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Energy supply into a semi-infinite β -Fermi–Pasta–Ulam– Tsingou chain by periodic force loading

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Abstract We deal with dynamics of the β -Fermi–Pasta–Ulam–Tsingou chain with one free end, subjected to the sudden sinusoidal force. We examine the evolution of the total energy supplied into the chain at large times. In the harmonic case ($\beta = 0$), the energy grows in time linearly at the driving frequencies, corresponding to nonzero group velocities. The rate of energy supply is shown to decrease with increasing excitation frequency. Loading with the cut-off frequency, corresponding to zero group velocity, results in the energy growth proportionally to \sqrt{t} . Explanation of behavior in time of the energy is proposed by analysis of the obtained approximate closed-form expressions for the particle velocity. In the weak anharmonic case, large-time asymptotic approximation for the total energy is obtained by using the renormalized dispersion relation. The approximation allows one to estimate rate of the energy supply at the driving frequencies, which belong both in the pass-band and in the stop-band of the harmonic chain. Consistency of the asymptotic estimates with the results of numerical simulations is discussed.

1 Introduction

Investigation of the response of a medium under external excitation is one among the oldest engineering problems, with which one has been encountered [1,2]. Nowadays the problem concerns not merely the macroscale, but rather the micro- and nanoscale, wherein one deals with discrete structures (see, e.g., [3,4]).

Wave transmission to the discrete linear medium is known to be possible only at driving frequencies, enclosed within the pass-bands, determined by the dispersion relation. In contrast, energy can propagate into the nonlinear medium at frequencies outside the pass bands, i.e., in the stop-bands. It was shown, e.g., in [5-10] that nonlinear interactions result in the nucleation of the intrinsic localized modes (ILMs).¹ It was shown in [11-13] that energy propagation, induced by ILMs, occurs at their frequencies, which may lie both below and above the pass-band [11] and also in the gap between the pass-bands [12,13]. The experiments of Watanabe [14–17] showed the phenomenon of supratransmission, namely a sudden energy flow into the discrete media at the frequency in the stop-band due to ILMs, provided that some threshold value of the excitation amplitude is reached. Extensive studying of the supratransmission is possibly explained by its proposed applications, e.g., to the Josephson contacts [18, 19], optical waveguides [20], digital amplifiers of the weak signals [21] etc.

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¹ Often in literature ILMs are referred either to as the discrete breathers, see, e.g., [7] or as the self-localized modes, see, e.g., [8].

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There are plenty of works, devoted to theoretical analysis of the energy propagation, induced by the supratransmission. In general, theoretical studies are focused on determining of conditions of the energy propagation by ILMs, with which emergence of the supratransmission is associated. The bibliography of such studies starts, probably, from the paper [22], wherein the supratransmission was shown to be accompanied by sharp increasing of the supplied energy. This process was described by dint of the sine-Gordon equation, which became hereinafter a model equation for studying of the supratransmission (in particular, in the Josephson junctions) both in the discrete (see, e.g., [18,23,24]) and in the continuum (see, e.g., [19,25–27]) formulations. Similar results were obtained for the models obeying the discrete nonlinear Schrödinger equation [28,29], for FPUT chains [20,30,31], electrical lattices [32,33] and others [34]. On the other hand, evolution of the energy, transmitted into the lattice by the loading at driving frequencies, lying both in the stop-band and also in the pass-band, is the rarely studied problem. In the paper [11], evolution of the energy, transmitted into the infinite chain with on-site potential interactions and supplied by kinematic loading, was demonstrated. The non-stationary processes of the energy supply may be described analytically in the harmonic approximation, what was done for the infinite harmonic chain on the linear elastic substrate [35] for the cases of both kinematic and force loadings. For small driving amplitudes, the rate of supply of the total energy into the nonlinear chain is shown [11] to be indistinguishable from the one described in the harmonic approximation.

In the present paper, we deal with the influence of the free boundary on the rate of energy supply. Some results, regarding the latter, were obtained in [36] for the case of kinematic loading (numerically) and in [37] for the case of force loading. To the best of our knowledge, there has not been any description of process of the energy supply into anharmonic lattices yet. We address this issue in the current work, considering the semi-infinite free end β -FPUT monoatomic chain.² We manage here to obtain analytically some estimates of the weak anharmonicty on the processes of energy supply. The model presented in the current work is suitable for the experimental setup, described in [16, 17] and is thus expected to be validated by means of the aforementioned experiments and to be auxiliary to provide a description of more complicated experiments [38]. However, our main motivation for the current study is closely related to problems, concerning nanoscale heat transport, to which much of theoretical studies (see, e.g., [39–44]) are devoted. Indeed, the results of the present paper are supposed to be auxiliary for problems, which have application to devices for control heat fluxes in nanomaterials, namely on heat transport in inhomogeneous lattices (see Sect. 7 for details) and also in the force driven lattices [45].

The paper is organized as follows. In Sect. 2, we discuss the notation. In Sect. 3, we formulate the problem. In Sects. 4–5, we consider the problem in the harmonic approximation, namely, for the Hooke chain.³ In particular, in Sect. 4.1, we obtain the equation for the field of particle velocities analytically, by using which we perform an asymptotic estimation for the total energy in Sect. 5. For explanation of the behavior in time of the total energy and the peculiarities of transmission of the latter into the chain, we find an approximate closed-form solution for the particle velocity (Sect. 4.2). We underline that the main results of Sects. 4–5 are not new, but rather re-obtained and, besides, are compared with the corresponding numerical calculations. The analytical results, obtained in Sect. 4.2, were previously got in [37], but the final results of this section are refined. The total energy, supplied into the chain, was previously estimated in [37] but loading by the cut-off frequency was not analyzed and we consider this case in Sect. 5. The main novelty of the present paper is in Sect. 6, where we investigate the influence of anharmonicity on the behavior of the supplied energy. The asymptotic approximation for the total energy, obtained in Sect. 6.1, is analyzed for the driving frequencies, lying both inside the paper and their possible generalizations are discussed.

2 Nomenclature

In the paper, we use the following notation:

 \mathbb{N} is the set of all natural numbers;

t is the time;

n is a particle number;

² We note that the potential itself is unphysical, although the β -FPUT models are systematically used for estimation of manifestation of nonlinearity on the dynamical processes and, for this reason, we consider interactions (between the particles) via this potential here. We suppose that obtained in the current paper results, concerning the process of energy supply, will improve comprehension of the latter for a possible generalization of the results to cases of the interactions via more realistic potentials.

³ This is the monoatomic harmonic chain of identical particles, connected by the linear identical springs, see [46].

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(...) and (...) stand for the first and second time derivatives, respectively; H(...) is the Heaviside function; $\delta_{n,j}$ is the Kronecker delta (1 if n = j and 0 otherwise); θ is the wave number; ω_e is the elementary atomic frequency; ϵ is a small quantity with dimension of s⁻¹; \mathcal{T}_n is the Chebyshev polynomial of the first kind; F_0 is the amplitude of the driving force; Ω is the driving frequency.

3 Problem statement

We consider forced oscillations of the semi-infinite chain, consisting of identical particles with mass m, which interact with the nearest neighbors via the hard-type β -Fermi–Pasta–Ulam–Tsingou potential. The chain has one free end, excited by the sudden periodic force with the amplitude F_0 and the frequency Ω . The governing dynamical equations are

$$u_n = v_n, m\dot{v}_0 = c(u_1 - u_0) + \beta(u_1 - u_0)^3 + F_0 \sin(\Omega t) H(t), m\dot{v}_n = c(u_{n+1} - 2u_n + u_{n-1}) + \beta \left((u_{n+1} - u_n)^3 - (u_n - u_{n-1})^3 \right), \quad n \in \mathbb{N},$$

$$(1)$$

where H(t) is the Heaviside function; u_n and v_n are displacement and velocity for particle *n*, respectively; *c* and β are harmonic and anharmonic force constants, respectively. We assume that interatomic interactions are associated with weak anharmonicity, i.e.,

$$\frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3} \ll 1. \tag{2}$$

Initially, the chain is unperturbed, i.e.,

$$u_n = 0, \qquad \dot{u}_n = 0. \tag{3}$$

In the next sections, we investigate rate of energy supply into the chain as function of the driving frequency Ω and range of the frequencies, permitting the energy transmission. In order to have a benchmark for the anharmonic case, we address the issue on energy supply in the harmonic approximation (for $\beta = 0$) below.

