

80. Removable Singularities of Real Analytic Solutions of Fuchsian Partial Differential Equations

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A. Kaneko has studied continuation problem of real analytic solutions of linear partial differential equations systematically by using the theory of non-characteristic boundary value problem for hyperfunctions (see, e.g. expository papers [3] and [4]). As for equations with analytic coefficients, he has proved fundamental results for solutions having singularities (i.e. points where the solution is not defined) contained in a real analytic hypersurface which is non-characteristic for the equation ([2]). Here we extend results in [2] to the case where the equation is of Fuchsian type with respect to the hypersurface. Our main tool is the theory of micro-hyperbolic boundary value problems developed in Ôaku [8], [9].

Let M be an open subset of R^n and N be a real analytic hypersurface in M . Since the problems considered in this paper are of local character, we may assume that $N = \{x = (x_1, x') \in M; x_1 = 0\}$ with the notation $x' = (x_2, \dots, x_n)$. We use the notation $D' = (D_2, \dots, D_n)$ with $D_j = \partial/\partial x_j$. We put $M_{\pm} = \{x \in M; \pm x_1 > 0\}$ and set $\mathcal{B}_{N|M_{\pm}} = (\iota_{\pm})^*(\iota_{\pm})^{-1}\mathcal{B}_M|_N$, where $\iota_{\pm}: M_{\pm} \rightarrow M$ are the embeddings and \mathcal{B}_M is the sheaf of hyperfunctions on M . Hence sections of $\mathcal{B}_{N|M_{\pm}}$ are hyperfunctions on the intersection of M_{\pm} and of a neighborhood of a point of N .

We assume that a linear partial differential operator P with real analytic coefficients is a Fuchsian operator of weight $m-k$ with respect to N in the sense of Baouendi-Goulaouic [1]: P is written in the form

$$P = a(x)(x_1^k D_1^m + A_1(x, D')x_1^{k-1} D_1^{m-1} + \dots + A_k(x, D')D_1^{m-k} + \dots + A_m(x, D'));$$
 here $a(x)$ is a non-vanishing real analytic function, k and m are integers with $0 \leq k \leq m$, $A_j(x, D')$ is an operator of order $\leq j$ for $1 \leq j \leq m$, and $A_j(0, x', D')$ is of order 0, i.e. equals a real analytic function $a_j(x')$, for $1 \leq j \leq k$. The roots $\lambda = 0, 1, \dots, m-k-1, \lambda_1(x'), \dots, \lambda_k(x')$ of the equation

$$\lambda(\lambda-1)\dots(\lambda-m+1) + a_1(x')\lambda(\lambda-1)\dots(\lambda-m+2) \\ + \dots + a_k(x')\lambda(\lambda-1)\dots(\lambda-m+k+1) = 0$$

are called the characteristic exponents of P . For a point $\hat{x} = (0, \hat{x}')$ of N , we define a condition $C(\hat{x})$ by

$$C(\hat{x}) : \lambda_i(\hat{x}') \notin \mathbb{Z}, \quad \lambda_i(\hat{x}') - \lambda_j(\hat{x}') \notin \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\} \quad \text{for any } 1 \leq i, j \leq k.$$

We set $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{D}_x / \mathcal{D}_x P$, where \mathcal{D}_x denotes the sheaf of linear partial differential operators with holomorphic coefficients on a complex neighborhood X of M . Then $\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{D}_x}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{N|M_{\pm}})$ is the sheaf of $\mathcal{B}_{N|M_{\pm}}$ -solutions of \mathcal{M} .

Proposition 1. *Assume $C(\hat{x})$ for any $\hat{x} \in N$. Then there exists an*

injective homomorphism

$$\gamma_+ : \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{D}_X}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{N|M_+}) \longrightarrow (\mathcal{B}_N)^m.$$

γ_+ is decomposed in the form $\gamma_+(u) = (\gamma_{+\text{reg}}(u), \gamma_{+\text{sing}}(u))$ with $\gamma_{+\text{reg}}(u) \in (\mathcal{B}_N)^{m-k}$ and $\gamma_{+\text{sing}}(u) \in (\mathcal{B}_N)^k$ for $u \in \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{D}_X}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{N|M_+})$.

