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# ON THE WELLPOSEDNESS IN THE GEVREY CLASSES OF THE CAUCHY PROBLEM FOR WEAKLY HYPERBOLIC SYSTEMS WITH HÖLDER CONTINUOUS COEFFICIENTS IN TIME

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## 1. Introduction

The Gevrey well posedness for the weakly hyperbolic equations has been studied by many people (see [1], [5], [13], [16] etc.). They got the results concerned with the relation between the order of Gevrey classes and the maximal multiplicity of characteristic roots.

While F. Colombini, E. Jannelli, S. Spagnolo and T. Nishitani gave the interesting results concerned with the relation between the order of Gevrey classes and the regularity of the coefficients for the second order weakly hyperbolic equations (see [3], [12]).

But there are few papers for the weakly hyperbolic systems. K. Kajitani got the Gevrey well posedness for the weakly hyperbolic systems with Leray-Volevich's weights (see [8]). As for the analytic well posedness P. D'ancona and S. Spagnolo treated the nonlinear weakly hyperbolic systems (see [4]). Moreover E. Jannelli treated the weakly hyperbolic systems with the coefficients which belong  $L_1$  (see [6]).

For the strictly hyperbolic systems E. Jannelli got the result concerned with the relation between the order of Gevrey classes and the regularity of the coefficients (see [7]). With a different method M. Cicognani also got this result for the strictly pseudo-differential systems (see [2]). In this paper, we shall extend this result to the weakly hyperbolic systems and investigate the relation among the Gevrey wellposedness and the regularity and the form of the matrices of the coefficients.

We shall consider the following system in  $[0, T] \times \mathbf{R}_x^n$

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u = \sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t) \partial_h u + B(t)u \\ u(0, x) = u_0(x), \end{cases}$$

where  $A_h(t)$  ( $1 \leq h \leq n$ ),  $B(t)$  are  $N \times N$  matrices, while  $u(t, x)$ ,  $u_0(x)$  are  $N$ -vectors.

We denote by  $C^\sigma([0, T])$  ( $0 < \sigma \leq 1$ ) the space of  $\sigma$ -Hölder continuous functions. Now we assume that

$$(2) \quad A_h(t) (1 \leq h \leq n) \in C^\sigma([0, T]), \quad B(t) \in C^0([0, T])$$

and (1) is weakly hyperbolic, i.e.,

$$(3) \quad \sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t) \xi_h \text{ has real eigenvalues (allowing multiplicity) for } \forall t \in [0, T], \forall \xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n.$$

We shall treat the following two cases.

CASE 1. No condition is imposed.

CASE 2. There exists a non-singular matrix  $P(t, \xi)$  such that

$$P(t, \xi) A(t, \xi) P(t, \xi)^{-1} = \text{diag}\{D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k\} \quad (1 \leq k \leq N)$$

$$|P(t, \xi)| + |P(t, \xi)^{-1}| \leq C \text{ for } t \in [0, T], |\xi| = 1,$$

where  $D_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq k$ ) are the triangular matrices whose diagonal components are real and whose sizes are  $m_j \times m_j$ .

We introduce the space of Gevrey functions as follows.

$$L^2_{\rho, \kappa, \nu}(\mathbf{R}_x^n) = \left\{ u(x) \in L^2(\mathbf{R}_x^n); e^{\rho \langle \xi \rangle_\nu} \hat{u}(\xi) \in L^2(\mathbf{R}_\xi^n) \right\},$$

where  $\langle \xi \rangle_\nu = (|\xi|^2 + \nu^2)^{1/2}$  ( $\nu > 0$ ).

Then we get the following result.

**Theorem.** Let  $0 < \rho_0 < \infty$  and  $\nu_0 > 0$ . Assume that the coefficients  $A_h(t)$  ( $1 \leq h \leq n$ ) and  $B(t)$  satisfy (2), (3) and case 1 (resp. case 2). Then there exists  $\nu > 0$  such that for any  $u_0 \in L^2_{\rho_0, \kappa, \nu_0}(\mathbf{R}^n)$ , the Cauchy problem (1) has unique solution  $u(t, x) \in C^1([0, T], L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu}(\mathbf{R}^n))$ , provided

$$(4) \quad 0 < \rho_1 < \rho_0, \quad 1 < s < \frac{\mu(1 + \sigma^{-1})}{\mu(1 + \sigma^{-1}) - 1},$$

where  $\mu$  is equal to the dimension of the system, i.e.,

$$(5) \quad \mu = N$$

(resp. the maximal sizes of  $D_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq k$ )), i.e.,

$$(6) \quad \mu = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} m_i$$

), and  $s = \kappa^{-1}$ .

We remark that by taking the parameter  $\nu > 0$  large,  $\rho_1$  (the convergence radius of the Gevrey solution) does not decrease with time and also can be chosen arbitrarily close to  $\rho_0$ .

In case 1, we find that “No condition is imposed” means that the multiplicity of eigenvalues of  $\sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$  is variable. As for case 2 the following examples can be also treated.

EXAMPLE 1. The multiplicity of eigenvalues of  $\sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$  is independent of  $t, \xi$ , i.e.,

$$\det \left( \lambda - \sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h \right) = \prod_{i=1}^k (\lambda - \lambda_i(t, \xi))^{m_i} \text{ for } \forall t \in [0, T], \forall \xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$$

with  $1 \leq k \leq N, \exists m_i \in \mathbf{N}^1 (1 \leq i \leq k)$ , where  $\lambda_i(t, \xi) (1 \leq i \leq k)$  satisfy that if  $i \neq j, \lambda_i(t, \xi) \neq \lambda_j(t, \xi)$  for  $t \in [0, T], |\xi| = 1$ .

We shall show in Appendix that Ex 1 is included by case 2 and  $\mu$  is equal to the maximal multiplicity of the eigenvalues of  $\sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$ , i.e.,  $\mu = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} m_i$ .

