STABILITY OF THE UNIQUE CONTINUATION FOR THE WAVE OPERATOR VIA TATARU INEQUALITY: THE LOCAL CASE

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ABSTRACT. In 1995 Tataru proved a Carleman-type estimate for linear operators with partially analytic coefficients that is generally used to prove the unique continuation of those operators. In this paper we use this inequality to study the stability of the unique continuation in the case of the wave equation with coefficients independent of time. We prove a logarithmic estimate in a ball whose radius has an explicit dependence on the C^1 -norm of the coefficients and on the other geometric properties of the operator.

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1. INTRODUCTION

We consider the wave operator in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} ,

(1.1)
$$P(y,D) = -D_0^2 + \sum_{j,k=1}^n g^{jk}(x)D_jD_k + \sum_{j=1}^n h^j(x)D_j + q(x),$$

where $y = (t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ are the time-space variables, $D_0 = -i\partial_t$, $D_j = -i\partial_{x_j}$. The coefficients $g^{jk} \in C^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ are real and independent of time, and $[g^{jk}]$ is a symmetric positive-definite matrix. The coefficients $h^j, q \in L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^n)$ are complex valued and independent of time.

An operator P(y, D) is said to have the unique continuation property if for any solution u to Pu = 0 in a connected open set $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ and vanishing on an open subset $B \subset \Omega$, it follows that u vanishes in Ω .

In the paper [20] Tataru proved for the first time the unique continuation property for (1.1) across every non-characteristic C^2 -hypersurface with no limitation to the normal direction. The result is valid for a larger class of linear operators where the pseudo-convexity condition across a surface is fulfilled for the cotangent vectors with $\xi_0 = 0$ and it has been extended to the case of coefficients analytic in time [6, 17, 21]. The key point of these results is a Carleman-type estimate involving an exponential pseudo-differential operator.

Much is known about the consequences of this property on the uniqueness of a corresponding Cauchy problem. Actually the unique continuation property has proved to be instructive in many areas of mathematics, e.g. in studying the uniqueness for linear and nonlinear PDEs together with their blow up or traveling wave solutions [5], in studying the Anderson localization [3], in control theory to get controllability results [22], in inverse problems to obtain uniqueness and stability estimates [11].

Concerning the continuous dependence of the unique continuation property,

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that is its stability, less results are available. The elliptic and the parabolic cases have been studied in several settings by using either Carleman estimates or some versions of the three ball theorem (see [1], for a review of the results). To our knowledge the hyperbolic case like (1.1) is still open for arbitrary domains and arbitrary matrix valued coefficients $g^{jk}(x)$, while there exist results for particular coefficients or domains (see [18]). This is maybe related to the difficulty of using the standard Carleman estimates for hyperbolic operators in order to prove the unique continuation close to the characteristic directions, that is the reason why Tataru's work was so important in this field.

The aim of the present work is then to prove a stability estimate for the unique continuation of the operator P(y, D). We will focus on the local case, and we formulate an explicit stability estimate for the inhomogeneous operator Pu = f, that can be alternatively reformulated in terms of a boundary value problem. Let $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^{n+1}$ be a connected open set and consider a non-characteristic oriented hypersurface S written as the level set of the function $\psi : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$, $S = \{y \in \Omega; \psi(y) = 0\}$. Assume Pu = f, in a ball $\Omega_1 := B(y_0, 2R)$. Moreover, let $\operatorname{supp}(u) \subset \Omega_2 := \{y \in \Omega; \psi(y) \leq 0\}$ with $\|u\|_{H^1(\Omega_1)} \leq C_1$, and let $\|f\|_{L^2(\Omega_1)} \leq \epsilon_1$ for some small $\epsilon_1 > 0$. The stable unique continuation is based upon an estimate like

(1.2)
$$\|u\|_{L^2(\Omega_3)} \leq \Upsilon(C_1, \epsilon_1),$$

for some ball $\Omega_3 := B(y_0, r)$ contained in Ω_1 , where the right hand side goes to zero as $\epsilon_1 \to 0$. Our aim is to prove (1.2) with a function Υ that has an explicit form depending on the constants related to geometrical properties of Ω_3 , Ω_1 , and Ω and the norm of the coefficients g^{jk} in $C^1(\overline{\Omega})$. In this paper we consider the case where the domains Ω_1 and Ω_3 are balls centred in $y_0 \in \Omega$ and we find a logarithmic function Υ dependent on their size R and r and on the norms of g^{jk}, h^j, q and ψ . In a forthcoming paper we will use the local stability estimate to prove (1.2) for quite general domains.

Like in the elliptic case, many possible applications can be derived out of it. In particular we plan to use inequality (1.2) to obtain an explicit modulus of continuity for the inverse problem for the wave operator on manifolds. This would improve the existing inverse stability results for Riemannian manifolds, which are currently based either on compactness-type arguments, see [2, 14], or on very strong geometrical conditions for the coefficients, e.g. in [4, 12, 13]. In the unpublished manuscript [19], Tataru suggested the possibility of obtaining a stability estimate, by using Gevrey-class localizers to improve the estimates of u for low temporal frequencies.

Here we develop that idea by employing properties of subharmonic functions (see Lemma 2.7) and by performing the explicit estimate of the radii r and R and the constants. Of fundamental importance is the possibility of linking the positive lower bound for r to the geometric parameters of the domain, in order to assure that the estimate can work close to the characteristic surfaces of the operator.

We first introduce some assumptions.

Assumption A1. Let Ω be a connected open subset of $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$. Let P(y, D) be the wave operator (1.1), with $g^{jk}(x) \in C^1(\Omega)$, $h^j, q \in L^{\infty}(\Omega)$. Let S =

 $\{y \in \Omega; \psi(y) = 0\}$ be a $C^{2,\rho}$ -smooth oriented hypersurface, which is noncharacteristic in Ω , for some fixed $\rho \in (0,1)$. We assume that $u \in H^1(\Omega)$ is supported in $\{y; \psi(y) \leq 0\} \cap \Omega$, and $P(y, D)u \in L^2(\Omega)$.

Assumption A2. We define $A(D_0)$ to be a pseudo-differential operator with symbol $a(\xi_0), 0 \le a \le 1$, where $a \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ is a smooth localizer supported in $|\xi_0| \le 2$, equal to one in $|\xi_0| \le 1$. Furthermore let $a \in G_0^{1/\alpha}(\mathbb{R})$ for a fixed $\alpha \in (0,1)$. Here $G_0^{1/\alpha}$ is the set of Gevrey functions of class $1/\alpha$ with compact support, defined in Definition 4.1. The also define the smooth localizer b(y), supported in $|y| \le 2, 0 \le b \le 1$ and equal to one in $|y| \le 1$.

The main results of the paper are the following 2 Theorems.

The first one is a stability estimate of exponential type for the low temporal frequencies.

Theorem 1.1. Under the Assumptions A1-A2, let $y_0 \in S$ with $\psi'(y_0) \neq 0$, and let $b \in G_0^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ be a Gevrey functions of class $1/\alpha_1$ with compact support, such that $0 < \alpha \leq \alpha_1 < 1$.

Then, there exist two constants R, r with $R \ge 2r > 0$ and two balls centred in y_0 of radii r and 2R, $B(y_0, r) \subset B(y_0, 2R) \subset \Omega$, such that for $\mu \ge 1$ there are constants $c_{129}, c_{131}, c_{132}$ for which,

 $||u||_{H^1(B_{2R})} = 1, \quad ||Pu||_{L^2(B_{2R})} < 1, \quad ||A(D_0/\mu)b((y-y_0)/R)Pu||_0 \le e^{-\mu^{\alpha}},$ then,

$$\|A(D_0/\omega)b((y-y_0)/r)u\|_{H^1} \le c_{129}e^{-c_{132}\mu^{\alpha\cdot\alpha_1}}, \quad \forall\,\omega\le\mu^{\alpha}/(3c_{131}).$$

The radii r and R are defined in Table (3.10), while the coefficients c_k are computed in the proof of the Theorem.

The second result is a log-stability estimate in a ball, valid for all the temporal frequencies (see Figure 1 for the construction).

Theorem 1.2. Under the conditions of Assumption A1 we obtain that, for each $y_0 \in S$, with $\psi'(y_0) \neq 0$, there exist two constants R, r with $R \geq 2r > 0$ and two balls centred in y_0 of radii r and 2R, $B(y_0, r) \subset B(y_0, 2R) \subset \Omega$, for which the following stability estimate holds:

$$\|u\|_{L^{2}(B(y_{0},r))} \leq c_{111} \frac{\|u\|_{H^{1}(B(y_{0},2R))}}{\ln\left(1 + \frac{\|u\|_{H^{1}(B(y_{0},2R))}}{\|Pu\|_{L^{2}(B(y_{0},2R))}}\right)}$$

The radii r and R and the coefficient c_{111} are defined in Table (3.10). Moreover, for any $m \in (0, 1]$ we get

$$\|u\|_{H^{1-m}(B(y_0,r))} \le c_{111}^m \frac{\|u\|_{H^1(B(y_0,2R))}}{\left(\ln\left(1 + \frac{\|u\|_{H^1(B(y_0,2R))}}{\|Pu\|_{L^2(B(y_0,2R))}}\right)\right)^m}$$

As a consequence, one can find in a domain $\Omega_0 \subseteq \Omega$ a uniform radius $r_0 > 0$ such that $r \geq r_0$, and where $r_0 = r_0 (|\psi'|_{C^{1,\rho}(\Omega_0)}, |g^{jk}|_{C^1(\Omega_0)}, \min_{y \in \Omega_0} |p(y, \psi')|, \min_{y \in \partial \Omega_0} |y_0 - y|).$

Theorems 1.1 and 1.2 will be proved in Section 2. In Section 3 we will compute the related parameters R, r, c_k that are dependent upon the constants of the





Carleman estimate of Theorem 2.1 and upon a particular geometric construction. The Appendix is devoted to the main definitions used in the article. We finally observe that even if we deal with the wave equation, the same method can be generalized to ultrahyperbolic operators of the type $-|D_a|^2 + g^{jk}(x_b)D_kD_j$, where the variable $y = (x_a, x_b)$ has a different splitting and where x_a corresponds to the conormal direction for the pseudo-convexity condition.

2. PROOF OF THE STABILITY ESTIMATE

Notations. We start by introducing some notations and definitions used in the rest of the article: first we consider $y = (t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$ the time-space variable and call $\xi = (\xi_0, \tilde{\xi})$ its Fourier dual variable. We remind that the exponential pseudodifferential operator in Theorem 2.1 is defined as $e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/2\tau} v =$ $\mathcal{F}_{\xi_0 \to t}^{-1} e^{-\epsilon \xi_0^2/2\tau} \mathcal{F}_{t' \to \xi_0} v$, with \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{F}^{-1} representing respectively the Fourier transform and its inverse. Then $e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/2\tau}$ is an integral operator with kernel $(\frac{\tau}{2\pi\epsilon})^{1/2} e^{-\tau |t'-t|^2/2\epsilon}$. We also define $A(D_0)$ to be a pseudo-differential operator with symbol $a(\xi_0)$, $0 \le a \le 1$, where $a \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ is a smooth localizer supported in $|\xi_0| \le 2$, equal to one in $|\xi_0| \le 1$. Hence we can write $A(\beta |D_0|/\omega)v =$ $\mathcal{F}_{\xi_0 \to t}^{-1} a(\beta |\xi_0|/\omega) \mathcal{F}_{t' \to \xi_0} v$ and the integral kernel is $(\frac{\omega}{2\pi\beta})^{1/2} \widehat{a}(\frac{\omega |t'-t|}{\beta})$. We will often work under the Assumption A2, where the symbol a is of Gevrey class. The smooth localizer b(y) is supported in $|y| \le 2$ and equal to one in $|y| \le 1$.

The norm of the Sobolev space H^s_{τ} is defined as $||u||_{s,\tau} = ||(|\xi|^2 + \tau^2)^{s/2} \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} u||_{L^2}$, and the space H^s corresponds to the case $\tau = 1$.

According to our notations the positive coefficients denoted by c_x with $x \ge 100$ are defined just once, independently on the variables μ, τ , and they are computed explicitly in terms of the coefficients of the operator (1.1) and the geometric parameters. This is essential to finally recover the value of c_{111} and the radii R, r in Theorem 1.2. We then introduce the Tataru inequality proved in [20] in the version presented by Hörmander [6] and adapted to the wave operator.

In the Appendix one can find the definition of conormally strongly pseudoconvex function or surface, and Gevrey function. According to Definition 4.5 and the splitting y = (t, x), the conormal bundle in \mathbb{R}^{n+1} with respect to the foliation x = const is defined as

 $N^*F := \{(y,\xi) \in T^*\mathbb{R}^{n+1}; \text{ with } \xi = (\xi_0, \widetilde{\xi}) \text{ and } \xi_0 = 0\}, \text{ and its fibre in } y_0 \text{ is } \Gamma_{y_0}.$

Theorem 2.1. Let Ω be an open subset of $\mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$. Let P(y, D) be the wave operator (1.1), with $g^{jk}(x) \in C^1(\Omega)$, $h^j, q \in L^{\infty}(\Omega)$. Let $y_0 \in \Omega$ and $\psi \in C^{2,\rho}(\Omega)$ be real valued, for some fixed $\rho \in (0,1)$, such that $\psi'(y_0) \neq 0$ and $S = \{y; \psi(y) = 0\}$ being an oriented hypersurface non-characteristic in y_0 .

Consequently there is $\lambda > 1$ such that $\phi(y) = \exp(\lambda \psi)$ is a conormally strongly pseudoconvex function with respect to P at y_0 .

