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#### Abstract

The asymptotic behavior (as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ ) of eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of a boundaryvalue problem for the Laplace operator in a thick cascade junction with concentrated masses is investigated. This cascade junction consists of the junction's body and great number  $5N = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{-1})$  of  $\varepsilon$ -alternating thin rods belonging to two classes. One class consists of rods of finite length and the second one consists of rods of small length of order  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$ . The density of the junction is order  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{-\alpha})$  on the rods from the second class (the concentrated masses if  $\alpha > 0$ ), and  $\mathcal{O}(1)$  outside of them. In addition, we study the influence of the concentrated masses on the asymptotic behavior of these magnitudes in the case  $\alpha = 1$  and  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ .

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## 1 Introduction

In present paper we continue our investigation of boundary-value problems in a new kind of thick junctions, namely *thick cascade junctions*, which we have begun in [9, 10], see also [11] and [12].

Boundary-value problems in thick one-level junctions (thick junctions) are intensively investigated recently (see for instance [2], [3], [41] and references there).

Here we study a spectral problem in a thick cascade junction. It is known that the asymptotic behavior of the spectrum of a perturbed spectral problem is highly sensitive to the perturbation and it is unexpected; in thick junction it essentially depends on the junction type and on the conditions given on the boundaries of the attached thin domains. This dependence was observed for spectral problems in thick junctions with the Neumann conditions in [25, 26, 28, 29, 32, 33], with the Dirichlet conditions in [30, 36], with the Fourier conditions in [35], with the Steklov ones in [34], and for spectral problems in thick multi-level junctions in [37, 38].

Vibration systems with a concentration of masses on a small set of diameter  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  have been studied for a long time. It was experimentally established that such concentration leads to the big reduction of the main frequency and to the big localization of vibrations. The new impulse in this research was given by E. Sánchez-Palencia in the paper [47], in which the effect of local vibrations was mathematically described. After this paper, many articles appeared (see for example [5]–[8], [13, 14, 21, 22, 23, 43]) that deal with the asymptotic behavior of vibrations of a body containing a small region (many small regions) where the density is very much higher than elsewhere (see [25, 30, 33, 36] for thick junctions).

#### 1. Statement of the problem.

Let  $a, b_1, b_2, h_1, h_2$  be positive numbers such that

$$0 < b_1 < b_2 < \frac{1}{2}, \quad 0 < b_1 - \frac{h_1}{2}, \quad b_1 + \frac{h_1}{2} < b_2 - \frac{h_1}{2}, \quad b_2 + \frac{h_1}{2} < \frac{1}{2} - \frac{h_2}{2}$$

These inequalities mean that the intervals

$$\begin{pmatrix} b_1 - \frac{h_1}{2}, b_1 + \frac{h_1}{2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \left( b_2 - \frac{h_1}{2}, b_2 + \frac{h_1}{2} \right), \quad \left( \frac{1 - h_2}{2}, \frac{1 + h_2}{2} \right), \\ \left( 1 - b_2 - \frac{h_1}{2}, 1 - b_2 + \frac{h_1}{2} \right), \quad \left( 1 - b_1 - \frac{h_1}{2}, 1 - b_1 + \frac{h_1}{2} \right)$$

are not intersected and they belong to (0, 1). Let us divide the segment [0, a] into N equal segments  $[\varepsilon j, \varepsilon (j + 1)]$ ,  $j = 0, \ldots, N - 1$ . Here N is a big positive integer, hence the value  $\varepsilon = a/N$  is a small discrete parameter.



Figure 1: The thick cascade junction  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$ .

A model thick cascade junction  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$  (see Fig. 1) consists of the junction's body

$$\Omega_0 = \{ x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : 0 < x_1 < a, 0 < x_2 < \gamma(x_1) \},\$$

where  $\gamma \in C^1([0, a])$ ,  $\min_{[0, a]} \gamma > 0$ , and a large number of thin rods

$$G_j^{(1)}(d_k,\varepsilon) = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : |x_1 - \varepsilon (j + d_k)| < \frac{\varepsilon h_1}{2}, \quad x_2 \in (-\varepsilon l_1, 0] \right\}, \quad k = 1, \dots, 4,$$

$$G_{j}^{(2)}(\varepsilon) = \left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^{2} : |x_{1} - \varepsilon (j + \frac{1}{2})| < \frac{\varepsilon h_{2}}{2}, \quad x_{2} \in (-l_{2}, 0] \right\}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, N - 1.$$

where  $d_1 = b_1$ ,  $d_2 = b_2$ ,  $d_3 = 1 - b_2$ ,  $d_4 = 1 - b_1$ , that is  $\Omega_{\varepsilon} = \Omega_0 \cup G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)} \cup G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}$ , where

$$G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)} = \bigcup_{j=0}^{N-1} \left( \bigcup_{k=1}^{4} G_{j}^{(1)}(d_{k},\varepsilon) \right), \qquad G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)} = \bigcup_{j=0}^{N-1} G_{j}^{(2)}(\varepsilon).$$

Thus the number of the thin rods is equal to 5N; the thin rods are divided into two classes  $G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}$ and  $G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}$  subject to their length and thickness. The length and thickness of the rods from the first class are equal to  $\varepsilon l_1$  and  $\varepsilon h_1$  respectively, and these magnitudes are equal to  $l_2$  and  $\varepsilon h_2$  for the rods from the second class. In addition, the thin rods from each classes are  $\varepsilon$ -periodically alternated along the segment  $I_0 = \{x : x_1 \in [0, a], x_2 = 0\}$ .

Such thick cascade junctions are prototypes of widely used engineering, physical and biological systems with very distinct characteristic scales, for instance construction of a bowel with different levels of absorption on various parts of the bowel trunks, construction of an animal's fell consisting of wool and undercoat with different thermal conductivities.

Only vibrations of  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$  depending on time by the factor  $\exp(-i\sqrt{\lambda} t)$  will be considered. Hence we have to investigate the corresponding spectral problem

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta_x \ u(\varepsilon, x) &= \lambda(\varepsilon) \ \rho_\varepsilon(x) u(\varepsilon, x), & x \in \Omega_\varepsilon; \\ -\partial_\nu u(\varepsilon, x) &= 0, & x \in \Upsilon_\varepsilon^{(1)} \cup \Upsilon_\varepsilon^{(2)} \cup \Gamma_\varepsilon; \\ u(\varepsilon, x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_1; \\ [u]_{|_{x_2=0}} &= [\partial_{x_2} u]_{|_{x_2=0}} = 0, & x_1 \in Q_\varepsilon = \left(G_\varepsilon^{(1)} \cup G_\varepsilon^{(2)}\right) \cap \{x_2 = 0\}. \end{aligned}$$
(1.1)

Here  $\partial_{\nu} = \partial/\partial\nu$  is the outward normal derivative; the brackets denote the jump of the enclosed quantities;  $\Upsilon_{\varepsilon}^{(i)}$  is the union of the lateral sides and the lower bases of the rods from the *i*-th class, i = 1, 2;  $\Gamma_1 = \{x : x_2 = \gamma(x_1), x_1 \in [0, a]\}; \Gamma_{\varepsilon} = \partial\Omega_{\varepsilon} \setminus (\Upsilon_{\varepsilon}^{(1)} \cup \Upsilon_{\varepsilon}^{(2)} \cup \Gamma_1);$  the density

$$\rho_{\varepsilon}(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \Omega_0 \cup G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}, \\ \varepsilon^{-\alpha}, & x \in G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}; \end{cases}$$
(1.2)

the parameter  $\alpha \in (-\infty, 2)$ .

Thus, the Neumann conditions are imposed on the boundaries of the thin rods and if  $\alpha > 0$  then there are concentrated masses on the thin rods from the first class  $G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}$ .

It is known that for each fixed value of  $\varepsilon$  there is a sequence of eigenvalues of problem (1.1)

$$0 < \lambda_1(\varepsilon) < \lambda_2(\varepsilon) \le \ldots \le \lambda_n(\varepsilon) \le \cdots \to +\infty \quad \text{as} \quad n \to \infty$$
 (1.3)

and a sequence of the corresponding eigenfunctions  $\{u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot): n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ , which can be orthonormalized by the following way

$$(u_n, u_m)_{L^2(\Omega_0 \cup G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)})} + \varepsilon^{-\alpha} (u_n, u_m)_{L^2(G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)})} = \delta_{n,m}, \quad \{n, m\} \in \mathbb{N}.$$
 (1.4)

Here and below  $\delta_{n,m}$  is the Kronecker delta.

Our aim is to study the asymptotic behavior of the eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_n(\varepsilon) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}\$  and the eigenfunctions  $\{u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}\$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ , i.e., when the number of the attached thin rods from each class infinitely increases and their thickness decreases to zero, to find other limiting points of the spectrum of problem (1.1) and to describe corresponding eigenvibrations.

It should be noted that the limit process is accompanied by the concentrated masses on the rods from the first class. In fact, we have two kinds of perturbations for problem (1.1): the domain perturbation and the density perturbation. We are going to study the influence of both factors on the asymptotic behavior of the eigenvalues and eigenfunctions as well.

We establish five qualitatively different cases in the asymptotic behavior eigenvalues and eigenfunctions of problem (1.1) as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ , namely  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ ,  $\alpha = 1$ ,  $\alpha \in (1, 2)$ ,  $\alpha = 2$ ,  $\alpha > 2$ . In the present paper we consider two cases  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\alpha = 1$ .

#### **2** The case $\alpha = 1$

#### 2.1 Formal Asymptotics

Combining the algorithm of constructing asymptotics in thin domains with the methods of homogenization theory, we seek the main terms of the asymptotics for the eigenvalue  $\lambda_n(\varepsilon)$  and the eigenfunction  $u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot)$  in the form (index *n* is omitted):

$$\lambda(\varepsilon) \approx \lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1 + \dots \tag{2.1}$$

$$u(\varepsilon, x) \approx v_0^+(x) + \varepsilon v_1^+(x) + \dots, \quad \text{in domain } \Omega_0;$$
 (2.2)

in the thin rectangle  $G_j^{(2)}(\varepsilon)$  (j = 0, ..., N - 1)

$$u(\varepsilon, x) \approx v_0^-(x_1, x_2, \eta_1 - j) + \varepsilon v_1^-(x_1, x_2, \eta_1 - j) + \dots, \qquad \eta_1 = \frac{x_1}{\varepsilon};$$
 (2.3)

and in the junction zone of the body and thin rectangles of both classes (which we call internal expansion) the series of the following type:

$$u(\varepsilon, x) \approx v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \left(\sum_{i=1}^2 Z_1^{(i)}(\eta) \partial_{x_i} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + Z_1^{(0)}(\eta) v_0^+(x_1, 0)\right) + \varepsilon^2 \sum_{|\beta| \le 2} Z_2^{(\beta)}(\eta) D^{\beta} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \dots, \qquad \eta = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}.$$
(2.4)

We used the following standard notation:  $\beta = (\beta_1, \beta_2), |\beta| = \beta_1 + \beta_2, \beta_i \in \mathbb{N}_0, D^{\beta} = \frac{\partial^{|\beta|}}{\partial x_1^{\beta_1} \partial x_2^{\beta_2}}$ 

and  $\partial_{x_i} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x_i}$ .

Denote  $\Gamma_2 := \partial \Omega_0 \setminus (\Gamma_1 \cup I_0)$ . Substituting (2.1) and (2.2) in the problem (1.1) and collecting terms with equal order of  $\varepsilon$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
-\Delta_x \ v_0^+(x) &= \lambda_0 v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\
\partial_\nu \ v_0^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \\
v_0^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_1.
\end{aligned}$$
(2.5)

It remains to ensure the continuity of the asymptotic approximations on the interfaces between the "rectangles" and the "body". The necessity of the condition

$$v_0^+(x_1,0) = v_0^-(x_1,0), \qquad x \in I_0,$$
(2.6)

is evident. Another condition appears when one constructs the junction layer. This condition has the form

$$\partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) - h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_0^-(x_1, 0) = -4h_1 l_1 \lambda_0 v_0^+(x_1, 0), \qquad x \in I_0, \tag{2.7}$$

and will be obtained in the next section.

Collecting terms of order  $\varepsilon$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
-\Delta_x \ v_1^+(x) &= \lambda_0 v_1^+(x) + \lambda_1 v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\
\partial_\nu \ v_1^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \\
v_1^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_1.
\end{aligned}$$
(2.8)

In the transmission conditions here the following jumps appear

$$v_1^+(x_1,0) - v_1^-(x_1,0) = \mathcal{F}_1(x_1), \qquad x \in I_0,$$
(2.9)

and

$$\partial_{x_2} v_1^+(x_1, 0) - h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1, 0) = \mathcal{F}_2(x_1), \qquad x \in I_0,$$
(2.10)

where  $\mathcal{F}_1$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_2$  are given functions on  $I_0$  that will be defined in subsection 2.2.

#### 2.1.1 Formal asymptotics on thin rectangles.

Keeping in mind that in (2.3)  $v_k^-$  are smooth functions, using Taylor series for  $v_k^-$  and changing variable  $x_1 \mapsto \eta_1$  in the neighborhood of the points  $x_1 = \varepsilon(j + \frac{1}{2})$ , we get

$$u(\varepsilon, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \varepsilon^k W_k^{(j)}(x_2, \eta_1), \quad x \in G_j^{(2)}(\varepsilon),$$
(2.11)

where for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  we have

$$W_{k}^{(j)}(x_{2},\eta_{1}) = v_{k}^{-}(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j) + \sum_{m=1}^{k} \frac{1}{m!} \left(\eta_{1}-j-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{m} \frac{\partial^{m}v_{k-m}^{-}}{\partial x_{1}^{m}} \left(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j\right). \quad (2.12)$$

Substituting (2.1) and (2.11) in the problem (1.1) instead of  $\lambda_n(\varepsilon)$  and  $u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot)$  respectively, collecting terms with equal powers of  $\varepsilon$ , we obtain the following problems (k = 0, 1, 2, 3):

$$-\partial_{\eta_1\eta_1}^2 W_k^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1) = \partial_{x_2x_2}^2 W_{k-2}^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1) + \sum_{m=0}^{k-2} \lambda_m W_{k-2-m}^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1), \quad |\eta_1 - \frac{1}{2}| < \frac{h_2}{2}, \quad (2.13)$$
  
$$\partial_{\eta_1} W_k^{(j)}(x_2,\frac{1\pm h_2}{2}) = 0,$$

where  $\lambda_p$  and the functions  $W_p^{(j)}$  with negative p are equal to zero; the variable  $x_2$  is a parameter;  $\partial_{\eta_1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_1}$ .

From (2.13) we deduce that  $W_0^{(j)}$ ,  $W_1^{(j)}$ ,  $W_2^{(j)}$  and  $W_3^{(j)}$  are independent of  $\eta_1$ . Moreover the solvability conditions for the problem (2.13) as k = 2, 3, give us the equations

$$h_2 \ \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^-(x_1, x_2) + \lambda_0 h_2 \ v_0^-(x_1, x_2) = 0, \quad x_2 \in (-l_2, 0), \ x_1 = \varepsilon(j + \frac{1}{2})$$
(2.14)

and

$$h_2 \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_1^-(x_1, x_2) + h_2 \lambda_0 v_1^-(x_1, x_2) = -h_2 \lambda_1 v_0^-(x_1, x_2), \quad x_2 \in (-l_2, 0), \ x_1 = \varepsilon (j + \frac{1}{2}).$$
(2.15)

Since we seek the smooth functions  $v_0^-$  and  $v_1^-$  and the points  $x_1 = \varepsilon(j + \frac{1}{2})$  form the  $\varepsilon$ -net in the interval (0, a), then the equations (2.14), (2.15) defined on N segments can be extended to the whole rectangle  $D_2 = (0, a) \times (-l_2, 0)$ . Bearing in mind the boundary conditions of the original problem, we add

$$\partial_{x_2} v_0^-(x_1, -l_2) = 0, \qquad \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1, -l_2) = 0.$$
 (2.16)

#### 2.1.2 Junction-layer solutions

Pass to the "fast" variables  $\eta = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}$  in (1.1). Under this transformation as  $\varepsilon \to 0$  the domain  $\Omega_0$  transforms to  $\{\eta : \eta_i > 0, i = 1, 2\}$ , the thin rectangle  $G_0^{(2)}(\varepsilon)$  to the semistrip

$$\Pi^{-} = \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{h_2}{2}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{h_2}{2}\right) \times (-\infty, 0]$$

and rectangle  $G_0^{(1)}(d_k,\varepsilon)$  to the fixed rectangle

$$\Pi_k = \left(d_k - \frac{h_1}{2}, d_k + \frac{h_1}{2}\right) \times (-l_1, 0].$$

Taking into account the periodic structure of  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$  in a neighborhood of  $I_0$ , we take the following cell of periodicity

$$\Pi = \Pi^- \cup \Pi^+ \cup \Pi_{l_1},$$

in which we will consider boundary value problems. Here  $\Pi^+ = (0, 1) \times (0, +\infty), \ \Pi_{l_1} := \bigcup_{k=1}^4 \overline{\Pi}_k$ (see Fig.2).