4 Field of particle velocities in the harmonic chain

4.1 Exact solution

Reformulating the problem statement for the Hooke chain, rewrite the equations of motion (1) as follows:

$$\dot{v}_n = \omega_e^2 (u_{n+1} - u_n) - \omega_e^2 (u_n - u_{n-1})(1 - \delta_{n,0}) - 2\eta v_n + \frac{F_0}{m} \sin(\Omega t) H(t) \delta_{n,0}, \qquad (4)$$
$$\omega_e = \sqrt{c/m}, \quad \eta \ll \omega_e,$$

where ω_e is the elementary atomic frequency; $\delta_{n,j}$ is the Kronecker delta; η is the kinematic viscosity of the external medium. Here, we intend to add the term $-2\eta v_n$ into the equations of motion and, following the limiting absorption principle (see, e.g., [47]), limit the obtained solution to the one for initially considered non-dissipative case ($\eta \rightarrow 0+$). Initial conditions are rewritten in the generalized form [48]:

$$u_n|_{t<0} = 0. (5)$$

Equations (4) describe forced oscillations of the semi-infinite chain. The problem of the latter was solved analytically in [36,37,49–52]. Kinematic loading was considered in the form of sinusoidal law in [36,52] and in the form of the linear law in [51] (loading with constant velocity). In [37,49,50] force loading was considered. However, the methods, which were applied in the aforesaid studies, seem cumbersome.

In order to solve Eqs. (4), we introduce the direct and inverse discrete cosine transforms (DCT) [53]:

$$\hat{u}(\theta) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n \cos \frac{(2n+1)\theta}{2}, \quad u_n = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \hat{u}(\theta) \cos \frac{(2n+1)\theta}{2} \mathrm{d}\theta, \tag{6}$$

where θ is the real-valued wavenumber; \hat{u} is some time-dependent function. Applying DCT (6) to Eq. (4) yields

$$\ddot{\hat{u}} + 2\eta \dot{\hat{u}} + \omega^2 \hat{u} = \frac{F_0}{m} \sin(\Omega t) H(t) \cos\frac{\theta}{2}, \quad \omega(\theta) = 2\omega_e \left| \sin\frac{\theta}{2} \right|, \quad \hat{u}|_{t<0} = 0, \tag{7}$$

where $\omega(\theta)$ is the dispersion relation for the Hooke chain, corresponding to the pass-band, whence⁴

$$\hat{u} = H(t) \left(\hat{u}_{\omega} + \hat{u}_{\Omega} \right) \cos \frac{\theta}{2}, \tag{8}$$

$$\hat{u}_{\omega} = \frac{F_0 \Omega \sqrt{4\eta^2 (\omega^2 - \eta^2) + (\Omega^2 - \omega^2 + 2\eta^2)^2}}{m((\Omega^2 - \omega^2)^2 + 4\eta^2 \Omega^2) \sqrt{\omega^2 - \eta^2}} e^{-\eta t} \sin\left(t\sqrt{\omega^2 - \eta^2} + \phi_1\right),\tag{9}$$

$$\hat{u}_{\Omega} = \frac{F_0 \sin(\Omega t - \phi_2)}{m\sqrt{(\Omega^2 - \omega^2)^2 + 4\eta^2 \Omega^2}},$$
(10)

$$\phi_1(\theta) = \arccos\left(\frac{\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2 + 2\eta^2}{\sqrt{4\eta^2(\omega(\theta)^2 - \eta^2) + (\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2 + 2\eta^2)^2}}\right),$$
(11)

$$\phi_2(\theta) = \arccos\left(\frac{\omega(\theta)^2 - \Omega^2}{\sqrt{(\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2)^2 + 4\eta^2 \Omega^2}}\right).$$
(12)

Applying inverse DCT to $\dot{\hat{u}}$ yields expression for the particle velocity:

$$v_n = v_n^{\omega} + v_n^{\Omega}, \tag{13}$$
$$H(t) \quad f^{\pi} \quad (2n+1)\theta \quad \theta$$

$$v_n^{\omega} = \frac{H(t)}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \dot{\hat{u}}_{\omega}(\theta) \cos\frac{(2n+1)\theta}{2} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} d\theta, \tag{14}$$

$$v_n^{\Omega} = \frac{H(t)}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \dot{\hat{u}}_{\Omega}(\theta) \cos\frac{(2n+1)\theta}{2} \cos\frac{\theta}{2} d\theta,$$
(15)

written in the integral form. The equation (13) is represented as exact solution of the dynamical problem (4) and is divided into two terms, corresponding to the stationary (forced) and decaying natural oscillations (v_n^{Ω} and v_n^{ω} respectively) and is further employed to obtain the total energy, supplied into the chain (see Sect. 5.1). However, the integral representation for the particle velocity does not allow to understand nature of propagating into the chain waves clearly. Therefore, we derive an approximate solution for the particle velocity in a closed form below.

4.2 Approximate solution

Here, we obtain an approximate solution (Eq. (13)) of the dynamical equations (Eq. (4)) in the limit $\eta \rightarrow 0+$, considering every term, corresponding to the forced and natural oscillations, separately. Probably for the first time this approach was implemented by Hemmer (for the field of particle displacements in the conservative infinite Hooke chain, see [54]) by obtainment of the stationary solution (at $t \rightarrow \infty$). An approach, which is introduced below, aims to refine the approximate solution by analysis of the non-stationary solution of the dynamical problem.

⁴ Eq. for \hat{u} is calculated by the Duhamel integral: convolution of the fundamental solution of the homogeneous part of Eq. (7) and its right part.

Equation for v_n^{Ω} is obtained in the following closed form (see Appendix A):

$$v_n^{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{(-1)^{n+1} F_0}{m\omega_e} \mathcal{I}_{2n+1}\left(\frac{\Omega}{2\omega_e}\right) \cos(\Omega t) H(t), & 0 < \Omega \leqslant 2\omega_e, \\ \frac{(-1)^{n+1} F_0(1-e^{-\gamma})}{m\sqrt{\Omega^2 - 4\omega_e^2}} e^{-\gamma n} \cos(\Omega t) H(t), & \Omega > 2\omega_e, \ \gamma = 2 \mathrm{arccosh} \frac{\Omega}{2\omega_e}, \end{cases}$$
(16)

where $\mathcal{T}_n(x) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \cos(n \arccos x)$ is the Chebyshev polynomial of the first kind. For $\Omega > 2\omega_e$, Eq. (16) can also be derived by differentiation with respect to the time of Eq. (34) in [37] or Eq. (8) in [36] taking into account the case of force loading. The latter procedure leads to the same results, written in another form. The quantity γ is the attenuation coefficient (or inverse of localization length, see [36]), which coincides with the imaginary part of the complex wave number, corresponding to the dispersion relation for the stop-band of the Hooke chain (for $\omega > 2\omega_e$, see [55,56]) and determined at the frequency Ω .

The expression for v_n^{ω} is asymptotically estimated at large times ($\Omega t \gg 1$) as

$$v_n^{\omega} \sim v_{n,\text{cr}}^{\omega} + v_{n,\text{st}}^{\omega},\tag{17}$$

where \backsim stands for the sign of the large-time asymptotically equivalent function. Here $v_{n,cr}^{\omega}$ is large time asymptotics of v_n^{ω} in a form of the contribution from the critical⁵ point of the integrand in Eq. (14) (see Appendix B):

$$v_{n,\mathrm{cr}}^{\omega} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{F_0 \mathcal{T}_{2n+1} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{\Omega^2}{4\omega_e^2}}\right)}{m\omega_e} \sin(\Omega t), & 0 < \Omega < 2\omega_e, \\ \frac{(-1)^n F_0(2n+1)}{m\sqrt{\pi\omega_e^3 t}} \sin\left(2\omega_e t + \frac{\pi}{4}\right), & \Omega = 2\omega_e. \end{cases}$$
(18)

For $\Omega > 2\omega_e$, $v_{n,cr}^{\omega} \equiv 0$. Note that, for $0 < \Omega \leq 2\omega_e$, the contributions (16) and (18) themselves are bereft of physical meaning in contrast to their sum, written in the generalized sense (see expression (26)). The contribution $v_{n,st}^{\omega}$ is the large time asymptotics of v_n^{ω} at the moving front (see Appendix C):

$$v_{n,\text{st}}^{\omega} = \frac{2F_0\Omega H(\tilde{n}_s - n)nt}{\sqrt{\pi}m\omega_e \sqrt[4]{\omega_e^2 t^2 - n^2} ((\Omega^2 - 4\omega_e^2)t^2 + 4n^2)} \sin\left(\psi_n t + \hat{\varphi}_n - \frac{\pi}{4}\right),\tag{19}$$

$$\psi_n(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{2\sqrt{\omega_e^2 t^2 - n^2}}{t} - \frac{2n}{t} \arccos \frac{n}{\omega_e t}, \quad \hat{\varphi}_n(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \arcsin \frac{n}{\omega_e t}, \quad \tilde{n}_s = \frac{v_s t}{a}, \tag{20}$$

where *a* is the undeformed bond length; $v_s \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \omega_e a$ is the speed of sound. Here \tilde{n}_s is referred to as a coordinate of a point moving with the speed of sound and $\psi_n(t)$, defined in Eq. (20) is referred to as an effective frequency of perturbation, propagating with the same speed.