Then there is a real valued quadratic polynomial f defined in (3.3) with proper $\sigma > 0$, and a ball $B_{R_2}(y_0)$ such that $f(y) < \phi(y)$ when $y \in B_{R_2} - \{y_0\}$ and $f(y_0) = \phi(y_0)$; and f being a conormally strongly pseudoconvex function with respect to P in B_{R_2} . This implies that there exist ϵ_0 , τ_0 , $c_{1,T}$, $c_{2,T}$, R, such that, for each small enough $\epsilon < \epsilon_0$ and large enough $\tau > \tau_0$, we have

$$\|e^{-\epsilon|D_0|^2/2\tau}e^{\tau f}u\|_{1,\tau} \le c_{1,T}\tau^{-1/2}\|e^{-\epsilon|D_0|^2/2\tau}e^{\tau f}P(y,D)u\|_0 + c_{2,T}e^{-\tau R_2^2/4\epsilon}\|e^{\tau f}u\|_{1,\tau}.$$

Here $u \in H^1_{loc}(\Omega)$, with $P(y,D)u \in L^2(\Omega)$ and $supp(u) \subset B_R(y_0).$

Remark 2.2. We note that the explicit estimate for the involved coefficients $\epsilon_0, \tau_0, c_{1,T}, c_{2,T}, \sigma, R_2, R$ and their dependence upon the parameters of the problem have never been found. In this paper we provide proper estimates, which are summarized in Table (3.10) of Section 3.1.

Notice that this is possible under the condition that $\psi \in C^{2,\rho}(\Omega)$ instead of the usual $\psi \in C^2(\Omega)$. Furthermore we assume that S is not characteristic in y_0 and consequently in a domain $\Omega_0 \subseteq \Omega$. Actually this assumption is not required in [20, 6] where only the strongly pseudoconvexity of S in Γ_{y_0} is assumed. In Remark 3.1 we will underline such difference with an alternative condition on ψ . Anyway for the practical computations of the values in Table (3.10) we prefer to work in the stronger setting of Theorem 2.1. Our wave operator can be seen in 2 ways: (H) an hyperbolic operator with constant in time and real valued coefficients for the principal part, or (E) an operator whose principal symbol is elliptic in the set $\Gamma_{\Omega} \subset N^*F$. In the latter case Tataru inequality is sharper (see [20]). Here we prefer to consider just the case (H). Finally, some improvements to the assumption on the coefficients of (1.1) may be done, for example taking $\Omega_x \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ the smooth domain of definition of q(x) we can assume $q \in L^n(\Omega_x)$ for $n \geq 3$, $q \in L^{2+\epsilon}(\Omega_x)$ for n = 2, $q \in L^{\infty}(\Omega_x)$ for n = 1.

We now proceed with the detailed proof of Theorems 1.1 and 1.2. A first step is the following lemma, introducing a property often used in this section.

Lemma 2.3. Let $A(D_0)$ be a pseudo-differential operator with symbol $a(\xi_0)$, where $a \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$ is a smooth localizer supported in $|\xi_0| \leq 2$ and equal one in $|\xi_0| \leq 1$. Assume that $f(y) \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1}) \cap G_0^{1/\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^1_t)$, where $0 < \alpha < 1$. Then, for every $\mu > 0$, $\beta_1 > 2$, $v \in L^2(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ there are two constants c_{106} , c_{107} independent of μ such that

a) $||A(\beta_1 D_0/\mu)f(y)(1 - A(D_0/\mu))v||_0 \le c_{107}e^{-c_{106}\mu^{\alpha}}||v||_0$. Moreover, if $h \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ is a function such that $h \equiv 1$ on supp(f), then

b) $||A(\beta_1 D_0/\mu)fhv||_0 \le ||f||_\infty ||A(D_0/\mu)h(y)v||_0 + c_{107}e^{-c_{106}\mu^\alpha} ||hv||_0.$

If $v \in H^m(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$, $m \ge 1$, then the estimate above holds also in $H^m(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$, under the additional condition $D_x^m f(y) \in G_0^{1/\alpha}(\mathbb{R}^1_t)$:

c)
$$||A(\beta_1 D_0/\mu)f(1 - A(D_0/\mu))v||_m \le c_{108}e^{-c_{106}\mu^{\alpha}}||v||_m.$$

Proof. a) On the set $\operatorname{supp}[(1 - a(\xi_0/\mu))a(\beta_1\xi_0^1/\mu)]$ one obtains $|\xi_0^1 - \xi_0|^{\alpha} \geq (\mu - 2\mu/\beta_1)^{\alpha}$ and the assumption $f(t, .) \in G_0^{1/\alpha}(\mathbb{R}_t)$ implies, uniformly in x on a compact set $K \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ and for some $c_3 = c_3(\alpha, K)$, $c_{117} = c_{117}(\alpha, K)$ and $c_{106} = c_{117}(1 - 2/\beta_1)^{\alpha}/4$,

$$|\mathcal{F}_{t'\to(\xi_0^1-\xi_0)}[f(t',x)]| \le c_3 e^{-c_{117}|\xi_0^1-\xi_0|^{\alpha}} \le c_3 e^{-2c_{106}\mu^{\alpha}} e^{-c_{117}|\xi_0^1-\xi_0|^{\alpha}/2}.$$

We then estimate in the Fourier space the operator $A(\beta_1 D_0/\mu)f(\cdot)(1-A(D_0/\mu))$,

$$\begin{split} \|a(\beta_{1}\xi_{0}^{1}/\mu)\mathcal{F}_{t'\to\xi_{0}^{1}}\Big(f(t',x)\big(\mathcal{F}_{\xi_{0}\to t'}^{-1}(1-a(\xi_{0}/\mu))\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}[v]\big)\Big)\|_{0}^{2} \\ &= \|a(\frac{\beta_{1}\xi_{0}^{1}}{\mu})\Big(\int_{\mathbb{R}}(1-a(\frac{\xi_{0}}{\mu}))\mathcal{F}_{t'\to(\xi_{0}^{1}-\xi_{0})}[f(t',x)]\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}[v]\,d\xi_{0}\Big)\|_{0}^{2} \\ &\leq c_{3}\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}}dxd\xi_{0}^{1}\Big(\int_{\mathbb{R}}(1-a(\frac{\xi_{0}}{\mu}))a(\frac{\beta_{1}\xi_{0}^{1}}{\mu})e^{-2c_{106}\mu^{\alpha}}e^{-c_{117}|\xi_{0}^{1}-\xi_{0}|^{\alpha}/2}|\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}[v](\xi_{0},x)|\,d\xi_{0}\Big)^{2} \\ &\leq c_{3}\int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}}dxd\xi_{0}^{1}\|(1-a(\frac{\xi_{0}}{\mu}))a(\frac{\beta_{1}\xi_{0}^{1}}{\mu})e^{-2c_{106}\mu^{\alpha}}e^{-c_{117}|\xi_{0}^{1}-\xi_{0}|^{\alpha}/2}\|_{L^{2}(d\xi_{0})}^{2}\|\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}[v](\xi_{0},x)\|_{L^{2}(d\xi_{0})}^{2}\\ &\leq c_{3}e^{-4c_{106}\mu^{\alpha}}\|(1-a(\frac{\xi_{0}}{\mu}))a(\frac{\beta_{1}\xi_{0}^{1}}{\mu})e^{-c_{117}|\xi_{0}^{1}-\xi_{0}|^{\alpha}/2}\|_{L^{2}(d\xi_{0}d\xi_{0}^{1})}^{2}\|\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}[v](\xi_{0},x)\|_{L^{2}(d\xi_{0}dx)}^{2}\\ &\leq c_{107}^{2}e^{-2c_{106}\mu^{\alpha}}\|v\|_{0}^{2}, \end{aligned}$$
with $c_{107} = \left(c_{3}\frac{8}{\beta_{1}}}\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)\frac{1}{\alpha(c_{117})^{1/\alpha}}\frac{1}{(\alpha c_{106})^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}}}\right)^{1/2}$ and where we apply at the last

step the inequalities

$$\|(1 - a(\xi_0/\mu))a(\beta_1\xi_0^1/\mu)e^{-c_{117}|\xi_0^1 - \xi_0|^{\alpha}/2}\|_{L^2(d\xi_0d\xi_0^1)}^2 \le \frac{8}{\beta_1}\Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\alpha}\right)\frac{1}{\alpha(c_{117})^{1/\alpha}}\mu,$$

and $\mu e^{-c_{106}\mu^{\alpha}} \leq \frac{1}{(\alpha c_{106})^{\frac{1}{\alpha-1}}}$. b) To prove the inequality we observe that

$$\|A(\beta_1 D_0/\mu)fhv\|_0 \leq \|A(\beta_1 D_0/\mu)fA(D_0/\mu)hv\|_0 + \|A(\beta_1 D_0/\mu)f(1 - A(D_0/\mu))hv\|_0$$

where we can apply the estimate a) to the second term at the right hand side, and where the first term is bounded by $||f||_{\infty} ||A(D_0/\mu)h(y)v||_0$. c) The extension to H^m of a) follows from

$$D^{\zeta}f(1-A(D_0/\mu))v = \sum_{\upsilon:\upsilon\leq\zeta} {\binom{\zeta}{\upsilon}} {\binom{D^{\zeta-\upsilon}f}{(1-A(D_0/\mu))(D^{\upsilon}v)}}.$$

By hypothesis any derivative $D^{\zeta-v}f$ belongs to $G_0^{1/\alpha}(\mathbb{R}_t)$; hence we consider all of them as a new function g, having the same Gevrey-parameters c_3, c_{117} as f. Then we apply $A(\beta_1 D_0/\mu)$ and repeat the computations of step a), replacing v

with $D^{\nu}v$. The coefficient $c_{108} = c_m c_{107}$ is a proper multiple in m of c_{107} .

Another technical Lemma is the following result.

Lemma 2.4. Let $\varphi(y)$ be a second order polynomial in $y = (t, x) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$. If $\chi(s) \in G_0^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R})$, for $\alpha_1 \in (0,1)$, then $e^{\tau\varphi(y)}\chi(\varphi(y)) \in G^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$. If $supp(\chi) = [-8\delta, \delta]$ and $b((y - y_0)/(2R)) \in G_0^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ is a cut-off function, then there are constants c_{122}, c_{123} , such that

$$\mathcal{F}_{t \to \xi_0}[e^{\tau \varphi(y)} \chi(\varphi(y)) b((y - y_0)/(2R))]| \le c_{122} e^{\tau \delta - c_{123}|\xi_0|^{\alpha_1}}$$

Proof. By assumption both $\varphi(y)$ and $e^{\tau s}$ are analytic functions (i.e. in G^1) while $\chi \in G_0^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R})$. Since $G^1 \subset G^{1/\alpha_1}$ and they are both rings by Proposition 8.4.1 of [7], we deduce that the product $e^{\tau s}\chi(s)$ is in $G^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R})$. Moreover this product has compact support, since χ is compact supported. Let us write χ as $\chi(s) = \chi_1(s/\delta)$ where χ_1 has the properties in Definition 4.3, with associated coefficient c_{1X} . By assumption we have, for $z \in \mathbb{C}$, $E = \operatorname{supp}(\chi) = [-8\delta, \delta]$, $c_{119} = \delta c_{1X}(\alpha_1), B = \delta^{\alpha_1} c_{1X}(\alpha_1)$, and H_E as in Definition 4.1,

$$|(\mathcal{F}_{s\to z}\chi(s))| \le c_{119}\exp(H_E(\operatorname{Im} z) - B|\operatorname{Re} z|^{\alpha_1}).$$

Consequently, for $\xi \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\mathcal{F}_{s \to \xi} \left(e^{\tau s} \chi(s) \right) = \mathcal{F}_{s \to \xi + i\tau}(\chi(s)),$$

and for $\tau > 0$

$$|\mathcal{F}_{s \to \xi} \left(e^{\tau s} \chi(s) \right)| \le c_{119} \exp(H_E(\tau) - B|\xi|^{\alpha_1}) = c_{119} \exp(\delta \tau - B|\xi|^{\alpha_1}).$$

Hence we can estimate the derivatives:

$$\begin{split} |\partial_{s}^{k}e^{\tau s}\chi(s)| &= |\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{i\xi s}(i\xi)^{k}(\mathcal{F}_{s'\to\xi}e^{\tau s'}\chi(s'))(\xi)d\xi| \\ &\leq \int_{\mathbb{R}} c_{119}|\xi|^{k}\exp(\delta\tau - B|\xi|^{\alpha_{1}})d\xi = 2\pi c_{119}e^{\tau\delta}B^{-\frac{(k+1)}{\alpha_{1}}}\frac{1}{\alpha_{1}}\Gamma(\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}) \\ &\leq \frac{2\pi c_{119}}{\alpha_{1}}e^{\tau\delta}\Gamma(2)\max_{k}\left\{B^{-\frac{(k+1)}{\alpha_{1}}}\left(\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}-1\right)^{\frac{(1-\alpha_{1})}{\alpha_{1}}}\right\}\left(\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}-1\right)^{\frac{k}{\alpha_{1}}} \leq c_{121}^{k+1}e^{\tau\delta}k^{k/\alpha_{1}}, \\ \text{where } c_{120} &= \left(\frac{(1-\alpha_{1})}{\alpha_{1}\ln B}\right)^{\frac{(1-\alpha_{1})}{\alpha_{1}}}B^{-\frac{(1-\alpha_{1})}{\alpha_{1}\ln B}+1}, c_{121} &= \frac{2\pi c_{119}}{\alpha_{1}}\Gamma(2)\left(\frac{2}{\alpha_{1}}\right)^{\alpha_{1}}c_{120} \text{ and} \\ \Gamma\left(\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}\right) &= \left(\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}-1\right)\cdots\left(\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}-p\right)\Gamma\left(\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}-p\right) \leq \Gamma(2)\left(\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}-1\right)^{\frac{k+1}{\alpha_{1}}-1} \end{split}$$

with $p = \left[\frac{k+1}{\alpha_1}\right] - 1$. We now recall that the composition of a Gevrey function with an analytic map is still a Gevrey function, therefore we get $e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi(y)) \in G^{1/\alpha_1}$. Since $\varphi(y)$ is a second order polynomial, for k = 0, 1, 2 we have $|\partial_t^k \varphi(y)|_{C^0(B_R)} \leq c_{118}(R)$ and, without restriction of generality we take $c_{118} \geq 1$. Considering the composition with φ we obtain by induction, calling $m(s) = e^{\tau s}\chi(s)$, for any $k \geq 0$,

$$\partial_t^k m(\varphi(y)) = \sum_{r \in J} \frac{k!}{(2r-k)!(k-r)!} (\partial_s^r m)_{s=\varphi(y)} (\partial_t \varphi)^{2r-k} \left(\frac{\partial_t^2 \varphi}{2}\right)^{k-r},$$

where $J = \{r \ge 0 : 2r \ge k \ge r\}$, and

$$\begin{aligned} |\partial_t^k e^{\tau\varphi(y)}\chi(\varphi(y))| &\leq c_{121}^{k+1} e^{\tau\delta} \sum_{r\in J} \frac{k!}{2^{k-r}(2r-k)!(k-r)!} c_{118}^{r+1} r^{r/\alpha_1} \\ &\leq c_{121}^{k+1} e^{\tau\delta} c_{118}^{k+1} \sum_{r\in J} \binom{k}{r} \frac{r!}{2^{k-r}(2r-k)!} r^{r/\alpha_1} \leq (e^{\tau\delta} c_{121}^{k+1} c_{118}^{k+1}) 2^k k^{k/\alpha_1} \,, \end{aligned}$$

with $\frac{r!}{(2r-k)!}r^{r/\alpha_1} \leq k^{k/\alpha_1}$, for r admissible. For the product we get, applying (4.1) and calling $c_{122} = \max\{4c_{118}c_{121}, c_{1X}/R\},\$

$$\partial_t^k b((y - y_0)/(2R)) \le R^{-k} c_{1X}^{1+k} k^{k/\alpha_1}, \partial_t^k [m(\varphi(y)) b((y - y_0)/(2R))] \le e^{\tau \delta} c_{122}^{2+k} k^{k/\alpha_1}.$$

