$$

and its conjugate as

$$\begin{split} P_{>N}((P_N\bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_1)}(P_N\varphi)^{(\beta_5)}(P_N\bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_2)}) \\ P_{>N}((P_N\varphi)^{(\beta_6)}(P_N\bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_3)}(P_N\varphi)^{(\beta_7)}(P_N\bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_4)}(P_N\varphi)^{(\beta_8)}) \\ &= \sum_{\substack{|m_5-n_5+m_6|>N\\|n_6-m_7+n_7-m_8+n_8|>N\\|n_j|,|m_j| \leq N, j=5,...,8}} \left(\prod_{j=5}^8 (in_j)^{\beta_j}(-im_j)^{\beta_{j-4}}\varphi(n_j)\bar{\varphi}(m_j) \right) e^{-i(m_5-n_5+m_6-n_6+m_7-n_7+m_8-n_8)x} \,, \end{split}$$

using (4.26), we see that the square of the l.h.s. of (4.27) can be written in the compact form

$$\sum_{A_N} \prod_{j=1}^8 \left[n_j^{\beta_j} m_j^{\beta_{[j+4]_8}} \right] \mathbb{E} \left[\prod_{j=1}^8 \varphi(n_j) \bar{\varphi}(m_j) \right],$$

where, letting $n = (n_1, \ldots, n_8), m = (m_1, \ldots, m_8)$ we have defined

$$A_N := \left\{ \begin{array}{l} \sum_{j=1}^4 n_j = \sum_{j=1}^4 m_j, \quad \sum_{j=5}^8 n_j = \sum_{j=5}^8 m_j \\ |n_j| \leqslant N, \quad |m_j| \leqslant N, \quad j = 1, \dots, 8, \\ (n,m) : \quad |n_1 - m_1 + n_2| > N, \quad |m_5 - n_5 + m_6| > N, \\ |m_2 - n_3 + m_3 - n_4 + m_4| > N, \\ |n_6 - m_7 + n_7 - m_8 + n_8| > N \end{array} \right\}.$$

Since $n_1 = \sum_{j=1}^4 m_j - \sum_{j=2}^4 n_j$ and $m_5 = \sum_{j=5}^8 n_j - \sum_{j=6}^8 m_1$, the condition $|n_1 - m_1 + n_2| > N$ reduces to $|m_2 - n_3 + m_3 - n_4 + m_4| > N$ and $|m_5 - n_5 + m_6| > N$ reduces to $|n_6 - m_7 + n_7 - m_8 + n_8| > N$. Thus we can rewrite A_N as

$$A_N = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \sum_{j=1}^4 n_j = \sum_{j=1}^4 m_j, \quad \sum_{j=5}^8 n_j = \sum_{j=5}^8 m_j \\ (n,m) : \ |n_j| \leqslant N, \ |m_j| \leqslant N, \quad j = 1, \dots, 8, \\ |m_2 - n_3 + m_3 - n_4 + m_4| > N, \quad |n_6 - m_7 + n_7 - m_8 + n_8| > N \end{array} \right\} \,.$$

Now we use the Wick formula (4.25), with $\ell = 8$, and obtain

$$\sum_{A_N} \prod_{j=1}^{8} \left[n_j^{\beta_j} m_j^{\beta_{[j+4]_8}} \right] \mathbb{E} \left[\prod_{j=1}^{8} \varphi(n_j) \bar{\varphi}(m_j) \right] = \sum_{A_N} \prod_{j=1}^{8} \left[n_j^{\beta_j} m_j^{\beta_{[j+4]_8}} \right] \sum_{\sigma \in S_8} \prod_{j=1}^{8} \frac{\delta_{m_j, n_{\sigma(j)}}}{1 + n_{\sigma(j)}^{2k}} \\ = \sum_{\sigma \in S_8} \sum_{A_N^{\sigma}} \prod_{j=1}^{8} \left[n_j^{\beta_j} n_{\sigma(j)}^{\beta_{[j+4]_8}} \right] \prod_{j=1}^{8} \frac{1}{1 + n_{\sigma(j)}^{2k}} = \sum_{\sigma \in S_8} \sum_{A_N^{\sigma}} \prod_{j=1}^{8} \frac{n_j^{\beta_j + \beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(j) + 4]_8}}}{1 + n_j^{2k}}$$
(4.28)

where

$$A_{N}^{\sigma} := \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \sum_{j=1}^{4} n_{j} = \sum_{j=1}^{4} n_{\sigma(j)}, \quad \sum_{j=5}^{8} n_{j} = \sum_{j=5}^{8} n_{\sigma(j)}, \\ n : \frac{|n_{j}| \leqslant N, \quad j = 1, \dots, 8,}{|n_{\sigma(2)} - n_{3} + n_{\sigma(3)} - n_{4} + n_{\sigma(4)}| > N, \\ |n_{6} - n_{\sigma(7)} + n_{7} - n_{\sigma(8)} + n_{8}| > N \end{array} \right\} .$$

We will bound the sum over σ in (4.28), term by term, distinguishing the permutations which satisfies $\sigma(5) = 1$ and the ones such that $\sigma(5) \neq 1$.

Case $\sigma(5) = 1$

Noting that $\beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(1)+4]_8} = \beta_{[5+4]_8} = \beta_1$, we see that $\beta_j + \beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(j)+4]_8} \leq 2k-2$ for all j = 2, ..., 8. Using this, we can estimate

$$\sum_{A_N^{\sigma}} \prod_{j=1}^8 \frac{|n_j|^{\beta_j + \beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(j) + 4]_8}}}{1 + n_j^{2k}} \lesssim \sum_{\mathcal{A}_N^{\sigma}} \prod_{j=2}^8 \frac{1}{1 + n_j^2}, \qquad (4.29)$$

where

$$\mathcal{A}_{N}^{\sigma} := \left\{ (n_{2}, \dots, n_{8}) : |n_{\sigma(2)} - n_{3} + n_{\sigma(3)} - n_{4} + n_{\sigma(4)}| \\ > N, |n_{6} - n_{\sigma(7)} + n_{7} - n_{\sigma(8)} + n_{8}| > N \right\}$$

and we have removed n_1 by the summation thanks to the relation $n_1 = \sum_{j=1}^4 n_{\sigma(j)} - \sum_{j=2}^4 n_j$ and to the fact that \mathcal{A}_N^{σ} is independent on n_1 . Since $\sigma(5) = 1$, it is clear that we can cover \mathcal{A}_N^{σ} with the following sets

$$\mathcal{A}_N^{\sigma,\ell} := \{ (n_2, \ldots, n_8) : |n_\ell| > N/5 \},\$$

where $\ell \in \{3, 4, \sigma(2), \sigma(3), \sigma(4)\}$, and that the sum over \mathcal{A}_N^{σ} in (4.29) is bounded by the total contribution of the sums over these sets. We will show that

$$\sum_{\mathcal{A}_{N}^{\sigma,\sigma(2)}} \prod_{j=2}^{8} \frac{1}{1+n_{j}^{2}} \lesssim \frac{1}{N} , \qquad (4.30)$$

all the other sums can be treated in the same way. We have

$$\sum_{\mathcal{A}_N^{\sigma,\sigma(2)}} \prod_{j=2}^8 \frac{1}{1+n_j^2} \lesssim \sum_{|n_{\sigma(2)}| > N/5} \frac{1}{n_{\sigma(2)}^2} \prod_{\substack{j=2,...,8 \\ j \neq \sigma(2)}} \sum_{\substack{n_j \in \mathbb{Z}}} \frac{1}{1+n_j^2} \lesssim \frac{1}{N}.$$

Case $\sigma(5) \neq 1$

We can write

$$\begin{split} \sum_{A_{N}^{\sigma}} \prod_{j=1}^{8} \frac{|n_{j}|^{\beta_{j}+\beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(j)+4]_{8}}}}{1+n_{j}^{2k}} \\ &= \sum_{A_{N}^{\sigma}} \left(\frac{|n_{1}|^{\beta_{1}+\beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(1)+4]_{8}}}}{1+n_{1}^{2k}} \frac{|n_{\sigma(5)}|^{\beta_{1}+\beta_{\sigma(5)}}}{1+n_{\sigma(5)}^{2k}} \prod_{\substack{j=2,...,8,\\j\neq\sigma(5)}} \frac{|n_{j}|^{\beta_{j}+\beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(j)+4]_{8}}}}{1+n_{j}^{2k}} \right), \end{split}$$

$$(4.31)$$

and we notice, $j = \ell, \ldots, 8$:

$$\beta_1 + \beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(1)+4]_8} \leqslant 2k - 1, \quad \beta_1 + \beta_{\sigma(5)} \leqslant 2k - 1, \quad \beta_\ell + \beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(\ell)+4]_8} \\ \leqslant 2k - 2, \ \ell \notin \{1, \sigma(5)\}.$$

$$(4.32)$$

Then we cover A_N^{σ} with the following sets, $\ell = 1, \ldots, 4$:

$$A_N^{\sigma,\ell} := \left\{ n : |n_\ell| > N/5, \ |n_1|, |n_{\sigma(5)}| \leq N, \ \sum_{j=1}^4 n_j = \sum_{j=1}^4 n_{\sigma(j)} \right\},$$

and $\ell = 5, ..., 8$:

$$A_N^{\sigma,\ell} := \left\{ n : |n_\ell| > N/5, \ |n_1|, |n_{\sigma(5)}| \leq N, \ \sum_{j=5}^8 n_j = \sum_{j=5}^8 n_{\sigma(j)} \right\}.$$