EXAMPLE 2. The multiplicity of factors of all the elementary divisors of  $\sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$  is independent of  $t, \xi$ , i.e.,

$$e_l(\lambda) = \prod_{i=1}^k (\lambda - \lambda_i(t, \xi))^{m(i, l)} (1 \leq l \leq N) \text{ for } \forall t \in [0, T], \forall \xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$$

with  $1 \leq k \leq N, \exists m(i, l) \in \mathbf{N}^1 (1 \leq l \leq N, 1 \leq i \leq k)$ , where  $\lambda_i(t, \xi) (1 \leq i \leq k)$  satisfy that if  $i \neq j, \lambda_i(t, \xi) \neq \lambda_j(t, \xi)$  for  $t \in [0, T], |\xi| = 1$ .

By Jordan normal form, we can see that  $D_j (1 \leq j \leq k)$  are the Jordan blocks whose sizes are  $m(i, l) \times m(i, l)$  ( $m(i, l)$  denotes the multiplicity of the factor  $(\lambda - \lambda_i)$  of the elementary divisors  $e_l(\lambda)$  of  $\sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$ ) and  $\mu$  is equal to the maximal multiplicity of factors of the elementary divisors (or the minimal polynomial) of  $\sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$ , i.e.,  $\mu = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k, 1 \leq l \leq N} m(i, l)$ .

When the maximal multiplicity for factors of the minimal polynomial of  $\sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$  is equal to 1 in case 3, the system is symetrizable and K. Kajitani proved that the Cauchy problem (1) is  $\gamma^s$ -well posed ( $1 < s < 1 + \sigma$ ) (see [9]). Moreover when  $\sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$  has real distinct eigenvalues or is Hermitian, the Cauchy problem (1) is  $L^2$ -wellposed (see [11]). Concerned with the higher order single equation, the conditon corresponding to (4) is  $1 < s < \mu\sigma^{-1}/(\mu\sigma^{-1} - 1)$  (see [13]).

**2. Preliminaries**

In this section we shall construct the algebraic lemmas which is necessary to prove the theorem.

**Lemma 1.** *Let  $A$  be a  $N \times N$  constant matrix which has real eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_N$  (allowing multiplicity). Then for  $\forall \eta \in (0, 1]$ , there exists a non-singular matrix  $P_\eta$  such that*

$$(7) \quad P_\eta A P_\eta^{-1} = \tilde{A} + R_\eta$$

where  $\tilde{A} = \text{diag}\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_N\}$  is Hermitian, and  $P_\eta, P_\eta^{-1}, R_\eta$  satisfy that

$$(8) \quad |P_\eta| \leq C_1, \quad |P_\eta^{-1}| \leq C_2 \eta^{1-N}, \quad |R_\eta| \leq C_3 \eta.$$

The constants  $C_1, C_2 > 0$  are independent of  $A$ , but  $C_3 > 0$  depends on  $|A|$ .

Proof. From linear algebra we find that there exists a unitary matrix  $P$  such that

$$(9) \quad P A P^{-1} = \tilde{A} + R$$

where  $\tilde{A} = \text{diag}\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_N\}$  is Hermitian, and  $R$  is a strictly lower triangular matrix with zeroes on the diagonal (see [15]).

Since  $|\lambda_i| \leq |A|$  ( $1 \leq i \leq N$ ), we get

$$(10) \quad |R| \leq |P A P^{-1}| + |\tilde{A}| \leq C_1 |A| C_2 + |A| = (C_1 C_2 + 1) |A|.$$

Defining  $Q_\eta = \text{diag}\{1, \eta, \dots, \eta^{N-1}\}$  and putting  $P_\eta = Q_\eta P$ , by (9) we have

$$P_\eta A P_\eta^{-1} = Q_\eta (\tilde{A} + R) Q_\eta^{-1} = \tilde{A} + R_\eta$$

where  $R_\eta = Q_\eta R Q_\eta^{-1}$ . Hence we get (7).

At last noting that  $Q_\eta^{-1} = \text{diag}\{1, \eta^{-1}, \dots, \eta^{-(N-1)}\}$ , we can easily estimate  $P_\eta, P_\eta^{-1}$  as follows

$$\begin{aligned} |P_\eta| &\leq |Q_\eta| |P| \leq 1 \cdot C_1 \equiv C_1. \\ |P_\eta^{-1}| &\leq |P^{-1}| |Q_\eta^{-1}| \leq C_2 \cdot \eta^{1-N} \equiv C_2 \eta^{1-N}. \end{aligned}$$

Here actually  $C_1 = C_2 = 1$  since  $P$  is a unitary matrix.

Noting that  $(R)_{ij} = 0$  for  $j \geq i$  and (10), we can estimate  $R_\eta$  as follows.

$$\begin{aligned} |R_\eta| &= \max_{1 \leq j < i \leq N} |(R_\eta)_{ij}| = \max_{1 \leq j < i \leq N} |\eta^{i-j} (R)_{ij}| \\ &\leq \eta \max_{1 \leq j < i \leq N} |(R)_{ij}| = \eta |R| \\ &\leq (C_1 C_2 + 1) |A| \eta \equiv C_3 \eta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get (8). □

**Lemma 2.** *Let  $A(\xi)$  be a  $N \times N$  matrix which has real eigenvalues  $\lambda_1(\xi), \lambda_2(\xi), \dots, \lambda_n(\xi)$  (allowing multiplicity), and is continuous and homogeneous of degree one in  $\xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$ . Then for  $\forall \eta \in (0, 1]$ , there exists a non-singular matrix  $P_\eta(\xi)$  such that*

$$(11) \quad P_\eta(\xi)A(\xi)P_\eta^{-1}(\xi) = \tilde{A}(\xi) + R_\eta(\xi)$$

where  $\tilde{A}(\xi)$  is Hermitian, and  $P_\eta(\xi), P_\eta^{-1}(\xi), R_\eta(\xi)$  satisfy that

$$(12) \quad |P_\eta(\xi)| \leq C_1, \quad |P_\eta(\xi)^{-1}| \leq C_2\eta^{1-N}, \quad |R_\eta(\xi)| \leq C_5\eta|\xi| \quad \text{for } \forall \xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n.$$

The constant  $C_5 > 0$  is independent of  $\xi$ .