Consider the partial Fourier transform $\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_0}$ in time of $\partial_t^k (e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)b((y-y_0)/(2R)))$; from the estimate above it follows that

$$|\xi_0|^k |\mathcal{F}_{t \to \xi_0}(e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) b((y - y_0)/(2R)))| \le e^{\tau \delta} c_{122}^{k+1} k^{k/\alpha_1}$$

This implies that

$$|\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_0}[e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)]| \le e^{\tau\delta}c_{122}^{k+1}\frac{k^{k/\alpha_1}}{|\xi_0|^k} \le c_{122}e^{\tau\delta-k} \le c_{122}e^{\tau\delta-c_{123}|\xi_0|^{\alpha_1}+1}$$

where for each ξ_0 we choose k as the largest integer such that $c_{122}|\xi_0|^{-1}k^{1/\alpha_1} < e^{-1}$. Since $k > [e^{-1}c_{122}^{-1}|\xi_0|]^{\alpha_1} - 1$, we get the result once we choose $c_{123} = (ec_{122})^{-\alpha_1}$. \Box

In Theorem 2.1 we referred to the radius R, that is defined in Table (3.10) as $R := qR_2$ with $q = \frac{1}{4} \left(16 + \frac{1}{16} \right)^{-1/2}$, and where R_2 in the same table is computed in terms of the pseudoconvexity constants introduced in subsection 3.1. By using those quantities one can introduce the geometric construction of figure 2. Let f(y) be the second order polynomial defined in Theorem 2.1, with $\phi = e^{\lambda \psi}$ and $y_0 \in \Omega$. Recall that $f(y_0) = \phi(y_0)$.

Proposition 2.5. Let δ be a positive constant such that

(2.1)
$$0 < \delta \le n |\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}} q^2 R_2^{2+\rho} / 8,$$

and

(2.2)
$$\varphi(y) := f(y) - f(y_0) = \sum_{0 < |v| \le 2} (\partial^{\nu} \phi)(y_0) (y - y_0)^{\nu} / \nu! - \sigma |y - y_0|^2.$$

Then, $\{y \in B(y_0, R_2); \phi \leq \phi(y_0)\} \cap \{y \in B(y_0, R_2); \varphi(y) \geq -8\delta\} \subset B(y_0, R)$. In addition, let r be a positive constant such that

(2.3)
$$r \leq \frac{n|\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})}q^2 R_2^{2+\rho}}{2|\phi'|_{C^0(B_{R_2})} + 10n|\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})} R_2^{1+\rho}}$$

Then the ball $B(y_0, 2r) \subset \{y; |\varphi(y)| \le \delta\}.$

We postpone the proof of the proposition till the end of section 3.

In the following Lemma we show how an exponential decay for the L^2 -norm of a proper localization of Pu is transmitted to the right hand side of Tataru inequality. **Lemma 2.6.** Under the Assumptions A1, let $y_0 \in \Omega$ and φ be the quadratic polynomial (2.2). Let $0 < \alpha$, $\alpha_1 < 1$ and $\chi(s) \in G_0^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R})$ be a localizer supported in $[-8\delta, \delta]$ and equal 1 in $[-7\delta, \delta/2]$. Let $\mu > 0$, $\delta > 0$, be given constants, $b \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ and $a \in C_0^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})$. Let $A(D_0)$ be a pseudodifferential operator with symbol a and $\mu_* = \min\{\mu^{\alpha}, \mu^{\alpha_1}\}$. If

$$||u||_{H^1(B_{2R})} = 1, \quad ||Pu||_{L^2(B_{2R})} < 1, \quad ||A(D_0/\mu)b((y-y_0)/R)Pu||_0 \le e^{-\mu^{\alpha}},$$

then for each $\tau \geq 0$, there are constants c_{110}, c_{109} such that

$$\|e^{-\epsilon|D_0|^2/2\tau}e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u\|_0 \le c_{110}e^{2\tau\delta-c_{109}\mu_*}$$

Proof. Define $a_{\mu/3}(s) := a(3s/\mu)$, hence $\operatorname{supp}(1 - a_{\mu/3}(\xi_0)) \subset \{|\xi_0| \ge \mu/3\}$. Then, we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \|e^{-\epsilon|D_{0}|^{2}/2\tau}e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u\|_{0} &= \|e^{-\epsilon\xi_{0}^{2}/(2\tau)}\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}(e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u)\|_{0} \\ &\leq \|(1-a_{\mu/3}(\xi_{0}))e^{-\epsilon\xi_{0}^{2}/(2\tau)}\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}(e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u)\|_{0} \\ &+ \|a_{\mu/3}(\xi_{0})e^{-\epsilon\xi_{0}^{2}/(2\tau)}\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}(e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u)\|_{0} =: I_{1} + I_{2}. \end{aligned}$$

By our construction we have that $b((y - y_0)/R) = 1$ on $\operatorname{supp}(\chi(\varphi)Pu)$, hence we can write $\chi(\varphi)P(y, D)u = \chi(\varphi)b((y - y_0)/R)P(y, D)u$.

The first integral can be estimated for $\tau < c_{127}\mu$ as follows, where $c_{127} = \sqrt{\epsilon/(36 \delta)}$,

$$I_{1} \leq e^{-\epsilon\mu^{2}/(18\tau)} \|\mathcal{F}_{t \to \xi_{0}}(e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u)\|_{0} \leq e^{-\epsilon\mu^{2}/(18\tau)} \|e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u\|_{0}$$

$$\leq e^{-\epsilon\mu^{2}/(18\tau)+\tau\delta} \|\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u\|_{0} \leq e^{-c_{127}\delta\mu} \|b((y-y_{0})/R)P(y,D)u\|_{0},$$

where we have $-\epsilon \mu^2/(18\tau) + \tau \delta \leq -c_{127}\delta\mu$. Notice that the estimate for I_1 holds only for $\tau < c_{127}\mu$. If instead $\tau \geq c_{127}\mu$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \|e^{-\epsilon|D_{0}|^{2}/2\tau}e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u\|_{0} &\leq e^{\delta\tau}\|\chi(\varphi)P(y,D)u\|_{0} \\ &\leq e^{2\delta\tau-c_{127}\delta\mu}\|b((y-y_{0})/R)P(y,D)u\|_{0} \end{aligned}$$

since $e^{\delta \tau} = e^{2\delta \tau - \delta \tau} \leq e^{2\delta \tau - c_{127}\delta \mu}$. For the second integral we get

$$\begin{split} I_{2} &= \|e^{-\epsilon\xi_{0}^{2}/(2\tau)}a_{\mu/3}(\xi_{0})\mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_{0}}(e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)b((y-y_{0})/R)P(y,D)u)\|_{0} \\ &\leq \|A_{\mu/3}(D_{0})e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)b((y-y_{0})/R)P(y,D)u\|_{0} \\ &\leq \|A_{\mu/3}(D_{0})e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)b((y-y_{0})/(2R))A_{\mu}(D_{0})b((y-y_{0})/R)P(y,D)u\|_{0} + \\ &\|A_{\mu/3}(D_{0})e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)b((y-y_{0})/(2R))(1-A_{\mu}(D_{0}))b((y-y_{0})/R)P(y,D)u\|_{0} \\ &=: I_{3} + I_{4} \,. \end{split}$$

To estimate I_3 we apply the assumption and we obtain:

$$||A(3D_0/\mu)e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)b((y-y_0)/(2R))A(D_0/\mu)b((y-y_0)/R)Pu||_0$$

$$\leq e^{\tau\delta}||A(D_0/\mu)b((y-y_0)/R)Pu||_0 \leq e^{\tau\delta-\mu^{\alpha}}.$$

To estimate I_4 we apply Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 2.4. By the estimates for f(y) at its derivatives in Step 3 of section 3.1 we deduce for k = 0, 1, 2

$$|\partial_t^k \varphi(y)| \le c_{118}(\phi) := 1 + |\phi'|_0(1+R_2) + 5n|\phi''|_{0,\rho}R_2^{\rho+1} + |\phi''|_0(1+R_2^2) + \sigma(2+R_2^2).$$

Lemma 2.4 and the properties of $e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)$ imply that

$$|\mathcal{F}_{t'\to(\xi_0^1-\xi_0)}[e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)(t',x)b((y'-y_0)/(2R))]| \le c_{122}e^{\tau\delta}e^{-c_{123}\mu^{\alpha_1}/(23^{\alpha_1})}e^{-c_{123}|\xi_0^1-\xi_0|^{\alpha_1}/2},$$



FIGURE 2. Geometric construction around y_0

since $|\xi_0^1 - \xi_0| \ge \mu - 2\mu/3 = \mu/3$ on $\operatorname{supp}[(1 - a(\xi_0/\mu))a(3\xi_0^1/\mu)]$. To estimate I_4 we then apply Lemma 2.3.a) and using the fact that $f = e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)b((y-y_0)/(2R))$ and recomputing the constants, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|A(3D_0/\mu)e^{\tau\varphi}\chi(\varphi)b((y-y_0)/(2R))(1-A(D_0/\mu))b((y-y_0)/R)Pu\|_0^2 \\ &\leq c_{110}^2e^{2\tau\delta-c_{128}\mu^{\alpha_1}}\|b((y-y_0)/R)Pu\|_0^2, \end{aligned}$$

with $c_{128} = \frac{1}{3^{\alpha_{12}}} c_{123}$ and $c_{110} = \left(c_{122}(8/3)\Gamma(1/\alpha_1)/[\alpha_1 c_{123}^{1/\alpha_1}(\alpha_1 c_{128})^{1/(\alpha_1-1)}]\right)^{1/2}$. Calling $c_{109} = \min(\sqrt{\epsilon \,\delta/36}, c_{128}/2, 1)$ we finally get the result. \Box

We now prove Theorem 1.1, stating an estimate of inverse exponential type for the temporal frequencies $|\xi_0| \leq 2\omega$.

Proof of Theorem 1.1.

If $y_0 \in S$ is as in the Assumption A1, then by Theorem 2.1 there exists $\lambda > 1$ such that $\phi(y) = \exp(\lambda \psi)$ is a conormally strongly pseudoconvex function with respect to P in Ω . Then we introduce the function φ defined in (2.2) as the second order polynomial approximation of the conormally pseudoconvex function $\phi - \phi(y_0)$ around y_0 , translated by $-\sigma |y - y_0|^2$.

In Table (3.10) we found σ independent of y_0 so that φ also satisfies the conormally pseudoconvexity condition w.r.t. P in the ball $B(y_0, R_2)$. In Proposition 2.5 we also computed a δ independent of y_0 so that

$$\{y; \phi \le \phi(y_0)\} \cap \{y; \varphi > -8\delta\} \subset B(y_0, R).$$

Given δ , we found r > 0 so that $B(y_0, 2r) \subset \{y; |\varphi(y)| \leq \delta\}$. Let $\chi_1 \in G_0^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R})$ be a smooth cutoff function which is 0 on $(-\infty, -8] \cup [1, \infty)$,

1 in [-7, 1/2] and $0 \le \chi_1 \le 1$. Define its scaled version $\chi(s) := \chi_1(s/\delta)$. Then,

$$P\chi(\varphi)u = \chi(\varphi)Pu + [P,\chi(\varphi)]u$$

where, since u is supported in $\{y; \phi \leq \phi(y_0)\}$, it follows from Proposition 2.5 that

$$\operatorname{supp}(\chi(\varphi)u) \subset \{y; \ \phi(y) \leq \phi(y_0)\} \cap \{y; -8\delta < \varphi(y) < \delta\} \cap \{y; \ |y - y_0| \leq R\},$$

and $[P, \chi(\varphi)]$ is a partial differential operator of order one and satisfies
$$\operatorname{supp}([P, \chi(\varphi)]u(y)) \subset \{y; -8\delta < \varphi(y) < -7\delta\}.$$

