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Pullback Exponential Attractors for Nonautonomous Klein-Gordon-Schrödinger Equations on Infinite Lattices

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This paper proves the existence of the pullback exponential attractor for the process associated to the nonautonomous Klein-Gordon-Schrödinger equations on infinite lattices.

1. Introduction

Lattice dynamical systems (LDSs for short), including coupled ordinary differential equations (ODEs), coupled map lattices, and cellular automata [1], are spatiotemporal systems with discretization in some variables. In some cases, LDSs arise as the spatial discretization of partial differential equations (PDEs) on unbounded or bounded domains. LDSs occur in a wide variety of applications, ranging from image processing and pattern recognition [2–4] to electrical engineering [5], chemical reaction theory [6, 7], laser systems [8], material science [9], biology [10], and so forth.

Nowadays, LDSs have drawn much attention from mathematicians and physicists [1]. Various properties of solutions for LDSs have been widely studied. For example, the stochastic LDSs were investigated in [11, 12]. The global and uniform attractors of LDSs were examined in [13–19]. The exponential and uniform exponential attractors of LDSs were investigated by [20–24].

At the same time, the asymptotic theory of LDSs has been widely used on many concrete lattice equations from mathematical physics. For example, lattice reaction-diffusion equations [25], discrete nonlinear Schrödinger equations [26], lattice FitzHugh-Nagumo systems [27], lattice Klein-Gordon-Schrödinger (KGS) equations [28], and lattice three component reversible Gray-Scott equations [29].

Very recently, Zhou and Han [30] presented some sufficient conditions for the existence of the pullback exponential

attractor for the continuous process on Banach spaces and weighted spaces of infinite sequences. Also, they applied their results to study the existence of pullback exponential attractors for first-order nonautonomous differential equations and partly dissipative differential equations on infinite lattices with time-dependent coupled coefficients and time-dependent external terms in weighted spaces.

In this paper, we will use the abstract theory of [30] to study the pullback exponential behavior of solutions for the following nonautonomous lattice systems:

$$i\dot{z}_m - (Az)_m + i\alpha z_m + z_m u_m = f_m(t), \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad t > \tau, \quad (1)$$

$$\ddot{u}_m + \nu \dot{u}_m + (Au)_m + \mu u_m - \beta |z_m|^2 = g_m(t), \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad t > \tau, \quad (2)$$

with initial conditions:

$$z_m(\tau) = z_{m,\tau}, \quad u_m(\tau) = u_{m,\tau}, \quad \dot{u}_m(\tau) = u_{1m,\tau}, \quad m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \tau \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (3)$$

where A is a linear operator defined as

$$(Au)_m = 2u_m - u_{m+1} - u_{m-1}, \quad \forall u = (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}, \quad (4)$$

$z_m(t) \in \mathbb{C}$, $u_m(t) \in \mathbb{R}$, \mathbb{C} and \mathbb{R} are the sets of complex and real numbers, respectively, \mathbb{Z} is the set of integer numbers, $i = \sqrt{-1}$ is the unit of the imaginary numbers, and α, β, ν , and μ are positive constants.

Equations (1)-(2) can be regarded as a discrete analogue of the following nonautonomous KGS equations on \mathbb{R} :

$$\begin{aligned} iz_t + z_{xx} + i\alpha z + zu &= f(x, t), \\ u_{tt} + \nu u_t - u_{xx} + \mu u - \beta |z|^2 &= g(x, t). \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

Equations (5) describe the interaction of a scalar nucleon interacting with a neutral scalar meson through Yukawa coupling [31], where z and u represent the complex scalar nucleon field and the real meson field, respectively, and the complex-valued function $f(x, t)$ and the real-valued function $g(x, t)$ are the time-dependent external sources. There are many works concerning the Cauchy problem and the initial boundary value problem of the continuous model of KGS equations or its related version, see [32–36] and references therein.

We want to mention that the lattice KGS equations have been studied by [28, 37]. In [37], the authors first presented some sufficient conditions for the existence of the uniform exponential attractor for a family of continuous processes on separable Hilbert spaces and the space of infinite sequences. Then, they studied the existence of uniform exponential attractors for the dissipative nonautonomous KGS lattice system and the Zakharov lattice system driven by quasi-periodic external forces. In [28], the authors first proved the existence of compact kernel sections and gave an upper bound of the Kolmogorov ε -entropy for these kernel sections. Also they verified the upper semicontinuity of the kernel sections. Articles in [28, 37] use the same transformation of the variable $u = (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$.

The aim of the present paper is to use the abstract result of [30] to prove the existence of pullback exponential attractors for the LDSs (1)–(3). When verifying the discrete squeezing property (see Lemma 5(II)) of the generated process, we encounter the difficulty coming from the nonlinear terms $u_m z_m$ and $|z_m|^2$ in the coupled lattice equations. To overcome this difficulty, we make a proper transformation of the variable $u = (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$ and use the technique of cutoff functions. We want to remark that the idea concerning the transformation of the variable u originates from articles in [28, 37], but our transformation is other than that of [28, 37].