It is clear that the sum over A_N^{σ} in (4.31) is bounded by the total contribution of the sums over these sets. Looking at (4.31) and using the first condition in (4.32) and $n_1 = \sum_{j=1}^4 n_{\sigma(j)} - \sum_{j=2}^4 n_j$ we can bound

$$\sum_{A_N^{\sigma,1}} \prod_{j=2}^8 \frac{|n_j|^{\beta_j + \beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(j)+4]_8}}}{1 + n_j^{2k}} \lesssim \frac{1}{N} \sum_{|n_{\sigma(5)}| \leqslant N} \frac{1}{1 + |n_{\sigma(5)}|} \prod_{\substack{j=2,\dots,8, \ n_j \in \mathbb{Z}}} \sum_{\substack{n_j \in \mathbb{Z} \\ j \neq \sigma(5)}} \frac{1}{1 + n_j^2} \lesssim \frac{\ln N}{N},$$

Similarly, using the second condition in (4.32) and $n_{\sigma(5)} = \sum_{j=5}^{8} n_j - \sum_{j=6}^{8} n_{\sigma(j)}$, we get

$$\sum_{\substack{A_N^{\sigma,\sigma(5)}\\N}} \prod_{j=2}^8 \frac{|n_j|^{\beta_j + \beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(j) + 4]_8}}}{1 + n_j^{2k}} \lesssim \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\substack{|n_1| \leqslant N}} \frac{1}{1 + |n_1|} \prod_{\substack{j=2,\dots,8,\\j \neq \sigma(5)}} \sum_{\substack{n_j \in \mathbb{Z}}} \frac{1}{1 + n_j^2} \lesssim \frac{\ln N}{N} \cdot \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\substack{|n_j| \leqslant N}} \frac{1}{1 + |n_j|} \sum_{\substack{j=2,\dots,8,\\j \neq \sigma(5)}} \frac{1}{1 + n_j^2} \lesssim \frac{\ln N}{N} \cdot \frac{1}{N} \sum_{\substack{|n_j| \leqslant N}} \frac{1}{1 + |n_j|} \sum_{\substack{|n_j| \leqslant N}} \frac{1}{1$$

If $j \notin \{1, \sigma(5)\}$, we can use the last condition in (4.32) to bound

$$\begin{split} \sum_{A_N^{\sigma,\ell}} \prod_{j=1}^8 \frac{|n_j|^{\beta_j + \beta_{[\sigma^{-1}(j) + 4]_8}}}{1 + n_j^{2k}} \\ &\lesssim \sum_{|n_1| \leqslant N} \frac{1}{1 + |n_1|} \sum_{|n_{\sigma(5)}| \leqslant N} \frac{1}{1 + |n_{\sigma(5)}|} \sum_{|n_\ell| > N/5} \frac{1}{n_\ell^2} \prod_{\substack{j=1,\dots,8,\\ j \notin 1, \ell, \sigma(5)}} \sum_{\substack{n_j \in \mathbb{Z} \\ 1 + n_j^2}} \frac{1}{1 + n_j^2} \\ &\lesssim \frac{(\ln N)^2}{N} \,, \end{split}$$

that concludes the proof.

Lemma 4.6 Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$, $0 \leq \beta_1 \leq k$ and $0 \leq \beta_j \leq k-1$ for j = 2, ..., 6. We have that

$$\begin{split} \left\| \int P_{>N} \left((P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_1)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_4)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_2)} \right) P_{>N} \left((P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_5)} (P_N \varphi)^{(\beta_3)} (P_N \bar{\varphi})^{(\beta_6)} \right) \right\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)} \\ \lesssim \frac{\ln N}{\sqrt{N}} \,. \end{split}$$

Proof Adapted directly from the proof of Lemma 4.5.

Remark 4.7 Here we gave explicit rates of convergence only for those terms in the integrals of motion that we have to treat by the Wick theorem, where we have only L^2 convergence, but not on all the other ones, where convergence is a.s. and in L^2 . Indeed we aimed more to emphasise the different nature of the terms than to provide explicit rates of convergence for all of them. Of course one could use the Wick theorem to obtain an explicit rate of convergence for all the terms. It should be clear that the slowest possible decay is given by the terms dealt by the last two lemmas.

5 Invariant measures

Let $k \ge 2$ and $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. We define a sequence of measures which approximate the weighted Gaussian measure relative to γ_k , with weight (we omit the dependance on α which is irrelevant at this stage)

$$\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[f] \right) \exp(-\widetilde{Q}_k[f]) \,,$$

where

$$\widetilde{Q}_{k}[f] := \mathcal{E}_{k}[f] - \frac{1}{2} \|f\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2}.$$
(5.1)

To do so we set

$$\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(A) := \int_{\mathcal{M}_N(A)} \left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[P_N \psi] \right) \right) e^{-\widetilde{Q}_k[P_N \psi]} \gamma_k(d\psi), \, .$$

where χ_{R_m} are smooth non negative cut-off functions like in definition (1.7) and $\mathcal{M}_N(A)$ is defined in (1.9).

In Proposition 5.2 we prove the existence of the weak limit of $\{\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}\}_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$ for any $k \ge 2$ along with its integrability properties. We first need the following

Lemma 5.1 The sequence $\{\int P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \overline{f}^{(k)}\}_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$ is Cauchy in $L^2(\gamma_k)$, with

$$\left\|\int P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)} - \int f^{(k-1)} \bar{f}^{(k)}\right\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)} \lesssim \frac{1}{N}.$$

Proof Let $N, M \in N$ with N < M. We will show that

$$\left\|\int P_M f^{(k-1)} P_M \bar{f}^{(k)} - P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)}\right\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)} \lesssim \frac{1}{N}, \quad (5.2)$$

that is enough to deduce the statement. We write

$$P_M f^{(k-1)} P_M \bar{f}^{(k)} = \sum_{|n_1|, |m_1| \leq M} (in_1)^{k-1} (-im_1)^k f(n_1) \bar{f}(m_1) e^{i(n_1 - m_1)x}$$

and its conjugate as

$$P_M \bar{f}^{(k-1)} P_M f^{(k)} = \sum_{|m_2|, |n_2| \leqslant M} (-im_2)^{k-1} (in_2)^k \bar{f}(m_2) f(n_2) e^{-i(m_2 - n_2)x}$$

so that

$$\left\| \int P_M f^{(k-1)} P_M \bar{f}^{(k)} - P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)} \right\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)}^2$$
$$= \sum_{A_{N,M}} n_1^{k-1} m_1^k n_2^k m_2^{k-1} \mathbb{E} \left[\prod_{j=1}^2 f(n_j) \bar{f}(m_j) \right],$$

where letting where, letting $n = (n_1, n_2), m = (m_1, m_2)$, we have defined

$$A_{N,M} := \{ (n,m) : n_1 = m_1, n_2 = m_2, |n_j| \leq M, |m_j| \leq M, \\ j = 1, 2, \max(|n_1|, |n_2| > N) \}.$$

Thus, using the Wick formula (4.25) with $\ell = 2$, we get

$$\sum_{A_{N,M}} n_1^{k-1} m_1^k n_2^k m_2^{k-1} \mathbb{E}\left[\prod_{j=1}^2 f(n_j) \bar{f}(m_j)\right] = \sum_{A_{N,M}^1} \frac{n_1^{2k-1} n_2^{2k-1}}{(1+n_1^{2k})(1+n_2^{2k})} + \sum_{A_{N,M}^2} \frac{n_1^{4k-4}}{(1+n_1^{2k})^2}$$

where

$$A_{N,M}^{1} := \{n : |n_{1}|, |n_{2}| \leq M, \max(|n_{1}|, |n_{2}| > N)\}, A_{N,M}^{2} := \{n_{1} : N < |n_{1}| \leq M\}.$$

Since, using the symmetry $(n_1, n_2) \leftrightarrow (-n_1, n_2)$, the sum over $A^1_{N,M}$ is zero and the sum over $A^1_{N,M}$ is bounded by a multiple of N^{-2} , we have proved the (5.2).

We are now ready to analyse the convergence of the sequence $\{\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}\}_{N \in \mathbb{N}}$.

Proposition 5.2 Given $\beta \in \mathbb{R}$, $k \ge 2$ and $R_1, \ldots, R_{k-1} > 0$, there exists a sufficiently small R_0 , which depends on $|\alpha|, |\beta|, k, R_1, \ldots, R_{k-1}$, so that $\rho_{k,N} \rightharpoonup \tilde{\rho}_k$, with

$$\tilde{\rho}_k(A) = \int_A \prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[f] \right) \exp(-\tilde{Q}_k[f]) \gamma_k(df), \quad \text{for every } A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T})),$$
(5.3)

Moreover the Radon–Nykodim derivative $\frac{d\tilde{\rho}_k}{d\gamma_k}$ belongs to $L^2(\gamma_k)$.

The proof goes along the same lines of the main theorem in [9], with some additional considerations. We will skip some details, just referring to our previous work when the arguments are close enough.