Sketch of the proof. For a $\mathcal{B}_{N|M_+}$ -solution u of \mathcal{M} , put $v = {}^t(u_0, u_1, \dots, u_{m-1})$ with $u_0 = u, u_1 = D_1 u, \dots, u_{m-k} = D_1^{m-k} u, u_{m-k+1} = (x_1 D_1) D_1^{m-k} u, \dots, u_{m-1} = (x_1 D_1)^{k-1} D_1^{m-k} u$. Using Theorem 1.3.6 of Tahara [10], we can show that there exists an invertible matrix R of $\mathcal{O}_0 \tilde{\mathcal{D}}$ (cf. [7]) such that $w = R^{-1}v$ satisfies an equation

$$x_1 D_1 w = \begin{pmatrix} -I_{m-k} & 0 \\ 0 & A''(x') \end{pmatrix} w;$$

here I_{m-k} is the identity matrix of degree $m-k$, $A''(x')$ is a $k \times k$ matrix of analytic functions on N which does not have any integer as an eigenvalue. Hence w is written in the form

$$w = \begin{pmatrix} x_1^{-1} f'(x') \\ x_1^{A''(x')} f''(x') \end{pmatrix}$$

with $f' \in (\mathcal{B}_N)^{m-k}$ and $f'' \in (\mathcal{B}_N)^k$. We put $f' = \gamma_{+\text{reg}}(u)$ and $f'' = \gamma_{+\text{sing}}(u)$. The injectivity of γ_+ is proved in the same way as the proof of Theorem 2 of [7].

We denote by $\mathcal{B}_{N|M_+}^F$ the subsheaf of $\mathcal{B}_{N|M_+}$ consisting of F-mild hyperfunctions from the positive side of N (cf. [5] and [7]).

Proposition 2. *Under the same assumptions as Proposition 1, let u be a $\mathcal{B}_{N|M_+}$ -solution of \mathcal{M} . Then u is F-mild if and only if $\gamma_{+\text{sing}}(u) = 0$.*

Changing the sign of x_1 , we get an injective homomorphism

$$\gamma_- : \mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{D}_X}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_{N|M_-}) \longrightarrow (\mathcal{B}_N)^m$$

with $\gamma_- = (\gamma_{-\text{reg}}, \gamma_{-\text{sing}})$ under the same assumptions as in Proposition 1.

Proposition 3. *Under the condition $C(\hat{x})$ for any $\hat{x} \in N$, let u_{\pm} be $\mathcal{B}_{N|M_{\pm}}$ -solutions of \mathcal{M} . Then there exists a hyperfunction solution u of \mathcal{M} on a neighborhood of N (i.e. a section of $\mathcal{H}om_{\mathcal{D}_X}(\mathcal{M}, \mathcal{B}_M)|_N$) such that $u|_{M_{\pm}} = u_{\pm}$ if and only if $\gamma_{+\text{reg}}(u_+) = \gamma_{-\text{reg}}(u_-)$. Moreover such u is unique. If $\gamma_{+\text{sing}}(u_+) = \gamma_{-\text{sing}}(u_-) = 0$ in addition to the above assumption, then u has x_1 as a real analytic parameter.*

We remark that the last assertion of Proposition 3 follows from Proposition 2.