The rest of the paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, we first introduce some spaces and operators. Then, we recall some results on the existence, uniqueness, and some estimates of solutions. Section 3 is devoted to proving the existence of the pullback exponential attractor for the process associated to the lattice KGS equations.

2. Preliminaries

We first introduce the mathematical setting of our problem. Set

$$\begin{aligned} \ell^2 &= \left\{ u = (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}, u_m \in \mathbb{R} : \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} u_m^2 < +\infty \right\}, \\ L^2 &= \left\{ u = (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}, u_m \in \mathbb{C} : \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} |u_m|^2 < +\infty \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (6)$$

For brevity, we use X to denote ℓ^2 or L^2 , and equip X with the inner product and norm as

$$\begin{aligned} (u, v) &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} u_m \bar{v}_m, \quad \|u\|^2 = (u, u), \\ \forall u &= (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}, \quad v = (v_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in X, \end{aligned} \quad (7)$$

where \bar{v}_m denotes the conjugate of v_m . For any two elements $u, v \in X$, we define a bilinear form on X by

$$(u, v)_\mu = (Bu, Bv) + \mu(u, v), \quad (8)$$

where μ is the constant in (2) and B is a linear operator defined as

$$(Bu)_m = u_{m+1} - u_m, \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \forall u = (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in X. \quad (9)$$

We also define a linear operator B^* from X to X via

$$(B^*u)_m = u_{m-1} - u_m, \quad \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad \forall u = (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in X. \quad (10)$$

In fact, B^* is the adjoint operator of B and one can check that

$$(Au, v) = (B^*Bu, v) = (Bu, Bv), \quad (Bu, v) = (u, B^*v), \quad \forall u, v \in X,$$

$$\begin{aligned} \|Bu\|^2 &= \|B^*u\|^2 \leq 4\|u\|^2, \quad \|Au\|^2 \leq 16\|u\|^2, \\ \forall u &\in X. \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Clearly, the bilinear form $(\cdot, \cdot)_\mu$ defined by (8) is also an inner product in X . Since

$$\mu\|u\|^2 \leq \mu\|u\|^2 + \|Bu\|^2 = \|u\|_\mu^2 \leq (\mu + 4)\|u\|^2, \quad \forall u \in X, \quad (12)$$

the norm $\|\cdot\|_\mu$ induced by $(\cdot, \cdot)_\mu$ is equivalent to the norm $\|\cdot\|$. Write

$$\begin{aligned} \ell^2 &= (\ell^2, (\cdot, \cdot), \|\cdot\|), \\ \ell_\mu^2 &= (\ell^2, (\cdot, \cdot)_\mu, \|\cdot\|_\mu), \\ L^2 &= (L^2, (\cdot, \cdot), \|\cdot\|); \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

then ℓ^2 , ℓ_μ^2 , and L^2 are all Hilbert spaces. Set

$$E_\mu = \ell_\mu^2 \times \ell^2 \times L^2. \quad (14)$$

For any two elements $\psi^{(j)} = (u^{(j)}, v^{(j)}, z^{(j)})^T \in E_\mu$, $j = 1, 2$, the inner product and norm of E_μ are defined as

$$\begin{aligned} (\psi^{(1)}, \psi^{(2)})_{E_\mu} &= (u^{(1)}, u^{(2)})_\mu + (v^{(1)}, v^{(2)}) + (z^{(1)}, z^{(2)}) \\ &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left((Bu^{(1)})_m (Bu^{(2)})_m + \mu u_m^{(1)} u_m^{(2)} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + v_m^{(1)} v_m^{(2)} + z_m^{(1)} \overline{z_m^{(2)}} \right), \\ \|\psi\|_{E_\mu}^2 &= (\psi, \psi)_{E_\mu}, \quad \forall \psi \in E_\mu, \end{aligned} \quad (15)$$

where $\overline{z_m^{(2)}}$ stands for the conjugate of $z_m^{(2)}$.

For convenience, we will express (1)–(3) as an abstract Cauchy problem of first-order ODE with respect to time t in E_μ . To this end, we put $u = (u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, $z = (z_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, $zu = (z_m u_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, $|z|^2 = (|z_m|^2)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, $f(t) = (f_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, $g(t) = (g_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, $z_\tau = (z_{m,\tau})_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, and $u_\tau = (u_{m,\tau})_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$, $u_{1\tau} = (u_{1m,\tau})_{m \in \mathbb{Z}}$. Then, we rewrite (1)–(3) in a vector form as

$$i\dot{z} - Az + i\alpha z + zu = f(t), \quad t > \tau, \quad (16)$$

$$\ddot{u} + v\dot{u} + Au + \mu u - \beta|z|^2 = g(t), \quad t > \tau, \quad (17)$$

$$z(\tau) = z_\tau, \quad u(\tau) = u_\tau, \quad \dot{u}(\tau) = u_{1\tau}, \quad \tau \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (18)$$