Using the contributions (16), (18), (19), we construct an approximate solution for the particle velocity. Here (and further), in order to check accuracy of the obtained below approximations, we integrate the dynamical equations (4) in the dimensionless form (putting $\eta = 0$) with zero initial conditions using the symplectic leap-frog method with the time step $0.01/\omega_e$. The chain with $5 \cdot 10^3$ particles is considered with the force boundary condition for the left end and with the fixed boundary condition for the right end.⁶ Below we consider three cases regarding to the driving frequency Ω .

4.2.1 Case $\Omega > 2\omega_e$

In this case, the solution for particle velocity has the simple form

$$v_n \approx v_{n,\text{st}}^{\omega} + v_n^{\Omega},\tag{21}$$

where $v_{n,st}^{\omega}$ and v_n^{Ω} are determined by the expressions (19) and (16) respectively. The first term, $v_{n,st}^{\omega}$, corresponds to the contribution from the propagating waves, which decays in time as $1/t^{3/2}$ (for the points far from the

⁵ This point becomes singular at $\eta \to 0+$.

⁶ A boundary condition for the right end plays no role for the large enough number of particles.



Fig. 1 Comparison of the analytical solution (expression (21)) for the particle velocity with the corresponding numerical solution. The results are shown at $\omega_e t = 140$ and for $\Omega = 2.04\omega_e$. The crosses and stars correspond to the contributions $v_{n,st}^{\omega}$ and v_n^{Ω} , respectively

boundary but not close to the wavefront) and the second term, v_n^{Ω} , corresponds to the stationary localized oscillations near the driven boundary, which vanish with increasing of distance from the boundary (zeroth particle). Thus, at the considered driving frequencies, the energy is impossible to be transmitted into the chain upon reaching some value. Approximation of the field v_n at the fixed moment of time is shown in Fig. 1.

It is seen in Fig. 1 that the approximate solution practically coincides with the results of numerical solution, except at the points near the wavefront.

4.2.2 Case
$$0 < \Omega < 2\omega_e$$

Before constructing the solution for this case, we note that the expression for the contribution $v_{n,st}^{\omega}$ for $0 \leq \Omega \leq 2\omega_e$ has a singularity. Introduce a real-valued coordinate \tilde{n}_g , at which the contribution is singular. From (19), we express the coordinate as

$$\tilde{n}_g = \omega_e t \sqrt{1 - \frac{\Omega^2}{4\omega_e^2}}.$$
(22)

Note that the group velocity for the Hooke chain is determined as

$$v_g(\theta) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} a \frac{\mathrm{d}\omega}{\mathrm{d}\theta} = v_s \cos\frac{\theta}{2} \mathrm{sgn}\left(\sin\frac{\theta}{2}\right),$$
 (23)

or, as the function of the dispersion relation:

$$v^{g}(\omega) = v_{s}\sqrt{1 - \frac{\omega^{2}}{4\omega_{e}^{2}}}\operatorname{sgn}\omega.$$
(24)

Therefore, we can rewrite Eq. (22) as

$$\tilde{n}_g = \frac{v^g(\Omega)t}{a}.$$
(25)

For $0 < \Omega < 2\omega_e$, $\tilde{n}_g > 0$ is the coordinate of a point, moving with the group velocity, corresponding to the frequency Ω . We consider the existence of a solution for the contributions to the particle velocity both behind the point \tilde{n}_g and between \tilde{n}_g and \tilde{n}_s . In the domain $\tilde{n}_g < n < \tilde{n}_s$, the solutions for $v_{n,cr}^{\omega}$ and v_n^{Ω} cannot exist, because $\psi_{\tilde{n}_g < n < \tilde{n}_s} < \Omega$ for all time of motion of \tilde{n}_g and thus wave with the frequency Ω cannot propagate. Based on aforesaid, we construct the following approximate solution for v_n :

$$v_n \approx v_{n,\text{st}}^{\omega} + \left(v_n^{\Omega} + v_{n,\text{cr}}^{\omega}\right) H(\tilde{n}_g - n), \tag{26}$$



Fig. 2 Comparison of the analytical solution (expression (26)) for the particle velocity with the corresponding numerical solution. The results are shown at $\omega_e t = 200$ and for the driving frequencies $\Omega = 0.1 \omega_e$ (A) and $\Omega = 1.7 \omega_e$ (B). The dashed and dash-dotted lines correspond to the coordinates of \tilde{n}_g and \tilde{n}_s , respectively

where $v_{n,cr}^{\omega}$ is determined by the expression (18). Thus, there is an additional wavefront, which propagates with the group velocity, corresponding to the frequency Ω , besides one, propagating with the speed of sound. In contrast to the first term, which decays, the second term performs non-decaying oscillations with the frequency Ω . Note that expression for the second term in (26), $v_n^{\Omega} + v_{n,cr}^{\omega}$, is the known result: the latter can be derived by differentiation with respect to time of Eq. (34) in [37]. In that work, the latter is understood as a solution of dynamical problem at large times. Here, we refine the latter by addition of the contribution $v_{n,st}^{\omega}$ and by constraints on the existence of the term $v_n^{\Omega} + v_{n,cr}^{\omega}$, which we calculate by using another method, based on the limiting absorption principle. Approximation of the field v_n at the fixed moment of time is shown in Fig. 2.

It is seen from Fig. 2A that the velocity field is practically sinusoidal. Since the driving frequency is rather small ($\Omega \ll \omega_e$), the front \tilde{n}_g , carrying the energy, practically coincides with the front \tilde{n}_s , moving with the speed of sound. The effect of the dispersion can be negligible. For high driving frequencies, the case is quite another (see Fig. 2B). The front \tilde{n}_g moves significantly slower than \tilde{n}_s , what is shown below to affect on the energy transfer into the chain. It is seen from Fig. 2 that the approximation for the velocity field, obtained here, becomes inadequate in the neighborhood of the wavefronts. The accurate estimation of the velocity field for $n = \lfloor \tilde{n}_g \rfloor + O(1)$ and $n = \tilde{n}_s$ is beyond the scope of present paper. If necessary, the latter can be performed by operation of the proposed in [55,57] methods.

4.2.3 Case $\Omega = 2\omega_e$

In this case, $\tilde{n}_g = 0$ and, therefore, the contribution $v_{n,st}^{\omega}$ is singular (and thus inaccurate) at the boundary. However, it is seen that the second expression in (18) becomes inaccurate for large enough *n*. Therefore, an approximate solution can be constructed by a crosslinking of the two solutions at a point *h*, which is not far from the free boundary:

$$v_n \approx v_{n,\text{st}}^{\omega} H(n-h) + \left(v_n^{\Omega} + v_{n,\text{cr}}^{\omega}\right) H(h-n).$$
(27)

Therefore, for $1 \ll n < \tilde{n}_s$, the expression for the particle velocity, v_n , can be written as

$$v_n \approx v_{n,\text{st}}^{\omega} = \frac{F_0 H(\tilde{n}_s - n)t}{\sqrt{\pi}m \sqrt[4]{\omega_e^2 t^2 - n^2 n}} \sin\left(\psi_n t + \hat{\varphi}_n - \frac{\pi}{4}\right).$$
(28)

From the expression (28) it is seen that, at $\Omega = 2\omega_e$, expression for the far field of particle velocity grows in time as \sqrt{t} . Note that approximate solution for the particle velocity in the infinite Hooke chain (see time derivative of Eq. (1.58) in [54]) also grows in time as \sqrt{t} , however, with much larger amplitude than one in the semi-infinite Hooke chain, because the latter decreases with increasing *n*. Comparison of approximate and numerical solutions is shown in Fig. 3.

It is seen in Fig. 3A that the analytical and numerical solutions are in good agreement except the neighborhood of the point h, in where the contributions, defined in the first and second terms in Eq. (27) are crosslinked.



Fig. 3 A Comparison of the analytical solution (Eq. (27) at h = 10) for the particle velocity with the corresponding numerical solution. The results are shown at $\omega_e t = 140$ and for $\Omega = 2\omega_e$. **B** Evolution in time of the 50th particle velocity at $\Omega = 2\omega_e$. Comparison of the analytical (Eq. (28)) and numerical solutions is shown

Comparing of the approximations (27) and (28) with the time derivative of Eq. (25) in [37], we conclude that the latter result is erroneous. Dependence of the 50-th particle velocity is shown in Fig. 3B. The approximate and numerical solutions are shown to coincide at large times. However, according to additional analysis of Eq. (28), at extra large times the amplitude of the velocity gradually deviates from the one obtained numerically, although the approximate solution itself behaves asymptotically closely to the numerical one.

