

153. On the Principle of Limiting Amplitude

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§1. Introduction and Theorem. We study the behavior for large time of solutions of wave equations with a harmonic forcing term in the three dimensional euclidian space. That is called the principle of limiting amplitude. This principle states that every solution $u(x, t)$ for the initial value problem,

$$(1.1) \quad \left\{ \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} + b(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial t} - \Delta + c(x) \right\} u(x, t) = f(x) e^{i\omega t}$$

$$(1.2) \quad u(x, t) \Big|_{t=0} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} u(x, t) \Big|_{t=0} = 0,$$

tends to the steady state solution, $e^{i\omega t} v(x, i\omega)$, uniformly on bounded sets at $t \rightarrow \infty$. There $v(x, i\omega)$ satisfies the elliptic equation.

$$(1.3) \quad \{-\Delta + c(x) + i\omega b(x) - \omega^2\} V(x, i\omega) = f(x),$$

and the Sommerfeld radiation conditions at infinity. In the case when $b(x) \equiv 0$ and the real valued function $c(x)$ is once continuously differentiable and its support is compact, this principle has been proved by D. A. Ladyzenskaja [1]. Here the rate of approach to steady state is like $e^{-\varepsilon t}$, $\exists \varepsilon > \sigma$, as $t \rightarrow \infty$. When $b(x)$ and $c(x)$ satisfy that $b(x) \geq 0$, $b(x) = \frac{1}{|x|^{3+\varepsilon}}$, $c(x) = \frac{1}{|x|^{2+\varepsilon}}$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$, and others, S. Mizohata and K. Mochizuki [2] has shown the principle, but they did not give the rate of approach. In this paper, we shall obtain the rate under the assumption that the real-valued function $b(x) \geq 0$, $c(x) \geq 0$ are bounded and their supports are compact.

Theorem. *Let $f(x)$, $b(x)$, and $c(x)$ be functions which satisfy the following conditions.*

- i) $f(x)$, $b(x)$, and $c(x)$ vanish outside a bounded set
- ii) $\sum_{|\alpha| \leq 2} |D^\alpha f| \in L^2(E^3)$
- iii) $b(x) \geq 0$, $c(x) \geq 0$, and they are bounded functions.

And let $u(x, t)$ be a solution for initial value problem (1.1), (1.2).

Then there exists a steady state $e^{-i\omega t} V(x)$, such that

$$(1.4) \quad \max_{x \in K} |u(x, t) - V(x) e^{i\omega t}| \leq C \cdot e^{-\varepsilon t}, \quad \exists \varepsilon > 0 \text{ as } t \rightarrow \infty,$$

and V is a solution (1.3) satisfying the Sommerfeld radiation conditions at infinity. Here K is a bounded set of E^3 . We can regard a solution $u(x, t)$ as a twice continuously differentiable function $u(t)$ from $[0, \infty)$ to $L^2(E^3)$ and as a continuous function to $\mathcal{E}_{L^2}^2(E^3)$. In this sense there exists the unique solution of (1.1), (1.2) if

$f(x) \in \varepsilon_{L^2}^1(E^3)$.

Let $\tilde{u}(\lambda)$ be the Laplace image of $u(t)$ with respect to t

$$(1.5) \quad \text{(ie)} \quad \tilde{u}(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda t} u(t) dt \quad \text{in } L^2$$

then

$$\tilde{u}(\lambda) = v(\lambda) / \lambda - i\omega$$

and

$$(1.6) \quad u(t) = \frac{1}{2i} \lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\sigma - i\tau}^{\sigma + i\tau} \frac{v(\lambda)}{\lambda - i\omega} e^{\lambda t} d\lambda \quad \text{in } L^2$$

for large enough $\sigma > 0$.

Where $\{-\Delta + c(x) + \lambda b(x) + \lambda^2\}v(\lambda) = f(x)$, $v(\lambda) \in L^2$. $\text{Re } \lambda > 0$. Therefore we study the analyticity of $v(\lambda)$ with respect to λ and the order $\|v(\lambda)\|_{L^2(K)}$ as $|\text{Im } \lambda| \rightarrow \infty$.

§ 2. Some Lemmas. 1) In the case when $b(x) \equiv c(x) \equiv 0$.

$$\{-\Delta + \lambda^2\}v(x, \lambda) = f(x), \quad f(x) \in L^2$$

has the unique solution $v(x, \lambda)$ in $\varepsilon_{L^2}^2$ at $\text{Re } \lambda > 0$ and $v(x, \lambda)$ is an analytic function of λ to L^2 .

