

Cauchy problem for non-strictly hyperbolic systems II. Leray-Volevich's systems and well-posedness

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Introduction

We consider the Cauchy problem for non strictly hyperbolic systems with diagonal principal part of constant multiplicity. We shall derive a necessary condition in order that the Cauchy problem for such systems is well posed in C^∞ class.

We consider the following Cauchy problem in $G(x)$ a neighborhood of $\hat{x} = (\hat{x}_0, \hat{x}_1, \dots, \hat{x}_n) \in \mathbf{R}^{n+1}$,

$$(1) \quad \begin{cases} a(x, D)u^s(x) + \sum_{i=1}^N b_i^s(x, D)u^i(x) = f^s(x), & x \in G(\hat{x}) \cap \{x_0 > \hat{x}_0\}, \\ D_0^h u^s|_{x_0=\hat{x}_0} = g_h^s(x'), & x' \in G(\hat{x}) \cap \{x_0 = \hat{x}_0\}, \quad h \leq m-1, s=1, \dots, N. \end{cases}$$

where $a(x, D)$ and $b_i^s(x, D)$ are differential operators of which coefficients are infinitely differential functions defined in a domain $G \subset \mathbf{R}^{n+1}$. We assume here that we can factorize in $G \subset \mathbf{R}^{n+1}$ the principal part of $a(x, D)$, $\hat{a}(x, \xi)$ as follows

$$(2) \quad \hat{a}(x, \xi) = \prod_{l=1}^r (\xi_0 - \lambda^{(l)}(x, \xi'))^{v^{(l)}},$$

where $v^{(l)}$ are constant integers in $G \times \mathbf{R}^n \setminus 0$, $\lambda^{(l)}$ are C^∞ -real valued functions and $\lambda^{(l)} \neq \lambda^{(j)}$ on $G \times \mathbf{R}^n \setminus 0$ for $l \neq j$. Moreover we assume that there exist integers $n_1, \dots, n_N$ such that

$$(3) \quad \text{order } b_i^s \leq m-1 + n_i - n_s$$

where $m = \text{order } a = \sum_{l=1}^r v^{(l)}$.

We call here a system with above properties (2) and (3) a hyperbolic Leray-Volevich's system with diagonal principal part of constant multiplicity.