Thus, at zero group velocity, the expression for the field of particle velocities grows in time.⁷ As shown in the following, the latter is reason of growth of the total energy, although the contributions from the oscillations with the driving frequency and from the singular point are also localized near the boundary (as at $\Omega > 2\omega_e$). In the next section, we estimate the total energy, supplied into the abein

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5 Energy transfer into the semi-infinite Hooke chain

5.1 Exact equation for the energy

According to the energy balance law, the total energy of the chain, U, is equal to the work done by the external force to displace zeroth particle:

$$U = F_0 \int_0^t v_0(\tau) \sin(\Omega \tau) d\tau.$$
 (29)

Substitution of $\eta = 0$ and n = 0 to (13) and then (13) to (29) using evenness property of the integrands yields

$$U = \frac{2F_0^2\Omega}{m\pi v_s^2} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{v_g(\theta)^2 \left(\Omega - \Omega \cos(\Omega t) \cos(\omega(\theta)t) - \omega \sin(\omega(\theta)t) \sin(\Omega t)\right)}{(\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2)^2} d\theta$$

$$-\frac{F_0^2}{m\pi v_s^2} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{v_g(\theta)^2 \sin^2(\Omega t)}{\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2} d\theta.$$
(30)

Equation (30) is the exact expression for the total energy of the semi-infinite chain. Below we investigate behavior of U at large times.

5.2 Large time asymptotics

In order to estimate large time asymptotics for the total energy, we follow the proposed in [35] approach, simplifying expression for the energy (30). If the frequency Ω exceeds $2\omega_e$, i.e., does not belong the passband, defined by the dispersion relation, the total energy can not be permanently supplied into the chain⁸ for

⁷ The similar effect is regularly observed in the continuum systems, see, e.g., [58].

⁸ Aforesaid is further shown to be valid only in the harmonic approximation.

a reason discussed in Sect. 4.2.1. The energy grows until it reach some value for the time, depending on Ω , and further oscillates near it.⁹ Therefore, we consider only the case where the driving frequency belongs to the pass-band ($\Omega \in (0; 2\omega_e]$). At large times, the second term in (30) can be neglected by virtue of its boundedness, if the frequency Ω is not about zero.¹⁰

Changing the wavenumber integral to the frequency integral in first term of (30), we rewrite expression for the energy U as

$$U \approx \frac{2F_0^2 \Omega a}{m\pi v_s^2} \int_0^{2\omega_e} \frac{v^g(\omega) \left(\Omega - \Omega \cos(\Omega t) \cos(\omega t) - \omega \sin(\omega t) \sin(\Omega t)\right)}{(\Omega^2 - \omega^2)^2} d\omega, \tag{31}$$

where v^g is determined by Eq. (24). It is seen from expression (31) that the main contribution to the integral comes from the vicinity of the point $\omega = \Omega$. Changing the variable in the integral in (31) $\epsilon = \Omega - \omega$ and, using the following asymptotic expansions with respect to ϵ/ω_e :

$$\Omega - \Omega \cos(\Omega t) \cos(\omega t) - \omega \sin(\omega t) \sin(\Omega t) = 2\Omega \sin^2\left(\frac{\epsilon t}{2}\right) + O\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right)$$
(32)

and

$$\Omega^2 - \omega^2 = 2\Omega\epsilon + O\left(\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right)^2\right), \quad v^g(\omega) = v^g(\Omega) + O\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right), \tag{33}$$

we rewrite the expression for the total energy as

$$U \approx \frac{F_0^2 a v^g(\Omega)}{m \pi v_s^2} \int_{\Omega - 2\omega_e}^{\Omega} \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{\epsilon t}{2}\right)}{\epsilon^2} \mathrm{d}\epsilon.$$
(34)

Tending in the integral in (34) $\epsilon t \rightarrow \infty$ and using the identity

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{x^2} dx = \frac{\pi}{4},$$
(35)

we write expression for energy, supplied into the chain at large times, in the final form:

$$U \approx \frac{F_0^2 v^g(\Omega) at}{2mv_s^2}.$$
(36)

According to (36), the total energy, supplied into the chain by periodic force loading, linearly grows in time. The reason of the growth is propagation of the non-decaying oscillations through the chain with the group velocity (see Sect. 4.2.2 for details). The more frequency Ω is the slower front \tilde{n}_g , carrying the energy, propagates and thus the rate of energy supply is less. For the first time the result was obtained in [37] in terms of the average power supply (i.e., \dot{U}).

Note that the total energy, supplied into the infinite Hooke chain and is expressed as (see the expression (18) in [35])

$$U_{\rm inf} \approx \frac{F_0^2 a t}{4 m v^g(\Omega)},\tag{37}$$

grows also linearly in time but is inversely proportional to the group velocity, owing to which rate of energy grows with increasing of Ω .

In order to check the estimation (36), we perform numerical integration of Eqs. (4) in the same way as discussed in Sect. 4.2. The obtained particle velocities and displacements are used for calculation the total energy of the chain. Comparison of the expressions (36) with the numerical solution and (37) is shown in Fig. 4.

 $^{^{9}}$ This process is shown in [36] for the case of kinematic loading (see Fig. (2)) therein. Evolution of the total energy in the case of force loading is qualitatively similar.

¹⁰ Otherwise, time scale of oscillations of the total energy, $2\pi/\Omega$, is much greater than $2\pi/\omega_e$ and therefore the second term in (30) cannot be ignored. The growth of the total energy is then slower than for the situations, considered below.



Fig. 4 Dependence of the total energy growth rate in the semi-infinite ((36), solid line) and infinite ((37), dashed line) chains versus the excitation frequency Ω . Results of the numerical simulations are shown by the asterisks

It is also seen that, firstly, asymptotic solution for the energy in the semi-infinite chain is estimated with high accuracy. Secondly, the energy is supplied into the semi-infinite chain faster than into the infinite chain at the driving frequencies $\Omega \in (0; \sqrt{2}\omega_e)$. At the driving frequencies $\Omega \in (\sqrt{2}\omega_e; 2\omega_e)$ energy is supplied to the infinite chain faster than to the semi-infinite chain. Note that at low frequencies the energy supplied into the semi-infinite chain is approximately 2 times more than the one supplied into the infinite chain. Thus, *only* for $\Omega \ll \omega_e$ the problem of energy supply may be considered symmetric with respect to the boundary.

Note also that the rate of energy supply into the infinite elastic bar (model of the Hooke chain in the continuum limit), caused by the force loading, is estimated in [35] (see the expression (50) therein). The expression for the energy, supplied to the infinite bar has the same form as for the infinite Hooke chain, if v^g in (37) is replaced by v_s . The latter is satisfied also for the semi-infinite elastic bar (according to the comparison of (36) and the expression (49) in [35]). Therefore, the rate of energy supply into the semi-infinite Hooke chain can be estimated by the continuum model only for low driving frequencies.

At the cut-off frequency, $\Omega = 2\omega_e$ (at zero group velocity), the asymptotic approximation (36) becomes inapplicable. In this case, we derive the latter as follows. Rewrite the asymptotic expansions (32–33) with respect to $\epsilon = 2\omega_e - \omega$ as

$$\Omega - \Omega \cos(\Omega t) \cos(\omega t) - \omega \sin(\omega t) \sin(\Omega t) = 4\omega_e \sin^2\left(\frac{\epsilon t}{2}\right) + O\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right), \tag{38}$$

$$\Omega^2 - \omega^2 = 4\omega_e \epsilon + O\left(\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right)^2\right), \quad v^g \approx v_s \sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}} + O\left(\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\right). \tag{39}$$

Therefore, expression for the energy can be approximately rewritten in the form

$$U \approx \frac{F_0^2 a \sqrt{t}}{\pi m v_s \sqrt{\omega_e}} \int_0^{2\omega_e t} \frac{\sin^2\left(\frac{\epsilon t}{2}\right)}{\left(\epsilon t\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \mathbf{d}(\epsilon t).$$
(40)

Tending in (40) $\epsilon t \rightarrow \infty$ and using the identity

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \mathrm{d}x = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}},\tag{41}$$

we write expression for energy, supplied into the chain at large times, in the final form:

$$U \approx \frac{F_0^2 \sqrt{t}}{m\sqrt{2\pi\omega_e^3}}.$$
(42)

Therefore, at the frequency $\Omega = 2\omega_e$ the energy grows in time proportionally to \sqrt{t} . In this case, the reason of the growth is increasing in time of the field of particle velocities (and, therefore, field of particle displacements). Note that the energy, supplied into the infinite chain at the same frequency, grows in time as $t^{3/2}$ (see

expression (19) in [35]) and the growth is caused by the same [54]. The reason of different asymptotic behavior of the total energy of the infinite and semi-infinite chains is, apparently, peculiarities of the fields of particle velocity. Namely, in contrast to the semi-infinite chain, the expression for particle velocity in the infinite Hooke chain does not decrease with increasing n (see time derivative of Eq. (1.58) in [54]). A comparison of the expression (42) with the numerical results is discussed in Sect. 6.2.

Thus, analytical estimation of the energy transfer into the semi-infinite Hooke chain is performed. We show in the next section that the expression (36) serves for zeroth approximation for the solution in the anharmonic case.

