

110. L^2 -theory of Singular Perturbation of Hyperbolic Equations. I

A Priori Estimates with Parameter ε

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In this note and the forthcoming one, we will study asymptotic expansion of the solutions to linear Cauchy problems for a hyperbolic operator of higher order $P = (i\varepsilon)^{\nu}L + M$ with a small parameter ε in $n+1$ dimensional (t, x) -space, which reduces to an appropriate hyperbolic operator M of lower order. They have been studied mainly in the case of 2nd order in two dimensional (t, x) -space (e.g. [3], [4]) except for some references (e.g. [1], [2]).

By using pseudo-differential operators, we derive a priori L^2 estimates with ε from the separation conditions introduced by G. B. Whitham [7], [8] and completed by T. T. Wu [9]. They will give the remainder estimates of the asymptotic expansions of the solutions.

§ 1. Assumptions. Let S^m be the set of all C^∞ functions $a(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)$ in $\mathbf{R} \times \mathbf{R}^n \times \mathbf{R}^n$ with a non-negative parameter ε in $[0, \varepsilon_0]$ such that for all j, k, α, β the derivative $\partial_t^j \partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^k \partial_\varepsilon^\beta a$ has the bound

$$(1) \quad \sup \{ \partial_t^j \partial_x^\alpha \partial_\xi^k \partial_\varepsilon^\beta a(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon); 0 \leq \varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0, t > 0, x \in \mathbf{R}^n \} \leq C(1 + |\xi|)^{m - |\alpha|}$$

where C depends on j, k, α, β . For homogeneous symbols $a(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), b(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)$, etc. in the sequel, the expression $a > b$ (uniformly) means that

$$\inf \{ a(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) - b(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon); 0 \leq \varepsilon \leq \varepsilon_0, t > 0, x \in \mathbf{R}^n, |\xi| = 1 \} > 0,$$

and $\{a, b\} > \{c, d\}$ means that $\min \{a, b\} > \max \{c, d\}$. Let Op^m be the set of pseudo-differential operators with smooth parameters (t, ε) associated to the symbols in S^m .

Let $L(t, x, D_t, D_x; \varepsilon) = D_t^l + \sum_{j=1}^l L_j(t, x, D_x; \varepsilon) D_t^{l-j}$ where $L_j(t, x, D_x; \varepsilon) \in Op^j$ and let $M(t, x, D_t, D_x; \varepsilon) = \sum_{j=0}^m M_j(t, x, D_x; \varepsilon) D_t^{m-j}$ where $M_j(t, x, D_x; \varepsilon) \in Op^j$, and M_0 be a multiplication operator $m_0(t, x; \varepsilon)$.

We assume the following conditions (H0) and (H1).

(H0) (regular hyperbolicity of L). The operator L has its homogeneous principal symbol $l(t, x, \tau, \xi; \varepsilon)$ with the decomposition

$$(2) \quad l(t, x, \tau, \xi; \varepsilon) = \prod_{j=1}^l (\tau - \varphi_j(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon))$$

where

$$(3) \quad \varphi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \varphi_2(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \cdots < \varphi_l(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) \text{ (uniformly).}$$

(H1) (regular hyperbolicity of M). The operator M has its homogeneous principal symbol $m(t, x, \tau, \xi; \varepsilon)$ with the decomposition

$$(4) \quad m(t, x, \tau, \xi; \varepsilon) = m_0(t, x; \varepsilon) \prod_{j=1}^m (\tau - \psi_j(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon))$$

where

$$(5) \quad \psi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \psi_2(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \dots < \psi_m(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) \text{ (uniformly).}$$

We study Cauchy problems to the operator $P = (i\varepsilon)^\nu L + M$. Generalizing the classification by G. B. Whitham and T. T. Wu [9], we consider the following cases.

Case 1. Let $\nu=1$. We assume

$$(E) \quad \operatorname{Re} m_0(t, x; \varepsilon) > 0 \text{ (uniformly)}$$

and that the characteristic roots $\{\varphi_j\}$ and $\{\psi_j\}$ separate each other such that

$$(S) \quad \varphi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \psi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \varphi_2(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \dots < \psi_m(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \varphi_{m+1}(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) \text{ (uniformly).}$$

Case 2. Let $\nu=1$. We assume

$$(SP) \quad \operatorname{Re} m_0(t, x; \varepsilon) = 0 \text{ identically and}$$

$$\operatorname{Im} m_0(t, x; \varepsilon) > 0 \text{ (uniformly)}$$

and that $\{\varphi_j\}$ is separated weakly by $\{\psi_j\}$ such that

$$(WSP) \quad \varphi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \{\psi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_2(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} < \dots < \{\psi_{m-1}(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_m(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} < \{\psi_m(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_{m+1}(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} \text{ (uniformly).}$$