*Proof.*  $S^{n-1} = \{\xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n; |\xi| = 1\}$  is a compact set, for any fixed  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a finite partition  $\Gamma_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l = l(\varepsilon)$ ) of  $S^{n-1}$  such that

$$\sup_{\xi_1, \xi_2 \in \Gamma_i, 1 \leq i \leq l} |\xi_1 - \xi_2| \leq \varepsilon, \quad \cup_i \Gamma_i = S^{n-1}.$$

Defining

$$A_\varepsilon(\xi) = \begin{cases} A(\xi^{(i)}) \cdot |\xi| & \text{for } \xi \neq 0, \frac{\xi}{|\xi|} \in \Gamma_i \ (1 \leq i \leq l) \\ 0 & \text{for } \xi = 0, \end{cases}$$

with  $\exists \xi^{(i)} \in \Gamma_i$ , we get from the hypotheses

$$(13) \quad |A(\xi) - A_\varepsilon(\xi)| \leq C_6\varepsilon|\xi|.$$

Now we apply Lemma 1 to each constant matrix  $A(\xi^{(i)})$ . We can construct, for  $\exists \eta \in (0, 1]$ , non-singular matrix  $P_{i,\eta}$  such that

$$(14) \quad P_{i,\eta}A(\xi^{(i)})P_{i,\eta}^{-1} = \tilde{A}_i + R_{i,\eta}$$

where  $\tilde{A}_i = \text{diag}\{\lambda_1(\xi^{(i)}), \lambda_2(\xi^{(i)}), \dots, \lambda_N(\xi^{(i)})\}$ ,  $|P_{i,\eta}| \leq C_1$ ,  $|P_{i,\eta}^{-1}| \leq C_2\eta^{1-N}$ ,  $|R_{i,\eta}| \leq C_3\eta$ . The constant  $C_3$  depends on  $|A(\xi^{(i)})|$ , however  $C_3$  can be taken independently of  $\xi$  since  $|A(\xi^{(i)})|$  is bounded for  $\forall \xi^{(i)} \in \Gamma_i$ .

Hence, multiplying the both sides of (14) by  $|\xi|$  and putting

$$P_\eta(\xi) = \begin{cases} P_{i,\eta} & \text{for } \xi \neq 0, \frac{\xi}{|\xi|} \in \Gamma_i \ (1 \leq i \leq l) \\ 0 & \text{for } \xi = 0, \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{A}(\xi) &= \begin{cases} \tilde{A}_i|\xi| & \text{for } \xi \neq 0, \frac{\xi}{|\xi|} \in \Gamma_i \ (1 \leq i \leq l) \\ 0 & \text{for } \xi = 0, \end{cases} \\ R'_\eta(\xi) &= \begin{cases} R_{i,\eta}|\xi| & \text{for } \xi \neq 0, \frac{\xi}{|\xi|} \in \Gamma_i \ (1 \leq i \leq l) \\ 0 & \text{for } \xi = 0, \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} P_\eta(\xi)A(\xi)P_\eta(\xi)^{-1} &= P_\eta(\xi)A_\varepsilon(\xi)P_\eta(\xi)^{-1} + P_\eta(\xi)(A(\xi) - A_\varepsilon(\xi))P_\eta(\xi)^{-1} \\ &= \tilde{A}(\xi) + R_\eta(\xi) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{A}(\xi)$  is Hermitian, and  $P_\eta(\xi)$ ,  $P_\eta(\xi)^{-1}$ ,  $R_\eta(\xi)$  satisfy that

$$\begin{aligned} |P_\eta(\xi)| &\leq C_1, \quad |P_\eta(\xi)^{-1}| \leq \eta^{1-N} \\ |R_\eta(\xi)| &= |R'_\eta(\xi) + P_\eta(\xi)(A(\xi) - A_\varepsilon(\xi))P_\eta(\xi)^{-1}| \\ &\leq C_3\eta|\xi| + C_1|A(\xi) - A_\varepsilon(\xi)|C_2\eta^{1-N} \\ \text{using (13) and taking } \varepsilon &= \eta^N, \\ &\leq (C_3 + C_1C_2C_6)\eta|\xi| \\ &\equiv C_5\eta|\xi|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we get (11), (12). □

**Lemma 3.** *Let  $T > 0$ ,  $A(t, \xi)$  be a  $N \times N$  matrix which has real eigenvalues  $\lambda_1(t, \xi)$ ,  $\lambda_2(t, \xi)$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $\lambda_N(t, \xi)$  (allowing multiplicity), and is  $\sigma$ -Hölder continuous in  $t \in [0, T]$ , and continuous and homogeneous of degree one in  $\xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$ . Then for  $\forall \eta \in (0, 1]$ , there exists a non-singular matrix  $P_\eta(t, \xi)$  such that*

$$(15) \quad P_\eta(t, \xi)A(t, \xi)P_\eta^{-1}(t, \xi) = \tilde{A}(t, \xi) + R_\eta(t, \xi)$$

where  $\tilde{A}(t, \xi)$  is Hermitian, and  $P_\eta(t, \xi)$ ,  $P_\eta^{-1}(t, \xi)$ ,  $R_\eta(t, \xi)$  satisfy that

$$(16) \quad |P_\eta(t, \xi)| \leq C_1, \quad |P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1}| \leq C_2\eta^{1-N}, \quad |R_\eta(t, \xi)| \leq C_7\eta|\xi|$$

$$(17) \quad \int_0^t \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial s} P_\eta(s, \xi) \right| ds \leq 2C_1t\eta^{-N/\sigma}$$

for  $\forall t \in [0, T]$ ,  $\forall \xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$ .