We now apply the estimate of Theorem 2.1 to χu to obtain, for all $\tau > \tau_0$,

$$\tau \| e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/2\tau} e^{\tau\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u \|_{1,\tau}^2 \le c_{1,T}^2 \| e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/2\tau} e^{\tau\varphi} \chi(\varphi) P u \|_0^2 + c_{1,T}^2 \| e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/2\tau} e^{\tau\varphi} [P, \chi(\varphi)] u \|_0^2 + c_{2,T}^2 \tau \| e^{\tau(\varphi-d)} \chi(\varphi) u \|_{1,\tau}^2,$$

where $d = R_2^2/(4\epsilon)$. We refer to Table (3.10) for all the involved parameters. According to our construction, δ is chosen such that $d > 8\delta$. To estimate the first term at the right we apply Lemma 2.6. The second term can be bounded by

$$c_{1,T}^2 \| e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/2\tau} e^{\tau\varphi} [P, \chi(\varphi)] u \|_0^2 \le c_{114} e^{-14\tau\delta} \| u \|_{H^1(B_{2R})}^2,$$

with $c_{114} = c_{1,T}^2 |g|_{C^1}^2 |\chi_1|_{C^2}^2 (1 + |\varphi'|_{C^0}^4 / \delta^4 + |\varphi''|_{C^0}^2 / \delta^2)$, since $\chi'(\varphi) = \chi'_1(\varphi/\delta)(\varphi'/\delta)$ and $\chi''(\varphi) = \chi''_1(\varphi/\delta)(\varphi' \cdot \varphi') / \delta^2 + \chi'_1(\varphi/\delta)(\varphi''/\delta)$. Applying $\|\chi(\varphi)u\|_1^2 \le (1 + |\chi'_1|_{C^0}^2 / \delta^2) \|u\|_{H^1(B_{2R})}^2$, the third term is such that

$$c_{2,T}^{2}\tau \|e^{\tau(\varphi-d)}\chi(\varphi)u\|_{1,\tau}^{2} \leq c_{2,T}^{2}(|\varphi'|_{C^{0}}^{2}+1)\tau^{3}e^{-14\tau\delta}\|\chi(\varphi)u\|_{1}^{2} \leq c_{115}e^{-13\tau\delta},$$

with $c_{115} = c_{2,T}^2 (|\varphi'|_{C^0}^2 + 1) (3^3 e^{-3} / \delta^3) (1 + |\chi_1'|_{C^0}^2 / \delta^2)$. Since $\tau_0 \ge 1$ so that $(1 + \tau_0)/2 \le \tau$, we get

$$(2.4)\frac{(1+\tau_0)}{2} \|e^{-\epsilon|D_0|^2/2\tau} e^{\tau\varphi} \chi(\varphi)u\|_{1,\tau}^2 \le c_{116} e^{4\delta\tau} (e^{-2c_{109}\mu^{\alpha}} + e^{-16\delta\tau}), \ \forall \tau > \tau_0,$$

where $c_{116} := 3 \max(c_{1,T}^2 c_{110}^2, c_{114}, c_{115})$. We want to extend the previous estimate to the complex upper half-space. Define, for $\tau \ge 0$

$$N(\tau) := \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \| e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/2\tau} e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) u \|_{1,\tau}^2,$$

and we get

$$\begin{split} N(\tau) &= \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \| \sqrt{|\xi|^2 + \tau^2} \mathcal{F}_{t \to \xi_0} \mathcal{F}_{x \to \tilde{\xi}} [\mathcal{F}_{\xi_0 \to t}^{-1} e^{-\epsilon \xi_0^2/(2\tau)} \mathcal{F}_{t \to \xi_0} (e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)] \|_0^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \| \sqrt{|\xi|^2 + \tau^2} e^{-\epsilon \xi_0^2/(2\tau)} \mathcal{F}_{t \to \xi_0} \mathcal{F}_{x \to \tilde{\xi}} (e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) u) \|_0^2 \\ &= \frac{(1+\tau_0)}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} d\tilde{\xi} d\xi_0 (|\xi|^2 + \tau^2) e^{-\epsilon \xi_0^2/(2\tau)} \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} (e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) u) \overline{e^{-\epsilon \xi_0^2/(2\tau)} \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} (e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)}. \end{split}$$

We first extend the estimate (2.4) to the case $0 \le \tau \le \tau_0$. Define first $c_{112} = (1 + |\varphi'|_{C^0}^2)$ and

(2.5)
$$c_{113} = \max\{c_{116}, c_{112}(1+\tau_0^3)(1+|\chi_1'|_{C^0}^2/\delta^2)e^{12\delta\tau_0}\}.$$

Using that $\varphi \leq 0$ on $\operatorname{supp}(\chi u)$, we have

$$(2.6) \mathbb{N}(\tau) \leq \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} d\tilde{\xi} d\xi_0 \Big(|\xi \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi}(e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2 + \tau^2 |\mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi}(e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2 \Big)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} dx dt \Big(|\nabla_y(e^{\tau \varphi(y)} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2 + \tau_0^2 |e^{\tau \varphi} \chi(\varphi) u|^2 \Big)$$

$$\leq c_{112} (1+\tau_0^3) \|\chi(\varphi) u\|_1^2 \leq c_{113} e^{-12\delta\tau_0} \leq c_{113} e^{4\delta\tau} (e^{-2c_{109}\mu^{\alpha}} + e^{-16\delta\tau}) \,.$$

We now consider $z \in \mathbb{C}$ with Im(z) > 0 and rewrite the previous expression in the complex half-space by replacing τ with -iz:

$$\begin{aligned} &(2.7) \qquad N(-iz) := \\ &\frac{1+\tau_0}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} d\xi (|\xi|^2 + |z|^2) e^{\frac{\epsilon\xi_0^2}{i_{12}}} \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} (e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u) \overline{e^{\frac{\epsilon\xi_0^2}{i_{22}}} \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} (e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} d\xi e^{-\frac{\epsilon\xi_0^2 I m z}{|z|^2}} (|\xi \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} (e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2 + |z \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} (e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} d\xi (|\xi \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} (e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2 + |z \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi} (e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} dy \Big(|\nabla_y (e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2 + |z (e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u)|^2 \Big) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} dy \Big(|e^{-iz\varphi} [\nabla_y (-iz\varphi) (\chi(\varphi) u) + \nabla_y (\chi(\varphi) u)|^2) \Big) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} dy \Big(|e^{-iz\varphi} [\nabla_y (-iz\varphi) (\chi(\varphi) u) + \nabla_y (\chi(\varphi) u)|^2 \Big) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) c_{112} \Big((1+|z|^2) \|\chi(\varphi) u\|_0^2 + \|\nabla_y \chi(\varphi) u\|_0^2 \Big) \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} (1+\tau_0) c_{112} (1+|z|^2) \|\chi(\varphi) u\|_1^2 \le c_{113} (1+|z|^2) . \end{aligned}$$

In the following we want to apply the properties of subharmonic functions. We notice that the function $U(y,z) := e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/(-2iz)} e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u(y)$ is analytic in z such that Im z > 0, and that N(-iz) is subharmonic in z as integral in one parameter of the sum of two squares of the absolute values of analytic functions. Our aim is now to estimate the H^1 norm of $A(D_0/\omega)b((y-y_0)/R)u)(y)$ where $\omega = \mu^{\alpha}/\beta$, for some $\beta > 0$ to be determined.

Let $\eta(s) := \eta_1(s/\delta)$, for η_1 of Gevrey class $1/\alpha_1$ with support in [-4, 1] and equal to one in [-3, 1/2]. Call $\tilde{\mu} = \mu^{\alpha}$ and $\hat{\eta} = \mathcal{F}_{s \to z} \eta$ to shorten the notation. First define F as

$$F(y) := A(\beta D_0/\widetilde{\mu})(\eta(\varphi)u)(y).$$

Due to the regularity of η we can write the following foliation with respect to the level sets of φ :

$$\eta(\varphi)(y') = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \eta(s) \,\delta(s - \varphi(y')) \,ds = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \overline{\widehat{\eta}}(z) e^{-iz\varphi(y')} \,dz$$

We remind that, according to our construction, $\chi(\varphi) = 1$ on $\operatorname{supp}(\eta(\varphi)u)$, and then $\eta(\varphi)u = \eta(\varphi)\chi(\varphi)u$.

Consequently we rewrite F as:

$$F(y) = A(\beta D_0/\widetilde{\mu})(\eta(\varphi)\chi(\varphi)u)(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \overline{\widehat{\eta}}(\overline{z})(A(\beta D_0/\widetilde{\mu})e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u)(y) \, dz \, .$$

We remind that $A(\beta D_0/\tilde{\mu})$ is an integral operator with kernel

$$k(t,t') = \frac{\widetilde{\mu}}{\beta} \widehat{a} \left(\frac{\widetilde{\mu}}{\beta} (t'-t) \right).$$

Hence the previous equality is justified by Fubini's theorem, because for y' = (t', x) the integrand $|\overline{\widehat{\eta}}(\overline{z})k(t, t')e^{-iz\varphi(y')}\chi(\varphi(y'))u(y')|$ is bounded by the function $ce^{-|z|^{\alpha_1}}e^{-|t-t'|^{\alpha}}u(t', x) \in L^1(\mathbb{R}_z \times \mathbb{R}_{t'}).$

Since $\eta \in C_0^{\infty}$, then the Fourier-Laplace transform $\hat{\eta}(z)$ is holomorphic for $z \in \mathbb{C}$, and hence $\overline{\hat{\eta}}(\overline{z})$ is also holomorphic. We then need a good estimate for both $\overline{\hat{\eta}}(\overline{z})$ and $A(\beta D_0/\tilde{\mu}) (e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u(y))$ in the upper half plane. From the Gevrey class condition, we compute:

$$|\widehat{\eta}(z)| = |\delta\widehat{\eta}_1(\delta z)| \le \delta c_{101} \exp(\delta \sup_{w \in supp(\eta_1)} \langle w, Im \, z \rangle - c_{102} \delta^{\alpha_1} |Re \, z|^{\alpha_1}).$$

By considering the domain $Im\bar{z} = -Im z < 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\bar{\eta}(\bar{z})| &\leq \delta c_{101} \exp(\delta \sup_{w \in [-4,1]} \langle w, Im\bar{z} \rangle - c_{102} \delta^{\alpha_1} |Re\bar{z}|^{\alpha_1}) \\ &\leq \delta c_{101} \exp(-4\delta Im\bar{z} - c_{102} \delta^{\alpha_1} |Rez|^{\alpha_1}), \end{aligned}$$

where $c_{101} = c_{101}(\alpha_1)$ is a given constant, $c_{102} = c_{102}(\alpha_1, c_{101})$. We now change path of integration in the upper half plane Im z > 0:

$$F(y) = \int_{\Gamma_1 \cup \Gamma_2} \overline{\widehat{\eta}}(\overline{z}) A(\beta D_0 / \widetilde{\mu}) \left(e^{-iz\varphi} \chi(\varphi) u(y) \right) dz$$

with $\Gamma_1 = \{z \in \mathbb{R} : |z| \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}\}$ and Γ_2 the open rectangle inside the ball $|z| \leq c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}$ defined as $\Gamma_2 = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : Re \ z = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}, \ 0 \leq Im \ z \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}\} \cup \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |Re \ z| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}, \ Im \ z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}\} \cup \{z \in \mathbb{C} : Re \ z = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}, \ 0 \leq Im \ z \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}\}.$ Hence,

$$\begin{split} \|F\|_{H^{1}} &\leq \int_{\Gamma_{1}} |\overline{\widehat{\eta}}(\overline{z})| \|A(\beta D_{0}/\widetilde{\mu}) \left(e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u(y)\right)\|_{H^{1}} |dz| \\ &+ \int_{\Gamma_{2}} |\overline{\widehat{\eta}}(\overline{z})| \|A(\beta D_{0}/\widetilde{\mu}) \left(e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u(y)\right)\|_{H^{1}} |dz| := I_{\Gamma_{1}} + I_{\Gamma_{2}}. \end{split}$$

Along Γ_1 , with $z = \operatorname{Re} z$, we have both $|\widehat{\eta}(\overline{z})| \leq \delta c_{101} \exp(-c_{102} \delta^{\alpha_1} |z|^{\alpha_1})$, and

$$\begin{aligned} \|A(\beta D_0/\widetilde{\mu})e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u(y)\|_{H^1}^2 &\leq \|e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u(y)\|_{H^1}^2 \\ &\leq 2(|z|^2|\varphi'|_{C^0}^2+1)\|\chi(\varphi)u\|_{H^1}^2 \\ &\leq (|z|^2+1)c_{113}\,. \end{aligned}$$

The final estimate for I_{Γ_1} is

$$I_{\Gamma_{1}} \leq 2\delta c_{101}\sqrt{c_{113}} \int_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}c_{130}\tilde{\mu}}^{+\infty} \sqrt{s^{2}+1} e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_{1}}s^{\alpha_{1}}} ds$$

$$\leq 2\delta c_{101}\sqrt{c_{113}} e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_{1}}(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}c_{130})^{\alpha_{1}}\tilde{\mu}^{\alpha_{1}}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sqrt{s^{2}+1} e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_{1}}s^{\alpha_{1}}/2} ds$$

$$\leq 2c_{101}\sqrt{c_{113}} e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_{1}}(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}c_{130})^{\alpha_{1}}\tilde{\mu}^{\alpha_{1}}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sqrt{(s/\delta)^{2}+1} e^{-c_{102}s^{\alpha_{1}}/2} ds$$

In I_{Γ_2} we multiply and divide by the invertible operator $e^{\epsilon |D_0|^2/(2iz)}$

$$I_{\Gamma_{2}} = \int_{\Gamma_{2}} |\overline{\widehat{\eta}}(\overline{z})| \|A(\beta D_{0}/\widetilde{\mu})e^{-\epsilon|D_{0}|^{2}/(2iz)}e^{\epsilon|D_{0}|^{2}/(2iz)}e^{-iz\varphi}u(y)\|_{H^{1}}|dz|$$

$$\leq \delta c_{101} \int_{\Gamma_{2}} e^{4\delta Im z - c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_{1}}|Re \, z|^{\alpha_{1}}} \|A(\beta D_{0}/\widetilde{\mu})e^{-\epsilon|D_{0}|^{2}/(2iz)}\|_{\mathcal{B}(H^{1})} \cdot \|e^{-\epsilon|D_{0}|^{2}/(-2iz)}e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u(y)\|_{H^{1}}|dz|.$$