Alternatively, we assume

$$(SN) \quad \operatorname{Re} m_0(t, x; \varepsilon) = 0 \text{ identically and}$$

$$\operatorname{Im} m_0(t, x; \varepsilon) < 0 \text{ (uniformly)}$$

and

$$(WSN) \quad \{\psi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} < \{\psi_2(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_2(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} < \{\psi_3(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_3(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} < \dots < \{\psi_m(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_m(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} < \varphi_{m+1}(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) \text{ (uniformly).}$$

Case 3. Let $\nu=2$. We assume

$$(P) \quad m_0(t, x; \varepsilon) > 0 \text{ (uniformly),}$$

and that $\{\varphi_j\}$ is separated weakly by $\{\psi_j\}$ such that

$$(WS) \quad \varphi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) < \{\psi_1(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_2(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} < \dots < \{\psi_m(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon), \varphi_{m+1}(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon)\} < \varphi_{m+2}(t, x, \xi; \varepsilon) \text{ (uniformly).}$$

§ 2. Results. We have the following a priori L^2 estimates for the operator P in each case mentioned above. We use the norm $\|D^k u(t)\|_p^2 = \sum_{j=0}^k \|D_j^j u(t, \cdot)\|_{p+k-j}^2$, where $\|\cdot\|_s^2$ denotes Sobolev norm of order s in \mathbf{R}_x^n . We omit the subscript p when $p=0$.

Theorem. We assume (H0) and (H1). In each case there exist positive constants c, C, γ_0 such that for any $r > \gamma_0$ and for $u(t) \in C^\infty([0, T]; C_0^\infty(\mathbf{R}_x^n))$ the following estimates hold respectively. In Case 1, we have

$$(6) \quad C \left\{ \frac{1}{\gamma} \int_0^T e^{-2rt} \varepsilon^{-1} \|Pu(t)\|^2 dt + \varepsilon \|D^m u(0)\|^2 + \gamma \|D^{m-1} u(0)\|^2 \right\} \\ \geq c \left\{ \gamma \int_0^T e^{-2rt} (\varepsilon \|D^m u(t)\|^2 + \gamma \|D^{m-1} u(t)\|^2) dt + e^{-2rT} (\varepsilon \|D^m u(T)\|^2 + \gamma \|D^{m-1} u(T)\|^2) \right\}.$$

In Case 2, we have

$$(7) \quad C \left\{ \frac{1}{\gamma} \int_0^T e^{-2\gamma t} \varepsilon^{-1} \|Pu(t)\|^2 dt + \varepsilon \|D^m u(0)\|^2 + \|D^{m-1} u(0)\|_{1/2}^2 \right\} \\ \geq c \left\{ \gamma \int_0^T e^{-2\gamma t} (\varepsilon \|D^m u(t)\|^2 + \|D^{m-1} u(t)\|_{1/2}^2) dt \right. \\ \left. + e^{-2\gamma T} (\varepsilon \|D^m u(T)\|^2 + \|D^{m-1} u(T)\|_{1/2}^2) \right\}.$$

In Case 3, we have

$$(8) \quad C \left\{ \frac{1}{\gamma} \int_0^T e^{-2\gamma t} \varepsilon^{-2} \|Pu(t)\|^2 dt + \varepsilon^2 \|D^{m+1} u(0)\|^2 + \|D^m u(0)\|^2 \right\} \\ \geq c \left\{ \gamma \int_0^T e^{-2\gamma t} (\varepsilon^2 \|D^{m+1} u(t)\|^2 + \|D^m u(t)\|^2) dt \right. \\ \left. + e^{-2\gamma T} (\varepsilon^2 \|D^{m+1} u(T)\|^2 + \|D^m u(T)\|^2) \right\}.$$

Remark. In Case 1, if $m_0(t, x; \varepsilon)$ is moreover real, the estimate is slightly improved. The proof is based on the Gårding-Leray inequality [5] extended to pseudo-differential operators:

Lemma. We assume (H0) and (H1) for L and M with $\nu=1$. We assume moreover

$$(P) \quad m_0(t, x; \varepsilon) > 0 \text{ (uniformly)}$$

and (S). Then, there exist positive constants c, C, γ_0 such that for any $\gamma > \gamma_0$ and for $u(t) \in C^\infty([0, T]; C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}_x^n))$ such that

$$(9) \quad -\operatorname{Im} \int_0^T e^{-2\gamma t} (L(t, \cdot, D_t, D_x)u(t), M(t, \cdot, D_t, D_x)u(t)) dt \\ \geq c \gamma \int_0^T e^{-2\gamma t} \|D^m u(t)\|^2 dt + c e^{-2\gamma T} \|D^m u(T)\|^2 - C \|D^m u(0)\|^2.$$

This is proved by Euclidean algorithm for L and M (R. Sakamoto [6]). Full details will be published elsewhere.

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