Proof By Eq. (5.1) and Corollary 2.11 we have

$$\widetilde{Q}_{k}[f] = -ik\alpha\mu \int f^{(k)}\bar{f}^{(k-1)} + \frac{i}{4}\left((2k+2)\alpha + (2k+1)\beta\right)$$
$$\times \int |f|^{2}(f^{(k)}\bar{f}^{(k-1)} - \bar{f}^{(k)}f^{(k-1)}) + \int R_{k}[f], \qquad (5.4)$$

where $R_k[f] \in \mathcal{V}_{k-1}$. The difference with the integrals of motion for DNLS is given by the first addendum on the r.h.s. of (5.4). Indeed the second term and the remainders R_k have the same structure as in [9]. Thus it is straightforward to adapt that argument to show that one can choose R_0 small enough in such a way that as $N \to \infty$

$$\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m}^{1/2} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[P_N f] \right) \exp\left(-\tilde{Q}_k[P_N f] - ik\alpha\mu \int P_N f^{(k)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k-1)} \right)$$

$$\to \prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m}^{1/2} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[f] \right) \exp\left(-\tilde{Q}_k[f] - ik\alpha\mu \int f^{(k)} \bar{f}^{(k-1)} \right) \quad \gamma_k - \text{a.s.}, \quad (5.5)$$

and the limit lies in $L^4(\gamma_k)$. Thus it remains to show the same for the remaining term in the exponential, namely that for R_0 sufficiently small

$$\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m}^{1/2} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[P_N f] \right) \exp\left(ik\alpha\mu \int P_N f^{(k)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k-1)} \right)$$

$$\rightarrow \prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m}^{1/2} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[f] \right) \exp\left(ik\alpha\mu \int f^{(k)} \bar{f}^{(k-1)} \right) \quad \gamma_k - \text{a.s.}$$
(5.6)

and the limit lies in $L^4(\gamma_k)$.

Combining Lemma 5.1, Chebyshev's inequality and Borel–Cantelli lemma we prove that the sequence $\int P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)}$ converges γ_k -a.s. This also implies the convergence in measure of $\exp(p_0 \int P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)})$ for any $p_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. Arguing as in [9, Lemma 5.3] and using the Borel–Cantelli lemma, we can show that indeed $\exp(\int P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)}) \rightarrow \exp(\int f^{(k-1)} \bar{f}^{(k)}) \gamma_k$ -a.s. We want to prove this limit to be in $L^4(\gamma_k)$ for sufficiently small R_0 . From that, recalling (5.5), we deduce that the measures $\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}$ converges weakly to a limit a.c. w.r.t. γ_k , whose density is the $L^2(\gamma_k)$ -limit of the densities w.r.t. the finite dimensional Gaussian measures of $\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}$ (we refer to the proof of Theorem 1.1 in [9] for more details).

We write for $N \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\| \exp(ik\alpha\mu \int P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)}) \|_{L^4(\gamma_k)}^4 \\ = \int \gamma_k (df) \exp(4ik\alpha\mu \int P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)})$$

We then pass to the Fourier coefficients and change variables

$$\int \gamma_k(df) \exp\left(4ik\alpha\mu \int P_N f^{(k-1)} P_N \bar{f}^{(k)}\right) = \mathbb{E}\left[e^{4k\alpha\mu \sum_{|n| \leq N} |g_n|^2 q_n}\right]$$
$$= \prod_{|n| \leq N} \mathbb{E}\left[e^{4k\alpha\mu |g_n|^2 q_n}\right],$$

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where $\{\bar{g}_n, g_n\}_{|n| \leq N}$ are i.i.d. standard complex random variables and we shortened

$$q_n := \frac{n^{2k-1}}{1+n^{2k}}.$$

Let now assume $\alpha > 0$ (the case $\alpha < 0$ is analogous). Squared Gaussian random variables are exponentially distributed, thus $\mathbb{E}[e^{4k\alpha\mu|g_n|^2q_n}] \leq 1$ for $n \leq 0$ and for $n \geq 1$ and $4k\alpha\mu < 1$ there is an absolute constant c > 0 such that

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{4k\alpha\mu|g_n|^2q_n}] \leqslant e^{c(4k\alpha\mu q_n)^2}$$

(see for instance [33, Lemma 5.15]). We conclude that for $4k\alpha\mu < 1$

$$\left\|\exp\left(ik\alpha\mu\int P_N f^{(k-1)}P_N\bar{f}^{(k)}\right)\right\|_{L^4(\gamma_k)}^4 \leqslant e^{2(4k\alpha\mu)^2\sum_{n=1}^N q_n^2},$$

which is bounded uniformly in N.

Remark 5.3 The convergence in (5.5), (5.6) and so that of

$$\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[P_N f] \right) \exp(-\widetilde{Q}_k[P_N f]) \gamma_k(df)$$

can be promoted to convergence in L^{p_0} for any $p_0 \in [1, \infty)$, as long as we choose R_0 sufficiently small. For details we refer to the proof of Theorem 1.1 in [9].

Remark 5.4 Even though we preferred to give here a direct proof, the last statement can be also proven just invoking the Girsanov–Ramer theorem [25]. The pull-back of γ_k under the anticipative Hilbert–Schimdt map

$$\varphi \mapsto \varphi + a \left(\int_0^x \varphi - \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \varphi \right), \quad a \in \mathbb{R},$$

is absolutely continuous w.r.t. γ_k and the density is given by the standard Gaussian change of variables under a shift.

Remark 5.5 With a glance to the proof of [9, Proposition 5.4], we realise that Proposition (5.2) remains valid if one considers the modified densities

$$\left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} (\chi_m)_{R_m} \left(\mathcal{E}_m[\varphi] \right) \right) e^{-\widetilde{Q}_k(\varphi)} \gamma_k(d\varphi)$$

where the cut-off functions χ_m are not necessarily all the same. Notice that we have already used this fact in the proof of Proposition, when we have replaced χ_m by $\chi_m^{1/2}$.

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Until the end of the Section we work with the choice

$$\alpha = \alpha_k := -\frac{2k+1}{2k+2}\beta, \qquad (5.7)$$

except in Lemma 5.8, that holds for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$. The main goal will be to prove that $\tilde{\rho}_k$ is invariant under Φ_{t,α_k} , that is the flow associated to the GDNLS Eq. (2.8) under the choice (5.7).

Proposition 5.6 *Let* $k \ge 2$. *For any* $t \in \mathbb{R}$ *we have that*

$$\tilde{\rho}_k(A) = \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(A)),$$

for every $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$ such that $A \subseteq H^r(\mathbb{T})$ with 5/4 < r < k - 1/2.

Then if we set for every $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$

$$\hat{\rho}_k(A) := \tilde{\rho}_k(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k}(A)), \qquad (5.8)$$

where $\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k}(A) := \{\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k} f : f \in A\}$, we have

$$\hat{\rho}_k(\Phi_t(A)) = \tilde{\rho}_k(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k}(\Phi_t(A))) = \tilde{\rho}_k(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k}(\Phi_t(\mathscr{G}_{-\alpha_k}(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k}(A))))) = \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k}(A))) = \tilde{\rho}_k(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k}(A)) = \hat{\rho}_k(A),$$

that is $\hat{\rho}_k$ is invariant along the DNLS flow. In the first equality we used (5.8), in the second equality we used (2.3), in the third equality we used the definition of the gauged flow given in (2.14), in the fourth equality we used Proposition 5.6, and finally we used (5.8) again. This establishes the existence of the invariant measures $\hat{\rho}_k$ stated in our main Theorem 1.2.

The proof of Proposition 5.6 needs two intermediate lemmas.

Lemma 5.7 *Let* $k \ge 2$ *. Then we have*

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \sup_{A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))} \left| \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N(A)) \right| = 0.$$
(5.9)

Since an explicit representation of the measure $\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}$ is available only at t = 0, the following observation by Tzvetkov and Visciglia is crucial to prove Lemma 5.7.

Lemma 5.8 Let $k \ge 2$. Then for all $\alpha, t \in \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$\sup_{A \in \mathscr{B}(L^{2}(\mathbb{T}))} \left| \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha}^{N}(A)) \right| \leq \sup_{A \in \mathscr{B}(L^{2}(\mathbb{T}))} \left| \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha}^{N}(A)) \right|_{t=0} \right|.$$
(5.10)

We omit the proof, that can be done directly following [31] (Proposition 5.4, step 2).

Proof of Lemma 5.7 Let $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$. The proof is based on the identity

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}(A)) &= \int_{\mathcal{M}_{N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}(A))} \left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_{m}}\left(\mathcal{E}_{m}[P_{N}f]\right)\right) \exp(-\widetilde{Q}_{k}[P_{N}f])\gamma_{k}(df) \\ &= \frac{1}{Z_{N}} \int_{P_{N}(A)} \left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_{m}}\left(\mathcal{E}_{m}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g]\right)\right) \\ &\cdot \exp\left(-\widetilde{Q}_{k}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g] - \frac{1}{2}(\|\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2}\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\|\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g\|_{L^{2}}^{2}\right) \left(\prod_{|n| \leqslant N} d\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f d\overline{\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{Z_{N}} \int_{P_{N}(A)} \left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_{m}}\left(\mathcal{E}_{m}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g]\right)\right) \\ &\cdot \exp\left(-\mathcal{E}_{k}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g]\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\|\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g\|_{L^{2}}^{2}\right) \left(\prod_{|n|\leqslant N} d\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f d\overline{\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f}\right) \end{split}$$

where in the first identity, using that $(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N)^{-1} = \Phi_{t,-\alpha_k}^N$, we have changed variables $f = \Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N g$ and used the explicit representation (1.6) and the product structure of the Gaussian measure. Notice that we are identifying with a little abuse of notation the set $P_N(A) := \{P_N f : f \in A\}$ with the set of the relative Fourier coefficients $\{(f(-N), \ldots, f(N)) : P_N f \in A\}$. The second identity just follows by the definition (5.1) of $\tilde{Q}_k[\cdot]$. Using

$$\frac{d}{dt}\exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}\|\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^Ng\|_{L^2}^2\right)\left(\prod_{|n|\leqslant N}d\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^Nfd\overline{\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^Nf}\right)=0$$