Set

$$v = \dot{u} + \delta u, \quad \text{where } \delta = \frac{\mu v}{2(\mu + v^2)} > 0, \quad (19)$$

$$\psi = (u, v, z)^T, \quad F(\psi, t) = (0, \beta|z|^2 + g(t), izu - if(t))^T,$$

$$\Theta = \begin{pmatrix} \delta I & -I & 0 \\ A + \mu I + \delta(\delta - v)I & (v - \delta)I & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & iA + \alpha I \end{pmatrix}. \quad (20)$$

Then, (16)–(18) can be written as

$$\dot{\psi} + \Theta\psi = F(\psi, t), \quad t > \tau, \quad (21)$$

$$\psi(\tau) = \psi_\tau = (u_\tau, v_\tau, z_\tau)^T = (u_\tau, u_{1\tau} + \delta u_\tau, z_\tau)^T, \quad \tau \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (22)$$

Let $\mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$ be the set of continuous and bounded functions from \mathbb{R} into X , then for each $f(t) \in \mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, X)$, we have $\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} |f_m(t)|^2 < +\infty$. Write

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{H} = & \left\{ f(t) = (f_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, X) : \right. \\ & \text{for each } \tau \in \mathbb{R}, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists M(\varepsilon, \tau) \in \mathbb{N}, \\ & \text{such that } \sum_{|m| \geq M(\varepsilon, \tau)} |f_m(s)|^2 \leq \varepsilon \\ & \left. \text{for any } s \leq \tau \right\}. \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

We next recall some results of solutions to (21)–(22).

Lemma 1 (see [28]). *Let $f(t) = (f_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, L^2)$, $g(t) = (g_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, \ell^2)$. Then, for any initial data $\psi_\tau = (u_\tau, v_\tau, z_\tau)^T \in E_\mu$, there exists a unique solution $\psi(t) = (u(t), v(t), z(t))^T \in E_\mu$ of (21)–(22), such that $\psi(t) \in \mathcal{C}([t, +\infty), E_\mu) \cap \mathcal{C}^1((t, +\infty), E_\mu)$. Moreover, the mapping*

$$U(t, \tau) : \psi_\tau = (u_\tau, v_\tau, z_\tau)^T \in E_\mu \mapsto \psi(t) \quad (24)$$

$$= (u(t), v(t), z(t))^T \in E_\mu, \quad \forall t \geq \tau$$

generates a continuous process $\{U(t, \tau)\}_{t \geq \tau}$ on E_μ , where $v_\tau = u_{1\tau} + \delta u_\tau$.

Lemma 2 (see [28]). *Let $f(t) = (f_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, L^2)$, $g(t) = (g_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, \ell^2)$. Then, the solution $\psi(t) = (u(t), v(t), z(t))^T \in E_\mu$ of (21)–(22) corresponding to initial data $\psi_\tau = (u_\tau, v_\tau, z_\tau)^T \in E_\mu$ satisfies*

$$\|\psi(t)\|_{E_\mu}^2 \leq C_0 e^{-2\vartheta_0(t-\tau)} + \frac{1}{2} R_0^2, \quad \forall t \geq \tau, \quad (25)$$

where C_0, ϑ_0 , and R_0 are positive constants independent of t and τ .

Lemma 3 (see [28]). *Let $f(t) = (f_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, L^2)$, $g(t) = (g_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{C}_b(\mathbb{R}, \ell^2)$. Then, the process $\{U(t, \tau)\}_{t \geq \tau}$ corresponding to (21)–(22) possesses a uniformly bounded absorbing set $\mathcal{B}_0 \subset E_\mu$, such that for any bounded set \mathcal{B} of E_μ , there exists a time $t(\tau, \mathcal{B}) \geq \tau$ yielding*

$$U(t, \tau) \mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{B}_0, \quad \forall t \geq t(\tau, \mathcal{B}), \quad (26)$$

where $\mathcal{B}_0 = \mathcal{B}(0, R_0) \subset E_\mu$ is a closed ball centered at 0 with radius R_0 .

Lemma 3 shows that there exists a time $t_0 \doteq t_0(\tau, \mathcal{B}_0) \geq \tau$, such that

$$U(t, \tau) \mathcal{B}_0 \subset \mathcal{B}_0, \quad \forall t \geq t_0. \quad (27)$$

Lemma 4 (see [28]). *Let $f(t) = (f_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{H}$ with $X = L^2$ and $g(t) = (g_m(t))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in \mathcal{H}$ with $X = \ell^2$, respectively. Then, for any $\varepsilon > 0$, there exist $t^* \doteq t(\varepsilon, \mathcal{B}_0) > t_0$ and $M_0(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0) \in \mathbb{N}$, such that when $t \geq t^*$, the solution $U(t + \tau, \tau) \psi_\tau = \psi(t + \tau) = (\psi_m(t + \tau))_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in E_\mu$ of (21)–(22) with $\psi_\tau \in \mathcal{B}_0$ satisfies*

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{|m| > M_0(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)} |(U(t + \tau, \tau) \psi_\tau)_m|_{E_\mu}^2 \\ &= \sum_{|m| > M_0(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)} |\psi_m(t + \tau)|_{E_\mu}^2 \leq \varepsilon^2, \end{aligned} \quad (28)$$

where $|\psi_m|_{E_\mu}^2 = |(Bu)_m|^2 + \mu u_m^2 + v_m^2 + |z_m|^2$.