$V(x, \lambda) \equiv R(x)f$ is represented by a fundamental solution $E(\lambda)$ as following

$$R(\lambda)f = E(\lambda)^* f, \quad \text{where } E(\lambda) = \bar{F} \left\{ \frac{1}{4\pi^2 |\xi|^2 + \lambda^2} \right\} = \frac{e^{-\lambda|x|}}{4\pi|x|}.$$

Let $Q(\delta)$ denote a Hilbert space consisting of all functions f such that $e^{\delta|x|}f \in L^2(E)$ with the inner product $(f, g)_\delta = (e^{\delta|x|}f, e^{\delta|x|}g)_{L^2(E^3)}$, $(-\infty < \delta < +\infty)$. Now it is clear that $Q(\delta) \subset Q(\delta')$ if $\delta > \delta'$.

Using these spaces

Lemma 1. Let, $R(\lambda)f = \frac{1}{4\pi} \int_{E^3} \frac{e^{-\lambda|x-y|}}{|x-y|} f(y) dy$.

Then $R(\lambda)$, which values a bounded operator from $Q(2\delta)$ to $Q(-2\delta)$, is an analytic function of λ and satisfies the following estimates at $\text{Re } \lambda \geq -\delta$ ($\delta > 0$).

- i) $\|R(\lambda)f\|_{-2\delta} \leq C(1 + |\lambda|)(1 + |\text{Re } \lambda|) \cdot \|f\|_{2\delta}$
- ii) $\|DR(\lambda)f\|_{-2\delta} \leq C(1 + |\text{Re } \lambda|) \cdot \|f\|_{2\delta}$
- iii) $\|D^2R(\lambda)f\|_{-2\delta} \leq C(1 + |\lambda|)(1 + |\text{Re } \lambda|) \cdot \|f\|_{2\delta}$
- iv) $\| \{R(\lambda) - R(\lambda+h)\} f \|_{-2\delta} \leq C|h|/(1 + |\lambda|)(1 + |\text{Re } \lambda|) \cdot \|f\|_{2\delta}$,

$0 < h < 1$ where $\|\cdot\|_\delta$ denote the norm of $Q(\delta)$, $\|f\|_\delta^2 = \int_{E^3} |e^{\delta|x|}f|^2 dx$.

2) In the case when $b(x) \equiv 0$, $c(x) \neq 0$.

Lemma 2. Let $L_1(\lambda)u = \{-\Delta + \lambda^2 + c(x)\}u$, $u \in \varepsilon_{L^2}^2$ and $G_1(\lambda)$ be the green operators of $L_1(\lambda)$

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then we can consider $G_1(\lambda)$ as bounded operators from $Q(\delta)$ to $Q(-\delta)$. In this sense we can analytically continue $G_1(\lambda)$ to analytic function of λ at $\text{Re } \lambda \geq -\delta' < 0$, which satisfies the following estimates.

$$i) \quad |G_1(\lambda)f|_{-\delta} \leq \frac{c}{(1+|\lambda|)(1+|\operatorname{Re} \lambda|)} |f|_{\delta}$$

$$ii) \quad |\{G_1(\lambda) - G_1(\lambda+h)\}f|_{-\delta} \leq c|h|/(1+|\lambda|)(1+|\operatorname{Re} \lambda|) \cdot |f|_{\delta}$$

and $G_1(\lambda)$ are compact operators from $Q(\delta)$ to $Q(-\delta)$ (which map any bounded set to a precompact set) where $c(x) \geq 0$ is a bounded function with compact support.

3) In the case when $b(x) \neq 0$

Lemma 3. Let $L_2(\lambda)u = \{-\Delta + \lambda^2 + c(x) + \lambda b(x)\}u$, $u \in \epsilon_{L^2}^2$ and $G_2(\lambda)$ be the green operators of $L_2(\lambda)$.

$$(ie) \quad G_2(\lambda) \cdot L_2(\lambda) \subset L_2(\lambda) \cdot G_2(\lambda) = I: L^2 \rightarrow L^2$$

then we can also consider $G_2(\lambda)$ as bounded operators from $Q(\delta)$ to $Q(-\delta)$. In this sense we can continue $G_2(\lambda)$ to an analytic function of λ at $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq -\delta'' < 0$, which satisfies the following estimate

$$G_2(\lambda)f|_{-\delta} \leq \frac{c}{(1+|\lambda|)(1+|\operatorname{Re} \lambda|)} |f|_{\delta}$$

where $b(x) \geq 0$ and $c(x) \geq 0$ is bounded functions with compact supports. (Proof of Lemma 1).

Since D , (C^∞ -functions with compact support) is a dense subset of $Q(\delta)$, we may assume that $f \in D$ in order to prove the estimates. It is clear that $R(\lambda)$ is an analytic function of λ at $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq -\delta$, which values the vector space consisting bounded operators from $Q(2\delta)$ to $Q(-2\delta)$. We show only the case $\lambda = a + ib$, $|a| \leq \delta$, $b \geq N > 0$.