that is a direct consequence of Propositions 3.2 and 3.3 we can compute

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{dt} \tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}(A))\Big|_{t=0} \\ &= \frac{1}{Z_{N}} \sum_{\ell=0}^{k-1} \int_{P_{N}(A)} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f] \right) \chi_{R_{\ell}}'(\mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f]) \left(\prod_{\substack{m=0\\m\neq\ell}}^{k-1} \chi_{R_{m}}(\mathcal{E}_{m}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f]) \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \exp\left(-\mathcal{E}_{k}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g]\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g\|_{L^{2}}^{2}\right) \left(\prod_{|n| \leqslant N} d\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f d\overline{\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f} \right)\Big|_{t=0} \\ &\quad - \frac{1}{2Z_{N}} \int_{P_{N}(A)} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_{k}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f] \right) \left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_{m}}(\mathcal{E}_{m}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f]) \right) \\ &\quad \cdot \exp\left(-\mathcal{E}_{k}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g]\right) \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \|\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}g\|_{L^{2}}^{2}\right) \left(\prod_{|n| \leqslant N} d\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f d\overline{\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f} \right)\Big|_{t=0} \\ &= \sum_{\ell=0}^{k-1} \int_{\mathcal{M}_{N}(A)} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_{\ell}[\Phi_{t,\alpha_{k}}^{N}f] \Big|_{t=0} \right) \chi_{R_{\ell}}'(\mathcal{E}_{\ell}[P_{N}f]) \left(\prod_{\substack{m=0\\m\neq\ell}}^{k-1} \chi_{R_{m}}(\mathcal{E}_{m}[P_{N}f]) \right) \end{split}$$

$$\cdot \exp(Q_k[P_N f])\gamma_k(df) - \int_{\mathcal{M}_N(A)} \left(\frac{d}{dt} \mathcal{E}_k[\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N f]\Big|_{t=0}\right) \left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1} \chi_{R_m}(\mathcal{E}_m[P_N f])\right) \exp(\widetilde{Q}_k[P_N f])\gamma_k(df).$$

Since supp $\chi'_R \subseteq$ supp χ_R , Remark 5.5 entails that the functionals ($\ell = 1, ..., k - 1$)

$$\chi_{R_{\ell}}^{\prime}(\mathcal{E}_{\ell}[P_{N}f])\left(\prod_{\substack{m=0\\m\neq\ell}}^{k-1}\chi_{R_{m}}(\mathcal{E}_{m}[P_{N}f])\right)\exp(\widetilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{k}[P_{N}f]),$$
$$\left(\prod_{m=0}^{k-1}\chi_{R_{m}}(\mathcal{E}_{m}[P_{N}f])\right)\exp(\widetilde{\mathcal{Q}}_{k}[P_{N}f])$$

are bounded in $L^2(\gamma_k)$ uniformly in N (namely their $L^2(\gamma_k)$ norm is bounded by a constant independent on $N \in \mathbb{N}$). Thus the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality yields

$$\left|\frac{d}{dt}\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N(A))\right|_{t=0}\right| \lesssim \sum_{m=1}^k \left\|\frac{d}{dt}\mathcal{E}_m[\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N f]\right|_{t=0}\right\|_{L^2(\gamma_k)},\tag{5.11}$$

and the r.h.s. vanishes as $N \to \infty$ thanks to Proposition 4.1. Using Lemma 5.8, this concludes the proof.

We are finally ready to prove Proposition 5.6.

Proof of Proposition 5.6 We fix R > 1, 5/4 < r < k - 1/2 and $0 \leq s < r$ (recall $k \geq 2$). We consider $C \subset B^r(R)$ that is compact in the $H^s(\mathbb{T})$ topology. Given T > 0 we integrate (5.9) over the interval [0, T], so that, letting $N \to \infty$, we obtain

$$\tilde{\rho}_k(C) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(C) = \lim_{N \to \infty} \tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi^N_{l,\alpha_k}(C)),$$
(5.12)

where we used Proposition 5.2 in the first identity. Now we take $T = t_R$ given by Proposition 3.4, so that, given any $\varepsilon > 0$ we have

$$\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N(C) \subseteq \Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C) + B^s(\varepsilon), \quad |t| \leqslant t_R.$$
(5.13)

for all sufficiently large $N = N(\varepsilon)$. Thus

$$\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N(C)) \leqslant \tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C) + B^s(\varepsilon)), \quad |t| \leqslant t_R,$$

for all $N = N(\varepsilon)$ sufficiently large. Recalling Proposition 5.2 we can pass to the limit $N \to \infty$ so that, for all $\varepsilon > 0$, we find

$$\lim_{N\to\infty}\tilde{\rho}_{k,N}(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}^N(C)) \leqslant \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C)+B^s(\varepsilon)), \quad |t| \leqslant t_R.$$

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By (5.12) and the arbitrarity of ε we have arrived to

$$\tilde{\rho}_k(C) \leq \inf_{\varepsilon > 0} \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C) + B^s(\varepsilon)), \quad |t| \leq t_R.$$
(5.14)

Since *C* is compact in H^s and the flow map is continuous in the H^s topology when we restrict the data to $B^r(R)$ (see [11, Theorem 1.1, Corollary 1.2]), we have that $\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C)$ is compact too. Thus

$$\bigcap_{\varepsilon>0} (\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C) + B^s(\varepsilon)) = \Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C) \,,$$

and

$$\inf_{\varepsilon>0} \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C) + B^s(\varepsilon)) = \tilde{\rho}_k\left(\bigcap_{\varepsilon>0} (\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C) + B^s(\varepsilon))\right)$$
$$= \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C)), \quad |t| \leq t_R.$$

Recalling (5.14) we arrive to

$$\tilde{\rho}_k(C) \leqslant \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C)), \quad |t| \leqslant t_R.$$

Now, since $C \in B^r(R)$, by [11, Theorem 1.1, Corollary 1.2] and inequality (2.5), we notice that $\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C)$ belongs to a (eventually larger R < R') ball $B^r(R')$, so that a well-known continuation argument allows to take $t_R = \infty$, namely

$$\tilde{\rho}_k(C) \leqslant \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C)), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}.$$
 (5.15)

Letting $R \to \infty$, this bound can be promoted to any compact set in $H^r(\mathbb{T})$ an then to to an identity

$$\tilde{\rho}_k(C) = \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C)), \quad C \text{ compact in } H^s(\mathbb{T}) \text{ and } C \subset H^r(\mathbb{T}), t \in \mathbb{R}.$$
 (5.16)

exploiting the time reversibility of the flow. Indeed, still as consequence of [11, Theorem 1.1, Corollary 1.2] and inequality (2.5) we have that Φ_{t,α_k} is an H^s -diffeomorphism once we restrict the data to a ball of $H^r(\mathbb{T})$. Thus, for any C' compact in $H^s(\mathbb{T})$ and contained in a ball of H^r the set $\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(C')$ has the same property, and, letting $C' = \Phi_{-t,\alpha_k}(C)$, we get

$$\tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{-t,\alpha_k}(C)) \leqslant \tilde{\rho}_k(\Phi_{t,\alpha_k}(\Phi_{-t,k}(C))) = \tilde{\rho}_k(C), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

that, along with the (5.15), leads to (5.16). Finally, using the regularity of the gaussian measure, we get that (5.16) holds for any Borel set of $H^s(\mathbb{T})$ that are subsets of $H^r(\mathbb{T})$ too. This completes the proof.

6 Finite dimensional approximations of the Gauge map

In this Section we show that the Gauge map \mathscr{G}_{α} can be approximated by a family of bijective maps \mathscr{G}_{α}^{N} acting on E_{N} . For any $N \in \mathbb{N}$ these maps are still a one-parameter group with respect to $(\mathbb{R}, +)$.

Given $f \in E_N$ we define $\mathscr{G}_a^N f, \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ as the (unique) solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha}\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f = i P_{N}(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f]\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f), \quad \mathscr{G}^{N}_{0}f = f.$$
(6.1)

The (6.1) is globally well posed for data in $L^2(\mathbb{T})$ by the same argument explained in Sect. 3 for the truncated GDNLS equation 3.1, taking advantage of the fact that the L^2 norm is a conserved quantity, as shown in Lemma 6.1. In the rest of the section we will prove some properties of the solutions of (6.1) and of the associated flow map $f \to \mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f$. Hereafter we will use the notation $\mathscr{G}^\infty_{\alpha} f := \mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f$ and $E_\infty := L^2(\mathbb{T})$. Let us recall that $B^s(R) := \{f : ||f||_{H^s} \leq R\}$.

Lemma 6.1 Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$. For all $f \in E_N$ we have

$$\|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f\|_{L^{2}} = \|f\|_{L^{2}}$$

Proof Using equation (6.1) and its conjugate we can compute

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{L^{2}}^{2} = 2\operatorname{Re} i \int \overline{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f} P_{N}(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f]\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f)$$

Since $P_{>N}\overline{\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}^{N}f} = 0$, we get, by orthogonality,

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f\|_{L^2}^2 = 2\operatorname{Re} i \int \mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f] |\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f|^2 = 0, \qquad (6.2)$$

where the last identity is immediate since $\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f]$ is real.

Then we control the growth of the \dot{H}^1 norm of $\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f$. A similar statement can be proved for general H^s , $s \ge 0$ norms, but will be not necessary for our purposes. As usual we use the simplified notation $\mu = \mu[f] := \frac{1}{2\pi} ||f||_{L^2}^2$.

