

208. Construction of Elementary Solutions for I -hyperbolic Operators and Solutions with Small Singularities

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In this note we treat the following problems:

(I) Construction of the elementary solution of the Cauchy problem for a hyperbolic differential operator (Theorem 3).

(II) The condition for I -hyperbolicity (Theorem 5).

(III) Construction of a solution of a (homogeneous) differential equation whose singular support on S^*M is contained in a bicharacteristic strip (Theorem 6). Here S^*M denotes the co-sphere or cotangential sphere bundle of the underlying real analytic manifold M , which we take to be a domain in \mathbf{R}^{n+1} containing the origin.

This paper is a summary of a part of forthcoming paper Kawai [7] in which details will be given. Throughout this note P will denote a linear partial differential operator of order m and of simple characteristics with analytic coefficients, whose principal symbol we denote by P_m .

We first state a theorem essentially due to Hamada [1], which generalizes the Cauchy-Kovalevsky theorem.

Theorem 1. *Let P be a partial differential operator with holomorphic coefficients defined near the origin of \mathbf{C}^{n+1} . (Hereafter we denote a point in \mathbf{C}^{n+1} by $(t, z) = (t, z_1, \dots, z_n)$ and assume $P_m(t, z; 1, 0) \neq 0$ near the origin.) We assume that the solutions $\tau = \tau_j(t, z; \xi)$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) of the equation $P_m(t, z; \tau, \xi) = 0$ are mutually disjoint near $(t, z; \xi) = (0, 0; \xi_0)$ and consider the following singular Cauchy problem:*

$$(SC) \quad \begin{cases} P(t, z, \partial/\partial t, \partial/\partial z)u_k(t, z, y; \xi) = 0 \\ (\partial/\partial t)^j u_k(t, z, y; \xi)|_{t=0} = \delta_{jk}(1/\langle z-y, \xi \rangle)^n \\ (0 \leq j, k \leq m-1, |\xi| = |\xi_0| = 1, |\xi - \xi_0| \ll 1). \end{cases}$$

Then (SC) admits a unique local solution $u_k(t, z, y; \xi)$ which is a multivalued analytic function of $(t, z) \in \mathbf{C}^{n+1}$ defined outside $K^{(1)}(y, \xi) \cup \dots \cup K^{(m)}(y, \xi)$; here $K^{(l)}(y, \xi) = \{(t, z) | \varphi^{(l)}(t, z, y; \xi) = 0\}$, $l = 1, \dots, m$, denote the m (non-singular) characteristic surfaces of P_m passing through the intersection of complex hypersurfaces $t=0$ and $\langle z, \xi \rangle = \langle y, \xi \rangle$ in \mathbf{C}^{n+1} . $\varphi^{(l)}(t, z, y; \xi)$ denotes the corresponding characteristic function or the phase function satisfying $P_m(t, z; \text{grad}_{(t,z)} \varphi^{(l)}(t, z, y; \xi)) \equiv 0$. Furthermore u has the form $\sum_{l=1}^m u^{(l)}$, where the summand $u^{(l)}$