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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. (English) Zbl 0933.35119

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The author considers systems of the form

$$\partial_t u = \sum A_h(t) \partial_h u + B(t)u \quad (*)$$

on $[0, T] \times \mathbb{R}_\eta^n$ with the initial condition $u(0, x) = u_0(x)$, where $A_h(t)$, $B(t)$ are $N \times N$ matrices, A_h is Hölder continuous, B is continuous, and the system $(*)$ is weakly hyperbolic. Two cases are considered: First, when no condition is imposed (besides the weak hyperbolicity) and second, when there exists a non-singular matrix $P(t, \xi)$ such that

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

and the D_j are triangular matrices of size $m_j \times m_j$, whose diagonal elements are real, and moreover

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

The result proved by the author, which generalizes previous results of *E. Jannelli* [Ann. Mat. Pura Appl., IV. Ser. 140, 133-145 (1985; Zbl 0583.35074)], is the following: Let $0 < p_0 < \infty$ and $\nu_0 > 0$. Then there exists $\nu > 0$ such that for any $u_0 \in L^2_{\rho, k, \nu_0}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ the Cauchy problem has an unique solution $u \in C^1([0, T], L^2_{\rho_1, k, \nu}(\mathbb{R}^n))$ provided $0 < p_1 < \rho_0$, $1 < s < \frac{\mu(1+\sigma^{-1})}{\mu(1+\sigma^{-1})-1}$ where $\mu = N$ (case 1) or $\mu = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} m_i$ (case 2) and $s = \frac{1}{k}$. Here $L^2_{\rho, k, \nu}(\mathbb{R}^n) = \{u \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n), e^{\rho \langle \xi \rangle^k} \widehat{u} \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^n)\}$, where $\langle \xi \rangle_\nu = (|\xi|^2 + \nu^2)^{1/2}$. The proof uses energy estimates and some nontrivial algebraic lemmas. For the existence part the author considers an associated system of the form

$$\partial_t u_l = \sum A_h(t) i l \sin(Dh/l) u_l + B(t)u_l \quad (**)$$

and since $i l \sin(Dh/l)$ belong to OPS° for any fixed l the right hand side of $(**)$ is a bounded linear operator in $L^2_{\rho_1, k, \nu}(\mathbb{R}^n)$, which ensures the existence and unicity of u_l . Moreover $\{e^{\rho_1 \langle \xi \rangle^k} u_l\}$ is bounded on L^2 , and its weak limit is a solution of $(*)$, with the required regularity.

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