6 Energy transfer into the β -FPUT chain

In the section, we investigate manifestation of anharmonicity on the behavior of the energy, supplied into the semi-infinite chain and perform large-time asymptotic estimation for it. The total energy can be calculated via Eq. (29) by substitution of asymptotic expansion for the velocity of zeroth particle up to order of $\beta F_0^2/c^3$, which can be obtained by means of the perturbation analysis (see, e.g., [59,60]). However, this approach involves technical difficulties and, therefore, we propose the following strategy below.

6.1 Quasiharmonic approximation for the energy

We refer to the wave turbulence theory (see, e.g., [61]). According to it, the main contribution to the energy exchange between waves, induced by the cubic nonlinearity, comes from the four-wave trivial resonant (2 \rightarrow 2)-type interactions. The dispersion relation, corresponding to the harmonic part of the Hamiltonian is the renormalized dispersion relation.¹¹ For the β -FPUT chain, the latter is analyzed in [63–65]. In order to estimate the total energy, we use the expression for the renormalized dispersion relation, obtained in the paper [63] (see Eq. (3) therein).

Remark 1 The expression for the renormalized dispersion relation of β -FPUT chain may also be derived in different ways, for instance, as discussed in [64]. Comparison of these ways with one, considered here, is beyond the scope of present paper.

For the semi-infinite chain, we rewrite equation for the latter as

$$\tilde{\omega} = \lambda \omega, \quad \lambda = \sqrt{1 + \frac{3\beta}{2\pi c \omega_e^2}} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \langle \hat{u}(t)^2 \rangle_t \omega(\theta)^2 \mathrm{d}\theta}.$$
(43)

where λ is the renormalized factor; \hat{u} is the direct DCT of the particle displacement, which, in general case (for arbitrary β), is unknown; the $\langle ... \rangle_t$ stands for the time averaging. Here, we average over period of the weakly anharmonic Duffing oscillator¹²:

$$\langle ... \rangle_t = \frac{1}{\tau_D} \int_0^{\tau_D} ... dt, \quad \tau_D = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_e} \left(1 - \frac{3\beta F_0^2}{8c^3} \right) + O\left(\frac{\beta^2 F_0^4}{c^6}\right).$$
 (44)

Remark 2 The renormalized dispersion relation is derived in [63] under assumption that the β -FPUT chain is strongly nonlinear and is in thermal equilibrium. This is not our case. Here, $\tilde{\omega}$ is understood as some equivalent linear dispersion relation, which is analogous to the equivalent linear frequency, in terms of which some dynamical problems of nonlinear oscillations may be solved (see, e.g., [67,68]).

Note that, firstly, the renormalized factor does not depend on the wavenumber θ . Secondly, since we calculate λ with accuracy up to order of $\beta F_0^2/c^3$, the expression for \hat{u} in the harmonic approximation can be used. Substitution of (8) at $\eta = 0$ and (44) to (43) and further simplification with the remaining terms of order of $\beta F_0^2/c^3$, yields the following approximation for λ :

$$\lambda \approx 1 + \frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3} \mu(\Omega), \tag{45}$$

¹¹ The renormalized dispersion relation may correspond either to expansion spectrum (for the β -FPUT chain, see below) or to the shifted one (for the nonlinear Klein-Gordon equation, see [62]).

 $^{^{12}}$ See Sect. 4.2.1 in [66] for details. Expansion of Eq. (4.2.15) with respect to the nonlinear parameter yields equation for the period in the form, represented in Eq. (44).



Fig. 5 Dependence of the function μ on the driving frequency Ω

$$\mu(\Omega) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \frac{3\omega_e^2}{8\pi^2} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} \left(\Omega \sin(\omega(\theta)t) - \omega(\theta) \sin(\Omega t)\right)^2}{(\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2)^2} d(\omega_e t) d\theta.$$
(46)

In simulations, the integral in (46) is calculated using the rectangular rule with division of the integration domain on 10^6 equal squares. Dependence of the function μ determining the renormalization factor on the excitation frequency is shown in Fig. 5.

For convenience, we rewrite μ in the following approximate form, which is satisfied for $\Omega/\omega_e \in [1.5; 2.1]^{.13}$:

$$\mu \approx 0.848 \left(\frac{\Omega}{\omega_e}\right)^3 - 4.580 \left(\frac{\Omega}{\omega_e}\right)^2 + 7.591 \left(\frac{\Omega}{\omega_e}\right) - 3.332.$$
(47)

We assume that the main contribution to energy transmission comes from the oscillations with frequencies, which belong to the renormalized dispersion relation $\tilde{\omega}$ and from the harmonic oscillations with the driving frequency Ω (subharmonic (with the frequencies κ times less Ω ($\kappa \in \mathbb{N}, \kappa > 1$), see, e.g., [69] for details) and superharmonic (with the frequencies *m* times more Ω ($\kappa \in \mathbb{N}, \kappa > 1$)) oscillations are neglected). Then, taking into account the first equation in Eqs. (43), (45) and (46) and supposing that Ω is not too close to zero, we rewrite Eq. (31) for the energy, transmitted into the chain, with respect to $\tilde{\omega}$, namely

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$$U \approx \frac{2F_0^2 \Omega a}{m\lambda \pi v_s^2} \int_0^{\tilde{\omega}_{\text{max}}} \frac{v^g \left(\frac{\tilde{\omega}}{\lambda}\right) \left(\Omega - \Omega \cos(\Omega t) \cos(\tilde{\omega} t) - \tilde{\omega} \sin(\tilde{\omega} t) \sin(\Omega t)\right)}{(\Omega^2 - \tilde{\omega}^2)^2} d\tilde{\omega}, \tag{48}$$

where $\tilde{\omega}_{max}$ is the maximal value of the renormalized dispersion relation. Performing the same operations as done in Sect. 5.2 yields the following asymptotic approximation for the total energy:

$$U \approx \frac{F_0^2 v^g \left(\frac{\Omega}{\lambda}\right) at}{2m\lambda v_s^2}.$$
(49)

Substituting (45) and (46) to (49) and preserving the terms of order of $\beta F_0^2/c^3$, we obtain the final expression for the total energy

$$U \approx \frac{F_0^2 v^g \left(\tilde{\Omega}\right) at}{2mv_s^2} \left(1 - \frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3} \mu\right), \quad \tilde{\Omega} = \Omega \left(1 - \frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3} \mu\right).$$
(50)

Therefore, expression for the total energy, supplied into the chain, is represented as a sum of harmonic approximation at the frequency $\tilde{\Omega}$ and correction, directly proportional to the first term. Further, we refer (50) to as a

¹³ Choice of range of the driving frequencies is explained in Sect. 6.2



Fig. 6 A Asymptotic solutions for the total energy, supplied into the semi-infinite chain for $\beta F_0^2/c^3 = 0.1$ at frequencies $\Omega = 1.90\omega_e$ (1), $\Omega = 1.73\omega_e$ (2), $\Omega = 1.41\omega_e$ (3), $\Omega = \omega_e$ (4), $\Omega = 0.20\omega_e$ (5) in the harmonic and quasiharmonic approximations (expressions (36) and (50) respectively). **B** Relative error of asymptotic solution for the rate of energy supply into the harmonic (dashed line) and quasiharmonic (solid line) approximations for $\beta F_0^2/c^3 = 0.02$ (red line) and $\beta F_0^2/c^3 = 0.1$ (black line)

quasiharmonic approximation. It is seen from (50) that, firstly, as expected, energy dependence on F_0^2 is not linear. Secondly, the expression (50) is valid not only for the cutoff frequency of the Hooke chain ($\Omega = 2\omega_e$) but for frequencies, which may slightly *exceed* this value. From (50), we determine a maximal frequency, permitting passing waves into the chain, Ω_{cr} , satisfies the equation

$$\Omega_{\rm cr}\left(1 - \frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3}\mu(\Omega_{\rm cr})\right) = 2\omega_e.$$
(51)

The value of $\Omega_{\rm cr}$ is found from Eq. (51) with accuracy up to order of $\beta F_0^2/c^3$ as (see Appendix D):

$$\Omega_{\rm cr} \approx \left(2 + 2\mu (2\omega_e) \frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3}\right) \omega_e.$$
(52)

From (47), $\mu(2\omega_e) \approx 0.314$. In order to check accuracy of the approximations (50) and (52), we perform the numerical simulations by integration of Eqs. (1) the initial conditions (3) in the same way as described in Sect. 4.2. The obtained particle velocities and displacements are used for calculation the total energy of the chain. Further, we investigate evolution of the total energy at large times and for different types of the driving frequencies.

6.2 Energy propagation at frequencies, lying in the pass-band of the Hooke chain

Evolution of the total energy at large times and at $\Omega \in (0; 2\omega_e)$ for $\beta F_0^2/c^3 = 0.1$ is shown in Fig. 6A.