**Proof.** Since  $\xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$  is fixed to the end of the proof, we shall omit the letter  $\xi$ .

For any fixed  $\tau > 0$ , we take a finite collection of disjoint intervals  $I_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l = [t/\tau] + 1$ ) of  $[0, t]$  such that

$$I_i = \begin{cases} [(i-1)\tau, i\tau) & \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq l-1 \\ [[t/\tau]\tau, t] & \text{for } i = l. \end{cases}$$

Defining  $A_\tau(t) = A(t^{(i)})$  for  $t \in I_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l$ ) with  $\exists t^{(i)} \in I_i$ , we get from the hypothesis,

$$(18) \quad |A(t) - A_\tau(t)| \leq C_8 \tau^\sigma |\xi|.$$

Now applying Lemma 2 to each matrix  $A(t^{(i)})$ , we can get

$$P_{i,\eta} A(t^{(i)}) P_{i,\eta}^{-1} = \tilde{A}_i + R_{i,\eta}$$

where  $\tilde{A}_i$  is Hermitian,

$$|P_{i,\eta}| \leq C_1, \quad |P_{i,\eta}^{-1}| \leq C_2 \eta^{1-N}, \quad |R_{i,\eta}| \leq C_5 \eta |\xi|.$$

Hence putting

$$\begin{aligned} P_\eta(t) &= P_{i,\eta} & \text{for } t \in I_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq l), \\ \tilde{A}(t) &= \tilde{A}_i & \text{for } t \in I_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq l), \\ R'_\eta(t) &= R_{i,\eta} & \text{for } t \in I_i \quad (1 \leq i \leq l), \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$(19) \quad P_\eta(t) A(t) P_\eta(t)^{-1} = \tilde{A}(t) + R_\eta(t),$$

where  $\tilde{A}(t)$  is Hermitian, and

$$\begin{aligned} (20) \quad |P_\eta(t)| &\leq C_1, \quad |P_\eta(t)^{-1}| \leq C_2 \eta^{1-N} \\ |R_\eta(t)| &= |R'_\eta(t) + P_\eta(t)(A(t) - A_\tau(t))P_\eta(t)^{-1}| \\ &\leq C_5 \eta |\xi| + C_1 |A(t) - A_\tau(t)| C_2 \eta^{1-N} \\ &\text{using (18) and taking } \tau = \eta^{N/\sigma}, \\ &\leq C_7 \eta |\xi|. \end{aligned}$$

By (19), (20) we get (15), (16).

It remains the estimate (17). For any fixed  $\tau > 0$ , defining with delta function  $\delta(t)$

$$\delta_i(t) = \delta(t - i\tau) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq i \leq l - 1,$$



and noting that  $P_\eta(t)$  is the piecewise constant function satisfying

$$|P_{i,\eta} - P_{i-1,\eta}| \leq |P_{i,\eta}| + |P_{i-1,\eta}| \leq 2C_1 \quad (2 \leq i \leq l),$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^t \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial s} P_\eta(s) \right| ds &\leq \int_0^t \sum_{i=1}^{l-1} 2C_1 \delta_i(s) ds \\ &= 2C_1(l-1) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(s) ds \\ &= 2C_1 \left[ \frac{t}{\tau} \right] \leq 2C_1 \frac{t}{\tau} = 2C_1 t \eta^{-N/\sigma}, \end{aligned}$$

here we used  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \delta(s) ds = 1$  and  $\tau = \eta^{N/\sigma}$ . Hence we get (17). □

**Lemma 4.** *Let  $T > 0$ ,  $A(t, \xi)$  be a  $N \times N$  matrix which has real eigenvalues (allowing multiplicity), and is  $\sigma$ -Hölder continuous in  $t \in [0, T]$ , and continuous and homogeneous of degree one in  $\xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$ . Moreover assume that there exists a non-singular matrix  $P(t, \xi)$  such that*

$$\begin{aligned} P(t, \xi)A(t, \xi)P(t, \xi)^{-1} &= \text{diag}\{D_1, D_2, \dots, D_k\} \quad (1 \leq k \leq N) \\ |P(t, \xi)| + |P(t, \xi)^{-1}| &\leq C, \end{aligned}$$

where  $D_j$  ( $1 \leq j \leq k$ ) are the triangular matrices whose diagonal components are real and whose sizes are  $m_j \times m_j$ . Then for  $\forall \eta \in (0, 1]$ , there exists a non-singular matrix  $P_\eta(t, \xi)$  such that

$$(21) \quad P_\eta(t, \xi)A(t, \xi)P_\eta^{-1}(t, \xi) = \tilde{A}(t, \xi) + R_\eta(t, \xi),$$

where  $\tilde{A}(t, \xi)$  is Hermitian, and  $P_\eta(t, \xi)$ ,  $P_\eta^{-1}(t, \xi)$ ,  $R_\eta(t, \xi)$  satisfy that

$$(22) \quad |P_\eta(t, \xi)| \leq C_9, \quad |P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1}| \leq C_{10}\eta^{1-N}, \quad |R_\eta(t, \xi)| \leq C_{11}\eta|\xi|$$

$$\int_0^t \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial s} P_\eta(s, \xi) \right| ds \leq 2C_9 t \eta^{-r/\sigma}$$

for  $\forall t \in [0, T]$ ,  $\forall \xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$ , where  $r = \max_{1 \leq j \leq k} m_j$ .

*Proof.* Since  $\xi \in \mathbf{R}_\xi^n$  is fixed to the end of the proof, we shall omit the letter  $\xi$ .