Substituting the series (2.4) and (2.1) in the problem (1.1) and collecting terms with equal powers of  $\varepsilon$ , we get problems for  $Z_1^{(i)}$ , i = 0, 1, 2, and  $Z_2^{(\beta)}$ ,  $|\beta| \leq 2$ . Obviously, these solutions have to be 1-periodic in  $\eta_1$ . Therefore we will demand the following periodic conditions

$$\partial_{\eta_1}^s Z(0,\eta_2) = \partial_{\eta_1}^s Z(1,\eta_2), \quad \eta_2 > 0, \quad s = 0, 1,$$
(2.17)

on the vertical sides of semistrip  $\Pi^+$ . In addition, it is easy to see that all these solutions must satisfy the Neumann conditions

$$\partial_{\eta_2} Z(\eta_1, 0) = 0, \quad (\eta_1, 0) \in \partial \Pi, \quad \partial_{\eta_2} Z(\eta_1, -l_1) = 0, \quad (\eta_1, -l_1) \in \partial \Pi,$$
 (2.18)

on the horizontal parts of the boundary of  $\Pi$ .



Figure 2: The cell of periodicity.

Denote by  $\partial \Pi_{\parallel}$  the vertical part of  $\partial \Pi$  laying in  $\{\eta : \eta_2 < 0\}$ . Thus for  $Z_1^{(i)}$ , i = 0, 1, 2, and  $Z_2^{(\beta)}$ ,  $|\beta| \le 2$ , we have the following problems (to all problems we must add conditions (2.17) and (2.18)):

$$\begin{cases}
-\Delta_{\eta} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} 0, & \eta \in \Pi^{+} \cup \Pi^{-}, \\ \lambda_{0}, & \eta \in \Pi_{l_{1}}, \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) = 0, & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel};
\end{cases}$$
(2.19)

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\eta} Z_{1}^{(i)}(\eta) = 0, & \eta \in \Pi, \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{1}^{(i)}(\eta) = -\delta_{1i}, & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel}, \quad i = 1, 2; \end{cases}$$
(2.20)

$$\begin{cases}
-\Delta_{\eta} Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} \lambda_{0}, & \eta \in \Pi^{+} \cup \Pi^{-}, \\ \lambda_{1} + \lambda_{0} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta), & \eta \in \Pi_{l_{1}}, \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) = 0, & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel};
\end{cases}$$
(2.21)

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\eta} Z_{2}^{(1,0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} 2\partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta), & \eta \in \Pi^{+} \cup \Pi^{-}, \\ 2\partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) + \lambda_{0} Z_{1}^{(1)}(\eta), & \eta \in \Pi_{l_{1}}, \end{cases} \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{2}^{(1,0)}(\eta) = -Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta), & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel}; \end{cases}$$

$$(2.22)$$

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\eta} Z_{2}^{(0,1)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} 0, & \eta \in \Pi^{+} \cup \Pi^{-}, \\ \lambda_{0} Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta), & \eta \in \Pi_{l_{1}}, \end{cases} \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{2}^{(0,1)}(\eta) = 0, & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel}; \end{cases}$$
(2.23)

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\eta} Z_{2}^{(0,2)}(\eta) = 0, & \eta \in \Pi, \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{2}^{(0,2)}(\eta) = 0, & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel}; \end{cases}$$
(2.24)

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\eta} Z_{2}^{(1,1)}(\eta) = 2\partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta), & \eta \in \Pi, \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{2}^{(1,1)}(\eta) = -Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta), & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel}; \end{cases}$$
(2.25)

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\eta} Z_{2}^{(2,0)}(\eta) = 1 + 2\partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{1}^{(1)}(\eta), & \eta \in \Pi, \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{2}^{(2,0)}(\eta) = -Z_{1}^{(1)}(\eta), & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel}. \end{cases}$$
(2.26)

The existence and the main asymptotic relations for the functions  $\{Z_1^{(i)}\}, \{Z_2^{(\beta)}\}\$  can be obtained from general results about the asymptotic behavior of solutions to elliptic problems in domains with different exits to infinity [17, 19, 20, 44]. The proofs are substantially simplified if the polynomial property of the corresponding quasilinear forms is employed [45]. However, if a domain, where we consider a boundary-value problem, has some symmetry, then we can define more exactly the asymptotic relations and detect other properties of junction-layer solutions (see Lemma 4.1 and Corollary 4.1 from [31]). Using this approach, one can prove the following lemma.

**Lemma 2.1.** There exist solutions  $Z_1^{(i)} \in H^1_{loc,\eta_2}(\Pi)$ , i = 0, 1, 2, of the problems (2.19), (2.20) and  $Z_2^{(\beta)} \in H^1_{loc,\eta_2}(\Pi)$ ,  $|\beta| \leq 2$  of the problems (2.21), (2.22), (2.23), (2.24), (2.25), (2.26), which have the following differentiable asymptotics

$$Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} C_{1}^{(0)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \\ \frac{4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{0}}{h_{2}} & \eta_{2} - \frac{C_{1}^{(0)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1}\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$
(2.27)

$$Z_{1}^{(1)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \\ \left(-\eta_{1} + \frac{1}{2}\right) + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1}\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$
(2.28)  
$$Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} \eta_{2} + C_{1}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \\ \frac{\eta_{2}}{h_{2}} - \frac{C_{1}^{(2)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1}\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$
(2.29)

$$Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} -\frac{\lambda_{0}}{2}\eta_{2}^{2} + C_{2}^{(0,0)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \\ \\ -\frac{\lambda_{0}}{2}\eta_{2}^{2} + \frac{4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{1} + \lambda_{0}\int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}}Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta)d\eta}{h_{2}} & \eta_{2} - \frac{C_{2}^{(0,0)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1}\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$

$$(2.30)$$

$$(\pi) = \begin{cases} C_2^{(1,0)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_2)), & \eta_2 \to +\infty, \end{cases}$$
(2.21)

$$Z_{2}^{(1,0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} \frac{4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{0}}{h_{2}} \eta_{2}\left(-\eta_{1}+\frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{C_{2}^{(1,0)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1}\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases} C_{2}^{(0,1)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \end{cases}$$

$$(2.31)$$

$$Z_{2}^{(0,1)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} \frac{\lambda_{0} \int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta) d\eta}{h_{2}} \eta_{2} - \frac{C_{2}^{(0,1)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1} \eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$

$$Z_{2}^{(0,2)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} \eta_{2} + C_{1}^{(2)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi \eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \\ \frac{\eta_{2}}{h_{2}} - \frac{C_{1}^{(2)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1} \eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$

$$(2.32)$$

$$(2.33)$$

$$Z_{2}^{(1,1)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} C_{2}^{(1,1)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \\ \frac{\eta_{2}}{h_{2}} \left(-\eta_{1} + \frac{1}{2}\right) - \frac{C_{2}^{(1,1)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1}\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$
(2.34)  
$$Z_{2}^{(2,0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} -\frac{1}{2}\eta_{2}^{2} + C_{2}^{(2,0)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \\ \frac{\mu_{0}}{h_{2}}\eta_{2} - \frac{C_{2}^{(2,0)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1}\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty, \end{cases}$$
(2.35)

where

$$\mu_0 = 2 \int_{\Pi^+} \partial_{\eta_1} Z_1^{(1)}(\eta) \ d\eta + \int_{\Pi_{l_1} \cup \Pi^-} (1 + \partial_{\eta_1} Z_1^{(1)}(\eta)) \ d\eta.$$
(2.36)

Moreover functions  $Z_1^{(1)}$ ,  $Z_2^{(1,0)}$ ,  $Z_2^{(1,1)}$  are odd in  $\eta_1$  with respect to  $\frac{1}{2}$ ; functions  $Z_1^{(0)}$ ,  $Z_1^{(2)}$ ,  $Z_2^{(0,0)}$ ,  $Z_2^{(0,1)}$ ,  $Z_2^{(0,2)}$  and  $Z_2^{(2,0)}$  are even in  $\eta_1$  with respect to  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

*Proof.* Recall that a function  $\Psi$  belongs to  $H^1_{loc,\eta_2}(\Pi)$  if for every R > 0 the function  $\Psi \in H^1(\Pi) \cap \{\eta : |\eta_2| < R\}.$ 

We will demonstrate this proof for the junction-layer problem (2.21). In the other cases the proof is similar. We look for the solution  $Z_2^{(0,0)}$  to problem (2.21) in the form

$$Z_2^{(0,0)}(\eta) = -\frac{\lambda_0}{2}\eta_2^2 + \mu \eta_2 \chi_-(\eta_2) + \widetilde{Z}_2^{(0,0)}(\eta), \qquad \eta \in \Pi,$$

where  $\chi_{-}(\eta_2)$  is a smooth cut-off function such that  $0 \leq \chi_{-}(\eta_2) \leq 1$ ; it is equal to 1 if  $\eta_2 \leq -2$ , and to 0 if  $\eta_2 \geq -1$ . It is easy to see that  $\widetilde{Z}_2^{(0,0)}$  must satisfy the problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{\eta} \widetilde{Z}_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} 0, & \eta \in \Pi^{+}, \\ \mu \left( \eta_{2} \chi_{-}^{\prime\prime}(\eta_{2}) + 2 \chi_{-}^{\prime}(\eta_{2}) \right), & \eta \in \Pi^{-}, \\ \lambda_{1} + \lambda_{0} \left( Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) - 1 \right), & \eta \in \Pi_{l_{1}}, \end{cases} \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} \widetilde{Z}_{2}^{(0,0)}(0,\eta_{2}) = \partial_{\eta_{1}}^{s} \widetilde{Z}_{2}^{(0,0)}(1,\eta_{2}), & \eta_{2} > 0, \quad s = 0, 1, \end{cases} \\ \partial_{\eta_{2}} \widetilde{Z}_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta_{1},0) = 0, & (\eta_{1},0) \in \partial \Pi, \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} \widetilde{Z}_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) = 0, & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel}, \quad \eta_{2} < 0, \\ \partial_{\eta_{2}} \widetilde{Z}_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta_{1},-l_{1}) = -\lambda_{0} l_{1}, & (\eta_{1},-l_{1}) \in \partial \Pi. \end{cases}$$

$$(2.37)$$

From Lemma 4.1 (see paper [31]) it follows that there exists the energy solution to the problem (3.42) if and only if

$$\mu = \frac{4h_1 l_1 \lambda_1 + \lambda_0 \int_{\Pi_{l_1}} Z_1^{(0)}(\eta) d\eta}{h_2}; \qquad (2.38)$$

in addition this solution is defined up to an additive constant. Choosing in an appropriate way this constant (see Remark 4.1 from [31]), we get the asymptotics (2.30).

Since the right-hand sides both in the equation and boundary conditions of problem (3.42) are even in  $\eta_1$  with respect to  $\frac{1}{2}$ , the solution  $\widetilde{Z}_2^{(0,0)}$  has the same property due to Remark 4.2 from [31].

#### 2.2 Homogenized problem and correctors

We have formally constructed the leading terms of the asymptotic expansions (2.2), (2.3), (2.4) in three different parts of the junction  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$ . Now we apply the method of matching of asymptotic expansions to complete the constructions. Following this method (see, for instance [16]), the asymptotics of the external expansions (2.2) and (2.3) as  $x_2 \to \pm 0$  has to coincide with the corresponding asymptotics of the internal expansion (2.4) as  $\eta_2 \to \pm \infty$ .

Writing down the Taylor series for  $v_0^+$  and  $v_1^+$  with respect to  $x_2$  in the neighborhood of the point  $(x_1, 0)$ , where  $x_1 \in (0, a)$ , and passing to the variables  $\eta_2 = \varepsilon^{-1} x_2$ , we derive

$$u(\varepsilon, x) = v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \Big( \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + v_1^+(x_1, 0) \Big) + \varepsilon^2 \Big( \frac{1}{2} \eta_2^2 \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_1^+(x_1, 0) + v_2^+(x_1, 0) \Big) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^3 \eta_2^3), \quad x_2 \equiv \varepsilon \eta_2 \to +0.$$
(2.39)

(2.39) Bearing in mind the asymptotics of the functions  $Z_1^{(i)}$   $(i = 0, 1, 2), Z_2^{(\beta)}$   $(|\beta| < 2), \text{ as } \eta_2 \to +\infty$  (see (2.27)–(2.35)), we write down the asymptotics

$$u(\varepsilon, x) = v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \left( \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + C_1^{(0)} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + C_1^{(2)} \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right) + \varepsilon^2 \left( \left( -\frac{\lambda_0}{2} \eta_2^2 + C_2^{(0,0)} \right) v_0^+(x_1, 0) + C_2^{(1,0)} \partial_{x_1} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + C_2^{(0,1)} \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right) + \left( -\frac{1}{2} \eta_2^2 + C_2^{(2,0)} \right) \partial_{x_1 x_1}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + C_2^{(1,1)} \partial_{x_1 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \left( \eta_2 + C_1^{(2)} \right) \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^3 \eta_2^3), \qquad \eta_2 \to +\infty.$$

$$(2.40)$$

To match (2.3) and (2.4) we write down (2.3) as  $x_2 \rightarrow -0$  in fast variables:

$$u(\varepsilon, x) = v_0^-(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \left( \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_0^-(x_1, 0) + v_1^-(x_1, 0) + Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1} v_0^-(x_1, 0) \right) + \varepsilon^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \eta_2^2 \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^-(x_1, 0) + \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1, 0) + \eta_2 Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1 x_2}^2 v_0^-(x_1, 0) + v_2^-(x_1, 0) \right) + Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1} v_1^-(x_1, 0) + \frac{1}{2} Y^2(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1 x_1}^2 v_0^-(x_1, 0) \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^3 \eta_2^3), \quad x_2 \equiv \varepsilon \eta_2 \to -0$$
(2.41)

and (2.4) as  $\eta_2 \to -\infty$ :

$$\begin{split} u(\varepsilon, x) &= v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \left( Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \left(\frac{\eta_2}{h_2} - \frac{C_1^{(2)}}{h_2}\right) \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right. \\ &+ \left( \frac{4h_1 l_1 \lambda_0}{h_2} \eta_2 - \frac{C_1^{(0)}}{h_2} \right) v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right) \\ &+ \varepsilon^2 \left( \left( -\frac{\lambda_0}{2} \eta_2^2 + \frac{4h_1 l_1 \lambda_1 + \lambda_0 \int_{\Pi_{l_1}} Z_1^{(0)}(\eta \ d\eta}{h_2} \eta_2 - \frac{C_2^{(0,0)}}{h_2} \right) v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right. \\ &+ \left( \frac{4h_1 l_1 \lambda_0}{h_2} Y(\eta_1) \eta_2 - \frac{C_2^{(1,0)}}{h_2} \right) \partial_{x_1} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \left( \frac{\lambda_0 \int_{\Pi_{l_1}} Z_1^{(2)} \ d\eta}{h_2} \eta_2 - \frac{C_2^{(0,1)}}{h_2} \right) \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) \end{split}$$

$$+ \left(\frac{\mu_0}{h_2}\eta_2 - \frac{C_2^{(2,0)}}{h_2}\right)\partial_{x_1x_1}^2 v_0^+(x_1,0) + \left(\frac{\eta_2}{h_2}Y(\eta_1) - \frac{C_2^{(1,1)}}{h_2}\right)\partial_{x_1x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1,0) \\ + \left(\frac{\eta_2}{h_2} - \frac{C_1^{(2)}}{h_2}\right)\partial_{x_2x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1,0)\right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^3 \eta_2^3),$$
(2.42)

where  $Y(\eta_1) = -\eta_1 + \frac{1}{2} + [\eta_1]$ ,  $[\eta_1]$  is the entire part of the number  $\eta_1$  and  $\mu_0$  is defined by (2.36). We convince, that the leading terms of the asymptotic expansions (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4) are matched, if functions  $\mathcal{F}_1$  and  $\mathcal{F}_2$  from (2.9) and (2.10) are equal respectively

$$\mathcal{F}_1(x_1) = \frac{1+h_2}{h_2} \left( C_1^{(0)} v_0^+(x_1,0) + C_1^{(2)} \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1,0) \right), \quad x_1 \in I_0,$$
(2.43)

and

$$\mathcal{F}_{2}(x_{1}) = -\mu_{0}\partial_{x_{1}x_{1}}^{2}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1},0) - \lambda_{0}\int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta) \ d\eta\partial_{x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1},0) - \left(4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{1} + \lambda_{0}\int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) \ d\eta\right)v_{0}^{+}(x_{1},0), \quad x_{1} \in I_{0}$$

$$(2.44)$$

and the conditions (2.6), (2.7), (2.9) and (2.10) hold true.