In the region $\Gamma_2 \subset \{z : c_{130}\tilde{\mu}/\sqrt{2} \leq |z| \leq c_{130}\tilde{\mu}\}$ the norm in $\mathcal{B}(H^1)$ can be estimated, independently of $\tilde{\mu}$, via the Fourier symbol of the product

$$|a(\beta\xi_0/\widetilde{\mu})e^{-\epsilon\xi_0^2/(2iz)}| = |a(\beta\xi_0/\widetilde{\mu})e^{\frac{\epsilon\xi_0^2 Im z}{2|z|^2}}| \le \exp\left(\frac{\epsilon(2\widetilde{\mu})^2 Im z}{2\beta^2 |c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}/\sqrt{2}|^2}\right) = \exp\left(\frac{4\epsilon Im z}{\beta^2 c_{130}^2}\right) =$$

while the latter H^1 -norm is related to the estimate (2.11) for N(-iz)

$$\|e^{-\epsilon|D_0|^2/(-2iz)}e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u(y)\|_{H^1}^2 \le \frac{N(-iz)}{\min\{1,\,\widetilde{\mu}^2 c_{130}^2/2\}} \le \frac{2c_{113}(1+|z|^2)}{\min\{1,\,c_{130}^2/2\}}e^{-10\delta Imz}$$

where we use $(|\xi|^2 + 1) \leq \frac{1}{\min\{1, \tilde{\mu}^2 c_{130}^2/2\}} (|\xi|^2 + |z|^2)$ in the first inequality, and and $\tilde{\mu} \geq 1$ in the second. Hence,

$$\begin{split} I_{\Gamma_2} &\leq \delta c_{101} \Big(\frac{2c_{113}(1+\widetilde{\mu}^2 c_{130}^2)}{\min\{1, c_{130}^2/2\}} \Big)^{1/2} \int_{\Gamma_2} e^{4\delta Im \, z - c_{102} \delta^{\alpha_1} |Re \, z|^{\alpha_1}} e^{\frac{4\epsilon Im \, z}{\beta^2 c_{130}^2}} e^{-5\delta Im \, z} |dz| \\ &\leq \delta c_{101} \Big(\frac{2c_{113}(1+\widetilde{\mu}^2 c_{130}^2)}{\min\{1, c_{130}^2/2\}} \Big)^{1/2} \int_{\Gamma_2} e^{-c_{102} \delta^{\alpha_1} |Re \, z|^{\alpha_1}} e^{-\delta Im \, z/2} |dz| \end{split}$$

where we choose ϵ and β such that $\epsilon \leq \delta \beta^2 c_{130}^2/8$. Actually by our choice of c_{130} the inequality can be written as

$$\epsilon \leq \frac{9\beta^2}{2^{47}\delta} \min\left(\frac{\epsilon\delta}{36}, \frac{c_{123}^2}{4(3)^{2\alpha^1}}, 1\right).$$

The latter relation is satisfied for any $\epsilon \leq \epsilon_0$ and $\beta \geq c_{131}$, where $c_{131} = \max\{\sqrt{2}(16)^6, (\sqrt{2}(16)^6 3^{(\alpha_1-1)}\sqrt{\epsilon_0\delta})/c_{123}, ((16)^6\sqrt{\epsilon_0\delta})/(3\sqrt{2})\}$, with ϵ_0 computed in Table 3.10.

Denoting z = x' + iy' we conclude the estimate

$$\begin{split} &\delta \int_{\Gamma_2} e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_1}|Re\,z|^{\alpha_1} - \delta Im\,z/2} |dz| \\ &\leq 2\delta \int_0^{\frac{c_{130}\tilde{\mu}}{\sqrt{2}}} e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_1}\frac{(c_{130}\tilde{\mu})^{\alpha_1}}{\sqrt{2^{\alpha_1}}}} e^{-\delta y'/2} dy' + \delta \int_{-\frac{c_{130}\tilde{\mu}}{\sqrt{2}}}^{\frac{c_{130}\tilde{\mu}}{\sqrt{2}}} e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_1}|x'|^{\alpha_1}} e^{-\delta\frac{c_{130}\tilde{\mu}}{2\sqrt{2}}} dx' \\ &\leq 2\delta e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_1}\frac{(c_{130})^{\alpha_1}}{(\sqrt{2})^{\alpha_1}}\tilde{\mu}^{\alpha_1}} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-\delta y'/2} dy' + \delta e^{-\delta\frac{c_{130}}{2\sqrt{2}}\tilde{\mu}}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_1}|x'|^{\alpha_1}} dx' \\ &\leq 2e^{-c_{102}\delta^{\alpha_1}\frac{(c_{130})^{\alpha_1}}{(\sqrt{2})^{\alpha_1}}\tilde{\mu}^{\alpha_1}} \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-y'/2} dy' + e^{-\delta\frac{c_{130}}{2\sqrt{2}}\tilde{\mu}}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-c_{102}|x'|^{\alpha_1}} dx' \,. \end{split}$$

Comparing the estimates for I_{Γ_1} and I_{Γ_2} , recalling that $e^{-c\tilde{\mu}} \leq e^{-c\tilde{\mu}^{\alpha_1}}$ and choosing the largest constants, we obtain the final estimate for F(y)

(2.8)
$$||A(\beta D_0/\widetilde{\mu})(\eta(\varphi)\chi(\varphi)u)(y)||_{H^1} \le c_{136}e^{-c_{137}\widetilde{\mu}^{\alpha_1}}$$

with $c_{137} = \frac{1}{2} \left(c_{102} \delta^{\alpha_1} \frac{(c_{130})^{\alpha_1}}{(\sqrt{2})^{\alpha_1}} + \delta \frac{c_{130}}{2\sqrt{2}} \right) + \frac{1}{2} c_{102} \delta^{\alpha_1} \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} c_{130} \right)^{\alpha_1}$ and $c_{136} = 2c_{101} \sqrt{c_{113}} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \sqrt{(s/\delta)^2 + 1} e^{-c_{102} s^{\alpha_1/2}} ds + c_{101} \left(\frac{2c_{113}(1+c_{130}^2)}{\min\{1,c_{130}^2/2\}} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \left(2 \int_0^{+\infty} e^{-y'/2} dy' + \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-c_{102}|x'|^{\alpha_1}} dx' \right).$

One can prove a similar estimate with $\eta(\varphi)$ replaced by $b((y-y_0)/r)$. By construction we have chosen r so that $\operatorname{supp}(b((y-y_0)/r)) \cap \operatorname{supp} u \subset \{y; \eta(\varphi(y)) =$

1)} \cap supp u and we write

$$\begin{aligned} A(\frac{3\beta D_0}{\widetilde{\mu}})b(\frac{y-y_0}{r})u(y) &= A(\frac{3\beta D_0}{\widetilde{\mu}})b(\frac{y-y_0}{r})A(\frac{\beta D_0}{\widetilde{\mu}})\eta(\varphi)u(y) \\ &+ A(\frac{3\beta D_0}{\widetilde{\mu}})b(\frac{y-y_0}{r})[1-A(\frac{\beta D_0}{\widetilde{\mu}})]\eta(\varphi)u(y) := J_1 + J_2. \end{aligned}$$

From (2.8), J_1 has the desired estimate

$$||J_1||_1 \le c_{136} \left(1 + \frac{|b'|_{C^0}}{r}\right) e^{-c_{137} \widetilde{\mu}^{\alpha_1}},$$

due to the fact that $A(\frac{3\beta D_0}{\tilde{\mu}})b(\frac{y-y_0}{r})$ is a bounded operator. To estimate J_2 we apply Lemma 2.3.c) using the fact that $b \in G^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$:

$$||J_2||_1 \le c_{134} e^{-c_{135}\tilde{\mu}^{\alpha_1}}$$

where $c_{134} = \left((rc_{1X}) \frac{8}{3} \Gamma\left(\frac{1}{\alpha_1}\right) \frac{1}{\alpha_1 (r^{\alpha_1} c_{2X})^{1/\alpha_1} (\alpha_1 c_{135})^{1/(\alpha_1 - 1)}} \right)^{1/2}$, $c_{135} = r^{\alpha_1} c_{2X} \frac{1}{23^{\alpha_1}}$. This concludes the proof of Theorem 1.1 by choosing $c_{129} = \max\{c_{134}, c_{136}\}$, $c_{132} = \min\{c_{135}, c_{137}\}$.

Here we show in details the estimate for the function N applied in the proof of the previous Lemma.

Lemma 2.7. Let us define $N_1(-iz) := N(-iz)/|1-iz|^2$, where N(-iz) is defined in (2.7). For $z \in \mathbb{C} \cap \{Im \ z \ge 0\}$, $N_1(-iz)$ satisfies the inequalities

$$(2.9)N_1(-iz) \le c_{113}e^{4\delta Im\,z}(e^{-2c_{109}\tilde{\mu}} + e^{-16\delta Im\,z}), \ z \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{Re\,z = 0, \ Im\,z \ge 0\},\\N_1(-iz) \le c_{113}, \quad Im\,z > 0.$$

where c_{113} is given in (2.5) and c_{109} is defined in Lemma 2.6. Therefore, there exists some constant c_{130} independent of $\tilde{\mu}$, so that

(2.10)
$$N_1(-iz) \leq 2c_{113}e^{-10\delta Imz}, \quad |z| \leq c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}, \ Im \ z \geq 0,$$

with $c_{130} = \frac{3c_{109}}{4\delta} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^5.$
Consequently, in the region $|z| \leq c_{130}\widetilde{\mu}$ with $Im \ z \geq 0,$
(2.11) $N(-iz) \leq 2c_{113}(1+|z|^2)e^{-10\delta Imz}.$

Proof. Since $N_1(-iz) \leq N(-iz)$, the estimates (2.9) for N_1 follow from the equivalent estimates for N proved in (2.4), (2.6) and (2.7). To show (2.10) we first consider z = x' + iy' in the region x' > 0, y' > 0. Here we define the analytic function

$$h(z) = e^{2i\delta z} e^{-8\delta i(z-C_1\tilde{\mu}^{(1-\kappa)}z^{\kappa})},$$

where $z = |z|e^{i\theta}$, $z^{\kappa} = \exp(\kappa \ln z)$, with $\ln z = \ln |z| + i\theta$, $\theta \in [0, \pi/2]$, and C_1 is a constant to be determined. Taking $\kappa = 6/5$, so that $1 < \kappa < 2$ and close to 1, we write h(z) as

$$h(z) = \exp(2\delta(ix' - y')) \exp(-8\delta[-y' + C_1\widetilde{\mu}^{1-\kappa}|z|^{\kappa}\sin(\kappa\theta)]) \cdot \exp(-8\delta i[x' - C_1\widetilde{\mu}^{1-\kappa}|z|^{\kappa}\cos(\kappa\theta)]),$$

and use h and its inverse to estimate N_1 . Consider

$$N_1(-iz) = N_2(-iz)|h^{-1}(z)|^2$$
,

where $N_2(-iz)$ is the subharmonic function in the first quadrant given by:

$$N_{2}(-iz) := N_{1}(-iz)|h(z)|^{2} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n+1}} (|\xi|^{2} + |z|^{2}) \frac{|h(z)|^{2}}{|1 - iz|^{2}} |e^{\frac{-\epsilon\xi_{0}^{2}}{-i2z}} \mathcal{F}_{y \to \xi}(e^{-iz\varphi}\chi(\varphi)u)|^{2} d\widetilde{\xi} d\xi_{0}.$$

We observe that:

a. On the real axis y' = 0 we have |h(x')| = 1, therefore

$$N_2(-iz) \le N_1(-iz) \le 2c_{113}$$
.

b. On the positive imaginary axis y' > 0, x' = 0,

$$|h(iy')| = \exp(-2\delta y') \exp(a(y')), \text{ with } a(y') := 8\delta(y' - C_1 \tilde{\mu}^{1-\kappa}(y')^{\kappa} s_{\kappa}).$$

where we have $s_{\kappa} = \sin(\kappa \pi/2) > 1/2$.

Then a(y') achieves its maximum at $y'_M = \tilde{\mu}(C_1 \kappa s_\kappa)^{1/(1-\kappa)}$ with the value $a(y'_M) = \frac{8\delta\tilde{\mu}(\kappa-1)}{\kappa(C_1\kappa s_\kappa)^{1/(\kappa-1)}}$. We choose $C_1 \ge \frac{1}{\kappa s_\kappa} \left(\frac{8(\kappa-1)}{\kappa c_{109}}\right)^{\kappa-1} \delta^{\kappa-1}$, so that we have $-c_{109}\tilde{\mu} + a(y'_M) \le 0$, and consequently, by the estimates of N_1 and $|h|^2$,

$$N_{2}(-iz) \leq \left(c_{113}e^{4\delta y'}(e^{-2c_{109}\tilde{\mu}} + e^{-16\delta y'})\right)e^{-4\delta y'}e^{2a(y')}$$

= $c_{113}(e^{2(-c_{109}\tilde{\mu} + a(y))} + e^{-16\delta y' + 2a(y')})$
 $\leq c_{113}(e^{2(-c_{109}\tilde{\mu} + a(y'_{M}))} + e^{-16\delta C_{1}\tilde{\mu}^{1-\kappa}|z|^{\kappa}s_{\kappa}}) \leq 2c_{113}$

c. In the region y' > 0, x' > 0, we get

$$|h(z)| = \exp\left(-2\delta y'\right) \exp\left[8\delta|z|(\sin\theta - C_1\widetilde{\mu}^{1-\kappa}|z|^{\kappa-1}\sin(\kappa\theta))\right] \le e^{-2\delta y'}e^{c(\widetilde{\mu})}.$$

Indeed for any $\theta \neq 0$ fixed we can compute the maximum in |z| of that expression and apply $1/2 < \sin(\kappa\theta) / \sin\theta \le \kappa$ to obtain

$$\max_{r\geq 0} [8\delta r(\sin\theta - C_1 \widetilde{\mu}^{1-\kappa} r^{\kappa-1} \sin(\kappa\theta))] \le c(\widetilde{\mu}) := \frac{8\delta(\kappa-1)}{\kappa(\kappa C_1/2)^{1/(\kappa-1)}} \widetilde{\mu}$$

that implies

$$N_2(-iz) \le c_{113}e^{-4\delta y'}e^{2c(\tilde{\mu})}$$

In order to get rid of the $\tilde{\mu}$ dependency in this estimate, we apply the Phragmen-Lindelöf Theorem 4.4 for subharmonic functions in the sector $x' \ge 0, y' \ge 0$ to obtain

 $N_2(-iz) \le 2c_{113}$

and we note that c_{113} is independent of $\tilde{\mu}$. To prove (2.10) observe that, for $\kappa = 6/5$, we have $\sin(\kappa \pi/2) > 1/2$ and the following inequality is valid in the region $|z| = c_{130}\tilde{\mu}$ with $Re \ z \ge 0$, $Im \ z \ge 0$,

 $|h^{-1}(z)| = \exp\left(2\delta Im z\right) \exp\left(-8\delta Im z + 8\delta C_1 \tilde{\mu}^{1-\kappa} |z|^{\kappa} \sin(\kappa\theta)\right) \le \exp(-5\delta Im z),$ where

$$c_{130} := \frac{3c_{109}}{4\delta} \left(\frac{1}{16}\right)^5 \le \min_{\theta \in [0, \pi/2]} \left(\frac{\sin\theta}{8C_1 \sin(\kappa\theta)}\right)^{\frac{1}{\kappa-1}}$$

Indeed we see that $8C_1 \tilde{\mu}^{1-\kappa} (c_{130} \tilde{\mu})^{\kappa-1} \sin(\kappa \theta) \leq \sin \theta$, proving the derived estimate, and also (2.11) follows consequently.