For  $A(t)$  using again the disjoint intervals  $I_i$  ( $1 \leq i \leq l$ ) and  $A_\tau(t) (= A(t^{(i)}))$  for  $t \in I_i$  with  $\exists t^{(i)} \in I_i$  of Lemma 3, we get (18).

From the assumption, for each matrix  $A(t^{(i)})$ , there exists a non-singular matrix  $P_i$  such that

$$P_i A(t^{(i)}) P_i^{-1} = \text{diag}\{D_1^{(i)}, D_2^{(i)}, \dots, D_k^{(i)}\} \quad (1 \leq k \leq N)$$

$$|P_i| + |P_i^{-1}| \leq^{\exists} C,$$

where  $D_j^{(i)}$  ( $1 \leq j \leq k$ ) are the triangular matrices whose diagonal components are real and whose sizes are  $m_j \times m_j$ .

Defining

$$Q_\eta = \text{diag}\{1, \dots, \eta^{m_1-1}, 1, \dots, \eta^{m_2-1}, \dots, 1, \dots, \eta^{m_k-1}\},$$

and putting  $P_{i,\eta} = Q_\eta P_i$ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} P_{i,\eta} A(t^{(i)}) P_{i,\eta}^{-1} &= Q_\eta P_i A(t^{(i)}) P_i^{-1} Q_\eta^{-1} \\ &= Q_\eta \text{diag}\{D_1^{(i)}, D_2^{(i)}, \dots, D_k^{(i)}\} Q_\eta^{-1} \\ &= \tilde{A}_i + R_\eta, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{A}_i$  is Hermitian, and

$$|P_{i,\eta}| \leq C_9, \quad |P_{i,\eta}^{-1}| \leq C_{10} \eta^{1-r}, \quad |R_{i,\eta}| \leq C_{12} \eta |\xi|.$$

Hence we can connect the proof of Lemma 3 and get (21), (22). □

### 3. Proof of Theorem

For the proof of Theorem for case 1, case 2, we use Lemma 3, Lemma 4, respectively. The difference of the result of each Lemma is only the meaning of the parameter  $\mu$ . Therefore it is sufficient to prove Theorem in the case 1.

Assuming that  $u$  is the solution of (1), we shall derive the energy estimates. By Fourier transform the system (1) can be changed to the form

$$(23) \quad \partial_t v = iA(t, \xi)v + B(t)v$$

where  $A(t, \xi) = \sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t)\xi_h$ .

Furthermore we shall change the system (23). With some function  $\rho(t) \in C^1([0, T])$  and some constant  $\kappa \in (0, 1]$ , putting  $w(t, \xi) = P_\eta(t, \xi)e^{\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle^\kappa} v(t, \xi)$ , and multiplying the both sides of (22) by  $P_\eta(t, \xi)e^{\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle^\kappa}$ , we have the following.

$$\begin{aligned} e^{\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi) \partial_t \{e^{-\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi)\} \\ = ie^{\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi) A(t, \xi) e^{-\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi) \\ + e^{\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi) B(t) e^{-\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi). \end{aligned}$$

Then we obtain

the left side

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= e^{\rho'(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi) (-\rho'(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa) e^{-\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi) \\
 &\quad + e^{\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi) e^{-\rho(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} \partial_t \{P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi)\} \\
 &= -\rho'(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa w(t, \xi) + P_\eta(t, \xi) \partial_t \{P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi)\} \\
 &= -\rho'(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa w(t, \xi) + \partial_t \{P_\eta(t, \xi) P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi)\} \\
 &\quad - \{\partial_t P_\eta(t, \xi)\} \{P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi)\} \\
 &= -\rho'(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa w(t, \xi) + \partial_t w(t, \xi) - \{\partial_t P_\eta(t, \xi)\} \{P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi)\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

While by Lemma 3 we obtain

the right side

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= iP_\eta(t, \xi) A(t, \xi) P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi) + P_\eta(t, \xi) B(t, \xi) P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi) \\
 &= i\tilde{A}(t, \xi) w(t, \xi) + iR_\eta(t, \xi) w(t, \xi) + B(t, \xi) w(t, \xi),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $B(t, \xi) = P_\eta(t, \xi) B(t) P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1}$ .

Thus we get the system

$$\begin{aligned}
 (24) \quad \partial_t w(t, \xi) &= i\tilde{A}(t, \xi) w(t, \xi) + iR_\eta(t, \xi) w(t, \xi) + \rho'(t)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa w(t, \xi) \\
 &\quad + \{\partial_t P_\eta(t, \xi)\} \{P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi)\} + B(t, \xi) w(t, \xi)
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence we shall derive the energy estimate. Noting that  $\tilde{A}(t, \xi)$  is Hermitian, by (16) we get the estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
 (25) \quad \frac{d}{dt} |w(t, \xi)|^2 &= 2\text{Re}(\partial_t w(t, \xi), w(t, \xi)) \\
 &= 2\text{Re}(iR_\eta w + \rho'\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa w + \partial_t P_\eta \cdot P_\eta^{-1} w + Bw, w) \\
 &\leq 2(C_7\eta|\xi| + \rho'\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa + C_2|\partial_t P_\eta|\eta^{1-N} + C_1C_2C_{13}\eta^{1-N})|w|^2
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_{13} = \max_{0 \leq t \leq T} |B(t)|$ .