It is seen that the asymptotics for the energy in the harmonic approximation (36) is valid at short times for all range of the considered driving frequencies. For the frequency $\Omega = 1.41\omega_e$, results, obtained in harmonic approximation, coincide with results, obtained in the quasiharmonic approximation (dashed and solid lines coincide, see Fig. 6A), and also with the results of numerical simulations. However, at large times, manifestation of nonlinearity occurs. For instance, for the frequencies $\Omega = 1.90\omega_e$, $\Omega = 1.73\omega_e$ and $\Omega =$ $0.20\omega_e$ description of the energy supply is more accurate in quasiharmonic approximation than in the harmonic one. Wherein, however, for $\Omega = \omega_e$, the harmonic approximation is more correct than the quasiharmonic one. In order to analyze accuracy of the asymptotic approximations in detail, we calculate the relative error between \dot{U}_{asympt} (using the expressions (36) and (50) for the harmonic and quasiharmonic approximations, respectively) and \dot{U}_{num} , averaged over time interval, equal to $10^3/\omega_e$, for range of the frequencies $\Omega \in$ $[0.09\omega_e; 1.95\omega_e]$. One can see in Fig. 6B that, for the driving frequencies, which are close to the cut-off frequency of the Hooke chain, the relative error of the harmonic approximation is sufficiently higher than one of the quasiharmonic approximation. Therefore, for the driving frequency $\Omega \leq 1.5\omega_e$, energy supply can be estimated in the harmonic approximation with reasonable accuracy.



Fig. 7 Evolution of energy, supplied into the semi-infinite chain at the cut-off frequency of the harmonic chain ($\Omega = 2\omega_e$) at short times (left) and at large times (right). The asymptotic solution is shown for $\beta F_0^2/c^3 = 0$ (1, expression (42)), $\beta F_0^2/c^3 = 0.02$ (2, expression (50)), $\beta F_0^2/c^3 = 0.1$ (3, expression (50))



Fig. 8 The asymptotic approximation (50) for the energy, supplied into the semi-infinite chain at the frequencies $\Omega = 2.005\omega_e$ (3), $\Omega = 2.02\omega_e$ (2), $\Omega = 2.04\omega_e$ (1). Comparison of the asymptotic and numerical solutions is shown for $\beta F_0^2/c^3 = 0.1$

Consider the evolution of the total energy, transferred into the chain at the cut-off frequency of the Hooke chain. The time dependence of the total energy is shown in Fig. 7.

It is seen in Fig. 7 that energy supply at $\Omega = 2\omega_e$ has two time scales. The first time scale corresponds to growth of the total energy, which can be adequately described in the harmonic approximation (expression (42)). Starting from some time, the rate of propagation undergoes sharp increase. Evolution of the energy may be then described in the quasiharmonic approximation with rather high accuracy (at least at times $\omega_e t < 250$, see Fig. 7 (right)).

6.3 Energy propagation at frequencies, lying in the stop-band of the Hooke chain

We consider the energy supply into the semi-infinite chain at $\Omega > 2\omega_e$. The loading with the frequency, exceeding $2\omega_e$, results in energy supply into the chain (see Fig. 8).

In order to understand nature of sharp increase of the supplied energy, we perform set of numerical experiments (See Sect. 6.1 for details). These experiments revealed a localized mode, which moves slower than the decaying perturbations, moving with the speed of sound. Moreover, a numerical experiment, performed for the free semi-infinite Hooked chain ($\beta = 0, F = 0$) showed that the launched same localized mode is extinguished. According to the aforesaid observations, we suppose that the reason of the energy supply is the supratransmission and the source of the transferred into the chain energy (as well as for $\Omega = 2\omega_e$) is, apparently, intrinsic localized modes. It is seen in Fig. 8 that, firstly, evolution of the total energy can be well-described in the quasiharmonic approximation (49) at least at times $\omega_e t < 150$. However, the quasiharmonic approximation becomes hereafter no longer valid owing to the either slowdown or stop of this process, therefore, at high driving frequencies and sufficiently large times, the energy does not grow linearly. Apparently, corrections of order



Fig. 9 Diagram of relations between anharmonic force $\beta F_0^2/c^3$ and Ω/ω_e , corresponding to ability of the energy transmission. The quasiharmonic approximation for the maximal frequency, permitting the transmission ((52), solid line) and the numerical results (triangles, circles and squares) are shown. Triangles and circles denote the relations, corresponding to inability of the energy transmission. Squares denote the relations, corresponding to ability of the energy transmission

of $\beta^2 F_0^4/c^6$ are required for more accurate description of this process. Secondly, one can see that a small change of the driving frequency results in sufficient change of rate of the transfer.

Consider the case when the excitation frequency is close to Ω_{cr} . We calculate numerically the total energy of the chain for frequencies $2\omega_e \leq \Omega \leq \Omega_{cr}$ and $0 < \beta F_0^2/c^3 \leq 0.1$ and then compare the results with the quasiharmonic approximation (50). The relations between Ω/ω_e and $\beta F_0^2/c^3$, corresponding to the different situations, concerning energy transmission into the chain, are shown in Fig. 9. There are such relations, at which the energy is not transmitted into the chain, according to both simulations and the quasiharmonic approximation (50). These relations are marked in the diagram, shown in Fig. 9 by the *triangles* above the dividing line, determining Ω_{cr} by means of the prediction (52).

dividing line, determining Ω_{cr} by means of the prediction (52). There are such values of Ω/ω_e and $\beta F_0^2/c^3$, at which energy is transmitted into the chain and the quasiharmonic approximation is in agreement with it (marked by the *squares*). However, according to the numerical results, several values of Ω/ω_e and $\beta F_0^2/c^3$ correspond to the inability to pass energy into the chain, while the quasiharmonic approximation (52) shows the contrary. These values are marked by the *circles* and are distributed between the triangles and squares. Therefore, the real value of the frequency, permitting the energy transmission, is less than Ω_{cr} . Apparently, neglecting non-trivial resonant or $(3 \rightarrow 1)$ - and $(4 \rightarrow 0)$ -type interactions in the estimation of the total energy might result in some error in (48) and (52). We do not consider this question in the current work in detail.

The expression (52) may be estimated as an upper boundary of the critical frequency. The lower boundary of the critical frequencies can be contingently determined by a straight line to the point (0.10; 2.045). The slope of the latter (0.450) is less than one, corresponding to the upper boundary ($2\mu(2\omega_e) \approx 0.628$).

Remark 3 We have reproduced the numerical calculations of the total energy, having replaced $sin(\Omega t)$ in right part of Eq. (1) by $cos(\Omega t)$ and have convinced that this action does not affect qualitatively on the obtained in this section (and in the present paper at whole) results.

7 Conclusions

Energy supply into the semi-infinite β -FPUT chain by the sudden periodic force loading was considered. Asymptotic peculiarities of the growth of the energy supplied at large times have been estimated.

A modification of the Hemmer approach, which allows to obtain an approximate solution of a dynamical problem in the harmonic approximation (namely, for the Hooke chain) is proposed (Sect. 4.2). Herewith, the contribution, corresponding to the forced oscillations, is found exactly while for the second contribution, corresponding to the natural oscillations, the large-time asymptotic estimation is performed. Obtained expressions for the contributions are used to construct the approximate solution, which is a refined version of the dynamical problem solution obtained in [37] and upon which the explanation of mechanism of energy supply into the chain at large time is based. At low driving frequencies, an effect of the dispersion may be shown to be neglected: a process of energy supply is qualitatively indistinguishable from the same process both in the infinite chain and in the elastic rod (see [35]). However, the rate of the energy supply decreases with increasing the driving frequency (in contrast to the infinite chain) and the problem of energy supply into the semi-infinite chain, in general, cannot be considered symmetric with respect to the boundary.

In the weakly anharmonic case, the process of energy supply can be described in the harmonic approximation for short times at driving frequencies, lying in the pass-band of the Hooke chain. At large times, the harmonic approximation is reasonably accurate for $\Omega \leq 1.5\omega_e$. For the general case, an asymptotic solution for the total energy (referred further to as the quasiharmonic approximation) was obtained (expression (50)) by dint of the derived in [63] and rewritten for the semi-infinite chain equation for the renormalized dispersion relation. The quasiharmonic approximation was shown to be suitable for the description of energy supply at large times (of order at least of $150/\omega_e$) under force loading with the driving frequency, which both may be equal to $2\omega_e$ and may lie in the stop-band of the Hooke chain. By using the first term in (50), approximation for the frequency, above which the energy transmission into the chain is impossible (Ω_{cr}), was obtained (expression (52)). However, the results of numerical analysis have shown that the real value of this frequency is less than Ω_{cr} for any power of anharmonicity.