3. Existence of the Pullback Exponential Attractors

In this section, we prove the existence of the pullback exponential attractor for the process $\{U(t, \tau)\}_{t \geq \tau}$ defined by (24). Write

$$E_\mu^{(N)} = \{\psi = (\psi_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in E_\mu \mid \psi_m = (0, 0, 0)^T \text{ if } |m| > N\}, \quad (29)$$

then $E_\mu^{(N)}$ is a $4(2N + 1)$ -dimensional subspace of E_μ . Define a bounded projection $P_N : E_\mu \mapsto E_\mu^{(N)} \subset E_\mu$ by

$$(P_N \psi)_m = \begin{cases} \psi_m, & |m| \leq N; \\ 0, & |m| > N, \end{cases} \quad \psi = (\psi_m)_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \in E_\mu. \quad (30)$$

Lemma 5. (I) For any $T > t_0$, there exists some $L_T > 0$ (independent of τ), such that for every $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ and any $t \in [t_0, T]$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|U(t + \tau, \tau) \psi_\tau^{(1)} - U(t + \tau, \tau) \psi_\tau^{(2)}\|_{E_\mu} \\ & \leq L_T \|\psi_\tau^{(1)} - \psi_\tau^{(2)}\|_{E_\mu}, \quad \forall \psi_\tau^{(1)}, \psi_\tau^{(2)} \in \mathcal{B}_0. \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

(II) There exist two positive constants $T^* > t_0$ and $\gamma \in (0, 1/2)$, and a $4(2N^* + 1)$ -dimensional orthogonal projection $P_{N^*} : E_\mu \mapsto E_\mu^{(N^*)}$ for some $N^* \in \mathbb{N}$, such that for every $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$ and $\psi_\tau^{(1)}, \psi_\tau^{(2)} \in \mathcal{B}_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(I - P_{N^*})[U(T^* + \tau, \tau) \psi_\tau^{(1)} - U(T^* + \tau, \tau) \psi_\tau^{(2)}]\|_{E_\mu} \\ & \leq \gamma \|\psi_\tau^{(1)} - \psi_\tau^{(2)}\|_{E_\mu}. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

Proof. (I) For any $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$, let

$$\begin{aligned} \psi^{(1)}(t) &= U(t, \tau) \psi_\tau^{(1)}, \\ \psi^{(2)}(t) &= U(t, \tau) \psi_\tau^{(2)}, \quad \forall t \geq \tau \end{aligned} \quad (33)$$

be two solutions of (21)-(22) with initial conditions $\psi_\tau^{(1)}, \psi_\tau^{(2)} \in \mathcal{B}_0$, respectively. Set

$$\begin{aligned} u_d(t) &= u^{(1)}(t) - u^{(2)}(t), \quad v_d(t) = v^{(1)}(t) - v^{(2)}(t), \\ z_d(t) &= z^{(1)}(t) - z^{(2)}(t), \quad \psi_d(t) = \psi^{(1)}(t) - \psi^{(2)}(t). \end{aligned} \quad (34)$$

From (21)-(22), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{\psi}_d + \Theta \psi_d &= F(\psi^{(1)}, t) - F(\psi^{(2)}, t), \quad \forall t > \tau. \\ \psi_d(\tau) &= \psi_\tau^{(1)} - \psi_\tau^{(2)}. \end{aligned} \quad (35)$$

Taking the real part of the inner product of (35) with ψ_d in E_μ , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2 + \operatorname{Re}(\Theta \psi_d + F(\psi^{(2)}, t)) \\ & - F(\psi^{(1)}, t), \psi_d)_{E_\mu} = 0, \quad \forall t \geq \tau. \end{aligned} \quad (36)$$

Since $\Theta : E_\mu \mapsto E_\mu$ is a bounded linear operator, $F : E_\mu \times \mathbb{R} \mapsto E_\mu$ is a locally Lipschitz continuous operator (see Lemma 2.2 in [28]), and \mathcal{B}_0 is a bounded set in E_μ , we see that there exist two positive constants C_1 and $K_1 = K_1(\mathcal{B}_0)$, such that

$$\begin{aligned} & \operatorname{Re}(\Theta \psi_d + F(\psi^{(2)}, t) - F(\psi^{(1)}, t), \psi_d)_{E_\mu} \\ & \leq (C_1 \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu} + \|F(\psi^{(2)}, t) - F(\psi^{(1)}, t)\|_{E_\mu}) \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu} \\ & \leq (C_1 + K_1) \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2, \quad \forall t \geq \tau. \end{aligned} \quad (37)$$