Next, we observe that the same estimate (2.10) can be obtained in the sector $Re z \leq 0$, $Im z \geq 0$ by applying the following arguments:

In the region x' < 0, y' > 0, with z = x' + iy', we define $w = -\bar{z} = -x' + iy'$, belonging to the first quadrant, and $N_3(-iw) := N_1(-i(-\bar{z}))$ and $N_4(-iw) := N_1(-i(-\bar{z}))|h(-\bar{z})|^2$. Notice that h(w) is an antiholomorphic function in w, and therefore |h(w)| is subharmonic. Also $N_3(-iw)$, $N_4(-iw)$ are subharmonic and they satisfy the same estimates as $N_1(-iz)$, $N_2(-iz)$. We then apply the same procedure as in the first step with N_1 , N_2 replaced by N_3 , N_4 . \Box

We now can complete the proof of the logarithmic stability estimate in Theorem 1.2.

Proof of Theorem 1.2. We consider two cases:

Case A. Assume $||Pu||_{L^2(B_{2R})} \geq ||u||_{H^1(B_{2R})}/e$. Then the estimate is trivial as

$$\|u\|_{L^{2}(B_{r})} \leq \|u\|_{H^{1}(B_{2R})} \leq \ln(1+e) \frac{\|u\|_{H^{1}(B_{2R})}}{\ln\left(1 + \frac{\|u\|_{H^{1}(B_{2R})}}{\|Pu\|_{L^{2}(B_{2R})}}\right)}$$

Case B. Assume now $||Pu||_{L^2(B_{2R})} < ||u||_{H^1(B_{2R})}/e$ and without restriction of generality take $||u||_{H^1(B_{2R})} = 1$. Our aim is to consider separetely estimates for low and high temporal frequencies. Let $A(D_0)$ be a pseudo-differential operator with symbol $a(\xi_0)$, where $a \in G_0^{1/\alpha}(\mathbb{R})$ with $\alpha \in (0,1)$ is a smooth Gevrey class localizer that is supported in $|\xi_0| \leq 2$, equal to one in $|\xi_0| \leq 1$ and $0 \leq a \leq 1$. Then $a(\beta\xi_0/\tilde{\mu})$ is a scaled version of it, where $\tilde{\mu} > 1$ is the parameter to be optimized, and $\beta > 0$ an adjusting constant. Let $b \in G_0^{1/\alpha_1}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ with $0 < \alpha \leq \alpha_1$ be another localizer supported in B_2 , equal to one in B_1 and $0 \leq b \leq 1$.

Observe that according to our geometric construction we have (see Proposition 2.5):

$$B_r \subset \operatorname{supp} b((y-y_0)/r) \subseteq B_{2r} \subset B_R \subset \operatorname{supp} b((y-y_0)/R) \subseteq B_{2R}$$

and hence $||u||_{L^2(B_r)} \leq ||b((y-y_0)/r)u||_{L^2}$. Then we perform the splitting:

$$b((y - y_0)/r)u = A(\beta D_0/\tilde{\mu})b((y - y_0)/r)u + (1 - A(\beta D_0/\tilde{\mu}))b((y - y_0)/r)u.$$

For high temporal frequencies $|\xi_0| \geq \tilde{\mu}/\beta$ we estimate as follows:

$$\begin{split} \|(1 - A(\beta D_0/\widetilde{\mu}))b((y - y_0)/r)u(y)\|_{L^2}^2 &= \|(1 - a(\frac{\beta\xi_0}{\widetilde{\mu}})) \mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_0}(b((y - y_0)/r)u(y))\|_{L^2}^2 \\ &\leq \frac{\beta^2}{\widetilde{\mu}^2} \int_{|\xi_0| > \widetilde{\mu}/\beta} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\xi_0 \mathcal{F}_{t\to\xi_0}(b((y - y_0)/r)u(t, x))|^2 dx d\xi_0 \\ &\leq \frac{\beta^2}{\widetilde{\mu}^2} \|b((y - y_0)/r)u(y)\|_{H^1}^2 \leq \frac{\beta^2}{\widetilde{\mu}^2} \Big(1 + \frac{|b'|_{C^0}^2}{r^2}\Big) \|u(y)\|_{H^1(B_R)}^2. \end{split}$$

For low temporal frequencies we first choose $\tilde{\mu}$ such that $\|Pu\|_{L^2(B_{2R})} = e^{-\tilde{\mu}} < e^{-1}$. Then we take $\mu > 1$, such that $\tilde{\mu} = \mu^{\alpha}$. Hence for A and b as above we get for all $\zeta > 0$:

(2.12)
$$||A(\zeta D_0/\mu)b((y-y_0)/R)Pu||_0 \le ||Pu||_{L^2(B_{2R})} = e^{-\widetilde{\mu}}.$$

For $\zeta = 1$ in (2.12) we can apply Theorem 1.1 to obtain

(2.13)
$$||A(\beta D_0/\widetilde{\mu})b((y-y_0)/r)u||_{L^2} \le c_{129}e^{-c_{132}\widetilde{\mu}^{\alpha_1}}, \beta \ge 3c_{131}.$$

By collecting the previous estimates for low and high temporal frequencies we conclude that, as $\tilde{\mu} \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|u\|_{L^{2}(B_{r})} &\leq \frac{\beta}{\widetilde{\mu}} \left(1 + \frac{|b'|_{C^{0}}^{2}}{r^{2}}\right)^{1/2} + c_{129} e^{-c_{132}\widetilde{\mu}^{\alpha_{1}}} \leq \frac{c_{105}}{\widetilde{\mu}} = \frac{c_{105}}{-\ln(\|Pu\|_{0})} \\ &\leq 2c_{105} \frac{\|u\|_{H^{1}(B_{2R})}}{\ln\left(1 + \frac{\|u\|_{H^{1}(B_{2R})}}{\|Pu\|_{L^{2}(B_{2R})}}\right)}, \end{aligned}$$

where $c_{105} = \beta \left(1 + \frac{|b'|_{C^0}^2}{r^2}\right)^{1/2} + c_{129}$ and in the last step we apply $\ln(y) \ge \ln(1+y)/2$ for $y = \|u\|_{H^1(B_{2R})}/\|Pu\|_{L^2(B_{2R})} > e$, and then we return to the original notation. Defining $c_{111} = \ln(1+e) + 2c_{105}$ we obtain the result. \Box

3. Geometric constants

3.1. **Pseudoconvexity constants.** In the following we work under the following assumptions, derived from the ones in Theorem 1.2:

- **A3.** We consider the case of the wave operator (1.1) with principal symbol $p(y,\xi) = -\xi_0^2 + \sum_{jk=1}^n g^{jk}(x)\xi_j\xi_k$, with $0 < a_1 \,\delta^{jk} \le g^{jk}(x) \le b_1 \,\delta^{jk}$, $a_1, \, b_1 > 0$. Call $\xi = (\xi_0, \widetilde{\xi}) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$, where $|\widetilde{\xi}|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \xi_j^2$.
- Call $\xi = (\xi_0, \tilde{\xi}) \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$, where $|\tilde{\xi}|^2 = \sum_{j=1}^n \xi_j^2$. **A4.** We fix a function $\psi \in C^{2,\rho}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$, for some $\rho \in (0,1)$, such that $p(y, \psi'(y)) \neq 0$ and $\psi'(y) \neq 0$ in a domain $\Omega_0 \subseteq \Omega$, containing the point y_0 lying on the level set $S = \{y; \psi(y) = 0\}$. In particular we assume that $|\psi'(y)| \geq C_l$ in Ω_0 for $C_l > 0$.

Moreover we use Einstein's convention for the repeated indexes.

To get Tataru inequality we proceed in three Steps. In Table (3.10) are listed the computed constants.

Step 1. Given a function $\psi \in C^{2,\rho}(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})$ fulfilling the assumptions above in a domain Ω_0 , we find positive constants M_2 , M_1 , M_P such that the following inequality holds true

(3.1)
$$M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + M_{1}\left(\frac{|p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y))|^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}} + |\langle p_{\xi}'(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y),\psi'(y)\rangle|^{2}\right) + \frac{\{\overline{p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y))}, p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y))\}}{2i\tau} \ge M_{P}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2})$$

for every $\xi \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$, $\xi \neq 0$, $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$. The previous inequality proves that the hypersurface $S = \{y; \psi(y) = 0\}$ is conormally strongly pseudoconvex w.r.t. P in Ω_0 .

Step 2. For $\phi = e^{\lambda \psi}$, with y_0 on the level set $\phi(y) = 1$, we find $\lambda > 0$ such that the following inequality holds true

$$(3.2) \quad M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + \frac{M_{1}}{\min\{1, \lambda^{2}\phi^{2}(y)\}} \frac{|p(y, \xi + i\tau\phi'(y))|^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}} \\ + \frac{1}{\lambda\phi(y)} \frac{\{\overline{p(y, \xi + i\tau\phi'(y))}, p(y, \xi + i\tau\phi'(y))\}}{2i\tau} \ge M_{P}\min\{1, \lambda^{2}\phi^{2}(y)\}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2})$$

for every $\xi \in \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R}^n$, $\xi \neq 0$, $\tau \in \mathbb{R}$. The previous inequality proves that the function ϕ is conormally strongly pseudoconvex w.r.t. P in Ω_0 . **Step 3** . We consider a perturbation of ϕ by the shifted 2nd order polynomial centred in the point y_0 ,

(3.3)
$$f(y) = \sum_{|v| \le 2} (\partial^{v} \phi)(y_0) (y - y_0)^{v} / v! - \sigma |y - y_0|^2.$$

In a ball $B(y_0, R_1) \subset \Omega_0$ where $f' \neq 0$ we define

$$\phi_0 = \min_{y \in B(y_0, R_1)} \phi(y), \qquad \phi_M = \max_{y \in B(y_0, R_1)} \phi(y).$$

We find σ and $R_2 > 0$ small enough such that in the ball $B(y_0, R_2)$ the following inequalities hold true: $f(y) < \phi(y)$ in $B(y_0, R_2) \setminus \{y_0\}$, and

(3.4)
$$M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + 2M_{1}\frac{|p(y,\xi + i\tau f'(y))|^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}} + \frac{\{p(y,\xi + i\tau f'(y)), p(y,\xi + i\tau f'(y))\}}{(\lambda\phi_{0})2i\tau}$$
$$\geq \frac{1}{2}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}).$$

The previous inequality proves that the function f is conormally strongly pseudoconvex w.r.t. P in $B(y_0, R_2)$.

Proof of STEP 1: We recall that

$$\begin{aligned} p(y,\xi+i\tau\psi'(y)) &= p(y,\xi) - \tau^2 p(y,\psi') + i\tau\{p,\psi\} \\ |p(y,\xi+i\tau\psi'(y))|^2 &= |p(y,\xi) - \tau^2 p(y,\psi')|^2 + \tau^2 |\{p,\psi\}|^2 \\ &= |p(y,\xi)|^2 + \tau^4 |p(y,\psi')|^2 - 2\tau^2 p(y,\xi) p(y,\psi') + \tau^2 |\{p,\psi\}|^2 \\ \langle p'_{\xi}(y,\xi+i\tau\psi'(y),\psi'(y)\rangle &= \{p,\psi\}(y,\xi) + i2\tau p(y,\psi') \\ |\langle p'_{\xi}(y,\xi+i\tau\psi'(y),\psi'(y)\rangle|^2 &= |\{p,\psi\}(y,\xi)|^2 + 4\tau^2 |p(y,\psi')|^2 \end{aligned}$$

We have to estimate the quantities

$$I_{1,\psi} := \frac{|p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y))|^2}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} + |\langle p'_{\xi}(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y),\psi'(y)\rangle|^2,$$

$$I_{2,\psi} := \frac{\{\overline{p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y))}, p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y))\}}{2i\tau}$$

$$= \{p,\{p,\psi\}\}(y,\xi) + \tau^2\{p,\{p,\psi\}\}(y,\psi'(y)),$$

where the last equality holds for our second order wave operator. For the second term we get, by setting $a^{00} = -1$, $a^{j0} = 0$, $a^{jk} = g^{jk}$, j, k = 1...n,

$$I_{2,\psi} = \sum_{l,m=0}^{n} \xi_l \xi_m \left(4 \sum_{j,k=0}^{n} a^{jl} \psi_{jk}'' a^{km} + 4 \sum_{j,k=0}^{n} a^{jl} \partial_{x_j} a^{km} \psi_k' - 2 \sum_{j,k=0}^{n} \partial_{x_j} a^{lm} a^{kj} \psi_k' \right)$$
$$+ \tau^2 \sum_{l,m=0}^{n} \psi_l' \psi_m' \left(4 \sum_{j,k=0}^{n} a^{jl} \psi_{jk}'' a^{km} + 2 \sum_{j,k=0}^{n} a^{jl} \partial_{x_j} a^{km} \psi_k' \right) \ge -C_3(|\xi|^2 + \tau^2)$$

where C_3 is defined as follows

$$\begin{split} \max_{y \in \Omega_0} \Big(4 \sum_{j,k} a^{jl} \psi_{jk}'' a^{km} + 4 \sum_{j,k} a^{jl} \partial_{x_j} a^{km} \psi_k' - 2 \sum_{j,k} \partial_{x_j} a^{lm} a^{kj} \psi_k' \Big) (2 + \psi_l' \psi_m') \\ &\leq 20 (1 + n^2 |g^{jl}|_{C^1}^2) |\psi'|_{C^1} (1 + |\psi'|_{C^0}^2) := C_3. \end{split}$$