The results of the current work can be generalized to the cases of the interactions via more physically realistic (than β -FPUT) potentials. Consideration of the cases of loading by a force, arbitrary changing in time, will be also an interesting extension of the present paper. The results with regard to the energy supply in this case may serve for development of theory of heat transport at the nanoscale in the frameworks of the lattice dynamics approach. In particular, a problem of propagation of thermal wave through the interface between two dissimilar semi-infinite homogeneous chains can be interpreted in terms of dynamics of the one chain segment, undergone an equivalent force, acting from the second segment. An expression for this force is unknown. However, using approaches based on the energy dynamics [46], one can obtain some quantities without calculation of the equivalent force itself (see [70]). The results concerning asymptotic estimates of the supplied total energy are expected to serve for simplification of the aforesaid problem, concerning inhomogeneous anharmonic lattices. Understanding of the heat transport therein is important for development of thermal diode, thermal transistor and heat pump techniques (see, e.g., [45,71–74]).

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Appendix A Derivation of Eq. (16)

Here, we derive Eq. for the contribution v_n^{Ω} in the closed form. Using the following approximations due to η/ω_e is infinitesimal:

$$\phi_2 \approx \begin{bmatrix} \pi, \ \omega < \Omega; \\ 0, \ \omega > \Omega, \end{bmatrix}, \quad \sqrt{\Omega^2 - \omega^2 \pm 2i\eta\Omega} \approx \sqrt{\Omega^2 - \omega^2} \pm \frac{i\eta\Omega}{\sqrt{\Omega^2 - \omega^2}}, \tag{A1}$$

rewrite the expression for v_n^{Ω} in Eq. (15) as follows:

$$v_n^{\Omega} \approx -\frac{F_0 \Omega \cos(\Omega t) H(t)}{m} \left(\mathbf{I}_n + \mathbf{I}_{n+1} + \text{c.c.} \right), \quad \mathbf{I}_n = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \frac{e^{\mathrm{i}n\theta} \,\mathrm{d}\theta}{\Omega^2 - \omega^2 - \mathrm{i}\eta\Omega},\tag{A2}$$

where c.c. stands for the complex conjugate terms. We transform the integral in Eq. (A2) to the unit circle integral. Put $z = e^{i\theta}$. Then

$$d\theta = -i\frac{dz}{z}, \qquad 2\cos\theta = z + \frac{1}{z},$$
(A3)

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and, therefore,

$$\mathbf{I}_{n} = -\frac{\mathbf{i}}{4\pi} \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{z^{n} dz}{\omega_{e}^{2} z^{2} + (\Omega^{2} - 2\omega_{e}^{2} - \mathbf{i}\eta\Omega)z + \omega_{e}^{2}}.$$
 (A4)

Rewrite Eq. (A4) as

$$I_n = -\frac{i}{4\pi\omega_e^2(z_1 - z_2)} \left(\oint_{|z|=1} \frac{z^n dz}{z - z_1} - \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{z^n dz}{z - z_2} \right),$$
 (A5)

$$z_{1,2} = \frac{2\omega_e^2 - \Omega^2 + i\eta\Omega \pm i\sqrt{\Omega}\sqrt{\Omega - i\eta}\sqrt{4\omega_e^2 - \Omega^2 + i\eta\Omega}}{2\omega_e^2}.$$
 (A6)

where z_1 and z_2 are roots of the denominator of the integrand in Eq. (A4), i.e., poles. Rewrite the latter in the limit $\eta \rightarrow 0+$:

$$z_{1,2} = 1 - \frac{\Omega^2}{2\omega_e^2} \pm i \left(\frac{\Omega \sqrt{4\omega_e^2 - \Omega^2}}{2\omega_e^2} \pm 0 \right).$$
(A7)

Consider $0 < \Omega < 2\omega_e$. In this case, the pole z_2 lies inside the unit circle |z| < 1 only. Therefore, we take into account the residue at z_2 only and the first term in (A5) equals zero. Therefore, we have

$$I_n = \frac{iz_2^n}{2\Omega\sqrt{4\omega_e^2 - \Omega^2}} = \frac{(-1)^n e^{2i\varphi n}}{-2i\Omega\sqrt{4\omega_e^2 - \Omega^2}}, \quad \varphi = \arccos\frac{\Omega}{2\omega_e}.$$
 (A8)

Consider $\Omega > 2\omega_e$. In this case, Eqs. for $z_{1,2}$ have the form

$$z_{1,2} = 1 - \frac{\Omega^2 \pm \Omega \sqrt{\Omega^2 - 4\omega_e^2}}{2\omega_e^2}.$$
 (A9)

Substituting $z_{1,2}$ to Eq. (A5) with taking into account $|z_2| < 1$ yields

$$I_n = \frac{z_2^n}{2\Omega\sqrt{\Omega^2 - 4\omega_e^2}} = \frac{(-1)^n e^{-\gamma n}}{2\Omega\sqrt{\Omega^2 - 4\omega_e^2}},$$

$$\gamma = -\ln\left(\frac{\Omega^2 - \Omega\sqrt{\Omega^2 - 4\omega_e^2}}{2\omega_e^2} - 1\right) = 2\operatorname{arccosh}\frac{\Omega}{2\omega_e}.$$
(A10)

Consider $\Omega = 2\omega_e$. The integral for I_n and its complex conjugation, \bar{I}_n , determined in (A2), can be analogously transformed into the unit circle integral and then to the form

$$I_n = -\frac{i}{4\pi\omega_e^2} \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{z^n dz}{(z+1-0i)^2} = 0,$$
(A11)

$$\bar{\mathbf{I}}_n = -\frac{\mathrm{i}}{4\pi\omega_e^2} \oint_{|z|=1} \frac{z^{-n} \mathrm{d}z}{(z+1+0\mathrm{i})^2} = \frac{(-1)^{(n+1)}n}{2\omega_e^2}.$$
 (A12)

Here, the following identities [75]

$$\frac{1}{(z\pm 0i)^2} = \pm i\pi \delta'(z) + p.v.\frac{1}{z^2},$$
(A13)

where p.v. stands for the Cauchy principle value, are used. Substitution of Eqs. (A8), (A10), (A11), (A12) to Eq. (A2) with respect to the corresponding values of the driving frequency and with further simplifications yields Eq. (16). Note that the expressions (A8), (A10), (A12) were previously obtained in [54]. However, Eqs. (A8)+c.c. and (A11) were obtained in the sense of the Cauchy principal value only, while, here, we do this exactly by using the limiting absorption principle.

Appendix B Derivation of the expression (18)

Rewrite Eq. for v_n^{ω} in Eq. (14) as follows:

$$v_n^{\omega} = \frac{2F_0\Omega e^{-\eta t}H(t)}{m\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{(\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2)\cos(\omega(\theta)t)}{(\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2)^2 + 4\eta^2\Omega^2} \cos\frac{(2n+1)\theta}{2}\cos\frac{\theta}{2}d\theta.$$
 (B14)

Here, we use the following approximations due to η/ω_e is infinitesimal:

$$\phi_1 \approx \begin{bmatrix} 0, \, \omega < \Omega; \\ \pi, \, \omega > \Omega, \end{bmatrix}$$
(B15)

$$\sqrt{\omega^2 - \eta^2} \approx \omega, \quad \sqrt{4\eta^2(\omega^2 - \eta^2) + (\Omega^2 - \omega^2 + 2\eta^2)^2} \approx |\Omega^2 - \omega^2|.$$
 (B16)

Rewrite the wavenumber integral (B14), changing to the frequency integral:

$$v_n^{\omega} = \frac{2F_0\Omega e^{-\eta t}H(t)}{m\omega_e \pi} \int_0^{2\omega_e} \frac{(\Omega^2 - \omega^2)\cos(\omega(\theta)t)}{(\Omega^2 - \omega^2)^2 + 4\eta^2\Omega^2} \cos\left((2n+1)\arcsin\frac{\omega}{2\omega_e}\right) d\omega. \tag{B17}$$

Introduce a function, I_n^{cr} , which denotes the contribution to Eq. (B14), coming from the vicinity of the point $\Omega = \omega$. We introduce a variable $\epsilon = \Omega - \omega$, which is infinitesimal for infinitesimal value η/ω_e . Consider two cases: $0 < \Omega < 2\omega_e$ and $\Omega = 2\omega_e$. In the first case, we transform (B14) using the following asymptotic expansions with respect to ϵ/ω_e :

$$\Omega^2 - \omega^2 = 2\Omega\epsilon + O\left(\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right)^2\right),\tag{B18}$$

$$\cos\left((2n+1)\arcsin\frac{\omega}{2\omega_e}\right) = \cos\left((2n+1)\arcsin\frac{\Omega}{2\omega_e}\right) + O\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right). \tag{B19}$$