Combining (36) and (37), we get

$$\frac{d}{dt} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2 - K_2 \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2 \leq 0, \quad \forall t \geq \tau, \quad (38)$$

where $K_2 = 2(C_1 + K_1)$. Applying Gronwall inequality to (38) on $[\tau, \tau + t]$ with $t \in [t_0, T]$, we obtain

$$\|\psi_d(t + \tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2 \leq e^{K_2 t} \|\psi_d(\tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2, \quad \forall t \in [t_0, T]. \quad (39)$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|\psi_d(t + \tau)\|_{E_\mu} \\ &= \|\psi^{(1)}(t + \tau) - \psi^{(2)}(t + \tau)\|_{E_\mu} \\ &= \|U(t + \tau, \tau) \psi_\tau^{(1)} - U(t + \tau, \tau) \psi_\tau^{(2)}\|_{E_\mu} \\ &\leq L_T \|\psi_\tau^{(1)} - \psi_\tau^{(2)}\|_{E_\mu}, \quad \forall t \in [t_0, T], \end{aligned} \quad (40)$$

where $L_T = \sqrt{e^{K_2 T}}$ does not depend on τ .

(II) Define a smooth function $\chi(x) \in \mathcal{C}^1(\mathbb{R}_+, [0, 1])$, such that

$$\chi(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & 0 \leq x \leq 1; \\ 1, & x \geq 2, \end{cases} \quad (41)$$

$$|\chi'(x)| \leq \chi_0 \text{ (positive constant)}, \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}_+.$$

Set

$$\begin{aligned} p_d &= (p_{dm})_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{ with } p_{dm} = \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) u_{dm}, \\ q_d &= (q_{dm})_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{ with } q_{dm} = \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) v_{dm}, \\ w_d &= (w_{dm})_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{ with } w_{dm} = \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) z_{dm}, \\ \phi_d &= (\phi_{dm})_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \text{ with } \phi_{dm} = (p_{dm}, q_{dm}, w_{dm}), \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

where M is a positive integer that will be specified later. From (16), we see that

$$i \dot{z}_d - A z_d + i \alpha z_d + z^{(1)} u^{(1)} - z^{(2)} u^{(2)} = 0. \quad (43)$$

Taking the imaginary part of the inner product of (43) with w_d in L^2 , we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_{dm}|^2 - \operatorname{Im}(A z_d, w_d) + \alpha \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_{dm}|^2 \\ & + \operatorname{Im}(z^{(1)} u^{(1)} - z^{(2)} u^{(2)}, w_d) = 0. \end{aligned} \quad (44)$$

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & -\operatorname{Im}(Az_d, w_d) \\
 &= -\operatorname{Im}(Bz_d, Bw_d) \\
 &= -\operatorname{Im}\left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (z_{dm+1} - z_{dm}) \right. \\
 &\quad \times \left. \left(\chi\left(\frac{|m+1|}{M}\right) \bar{z}_{dm+1} - \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) \bar{z}_{dm} \right) \right) \\
 &= \operatorname{Im}\left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(\chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) z_{dm+1} \bar{z}_{dm} \right. \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \left. + \chi\left(\frac{|m+1|}{M}\right) \bar{z}_{dm+1} z_{dm} \right) \right) \\
 &= \operatorname{Im}\left(\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(\chi\left(\frac{|m+1|}{M}\right) - \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) \right) \bar{z}_{dm+1} z_{dm} \right) \\
 &\geq -\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left| \chi'\left(\frac{\tilde{m}}{M}\right) \right| \frac{1}{M} |z_{dm+1}| |z_{dm}| \\
 &\geq -\frac{2\chi_0}{M} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2, \quad \forall t \geq \tau,
 \end{aligned} \tag{45}$$

where \tilde{m} locates between $|m+1|$ and $|m|$. According to Lemma 4, we know that there exist t_1 ($t_1 > t_0$) and $M_1(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0) \in \mathbb{N}$, such that when $t \geq t_1$ and $M > M_1(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \operatorname{Im} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \left(z_m^{(1)} u_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)} u_m^{(2)}, \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) (z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)}) \right) \\
 &\leq \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_m^{(1)} u_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)} u_m^{(2)}| |z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)}| \\
 &= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_m^{(1)} (u_m^{(1)} - u_m^{(2)}) + u_m^{(2)} (z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)})| \\
 &\quad \times |z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)}| \\
 &\leq \frac{\alpha}{4} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)}|^2 + \frac{\sqrt{\alpha\mu\delta}}{2} \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |u_m^{(1)} - u_m^{(2)}| |z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)}| \\
 &\leq \frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)}|^2 \\
 &\quad + \frac{\mu\delta}{4} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |u_m^{(1)} - u_m^{(2)}|^2,
 \end{aligned} \tag{46}$$

which implies that when $t \geq t_1$ and $M > M_1(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \operatorname{Im} \left(z^{(1)} u^{(1)} - z^{(2)} u^{(2)}, w_d \right) \\
 &= \operatorname{Im} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) (z_m^{(1)} u_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)} u_m^{(2)}, (z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)})) \\
 &\geq -\frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_m^{(1)} - z_m^{(2)}|^2 \\
 &\quad - \frac{\mu\delta}{4} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |u_m^{(1)} - u_m^{(2)}|^2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{47}$$