For the first term we get

$$\begin{split} I_{1,\psi} &= \frac{|p(y,\xi)|^2}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} + \tau^2 |p(y,\psi')|^2 \Big(4 + \frac{\tau^2}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} \Big) - 2\frac{\tau^2}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} p(y,\xi) p(y,\psi') \\ &+ |\{p,\psi\}|^2 \Big(1 + \frac{\tau^2}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} \Big) \\ &\geq \frac{|p(y,\xi)|^2}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} (1-\omega) + \tau^2 |p(y,\psi')|^2 \Big(4|\xi|^2 + \big(5-\frac{1}{\omega}\big)\tau^2 \Big) \frac{1}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} \\ &+ |\{p,\psi\}|^2 \Big(1 + \frac{\tau^2}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} \Big) \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\tau^2 + |\xi|^2} \Big(|p(y,\xi)|^2 (1-\omega) + 4|p(y,\psi')|^2 |\xi|^2 \tau^2 + |p(y,\psi')|^2 \big(5-\frac{1}{\omega}\big)\tau^4 \\ &+ |\{p,\psi\}|^2 \big(2\tau^2 + |\xi|^2\big) \Big) \end{split}$$

where by Young's inequality, $2p(y,\xi)\tau^2 p(y,\psi') \leq \omega |p(y,\xi)|^2 + \frac{1}{\omega}\tau^4 |p(y,\psi')|^2$, where we choose $\omega \in (0,1)$ such that $(4 \geq) 5 - \frac{1}{\omega} > 0$. We now split the estimate into two parts: <u>Case 1</u>: If $p(y,\xi) > 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} |p(y,\xi)| &= p(y,\xi) = -\xi_0^2 + \sum_{kj} g^{kj} \xi_k \xi_j \ge a_1 |\widetilde{\xi}|^2 - \xi_0^2 \,, \\ |p(y,\xi)|^2 &= (-\xi_0^2 + \sum_{kj} g^{kj} \xi_k \xi_j)^2 \ge (a_1 |\widetilde{\xi}|^2 - \xi_0^2) (-\xi_0^2 + \sum_{kj} g^{kj} \xi_k \xi_j) \\ &= \xi_0^4 + a_1 |\widetilde{\xi}|^2 (\sum_{kj} g^{kj} \xi_k \xi_j) - \xi_0^2 [\sum_{kj} g^{kj} \xi_k \xi_j + a_1 |\widetilde{\xi}|^2] \ge \xi_0^4 + a_1^2 |\widetilde{\xi}|^4 - (b_1 + a_1) |\widetilde{\xi}|^2 \xi_0^2 \,. \end{aligned}$$

Our aim is to find M_2, M_1, M_P such that $M_2 \xi_0^2 + M_1 I_{1,\psi} + I_{2,\psi} \ge M_P (\tau^2 + |\xi|^2)$. Hence,

$$\begin{split} &M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + M_{1}I_{1,\psi} + I_{2,\psi} \geq M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} - C_{3}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}) + \\ &M_{1}\Big[\frac{|p(y,\xi)|^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}}(1-\omega) + \frac{\tau^{2}|p(y,\psi')|^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}}\Big(4|\xi|^{2} + \big(5-\frac{1}{\omega}\big)\tau^{2}\Big) + |\{p,\psi\}|^{2}\Big(1 + \frac{\tau^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}}\Big)\Big] \\ &\geq \frac{1}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}}\left(M_{2}(\tau^{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + |\xi|^{2}\xi_{0}^{2}) + M_{1}(1-\omega)[a_{1}^{2}|\widetilde{\xi}|^{4} + \xi_{0}^{4} - (a_{1}+b_{1})|\widetilde{\xi}|^{2}\xi_{0}^{2}] + \\ &+ M_{1}|p(y,\psi')|^{2}\Big[4\tau^{2}|\xi|^{2} + \big(5-\frac{1}{\omega}\big)\tau^{4}\Big] - C_{3}(\tau^{4} + |\xi|^{4} + 2\tau^{2}|\xi|^{2})\Big) \\ &\geq M_{P}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}) \,. \end{split}$$

To fulfil the last inequality we have to solve the system of 7 inequalities:

$$\begin{pmatrix} M_1(1-\omega)a_1^2 - C_3 \end{pmatrix} |\tilde{\xi}|^4 \geq M_P |\tilde{\xi}|^4 \\ \begin{pmatrix} M_1(1-\omega) + M_2 - C_3 \end{pmatrix} \xi_0^4 \geq M_P \xi_0^4 \\ \begin{pmatrix} M_2 - (b_1 + a_1)M_1(1-\omega) - 2C_3 \end{pmatrix} |\tilde{\xi}|^2 \xi_0^2 \geq 2M_P |\tilde{\xi}|^2 \xi_0^2 \\ \begin{pmatrix} 4M_1 |p(y,\psi')|^2 - 2C_3 \end{pmatrix} \tau^2 |\tilde{\xi}|^2 \geq 2M_P \tau^2 |\tilde{\xi}|^2 \\ \begin{pmatrix} 4M_1 |p(y,\psi')|^2 - 2C_3 + M_2 \end{pmatrix} \tau^2 \xi_0^2 \geq 2M_P \tau^2 \xi_0^2 \\ \begin{pmatrix} M_1 |p(y,\psi')|^2 - 2C_3 + M_2 \end{pmatrix} \tau^2 \xi_0^2 \geq 2M_P \tau^2 \xi_0^2 \\ \begin{pmatrix} M_1 |p(y,\psi')|^2 (5 - \frac{1}{\omega}) - C_3 \end{pmatrix} \tau^4 \geq M_P \tau^4 . \end{cases}$$

<u>Case 2</u>: If $p(y,\xi) \leq 0$, then

$$|p(y,\xi)| = -p(y,\xi) = \xi_0^2 - \sum_{kj} g^{kj} \xi_k \xi_j \ge 0 \implies \xi_0^2 \ge \sum_{kj} g^{kj} \xi_k \xi_j \ge a_1 |\tilde{\xi}|^2.$$

Once again we look for M_2, M_1, M_P such that $M_2 \xi_0^2 + M_1 I_{1,\psi} + I_{2,\psi} \ge M_P (\tau^2 + |\xi|^2)$:

$$M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + M_{1}I_{1,\psi} + I_{2,\psi} \geq M_{1} \left[\frac{\tau^{2}|p(y,\psi')|^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}} \left(4|\xi|^{2} + \left(5 - \frac{1}{\omega}\right)\tau^{2} \right) \right. \\ \left. + |\{p,\psi\}|^{2} \left(1 + \frac{\tau^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}} \right) \right] + M_{2} \left(\frac{\xi_{0}^{2}}{2} + \frac{\xi_{0}^{2}}{2} \right) - C_{3}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}) \\ \geq \frac{1}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}} \left(M_{1}|p(y,\psi')|^{2} \left[4\tau^{2}|\xi|^{2} + \left(5 - \frac{1}{\omega}\right)\tau^{4} \right] - C_{3}(\tau^{4} + |\xi|^{4} + 2\tau^{2}|\xi|^{2}) \\ \left. + M_{2} \left(\frac{\xi_{0}^{2}}{2} + \frac{a_{1}|\widetilde{\xi}|^{2}}{2} \right) (\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}) \right) \\ \geq M_{P}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}).$$

To get the last inequality we have to solve the system of 3 inequalities:

$$\left(4M_1 |p(y,\psi')|^2 - 2C_3 + \frac{M_2}{2} \min\{a_1,1\} \right) \tau^2 |\xi|^2 \geq 2M_P \tau^2 |\xi|^2$$

$$\left(M_1 |p(y,\psi')|^2 \left(5 - \frac{1}{\omega}\right) - C_3 \right) \tau^4 \geq M_P \tau^4$$

$$\left(\frac{M_2}{2} \min\{a_1,1\} - C_3 \right) |\xi|^4 \geq M_P |\xi|^4 .$$

From Case 1 and 2 we obtain two systems of inequalities for the coefficients; by choosing $\omega = 1/2$ and solving them, the pseudoconvexity estimate (3.1) holds with M_1 , M_2 as in Table (3.10) and with M_P a free parameter to be set in the following.

Remark 3.1. 1. Notice that the estimate is valid also in the limit $\tau \to 0$. Indeed, for $\xi \neq 0$

$$M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + M_{1}I_{1,\psi} + I_{2,\psi} = M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + M_{1}(\frac{|p(y,\xi)|^{2}}{|\xi|^{2}} + |\{p,\psi\}|^{2}) + \{p,\{p,\psi\}\}$$

$$\geq M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} - C_{3}|\xi|^{2} + M_{1}\frac{|p(y,\xi)|^{2}}{|\xi|^{2}} \geq M_{P}|\xi|^{2}.$$

2. From the constraint on M_1 one can understand the reason for the assumption $p(y, \psi') \neq 0$. Actually, as observed in [6] and by other authors, in the case $p(y_0, \psi'(y_0)) = 0$ the estimate (3.1) is still possible if $\{p, \{p, \psi\}\}(y_0, \psi'(y_0)) > 0$. Indeed, in that case there are positive constants C_4, C_5 such that $I_{2,\psi} \geq C_5 \tau^2 - C_4 |\xi|^2$, and one can proceed as above to get (3.1) with different coefficients.

Proof of STEP 2: Let $\phi(y) = e^{\lambda \psi(y)}$, $\tau_1 = \tau \lambda \phi(y)$, and recall that

$$\tau\phi'(y) = \tau\lambda\phi(y)\psi'(y) = \tau_1\psi'(y), \quad \phi''(y) = \lambda\phi(y)(\psi''(y) + \lambda\psi'(y)\otimes\psi'(y)),$$

where $\phi'(y) \neq 0$ in Ω_0 . Then for $\tau \neq 0$ (see [6], Lemma 4.2)

$$\frac{\{\overline{p(y,\xi+i\tau\phi'(y))},p(y,\xi+i\tau\phi'(y))\}}{\lambda\phi(y)(2i\tau)} = \frac{1}{2i\tau_1}\{\overline{p(y,\xi+i\tau_1\psi'(y))},p(y,\xi+i\tau_1\psi'(y))\} +\lambda|\langle p'_{\xi}(y,\xi+i\tau_1\psi'(y),\psi'(y))|^2,$$

where at the right hand side one has first to perform the derivatives and next to substitute τ_1 (which consequently must not be seen as a function of y and τ in the bracket). In the case $\tau = 0$,

$$\frac{\{p, \{p, \phi\}\}(y, \xi)}{\lambda \phi(y)} = \{\{p, \{p, \psi\}\}(y, \xi) + \lambda | \langle p'_{\xi}(y, \xi), \psi'(y) \rangle|^2.$$

Hence by substituting in (3.1) the variables τ_1, ξ and for

$$\lambda \geq M_1,$$

we obtain $\tau_1^2 + |\xi|^2 \ge \min(1, \lambda^2 \phi^2(y)) (\tau^2 + |\xi|^2)$, and finally (3.2). **Proof of STEP 3:** For simplicity we now consider λ and a domain $B(y_0, R_1)$ where $\phi_0 = e^{-1} \le \phi(y) \le e = \phi_M$ and $\min(1, \lambda^2 \phi^2(y)) = 1$. Since $|\psi(y) - \psi(y_0)| \le |\psi'|_{C^0(\Omega_0)} R_1$, then we choose

(3.5)
$$R_1 \le \min\{1, \min_{\Omega_0} |y_0 - y|, \frac{1}{\lambda |\psi'|_{C^0(\Omega_0)}}\}, \quad \lambda \ge e.$$

We then rewrite f as

$$f(y) = \phi(y_0) + \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_j \phi(y_0)(x_j - x_{0,j}) + \partial_t \phi(y_0)(t - t_0)$$

+ $\frac{1}{2} \sum_{j,k=1}^n \partial_{j,k}^2 \phi(y_0)(x_j - x_{0,j})(x_k - x_{0,k}) + \sum_{j=1}^n \partial_{j,t}^2 \phi(y_0)(x_j - x_{0,j})(t - t_0)$
+ $\frac{1}{2} \partial_t^2 \phi(y_0)(t - t_0)^2 - \sigma |x - x_0|^2 - \sigma |t - t_0|^2$

and its derivatives, by identifying ∂_t with ∂_0 , and calling δ_{ab} the Kroenecker symbol,

$$f'_{j}(y) = \phi'_{j}(y_{0}) + \sum_{h=1}^{n} \phi''_{jh}(y_{0})(x_{h} - x_{0h}) + \\ + \phi''_{tj}(y_{0})(t - t_{0}) - 2\sigma ((x_{j} - x_{0j})(1 - \delta_{0j}) + (t - t_{0})\delta_{0j}) \\ f''_{jm}(y) = \phi''_{jm}(y_{0}) - 2\sigma \delta_{jm}, \quad j, m \in \{0, 1, \dots, n\}.$$