Writing the left side of (25) as

$$\frac{d}{dt} |w(t, \xi)|^2 = 2|w(t, \xi)| \frac{d}{dt} |w(t, \xi)|$$

and deviding the both sides of (25) by  $2|w(t, \xi)|$ , we get the estimate

$$\frac{d}{dt} |w(t, \xi)| \leq (C_7\eta|\xi| + \rho'\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa + C_2|\partial_t P_\eta(t, \xi)|\eta^{1-N} + C_1C_2C_{13}\eta^{1-N})|w(t, \xi)|.$$

Moreover by Gronwall's inequality and (17), we get the estimate

$$|w(t, \xi)| \leq |w(0, \xi)| \exp \left\{ \int_0^t (C_7\eta|\xi| + \rho'(s)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa) ds \right\}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + C_2 |\partial_s P_\eta(s, \xi)| \eta^{1-N} + C_1 C_2 C_{13} t \eta^{1-N} ds \Big\} \\
 \leq & |w(0, \xi)| \exp \{ C_7 t \eta |\xi| + \rho(t) \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa - \rho(0) \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa \\
 & + 2C_1 C_2 t \eta^{1-N(1+\sigma^{-1})} + C_1 C_2 C_{13} t \eta^{1-N} \} \\
 \leq & C_{14} |w(0, \xi)| \exp \{ \rho'(t) \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa - \rho(0) \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa \\
 & + t(C_7 \eta |\xi| + 3C_1 C_2 \eta^{1-N(1+\sigma^{-1})}) \}.
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_{14} = \exp\{p^{-1}q^{1-p}C_1C_2C_{13}^pT\}$ . Here we used

$$ab \leq \frac{1}{p}a^p + \frac{1}{q}b^q \quad \left( 1 < p, q < \infty, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 \right)$$

and supposing  $p \leq 1 + (N - 1)/(N\sigma^{-1})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \exp\{C_1C_2C_{13}t\eta^{1-N}\} & = \exp\left\{C_{13}^{1/q}q^{-1/q}(C_1C_2C_{13}t\eta^{1-N})^{1/p}\eta^{1/qN\sigma^{-1}}\right\} \\
 & \quad \times \left\{C_{13}^{-1/q}q^{1/q}(C_1C_2C_{13}t\eta^{1-N})^{1/q}\eta^{-1/qN\sigma^{-1}}\right\} \\
 & \leq \exp\left\{\frac{1}{p}\{\text{the first factor}\}^p + \frac{1}{q}\{\text{the second factor}\}^q\right\} \\
 & = \exp\{p^{-1}C_{13}^{p-1}q^{1-p}C_1C_2C_{13}t\eta^{1-N+(p-1)N\sigma^{-1}}\} \\
 & \quad \times \exp\{C_1C_2t\eta^{1-N(1+\sigma^{-1})}\} \\
 & < \exp\{p^{-1}q^{1-p}C_1C_2C_{13}^pT\eta^0\} \exp\{C_1C_2t\eta^{1-N(1+\sigma^{-1})}\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Putting

$$\begin{aligned}
 (26) \quad 0 < \kappa_0 & = \frac{N(1 + \sigma^{-1}) - 1}{N(1 + \sigma^{-1})} < \kappa \leq 1, \quad \eta = \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{-1+\kappa_0} \leq 1, \\
 |w(t, \xi)| & \leq C_{14} |w(0, \xi)| \exp \{ \rho(t) \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa - \rho(0) \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa \\
 & \quad + t(C_7 \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{-1+\kappa_0} |\xi| + 3C_1 C_2 \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{-(1+\kappa_0)(1-N(1+\sigma^{-1}))}) \} \\
 & \leq C_{14} |w(0, \xi)| \exp \{ \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa (\rho(t) - \rho(0)) \\
 & \quad + t(C_7 \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{\kappa_0-\kappa} + 3C_1 C_2 \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{\kappa_0-\kappa} \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{-1+N(1+\sigma^{-1})-\kappa_0N(1+\sigma^{-1})}) \} \\
 \text{using } \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{\kappa_0-\kappa} & \leq \nu^{\kappa_0-\kappa} \text{ and } \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{-1+N(1+\sigma^{-1})-\kappa_0N(1+\sigma^{-1})} = \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^0 = 1, \\
 & \leq C_{14} |w(0, \xi)| \exp \{ \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa (\rho(t) - \rho(0) + C_{15} \nu^{\kappa_0-\kappa} t) \},
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $C_{15} = C_7 + 3C_1C_2$ .

Here if we choose  $\rho(t)$  such that in  $[0, T]$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \begin{cases} \rho(t) - \rho(0) + C_{15} \nu^{\kappa_0-\kappa} t = 0 \\ \rho(0) = \tilde{\rho}_0, \quad \text{i.e.,} \end{cases} \\
 (27) \quad & \rho(t) = \tilde{\rho}_0 - C_{15} \nu^{\kappa_0-\kappa} t \quad (t \in [0, T]),
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $\tilde{\rho}_0 = \omega\rho_0 + (1 - \omega)\rho_1$  for  $0 < \forall \omega < 1, 0 < \forall \rho_1 < \rho_0$ , we have

$$(28) \quad |w(t, \xi)| \leq C_{14}|w(0, \xi)|.$$

Noting that

$$\begin{aligned} |w(0, \xi)| &= |P_\eta(0, \xi)e^{\rho^{(0)}\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} v(0, \xi)| \\ &\leq C_1 e^{\tilde{\rho}_0 \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} |v(0, \xi)|, \\ |v(t, \xi)| &= |e^{-\rho^{(t)}\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} P_\eta(t, \xi)^{-1} w(t, \xi)| \\ &\leq C_2 \eta^{1-N} e^{-\rho^{(t)}\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} |w(t, \xi)| \\ &= C_2 \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{-(1+\kappa_0)(1-N)} e^{-\rho^{(t)}\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} |w(t, \xi)|, \end{aligned}$$

(28) is changed to the estimate

$$(29) \quad e^{\rho^{(t)}\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} |v(t, \xi)| \leq C_1 C_2 C_{14} \langle \xi \rangle^{(1-\kappa_0)(N-1)} e^{\tilde{\rho}_0 \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} |v(0, \xi)|.$$