Finally, for

$$v_0(x) = \begin{cases} v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega, \\ v_0^-(x), & x \in D_2 = (0, a) \times (-l_2, 0), \end{cases}$$

and the number  $\lambda_0$  we have the problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{x} v_{0}^{+}(x) = \lambda_{0} v_{0}^{+}(x), & x \in \Omega_{0}, \\ -\partial_{x_{2}x_{2}}^{2} v_{0}^{-}(x) = \lambda_{0} v_{0}^{-}(x), & x \in D_{2}, \\ \partial_{\nu} v_{0}^{+}(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_{2}, \\ v_{0}^{+}(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_{1}, \\ v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) = v_{0}^{-}(x_{1}, 0), & x_{1} \in (0, a), \\ \partial_{x_{2}} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) - h_{2} \partial_{x_{2}} v_{0}^{-}(x_{1}, 0) = -4h_{1} l_{1} \lambda_{0} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0), & x_{1} \in (0, a), \\ \partial_{x_{2}} v_{0}^{-}(x_{1}, -l_{2}) = 0, & x_{1} \in (0, a), \end{cases}$$

which called *homogenized spectral problem* for problem (1.1). The spectrum of this problem is studied in § 2.3. Let  $\lambda_0$  be an eigenvalue of problem (2.45) and  $v_0$  is the corresponding eigenfunction that we normalize as follows

$$\int_{\Omega_0} \left( v_0^+ \right)^2 dx + h_2 \int_{D_2} \left( v_0^- \right)^2 dx + 4h_1 l_1 \int_{I_0} \left( v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right)^2 dx_1 = 1.$$
(2.46)

Then for

$$v_1(x) = \begin{cases} v_1^+(x), & x \in \Omega, \\ v_1^-(x), & x \in D_2, \end{cases}$$

and  $\lambda_1$  we get the following boundary-value problem

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_{x} v_{1}^{+}(x) = \lambda_{0}v_{1}^{+}(x) + \lambda_{1}v_{0}^{+}(x), & x \in \Omega_{0}, \\ \partial_{\nu} v_{1}^{+}(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_{2}; & v_{1}^{+}(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_{1}, \\ -h_{2} \partial_{x_{2}x_{2}}^{2}v_{1}^{-}(x_{1}, x_{2}) = h_{2}\lambda_{0} v_{1}^{-}(x_{1}, x_{2}) + h_{2}\lambda_{1} v_{0}^{-}(x_{1}, x_{2}), & x \in D_{2}, \\ \partial_{x_{2}}v_{1}^{-}(x_{1}, -l_{2}) = 0, & x_{1} \in (0, a), \\ v_{1}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) - v_{1}^{-}(x_{1}, 0) = \frac{1+h_{2}}{h_{2}} \left( C_{1}^{(0)}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + C_{1}^{(2)}\partial_{x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right), & x \in I_{0}, \\ \partial_{x_{2}}v_{1}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) - h_{2}\partial_{x_{2}}v_{1}^{-}(x_{1}, 0) = -\mu_{0}\partial_{x_{1}x_{1}}^{2}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) - \lambda_{0}\int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta) \, d\eta \, \partial_{x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \\ - \left(4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{1} + \lambda_{0}\int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) \, d\eta \right) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0), & x \in I_{0}. \end{cases}$$

$$(2.47)$$

We see that the corresponding homogeneous problem has nontrivial solution since  $\lambda_0$  is the eigenvalue of problem (2.45). Therefore, we should choose  $\lambda_1$  such that the solvability condition for problem (2.47) is satisfied. Obviously, in this case the solution to problem (2.47) is not uniquely defined. For the uniqueness we demand the following orthogonality condition:

$$\int_{I_0} v_1^+(x_1,0) \, v_0^+(x_1,0) \, dx_1 = 0. \tag{2.48}$$

Multiplying the equation in  $\Omega_0$  by  $v_0^+$ , integrating it over the domain and using twice the Green's formula and repeating these procedures for the domain  $D_2$  (only difference is that we multiply the equation by  $v_0^-$ ) and then summarizing these identities, we obtain

$$\int_{I_0} \partial_{x_2} v_1^+(x_1,0) \, v_0^+(x_1,0) \, dx_1 - \int_{I_0} v_1^+(x_1,0) \, \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1,0) \, dx_1 - \\ - h_2 \int_{I_0} \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1,0) \, v_0^-(x_1,0) \, dx_1 + h_2 \int_{I_0} v_1^-(x_1,0) \, \partial_{x_2} v_0^-(x_1,0) \, dx_1 = \\ = \lambda_1 \int_{\Omega_0} \left( v_0^+ \right)^2 \, dx + \lambda_1 h_2 \int_{D_2} \left( v_0^- \right)^2 \, dx$$

$$(2.49)$$

or, keeping in mind the transmission conditions in problem (2.45) on  $I_0$ ,

$$\int_{I_0} \left( \partial_{x_2} v_1^+(x_1,0) - h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1,0) \right) v_0^+ dx_1 - \int_{I_0} \left( v_1^+(x_1,0) - v_1^-(x_1,0) \right) \partial_{x_2} v_0^+ dx_1 + 4h_1 l_1 \int_{I_0} v_1^-(x_1,0) v_0^+(x_1,0) dx_1 = \lambda_1 \int_{\Omega_0} \left( v_0^+(x_1,0) \right)^2 dx + \lambda_1 h_2 \int_{D_2} \left( v_0^-(x_1,0) \right)^2 dx.$$

$$(2.50)$$

Taking into account the transmission conditions in problem (2.47), the normalized condition (2.46) and the orthogonality condition (2.48), we get from (2.50)

$$\lambda_{1} = \mu_{0} \int_{I_{0}} \left(\partial_{x_{1}} v_{0}^{+}\right)^{2} dx_{1} - \left(\frac{1+h_{2}}{h_{2}}C_{1}^{(0)} + \lambda_{0} \int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta) d\eta\right) \int_{I_{0}} v_{0}^{+} \partial_{x_{2}} v_{0}^{+} dx_{1}$$
  
$$- \frac{1+h_{2}}{h_{2}} 4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{0} \int_{I_{0}} \left(C_{1}^{(0)} v_{0}^{+} + C_{1}^{(2)} \partial_{x_{2}} v_{0}^{+}\right) v_{0}^{+} dx_{1}$$
  
$$- \frac{1+h_{2}}{h_{2}} C_{1}^{(2)} \int_{I_{0}} \left(\partial_{x_{2}} v_{0}^{+}\right)^{2} dx_{1} - \lambda_{0} \int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) d\eta \int_{I_{0}} \left(v_{0}^{+}\right)^{2} dx_{1},$$
  
$$(2.51)$$

where  $\mu_0$  is defined by (2.36).

#### 2.3 The spectrum of the homogenized spectral problem (2.45)

It is obvious that any eigenvalue of problem (2.45) is real and positive. By solving the ordinary equation of problem (2.45) in the rectangle  $D_2$  with regard to the boundary condition on  $\Gamma_{-l_2} = \{x : x_1 \in (0, a), x_2 = -l_2\}$  and the first transmission condition on  $I_0$ , we find

$$v_0^-(x) = \frac{v_0^+(x_1,0)}{\cos(\sqrt{\lambda_0} \, l_2)} \cos(\sqrt{\lambda_0} \, (x_2 + l_2)) \,. \tag{2.52}$$

Now, according to the second transmission condition in problem (2.45), we obtain the following spectral problem

$$\begin{cases}
-\Delta v_0^+(x) = \lambda_0 v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\
\partial_\nu v^+(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \\
v^+(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_1, \\
\partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) = -\left(h_2 \sqrt{\lambda_0} \tan(\sqrt{\lambda_0} l_2) + 4h_1 l_1 \lambda_0\right) v_0^+(x_1, 0), & x \in I_0,
\end{cases}$$
(2.53)

with the spectral parameter  $\lambda_0$  occurring both in the differential equation and in the boundary condition on  $I_0$ , where it enters in a nonlinear way.

Multiplying the differential equation of problem (2.53) with an arbitrary function  $\psi \in H^1(\Omega_0; \Gamma_1)$  and integrating by parts in  $\Omega_0$ , we can reduce the spectral problem (2.53) to a spectral problem for the following operator-function

$$\mathbf{L}(\lambda_0) = \lambda_0 \,\mathbf{A}_1 + \left(h_2 \,\sqrt{\lambda_0} \,\tan(\sqrt{\lambda_0} \,l_2) \,+\, 4h_1 l_1 \lambda_0\right) \mathbf{A}_2 - \mathbf{I},$$

where  $H^1(\Omega_0; \Gamma_1) = \{ u \in H^1(\Omega_0; u|_{\Gamma_1} = 0 \}$  and the scalar product is defined as follows  $(u, v)_{H^1(\Omega_0; \Gamma_1)} := \int_{\Omega_0} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx$ , **I** is the identity operator in  $H^1(\Omega_0; \Gamma_1)$ , **A**<sub>1</sub>, **A**<sub>2</sub> are selfadjoint compact operators in  $H^1(\Omega_0; \Gamma_1)$  and

$$(\mathbf{A}_{1}\varphi,\psi)_{H^{1}(\Omega_{0};\Gamma_{1})} = \int_{\Omega_{0}} \varphi(x)\,\psi(x)\,dx\,,$$
$$(\mathbf{A}_{2}\varphi,\psi)_{H^{1}(\Omega_{0};\Gamma_{1})} = \int_{I_{0}} \varphi(x_{1},0)\,\psi(x_{1},0)\,dx_{1} \quad \text{for any} \quad \varphi,\psi \in H^{1}(\Omega_{0};\Gamma_{1})$$

Theorems on existence and concentration of the spectrum for such self-adjoint operatorfunctions and mini-max principles for the eigenvalues were proved in [27, 15]. From these results we have the following theorem. **Theorem 2.1.** The spectrum of operator-function  $\mathbf{L}$  and problem (2.45) contains normal eigenvalues (they have finite multiplicity and the corresponding eigenvectors have no Jordan chain) and also the left accumulation points

$$P_m = \left(\frac{\pi + 2\pi(m-1)}{2l_2}\right)^2, \quad m \in \mathbb{N},$$

which divide the eigenvalues into the sequences

$$0 < \lambda_0^{(1,1)} \le \ldots \le \lambda_0^{(1,n)} \le \ldots \to P_1 \quad as \quad n \to \infty, \qquad (2.54)$$

$$P_{m-1} < \lambda_0^{(m,1)} \le \ldots \le \lambda_0^{(m,n)} \le \ldots \to P_m \quad as \quad n \to \infty, \quad m = 2, 3, \ldots$$
 (2.55)

#### 2.4 Asymptotic approximations

Let  $\lambda_0$  be an eigenvalue of problem (2.45),  $v_0$  is the corresponding eigenfunction, i.e.,  $v_0 = v_0^+$ in  $\Omega_0$ , where  $v_0^+$  is the corresponding eigenfunction to problem (2.53), and  $v_0 = v_0^-$  in  $D_2$ , where  $v_0^-$  is defined by (2.52). Then we can define  $\lambda_1$  with the help of (2.51) and the unique solution  $v_1^{\pm}$  to problem (2.47).

Using the method of matched asymptotic expansions for the leading terms of (2.2), (2.3) and (2.4), we construct the approximation  $R_{\varepsilon} \in H^1(\Omega_0; \Gamma_1)$ :

$$R_{\varepsilon}(x) = v_{0}^{+}(x) + \varepsilon v_{1}^{+}(x) + \varepsilon v_{0}^{+}(x_{2}) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left( Z_{1}^{(i)}(\eta) - \delta_{i,2}(\eta_{2} + C_{1}^{(2)}) \right) \partial_{x_{i}} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) - C_{1}^{(0)} \right) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right) \right) + \varepsilon^{2} \chi_{0} \left( \left( Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) + \frac{\lambda_{0} \eta_{2}^{2}}{2} \right) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \sum_{|\beta|=1} Z_{2}^{(\beta)}(\eta) D^{\beta} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{2}^{(2,0)}(\eta) + \frac{\eta_{2}^{2}}{2} \right) \partial_{x_{1}x_{1}}^{2} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right) + Z_{2}^{(1,1)}(\eta) \partial_{x_{1}x_{2}}^{2} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{2}^{(0,2)}(\eta) - \eta_{2} \right) \partial_{x_{2}x_{2}}^{2} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right), \quad \eta = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \quad x \in \Omega_{0}; \quad (2.56)$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\varepsilon}(x) &= v_{0}^{-}(x) + \varepsilon \left( v_{1}^{-}(x) + Y(\eta_{1})\partial_{x_{1}}v_{0}^{-}(x) \right) \\ &+ \varepsilon \chi_{0}(x_{2}) \left( \left( Z_{1}^{(1)}(\eta) - Y(\eta_{1}) \right) \partial_{x_{1}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta) - \frac{\eta_{2}}{h_{2}} + \frac{C_{1}^{(2)}}{h_{2}} \right) \partial_{x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \\ &+ \left( Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) - \frac{4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{0}}{h_{2}} \eta_{2} + \frac{C_{1}^{(0)}}{h_{2}} \right) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right) \\ &+ \varepsilon^{2}\chi_{0}(x_{2}) \left( \left( Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) + \frac{\lambda_{0}}{2} \eta_{2}^{2} - \frac{4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{1} + \lambda_{0} \int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(0)}(\eta) d\eta}{h_{2}} \eta_{2} \right) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \\ &+ \left( Z_{2}^{(1,0)}(\eta) - \frac{4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{0}}{h_{2}} \eta_{2}Y(\eta_{1}) \right) \partial_{x_{1}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{2}^{(0,1)}(\eta) - \frac{\lambda_{0} \int_{\Pi_{l_{1}}} Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta) d\eta}{h_{2}} \eta_{2} \right) \partial_{x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \\ &+ \left( Z_{2}^{(2,0)}(\eta) - \frac{\mu_{0}}{h_{2}} \eta_{2} \right) \partial_{x_{1}x_{1}}^{2}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{2}^{(1,1)}(\eta) - \frac{\eta_{2}Y(\eta_{1})}{h_{2}} \right) \partial_{x_{1}x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \\ &+ \left( Z_{2}^{(0,2)}(\eta) - \frac{\mu_{0}}{h_{2}} \eta_{2} \right) \partial_{x_{2}x_{2}}^{2}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{2}^{(1,1)}(\eta) - \frac{\eta_{2}Y(\eta_{1})}{h_{2}} \right) \partial_{x_{1}x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \\ &+ \left( Z_{2}^{(0,2)}(\eta) - \frac{\eta_{2}}{h_{2}} \right) \partial_{x_{2}x_{2}}^{2}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right), \quad \eta = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \quad x \in G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)} \cup G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}. \quad (2.57) \end{aligned}$$

Here  $\chi_0$  is a smooth cut-off function that equals 1 in a neighborhood of zero.

Substituting  $R_{\varepsilon}$  and  $\lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1$  into problem (1.1) instead of u and  $\lambda(\varepsilon)$  respectively, and finding residuals, we get

$$\|R_{\varepsilon} - (\lambda_0 + \varepsilon \lambda_1) A_{\varepsilon} R_{\varepsilon}\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} \le c(\delta) \varepsilon^{2-\delta} \quad (\delta > 0).$$
(2.58)

Here operator  $A_{\varepsilon} : \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon} \mapsto \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}$  is defined by the following equality

$$(A_{\varepsilon}u, v)_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} = (u, v)_{\mathcal{V}_{\varepsilon}} \quad \forall \ u, v \in \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon},$$

$$(2.59)$$

where by  $\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}$  we denote the space  $\{u \in H^1(\Omega_{\varepsilon}) : u|_{\Gamma_1} = 0\}$  with the scalar product

$$(u,v)_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} := \int_{\Omega_{\varepsilon}} \nabla u \cdot \nabla v \, dx,$$

and by  $\mathcal{V}_{\varepsilon}$  we denote the space  $L^2(\Omega_{\varepsilon})$  with the scalar product

$$(u,v)_{\mathcal{V}_{\varepsilon}} := \int_{\Omega_{\varepsilon}} \rho_{\varepsilon} \, u \, v \, dx$$

Obviously, operator  $A_{\varepsilon}$  is self-adjoint, positive, and compact. In addition, problem (1.1) is equivalent to the spectral problem  $A_{\varepsilon}u = \lambda^{-1}(\varepsilon)u$  in  $\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}$ .