Lemma 6.2 Let $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$. For all $f \in E_N$ we have

$$\|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}} \lesssim e^{\alpha\mu} (\|f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}} + \mu)$$
(6.3)

Proof Proceeding as in the proof of Lemma 6.1, and using the fact that $\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f]$ is a real function, we obtain

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}} = 2 \operatorname{Re} i \int \mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f]' \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f \overline{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f}' = -2 \operatorname{Im} \int \mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f]' \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f \overline{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f}' .$$

Then, recalling the definition (2.2) of $\mathcal{I}[\cdot]$ and using Lemma 6.1, we have

$$\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f]' = |\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f|^{2} - \frac{1}{2\pi} ||\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f||^{2}_{L^{2}} = |\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f|^{2} - \frac{1}{2\pi} ||f||^{2}_{L^{2}} =: |\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f|^{2} - \mu,$$

so that

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}} = -2\mathrm{Im} \int |\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f|^{2} \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f \overline{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f}' + 2\mu \mathrm{Im} \int \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f \overline{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f}'$$

Now using the Hölder, Cauchy-Scwartz and the following Gagliardo-Nirenberg inequality

$$\|h\|_{L^6} \leqslant \|h\|_{\dot{H}^1}^{\frac{1}{3}} \|h\|_{L^2}^{\frac{2}{3}}$$

and again recalling Lemma 6.1, we arrive to

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}} \lesssim \||\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f|^{3}\|_{L^{2}} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{\dot{H}^{1}} + \mu \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{L^{2}} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{\dot{H}^{1}}
\simeq \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{3}_{L^{6}} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{\dot{H}^{1}} + \mu^{3/2} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{\dot{H}^{1}}
\lesssim \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{L^{2}} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}} + \mu^{2} + \mu \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}} \simeq \mu^{2} + \mu \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}}.$$
(6.4)

Thus Grönwall's inequality yields

$$\|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}} \lesssim \|f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{1}}e^{\alpha\mu} + \mu e^{\alpha\mu} - \mu,$$

which implies (6.3).

In the following Lemma we show that the flow \mathscr{G}^N_{α} approximates $\mathscr{G}^{\infty}_{\alpha} := \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}$ for large *N* in the L^2 topology. The approximation is uniform for initial data in a ball of H^1 . By the proof it will be clear that one can obtain a similar approximation property w.r.t the H^s topology and data in a ball of H^r , for all $0 \leq s < r$ as long as r > 1/2. However we do not need this stronger statement.

Lemma 6.3 Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$, R > 1 and $\bar{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}$ We have

$$\lim_{N \to \infty} \sup_{f \in E_N \cap B^1(R), \, |\alpha| \leqslant |\bar{\alpha}|} \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f - \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}^N f\|_{L^2} = 0.$$
(6.5)

Proof We will need the immediate inequalities

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{I}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f)\|_{L^{\infty}} &\lesssim \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f\|_{L^{2}}^{2} \simeq \mu, \end{aligned} \tag{6.6} \\ \|\mathcal{I}(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f) - \mathcal{I}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f)\|_{L^{\infty}} &\lesssim \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f + \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f\|_{L^{2}} \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f - \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f\|_{L^{2}} \\ &\lesssim \sqrt{\mu} \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f - \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f\|_{L^{2}}, \end{aligned} \tag{6.7}$$

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valid for $N \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$ and $f \in E_N$, (recall $\mu = \mu[f] := \frac{1}{2\pi} ||f||_{L^2}^2$). These follow immediately recalling the form (2.2) of $\mathcal{I}[\cdot]$ and Lemma 6.1. Let

$$\delta^N_{\alpha} f := \mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f - \mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f$$

Hereafter we restrict to $f \in E_N$. Notice that $\delta_{\alpha}^N f$ solves

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha}\delta^N_{\alpha}f = iP_{>N}(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f]\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f) + iP_N(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f]\delta^N_{\alpha}f + (\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f] - \mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha}f])\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha}f).$$

Pairing this in L^2 with $\delta^N_{\alpha} f$ we arrive to

$$\begin{split} &\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\delta_{\alpha}^{N} f\|_{L^{2}} \\ &= 2 \mathrm{Re} \ i \left(-\int \left(P_{>N} \left(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}^{N} f] \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}^{N} f \right) \right) \overline{\delta_{\alpha}^{N} f} + \int \mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f] |\delta_{\alpha}^{N} f|^{2} \\ &+ \int \left(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f] - \mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}^{N} f] \right) \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}^{N} f \overline{\delta_{\alpha}^{N} f} \right) \,. \end{split}$$

Using the Hölder and Cauchy-Schwartz inequalities and (6.6), (6.7) we arrive to

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\delta^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{L^{2}} \lesssim \|P_{>N}(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f]\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f)\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\delta^{N}_{\alpha}(f)\|_{L^{2}}^{2}
+ \|\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f]\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\delta^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + \|\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f]
- \mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f]\|_{L^{\infty}} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{L^{2}} \|\delta^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{L^{2}}
\lesssim \|P_{>N}(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f]\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f)\|_{L^{2}}^{2} + (1+\mu)\|\delta^{N}_{\alpha} f\|_{L^{2}}^{2}.$$
(6.8)

Then using the algebra property of H^1 , the fact that $\partial_x \mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f] = \mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f$ and (6.6) and Lemma 6.2, we can estimate

$$\sup_{f \in E_N \cap B^1(R), |\alpha| \leqslant |\tilde{\alpha}|} \|\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f]\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f\|_{H^1} \lesssim \sup_{f \in E_N \cap B^1(R), |\alpha| \leqslant |\tilde{\alpha}|} \mu \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f\|_{H^1} + \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f\|_{H^1}^2 \leqslant \mu^2,$$
$$\lesssim \mu e^{\frac{|\tilde{\alpha}|\mu}{2}} (R + \sqrt{\mu}) + e^{|\tilde{\alpha}|\mu} (R^2 + \mu) \lesssim R^2 e^{|\tilde{\alpha}|R},$$

so that

$$\sup_{f \in E_N \cap B^1(R), |\alpha| \leq |\bar{\alpha}|} \|P_{>N}(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f]\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f)\|_{L^2}^2 \lesssim \frac{1}{N^2} R^2 e^{|\bar{\alpha}|R}$$

and (6.8) becomes

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\delta_{\alpha}^{N} f\|_{L^{2}} \lesssim \frac{1}{N^{2}} R^{2} e^{|\tilde{\alpha}|R} + (1+\mu) \|\delta_{\alpha}^{N} f\|_{L^{2}}^{2},$$

for $|\alpha| \leq |\bar{\alpha}|$ and $f \in B^1(R)$. Thus using Grönwall's lemma and the fact that $\delta_{\alpha}^N f|_{\alpha=0} = 0$ we arrive to

$$\sup_{f \in E_N \cap B^1(R), |\alpha| \leqslant |\bar{\alpha}|} \|\delta_{\alpha}^N f\|_{L^2}^2 \lesssim \frac{1}{N^2} R^2 e^{|\bar{\alpha}|R} e^{(1+\mu)|\bar{\alpha}|}$$

that implies (6.5).

The next result is a direct corollary of Lemmas 6.2 and 6.3. For the proof we refer to [28, Proposition 2.10]

Corollary 6.4 Let $\varepsilon > 0$, R > 1, $\overline{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}$. Given $A \subset B^1(R)$ a compact set, there exists N^* such that

$$\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}(A) \subset \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(A + B^{s}(R))$$

for all $|\alpha| \leq |\bar{\alpha}|$ and for all $N > N^*$.

The next technical lemma will be used to prove Proposition 6.6 and then to show the absolute continuity of γ_k under the gauge map. Let us recall that we have defined in (3.12) the operator div applied to an *n*-th dimensional vectorial function of $f, \bar{f} \in E_N$ as

div
$$F(f, \bar{f}) = \sum_{|n| \leq N} \left(\frac{\partial F_n}{\partial f(n)} + \frac{\partial \bar{F}_n}{\partial \bar{f}(n)} \right)$$

Lemma 6.5 We have

$$\operatorname{div} i P_N \left(\mathcal{I}[P_N f] P_N f) \right) | \lesssim \|f\|_{H^1}^2 \frac{\log N}{\sqrt{N}}.$$
(6.9)

Proof A direct computation from (2.2) yields

$$(\mathcal{I}[P_N f])(0) = 0, \qquad (\mathcal{I}[P_N f])(m) = -\frac{i}{m} \sum_{|\ell|, |\ell-m| \leq N} f(\ell) \bar{f}(\ell-m) \quad \text{if} \quad m \neq 0,$$
(6.10)

thus

$$i\left(\mathcal{I}[P_N f]P_N f\right)(n) = \sum_{m: m \neq 0, |n-m| \leq N} \frac{1}{m} \sum_{\ell: |\ell|, |\ell-m|, \leq N} f(n-m) f(\ell) \bar{f}(\ell-m),$$
(6.11)

and

div
$$i P_N (\mathcal{I}[P_N f] P_N f)) = 2 \sum_{n: |n| \leq N} \sum_{m: m \neq 0, |n-m| \leq N} \frac{1}{m} |f(n-m)|^2.$$

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$$\sum_{n:|n| \leqslant N} \sum_{m:m \neq 0, |n-m| \leqslant N} \frac{1}{m} |f(n-m)|^2 = \sum_{n=1}^N \left(|f(-n)|^2 - |f(n)|^2 \right) \sum_{m=N-n+1}^{N+n} \frac{1}{m},$$

and we clearly have $|f(n)|^2 \leq \frac{1}{n^2} ||f||^2_{H^1}$, we can estimate

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \left(|f(-n)|^2 - |f(n)|^2 \right) \sum_{m=N-n+1}^{N+n} \frac{1}{m}$$

$$\lesssim \|f\|_{H^1}^2 \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{1}{n^2} \ln\left(\frac{N+n}{N-n+1}\right) = \|f\|_{H^1}^2 \sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{1}{n^2} \ln\left(1 + \frac{2n-1}{N-n+1}\right).$$

Then, for N sufficiently large, we have

$$\sum_{n=1}^{N} \frac{1}{n^2} \ln\left(1 + \frac{2n-1}{N-n+1}\right) \lesssim \sum_{n=1}^{\lfloor\sqrt{N}\rfloor} \frac{1}{n^2} \ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{N}}\right) + \sum_{n=\lfloor\sqrt{N}\rfloor}^{N} \frac{1}{n^2} \ln\left(2N\right)$$
$$\lesssim \ln\left(1 + \frac{2}{\sqrt{N}}\right) + \frac{\ln\left(2N\right)}{\sqrt{N}}, \tag{6.12}$$

whence (6.9).

