

Remarks on the conditions (L) and (L)<sub>0</sub> in the  
 paper “On the Cauchy problem for hyperbolic  
 operators with double characteristics whose  
 principal parts have time dependent  
 coefficients”

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Let the conditions (L) and (L)<sub>0</sub> be given in [3]. In [3] we asserted the following lemma.

**Lemma 1.** *The condition (L)<sub>0</sub> is satisfied if the condition (L) is satisfied.*

In this note we shall prove Lemma 1. Let  $U$  be an open subset of  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , and let  $a(t, \xi)$  be a real analytic function defined in  $[0, \delta_0] \times \bar{U}$ , where  $\delta_0 > 0$ . Then there is a compact complex neighborhood  $\Omega_a$  of  $[0, \delta_0]$  such that  $a(t, \xi)$  is regarded as an analytic function defined in  $\Omega_a$  for  $\xi \in \bar{U}$ . We assume that  $a(t, \xi) \geq 0$  for  $(t, \xi) \in [0, \delta_0] \times \bar{U}$ . Let  $b(t, \xi)$  be real analytic in  $[0, \delta_0] \times \bar{U}$ . Let  $\mathcal{R}_U(\xi) : U \ni \xi \mapsto \mathcal{R}_U(\xi) \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbf{C})$  satisfy  $\#\mathcal{R}_U(\xi) \leq N_U$  for any  $\xi \in U$ , where  $N_U \in \mathbf{N}$  and  $\#A$  denotes the number of the elements of a set  $A$ . We choose  $\delta \in (0, 1]$  so that  $[-\delta, \delta_0 + \delta] \subset \Omega_a$ . Let  $c \in (0, 1]$ , and let  $\mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)$  ( $\subset \mathbf{C}$ ) be a set-valued function defined for  $\xi \in U$  satisfying the following:

- (i)  $\sup_{\xi \in U} \#\mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi) < \infty$ .
- (ii) If  $\xi \in U$ ,  $a(t, \xi) \neq 0$  in  $t$ ,  $\lambda \in \Omega_a$ ,  $a(\lambda, \xi) = 0$ ,  $|\operatorname{Im} \lambda| \leq \delta$  and  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \in [-\delta, \delta_0 + \delta]$ , then there is  $s \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)$  satisfying  $|\operatorname{Im} \lambda| \geq c|(\operatorname{Re} \lambda)_+ - s|$ .

Lemma 1 easily follows from Lemma 2 below and the compactness argument.

**Lemma 2.** *There are positive constants  $\delta_1$  and  $A \equiv A(a, \delta, c)$  such that*

$$(L)_{a,\delta,c} \quad \min \left\{ \min_{s \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |t - s|, 1 \right\} |b(t, \xi)| \leq AC \sqrt{a(t, \xi)}$$

*for  $(t, \xi) \in [0, \delta_1] \times U$*

if, with  $C \geq 1$ ,

$$(L)_U \quad \min \left\{ \min_{s \in \mathcal{R}_U(\xi)} |t - s|, 1 \right\} |b(t, \xi)| \leq C \sqrt{a(t, \xi)} \quad \text{for } (t, \xi) \in [0, \delta_1] \times U,$$

where  $\min_{s \in \emptyset} |t - s| = 1$ .

*Proof.* Assume that  $(L)_U$  holds, and put

$$\kappa(\xi) = \int_0^{\delta_0} a(t, \xi) dt.$$

If  $\kappa(\xi) \equiv 0$ , then  $a(t, \xi) \equiv b(t, \xi) \equiv 0$  in  $(t, \xi)$  and the lemma becomes trivial. Assume that  $\kappa(\xi) \not\equiv 0$ . Let  $\xi^0 \in \bar{U}$ . We apply Hironaka's resolution theorem to  $\kappa(\xi)$  ( see [1]). Then there are an open neighborhood  $U(\xi^0)$  of  $\xi^0$ , a real analytic manifold  $\tilde{U}(\xi^0)$ , a proper analytic mapping  $\varphi \equiv \varphi(\xi^0): \tilde{U}(\xi^0) \ni \tilde{u} \mapsto \varphi(\tilde{u}) (\equiv \varphi(\tilde{u}; \xi^0)) \in U(\xi^0)$  satisfying the following:

(i)  $\varphi: \tilde{U}(\xi^0) \setminus \tilde{A} \rightarrow U(\xi^0) \setminus A$  is an isomorphism, where  $A = \{\xi \in \bar{U}; \kappa(\xi) = 0\}$  and  $\tilde{A} = \varphi^{-1}(A)$ .