By virtue of the minimax principle for eigenvalues, we have that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$   $\lambda_n(\varepsilon) \leq C_n$ and then due to (1.4) we get

$$\|u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot)\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} = \lambda_n(\varepsilon) \le C_n.$$
(2.60)

## 3 The case $0 < \alpha < 1$

#### **3.1** Formal Asymptotics

In this case we seek the main terms of the asymptotics for the eigenvalue  $\lambda_n(\varepsilon)$  and the eigenfunction  $u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot)$  of problem (1.1) in the form (index *n* is omitted):

$$\lambda(\varepsilon) \approx \lambda_0 + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} \lambda_{1-\alpha} + \varepsilon \lambda_1 + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \lambda_{2-\alpha} + \dots$$
(3.1)

$$u(\varepsilon, x) \approx v_0^+(x) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x) + \varepsilon v_1^+(x) + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) + \dots, \quad \text{in domain } \Omega_0; \tag{3.2}$$

in the thin rectangle  $G_j^{(2)}(\varepsilon)$  (j = 0, ..., N - 1)

$$u(\varepsilon, x) \approx v_0^-(x_1, x_2, \eta_1 - j) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1, x_2, \eta_1 - j) + \varepsilon v_1^-(x_1, x_2, \eta_1 - j) + \\ + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1, x_2, \eta_1 - j) + \dots, \qquad \eta_1 = \frac{x_1}{\varepsilon};$$
(3.3)

and in the junction zone of the body and thin rectangles of both classes (which we call internal expansion) the series of the following type:

$$u(\varepsilon, x) \approx v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \sum_{i=1}^2 Z_1^{(i)}(\eta) \partial_{x_i} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \\ + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \left( Z_{2-\alpha}^{(0)}(\eta) v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \sum_{i=1}^2 Z_{2-\alpha}^{(i)}(\eta) \partial_{x_i} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) \right) + \\ + \varepsilon^2 \sum_{|\beta| \le 2} Z_2^{(\beta)}(\eta) D^{\beta} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \dots, \qquad \eta = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}.$$

$$(3.4)$$

Substituting (3.1) and (3.2) in the problem (1.1) and collecting terms with equal order of  $\varepsilon$ , we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
-\Delta_x \ v_0^+(x) &= \lambda_0 v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\
\partial_\nu \ v_0^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \\
v_0^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_1.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

It remains to ensure the continuity of the asymptotic approximations and their gradients on the interfaces between the "rectangles" and the "body". As in the previous section the necessity of the condition

$$v_0^+(x_1,0) = v_0^-(x_1,0), \qquad x \in I_0,$$
(3.6)

is evident. Another condition appears when one constructs the junction layer. This condition has the form

$$\partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) = h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_0^-(x_1, 0), \qquad x \in I_0, \tag{3.7}$$

and will be obtained in the next section.

Collecting terms of order  $\varepsilon^{1-\alpha}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
-\Delta_x \ v_{1-\alpha}^+(x) &= \lambda_0 v_{1-\alpha}^+(x) + \lambda_{1-\alpha} v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\
\partial_\nu \ v_{1-\alpha}^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \\
v_{1-\alpha}^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_1.
\end{aligned}$$
(3.8)

Using the same arguments, we conclude that

$$v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1,0) = v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1,0), \qquad x \in I_0,$$
(3.9)

The second condition also appears when one constructs the junction layer. This condition is the following:

$$\partial_{x_2} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1,0) - h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1,0) = -4h_1 l_1 \lambda_0 v_0^+(x_1,0), \qquad x \in I_0$$
(3.10)

and will be obtained in the next section.

Collecting terms of order  $\varepsilon$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned}
-\Delta_x \ v_1^+(x) &= \lambda_0 v_1^+(x) + \lambda_1 v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\
\partial_\nu \ v_1^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \\
v_1^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_1.
\end{aligned} \tag{3.11}$$

In the transmission conditions here the following jumps appear

$$v_1^+(x_1,0) - v_1^-(x_1,0) = \mathcal{F}_3(x_1), \qquad x \in I_0,$$
(3.12)

and

$$\partial_{x_2} v_1^+(x_1, 0) - h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1, 0) = \mathcal{F}_4(x_1), \qquad x \in I_0,$$
(3.13)

where  $\mathcal{F}_3$  and  $\mathcal{F}_4$  are given functions on  $I_0$  that will be defined in subsection 3.2.

Finally, collecting terms of order  $\varepsilon^{2-\alpha}$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
-\Delta_x \ v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) &= \lambda_0 v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) + \lambda_1 v_{1-\alpha}^+(x) + \lambda_{1-\alpha} v_1^+(x) + \lambda_{2-\alpha} v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\
\partial_\nu \ v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \quad (3.14) \\
v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_1.
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly we obtain

$$v_{2-\alpha}^+(x_1,0) - v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1,0) = \mathcal{F}_5(x_1), \qquad x \in I_0,$$
(3.15)

and to simplify the constructions we set

$$\partial_{x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) = h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1, 0), \qquad x \in I_0.$$
(3.16)

The function  $\mathcal{F}_5(x_1)$  also is given (see subsection 3.2).

#### 3.1.1 Formal asymptotics on thin rectangles.

Let us enumerate the set  $\{p-1+(2-\alpha)q\}_{p,q=0}^{\infty} \setminus \{-1\}$  for fixed  $\alpha$  in increasing order  $0 = \varsigma_1 < \varsigma_2 \leq \ldots$ . Obviously,  $\varsigma_2 = 1 - \alpha$ ,  $\varsigma_3 = 1$  as  $0 < \alpha \leq 1$ . Keeping in mind that in (3.3)  $v_{\varsigma_k}^-$  are smooth functions, using Taylor series for  $v_{\varsigma_k}^-$  and changing variable  $x_1 \mapsto \eta_1$  in the neighborhood of the points  $x_1 = \varepsilon(j + \frac{1}{2})$ , we get

$$u(\varepsilon, x) = \sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \varepsilon^{\varsigma_k} W^{(j)}_{\varsigma_k}(x_2, \eta_1), \quad x \in G^{(2)}_j(\varepsilon),$$
(3.17)

where, for instance for  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  we also have (as in the previous section)

$$W_{k}^{(j)}(x_{2},\eta_{1}) = v_{k}^{-}(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j) + \sum_{m=1}^{k} \frac{1}{m!} \left(\eta_{1}-j-\frac{1}{2}\right)^{m} \frac{\partial^{m}v_{k-m}^{-}}{\partial x_{1}^{m}} \left(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j\right) \quad (3.18)$$

and, in particular,

$$W_{0}^{(j)}(x_{2},\eta_{1}) = v_{0}^{-}(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j),$$

$$W_{1-\alpha}^{(j)}(x_{2},\eta_{1}) = v_{1-\alpha}^{-}(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j),$$

$$W_{1}^{(j)}(x_{2},\eta_{1}) = v_{1}^{-}(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j) + \left(\eta_{1}-j-\frac{1}{2}\right)\frac{\partial v_{0}^{-}}{\partial x_{1}}(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j),$$

$$W_{2-\alpha}^{(j)}(x_{2},\eta_{1}) = v_{2-\alpha}^{-}(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j) + \left(\eta_{1}-j-\frac{1}{2}\right)\frac{\partial v_{1-\alpha}^{-}}{\partial x_{1}}(\varepsilon(j+\frac{1}{2}),x_{2},\eta_{1}-j).$$
(3.19)

Substituting (3.1) and (3.17) in the problem (1.1) instead of  $\lambda_n(\varepsilon)$  and  $u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot)$  respectively, collecting terms with equal powers of  $\varepsilon$ , we obtain the following problems (k = 0, 1, 2, 3):

$$-\partial_{\eta_1\eta_1}^2 W_k^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1) = \partial_{x_2x_2}^2 W_{k-2}^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1) + \sum_{m=0}^{k-2} \lambda_m W_{k-2-m}^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1), \quad |\eta_1 - \frac{1}{2}| < \frac{h_2}{2}, \quad (3.20)$$
  
$$\partial_{\eta_1} W_k^{(j)}(x_2, \frac{1\pm h_2}{2}) = 0$$
  
and (k=1, 2, 3, 4)

$$\begin{aligned}
-\partial_{\eta_1\eta_1}^2 W_{k-\alpha}^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1) &= \partial_{x_2x_2}^2 W_{k-2-\alpha}^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1) + \sum_{m=0}^{k-3} \lambda_m W_{k-2-m-\alpha}^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1) + \\
&+ \sum_{m=0}^{k-3} \lambda_{k-2-m-\alpha} W_m^{(j)}(x_2,\eta_1), \qquad |\eta_1 - \frac{1}{2}| < \frac{h_2}{2}, \\
\partial_{\eta_1} W_{k-\alpha}^{(j)}(x_2,\frac{1\pm h_2}{2}) &= 0,
\end{aligned}$$
(3.21)

where  $\lambda_{\varsigma_p}$  and the functions  $W_{\varsigma_p}^{(j)}$  with negative  $\varsigma_p$  are equal to zero; the variable  $x_2$  is a parameter;  $\partial_{\eta_1} = \frac{\partial}{\partial \eta_1}$ .

From (3.20) and (3.21) we deduce that  $W_0^{(j)}$ ,  $W_1^{(j)}$ ,  $W_2^{(j)}$ ,  $W_3^{(j)}$ ,  $W_{1-\alpha}^{(j)}$ ,  $W_{2-\alpha}^{(j)}$ ,  $W_{3-\alpha}^{(j)}$  and  $W_{4-\alpha}^{(j)}$  are independent of  $\eta_1$ . Moreover the solvability conditions for the problem (3.20) as k = 2, 3 and (3.21) as k = 3, 4, give us the equations

$$h_2 \ \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^-(x_1, x_2) + \lambda_0 h_2 \ v_0^-(x_1, x_2) = 0, \quad x_2 \in (-l_2, 0), \ x_1 = \varepsilon(j + \frac{1}{2})$$
(3.22)

$$h_2 \ \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1, x_2) + h_2 \lambda_0 \ v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1, x_2) = = -h_2 \lambda_{1-\alpha} v_0^-(x_1, x_2), \quad x_2 \in (-l_2, 0), \ x_1 = \varepsilon (j + \frac{1}{2}).$$
(3.23)

 $h_2 \,\partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_1^-(x_1, x_2) + h_2 \lambda_0 \, v_1^-(x_1, x_2) = -h_2 \lambda_1 \, v_0^-(x_1, x_2), \quad x_2 \in (-l_2, 0), \ x_1 = \varepsilon (j + \frac{1}{2}) \quad (3.24)$ 

and

$$h_2 \ \partial^2_{x_2 x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1, x_2) + \lambda_0 h_2 \ v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1, x_2) = -h_2 \lambda_{2-\alpha} v_0^-(x_1, x_2) - h_2 \lambda_{1-\alpha} v_1^-(x_1, x_2) - h_2 \lambda_1 v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1, x_2), \quad x_2 \in (-l_2, 0), \ x_1 = \varepsilon (j + \frac{1}{2}).$$

$$(3.25)$$

Since we seek the smooth functions  $v_0^-$ ,  $v_{1-\alpha}^-$ ,  $v_1^-$  and  $v_{2-\alpha}^-$  and the points  $x_1 = \varepsilon(j + \frac{1}{2})$ form the  $\varepsilon$ -net in the interval (0, a), then the equations (3.22), (3.23), (3.24), (3.25) defined on N segments can be extended to the whole rectangle  $D_2 = (0, a) \times (-l_2, 0)$ . Bearing in mind the boundary conditions of the original problem, we add

$$\partial_{x_2} v_0^-(x_1, -l_2) = 0, \qquad \partial_{x_2} v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1, -l_2) = 0, 
\partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1, -l_2) = 0, \qquad \partial_{x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1, -l_2) = 0.$$
(3.26)

#### 3.1.2 Junction-layer solutions

Similarly as in subsection 2.1.2 we substitute series (3.4) and (3.1) in problem (1.1) and collect terms with equal powers of  $\varepsilon$  to obtain boundary-value problems in  $\Pi$  for  $Z_1^{(i)}$ , i = 1, 2,  $Z_{2-\alpha}^{(i)}, i = 0, 1, 2$ , and  $Z_2^{(\beta)}, |\beta| \leq 2$ . Obviously, these solutions have to be 1-periodic in  $\eta_1$ , i.e., they must satisfy conditions (2.17). In addition, they must satisfy the Neumann conditions (2.18) as well. We discover that

- function  $Z_1^{(i)}$ , (i = 1, 2) is the solution to problem (2.20) and it has the asymptotics (2.28) for i = 1 ((2.29) for i = 2);
- function  $Z_{2-\alpha}^{(0)}$  coincides with function  $Z_1^{(0)}$  from subsection 2.1.2, i.e., it satisfies problem (2.19) and has the asymptotics (2.27);
- function  $Z_{2-\alpha}^{(1)} \equiv Z_1^{(1)}$ , i.e., it satisfies problem (2.20) and has the asymptotics (2.28);
- $Z_{2-\alpha}^{(2)} \equiv 0; \ Z_2^{(1,0)} \equiv 0;$
- $Z_2^{(0,1)} \equiv Z_1^{(2)}$ , i.e., it satisfies the problem (2.20) and has the asymptotics (2.29));

- $Z_2^{(2,0)}$  is identically equal to  $Z_2^{(2,0)}$  from subsection 2.1.2, i.e., it satisfies problem (2.26) and has the asymptotics (2.35);
- $Z_2^{(1,1)}$  is identically equal to  $Z_2^{(1,1)}$  from subsection 2.1.2, i.e., it satisfies the problem (2.25) and has the asymptotics (2.34);
- $Z_2^{(0,2)}$  is identically equal to  $Z_1^{(2)}$ , i.e., it satisfies problem (2.20) and has the asymptotics (2.29);
- for function  $Z_2^{(0,0)}$  we obtain

$$\begin{cases}
-\Delta_{\eta} Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} \lambda_{0}, & \eta \in \Pi^{+} \cup \Pi^{-}, \\ 0, & \eta \in \Pi_{l_{1}}, \\ \partial_{\eta_{1}} Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) = 0, & \eta \in \partial \Pi_{\parallel}.
\end{cases}$$
(3.27)

Similarly to the proof of Lemma 2.1 we deduce the following statement.

**Lemma 3.1.** Problem (3.27) has a solution from space  $H^1_{loc,\eta_2}(\Pi)$  and this solution has the differentiable asymptotics

$$Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) = \begin{cases} -\frac{\lambda_{0}}{2}\eta_{2}^{2} + C_{2}^{(0,0)} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(-2\pi\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to +\infty, \\ -\frac{\lambda_{0}}{2}\eta_{2}^{2} - \frac{C_{2}^{(0,0)}}{h_{2}} + \mathcal{O}(\exp(\pi h_{2}^{-1}\eta_{2})), & \eta_{2} \to -\infty. \end{cases}$$
(3.28)

Moreover,  $Z_2^{(0,0)}$  is even in  $\eta_1$  with respect to  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

#### 3.2 Homogenized problem and correctors

As in subsection 2.2, here we should match the leading terms of the asymptotic expansions (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4). Following the method of matching of asymptotic expansions (see [16]), the asymptotics of the external expansions (3.2) and (3.3) as  $x_2 \to \pm 0$  has to coincide respectively with the corresponding asymptotics of the internal expansion (3.4) as  $\eta_2 \to \pm \infty$ .