Now we will prove that the flow maps $f \to \mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f$ are injective and that they preserve the Lebesgue measure in the limit $N \to \infty$, if we restrict to bounded subsets of H^1 . We recall that we have defined the Lebesgue measure (see (1.5)) as proportional to

$$\prod_{|n|\leqslant N} d\varphi_N(n) d\bar{\varphi}_N(n)$$

When we transform this volume form under \mathscr{G}^N_{α} we have to take into account the Jacobian matrix $D\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha}(f)$, where the differential operator D acts on a map

$$T: f \in E_N \to Tf \in E_N$$

in the following way

$$(DT)(f) = \begin{pmatrix} \left(\frac{\partial(Tf)(m)}{\partial f(n)}\right)_{|m|,|n| \leq N} & \left(\frac{\partial(\overline{Tf})(m)}{\partial f(n)}\right)_{|m|,|n| \leq N} \\ \left(\frac{\partial(Tf)(m)}{\partial \overline{f}(n)}\right)_{|m|,|n| \leq N} & \left(\frac{\partial(\overline{Tf})(m)}{\partial \overline{f}(n)}\right)_{|m|,|n| \leq N} \end{pmatrix}.$$
(6.13)

Proposition 6.6 For all $f \in E_N$ we have

$$\det[(D\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha})(f)] = \exp\left(\int_0^{\alpha} d\alpha' \operatorname{div} i P_N\left(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha'}(f)]\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha'}(f)\right)\right).$$
(6.14)

In particular, the flow map $f \to \mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f$ is injective. Moreover for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ and $f \in H^1$ we have det $[(D\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}^N)(f)] \to 1$ as $N \to \infty$. In fact the convergence is uniform for f in bounded subsets of H^1 and α in bounded intervals.

Proof Since \mathscr{G}^N_{α} is a one parameter group of transformations the chain rule gives

$$(D\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha+\varepsilon})(f) = (D\mathscr{G}^N_{\varepsilon})(\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha}(f)) \cdot (D\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha})(f).$$
(6.15)

Then

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha} \det[(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha})(f)] = \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{\det[(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\varepsilon})(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(f)] \det[(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha})(f)] - \det[(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha})(f)]}{\varepsilon}$$
$$= \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{\det[(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\varepsilon})(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(f))] - 1}{\varepsilon} \cdot \det[(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha})(f)]$$
$$= \frac{d}{d\varepsilon} \det[(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\varepsilon})(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(f))] \Big|_{\varepsilon = 0} \det[(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha})(f)].$$
(6.16)

Thereby, since $det[(D\mathcal{G}_0^N)(f)] = 1$, we arrive to

$$\det[(D\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha})(f)] = e^{\int_0^{\alpha} d\alpha' \Lambda_{\alpha'}(f)} \quad \text{with} \quad \Lambda_{\alpha'}(f) := \frac{d}{d\varepsilon} \det[(D\mathscr{G}^N_{\varepsilon})(\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha'}(f))] \bigg|_{\varepsilon=0}.$$
(6.17)

Thus the (6.14) will be a consequence of the following identity

$$\left[\frac{d}{d\varepsilon}\det[(D\mathscr{G}^N_{\varepsilon})(g)]\right]_{\varepsilon=0} = \operatorname{div} i P_N\left(\mathcal{I}[g]g\right), \qquad (6.18)$$

valid for all $g \in E_N$. To prove (6.18) we apply D to equation (6.1) which becomes

$$\frac{d}{d\varepsilon}(D\mathscr{G}^N_{\varepsilon})(g) = D\,i\,P_N\left(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^N_{\varepsilon}g]\mathscr{G}^N_{\varepsilon}g\right).$$

thus, since $(D\mathscr{G}_0^N)(g) = \mathbb{I}$, we get

$$(D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\varepsilon})(g) = \mathbb{I} + \varepsilon \left(D \, i \, P_{N} \left(\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\varepsilon}g] \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\varepsilon}g \right) \Big|_{\varepsilon=0} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$$

= $\mathbb{I} + \varepsilon D \, i \, P_{N} \left(\mathcal{I}[g]g) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon),$

from which we obtain

$$\det[(D\mathscr{G}^N_{\varepsilon})(g)] = 1 + \varepsilon \operatorname{Tr} D \, i \, P_N \, (\mathcal{I}[g]g) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon).$$

This immediately implies the identity (6.18), recalling the definition of D given in (6.13) and that of divergence in (3.12). The second part of the statement is a consequence of (6.14) and of the inequality (6.9).

7 Quasi-invariance of γ_k under the gauge map

The goal of this section is to prove Theorem 1.4. We recall the definition of the restricted measure

$$\tilde{\gamma}_k(A) = \gamma_k(A \cap \{f \in L^2 : \mu[f] \leqslant R_0\}), \quad R_0 > 0.$$
 (7.1)

Remark 7.1 The absolutely continuity of $\hat{\rho}_k$ w.r.t. γ_k follows by Theorem 1.4, since $\hat{\rho}_k := \tilde{\rho}_k \circ \mathscr{G}_{\alpha_k}$ and $\tilde{\rho}_k$ is absolutely continuous w.r.t. $\tilde{\gamma}_k$ by Proposition 5.2.

We need the following accessory lemma.

Lemma 7.2 Let $k \ge 2$ and $R_0 > 0$ sufficiently small. There there is b > 0 such that

$$\int \exp\left(b\left|\int u_N^{(k)} u_N^{(\beta_2)} u_N^{(\beta_3)} u_N^{(\beta_4)}\right|\right) \tilde{\gamma}_k(df) < C,$$
(7.2)

for all $N \in \mathbb{N}$ and for all $\beta_2 \ge \beta_3 \ge \beta_4 \ge 0$ with $\beta_2 + \beta_3 + \beta_4 = k - 1$, where u_N may denote either $P_N f$ or $P_N \overline{f}$. The constant *C* is independent on *N*.

The proof uses a slight modification of the argument for proving the same statement for k = 1 and $\beta_3 = \beta_4 = 0$ we learned from Thomann and Tzvetkov (unpublished). In the sequel we just underline the few differences given by the case $k \ge 2$ and for more details we refer to [5, Theorem 3.3].

Proof We prove that for $R_0 > 0$ sufficiently small there is c > 0 depending only on k such that

$$\tilde{\gamma}_{k}\left(\left|\int u_{N}^{(k)}u_{N}^{(\beta_{2})}u_{N}^{(\beta_{3})}u_{N}^{(\beta_{4})}\right| \geq t\right) \lesssim e^{-ct}.$$
(7.3)

This immediately implies the statement taking 0 < b < c. We treat separately the regimes $t \leq \sqrt{N}$ and $t > \sqrt{N}$.

For $t > \sqrt{N}$ we will prove directly (as usual χ is the characteristic function)

$$\tilde{\gamma}_k \left(\left| \int u_N^{(k)} u_N^{(\beta_2)} u_N^{(\beta_3)} u_N^{(\beta_4)} \right| \ge t \right) \chi_{\{t > \sqrt{N}\}} \lesssim e^{-ct} , \qquad (7.4)$$

for small $R_0 > 0$ and some c > 0. Hereafter *c* will denote several positive small constants, possibly decreasing from line to line.

For $t \leq \sqrt{N}$ we use the decomposition

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\gamma}_{k} \left(\left| \int u_{N}^{(k)} u_{N}^{(\beta_{2})} u_{N}^{(\beta_{3})} u_{N}^{(\beta_{4})} \right| \geq t \right) \chi_{\{t \leq \sqrt{N}\}} \\ &\leqslant \tilde{\gamma}_{k} \left(\left| \int u_{T}^{(k)} u_{T}^{(\beta_{2})} u_{T}^{(\beta_{3})} u_{T}^{(\beta_{4})} \right| \geq \frac{t}{2} \right) \chi_{\{t \leq \sqrt{N}\}} \\ &+ \tilde{\gamma}_{k} \left(\left| \int u_{N}^{(k)} u_{N}^{(\beta_{2})} u_{N}^{(\beta_{3})} u_{N}^{(\beta_{4})} - \int u_{T}^{(k)} u_{T}^{(\beta_{2})} u_{T}^{(\beta_{3})} u_{T}^{(\beta_{4})} \right| \geq \frac{t}{2} \right) \chi_{\{t \leq \sqrt{N}\}}, \end{split}$$
(7.5)

with $T := \lfloor t^2 \rfloor$. The term (7.5) enjoys the tail estimate (7.4). For the term (7.6) [9, Lemma 5.3] yields

$$\tilde{\gamma}_{k}\left(\left|\int u_{N}^{(k)}u_{N}^{(\beta_{2})}u_{N}^{(\beta_{3})}u_{N}^{(\beta_{4})}-\int u_{T}^{(k)}u_{T}^{(\beta_{2})}u_{T}^{(\beta_{3})}u_{T}^{(\beta_{4})}\right| \geq t\right)\chi_{\{t \leq \sqrt{N}\}} \lesssim e^{-ct}.$$

(In fact [9, Lemma 5.3] is formulated only for $\beta_2 = k - 1$, $\beta_3 = \beta_4 = 0$. The extension to our more general case is however straightforward).