(ii) For each  $p \in \tilde{U}(\xi^0)$  there are local analytic coordinates  $X (\equiv X^p) = (X_1, \dots, X_n) (= (X_1^p, \dots, X_n^p))$  centered at  $p$ ,  $r(p) \in \mathbf{Z}_+$  with  $r(p) \leq n$ ,  $s_k(p) \in \mathbf{N}$  ( $1 \leq k \leq r(p)$ ), a neighborhood  $\tilde{U}(\xi^0; p)$  of  $p$  and a real analytic function  $e(X) (\equiv e(X^p; p))$  in  $\tilde{V}(\xi^0; p)$  such that  $e(X) > 0$  for  $X \in \tilde{V}(\xi^0; p)$  and

$$\kappa(\varphi(\tilde{u})) = e(X(\tilde{u})) \prod_{k=1}^{r(p)} X_k(\tilde{u})^{2s_k(p)} \quad (\tilde{u} \in \tilde{U}(\xi^0; p)),$$

where  $\tilde{V}(\xi^0; p) = \{X(\tilde{u}); \tilde{u} \in \tilde{U}(\xi^0; p)\}$  and  $\prod_{k=1}^{r(p)} \dots = 1$  if  $r(p) = 0$ .

Here  $\tilde{V}(\xi^0; p)$  is a neighborhood of 0 in  $\mathbf{R}^n$ . Define  $\tilde{\varphi} (\equiv \tilde{\varphi}(\xi^0, p)): \tilde{V}(\xi^0; p) \rightarrow U(\xi^0)$  by  $\tilde{\varphi}(X(\tilde{u})) (\equiv \tilde{\varphi}(X^p(\tilde{u}); \xi^0, p)) = \varphi(\tilde{u}) (\equiv \varphi(\tilde{u}; \xi^0))$  for  $\tilde{u} \in \tilde{U}(\xi^0; p)$ . Let  $U_0(\xi^0)$  be a compact neighborhood of  $\xi^0$  in  $U(\xi^0)$ , and put  $\tilde{U}_0(\xi^0) = \varphi^{-1}(U_0(\xi^0))$ . Fix  $p \in \tilde{U}_0(\xi^0)$ , and put

$$\alpha(p) = (s_1(p), \dots, s_{r(p)}(p), 0, \dots, 0) \in (\mathbf{Z}_+)^n.$$

From  $(L)_U$  it is easy to see that there is a real analytic function  $d(t, X; p)$  defined in  $[0, \delta_0] \times \tilde{V}(\xi^0; p)$  satisfying

$$|b(t, \tilde{\varphi}(X; \xi^0, p))|^2 = d(t, X; p) X^{2\alpha(p)} \quad \text{for } (t, X) \in [0, \delta_0] \times \tilde{V}(\xi^0; p).$$

From (2.6) and (2.7) of [3] we can also write

$$\begin{aligned} a(t, \tilde{\varphi}(X; \xi^0, p)) &= c(t, X; p) f(t, X; p) X^{2\alpha(p)}, \\ f(t, X; p) &= t^{m(p)} + a_1(X; p) t^{m(p)-1} + \cdots + a_{m(p)}(X; p) \end{aligned}$$

for  $(t, X) \in [0, \delta(p)] \times \tilde{V}(p)$ , where  $0 < \delta(p) \leq \min\{\delta_0, 1\}$ ,  $\tilde{V}(p)$  is a compact neighborhood of 0 in  $\tilde{V}(\xi^0; p)$ ,  $m(p) \in \mathbf{Z}_+$ ,  $c(t, X; p)$  is a real analytic function defined in  $[0, \delta(p)] \times \tilde{V}(p)$  satisfying  $c(t, X; p) > 0$  and the  $a_k(X; p)$  are real analytic functions defined in  $\tilde{V}(p)$ . By the Weierstrass division theorem there are a polynomial  $g(t, X; p)$  of  $t$  with real analytic coefficients of  $X$  defined in  $\tilde{V}(p)$ , and a real analytic function  $h(t, X; p)$  defined in  $[0, \delta(p)] \times \tilde{V}(p)$  satisfying  $\deg_t g(t, X; p) < m(p)$  and

$$d(t, X; p) = h(t, X; p) f(t, X; p) + g(t, X; p) \quad \text{in } [0, \delta(p)] \times \tilde{V}(p),$$