Based on aforesaid, we write equation for I_n^{cr} as the integral along the vicinity of $\epsilon = 0$:

$$I_{n}^{cr} = \frac{F_{0}e^{-\eta t}H(t)\mathcal{T}_{2n+1}\left(\sqrt{1-\frac{\Omega^{2}}{4\omega_{e}^{2}}}\right)}{m\omega_{e}\pi} \left[\cos(\Omega t)\int_{\Omega-2\omega_{e}}^{\Omega}\frac{\epsilon\cos(\epsilon t)d\epsilon}{\epsilon^{2}+\eta^{2}} + \sin(\Omega t)\int_{\Omega-2\omega_{e}}^{\Omega}\frac{\epsilon\sin(\epsilon t)d\epsilon}{\epsilon^{2}+\eta^{2}}\right].$$
(B20)

Introduce a function $v_{n,cr}^{\omega}$ such as

$$v_{n,\mathrm{cr}}^{\omega} \sim \mathbf{I}_n^{\mathrm{cr}}|_{\Omega t \gg 1, \, \eta \to 0+}. \tag{B21}$$

Then, tending $\epsilon t \to \infty$ in the integrals in Eq. (B20) and using the following identities, which are true for any $\tilde{\eta} > 0$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \sin x}{x^2 + \tilde{\eta}^2} \mathrm{d}x = e^{-\tilde{\eta}} \pi, \qquad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{x \cos x}{x^2 + \tilde{\eta}^2} \mathrm{d}x = 0, \tag{B22}$$

we write the expression for $v_{n,cr}^{\omega}$ in the form

$$v_{n,\text{cr}}^{\omega} \approx \frac{F_0 \mathcal{T}_{2n+1} \left(\sqrt{1 - \frac{\Omega^2}{4\omega_e^2}} \right)}{m\omega_e} \sin(\Omega t).$$
(B23)

Consider the case when $\Omega = 2\omega_e$. Putting $\eta = 0$ and $\epsilon = 2\omega_e - \omega$, we rewrite the asymptotic expansions (B19) as

$$\Omega^2 - \omega^2 = 4\omega_e \epsilon + O\left(\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right)^2\right),\tag{B24}$$

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$$\cos\left((2n+1)\arcsin\frac{\omega}{2\omega_e}\right) = (-1)^n (2n+1)\sqrt{\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}} + O\left(\left(\frac{\epsilon}{\omega_e}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}\right).$$
(B25)

Therefore,

$$I_n^{\rm cr} = \frac{(-1)^n F_0 H(t)(2n+1)}{m\pi\sqrt{\omega_e^3}} \bigg[\cos(2\omega_e t) \int_0^{2\omega_e} \frac{\cos(\epsilon t) d\epsilon}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} + \sin(2\omega_e t) \int_0^{2\omega_e} \frac{\sin(\epsilon t) d\epsilon}{\sqrt{\epsilon}} \bigg].$$
(B26)

Tending $\epsilon t \rightarrow \infty$ in (B26) and using Eq. (B21) and the identities

$$\int_0^\infty \frac{\cos x \, \mathrm{d}x}{\sqrt{x}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}, \qquad \int_0^\infty \frac{\sin x \, \mathrm{d}x}{\sqrt{x}} = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}},\tag{B27}$$

we write the expression for $v_{n,cr}^{\omega}$ as

$$v_{n,\text{cr}}^{\omega} \approx \frac{(-1)^n F_0(2n+1)}{m\sqrt{2\pi\omega_e^3 t}} \left(\cos(2\omega_e t) + \sin(2\omega_e t)\right),$$
 (B28)

which can be transformed to the form shown in Eq. (18).

Appendix C Derivation of the expression (19)

Put $\eta = 0$ in Eq. (14) and rewrite Eq. for v_n^{ω} in as follows:

$$v_n^{\omega} = \frac{F_0 \Omega H(t)}{m} \left(I_1 - I_2 + I_3 + I_4 \right), \tag{C29}$$

$$I_{1,3} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\cos(\omega(\theta)t \pm n\theta)}{\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2} \cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2} d\theta, \quad I_{2,4} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin(\omega(\theta)t \pm n\theta)}{\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2} \cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2} d\theta.$$
(C30)

In order to estimate the large-time asymptotics of the integrals in Eq. (C29) at the moving front, firstly, we transform them to the form with the structure of the Fourier integral:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}} = \int f(\theta) e^{\mathbf{i}\varphi(\theta)t} \mathrm{d}\theta.$$
(C31)

Following [76–78], put $n = w\omega_e t$, where w is the dimensionless constant in time speed of the observation point, 0 < w < 1. Then, we consider the following integrals:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{1\pm} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f_1(\theta) e^{\mathbf{i}\varphi_{\pm}(\theta)\omega_e t} \mathrm{d}\theta, \qquad \tilde{\mathbf{I}}_{2\pm} = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} f_2(\theta) e^{\mathbf{i}\varphi_{\pm}(\theta)\omega_e t} \mathrm{d}\theta, \tag{C32}$$

$$f_1(\theta) = \frac{\cos^2 \frac{\theta}{2}}{\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2}, \qquad f_2(\theta) = \frac{\cos \frac{\theta}{2} \sin \frac{\theta}{2}}{\Omega^2 - \omega(\theta)^2}, \qquad \varphi_{\pm}(\theta) = 2\sin \frac{\theta}{2} \pm w\theta.$$
(C33)

For estimation of large-time asymptotics, we use the stationary phase method [79]. The stationary points, θ_s , corresponding to the integrals in Eq. (C32) satisfy the condition $\frac{d\varphi_{\pm}}{d\theta}\Big|_{\theta=\theta_s} = 0$. As well as the negative stationary points, the stationary point $\theta_s = 2(\pi - \arccos w)$ does not belong to the interval $(0; \pi)$. Therefore,

$$\tilde{I}_{1+} = \tilde{I}_{2+} = O((\omega_e t)^{-\infty})$$
 (C34)

and thus $I_1 = I_2 = O((\omega_e t)^{-\infty})$. Consider $\theta_s = 2 \arccos w$. Then

$$\varphi_{-}(\theta_{s}) = 2\sqrt{1-w^{2}} - 2w \arccos w, \quad \frac{d^{2}\varphi_{-}}{d\theta^{2}}\Big|_{\theta=\theta_{s}} = -\frac{1}{2}\sqrt{1-w^{2}} < 0.$$
 (C35)

Since the stationary point is not degenerate, we can therefore write the following expression for the principal term of the asymptotics of the integral \tilde{I}_{1-} [79]:

$$\tilde{I}_{1-} \sim \frac{1}{\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{\omega_{e}t \left| \frac{d^{2}\varphi_{-}}{d\theta^{2}} \right|_{\theta=\theta_{s}}}} f_{1}(\theta_{s}) e^{i\left(\varphi_{-}(\theta_{s})\omega_{e}t + \frac{\pi}{4} \operatorname{sgn} \frac{d^{2}\varphi_{-}}{d\theta^{2}} \right|_{\theta=\theta_{s}}}\right)
= \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi} \omega_{e}t \sqrt{1-w^{2}}} \frac{w^{2}}{\Omega^{2} - 4\omega_{e}^{2}(1-w^{2})} e^{i\left((2\sqrt{1-w^{2}} - 2w \operatorname{arccos} w)\omega_{e}t - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}.$$
(C36)

Analogously,

$$\tilde{I}_{2-} \sim \frac{2}{\sqrt{\pi \omega_e t \sqrt{1-w^2}}} \frac{w\sqrt{1-w^2}}{\Omega^2 - 4\omega_e^2(1-w^2)} e^{i\left((2\sqrt{1-w^2} - 2w \arccos w)\omega_e t - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)}.$$
(C37)

The integrals I₃ and I₄ are calculated as

$$I_3 = \Re(\tilde{I}_{1-})H(1-w), \quad I_4 = \Im(\tilde{I}_{2-})H(1-w).$$
 (C38)

Substitution of $w = n/(\omega_e t)$ to Eqs. (C36), (C37) and (C38) and the final result to Eq. (C29) with further simplifications yields the expressions (19) and (20).

Appendix D Solution of Eq. (51)

We seek solution of Eq. (51) with accuracy up to order of $\beta F_0^2/c^3$. Knowing that $\Omega_{cr} > 2\omega_e$ but not much more, than $2\omega_e$ we can write expression for $\mu(\Omega_{cr})$ as

$$\mu(\Omega_{\rm cr}) = \mu(2\omega_e) + O\left(\frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3}\right).$$
(D39)

Substituting (D39) to (51) with preserving terms of order of $\beta F_0^2/c^3$ yields

$$\Omega_{\rm cr}\left(1 - \frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3}\mu(2\omega_e)\right) = 2\omega_e,\tag{D40}$$

whereas

$$\Omega_{\rm cr} = \frac{2\omega_e}{1 - \frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3} \mu(2\omega_e)} = 2\omega_e \left(1 + \frac{\beta F_0^2}{c^3} \mu(2\omega_e) + O\left(\frac{\beta^2 F_0^4}{c^6}\right) \right). \tag{D41}$$

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