It remains to prove (7.4). First we show

$$\left|\int u_{N}^{(k)} u_{N}^{(\beta_{2})} u_{N}^{(\beta_{3})} u_{N}^{(\beta_{4})}\right| \lesssim \left(\sum_{j \ge 0} 2^{j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j} u_{N}\|_{L^{2}}\right) \prod_{\ell=2}^{4} \left(\sum_{j \ge 0} 2^{j(\beta_{\ell}+\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j} u_{N}\|_{L^{2}}\right),$$
(7.7)

where we recall $\Delta_j := P_{2^j} - P_{2^{j-1}}$ are Paley–Littlewood projectors. Notice that, since $\beta_{\ell} \leq k - 1$ we have $\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2} \leq k - \frac{1}{2}$. This bound follows noting that by orthogonality

$$\begin{split} \left| \int u_N^{(k)} u_N^{(\beta_2)} u_N^{(\beta_3)} u_N^{(\beta_4)} \right| &\lesssim \sum_{j_\ell \ge 0, \ j_1 \leqslant 3j_2} 2^{j_1 k} 2^{j_2 \beta_2} \int |\Delta_{j_1} u_N| |\Delta_{j_2} u_N| |\Delta_{j_3} u_N| |\Delta_{j_4} u_N| \\ &\lesssim \sum_{j_\ell \ge 0} 2^{j_1 (k - \frac{1}{2})} 2^{j_2 (\beta_2 + \frac{1}{2})} \int |\Delta_{j_1} u_N| |\Delta_{j_2} u_N| |\Delta_{j_3} u_N| |\Delta_{j_4} u_N| \,, \end{split}$$

then Hölder's and Bernstein's inequalities lead to

$$\begin{split} \left| \int u_N^{(k)} u_N^{(\beta_2)} u_N^{(\beta_3)} u_N^{(\beta_4)} \right| \\ &\lesssim \sum_{j_\ell \ge 0} 2^{j_1(k-\frac{1}{2})} 2^{j_2(\beta_2+\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j_1} u_N\|_{L^2} \|\Delta_{j_2} u_N\|_{L^2} \|\Delta_{j_3} u_N\|_{L^\infty} \|\Delta_{j_4} u_N\|_{L^\infty} \\ &\lesssim \sum_{j_\ell \ge 0} 2^{j_1(k-\frac{1}{2})} 2^{j_2(\beta_2+\frac{1}{2})} 2^{j_3(\beta_3+\frac{1}{2})} 2^{j_4(\beta_4+\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j_1} u_N\|_{L^2} \|\Delta_{j_2} u_N\|_{L^2} \|\Delta_{j_3} u_N\|_{L^2} \|\Delta_{j_4} u_N$$

(7.6)

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from which one deduces the (7.7). Since

$$\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4k} + \sum_{\ell=2}^{4} \frac{1}{2k} \left(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2} \right) = 1,$$

by (7.7) and the union bound (notice that the sums in (7.8), (7.9) are over a finite number of terms) we arrive to

$$\begin{split} \tilde{\gamma}_{k} \left(\left| \int u_{N}^{(k)} u_{N}^{(\beta_{2})} u_{N}^{(\beta_{3})} u_{N}^{(\beta_{4})} \right| \geq t \right) \leq \gamma_{k} \left(\sum_{j \geq 0} 2^{j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j} u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \geq t^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{4k}} \right) \\ + \sum_{\ell=2}^{4} \gamma_{k} \left(\sum_{j \geq 0} 2^{j(\beta_{\ell}+\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j} u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \geq t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_{\ell}+\frac{1}{2})} \right). \end{split}$$
(7.8)

First we note that the simple bound

$$\sum_{\substack{0 \leq j < \frac{1}{2k} \ln_2 t}} 2^{j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_j u_N\|_{L^2} \lesssim R_0 t^{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4k}}$$

yields for R_0 small enough

$$\gamma_k \left(\sum_{0 \leqslant j < \frac{1}{2k} \ln_2 t} 2^{j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_j u_N\|_{L^2} \geqslant t^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{4k}} \right) = 0.$$
(7.10)

Similarly

$$\sum_{0 \leq j < \frac{1}{2k} \ln_2 t} 2^{j(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_j u_N\|_{L^2} \lesssim R_0 t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2})}$$

gives

$$\gamma_k \left(\sum_{0 \leqslant j < \frac{1}{2k} \ln_2 t} 2^{j(\beta_\ell + \frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_j u_N\|_{L^2} \geqslant t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_\ell + \frac{1}{2})} \right) = 0.$$
(7.11)

We introduce now a sequence σ_j so that $\sum_{j \ge 0} \sigma_j \leqslant \frac{1}{4}$. Therefore

$$\gamma_{k} \left(\sum_{j \ge \frac{1}{2k} \ln_{2} t} 2^{j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j}u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \ge t^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{4k}} \right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{j \ge \frac{1}{2k} \ln_{2} t} \gamma_{k} \left(2^{2+j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j}u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \ge \sigma_{j}t^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{4k}} \right), \quad (7.12)$$

and

$$\gamma_{k} \left(\sum_{j \geq \frac{1}{2k} \ln_{2} t} 2^{j(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j} u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \geq t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2})} \right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{j \geq \frac{1}{2k} \ln_{2} t} \gamma_{k} \left(2^{2 + j(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j} u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \geq \sigma_{j} t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2})} \right).$$
(7.13)

Now we use (recall $t \ge \sqrt{N}$)

$$\gamma_{k} \left(2^{2+j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j} u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \ge \sigma_{j} t^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{4k}} \right)$$

= $P \left(\sqrt{\sum_{n=2^{j-1}}^{2^{j}} |g_{n}|^{2}} \ge 2^{\frac{j}{2}-k-2} \sigma_{j} t^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{4k}} \right) \lesssim e^{-c2^{j} \sigma_{j}^{2} t^{1-\frac{1}{2k}}}$ (7.14)

where $\{g_n, \bar{g}_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ are i.i.d. standard complex Gaussian random variables and *P* is the associated probability. In an analog manner we have

$$\gamma_{k} \left(2^{2+j(\beta_{\ell}+\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j}u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \geq \sigma_{j}t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_{\ell}+\frac{1}{2})} \right)$$

$$= P\left(\sqrt{\sum_{n=2^{j-1}}^{2^{j}} |g_{n}|^{2}} \geq 2^{j(k-\beta_{\ell}-\frac{1}{2})-k-2}\sigma_{j}t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_{\ell}+\frac{1}{2})} \right) \lesssim e^{-c2^{j(2k-2\beta_{\ell}-1)}\sigma_{j}^{2}t^{\frac{1}{k}(\beta_{\ell}+\frac{1}{2})}}.$$

$$(7.15)$$

Therefore (7.12) and (7.14) give

$$\gamma_k \left(\sum_{j \ge \frac{1}{2k} \ln_2 t} 2^{j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_j u_N\|_{L^2} \ge t^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{4k}} \right) \lesssim e^{-ct}, \quad (7.16)$$

and likewise by (7.13) and (7.15) we obtain

$$\gamma_{k}\left(\sum_{j \geq \frac{1}{2k} \ln_{2} t} 2^{j(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_{j} u_{N}\|_{L^{2}} \geq \sigma_{j} t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_{\ell} + \frac{1}{2})}\right) \lesssim e^{-ct}.$$
(7.17)

Summarising, by (7.10), (7.11), (7.16), (7.17) we obtain as $t > \sqrt{N}$

$$\begin{split} \gamma_k \left(\sum_{j \ge 0} 2^{j(k-\frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_j u_N\|_{L^2} & \ge t^{\frac{1}{2}-\frac{1}{4k}} \right) \\ & \lesssim e^{-ct}, \quad \gamma_k \left(\sum_{j \ge 0} 2^{j(\beta_\ell + \frac{1}{2})} \|\Delta_j u_N\|_{L^2} & \ge t^{\frac{1}{2k}(\beta_\ell + \frac{1}{2})} \right) \lesssim e^{-ct}, \end{split}$$

whence (7.4) follows.

Proposition 7.3 Let $k \ge 2$ and $R_0 > 0$ sufficiently small. Then there exists C > 0, which only depends on k and R_0 , so that for any p > 1

$$\left\|\frac{d}{d\alpha}\|(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f)\|^{2}_{H^{k}}\right|_{\alpha=0}\right\|_{L^{p}(\tilde{\gamma}_{k})} \leqslant Cp.$$
(7.18)

Proof Pairing in \dot{H}^k Eq. (6.1) with $\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{k}}\Big|_{\alpha=0} &= 2\operatorname{Re} \int \overline{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f}^{(k)} \left(\frac{d}{d\alpha} \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f\right)^{(k)}\Big|_{\alpha=0} \\ &= 2\operatorname{Re} \int \overline{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f}^{(k)} P_{N} (i\mathcal{I}[\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f] \mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha} f)^{(k)}\Big|_{\alpha=0} \\ &= 2\operatorname{Re} \int \overline{f}^{(k)} P_{N} (i\mathcal{I}[f] f)^{(k)} \\ &= \frac{d}{d\alpha} \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha} f\|^{2}_{\dot{H}^{k}}\Big|_{\alpha=0}, \end{aligned}$$
(7.19)

where the last identity follows by orthogonality and using Eq. (6.1) again.