modifying  $\delta(p)$  and  $\tilde{V}(p)$  if necessary. Fix  $X \in \tilde{V}(p)$  with  $X^{\alpha(p)} \neq 0$ , and put  $\xi = \tilde{\varphi}(X; \xi^0, p)$ . Then (L)<sub>U</sub> implies that

$$(1) \quad \min \left\{ \min_{s \in \mathcal{R}_U(\xi)} |t - s|^2, 1 \right\} |g(t, X; p)| \leq C^2 C_1(p) f(t, X; p)$$

for  $t \in [0, \delta(p)]$ , where

$$C_1(p) = \max_{(s, Y) \in [0, \delta(p)] \times \tilde{V}(p)} (c(s, Y; p) + |h(s, Y; p)|) + 1.$$

Let us prove that there is a positive constant  $A(p, \delta, c)$  independent of  $X$  such that

$$(2) \quad \min \left\{ \min_{s \in \mathcal{R}_{a, \delta, c}(\xi)} |t - s|^2, 1 \right\} |g(t, X; p)| \leq A(p, \delta, c) C^2 C_1(p) f(t, X; p)$$

for  $t \in [0, \delta(p)]$ . If  $t \in [0, \delta(p)] \cap \mathcal{R}_{a, \delta, c}(\xi)$ , then (2) holds. So we may assume that  $t \in [0, \delta(p)] \setminus \mathcal{R}_{a, \delta, c}(\xi)$  and that  $g(s, X; p) \not\equiv 0$  in  $s$ . If  $\mathcal{R}_{a, \delta, c}(\xi) = \emptyset$ , then we have  $a(s, \xi) \not\equiv 0$  in  $s$  and

$$a(\lambda, \xi) \neq 0 \quad \text{if } \lambda \in \Omega_a, \operatorname{Re} \lambda \in [-\delta, \delta_0 + \delta] \text{ and } |\operatorname{Im} \lambda| \leq \delta,$$

since  $\kappa(\xi) \neq 0$ . This implies that

$$f(t, X; p) \geq \delta^{m(p)} \quad \text{if } \mathcal{R}_{a, \delta, c}(\xi) = \emptyset.$$

Therefore, (2) is valid if  $\mathcal{R}_{a, \delta, c}(\xi) = \emptyset$  and

$$A(p, \delta, c) \geq \delta^{-m(p)} \max_{(s, Y) \in [0, \delta(p)] \times \tilde{V}(p)} |g(s, Y; p)|.$$

Thus we may assume that  $\mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi) \neq \emptyset$ . Then there is  $\lambda_0 \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)$  satisfying  $\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |t - \lambda| = |t - \lambda_0|$ . Now let us apply the argument in the proof of Lemma 2.1 of [2]. First consider the case where  $t \geq \delta(p)/2$ . We put

$$s_0 = \max\{0, t - |t - \lambda_0|\},$$

and divide the interval  $(s_0, t]$  into  $(m(p) + N_U)$  subintervals with equal length. Write

$$g(s, X; p) = d(p) \prod_{j=1}^{\bar{\mu}} (s - \mu_j),$$

where  $\bar{\mu} < m(p)$  and  $\mu_j \in \mathbf{C}$ . Then there is  $\hat{k} \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $\hat{k} \leq m(p) + N_U$  and

$$(s_0 + (\hat{k} - 1)\rho, s_0 + \hat{k}\rho] \cap (\{\operatorname{Re} \mu_j; 1 \leq j \leq \bar{\mu}\} \cup \{\operatorname{Re} \lambda; \lambda \in \mathcal{R}_U(\xi)\}) = \emptyset,$$

where  $\rho = (t - s_0)/(m(p) + N_U)$ . Put

$$I = [s_0 + (\hat{k} - 2/3)\rho, s_0 + (\hat{k} - 1/3)\rho].$$

(i) Let  $\tilde{t} \in I$ . Then we have

$$(3) \quad \min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_U(\xi)} |\tilde{t} - \lambda|, 1\right\} \geq \rho/3,$$

$$(4) \quad \min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |\tilde{t} - \lambda|, 1\right\} \leq \min\{|\tilde{t} - \lambda_0|, 1\} \leq 2 \min\{|t - \lambda_0|, 1\},$$

since  $\rho \leq 1$  and  $0 < t - s_0 \leq |t - \lambda_0|$ . Since  $\rho = |t - \lambda_0|/(m(p) + N_U)$  if  $t \geq |t - \lambda_0|$ , and  $\rho = t/(m(p) + N_U)$  otherwise, we have

$$(5) \quad \rho \geq \delta(p) \min\{|t - \lambda_0|, 1\}/(2(m(p) + N_U)).$$

This, together with (3) and (4), gives

$$(6) \quad \begin{aligned} \min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |\tilde{t} - \lambda|, 1\right\} &\leq 4(m(p) + N_U)\rho/\delta(p) \\ &\leq 12(m(p) + N_U) \min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_U} |\tilde{t} - \lambda|, 1\right\}/\delta(p). \end{aligned}$$