Writing down the Taylor series for functions  $v_0^+$ ,  $v_1^+$  and  $v_{2-\alpha}^+$  with respect to  $x_2$  in the neighborhood of the point  $(x_1, 0)$ , where  $x_1 \in (0, a)$ , and passing to the variables  $\eta_2 = \varepsilon^{-1} x_2$ , we derive

$$u(\varepsilon, x) = v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \Big( \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + v_1^+(x_1, 0) \Big) + \\ + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \Big( \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) + v_{2-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) \Big) + \\ + \varepsilon^2 \Big( \frac{1}{2} \eta_2^2 \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_1^+(x_1, 0) + v_2^+(x_1, 0) \Big) + \vartheta_{up}^+(\varepsilon, \eta_2),$$
(3.29)

where  $\vartheta_{up}^+(\varepsilon, \eta_2) = \mathcal{O}(\max(\varepsilon^3 \eta_2^3, \varepsilon^{3-\alpha} \eta_2))$  as  $x_2 \equiv \varepsilon \eta_2 \to +0$ . Bearing in mind the asymptotics of the functions  $Z_1^{(i)}$   $(i = 1, 2), Z_{2-\alpha}^{(j)}$  (j = 0, 1, 2), as  $\eta_2 \to +\infty$ , we convince, that the leading terms of the asymptotic expansions (3.2) and (3.4) are matched. In fact, keeping in mind the asymptotics of the functions  $Z_j^{(i)}$ , we rewrite (3.4) as  $\eta_2 \to 0$ 

$$u(\varepsilon, x) = v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \left( \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + C_1^{(2)} \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right) + \\ + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \left( C_{2-\alpha}^{(0)} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \eta_2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right) + \\ + \varepsilon^2 \left( \left( -\frac{\lambda_0}{2} \eta_2^2 + C_2^{(0,0)} \right) v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \left( \eta_2 + C_1^{(2)} \right) \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \\ + \left( -\frac{\eta_2^2}{2} + C_2^{(2,0)} \right) \partial_{x_1 x_1}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + C_2^{(1,1)} \partial_{x_1 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \\ + \left( \eta_2 + C_1^{(2)} \right) \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) \right) + \vartheta_{down}^+(\varepsilon, \eta_2),$$
(3.30)

where  $\vartheta_{down}^+(\varepsilon, \eta_2) = \mathcal{O}(\max(\varepsilon^3 \eta_2^3, \varepsilon^{3-\alpha} \eta_2))$  as  $\eta_2 \to +\infty$ . To match the asymptotics (3.3) and (3.4) we write down the asymptotics (3.3) as  $x_2 \to -0$ in fast variables:

$$u(\varepsilon, x) = v_0^-(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \left( \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_0^-(x_1, 0) + v_1^-(x_1, 0) + Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1} v_0^-(x_1, 0) \right) + \\ + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \left( \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1, 0) + v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1, 0) + Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1} v_{1-\alpha}^-(x_1, 0) \right) + \\ + \varepsilon^2 \left( \frac{1}{2} \eta_2^2 \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^-(x_1, 0) + \eta_2 \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1, 0) + \eta_2 Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1 x_2}^2 v_0^-(x_1, 0) + v_2^-(x_1, 0) + \\ + Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1} v_1^-(x_1, 0) + \frac{1}{2} Y^2(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1 x_1}^2 v_0^-(x_1, 0) \right) + \vartheta_{down}^-(\varepsilon, \eta_2),$$

$$(3.31)$$

where  $\vartheta_{down}^{-}(\varepsilon, \eta_2) = \mathcal{O}(\max(\varepsilon^3 \eta_2^3, \varepsilon^{3-\alpha} \eta_2))$  as  $x_2 \equiv \varepsilon \eta_2 \to -0$  and (3.4) as  $\eta_2 \to -\infty$ :

$$\begin{aligned} u(\varepsilon, x) &= v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) + \varepsilon \Big( Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \frac{\eta_2}{h_2} \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) - \\ &- \frac{C_1^{(2)}}{h_2} \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) \Big) + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \Big( \frac{4h_1 l_1 \lambda_0 + 1}{h_2} \eta_2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) - \frac{C_{2-\alpha}^{(0)}}{h_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \\ &+ Y(\eta_1) \partial_{x_1} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) \Big) + \varepsilon^2 \Big( \Big( -\frac{\lambda_0}{2} \eta_2^2 - \frac{C_2^{(0,0)}}{h_2} \Big) v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \\ &+ \Big( \frac{\eta_2}{h_2} - \frac{C_1^{(2)}}{h_2} \Big) \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \Big( \frac{\mu_0}{h_2} \eta_2 - \frac{C_2^{(2,0)}}{h_2} \Big) \partial_{x_1 x_1}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \\ &+ \Big( \frac{\eta_2}{h_2} Y(\eta_1) - \frac{C_2^{(1,1)}}{h_2} \Big) \partial_{x_1 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \Big( \frac{\eta_2}{h_2} - \frac{C_1^{(2)}}{h_2} \Big) \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \Big( \frac{\eta_2}{h_2} - \frac{C_1^{(2)}}{h_2} \Big) \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) + \Big( \frac{\eta_2}{h_2} - \frac{C_1^{(2)}}{h_2} \Big) \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0) \Big) + \vartheta_{up}^+(\varepsilon, \eta_2), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\vartheta_{down}^+(\varepsilon, \eta_2) = \mathcal{O}(\max(\varepsilon^3 \eta_2^3, \varepsilon^{3-\alpha} \eta_2))$  as  $\eta_2 \to -\infty$  and  $\mu_0$  is defined by (2.36).

We convince that the leading terms of the asymptotic expansions (2.2), (3.3) and (3.4) are matched, if

$$\mathcal{F}_3(x_1) = \frac{1+h_2}{h_2} C_1^{(2)} \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0), \quad x_1 \in (0, a),$$
(3.33)

$$\mathcal{F}_4(x_1) = -\mu_0 \partial_{x_1 x_1}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0), \quad x_1 \in (0, a),$$
(3.34)

and

$$\mathcal{F}_5(x_1) = \frac{1+h_2}{h_2} C_{2-\alpha}^{(0)} v_0^+(x_1,0), \quad x_1 \in (0,a),$$
(3.35)

and conditions (3.6), (3.7), (3.9), (3.10), (3.12), (3.13), (3.15) and (3.16) hold true. Finally, for

$$v_0(x) = \begin{cases} v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega, \\ v_0^-(x), & x \in D_2, \end{cases}$$

and the number  $\lambda_0$  we have the problem

that called *homogenized spectral problem* for problem (1.1) in the case  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . This problem coincides with the homogenized spectral problem for a spectral problem in a thick one-level junction (see [28]). This means that there is no any influence of the concentrated masses in the first terms of the asymptotics both for the eigenvalues and for eigenfunctions of problem (1.1) if  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . From [28, Theorem 2.1] (see also subsection 2.3) it follows the following theorem.

**Theorem 3.1.** The spectrum of problem (3.36) contains normal eigenvalues and the left accumulation points

$$P_m = \left(\frac{\pi + 2\pi(m-1)}{2l_2}\right)^2, \quad m \in \mathbb{N},$$

which divide the eigenvalues into the sequences

$$0 < \lambda_0^{(1,1)} \le \dots \le \lambda_0^{(1,n)} \le \dots \to P_1 \quad as \quad n \to \infty,$$
(3.37)

$$P_{m-1} < \lambda_0^{(m,1)} \le \ldots \le \lambda_0^{(m,n)} \le \ldots \to P_m \quad as \quad n \to \infty, \quad m = 2, 3, \ldots$$
(3.38)

Let  $\lambda_0$  be an eigenvalue of problem (3.36). We normalize the corresponding eigenfunction as follows

$$\int_{\Omega_0} \left( v_0^+ \right)^2 dx + h_2 \int_{D_2} \left( v_0^- \right)^2 dx = 1.$$
(3.39)

Then for

$$v_{1-\alpha}(x) = \begin{cases} v_{1-\alpha}^+(x), & x \in \Omega, \\ v_{1-\alpha}^-(x), & x \in D_2, \end{cases}$$

and the number  $\lambda_{1-\alpha}$  we get the following boundary-value problem

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta_{x} v_{1-\alpha}^{+}(x) &= \lambda_{0} v_{1-\alpha}^{+}(x) + \lambda_{1-\alpha} v_{0}^{+}(x), & x \in \Omega_{0}, \\ -h_{2} \partial_{x_{2}x_{2}}^{2} v_{1-\alpha}^{-}(x) &= h_{2}\lambda_{0} v_{1-\alpha}^{-}(x) + h_{2}\lambda_{1-\alpha} v_{0}^{-}(x), & x \in D_{2}, \\ \partial_{\nu} v_{1-\alpha}^{+}(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_{2}, \\ v_{1-\alpha}^{+}(x) &= 0, & x \in \Gamma_{1}, \\ v_{1-\alpha}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) &= v_{1-\alpha}^{-}(x_{1}, 0), & x_{1} \in (0, a), \\ \partial_{x_{2}} v_{1-\alpha}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) - h_{2}\partial_{x_{2}} v_{1-\alpha}^{-}(x_{1}, 0) &= -4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{0}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0), & x_{1} \in (0, a), \\ \partial_{x_{2}} v_{1-\alpha}^{-}(x_{1}, -l_{2}) &= 0, & x_{1} \in (0, a). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\lambda_0$  is the eigenvalue of the corresponding uniform problem for problem (3.40), we should choose  $\lambda_{1-\alpha}$  such that the solvability condition for problem (3.40) is satisfied. Obviously, in this case the solution to problem (3.40) is not uniquely defined. For the uniqueness we demand the following orthogonality condition:

$$\int_{\Omega_0} v_{1-\alpha}^+ v_0^+ dx + h_2 \int_{D_2} v_{1-\alpha}^- v_0^- dx = 0.$$
(3.41)

From the solvability condition of the problem (3.40) we derive the formula for  $\lambda_{1-\alpha}$ . Multiplying the equation in  $\Omega_0$  by  $v_0^+$ , integrating it over the domain and using twice the Green's formula and repeating these procedures for the domain  $D_2$  (only difference is that we multiply the equation by  $v_0^-$ ) and then summarizing these identities, we obtain

$$-\int_{\partial\Omega_{0}} \frac{\partial v_{1-\alpha}^{+}}{\partial\nu} v_{0}^{+} ds + \int_{\partial\Omega_{0}} \frac{\partial v_{0}^{+}}{\partial\nu} v_{1-\alpha}^{+} ds - \int_{0}^{a} h_{2} \frac{\partial v_{1-\alpha}^{-}}{\partial x_{2}} v_{0}^{-} \Big|_{-l_{2}}^{0} dx_{1} + \int_{0}^{a} h_{2} \frac{\partial v_{0}^{-}}{\partial x_{2}} v_{1-\alpha}^{-} \Big|_{-l_{2}}^{0} dx_{1} = \lambda_{1-\alpha} \int_{\Omega_{0}} \left(v_{0}^{+}\right)^{2} dx + \lambda_{1-\alpha} h_{2} \int_{D_{2}} \left(v_{0}^{-}\right)^{2} dx$$
(3.42)

or, keeping in mind the normalization condition (3.39) and the boundary conditions of the problems (3.36) and (3.40), we get

$$\int_{I_0} \left( \frac{\partial v_{1-\alpha}^+}{\partial x_2} - h_2 \frac{\partial v_{1-\alpha}^-}{\partial x_2} \right) v_0^+ dx_1 - \int_{I_0} \left( v_{1-\alpha}^+ - v_{1-\alpha}^- \right) \frac{\partial v_0^+}{\partial x_2} dx_1 = \lambda_{1-\alpha}$$
(3.43)

and finally

$$\lambda_{1-\alpha} = -4h_1 l_1 \lambda_0 \int_{I_0} \left( v_0^+ \right)^2 dx_1.$$
(3.44)

For 
$$v_1(x) = \begin{cases} v_1^+(x), & x \in \Omega, \\ v_1^-(x), & x \in D_2, \end{cases}$$
 and  $\lambda_1$  we have  

$$\begin{cases} -\Delta_x v_1^+(x) = \lambda_0 v_1^+(x) + \lambda_1 v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\ \partial_\nu v_1^+(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \\ v_1^+(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_1, \\ -h_2 \partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 v_1^-(x) = h_2 \lambda_0 v_1^-(x) + h_2 \lambda_1 v_0^-(x), & x \in D_2, \\ \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1, -l_2) = 0, & x_1 \in (0, a), \\ v_1^+(x_1, 0) - v_1^-(x_1, 0) = \frac{1 + h_2}{h_2} C_1^{(2)} \partial_{x_2} v_0^+(x_1, 0), & x \in (0, a), \\ \partial_{x_2} v_1^+(x_1, 0) - h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_1^-(x_1, 0) = -\mu_0 \partial_{x_1 x_1}^2 v_0^+(x_1, 0), & x_1 \in (0, a). \end{cases}$$
(3.45)

For the uniqueness of the solution to problem (3.45) we demand the following orthogonality condition:

$$\int_{\Omega_0} v_1^+ v_0^+ dx + h_2 \int_{D_2} v_1^- v_0^- dx = 0.$$
(3.46)

From the solvability condition of problem (3.45), similarly as before, we derive the formula

$$-\int_{\partial\Omega_{0}} \frac{\partial v_{1}^{+}}{\partial\nu} v_{0}^{+} ds + \int_{\partial\Omega_{0}} \frac{\partial v_{0}^{+}}{\partial\nu} v_{1}^{+} ds - \int_{0}^{a} h_{2} \frac{\partial v_{1}^{-}}{\partial x_{2}} v_{0}^{-} \Big|_{-l_{2}}^{0} dx_{1} + \int_{0}^{a} h_{2} \frac{\partial v_{0}^{-}}{\partial x_{2}} v_{1}^{-} \Big|_{-l_{2}}^{0} dx_{1} =$$

$$= \lambda_{1} \int_{\Omega_{0}} \left( v_{0}^{+} \right)^{2} dx + \lambda_{1} h_{2} \int_{D_{2}} \left( v_{0}^{-} \right)^{2} dx \qquad (3.47)$$

or, keeping in mind the normalization condition (3.39) and the boundary conditions of the problems (3.36) and (3.45), we get

$$\int_{I_0} \left( \frac{\partial v_1^+}{\partial x_2} - h_2 \frac{\partial v_1^-}{\partial x_2} \right) v_0^+ dx_1 - \int_{I_0} \left( v_1^+ - v_1^- \right) \frac{\partial v_0^+}{\partial x_2} dx_1 = \lambda_1$$
(3.48)

and finally

$$\lambda_1 = \mu_0 \int_{I_0} \left( \partial_{x_1} v_0^+ \right)^2 dx_1 - \frac{1+h_2}{h_2} C_1^{(2)} \int_{I_0} \left( \partial_{x_2} v_0^+ \right)^2 dx_1.$$
(3.49)

Here  $\mu_0$  is defined by (2.36).

For 
$$v_{2-\alpha}(x) = \begin{cases} v_{2-\alpha}^+(x), & x \in \Omega, \\ v_{2-\alpha}^-(x), & x \in D_2, \end{cases}$$
 and  $\lambda_{2-\alpha}$  we have the problem  

$$-\Delta_x v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) = \lambda_0 v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) + \lambda_1 v_{1-\alpha}^+(x) + \lambda_{1-\alpha} v_1^+(x) + \lambda_{2-\alpha} v_0^+(x), & x \in \Omega_0, \\ -\partial_{x_2x_2}^2 v_{2-\alpha}^-(x) = \lambda_0 v_{2-\alpha}^-(x) + \lambda_1 v_{1-\alpha}^-(x) + \lambda_{1-\alpha} v_1^-(x) + \lambda_{2-\alpha} v_0^-(x), & x \in D_2, \\ \partial_\nu v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_2, \\ v_{2-\alpha}^+(x) = 0, & x \in \Gamma_1, \end{cases}$$

$$v_{2-\alpha}^+(x_1,0) - v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1,0) = \frac{1+h_2}{h_2} C_1^{(0)} v_0^+(x_1,0), \qquad x \in I_0,$$

$$\partial_{x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^+(x_1, 0) = h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1, 0), \qquad \qquad x \in I_0,$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \partial_{x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1,0) = h_2 \partial_{x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1,0), & x \in I_0, \\ \partial_{x_2} v_{2-\alpha}^-(x_1,-l_2) = 0, & x \in I_0, \\ & (3.50) \end{pmatrix}$$

For the uniqueness we demand the following orthogonality condition:

$$\int_{\Omega_0} v_{2-\alpha}^+ v_0^+ dx + h_2 \int_{D_2} v_{2-\alpha}^- v_0^- dx = 0.$$
(3.51)

From the solvability condition of the problem (3.50) we derive the formula for  $\lambda_{2-\alpha}$ . Similarly as before, we obtain

$$-\int_{\partial\Omega_{0}} \frac{\partial v_{2-\alpha}^{+}}{\partial \nu} v_{0}^{+} ds + \int_{\partial\Omega_{0}} \frac{\partial v_{0}^{+}}{\partial \nu} v_{2-\alpha}^{+} ds - \int_{0}^{a} h_{2} \frac{\partial v_{2-\alpha}^{-}}{\partial x_{2}} v_{0}^{-} \Big|_{-l_{2}}^{0} dx_{1} + \int_{0}^{a} h_{2} \frac{\partial v_{0}^{-}}{\partial x_{2}} v_{2-\alpha}^{-} \Big|_{-l_{2}}^{0} dx_{1} =$$

$$= \lambda_{1} \int_{\Omega_{0}} v_{1-\alpha}^{+} v_{0}^{+} dx + \lambda_{1} h_{2} \int_{D_{2}} v_{1-\alpha}^{-} v_{0}^{-} dx + \lambda_{1-\alpha} \int_{\Omega_{0}} v_{1}^{+} v_{0}^{+} dx + \lambda_{1-\alpha} h_{2} \int_{D_{2}} v_{1}^{-} v_{0}^{-} dx +$$

$$+ \lambda_{2-\alpha} \int_{\Omega_{0}} \left( v_{0}^{+} \right)^{2} dx + \lambda_{2-\alpha} h_{2} \int_{D_{2}} \left( v_{0}^{-} \right)^{2} dx \qquad (3.52)$$

or, keeping in mind the normalization condition (3.39) and the boundary conditions of the problems (3.36) and (3.45), we get

$$\int_{I_0} \left( \frac{\partial v_{2-\alpha}^+}{\partial x_2} - h_2 \frac{\partial v_{2-\alpha}^-}{\partial x_2} \right) v_0^+ dx_1 - \int_{I_0} \left( v_{2-\alpha}^+ - v_{2-\alpha}^- \right) \frac{\partial v_0^+}{\partial x_2} dx_1 - \lambda_1 \int_{\Omega_0} v_{1-\alpha}^+ v_0^+ dx - \lambda_1 h_2 \int_{D_2} v_{1-\alpha}^- v_0^- dx - \lambda_{1-\alpha} \int_{\Omega_0} v_1^+ v_0^+ dx - \lambda_{1-\alpha} h_2 \int_{D_2} v_1^- v_0^- dx = \lambda_{2-\alpha}$$
(3.53)

and finally, using (3.46) and (3.51), we derive

$$\lambda_{2-\alpha} = -\frac{1+h_2}{h_2} C_1^{(0)} \int_{I_0} v_0^+ \partial_{x_2} v_0^+ dx_1.$$
(3.54)

#### **3.3** Asymptotic approximations

Let  $\lambda_0$  be an eigenvalue of problem (3.36),  $v_0$  is the corresponding eigenfunction normalized with (3.39). Then we can define  $\lambda_{1-\alpha}$  with the help of (3.44),  $\lambda_1$  with the help of (3.49),  $\lambda_{2-\alpha}$ with the help of (3.54), the unique solution  $v_{1-\alpha}^{\pm}$  to problem (3.40), the unique solution  $v_1^{\pm}$  to problem (3.45) and the unique solution  $v_{2-\alpha}^{\pm}$  to problem (3.50).