At $\operatorname{Re} \lambda > 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} R(\lambda)f &= \bar{F} \left[\frac{1}{(2\pi|\xi|)^2 + \lambda^2} F(f) \right] \\ &= \sum_{(i,j,k)} \int_{\Gamma(i,j,k)} \frac{e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi}}{4\pi^2(\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2 + \xi_3^2) + \lambda^2} \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi \end{aligned}$$

where F and \bar{F} are Fourier and Fourier inverse transform, respectively.

i, j , and k take a sign $+$ or $-$, and

$$\Gamma(+++) = [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty)$$

$$\Gamma(++-) = [0, \infty) \times [0, \infty) \times (-\infty, 0]$$

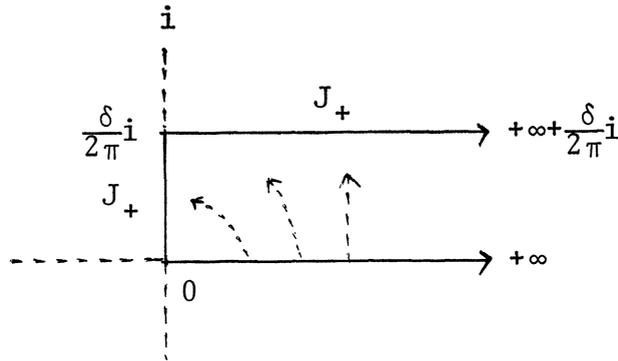
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$$\text{Let } R(ijk)(\lambda)f = \int_{\Gamma(ijk)} \frac{e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi}}{4\pi^2(\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2 + \xi_3^2) + \lambda^2} \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi.$$

Since we can consider that ξ is of three dimension complex number space: C^3 , we may change the integral paths $\Gamma(ijk)$ as follows,

$$[0, \infty) \rightarrow \left[0, +\frac{\delta}{2\pi}i\right] + \left[+\frac{\delta}{2\pi}i, \infty + \frac{\delta}{2\pi}i\right] = I_+ + J_+$$

$$(-\infty, 0] \rightarrow \left[0, -\frac{\delta}{2\pi}i\right] + \left[-\frac{\delta}{2\pi}i, -\infty - \frac{\delta}{2\pi}i\right] = I_- + J_-$$



then

$$R(ijk)(\lambda) f \equiv \int_{(I_i+J_i) \times (I_j+J_j) \times (I_k+J_k)} \frac{e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi}}{4\pi^2(\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2 + \xi_3^2) + \lambda^2} \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi.$$

The right side of the above equation is analytic at $\text{Re } \lambda > -\delta$ and $\text{Im } \lambda \geq N > 0$, therefore

$$R(\lambda) f = \sum_{(i,j,k)} \int_{(I_i+J_i) \times (I_j+J_j) \times (I_k+J_k)} \frac{e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi}}{4\pi^2(\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2 + \xi_3^2) + \lambda^2} \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi$$

at $\text{Re } \lambda > -\delta$, $\text{Im } \lambda \geq N > 0$.

Thus we have only to prove that every term of the right side of the above satisfies the estimates of Lemma 1. In this place we estimate only a term which is

$$S(J_+, J_+, J_+)(\lambda) f \equiv \int_{J_+ \times J_+ \times J_+} \frac{e^{2\pi i x \cdot \xi}}{4\pi^2(\xi_1^2 + \xi_2^2 + \xi_3^2) + \lambda^2} \hat{f}(\xi) d\xi$$

$$S(J_+, J_+, J_+)(\lambda) f = e^{-\delta(x_1+x_2+x_3)} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty e^{2i(x_1s_1+x_2s_2+x_3s_3)} \frac{g(s_1, s_2, s_3)}{p(s_1, s_2, s_3, \lambda)} ds_1 ds_2 ds_3$$

where

$$g(s_1, s_2, s_3) = \hat{f}\left(s_1 + i\frac{\delta}{2}, s_2 + i\frac{\delta}{2}, s_3 + i\frac{\delta}{2}\right).$$

$$p(s_1, s_2, s_3, \lambda) = 4\pi^2 \left\{ \left(s_1 + i\frac{\delta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(s_2 + i\frac{\delta}{2}\right)^2 + \left(s_3 + i\frac{\delta}{2}\right)^2 \right\} + \lambda^2.$$

Considering as Fourier transform from (s_1, s_2, s_3) to (x_1, x_2, x_3) , we apply the Plancherel's theorem to $e^{\delta(x_1+x_2+x_3)} S(J_+ J_+ J_+)(\lambda) f$.