From (1) and (6) we have

$$(7) \quad \begin{aligned} \min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |\tilde{t} - \lambda|^2, 1\right\} |g(\tilde{t}, X; p)| \\ \leq 144(m(p) + N_U)^2 C^2 C_1(p) f(\tilde{t}, X; p) / \delta(p)^2. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) (5) implies that

$$\min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |t - \lambda|, 1\right\} = \min\{|t - \lambda_0|, 1\} \leq 2(m(p) + N_U)\rho/\delta(p).$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |\tilde{t} - \lambda|, 1\right\} \geq \rho/3 \quad \text{for } \tilde{t} \in I,$$

since  $|\tilde{t} - \lambda| \geq |t - \lambda| - |t - \tilde{t}| \geq |t - \lambda_0| - |t - \tilde{t}|$  for  $\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)$ , and  $|t - \tilde{t}| = t - \tilde{t} \leq t - s_0 - \rho/3 \leq |t - \lambda_0| - \rho/3$  for  $\tilde{t} \in I$ . This, together with (5), gives

$$\begin{aligned} (8) \quad & \min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |t - \lambda|, 1\right\} = \min\{|t - \lambda_0|, 1\} \\ & \leq 2(m(p) + N_U)\rho/\delta(p) \leq 6(m(p) + N_U) \min\left\{\min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |\tilde{t} - \lambda|, 1\right\}/\delta(p) \end{aligned}$$

for  $\tilde{t} \in I$ . It is obvious that  $|\tilde{t} - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j| \geq \rho/3$  and

$$\begin{aligned} |t - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j| &\leq |\tilde{t} - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j| \quad \text{if } (t + \tilde{t})/2 \leq \operatorname{Re} \mu_j, \\ |t - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j| &\leq 2|\tilde{t} - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j| \quad \text{if } \operatorname{Re} \mu_j \leq 2\tilde{t} - t, \\ 0 < t - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j &\leq 2(t - \tilde{t}) \leq 2(m(p) + N_U - 1/3)\rho \\ &\quad \text{if } 2\tilde{t} - t \leq \operatorname{Re} \mu_j \leq (t + \tilde{t})/2, \end{aligned}$$

for  $\tilde{t} \in I$  and  $1 \leq j \leq \bar{\mu}$ . Noting that  $|\tilde{t} - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j| \geq \rho/3$ , we have

$$|t - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j| \leq 6(m(p) + N_U)|\tilde{t} - \operatorname{Re} \mu_j| \quad \text{for } \tilde{t} \in I \text{ and } 1 \leq j \leq \bar{\mu},$$

which gives

$$(9) \quad |g(t, X; p)| \leq \{6(m(p) + N_U)\}^{m(p)-1} |g(\tilde{t}, X; p)| \quad \text{for } \tilde{t} \in I.$$

We write

$$f(s, X; p) = \prod_{j=1}^{m(p)} (s - \lambda_j).$$

We may assume that  $f(s, X; p)$  is defined in  $\mathbf{R} \times \tilde{V}(p)$ ,  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_j \in [-\delta(p), \delta(p)]$  for  $1 \leq j \leq m(p)$ , modifying  $\tilde{V}(p)$  if necessary. Let  $1 \leq j \leq m(p)$ . If  $|\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j| > \delta$ , then we have

$$(10) \quad |\tilde{t} - \lambda_j|^2 \leq 4\delta(p)^2 + |\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j|^2 \leq (1 + (2/\delta)^2) |\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j|^2 \leq (3/\delta)^2 |\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j|^2$$

for  $\tilde{t} \in I$ . If  $|\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j| \leq \delta$  and  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_j < -\delta$ , then we have

$$(11) \quad |\tilde{t} - \lambda_j|^2 \leq 4\delta(p)^2 + \delta^2 \leq (1 + (2/\delta)^2)|t - \lambda_j|^2 \leq (3/\delta)^2|t - \lambda_j|^2 \quad \text{for } \tilde{t} \in I.$$