It holds generally that

$$(30) \quad e^{-x} \leq n!x^{-n} \quad \text{for } x > 0, \quad n = \left\lceil \frac{(1 - \kappa_0)(N - 1)}{\kappa} \right\rceil,$$

and for  $\nu_1 \geq \nu_2$

$$\begin{aligned} (31) \quad \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_1}^\kappa - \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_2}^\kappa &= (\nu_1 - \nu_2) \int_0^1 \partial_\nu \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa |_{\nu=\nu_2+\theta(\nu_1-\nu_2)} d\theta \\ &= (\nu_1 - \nu_2) \int_0^1 \kappa(\nu_2 + \theta(\nu_1 - \nu_2)) \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_2+\theta(\nu_1-\nu_2)}^{\kappa-2} d\theta \\ &= \kappa(\nu_1 - \nu_2) \nu_1 \nu_2^{\kappa-2} \leq \kappa \nu_1^2 \nu_2^{\kappa-2}. \end{aligned}$$

If we put  $\nu = (C_{15}T/\{\omega(\rho_0 - \rho_1)\})^{1/(\kappa - \kappa_0)}$  and take  $0 < \omega < \min\{1, C_{15}T/\{(\rho_0 - \rho_1)\nu_0^{\kappa - \kappa_0}\}\}$ , we get  $\nu > \nu_0$ . Hence by (30), (31) the right side of (29) is changed to

$$\begin{aligned} (32) \quad \text{the right side of (29)} &\leq C_1 C_2 C_{14} \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{(1-\kappa_0)(N-1)} e^{-(\rho_0 - \tilde{\rho}_0)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa} \\ &\quad \times e^{\rho_0(\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa - \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_0}^\kappa)} e^{\rho_0 \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_0}^\kappa} |v(0, \xi)| \\ &\leq C_1 C_2 C_{14} \langle \xi \rangle_\nu^{(1-\kappa_0)(N-1)} n! \{(\rho_0 - \tilde{\rho}_0)\langle \xi \rangle_\nu^\kappa\}^{-n} \\ &\quad \times e^{\rho_0 \kappa \nu^2 \nu_0^{\kappa-2}} e^{\rho_0 \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_0}^\kappa} |v(0, \xi)| \\ &\leq C_1 C_2 C_{14} n! \{(1 - \omega)(\rho_0 - \rho_1)\}^{-n} \\ &\quad \times e^{\rho_0 \kappa (C_{15}T/(\omega(\rho_0 - \rho_1)))^{1/(\kappa - \kappa_0)} \nu_0^{\kappa-2}} e^{\rho_0 \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_0}^\kappa} |v(0, \xi)|. \end{aligned}$$

While, noting that

$$\rho(t) \geq \rho(T) = \tilde{\rho}_0 - C_{15} \nu^{\kappa_0 - \kappa} T$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \omega\rho_0 - (1 - \omega)\rho_1 - C_{15} \left\{ \left( \frac{C_{15}T}{\omega(\rho_0 - \rho_1)} \right)^{1/(\kappa - \kappa_0)} \right\}^{\kappa_0 - \kappa} T \\ &= \rho_1 \quad \forall t \in [0, T], \end{aligned}$$

the left side of (29) is changed to

$$(33) \quad \text{the left side of (29)} \geq e^{\rho_1 \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu}^{\kappa}} |v(t, \xi)|.$$

Thus by (29), (32), (33) we get

$$\begin{aligned} (34) \quad e^{\rho_1 \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu}^{\kappa}} |v(t, \xi)| &\leq C_1 C_2 C_{14} n! \{ (1 - \omega)(\rho_0 - \rho_1) \}^{-n} \\ &\quad \times e^{\rho_0 \kappa (C_{15} T / (\omega(\rho_0 - \rho_1)))^{1/(\kappa - \kappa_0)} \nu_0^{\kappa - 2}} e^{\rho_0 \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_0}^{\kappa}} |v(0, \xi)| \\ &\leq \text{const. } e^{\rho_0 \langle \xi \rangle_{\nu_0}^{\kappa}} |v(0, \xi)| \quad \text{for } \forall t \in [0, T], \forall \xi \in \mathbf{R}_x^n, \end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho_1$  and  $\kappa$  satisfy

$$0 < \rho_1 < \rho_0, \quad \frac{N(1 + \sigma^{-1}) - 1}{N(1 + \sigma^{-1})} < \kappa \leq 1,$$

respectively from (26), (27). This implies (4) and (5) of the case 1.

From (34) we have the following energy inequalities

$$(35) \quad \|u(t)\|_{L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu}} \leq C \|u_0\|_{L^2_{\rho_0, \kappa, \nu_0}} \quad \text{for } \forall t \in [0, T],$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \|\partial_t u(t)\|_{L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu}} &\leq C \|\langle D \rangle u(t)\|_{L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu}} \\ &\leq C \|u(t)\|_{L^2_{\rho_2, \kappa, \nu}} \quad (\rho_1 < \rho_2 < \rho_0) \\ &\leq C \|u_0\|_{L^2_{\rho_0, \kappa, \nu_0}} \quad \text{for } \forall t \in [0, T]. \end{aligned}$$

To show the existence of solutions for system (1), we consider the following system in  $[0, T] \times \mathbf{R}_x^n$

$$(36) \quad \begin{cases} \partial_t u_l = \sum_{h=1}^n A_h(t) i l \sin(D_h/l) u_l + B(t) u_l \\ u_l(0, x) = u_0(x). \end{cases}$$

Here we remark that  $\zeta_l(\xi) = (l \sin(\xi_1/l), \dots, l \sin(\xi_n/l))$  satisfies

$$\begin{cases} \text{i) } \zeta_l(\xi) \rightarrow \xi \quad (l \rightarrow \infty) \\ \text{ii) } |\zeta_l(\xi)| \leq |\xi| \\ \text{iii) } |\zeta_l^{(\alpha)}(\xi)| \leq C_{\alpha} \langle \zeta_l(\xi) \rangle^{1 - |\alpha|} \end{cases}$$

Since  $il \sin(D_h/l)$  ( $h = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) belong to  $OPS^0$  for any fixed  $l$ ,  $\sum_h il \sin(D_h/l)$  is a bounded linear operator on  $L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ . Thus the solvability and uniqueness of (36) is elementary.