Using the method of matched asymptotic expansions for the leading terms of (3.2), (3.3) and (3.4), we construct the approximation  $R_{\varepsilon} \in H^1(\Omega_0; \Gamma_1)$ :

$$R_{\varepsilon}(x) = v_{0}^{+}(x) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha}v_{1-\alpha}^{+}(x) + \varepsilon v_{1}^{+}(x) + \varepsilon \chi_{0}(x_{2}) \left( \sum_{i=1}^{2} \left( Z_{1}^{(i)}(\eta) - \delta_{i,2}(\eta_{2} + C_{1}^{(2)}) \right) \partial_{x_{i}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right) \\ + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha}v_{2-\alpha}^{+}(x) + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha}\chi_{0}(x_{2}) \left( \left( Z_{2-\alpha}^{(0)}(\eta) - C_{1}^{(0)} \right) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + Z_{2-\alpha}^{(1)}(\eta) \partial_{x_{1}}v_{1-\alpha}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right) \right) \\ + \varepsilon^{2}\chi_{0} \left( \left( Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) + \frac{\lambda_{0}\eta_{2}^{2}}{2} \right) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{2}^{(0,1)}(\eta) - \eta_{2} \right) \partial_{x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{2}^{(2,0)}(\eta) + \frac{\eta_{2}^{2}}{2} \right) \partial_{x_{1}x_{1}}^{2}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right) \\ + Z_{2}^{(1,1)}(\eta) \partial_{x_{1}x_{2}}^{2}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \left( Z_{2}^{(0,2)}(\eta) - \eta_{2} \right) \partial_{x_{2}x_{2}}^{2}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \right), \quad \eta = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \quad x \in \Omega_{0}; \quad (3.55)$$

$$R_{\varepsilon}(x) = v_{0}^{-}(x) + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha}v_{1-\alpha}^{-}(x) + \varepsilon\left(v_{1}^{-}(x) + Y(\eta_{1})\partial_{x_{1}}v_{0}^{-}(x)\right) + \varepsilon\chi_{0}(x_{2})\left(\left(Z_{1}^{(1)}(\eta) - Y(\eta_{1})\right)\partial_{x_{1}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1},0) + \left(Z_{1}^{(2)}(\eta) - \frac{\eta_{2}}{h_{2}} + \frac{C_{1}^{(2)}}{h_{2}}\right)\partial_{x_{2}}v_{0}^{+}(x_{1},0)\right) + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha}\left(v_{2-\alpha}^{-}(x) + Y(\eta_{1})\partial_{x_{1}}v_{1-\alpha}^{-}(x)\right)$$

$$+ \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \chi_{0}(x_{2}) \Big( Z_{2-\alpha}^{(0)}(\eta) - \frac{4h_{1}l_{1}\lambda_{0}}{h_{2}} \eta_{2} + \frac{C_{1}^{(0)}}{h_{2}} \Big) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \Big( Z_{2-\alpha}^{(1)}(\eta) - Y(\eta_{1}) \Big) \partial_{x_{1}} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \Big)$$

$$+ \varepsilon^{2} \chi_{0}(x_{2}) \Big( \Big( Z_{2}^{(0,0)}(\eta) + \frac{\lambda_{0}}{2} \eta_{2}^{2} \Big) v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \Big( Z_{2}^{(0,1)}(\eta) - \frac{\eta_{2}}{h_{2}} \Big) \partial_{x_{2}} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0)$$

$$+ \Big( Z_{2}^{(2,0)}(\eta) - \frac{\mu_{0}}{h_{2}} \eta_{2} \Big) \partial_{x_{1}x_{1}}^{2} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) + \Big( Z_{2}^{(1,1)}(\eta) - \frac{\eta_{2}Y(\eta_{1})}{h_{2}} \Big) \partial_{x_{1}x_{2}}^{2} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0)$$

$$+ \Big( Z_{2}^{(0,2)}(\eta) - \frac{\eta_{2}}{h_{2}} \Big) \partial_{x_{2}x_{2}}^{2} v_{0}^{+}(x_{1}, 0) \Big), \quad \eta = \frac{x}{\varepsilon}, \quad x \in G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)} \cup G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}. \quad (3.56)$$

Here  $\chi_0$  is a smooth cut-off function that equals 1 in a neighborhood of zero.

Substituting  $R_{\varepsilon}$  and  $\lambda_0 + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha}\lambda_{1-\alpha} + \varepsilon \lambda_1 + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha}\lambda_{2-\alpha}$  into problem (1.1) instead of u and  $\lambda(\varepsilon)$  respectively, and finding residuals, we get that for arbitrary  $\delta > 0$ 

$$|R_{\varepsilon} - (\lambda_0 + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha}\lambda_{1-\alpha} + \varepsilon\lambda_1 + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha}\lambda_{2-\alpha})A_{\varepsilon}R_{\varepsilon}||_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} \le c(\delta)\varepsilon^{2-\delta}, \qquad (3.57)$$

where operator  $A_{\varepsilon} : \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon} \mapsto \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}$  is defined by (2.59).

## 4 The extension operator

For domains of the type under consideration there exist no extension operators that would be bounded uniformly in  $\varepsilon$  in the Sobolev space  $H^1$  (see [28, 32]). But as was shown in [28, 32], for eigenfunctions of spectral problems in thick junctions it was possible to construct special extensions that are bounded on each eigenfunction. Here we prove the similar result for the eigenfunctions of problem (1.1) in the case when the parameter  $\alpha \leq 1$ .

**Theorem 4.1** ( $\alpha \leq 1$ ). There exists an extension operator  $\mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon} : \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon} \mapsto H^{1}(\Omega, \Gamma_{1})$  which is asymptotically bounded in  $\varepsilon$  on each eigenfunctions  $\{u_{n}(\varepsilon, \cdot)\}$  of problem (1.1), i.e., for any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  there exist positive constants  $C_{n}$  and  $\varepsilon_{n}$  that for all values of the parameter  $\varepsilon$  from  $(0, \varepsilon_{n})$ the following estimate holds:

$$\| \mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon} u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot) \|_{H^1(\Omega, \Gamma_1)} \le C_n \| u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot) \|_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} \le C_n,$$
(4.1)

where  $\Omega$  is the interior of the union  $\overline{\Omega}_0 \cup \overline{D}_2$ .

*Proof.* Let  $\chi_0$  be a smooth cut-off function such that  $\chi_0(x_2) = 0$  for  $x_2 \ge \gamma_0$ , and  $\chi_0(x_2) = 1$  for  $x_2 \le \frac{\gamma_0}{2}$ , where  $\gamma_0 = \min\{\gamma(x_1) : x_1 \in [0, a]\}$ .

If  $u_n$  is an eigenfunction of problem (1.1) normalized by condition (1.4), then the function  $v_n = \chi_0 u_n$  is the solution to the following problem

$$-\Delta_{x}v_{n}(x) = f_{n}(x) + \lambda_{n}(\varepsilon) v_{n}(x), \qquad x \in \Omega_{0,\gamma_{0}},$$
  

$$-\Delta_{x}v_{n}(x) = \lambda_{n}(\varepsilon) v_{n}(x), \qquad x \in G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)},$$
  

$$-\Delta_{x}v_{n}(x) = \varepsilon^{-\alpha}\lambda_{n}(\varepsilon) v_{n}(x), \qquad x \in G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}, \qquad (4.2)$$
  

$$v_{n}(x_{1},\gamma_{0}) = 0, \qquad (x_{1},\gamma_{0}) \in \Gamma_{\gamma_{0}},$$
  

$$\partial_{\nu}v_{n}(x) = 0, \qquad x \in \partial\Omega_{\varepsilon,\gamma_{0}} \setminus \Gamma_{\gamma_{0}}.$$

Here  $\Omega_{\varepsilon,\gamma_0}$  is the interior of the union  $\overline{\Omega}_{0,\gamma_0} \cup \overline{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)} \cup G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}}, f_n(x) = 2\chi'_0 \partial_{x_2} u_n + \chi''_0 u_n, \operatorname{supp}(\chi'_0) \subset [0, a] \times (\frac{\gamma_0}{2}, \gamma_0), \ \Omega_{0,\gamma_0} = (0, a) \times (0, \gamma_0), \ \Gamma_{\gamma_0} = \{x : x_1 \in [0, a], x_2 = \gamma_0\}.$ 

In the sequel we interpret  $\widehat{Y}$  as follows : if Y is a set, then  $\widehat{Y}$  is the union of Y and of its image symmetric with respect to the ordinate axis  $\{x : x_1 = 0\}$ ; if Y is a function, then  $\widehat{Y}$  is its even extension into the relevant domain with respect to the axis  $\{x : x_1 = 0\}$ .

We extend this problem to the left into the domain  $\Omega_{\varepsilon,\gamma_0}$  in the even way and require 2a-periodicity conditions on the corresponding side of the rectangle  $\widehat{\Omega}_{0,\gamma_0}$ .

Since the extended problem is invariant with respect to shifts by  $\varepsilon$  along the axis  $Ox_1$ , the function (the index n is omitted)

$$V_{\varepsilon}(x) = \varepsilon^{-1}(\,\widehat{v}(x + \varepsilon \overline{e}_1) - \widehat{v}(x)\,), \quad (\,\overline{e}_1 = (1,0)\,)\,, \tag{4.3}$$

that is 2a-periodic in  $x_1$ , satisfies the following relations

$$\begin{aligned} -\Delta_x V_{\varepsilon}(x) &= \varepsilon^{-1} (\widehat{f}(x + \varepsilon \overline{e}_1) - \widehat{f}(x)) + \lambda_n(\varepsilon) \ V_{\varepsilon}(x), & x \in \widehat{\Omega}_{0,\gamma_0}, \\ -\Delta_x V_{\varepsilon}(x) &= \lambda_n(\varepsilon) \ V_{\varepsilon}(x), & x \in \widehat{G}_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}, \\ -\Delta_x V_{\varepsilon}(x) &= \varepsilon^{-\alpha} \lambda_n(\varepsilon) \ V_{\varepsilon}(x), & x \in \widehat{G}_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}, \\ V_{\varepsilon}(x_1, \gamma_0) &= 0, & (x_1, \gamma_0) \in \widehat{\Gamma}_{\gamma_0}, \\ \partial_{\nu} V_{\varepsilon}(x) &= 0, & x \in \partial \widehat{\Omega}_{\varepsilon,\gamma_0} \cap \{x : x_2 \le 0\} \end{aligned}$$

whence we get the integral equality

$$\begin{aligned} \|\nabla V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L_{2}(\widehat{\Omega}_{\varepsilon,\gamma_{0}})}^{2} &= \lambda_{n}(\varepsilon) \|V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L_{2}(\widehat{\Omega}_{0,\gamma_{0}})}^{2} + \lambda_{n}(\varepsilon) \|V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L_{2}(\widehat{G}_{\varepsilon}^{(2)})}^{2} + \varepsilon^{-\alpha}\lambda_{n}(\varepsilon) \|V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L_{2}(\widehat{G}_{\varepsilon}^{(1)})}^{2} + \\ &+ \varepsilon^{-1} \int_{\widehat{\Omega}_{0,\gamma_{0}}} (\widehat{f}(x + \varepsilon \bar{e}_{1}) - \widehat{f}(x)) V_{\varepsilon} \, dx =: I_{1}(\varepsilon) + I_{2}(\varepsilon) + I_{3}(\varepsilon) + I_{4}(\varepsilon). \end{aligned}$$

$$(4.4)$$

Let us estimate the right-hand side of (4.4). Since

$$\int_{\widehat{\Omega}_{0,\gamma_{0}}} (V_{\varepsilon})^{2} dx = \int_{0}^{\gamma_{0}} dx_{2} \int_{-a}^{a} dx_{1} \varepsilon^{-2} \left| \int_{x_{1}}^{x_{1}+\varepsilon} \partial_{t} \widehat{v}^{(1)}(t,x_{2}) dt \right|^{2} \leq \\ \leq \int_{0}^{\gamma_{0}} dx_{2} \int_{-a}^{a} (\partial_{t} \widehat{v}(t,x_{2}))^{2} dt \leq 2 \|\partial_{x_{1}} u_{n}\|_{L_{2}(\Omega_{0})}^{2},$$

we have

$$|I_4(\varepsilon)| \le \|\varepsilon^{-1}(f(x+\varepsilon\bar{e}_1)-f(x))\|_{L_2(\widehat{\Omega}_{0,\gamma_0})} \cdot \|V_\varepsilon\|_{L_2(\widehat{\Omega}_{0,\gamma_0})} \le \le c\|\partial_{x_1}f\|_{L_2(\Omega_{0,\gamma_0})} \|\partial_{x_1}u\|_{L_2(\Omega_0)} \le \le c\left(\|u\|_{H^1(\Omega_0)} + \|(\chi_0)'\partial^2_{x_1x_2}u\|_{L_2(\Omega_{0,\gamma_0})\|}\right) \|\partial_{x_1}u\|_{L_2(\Omega_0)} \le c\|u(\varepsilon,\cdot)\|^2_{H^1(\Omega_0)}.$$

Here, in order to estimate the mixed second-order derivative, we have used so-called the second energy inequality for elliptic operators in the domain  $(0, a) \times (\frac{\gamma_0}{2}, \gamma_0)$ , i.e., the a-priori estimate  $\|u\|_{H^2(\Omega)}^2 \leq c(\|\Delta u\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \|u\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2)$  (see [18]) with a suitable cut-off function.

 $\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{H^2(\Omega)}^2 &\leq c(\|\Delta u\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2 + \|u\|_{L_2(\Omega)}^2) \text{ (see [18]) with a suitable cut-off function.} \\ \text{In order to estimate } I_2 \text{ and } I_3 \text{ we use the approach of Theorem 4.1 ([28]). Since the singularity is greater on the rods } G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}, \text{ we estimate } I_3. \text{ Let us represent } V_{\varepsilon} \text{ on the rod } G_j^{(1)}(d_k, \varepsilon) \\ \text{ in the following form :} \end{aligned}$ 

$$V_{\varepsilon}(x) = \varphi_j(x_2) + U_j(x), \quad x \in G_j^{(1)}(d_k, \varepsilon),$$

$$\int_{\varkappa_j(d_k,\varepsilon)} U_j(x) \, dx_1 = 0 \quad \forall x_2 \in [-\varepsilon l_1, 0],$$
(4.5)

where  $\varkappa_j(d_k,\varepsilon)$  is the cross-section of the rod  $G_j^{(1)}(d_k,\varepsilon)$ .