Let  $|\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j| \leq \delta$  and  $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_j \geq -\delta$ . Then there is  $s_j \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)$  satisfying  $|\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j| \geq c|(\operatorname{Re} \lambda_j)_+ - s_j|$ . Therefore, we have

$$(12) \quad \begin{aligned} |t - \lambda_j| &\geq (c|t - (\operatorname{Re} \lambda_j)_+| + |\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j|)/2 \\ &\geq (c|t - s_j| - c|(\operatorname{Re} \lambda_j)_+ - s_j| + |\operatorname{Im} \lambda_j|)/2 \\ &\geq c|t - s_j|/2 \geq c|t - \lambda_0|/2 \geq c|\tilde{t} - \lambda_j|/4 \quad \text{if } |\tilde{t} - \lambda_j| \leq 2|t - \lambda_0|. \end{aligned}$$

$$(13) \quad \begin{aligned} |t - \lambda_j| &\geq |\tilde{t} - \lambda_j| - |t - \tilde{t}| \geq |\tilde{t} - \lambda_j| - |t - s_0| \geq |\tilde{t} - \lambda_j|/2 \\ &\quad \text{if } |\tilde{t} - \lambda_j| \geq 2|t - \lambda_0|. \end{aligned}$$

It follows from (10) – (13) that

$$(14) \quad f(t, X; p) \geq (\min\{\delta/3, c/4\})^{m(p)} f(\tilde{t}, X; p) \quad \text{for } \tilde{t} \in I.$$

(iii) From (7) – (9) and (14) we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\min\left\{ \min_{\lambda \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |t - \lambda|^2, 1 \right\} |g(t, X; p)| \\ &\leq 4 \cdot 6^{3+m(p)} (m(p) + N_U)^{3+m(p)} (\min\{\delta/3, c/4\})^{-m(p)} \delta(p)^{-4} \\ &\quad \times C^2 C_1(p) f(t, X; p). \end{aligned}$$

So (2) holds if  $\mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi) \neq \emptyset$ ,  $t \in [\delta(p)/2, \delta(p)]$  and

$$A(p, \delta, c) \geq 4 \cdot 6^{3+m(p)} (m(p) + N_U)^{3+m(p)} (\min\{\delta/3, c/4\})^{-m(p)} \delta(p)^{-4}.$$

Assume that  $t < \delta(p)/2$ . Then, putting

$$s_0 = \min\{\delta(p), t + |t - \lambda_0|\}$$

and dividing the interval  $[t, \delta_0)$  into  $(m(p) + N_U)$  subintervals with equal length we repeat the arguments above to prove (2). (2) yields

$$\min\left\{ \min_{s \in \mathcal{R}_{a,\delta,c}(\xi)} |t - s|^2, 1 \right\} |b(t, \xi)|^2 \leq A'(p, \delta, c) C^2 C_1(p) a(t, \xi)$$

for  $t \in [0, \delta(p)]$  and  $\xi = \tilde{\varphi}(X, \xi^0, p)$  with  $X \in \tilde{V}(p)$ ,

where

$$A'(p, \delta, c) = A(p, \delta, c) \max_{(s,Y) \in [0,\delta(p)] \times \tilde{V}(p)} |c(s, Y; p)|^{-1} (1 + |h(s, Y; p)|).$$

Put  $\tilde{U}(p) = (X^p)^{-1}(\tilde{V}(p)) (\subset \tilde{U}(\xi^0; p))$ . Since  $\bar{U}$  is compact, there are  $N \in \mathbf{N}$  and  $\xi^j \in \bar{U}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq N$ ) such that  $\bar{U} \subset \bigcup_{j=1}^N \overset{\circ}{U}_0(\xi^j)$ . Here  $\overset{\circ}{A}$  denotes the interior of  $A$  ( $\subset \mathbf{R}^n$ ). Since  $\tilde{U}_0(\xi^j)$  is compact, there are  $P_j \in \mathbf{N}$  and  $p^{j,k} \in \tilde{U}_0(\xi^j)$  ( $1 \leq k \leq P_j$ ) such that  $\tilde{U}_0(\xi^j) \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{P_j} \tilde{U}(p^{j,k})$ . Therefore, putting

$$A(a, \delta, c) = \max\{A'(p^{j,k}, \delta, c)^{1/2} C_1(p^{j,k})^{1/2}; 1 \leq j \leq N \text{ and } 1 \leq k \leq P_j\},$$

we complete the proof of Lemma 2. □

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