Then, taking (44)–(47) into account, we obtain for every $t \geq t_1$ and $M > M_1(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$ that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_{dm}|^2 + \alpha \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_{dm}|^2 \\
 &\leq \frac{\mu\delta}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) u_{dm}^2 + \frac{4\chi_0}{M} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{48}$$

From (17) and (19), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \dot{v}_d + (\nu - \delta) v_d + (\delta(\delta - \nu) + \mu) u_d \\
 &\quad + Au_d - \beta(|z^{(1)}|^2 - |z^{(2)}|^2) = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{49}$$

Taking the inner product of (49) with q_d in ℓ^2 , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) v_{dm}^2 + (\nu - \delta) \\
 &\quad \times \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) v_{dm}^2 + ((\delta(\delta - \nu) + \mu) u_d, q_d) \\
 &\quad + (Au_d, q_d) - \beta(|z^{(1)}|^2 - |z^{(2)}|^2, q_d) = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{50}$$

It is clear that $q_d = \dot{p}_d + \delta p_d$. Then, (50) can be rewritten as

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) (\mu u_{dm}^2 + v_{dm}^2) \\
 &\quad + 2(\nu - \delta) \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) v_{dm}^2 \\
 &\quad + 2\mu\delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) u_{dm}^2 \\
 &\quad + 2\delta(\delta - \nu)(u_d, q_d) + 2(Au_d, q_d) \\
 &\quad - 2\beta(|z^{(1)}|^2 - |z^{(2)}|^2, q_d) = 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{51}$$

Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & (Au_d, q_d) = (Au_d, \dot{p}_d) + \delta(Au_d, p_d) \\
 &\quad = (Bu_d, B\dot{p}_d) + \delta(Bu_d, Bp_d).
 \end{aligned} \tag{52}$$

By some computations, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
& (Bu_d, B\dot{p}_d) \\
&= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (Bu_d)_m (B\dot{p}_d)_m \\
&= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (Bu_d)_m \left[\chi \left(\frac{|m+1|}{M} \right) \dot{u}_{dm+1} - \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \dot{u}_{dm} \right] \\
&= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (Bu_d)_m \left[(B\dot{u}_d)_m \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\chi \left(\frac{|m+1|}{M} \right) - \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \right) \dot{u}_{dm+1} \right] \\
&= \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) (Bu_d)_m (B\dot{u}_d)_m \\
&\quad + \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi' \left(\frac{\tilde{m}}{M} \right) \frac{1}{M} (u_{dm+1} - u_{dm}) \\
&\quad \times (v_{dm+1} - \delta u_{dm+1}) \\
&\geq \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |(Bu_d)_m|^2 \\
&\quad - \frac{2\chi_0(\mu + \delta + 1)}{M\mu} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2, \quad \forall t \geq \tau, \\
&\delta(Bu_d, Bp_d) \\
&= \delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (Bu_d)_m (Bp_d)_m \\
&= \delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (Bu_d)_m \left[\chi \left(\frac{|m+1|}{M} \right) u_{dm+1} - \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) u_{dm} \right] \\
&= \delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} (Bu_d)_m \left[(Bu_d)_m \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \right. \\
&\quad \left. + \left(\chi \left(\frac{|m+1|}{M} \right) - \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \right) u_{dm+1} \right] \\
&= \delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |(Bu_d)_m|^2 \\
&\quad + \delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi' \left(\frac{\tilde{m}}{M} \right) \frac{1}{M} (u_{dm+1} - u_{dm}) u_{dm+1} \\
&\geq \delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |(Bu_d)_m|^2 - \frac{2\chi_0\delta}{M\mu} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2, \quad \forall t \geq \tau.
\end{aligned} \tag{53}$$

Here \tilde{m} locates between $|m+1|$ and $|m|$. Inserting (53) into (52), we get

$$\begin{aligned}
(Au_d, q_d) &\geq \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |(Bu_d)_m|^2 \\
&\quad + \delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |(Bu_d)_m|^2 \\
&\quad - \frac{2\chi_0(\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2, \quad \forall t \geq \tau.
\end{aligned} \tag{54}$$