We define closed subsets $V_{N,A}^{\pm}(P)$ (A -boundary characteristic points of P) of $S_N^*Y = \sqrt{-1}S^*N$ as follows:

Definition. A point $x^* = (\hat{x}', \sqrt{-1}\xi' \infty)$ of $\sqrt{-1}S^*N$ with $\hat{x}' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ and $\xi' \in S^{n-2}$ is not contained in $V_{N,A}^{\pm}(P)$ if and only if there exists $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $\sigma(P)(x, \zeta_1, \sqrt{-1}\xi') \neq 0$ for any $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ with $0 < \pm x_1 < \varepsilon, |x' - \hat{x}'| < \varepsilon$, for any $\xi' \in \mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ with $|\xi' - \xi'| < \varepsilon$, and for any $\zeta_1 \in \mathbf{C}$ with $\pm \text{Re } \zeta_1 < 0$; here $\sigma(P)$ denotes the principal symbol of P . We put

$$V_{N,A}(P) = V_{N,A}^+(P) \cup V_{N,A}^-(P).$$

This is a generalization of the definition by Kaneko [2] in the non-characteristic case. By Theorem 1 and Lemma of [8], we get

Proposition 4. *Under the same assumption as in Proposition 1, let u_{\pm} be a real analytic solution of \mathcal{M} on M_{\pm} . Then the singular spectrum of $\gamma_{\pm}(u_{\pm})$ is contained in $V_{N,A}^{\pm}(P)$.*

Now we can generalize Theorem 3.1 of [2]:

Theorem 1. *Let \hat{x} be a point of N and let φ be a real valued C^1 function on N such that $\varphi(\hat{x})=0$ and $d\varphi(\hat{x})\neq 0$. Let K be a closed subset of N such that $\varphi\leq 0$ on K . Assume $C(\hat{x})$ and that $V_{N,A}(P)$ does not contain both of the points $(\hat{x}, \pm\sqrt{-1}d\varphi(\hat{x}))\in\sqrt{-1}S^*N$. Then any real analytic solution u of \mathcal{M} defined on $U\setminus K$, where U is a neighborhood of \hat{x} in M , is uniquely continued as a hyperfunction solution \tilde{u} of \mathcal{M} to a neighborhood of \hat{x} in M . Moreover \tilde{u} has x_1 as a real analytic parameter on a neighborhood of \hat{x} .*

This theorem follows from Propositions 3 and 4 by the same argument as in [2].

Under some additional conditions, we can continue u as a real analytic function; we can generalize Theorem I of Kaneko [3]:

Theorem 2. *Let P be a Fuchsian operator of weight $m-k$ with respect to N and \hat{x} be a point of N . Assume $C(\hat{x})$ and*

(i) *For $x\in M$ and $\xi\in\mathbf{R}^n$ the principal symbol of P is written in the form $\sigma(P)(x,\xi)=x_1^k p(x,\xi)$ with a real valued real analytic function p (then p is a polynomial of degree m in ξ_1).*

(ii) *$\text{grad}_{\xi} p\neq 0$ at (\hat{x}, ξ) if $p(\hat{x}, \xi)=0$ and $\xi\neq 0$;*

(iii) *There exists $\xi'\in\mathbf{R}^{n-1}$ such that the equation $p(\hat{x}, \zeta_1, \xi')=0$ in ζ_1 has m distinct real roots.*

Under these assumptions, for any open neighborhood U of \hat{x} in M , any real analytic solution of $Pu=0$ on $U\setminus\{\hat{x}\}$ is uniquely continued to U as a real analytic solution.

To prove this theorem, we first continue u as a hyperfunction solution \tilde{u} on U by using Theorem 1. Since \tilde{u} has x_1 as a real analytic parameter, we can show that micro-analyticity propagates from outside of \hat{x} .

For example, Theorem 2 applies to the operator

$$P=x_1(D_1^2+\cdots+D_k^2-D_{k+1}^2-\cdots-D_n^2)+\sum_{j=1}^n a_j(x)D_j+b(x),$$

where $1\leq k<n$, a_j are real analytic with $a_1(\hat{x})\notin\mathbf{Z}$. Detailed arguments of these results will appear elsewhere.

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