Note that, by Lemma 2.9 (used with $\psi = \mathscr{G}_{-\alpha} f$) and the representation of the integrals of motion of the GDNLS given in (2.22), we have that

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}f\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} &= \|f\|_{\dot{H}^{k}}^{2} - 2ik\alpha\mu \int f^{(k-1)}\bar{f}^{(k)} \\ &+ i\alpha \sum_{\substack{\beta_{2}+\beta_{3}+\beta_{4}=k-1\\\beta_{2} \geqslant \beta_{3} \geqslant \beta_{4}}} C_{\beta_{2},\beta_{3},\beta_{4}} \int (u^{(k)}u^{(\beta_{2})}u^{(\beta_{3})}u^{(\beta_{4})}) + \mathcal{O}(\alpha^{2}), \quad (7.20) \end{aligned}$$

where as usual *u* denotes either *f* or \overline{f} . Therefore, in order to estimate the derivative of $\|\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} y\|_{H^k}$ in $\alpha = 0$, we need to estimate the terms in (7.20) which are linear in α . More precisely, using (7.19) and (7.20), we arrive to

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{d}{d\alpha} \| \mathscr{G}_{\alpha}^{N} f \|_{H^{k}} \right\|_{\alpha=0} \\ &= \left\| 2k\mu \int f^{(k-1)} \bar{f}^{(k)} + \sum_{\substack{\beta_{2}+\beta_{3}+\beta_{4}=k-1\\\beta_{2} \geqslant \beta_{3} \geqslant \beta_{4}}} C_{\beta_{2},\beta_{3},\beta_{4}} \int (u^{(k)} u^{(\beta_{2})} u^{(\beta_{3})} u^{(\beta_{4})}) \right\|_{L^{p}(\tilde{y}_{k})} \\ &\leqslant 2k \left\| \mu \int f^{(k-1)} \bar{f}^{(k)} \right\|_{L^{p}(\tilde{y}_{k})} \end{aligned}$$

$$+\sum_{\substack{\beta_{2}+\beta_{3}+\beta_{4}=k-1\\\beta_{2}\geqslant\beta_{3}\geqslant\beta_{4}}}C_{\beta_{2},\beta_{3},\beta_{4}}\left\|\int (u^{(k)}u^{(\beta_{2})}u^{(\beta_{3})}u^{(\beta_{4})})\right\|_{L^{p}(\tilde{\gamma}_{k})}.$$
(7.21)

The first term of (7.21) is easier to handle, as

$$\left\| \mu \int f^{(k-1)} \bar{f}^{(k)} \right\|_{L^{p}(\tilde{\gamma}_{k})} \leqslant R_{0} \left\| \int f^{(k-1)} \bar{f}^{(k)} \right\|_{L^{p}(\tilde{\gamma}_{k})} \lesssim R_{0} p \left\| \int f^{(k-1)} \bar{f}^{(k)} \right\|_{L^{2}(\gamma_{k})}$$

by hyper-contractivity and the $L^2(\gamma_k)$ norm on the r.h.s. is bounded by an absolute constant due to Lemma 5.1. To handle the remaining terms of (7.21) we use Lemma 7.2 and the elementary inequality $|x|^p/p^p \leq e^{|x|}$, which lead us to

$$\left\|\int (u^{(k)}u^{(\beta_2)}u^{(\beta_3)}u^{(\beta_4)})\right\|_{L^p(\tilde{\gamma}_k)} \lesssim p\,,$$

so that the proof is concluded. Notice that we have also used that $u_N^{(k)}u_N^{(\beta_2)}u_N^{(\beta_3)}u_N^{(\beta_4)}$ converges $\tilde{\gamma}_k$ -a.e. to $u^{(k)}u^{(\beta_2)}u^{(\beta_3)}u^{(\beta_4)}$ (that has been proved in [9]) and Fatou's Lemma.

Once we have that the norm in (7.18) grows at most linearly in *p* the almost invariance of γ_k w.r.t. the gauge map follows taking advantage (again) of the group property of the map. We follow the argument of [28] and [23]. Here we recall the key statements omitting the proofs when they are easily adapted from these papers. As usual, we approximate $\tilde{\gamma}_k$ by a family of weighted measures $\tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}$ with density

$$\tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(df) = \chi_{\{\mu[P_N f] \leqslant R_0\}}(P_N f)\gamma_k(df).$$
(7.22)

Lemma 7.4 Let $k \ge 2$. Then

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha}\tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(A)) \lesssim p\,\tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(A))^{1-\frac{1}{p}}\left(1+\frac{\log N}{\sqrt{N}}\right).$$
(7.23)

for all $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$.

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Proof Let $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$. For all $\bar{\alpha} \in \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha}\tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(A))\Big|_{\alpha=\tilde{\alpha}} = \frac{d}{d\alpha}\tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\tilde{\alpha}}(A)))\Big|_{\alpha=0}.$$
(7.24)

This is a simple consequence of the fact that \mathscr{G}^N_{α} is a one parameter group of transformations. One can adapt directly the argument in [31] (Proposition 5.4, step 2). Using Proposition 6.6, the identity (6.18) and the fact that $\|\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha} f\|_{L^2}^2 = \|P_N f\|_{L^2}$ for all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ (see Lemma 6.1), we can compute

$$\begin{split} \frac{d}{d\alpha} \tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\bar{\alpha}}))\Big|_{\alpha=0} &= \frac{d}{d\alpha} \int_{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\bar{\alpha}}(A)} \tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(d(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f))\Big|_{\alpha=0} \\ &= \frac{d}{d\alpha} \int_{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\bar{\alpha}}(A)} \tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(df) |\det D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(f)| e^{-\frac{1}{2}(||\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f||^{2}_{\dot{H}^{k}} - ||f||^{2}_{\dot{H}^{k}})}\Big|_{\alpha=0} \\ &= \int_{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\bar{\alpha}}(A)} \tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(df) \frac{d}{d\alpha} |\det D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(f)|\Big|_{\alpha=0} \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\bar{\alpha}}(A)} \tilde{\gamma}_{k,n}(df) |\det D\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(f)| \frac{d}{d\alpha} ||\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f||^{2}_{\dot{H}^{k}}\Big|_{\alpha=0} \\ &= i \int_{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\bar{\alpha}}(A)} \tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(df) \operatorname{div} P_{N}(\mathcal{I}[f]f)\Big|_{\alpha=0} \\ &- \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\bar{\alpha}}(A)} \tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(df) \frac{d}{d\alpha} ||\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f||^{2}_{\dot{H}^{k}}\Big|_{\alpha=0} . \end{split}$$

Then by Hölder's inequality we obtain

$$\frac{d}{d\alpha}\tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}(A))\Big|_{\alpha=\tilde{\alpha}} \leqslant \tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\tilde{\alpha}}(A))^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \|\operatorname{div} P_{N}\left(\mathcal{I}[f]f\right)\|_{L^{p}(\gamma_{k})} \\
+ \tilde{\gamma}_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\tilde{\alpha}}(A))^{1-\frac{1}{p}} \left\|\frac{d}{d\alpha}\|(\mathscr{G}^{N}_{\alpha}f)\|_{H^{k}}^{2}\Big|_{\alpha=0}\right\|_{L^{p}(\tilde{\gamma}_{k})} (7.25)$$

The first term on the r.h.s. is bounded using Lemma 6.5, as $||| f ||_{H^1}^2 ||_{L^p(\gamma k)} \leq p$ for any $p \geq 1, k \geq 2$. The second one is bounded by Lemma 7.3 and we obtain (7.23).

Lemma 7.5 Let $k \ge 2$. There exists an absolute constant $\bar{\alpha} > 0$ so that the following holds. For all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta(\varepsilon)$ so that the following holds. If $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$ is such that with $\gamma_{k,N}(A) < \delta$ then $\gamma_{k,N}(\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha}A) < \varepsilon$ for all $|\alpha| < \bar{\alpha}$.

Proof It follows by Lemma 7.4, using exactly the same argument of [23, Proposition 5.3]. \Box

Now we want to pass to the limit $N \to \infty$ to get an a priory bound of $\gamma_k(\mathscr{G}^N_{\alpha}A)$ for small values of α and sets A of small measure.

Proposition 7.6 Let $k \ge 2$. There exists an absolute constant $\bar{\alpha} > 0$ so that the following holds. Let R > 1 and $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$ with $A \subset B^1(R)$. Then for all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta > 0$ so that

$$\tilde{\gamma}_k(A) < \delta \Rightarrow \sup_{|\alpha| \leqslant \bar{\alpha}} \tilde{\gamma}_k(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}A) < \varepsilon.$$

Proof It follows by Lemma (7.5) and Corollary 6.4, using exactly the same argument of [23, Lemma 5.5].

We are now ready to prove Theorem 1.4. Given $A \in \mathscr{B}(L^2(\mathbb{T}))$ with $A \subset B^1(R)$ we have

$$ilde{\gamma}_k(A \cap B^1(R)) < \delta \Rightarrow \sup_{|lpha| \leqslant ar{lpha}} ilde{\gamma}_k(\mathscr{G}_{lpha}(A \cap B^1(R))) < \varepsilon$$

As $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary we get

$$\tilde{\gamma}_k(A \cap B^1(R)) = 0 \Rightarrow \sup_{|\alpha| \leq \tilde{\alpha}} \tilde{\gamma}_k(\mathscr{G}_{\alpha}(A \cap B^1(R))) = 0.$$

Since α is independent on *R* we can take the limit $R \rightarrow \infty$ to get

$$\tilde{\gamma}_k(A) = 0 \Rightarrow \sup_{|\alpha| \leqslant \bar{\alpha}} \tilde{\gamma}_k(\mathscr{G}_\alpha(A)) = 0,$$

for all $\tilde{\gamma}_k$ -measurable subset $A \subseteq H^1(\mathbb{T})$. Then the statement follows iterating this estimate, using again that $\bar{\alpha}$ is an absolute constant, and recalling that H^1 has full $\tilde{\gamma}_k$ -measure for $k \ge 2$.

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