With the same methods, we can get the analogous estimate

$$\begin{aligned}
 (37) \quad & \| e^{\rho_1 \langle \zeta_l(D) \rangle_{\nu}^{\kappa}} u_l(t) \|_{L^2} \leq C \| e^{\rho_0 \langle \zeta_l(D) \rangle_{\nu_0}^{\kappa}} u_0 \|_{L^2} \\
 & \leq C \| e^{\rho_0 \langle D \rangle_{\nu_0}^{\kappa}} u_0 \|_{L^2} = C \| u_0 \|_{L^2_{\rho_0, \kappa, \nu_0}} \\
 & \quad \text{for } \forall t \in [0, T], \\
 (38) \quad & \| e^{\rho_1 \langle \zeta_l(D) \rangle_{\nu}^{\kappa}} \partial u_l(t) \|_{L^2} \leq C \| e^{\rho_0 \langle \zeta_l(D) \rangle_{\nu_0}^{\kappa}} u_0 \|_{L^2} \\
 & \leq C \| e^{\rho_0 \langle D \rangle_{\nu_0}^{\kappa}} u_0 \|_{L^2} = C \| u_0 \|_{L^2_{\rho_0, \kappa, \nu_0}} \\
 & \quad \text{for } \forall t \in [0, T].
 \end{aligned}$$

Futhermore by (38) it holds that

$$\begin{aligned}
 (39) \quad & \| e^{\rho_1 \langle \zeta_l(D) \rangle_{\nu}^{\kappa}} (u_l(t) - u_l(t')) \|_{L^2} \leq \int_{t'}^t \| e^{\rho_1 \langle \zeta_l(D) \rangle_{\nu}^{\kappa}} \partial_t u_l(\tau) \|_{L^2} d\tau \\
 & \leq C |t - t'| \| u_0 \|_{L^2_{\rho_0, \kappa, \nu_0}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

From (37) and (39), we find that the sequence  $\{e^{\rho_1 \langle \zeta_l(D) \rangle_{\nu}^{\kappa}} u_l(t)\}_{l=1}^{\infty}$  is bounded in  $L_2$  and has a weak limit  $e^{\rho_1 \langle D \rangle_{\nu}^{\kappa}} u(t)$  which is also a solution of (1) and satisfies

$$(40) \quad \| u(t) - u(t') \|_{L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu}} \leq C |t - t'| \| u_0 \|_{L^2_{\rho_0, \kappa, \nu_0}}.$$

we also get

$$\begin{aligned}
 (41) \quad & \| \langle D \rangle (u(t) - u(t')) \|_{L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu}} \leq \| u(t) - u(t') \|_{L^2_{\rho_2, \kappa, \nu}} \quad (\rho_1 <^{\forall} \rho_2 < \rho_0) \\
 & \leq C |t - t'| \| u_0 \|_{L^2_{\rho_0, \kappa, \nu_0}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

By (40), (41) we can see  $u(t), \partial_h u(t) \in C^0([0, T], L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu})$ . Thus by (1) we find  $u(t) \in C^1([0, T], L^2_{\rho_1, \kappa, \nu})$ .

This concludes the proof of Theorem under the case 1. Theorem under case 2 also can be proved quite similarly.

**Appendix**

We shall show that the Ex 1 is included by case 2 and  $\mu$  is equals to the maximal multiplicity of the eigenvalues of  $A_h(t)\xi_h$ , i.e.,  $\mu = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} m_i$ . Since the multiplicity of the eigenvalues is constant, it is sufficient to consider the constant matrix  $A$ . Moreover for the simplicity we may suppose that the  $N \times N$  matrix  $A$  has two distinct real eigenvalues  $\lambda_1$  and  $\lambda_2$  whose multiplicity are  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  respectively. Then

similarly as Lemma 1, we can get a non-singular matrix  $P$  such that

$$\begin{aligned}
 PAP^{-1} = \tilde{A} + R = & \begin{pmatrix} \lambda_1 & 0 & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & 0 \\ a_{2,1} & \lambda_1 & \ddots & & & & \vdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & & & \vdots \\ a_{m_1,1} & \cdots & a_{m_1,m_1-1} & \lambda_1 & \ddots & & \vdots \\ a_{m_1+1,1} & \cdots & \cdots & a_{m_1+1,m_1} & \lambda_2 & \ddots & \vdots \\ \vdots & & & & & \ddots & 0 \\ a_{N,1} & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & a_{N,N-1} & \lambda_2 \end{pmatrix} \\
 \equiv & \begin{pmatrix} D_1 & 0 \\ E & D_2 \end{pmatrix}.
 \end{aligned}$$

As it is well known, if  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  have no eigenvalues in common, the matrix equation  $D_2X - XD_1 = E$  has a unique solution  $X$  (see [14]). Hence putting  $\tilde{P} = \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ X & I \end{pmatrix} P$ , we find that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \tilde{P}A\tilde{P}^{-1} &= \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ X & I \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} D_1 & 0 \\ E & D_2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} I & 0 \\ -X & I \end{pmatrix} \\
 &= \begin{pmatrix} D_1 & 0 \\ XD_1 - D_2X + E & D_2 \end{pmatrix} = \text{diag}\{D_1, D_2\}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Here we can easily see that  $D_1$  and  $D_2$  are the triangular matrices whose sizes are  $m_1 \times m_1$  and  $m_2 \times m_2$  respectively. Therefore  $\mu$  is equals to the maximal multiplicity of the eigenvalues of  $A$ .

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