Integrating the equation for  $V_{\varepsilon}$  in  $G_j^{(1)}(d_k, \varepsilon)$  over the cross-section  $\varkappa_j(d_k, \varepsilon)$ , we get

$$\partial_{x_2 x_2}^2 \varphi_j(x_2) + \varepsilon^{-\alpha} \lambda_n(\varepsilon) \varphi_j(x_2) = 0, \quad x_2 \in (-\varepsilon l_1, 0); \qquad \partial_{x_2} \varphi_j(-\varepsilon l_1) = 0,$$

which implies

$$\varphi_j(x_2) = A_j \frac{\cos\left(\varepsilon^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\lambda_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\varepsilon)(x_2 + \varepsilon l_1)\right)}{\cos\left(\varepsilon^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\lambda_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\varepsilon)l_1\right)}, \quad x_2 \in [-\varepsilon l_1, 0],$$
$$A_j = \frac{1}{\varepsilon h_1} \int_{\varkappa_j(d_k,\varepsilon)} V_{\varepsilon}(x_1, 0) \, dx_1.$$

It is easy to calculate that

$$\|\varphi_j\|_{L^2(G_j^{(1)}(d_k,\varepsilon))}^2 = \frac{\varepsilon h_1 A_j^2}{2\left[\cos\left(\varepsilon^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\lambda_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\varepsilon) l_1\right)\right]^2} \left(\varepsilon l_1 + \frac{\sin\left(2\varepsilon^{1-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\lambda_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\varepsilon) l_1\right)\right)}{2\varepsilon^{-\frac{\alpha}{2}}\lambda_n^{\frac{1}{2}}(\varepsilon)}\right).$$

Because of  $\alpha < 2$  and  $\lambda_n(\varepsilon) = \mathcal{O}(1)$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ ,

$$\|\varphi_j\|_{L^2(G_j^{(1)}(d_k,\varepsilon))}^2 \le c_1 \varepsilon^2 A_j^2 \le c_2 \varepsilon \int_{\varkappa_j(d_k,\varepsilon)} V_\varepsilon^2(x_1,0) \, dx_1.$$

Now using the Poincare inequality for  $U_j$ , we get

$$|I_{3}(\varepsilon)| \leq 4\varepsilon^{-\alpha}\lambda_{n}(\varepsilon)\sum_{j=0}^{N-1}\sum_{k=1}^{4}\left(\|\varphi_{j}\|_{L^{2}(G_{j}^{(1)}(d_{k},\varepsilon))}^{2}+\|U_{j}\|_{L^{2}(G_{j}^{(1)}(d_{k},\varepsilon))}^{2}\right)\leq \leq c_{1}\varepsilon^{-\alpha}\sum_{j=0}^{N-1}\sum_{k=1}^{4}\left(\varepsilon\int_{\varkappa_{j}(d_{k},\varepsilon)}V_{\varepsilon}^{2}(x_{1},0)\,dx_{1}+\varepsilon^{2}\|\partial_{x_{1}}V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(G_{j}^{(1)}(d_{k},\varepsilon))}^{2}\right)\leq \leq c_{1}\varepsilon^{-\alpha}\left(\varepsilon\int_{0}^{a}V_{\varepsilon}^{2}(x_{1},0)\,dx_{1}+\varepsilon^{2}\|\partial_{x_{1}}V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)})}^{2}\right)\leq \leq c_{2}\varepsilon^{1-\alpha}\left(\delta_{3}\|\nabla V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega_{0},\gamma_{0})}^{2}+\frac{2}{\delta_{3}}\|V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(\Omega_{0},\gamma_{0})}^{2}+\varepsilon^{2}\|\partial_{x_{1}}V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L^{2}(G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)})}^{2}\right).$$

By the same arguments we obtain

$$|I_{2}(\varepsilon)| \leq c_{3} \left( \delta_{2} \|\nabla V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L_{2}(\Omega_{0,\gamma_{0}})}^{2} + \frac{2}{\delta_{2}} \|V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L_{2}(\Omega_{0,\gamma_{0}})}^{2} + \varepsilon^{2} \|\partial_{x_{1}} V_{\varepsilon}\|_{L_{2}(G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)})}^{2} \right).$$

Choosing  $\delta_2, \delta_3$  and  $\varepsilon$  such that  $c_2\delta_3 + c_3\delta_2 + 2\varepsilon^2 < 1/2$ , we obtain from (4.4) that for  $\varepsilon$  small enough

$$\|V_{\varepsilon}\|_{H^{1}(\widehat{\Omega}_{\varepsilon,\gamma_{0}})} \le c(n)\|u_{n}(\varepsilon,\cdot)\|_{H^{1}(\Omega_{\varepsilon})}.$$
(4.6)

This inequality shows that the eigenfunctions have no strong variation of values on neighboring rods.

Now we can conduct the construction of the extension operator  $\mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon} : \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon} \mapsto H^1(\Omega, \Gamma_1)$ . Since the construction closely follows that of Theorem 4.1 in ([28]), where such an extension operator was constructed for eigenfunctions of the Neumann spectral problem in a thick plane junction and without any concentrated masses, we omit the proof. From (2.60) it follows the second inequality in (4.1).

## 5 Justification of the asymptotics

To justify the asymptotic approximations constructed above, we use the scheme proposed in [40] for investigation of the asymptotic behavior of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of an abstract operator  $A_{\epsilon} : H_{\epsilon} \mapsto H_{\epsilon}$  losing the compactness in the limit passage as  $\epsilon \to 0$ . This scheme generalizes procedure of the justification of the asymptotic behavior of eigenvalues and eigenvectors of boundary value problems in perturbed domains that was proposed in [39]. To prove Theorem 5.4 – Theorem 5.7, we additionally use the same arguments as in [24, Theorem 3.1] (see items 2 – 4 of the proof).

### 5.1 Condition $D_1 - D_6$

In our case this is the family of the operators  $\{A_{\varepsilon} : \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon} \mapsto \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}\}_{\varepsilon>0}$  defined in (2.59). Recall that  $A_{\varepsilon}$  corresponds to problem (1.1).

Let us define an operator that corresponds to the homogenized problem (2.45) in the case  $\alpha = 1$  and to the homogenized problem (3.36) if  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . In the case  $\alpha = 1$  we denote by  $\mathcal{V}_0$  the space  $L^2(\Omega_0) \times L^2(D_2) \times L^2(I_0)$  with the scalar product

$$(\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{\mathcal{V}_0} := \int_{\Omega_0} u^+ v^+ \, dx + h_2 \int_{D_2} u^- v^- \, dx + 4h_1 l_1 \int_{I_0} u^0 v^0 \, dx_1,$$

where  $\mathbf{u} = (u^+, u^-, u^0)$ ,  $\mathbf{v} = (v^+, v^-, v^0)$ . If  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ , then  $\mathcal{V}_0 = L^2(\Omega_0) \times L^2(D_2)$  and in the scalar product the integral over  $I_0$  is absent.

It is easy to see that the anisotropic Sobolev space

$$\mathcal{H}_0 := \{ u \in L^2(\Omega) : u^+ \in H^1(\Omega_0, \Gamma_1), \exists \partial_{x_2} u^- \in L^2(D_2), u^+|_{I_0} = u^-|_{I_0} \},$$
(5.1)

where  $u^+ = u|_{\Omega_0}$ ,  $u^- = u|_{D_2}$  and the last equality in (5.1) is understood in the sense of traces, with the scalar product

$$(u,v)_{\mathcal{H}_0} = \int_{\Omega_0} \nabla u^+ \cdot \nabla v^+ \, dx \, + \, h_2 \int_{D_2} \partial_{x_2} u^- \, \partial_{x_2} v^- \, dx$$

is densely and only continuously embedded into  $\mathcal{V}_0$ .

Problem (2.45) ((3.36)) is equivalent to the spectral problem  $A_0 v = \lambda_0^{-1} v$  in  $\mathcal{H}_0$ , where the operator  $A_0 : \mathcal{H}_0 \mapsto \mathcal{H}_0$  is defined by the equality

$$(A_0 u, v)_{\mathcal{H}_0} = (\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v})_{\mathcal{V}_0} \quad \forall \ u, v \in \mathcal{H}_0.$$
(5.2)

Here  $\mathbf{u} = (u|_{\Omega_0}, u|_{D_2}, u|_{I_0})$ . Obviously,  $A_0$  is self-adjoint, positive, continuous, but non-compact.

Also denote by  $\mathcal{Z}_0 := H^1(\Omega, \Gamma_1)$ . Obviously, that  $\mathcal{Z}_0$  is densely and compactly embedded into  $\mathcal{V}$ .

Now let us verify conditions  $\mathbf{D_1} - \mathbf{D_6}$  of the scheme from [40].

The operator  $S_{\varepsilon} : \mathbb{Z}_0 \to \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}$  assigns to each function  $v \in \mathbb{Z}_0$  its restriction on  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$ . Clearly,  $S_{\varepsilon}$  is uniformly bounded with respect to  $\varepsilon$ . Thus condition  $\mathbf{D}_1$  is satisfied.

The operator  $P_{\varepsilon} : \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon} \mapsto \mathcal{Z}_0$  from condition  $\mathbf{D}_2$  is associated with the extension operator  $\mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon}$  from Theorem 4.1.

Let us verify condition  $\mathbf{D}_3$ . Consider the sequence  $\{u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot)\}_{\varepsilon>0}$  for any fixed index  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Due to Theorem 4.1 there exists some subsequence  $\{\varepsilon'\} \subset \{\varepsilon\}$  (again denoted by  $\{\varepsilon\}$ ) such that  $\mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon}u(\varepsilon, \cdot) \to v$  weakly in  $\mathcal{Z}_0$  (index *n* is omitted) as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .

Since

$$\int_{D_2} \chi_{h_2}(\frac{x_1}{\varepsilon}) \,\partial_{x_2} \mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon}(u(\varepsilon, x)) \,\phi(x) \,dx = -\int_{D_2} \chi_{h_2} \frac{x_1}{\varepsilon}) \,\mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon}(u(\varepsilon, x)) \,\partial_{x_2} \phi \,dx \quad \forall \ \phi \in C_0^{\infty}(D_2),$$

we get

$$\chi_{h_2}(\frac{x_1}{\varepsilon})\partial_{x_2}\mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon}(u(\varepsilon, x)) \to h_2 \,\partial_{x_2}v(x) \quad \text{weakly in } L^2(D_2) \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \to 0.$$
 (5.3)

Here  $\chi_{h_2}(\eta_1)$ ,  $\eta_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ , is a 1-periodic function that equals 1 on the interval  $\left(\frac{1-h_2}{2}, \frac{1+h_2}{2}\right)$  and vanishing on the rest of the segment [0, 1].

Consider the corresponding integral identity for problem (1.1) with the following test function

$$\psi(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \in \Omega_0 \cup G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}, \\ \varepsilon Y\left(\frac{x_1}{\varepsilon}\right)\phi(x), & x \in G_{\varepsilon}^{(2)}, \end{cases} \quad \phi \in C_0^{\infty}(D_2),$$

where Y is defined in (2.42). As a result, we have

$$\int_{D_2} \chi_{h_2}(x_1/\varepsilon) \partial_{x_1} \mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon}(u(\varepsilon, x)) \phi \, dx = O(\varepsilon), \quad \varepsilon \to 0.$$
(5.4)

Due to the second inequality in (4.1), it is easy to verify that

$$\int_{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}} \nabla u(\varepsilon, x) \cdot \nabla \varphi(x) \, dx \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad \varepsilon \to 0 \quad \forall \ \varphi \in \mathcal{Z}_0.$$
(5.5)

Taking into account limits (5.3)-(5.5), we ascertain that

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \left( u(\varepsilon, \cdot), S_{\varepsilon} \varphi \right)_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} = \left( v, \varphi \right)_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} \quad \forall \ \varphi \in \mathcal{Z}_{0},$$

i.e., condition  $D_3$  is satisfied.

Let for certain functions  $u^{\varepsilon}, v^{\varepsilon} \in \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}$  one has  $\mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon}u^{\varepsilon} \to u^{0}$  and  $\mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon}v^{\varepsilon} \to v^{0}$  weakly in  $\mathcal{Z}_{0}$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ . Then

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \left( u^{\varepsilon}, v^{\varepsilon} \right)_{\mathcal{V}_{\varepsilon}} = \int_{\Omega_0} u^+ v^+ \, dx + h_2 \int_{D_2} u^- v^- \, dx + \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \varepsilon^{-\alpha} \int_{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}} u^{\varepsilon} v^{\varepsilon} \, dx, \tag{5.6}$$

where  $u^{\pm}$  and  $v^{\pm}$  are the restrictions of  $u^0$  and  $v^0$  on  $\Omega_0$  and  $D_2$  respectively.

To find the limit in the right-hand side of (5.6) for  $\alpha < 1$  we use the following inequality

$$\varepsilon^{-\alpha} \int_{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}} \varphi^2 dx \le C_1 \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \int_{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}} \left( \partial_{x_2} \varphi \right)^2 dx + C_2 \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} \int_{I_0} \varphi^2(x_1, 0) dx_1.$$
(5.7)

Thus  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \varepsilon^{-\alpha} \int_{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}} u^{\varepsilon} v^{\varepsilon} dx = 0$  for  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ .

If  $\alpha = 1$ , then with the help of the inequality

$$\varepsilon^{-1} \int\limits_{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}} \left(\varphi(x) - \varphi(x_1, 0)\right)^2 dx \le \varepsilon \, l_1 \int\limits_{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}} \left(\partial_{x_2}\varphi(x)\right)^2 dx \quad \forall \ \varphi \in H^1(G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}),$$

we deduce that  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \varepsilon^{-1} \int_{G_{\varepsilon}^{(1)}} u^{\varepsilon} v^{\varepsilon} dx = 4h_1 l_1 \int_{I_0} u^0(x_1, 0) v^0(x_1, 0) dx_1.$ 

Therefore,  $\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} (u^{\varepsilon}, v^{\varepsilon})_{v_{\varepsilon}}^{\circ} = (u^{0}, v^{0})_{v_{0}}$  for  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ . This means that the first part of condition **D**<sub>4</sub> holds.

We put by definition that for each function  $v \in \mathbb{Z}_0$   $P_{\varepsilon}S_{\varepsilon}v = v$ . Then the second condition  $D_4$  is satisfied.

Condition  $\mathbf{D}_5$ , in fact, has been verified in subsection 3.3 and in subsection 2.4: the result of the action of the operator  $R_{\varepsilon}$  in  $\mathbf{D}_5$  is the construction of the approximating function on the basis of an eigenfunction of the homogenized problem. Furthermore, the approximating function satisfies inequality (2.58) for  $\alpha = 1$  and (3.57) for  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  that are analog of the corresponding inequality in condition  $\mathbf{D}_5$ .

#### 5.1.1 Condition $D_6$ . Pseudovibrations

To verify this condition, we choose the approximating function  $W_{\varepsilon}$  in the case when  $\lambda_0$  coincides with one of the numbers  $P_m = \left(\frac{\pi + 2\pi(m-1)}{2l_2}\right)^2$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$  (points of the essential spectrum of the homogenized problems (2.45) and (3.36)) as follows:

$$W_{\varepsilon}(x) = \begin{cases} \sqrt{\frac{2}{\varepsilon h_2 l_2 P_m}} \cos \sqrt{P_m} (x_2 + l_2), & x \in G_{j_0}^{(2)}(\varepsilon), \\ 0, & x \in \Omega_{\varepsilon} \setminus G_{j_0}^{(2)}(\varepsilon), \end{cases}$$
(5.8)

where  $G_{j_0}^{(2)}(\varepsilon)$  is certain fixed rod from the second class.

It is easy to verify that  $W_{\varepsilon}$  satisfies the boundary conditions of problem (1.1),  $\|W_{\varepsilon}\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} = 1$ ,

$$-\Delta W_{\varepsilon}(x) = P_m \rho_{\varepsilon}(x) W_{\varepsilon}(x), \quad x \in \Omega_{\varepsilon},$$
$$\partial_{x_2} W_{\varepsilon}(x_1, 0+0) - \partial_{x_2} W_{\varepsilon}(x_1, 0-0) = b_m(\varepsilon), \quad x_1 \in I_{h_2}^{\varepsilon}(j_0),$$

where  $b_m(\varepsilon) = \varepsilon^{-\frac{1}{2}}(-1)^m \sqrt{\frac{2}{h_2 l_2}}, \quad I_{h_2}^{\varepsilon}(j_0) = \left(\varepsilon(j_0 + \frac{1-h_2}{2}), \varepsilon(j_0 + \frac{1+h_2}{2})\right).$ 

From these relations and the definition of operator  $A_{\varepsilon}$  (see (2.59) it follows the following integral identity

$$\left(W_{\varepsilon} - P_m A_{\varepsilon} W_{\varepsilon}, \psi\right)_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} = -b_m(\varepsilon) \int_{I_{h_2}^{\varepsilon}(j_0)} \psi(x_1, 0) \, dx_1 \quad \forall \ \psi \in \mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}.$$
(5.9)

Using Lemma 1.5 [46, Sec.1] and inequality

$$v^{2}(x_{1},0) \leq 2\varepsilon^{-1/2} \int_{0}^{\gamma_{0}} v^{2}(x_{1},x_{2}) dx_{2} + 2\varepsilon^{1/2} \int_{0}^{\gamma_{0}} (\partial_{x_{2}}v(x_{1},x_{2}))^{2} dx_{2}, \qquad (5.10)$$

(see Lemma 6 [42, p. 412]), we get

$$\left| -b_{m}(\varepsilon) \int_{I_{h}^{\varepsilon}(j_{0})} \psi(x_{1},0) \, dx_{1} \right| \leq \sqrt{2l_{2}^{-1}} \|\psi\|_{L_{2}(I_{h_{2}}^{\varepsilon}(j_{0}))} \leq c \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{4}} \|\psi\|_{H^{1}(\Omega_{0})}.$$
(5.11)

Then we deduce from (5.9) and (5.11) the following estimate

$$\|W_{\varepsilon} - P_m A_{\varepsilon} W_{\varepsilon}\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} \leq c_0 \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{4}}, \qquad (5.12)$$

which shows that condition  $D_6$  holds. Here the constant  $c_0$  is independent of m.