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{R^3} |e^{\delta(x_1+x_2+x_3)} S(J_+ J_+ J_+)(\lambda) f|^2 dx \\ & \leq \frac{c}{\inf |p(s_1, s_2, s_3, \lambda)|^2} \int_{R^3} |g(s_1, s_2, s_3)|^2 ds_1 ds_2 ds_3 \\ & \hspace{25em} 0 \leq s_1, s_2, s_3 < \infty \\ & \leq \frac{c'}{\inf |p(s_1, s_2, s_3, \lambda)|^2} \int |e^{-\delta(x_1+x_2+x_3)} f(x)|^2 dx \\ & \hspace{25em} 0 \leq s_1, s_2, s_3 < \infty \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\inf |P(s_1, s_2, s_3, \lambda)| \geq \frac{1}{2} \inf_{0 \leq t < \infty} |(t + i\delta)^2 + \lambda^2|$$

$$0 \leq s_1, s_2, s_3 < \infty$$

$$\geq c(1 + |\lambda|)(\delta + \operatorname{Re} \lambda)$$

therefore

$$\int |e^{-(\sqrt{3\delta+\varepsilon})|x|} S(J_+, J_+, J_+)(\lambda) f|^2 dx$$

$$\leq \frac{c}{(1 + |\lambda|)^2 (\delta + \operatorname{Re} \lambda)^2} \int_{R^3} |e^{(\sqrt{3\delta+\varepsilon})|x|} f(x)|^2 dx. \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

In order to prove Lemma 2, it is sufficient to solve the equation of operations,

$$\{I + R(\lambda) \cdot c(x)\} G_1(\lambda) = R(\lambda)$$

that is, to show the existence of $\{I + R(\lambda) \cdot c(x)\}^{-1}$ on $Q(-\delta) \operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq -\delta' < 0$. This follows, when $|\operatorname{Im} \lambda|$ is sufficiently large, from the existence of inverse by Neumann series using Lemma 1. i), and, when $|\operatorname{Im} \lambda|$ is finite, from the fact that the self-adjoint operator $L_1(0)$ has no discrete eigen value and $R(\lambda) \cdot c(x)$ is a compact operator on $Q(-\delta)$.

In order to prove Lemma 3 we also solve the equation

$$\{I + \lambda G_1(\lambda) \cdot b(x)\} G_2(\lambda) = G_1(\lambda)$$

that is equivalent to showing the existence of inverse of $\{I + T_\lambda\}$ on L^2 , where

$$T_\lambda = \lambda \cdot a(x) \cdot G_1(\lambda) \cdot a(x), \quad a(x)^2 \equiv b(x),$$

and $G_2(\lambda)$ is given by $\{-\lambda G_1(\lambda) a(x) (I + T_\lambda)^{-1} + I\} G_1(\lambda)$. By the same method of S. Mizohata, K. Mochizuki [2],

$$\|v\|_{L^2} < \|\{I + T_\lambda\}v\|_{L^2} \quad \text{at } \operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq 0$$

because

$$\operatorname{Re} (T_\lambda v, v) = \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{(\mu + a^2 + b^2)a}{(\mu + a^2 - b^2)^2 + (2ab)^2} d(E_\mu a(x)v, a(x)v) \geq 0 \quad \text{q.e.d.}$$

where E_μ is the resolution of the identity of the positive self-adjoint operator $L_1(0)$, and $\|v\|_{L^2}^2 + \operatorname{Re} (T_\lambda v, v) = \operatorname{Re} (\{I + T_\lambda\}v, v)$. Therefore $G_2(\lambda)$ exists at $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq 0$ and satisfies the estimate of Lemma 3. Since $G_1(\lambda)$ satisfies the estimate of Lemma 2, ii) we can extend the domain of existence of $G_2(\lambda)$ to $\operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq -\delta'' < 0$ by Neumann series.

Proof of Theorem from (1.6)

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \lim_{\tau \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\sigma - i\tau}^{\sigma + i\tau} \frac{v(\lambda)}{\lambda - i\omega} d\lambda \quad \text{in } L^2, \sigma > 0, v(\lambda) = G_2(\lambda) f.$$

By Lemma 3, we can use the Cauchy integral formula.

We obtain that

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-\varepsilon \pm i\infty}^{-\varepsilon + i\infty} \frac{v(\lambda)}{\lambda - i\omega} d\lambda + G_2(i\omega) f e^{i\omega t}, \quad \exists \varepsilon > 0.$$

Considering that $\sum_{|\alpha| \leq 2} |D^\alpha f| \in L^2(E^3)$ we have the estimate that

$$\max_{\lambda \in k} |v(\lambda)| \leq \frac{c}{1+|\lambda|}, \quad \operatorname{Re} \lambda \geq -\varepsilon$$

Thus we conclude (1.4).

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