According to Lemma 4, we can see that there exist $t_2 > t_1$ and $M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0) > M_1(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$, such that when $t \geq t_2$ and $M > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
&\beta \left(|z^{(1)}|^2 - |z^{(2)}|^2, q_d \right) \\
&= \beta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \left(|z_m^{(1)}|^2 - |z_m^{(2)}|^2 \right) v_{dm} \\
&\leq \beta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \left(|z_m^{(1)}| + |z_m^{(2)}| \right) |z_{dm}| |v_{dm}| \\
&\leq \beta \frac{\sqrt{2\alpha\gamma}}{2\beta} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |z_{dm}| |v_{dm}| \\
&\leq \frac{\gamma}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) v_{dm}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{4} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |z_{dm}|^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{55}$$

It follows from (51) and (54)-(55) that when $M > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$ and $t \geq t_2$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \left[|(Bu_d)_m|^2 + \mu u_{dm}^2 + v_{dm}^2 \right] \\
&\quad + 2\delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |(Bu_d)_m|^2 \\
&\quad + 2\mu\delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) u_{dm}^2 + (\gamma - 2\delta) \\
&\quad \times \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) v_{dm}^2 - 2\delta(\gamma - \delta)(u_d, q_d) \\
&\leq \frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |z_{dm}|^2 + \frac{4\chi_0(\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2.
\end{aligned} \tag{56}$$

Combining (48) and (56), when $t \geq t_2$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
&\frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) \left[|(Bu_d)_m|^2 + \mu u_{dm}^2 + v_{dm}^2 + |z_{dm}|^2 \right] \\
&\quad + 2\delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi \left(\frac{|m|}{M} \right) |(Bu_d)_m|^2
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & + \frac{3\mu\delta}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) u_{dm}^2 + (\nu - 2\delta) \\
 & \times \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) v_{dm}^2 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_{dm}|^2 \\
 & - 2\delta(\nu - \delta)(u_d, q_d) \leq \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \\
 & \times \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2, \quad \forall M > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0).
 \end{aligned} \tag{57}$$

Since $\delta^2 \nu^2 = \mu\delta(\nu/2 - \delta)$, we get for any $m \in \mathbb{Z}$ that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mu\delta u_{dm}^2 + \left(\frac{\nu}{2} - \delta\right) v_{dm}^2 - 2\delta(\nu - \delta) u_{dm} v_{dm} \\
 & \geq \mu\delta u_{dm}^2 + \left(\frac{\nu}{2} - \delta\right) v_{dm}^2 - 2\delta\nu |u_{dm} v_{dm}| \geq 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{58}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \mu\delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) u_{dm}^2 + \left(\frac{\nu}{2} - \delta\right) \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) v_{dm}^2 \\
 & - 2\delta(\nu - \delta)(u_d, q_d) \geq 0.
 \end{aligned} \tag{59}$$

We then conclude from (57) and (59) that when $M > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$ and $t \geq t_2$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) \left[|(Bu_d)_m|^2 + \mu u_{dm}^2 + v_{dm}^2 + |z_{dm}|^2 \right] \\
 & + 2\delta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |(Bu_d)_m|^2 \\
 & + \frac{\mu\delta}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) u_{dm}^2 + \left(\frac{\nu}{2} - \delta\right) \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) v_{dm}^2 \\
 & + \frac{\alpha}{2} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |z_{dm}|^2 \\
 & \leq \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2.
 \end{aligned} \tag{60}$$

Choosing $\vartheta = \min\{\delta/2, \nu/2 - \delta, \alpha/2\}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{d}{dt} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |\psi_{dm}|_{E_\mu}^2 + \vartheta \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |\psi_{dm}|_{E_\mu}^2 \\
 & \leq \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \|\psi_d\|_{E_\mu}^2, \\
 & \forall t \geq t_2, \quad \forall M > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0).
 \end{aligned} \tag{61}$$

Applying Gronwall inequality to (61) from $\tau + t_2$ to $\tau + t$ with $t > t_2$, we get for every $\psi_\tau^{(1)}, \psi_\tau^{(2)} \in \mathcal{B}_0$, $M > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$ and $t \geq t_2$ that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |\psi_{dm}(t + \tau)|_{E_\mu}^2 \\
 & \leq e^{-\vartheta(t-t_2)} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |\psi_{dm}(\tau + t_2)|_{E_\mu}^2 \\
 & + \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \int_{\tau+t_2}^{\tau+t} \|\psi_d(s)\|_{E_\mu}^2 e^{-\vartheta(t+\tau-s)} ds.
 \end{aligned} \tag{62}$$