Eigenvibrations with eigenfrequencies near to the discrete spectrum of the homogenized problems are vibrations of the junction  $\Omega_{\varepsilon}$  like an entire system. From (5.12) it will follow that there are eigenvibrations that have structure of function  $W_{\varepsilon}$  (obviously we could take function  $W_{\varepsilon}$  that is not equal to zero on several different rods from the second class). This means that different rods of the junction can vibrate and the other stay immobile. Such vibrations were discovered in paper [36] and called *pseudovibrations*. It turn out that there are pseudovibrations in which each rod can have its own frequency and can have quickly oscillating character (see [36, Sec. 5]). In should be noted that energy of a pseudovibration is concentrated on the thin rods.

#### 5.2 The main results

Thus, all conditions  $\mathbf{D_1}-\mathbf{D_6}$  of the scheme from [40] are satisfied both for problem (1.1) and the corresponding homogenized problem (2.45) for  $\alpha = 1$  and the homogenized problem (3.36) for  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ . Applying this scheme, we get the following theorems.

**Theorem 5.1** (the Hausdorff convergence). Only points of the spectrum of the homogenized problem (2.45) if  $\alpha = 1$  ((3.36) if  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ ) are accumulation points for the spectrum of problem (1.1) as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .

The eigenvalues  $\{\lambda_n(\varepsilon)\}\$  at fixed indices n, are usually called *low eigenvalues* (see [36]); the corresponding eigenfunctions are called *low frequency oscillations*.

**Definition 5.1.** ([36]) The value  $\mathcal{T} := \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \limsup_{\varepsilon \to 0} \lambda_n(\varepsilon)$  is called threshold of the low eigenvalues of problem (1.1).

This value indicate the frequency range where pseudovibrations can appeared.

Recall that  $\{\lambda_n(\varepsilon) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is the ordered sequence (1.3) of eigenvalues of problem (1.1),  $\{u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot) : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is the corresponding sequence of eigenfunctions that are orthonormalized with relations (1.4), and  $\{\lambda_0^{(1,n)} : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is the first series of eigenvalues of the homogenized problem (2.45) if  $\alpha = 1$  (see Th. 2.1) and (3.36) if  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  (see Th. 3.1)).

**Theorem 5.2** (Low-frequency convergence;  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\alpha = 1$ ). For any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ 

$$\lambda_n(\varepsilon) \to \lambda_0^{(1,n)} \quad as \ \varepsilon \to 0,$$

and the threshold of the low eigenvalues of problem (1.1) is equal to  $P_1$ .

There exists a subsequence of the sequence  $\{\varepsilon\}$  (again denoted by  $\{\varepsilon\}$ ) such that

$$\forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \mathbf{P}_{\varepsilon} u_n(\varepsilon, \cdot) \to v_0^{(1,n)} \quad weakly \text{ in } H^1(\Omega, \Gamma_1) \quad as \ \varepsilon \to 0,$$

where  $\{v_0^{(1,n)}: n \in \mathbb{N}\}\$  are the corresponding eigenfunctions of the homogenized problem (2.45) ((3.36)) that satisfy the following orthonormalized condition

$$(v_0^{(1,n)}, v_0^{(1,k)})_{\mathcal{V}_0} = \int_{\Omega_0} v_0^{(1,n)} v_0^{(1,k)} dx + h_2 \int_{D_2} v_0^{(1,n)} v_0^{(1,k)} dx + \delta_{\alpha,1} 4h_1 l_1 \int_{I_0} v_0^{(1,n)} (x_1, 0) v_0^{(1,k)} (x_1, 0) dx_1 = \delta_{n,k}$$

Next using condition  $D_6$  we get the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.3** (Asymptotic behavior near the essential spectrum. Pseudovibrations). Let  $\lambda_0$  coincides with one of the points  $\left\{P_m = \left(\frac{\pi + 2\pi(m-1)}{2l_2}\right)^2, m \in \mathbb{N}\right\}$  of the essential spectrum of the homogenized problem (2.45) (or (3.36)).

Then there exist  $c_0 > 0$  and  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  such that for all values of the parameter  $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0)$  the interval

$$\left(\frac{1}{\lambda_0} - c_0 \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{4}}, \frac{1}{\lambda_0} + c_0 \varepsilon^{\frac{1}{4}}\right)$$

contains finitely many eigenvalues of the operator  $A_{\varepsilon}$ .

In addition, there exists a finite linear combination  $\widetilde{U}_{\varepsilon}$  ( $\|\widetilde{U}_{\varepsilon}\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} = 1$ ) of the eigenfunctions  $\{u_{k(\varepsilon)+i}(\varepsilon, \cdot) : i = \overline{1, p(\varepsilon)}\}$  that correspond, respectively, to the eigenvalues  $\{(\lambda_{k(\varepsilon)+i}(\varepsilon))^{-1} : i = \overline{1, p(\varepsilon)}\}$  of operator  $A_{\varepsilon}$  from the segment  $\left[\frac{1}{\lambda_{0}} - c_{0}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{8}}, \frac{1}{\lambda_{0}} + c_{0}\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{8}}\right]$  such that

$$\left\| W_{\varepsilon} - \widetilde{U}_{\varepsilon} \right\|_{\mathcal{H}_{\varepsilon}} \leq 2\varepsilon^{\frac{1}{8}},$$

where  $W_{\varepsilon}$  is defined by (5.8).

For next theorems, where asymptotic estimates are established, we have to consider two cases  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$  and  $\alpha = 1$  separately.

#### **5.2.1** The case $\alpha = 1$

Let  $\lambda_0^{(1,n+1)} = \ldots = \lambda_0^{(1,n+r)}$  be an *r*-multiple eigenvalue of the homogenized problem (2.45) from the first series and the corresponding eigenfunctions  $v_0^{(1,n+1)}, \ldots, v_0^{(1,n+r)}$  are orthonormalized in  $\mathcal{V}_0$ . Using formula (2.51), we can construct next term  $\varepsilon \lambda_1^{(1,n+i)}$  of the asymptotic expansion (2.1)  $(i = 1, \ldots, r)$  and then define the unique solution  $v_1^{(1,n+i)}$  to problem (2.47), which satisfies condition (2.48). Denote by

$$\Lambda_i^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon) := \lambda_0^{(1,n+i)} + \varepsilon \, \lambda_1^{(1,n+i)}$$

the partial sum of (2.1). Assume that  $\{\Lambda_i^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon): i=1,\ldots,r\}$  split into k groups

$$\Lambda_1^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon) = \ldots = \Lambda_{r_1}^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon) < \ldots < \Lambda_{r_1+\ldots+r_{k-1}+1}^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon) = \ldots = \Lambda_r^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon),$$

where  $r_1 + \ldots + r_k = r$ .

**Theorem 5.4** (Asymptotic estimates for the low eigenvalues;  $\alpha = 1$ ). For any  $\delta > 0$  and  $s \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$  and for sufficiently small  $\varepsilon$ , we have

$$\left|\lambda_{n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t}(\varepsilon) - \Lambda_{r_1+\ldots+r_s}^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon)\right| \leq C_1(n,\delta) \varepsilon^{2-\delta} \quad \forall t = 1,\ldots,r_s \quad (r_0 = 0).$$

In addition, for any  $t \in \{1, \ldots, r_s\}$  there exist  $\{a_p^{(t,s)}(\varepsilon), p = 1, \ldots, r_s\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 < c_1 \leq \sum_{p=1}^{r_s} \left(a_p^{(t,s)}(\varepsilon)\right)^2 \leq c_2$  and

$$\left\|\sum_{p=1}^{r_s} a_p^{(t,s)}(\varepsilon) \, u_{n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+p}(\varepsilon,\cdot) - R_{\varepsilon}^{(n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}\right\|_{H^1(\Omega_{\varepsilon})} \le C_2(n,\delta) \, \varepsilon^{2-\delta},$$

where  $R_{\varepsilon}^{(n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  is the approximation function constructed with the help of solutions  $v_0^{(1,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  and  $v_1^{(1,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  by formulas (2.56) and (2.57).

It follows from Theorems 5.1 and 5.2 that there exist other converging sequences of eigenvalues  $\lambda_{n(\varepsilon)}(\varepsilon)$  so-called *high frequency convergences*; the corresponding eigenfunctions are called *high frequency oscillations*. Obviously, in this case the index *n* depends on  $\varepsilon$  and  $n(\varepsilon) \to +\infty$ as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .

as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ . Let  $\lambda_0^{(m,n+1)} = \ldots = \lambda_0^{(m,n+r)}$  be an *r*-multiple eigenvalue of the homogenized problem (2.45) from the *m*-th series (m > 1) and the corresponding eigenfunctions  $v_0^{(m,n+1)}, \ldots, v_0^{(m,n+r)}$ are orthonormalized in  $\mathcal{V}_0$ . Using formula (2.51), we construct next term  $\varepsilon \lambda_1^{(m,n+i)}$  of the asymptotic expansion (2.1)  $(i = 1, \ldots, r)$  and then define the unique solution  $v_1^{(m,n+i)}$  to problem (2.47), which satisfies condition (2.48). Denote by

$$\Lambda_i^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) := \lambda_0^{(m,n+i)} + \varepsilon \, \lambda_1^{(m,n+i)}$$

the partial sum of (2.1). Assume that  $\{\Lambda_i^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon): i=1,\ldots,r\}$  split into k groups

$$\Lambda_1^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) = \ldots = \Lambda_{r_1}^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) < \ldots < \Lambda_{r_1+\ldots+r_{k-1}+1}^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) = \ldots = \Lambda_r^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon),$$

where  $r_1 + \ldots + r_k = r$ .

**Theorem 5.5** (High frequency convergences and estimates;  $\alpha = 1$ ). For any  $\delta > 0$  and  $s \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$  there exist  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  and c > 0 such that for all value of the parameter  $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0)$  the interval

$$I_s^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) := \left(\Lambda_{r_1+\dots+r_s}^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) - c\,\varepsilon^{2-\delta} , \Lambda_{r_1+\dots+r_s}^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) + c\,\varepsilon^{2-\delta}\right)$$

contains exactly  $r_s$  eigenvalues of problem (1.1).

In addition, for the approximation function  $R_{\varepsilon}^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$   $(t = 1, \ldots, r_s)$ , which constructed with the help of solutions  $v_0^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  and  $v_1^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  by formulas (2.56) and (2.57), the following asymptotic estimate

$$\left\| \left\| R_{\varepsilon}^{(m,n+r_{1}+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)} - \widetilde{U}_{i}(\varepsilon,\cdot) \right\|_{H^{1}(\Omega_{\varepsilon})} \leq C \, \varepsilon^{2-\delta} \right\|_{H^{1}(\Omega_{\varepsilon})}$$

holds, where  $\tilde{U}_i(\varepsilon, \cdot)$  is a linear combination of eigenfunctions of problem (1.1) that correspond to the eigenvalues from the interval  $I_s^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon)$ .

#### **5.2.2** The case $\alpha \in (0, 1)$

Let  $\lambda_0^{(1,n+1)} = \ldots = \lambda_0^{(1,n+r)}$  be an *r*-multiple eigenvalue of the homogenized problem (3.36) from the first series and the corresponding eigenfunctions  $v_0^{(1,n+1)}, \ldots, v_0^{(1,n+r)}$  are orthonormalized in  $\mathcal{V}_0$ . Using formulas (3.44), (3.49) and (3.54), we successively construct next terms  $\varepsilon^{1-\alpha} \lambda_{1-\alpha}^{(1,n+i)}, \varepsilon \lambda_1^{(1,n+i)}, \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \lambda_{2-\alpha}^{(1,n+i)}$  of the asymptotic expansion (3.1)  $(i = 1, \ldots, r)$  and define the unique solutions  $v_{1-\alpha}^{(1,n+i)}, v_1^{(1,n+i)}, v_{2-\alpha}^{(1,n+i)}$  to problems (3.40), (3.45) and (3.50) respectively. Denote by

$$\Lambda_i^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon) := \lambda_0^{(1,n+i)} + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} \lambda_{1-\alpha}^{(1,n+i)} + \varepsilon \lambda_1^{(1,n+i)} + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \lambda_{2-\alpha}^{(1,n+i)}$$

the partial sum of (3.1). Assume that  $\{\Lambda_i^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon): i=1,\ldots,r\}$  split into k groups

$$\Lambda_1^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon) = \ldots = \Lambda_{r_1}^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon) < \ldots < \Lambda_{r_1+\ldots+r_{k-1}+1}^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon) = \ldots = \Lambda_r^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon),$$

where  $r_1 + \ldots + r_k = r$ .

**Theorem 5.6** (Asymptotic estimates for the low eigenvalues;  $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ ). For any  $\delta > 0$  and  $s \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$  and for sufficiently small  $\varepsilon$ , we have

$$\left|\lambda_{n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t}(\varepsilon) - \Lambda_{r_1+\ldots+r_s}^{(1,n)}(\varepsilon)\right| \leq C_1(n,\delta) \varepsilon^{2-\delta} \quad \forall t = 1,\ldots,r_s \quad (r_0 = 0).$$

In addition, for any  $t \in \{1, \ldots, r_s\}$  there exist  $\{a_p^{(t,s)}(\varepsilon), p = 1, \ldots, r_s\} \subset \mathbb{R}$  such that  $0 < c_1 \leq \sum_{p=1}^{r_s} \left(a_p^{(t,s)}(\varepsilon)\right)^2 \leq c_2$  and

$$\left\|\sum_{p=1}^{r_s} a_p^{(t,s)}(\varepsilon) \, u_{n+r_1+\dots+r_{s-1}+p}(\varepsilon,\cdot) - R_{\varepsilon}^{(n+r_1+\dots+r_{s-1}+t)}\right\|_{H^1(\Omega_{\varepsilon})} \le C_2(n,\delta) \, \varepsilon^{2-\delta}$$

where  $R_{\varepsilon}^{(n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  is the approximation function constructed with the help of solutions  $v_0^{(1,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}, v_{1-\alpha}^{(1,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}, v_1^{(1,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  and  $v_{2-\alpha}^{(1,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  by formulas (3.55) and (3.56).

Let  $\lambda_0^{(m,n+1)} = \ldots = \lambda_0^{(m,n+r)}$  be an r-multiple eigenvalue of the homogenized problem (3.36) from the *m*-th series (m > 1) and the corresponding eigenfunctions  $v_0^{(m,n+1)}, \ldots, v_0^{(m,n+r)}$  are orthonormalized in  $\mathcal{V}_0$ . Using formulas (3.44), (3.49) and (3.54), we successively construct next terms  $\varepsilon^{1-\alpha} \lambda_{1-\alpha}^{(m,n+i)}, \varepsilon \lambda_1^{(m,n+i)}, \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \lambda_{2-\alpha}^{(m,n+i)}$  of the asymptotic expansion (3.1)  $(i = 1, \ldots, r)$  and define the unique solutions  $v_{1-\alpha}^{(m,n+i)}, v_1^{(m,n+i)}, v_{2-\alpha}^{(m,n+i)}$  to problems (3.40), (3.45) and (3.50) respectively. Denote by

$$\Lambda_i^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) := \lambda_0^{(m,n+i)} + \varepsilon^{1-\alpha} \lambda_{1-\alpha}^{(m,n+i)} + \varepsilon \lambda_1^{(m,n+i)} + \varepsilon^{2-\alpha} \lambda_{2-\alpha}^{(m,n+i)}$$

the partial sum of (3.1). Assume that  $\{\Lambda_i^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon): i=1,\ldots,r\}$  split into k groups

$$\Lambda_1^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) = \ldots = \Lambda_{r_1}^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) < \ldots < \Lambda_{r_1+\ldots+r_{k-1}+1}^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) = \ldots = \Lambda_r^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon),$$

where  $r_1 + \ldots + r_k = r$ .

**Theorem 5.7** (High frequency convergences and estimates;  $\alpha \in (0,1)$ ). For any  $\delta > 0$  and  $s \in \{1, \ldots, k\}$  there exist  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  and c > 0 such that for all value of the parameter  $\varepsilon \in (0, \varepsilon_0)$  the interval

$$I_s^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) := \left(\Lambda_{r_1+\ldots+r_s}^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) - c\,\varepsilon^{2-\delta} , \Lambda_{r_1+\ldots+r_s}^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon) + c\,\varepsilon^{2-\delta}\right)$$

contains exactly  $r_s$  eigenvalues of problem (1.1).

In addition, for the approximation function  $R_{\varepsilon}^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$   $(t = 1, \ldots, r_s)$ , which constructed with the help of solutions  $v_0^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$ ,  $v_{1-\alpha}^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$ ,  $v_1^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$ ,  $v_1^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  and  $v_{2-\alpha}^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)}$  by formulas (3.55) and (3.56), the following asymptotic estimate

$$\left\| R_{\varepsilon}^{(m,n+r_1+\ldots+r_{s-1}+t)} - \widetilde{U}_i(\varepsilon,\cdot) \right\|_{H^1(\Omega_{\varepsilon})} \le C \, \varepsilon^{2-\delta}$$

holds, where  $\tilde{U}_i(\varepsilon, \cdot)$  is a linear combination of eigenfunctions of problem (1.1) that correspond to the eigenvalues from the interval  $I_s^{(m,n)}(\varepsilon)$ .

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