By (39), when $M > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$ and $t \geq t_2$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & e^{-\vartheta(t-t_2)} \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |\psi_{dm}(\tau + t_2)|_{E_\mu}^2 \\
 & \leq e^{-\vartheta(t-t_2)} \|\psi_d(\tau + t_2)\|_{E_\mu}^2 \\
 & \leq e^{-\vartheta(t-t_2)+K_2 t_2} \|\psi_d(\tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2, \\
 & \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \int_{\tau+t_2}^{\tau+t} \|\psi_d(s)\|_{E_\mu}^2 e^{-\vartheta(t+\tau-s)} ds \\
 & \leq \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \|\psi_d(\tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2 \\
 & \times \int_{\tau+t_2}^{\tau+t} e^{-\vartheta(t+\tau)+(\vartheta+K_2)s-K_2\tau} ds \\
 & = \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu} \|\psi_d(\tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2 e^{-\vartheta(t+\tau)-K_2\tau} \\
 & \times \int_{\tau+t_2}^{\tau+t} e^{(\vartheta+K_2)s} ds \\
 & \leq \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu(\vartheta + K_2)} \|\psi_d(\tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2 e^{K_2 t}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{63}$$

Thus, it follows from (62)-(63) that for any $t \geq t_2$ and $M > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M}\right) |\psi_{dm}(t + \tau)|_{E_\mu}^2 \\
 & \leq e^{-\vartheta(t-t_2)+K_2 t_2} \|\psi_d(\tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2 \\
 & + \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M\mu(\vartheta + K_2)} \|\psi_d(\tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2 e^{K_2 t}.
 \end{aligned} \tag{64}$$

Pick two sufficient large numbers $T^* \geq t_2$ and $M^* > M_2(\varepsilon, \tau, \mathcal{B}_0)$ to satisfy

$$e^{-\vartheta(T^*-t_2)+K_2 t_2} + \frac{4\chi_0(2\mu + 2\delta + 1)}{M^* \mu(\vartheta + K_2)} e^{K_2 T^*} \doteq \gamma^2 < \frac{1}{4}. \tag{65}$$

Then, from (64), we have for $N^* > 2M^*$ that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{|m| > N^*} |\psi_{dm}(T^* + \tau)|_{E_\mu}^2 \\ & \leq \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}} \chi\left(\frac{|m|}{M^*}\right) |\psi_{dm}(T^* + \tau)|_{E_\mu}^2 \\ & \leq \gamma^2 \|\psi_d(\tau)\|_{E_\mu}^2; \end{aligned} \quad (66)$$

that is,

$$\begin{aligned} & \|(I - P_{N^*})[U(T^* + \tau, \tau)\psi_\tau^{(1)} - U(T^* + \tau, \tau)\psi_\tau^{(2)}]\|_{E_\mu} \\ & \leq \gamma \|\psi_\tau^{(1)} - \psi_\tau^{(2)}\|_{E_\mu}, \end{aligned} \quad (67)$$

where $\gamma < 1/2$. The proof is complete. \square

Now, we can state the main result of this paper.

Theorem 6. *Let the conditions of Lemma 4 hold. Then, the process $\{U(t, \tau)\}_{t \geq \tau}$ associated with (21)-(22) possesses a pullback exponential attractor $\{\mathcal{A}(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}}$, satisfying*

- (1) (compactness and finiteness of dimension) for each $t \in \mathbb{R}$, $\{\mathcal{A}(t)\}$ is a compact set of E_μ , and the fractal dimension $\dim_F \mathcal{A}(t)$ is finite and uniformly bounded in t ; that is,

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \dim_F \mathcal{A}(t) < \infty; \quad (68)$$

- (2) (positive invariant property) $U(t, \tau)\mathcal{A}(\tau) \subset \mathcal{A}(t)$ for all $t \geq \tau$;
- (3) (pullback exponential attractivity) there exist an exponent $\eta > 0$ and two positive-valued functions $Q, \mathcal{F} : \mathbb{R}_+ \mapsto \mathbb{R}_+$, such that for any bounded set $\mathcal{B} \subset E_\mu$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Dist}_{E_\mu}(U(t, \tau)\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{A}(t)) & \leq Q(\|\mathcal{B}\|_{E_\mu})e^{-\eta(t-\tau)}, \\ \tau \in \mathbb{R}, \tau + \mathcal{F}(\|\mathcal{B}\|_{E_\mu}) & \leq t < \infty, \end{aligned} \quad (69)$$

where $\text{Dist}_{E_\mu}(\cdot, \cdot)$ is the Hausdorff semidistance between two subsets of E_μ .

Proof. Using Lemmas 2.3 and 3.1 and Theorem 2 of [30], we obtain the result. \square

Remark 7. The spectrum of Lyapunov exponents is the most precise tool for identification of the character of motion of a dynamical system [38]. There are some works on the estimation of the dominant Lyapunov exponent of nonsmooth systems by means of synchronization method, one can refer to the articles of Stefański et al. [38–40]. In [38], Stefański and Kapitaniak presented a method to estimate the value of largest Lyapunov exponent both for discrete dynamical systems of known difference equations and also for discrete maps reconstructed from the time evolution of the given system. Following this clue, we can ask naturally the problem

that whether the method presented in [38] could be applied to estimate Lyapunov exponents for the trajectories on the pullback attractor $\{\mathcal{A}(t)\}$. It is an interesting and challenging issue for us to investigate.

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