First of all we ask for $f' \neq 0$ in the ball $|y - y_0| \leq R_2$

$$|f'(y)| \geq |\phi'(y_0)| - |\phi''(y_0)||y - y_0| - 2\sigma |y - y_0|$$

$$\geq |\phi'(y_0)| - |\phi''(y_0)|R_2 - 2\sigma R_2$$

$$\geq |\phi'(y_0)|/2$$

which implies the following constraint on R_2 ,

(3.6)
$$|\phi''(y_0)|R_2 + 2\sigma R_2 \le |\phi'(y_0)|/2$$

In order to pass from (3.2) to (3.4) we compute

$$\begin{aligned} |p(y,\xi+i\tau\phi'(y))|^2 &= \\ |p(y,\xi)-\tau^2 p(y,f')+\tau^2 (p(y,f')-p(y,\phi'))|^2+\tau^2 |\{p,f\}+(\{p,\phi-f\})|^2 \\ &\leq 2|p(y,\xi)-\tau^2 p(y,f')|^2+2\tau^4 |p(y,\phi')-p(y,f')|^2 \\ &+ 2\tau^2 |\{p,f\}|^2+2\tau^2 |(\{p,\phi-f\})|^2 \\ &\leq 2|p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))|^2+2\tau^4 |p(y,\phi')-p(y,f')|^2+2\tau^2 |(\{p,\phi-f\})|^2 \\ &\leq 2|p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))|^2+2\tau^4 \eta_1+2\tau^2 |\xi|^2 \eta_2 \\ &\leq 2|p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))|^2+\eta_2 (1+|\phi'|_{C^0}^2+|f'|_{C^0}^2) (\tau^2+|\xi|^2)^2 \end{aligned}$$

where η_1, η_2 are

$$\begin{split} |p(y,\phi') - p(y,f')|^2 &= \bigg| - (\phi'_t)^2 + \sum_{jk=1}^n g^{jk} \phi'_j \phi'_k + (f'_t)^2 - \sum_{jk=1}^n g^{jk} f'_j f'_k \bigg|^2 \\ &\leq 2|f'_t - \phi'_t|^2 (|\phi'_t| + |f'_t|)^2 + 2|\sum_{jk=1}^n g^{jk} ((\phi'_j - f'_j) \phi'_k + f'_j (-f'_k + \phi'_k))|^2 \\ &\leq 4(1 + n^4 |g^{jk}|_{C^0}^2) (|\phi'|_{C^0}^2 + |f'|_{C^0}^2) |f' - \phi'|_{C^0}^2 \ := \ \eta_1 \end{split}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\{p, \phi - f\}|^2 &= |2\xi_0(f'_t - \phi'_t) + 2\sum_{c_0} g^{jk} \xi_j(\phi'_k - f'_k)|^2 \\ &\leq 8(1 + n^4 |g^{jk}|^2_{C^0}) |f' - \phi'|^2_{C^0} |\xi|^2 := \eta_2 |\xi|^2. \end{aligned}$$

Next

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{\{\overline{p(y,\xi+i\tau\phi'(y))},p(y,\xi+i\tau\phi'(y))\}}{2i\tau} = \{p,\{p,\phi\}\}(y,\xi)+\tau^2\{p,\{p,\phi\}\}(y,\phi'(y))\\ &\leq \{p,\{p,f\}\}(y,\xi)+\tau^2\{p,\{p,f\}\}(y,f'(y))+|\{p,\{p,\phi-f\}\}(y,\xi)|\\ &+\tau^2|\{p,\{p,\phi-f\}\}(y,\phi'(y))|+\tau^2|\{p,\{p,f\}\}(y,\phi'(y))-\{p,\{p,f\}\}(y,f'(y))|\\ &\leq \{p,\{p,f\}\}(y,\xi)+\tau^2\{p,\{p,f\}\}(y,f'(y))+\eta_3|\xi|^2+\eta_4\tau^2+\eta_5\tau^2\,.\end{aligned}$$

Where η_3 , η_4 , η_5 , are defined as follows

$$\{p, \{p, \phi - f\}\}(y, \xi) = 4(\phi_{tt}'' - f_{tt}'')\xi_0^2 + \sum_{l,m=1}^n \xi_l \xi_m \Big(4\sum_{j,k=1}^n g^{jl}(\phi_{jk}'' - f_{jk}'')g^{km} + 4\sum_{j,k=1}^n g^{jl}\partial_{x_j}g^{km}(\phi_k' - f_k') - 2\sum_{j,k=1}^n \partial_{x_j}g^{lm}g^{kj}(\phi_k' - f_k')\Big)$$

$$\leq 4|\phi'' - f''|_{C^0}\xi_0^2 + \Big(4|\phi'' - f''|_{C^0}|g^{jl}|_{C^0}^2n^4 + 6|g^{jl}\partial_{x_j}g^{km}|_{C^0}n^4|\phi' - f'|_{C^0}\Big)|\widetilde{\xi}|^2$$

$$\leq 10(1 + n^4|g^{jl}|_{C^1}^2)\Big(|\phi'' - f''|_{C^0} + |\phi' - f'|_{C^0}\Big)|\xi|^2 := \eta_3|\xi|^2 .$$

Analogously, by setting $\xi = \phi'(y)$,

$$\{p, \{p, \phi - f\}\}(y, \phi') \le \eta_3 |\phi'|_{C^0}^2 := \eta_4$$

Then, substituting $\phi - f$ with f and ξ with ϕ' or f' in the computations for η_3 ,

$$\begin{split} |\{p, \{p, f\}\}(y, \phi'(y)) - \{p, \{p, f\}\}(y, f'(y))| &\leq 4|f''|_{C^0}(|\phi'|_{C^0} + |f'|_{C^0})|\phi' - f'|_{C^0} \\ &+ \Big(4|f''|_{C^0}|g^{jl}|_{C^0}^2 n^4 + 6|g^{jl}\partial_{x_j}g^{km}|_{C^0}n^4|f'|_{C^0}\Big)(|\phi'|_{C^0} + |f'|_{C^0})|\phi' - f'|_{C^0} \\ &\leq 10|f'|_{C^1}(1 + n^4|g^{jl}|_{C^1}^2)(|\phi'|_{C^0} + |f'|_{C^0})|\phi' - f'|_{C^0} := \eta_5 \,. \end{split}$$

Summing up:

$$M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + \frac{M_{1}}{\min\{1,\lambda^{2}\phi^{2}\}} \left(\frac{2|p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))|^{2} + 2\eta_{1}\tau^{4} + 2\eta_{2}\tau^{2}|\xi|^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}}\right) \\ + \frac{\{\overline{p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))}, p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))\}}{(\lambda\phi)2i\tau} + \frac{1}{\lambda\phi}(\eta_{3}|\xi|^{2} + (\eta_{4}+\eta_{5})\tau^{2}) \\ \geq M_{P}\min\{1,\lambda^{2}\phi^{2}\}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}).$$

Without restrictions of generality we can take $M_P = 1$, while on the ball $B_{R_2}(y_0) \subset B(y_0, R_1)$ we have also that $\min\{1, \lambda^2 \phi_0^2\} = 1$. Then

$$M_{2}\xi_{0}^{2} + 2M_{1}\frac{|p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))|^{2}}{\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}} + \frac{\{\overline{p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))}, p(y,\xi+i\tau f'(y))\}}{(\lambda\phi)2i\tau} + \\ \geq (\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}) - \eta_{2}M_{1}(1+|\phi'|_{C^{0}}^{2} + |f'|_{C^{0}}^{2})(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}) - \frac{\eta_{3}}{\lambda\phi}|\xi|^{2} - \frac{1}{\lambda\phi}(\eta_{3}|\phi'|_{C^{0}}^{2} + \eta_{5})\tau^{2} \\ \geq \left(1 - \eta_{2}M_{1}(1+|\phi'|_{C^{0}}^{2} + |f'|_{C^{0}}^{2}) - \frac{\eta_{3}}{\lambda\phi}(1+|\phi'|_{C^{0}}^{2} + |f'|_{C^{1}}(|\phi'|_{C^{0}} + |f'|_{C^{0}}))\right)(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2}) \\ := M_{R}(\tau^{2} + |\xi|^{2})$$

where we used $\eta_5 \leq \eta_3 |f'|_{C^1} (|\phi'|_{C^0} + |f'|_{C^0})$. Furthermore on σ we must set the constraint $f < \phi$ for $y \neq y_0$. Define $v(s) = \phi(p(s))$, $p(s) = y_0 + s(y - y_0)$, then there is a $q \in (0, 1)$ such that $v(1) = v(0) + v'(0) + \frac{1}{2}v''(q)$. Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} |v(1) - v(0) - v'(0) - \frac{1}{2}v''(0)| &= \frac{1}{2}|v''(q) - v''(0)| \\ &= |\sum_{|\zeta|=2} \frac{1}{\zeta!} (\partial^{\zeta} \phi(p(q)) - \partial^{\zeta} \phi(y_0)) (y - y_0)^{\zeta}| \le c_T |y - y_0|^{\rho+2}, \\ |\phi(y) - \sum_{|\zeta|\le 2} \frac{1}{\zeta!} (\partial^{\zeta} \phi)(y_0) (y - y_0)^{\zeta}| \le c_T |y - y_0|^{\rho+2}, \text{ for } c_T = n \max_{|\zeta|=2} |\partial^{\zeta} \phi|_{C^{0,\rho}} \end{aligned}$$

On the set $|y - y_0| \le R_2$, $y \ne y_0$, we now consider the inequality

$$f(y) - \phi(y) \le -\sigma |y - y_0|^2 + c_T |y - y_0|^{\rho+2} \le -(\sigma - c_T R_2^{\rho}) |y - y_0|^2 < 0.$$

This is satisfied by taking

(3.7)
$$\sigma := 2c_T R_2^{\rho} = 2n |\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2}(y_0))} R_2^{\rho}$$

With this choice the constraint (3.6) becomes, since $R_2^{1+\rho} \leq R_2$ and C_l as in A2,

(3.8)
$$(|\phi''|_0 + 4n|\phi''|_{0,\rho})R_2 \le \lambda C_l/2.$$

Hence, the main quantities can be estimated as follows. If not else specified, the C^0 , C^1 , C^2 , $C^{0,\rho}$ norms of ψ and g^{jk} are referred to the given domain $B(y_0, R_1)$, while the ones for ϕ and f are referred to the smaller ball $|y - y_0| \leq R_2$, with radius $R_2 \leq R_1$ to be determined:

$$\begin{aligned} |\phi'|_{C^{0}(B_{R_{2}})} &\leq \lambda \phi_{M} |\psi'|_{C^{0}} \\ |\phi''|_{C^{0}(B_{R_{2}})} &\leq \lambda \phi_{M} (|\psi''|_{C^{0}} + \lambda |\psi'|_{C^{0}}^{2}) \\ |\phi|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_{2}})} &\leq |\phi'|_{C^{0}} |\psi|_{C^{0,\rho}} \leq \lambda \phi_{M} |\psi|_{C^{0,1}} R_{2}^{1-\rho} \\ |\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_{2}})} &\leq \lambda |\phi\psi''|_{0,\rho} + \lambda^{2} |\phi\psi' \circ \psi'|_{0,\rho} \leq \lambda \phi_{M} |\psi''|_{0,\rho} + \lambda^{2} \phi_{M} |\psi|_{0,1} |\psi''|_{0} R_{2}^{1-\rho} \\ &+ 2\lambda^{2} \phi_{M} |\psi'|_{0} |\psi'|_{0,1} R_{2}^{1-\rho} + \lambda^{3} \phi_{M} |\psi|_{0,1} |\psi'|_{0}^{2} R_{2}^{1-\rho} \\ |\phi' - f'|_{C^{0}(B_{R_{2}})} &\leq \sup_{j} |\sum_{k=0}^{n} (\partial^{k} \phi'_{j}(p(\tilde{q})) - \partial^{k} \phi'_{j}(y_{0})) (y_{k} - y_{0,k})| + 2\sigma |y - y_{0}| \\ &\leq n |\phi''|_{0,\rho} |y - y_{0}|^{1+\rho} + 2\sigma |y - y_{0}| \leq 5n |\phi''|_{0,\rho} R_{2}^{1+\rho} \\ |\phi'' - f''|_{C^{0}(B_{R_{2}})} &\leq |\phi'|_{C^{0,\rho}} |y - y_{0}|^{\rho} + 2\sigma \leq (2n+1) |\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}} R_{2}^{\rho} \\ |f'|_{C^{0}(B_{R_{2}})} &\leq |\phi'|_{C^{0}} + |\phi' - f'|_{C^{0}} \leq |\phi'|_{C^{0}} + 5n |\phi''|_{0,\rho} R_{2}^{1+\rho} \\ |f''|_{C^{0}(B_{R_{2}})} &\leq |\phi''|_{C^{0}} + 2\sigma = |\phi''|_{C^{0}} + 4n |\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}} R_{2}^{\rho}. \end{aligned}$$

We can now end up the estimate above

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_2 &\leq c(|g^{jk}|_{C^0}) |\phi' - f'|_{C^0}^2 \\ \eta_3 &\leq c(|g^{jk}|_{C^1}) (|\phi' - f'|_{C^0} + |\phi'' - f''|_{C^0}) \\ \eta_5 &\leq \eta_3 |f'|_{C^1} (|\phi'|_{C^0} + |f'|_{C^0}). \end{aligned}$$

Call $c_{100}(g) = 10(1 + n^4 |g^{jk}|^2_{C^1(B(y_0,R_1))})$ the biggest constant entering in the estimates for η_j . Then, for $R_2 < 1$

$$\begin{split} M_{R} &:= 1 - c_{100}(g) \left[|\phi' - f'|_{C^{0}}^{2} M_{1}(1 + |\phi'|_{C^{0}}^{2} + |f'|_{C^{0}}^{2}) \\ + (|\phi' - f'|_{C^{0}} + |\phi'' - f''|_{C^{0}}) \frac{1}{\lambda \phi_{0}} \left(1 + |\phi'|_{C^{0}}^{2} + |f'|_{C^{1}} (|\phi'|_{C^{0}} + |f'|_{C^{0}}) \right) \right] \\ &\geq 1 - c_{100}(g) \left[((5n)^{2} R_{2}^{2(1+\rho)} |\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}}^{2}) M_{1}(1 + 5|\phi'|_{C^{0}}^{2}) \\ + (10n R_{2}^{\rho} |\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}}) \frac{1}{\lambda \phi_{0}} \left(1 + |\phi'|_{C^{0}}^{2} + (2|\phi'|_{C^{0}} + |\phi''|_{C^{0}} + 4n|\phi''|_{0,\rho}^{2} R_{2}^{\rho}) (3|\phi'|_{C^{0}}) \right) \right] \end{split}$$

In the last step we used the following constraint on B_{R_2} : $|f'|_{C^0} \leq 2|\phi'|_{C^0}$, that is a consequence of (3.8).

Defining the term $|\lambda\psi|_{max}$ as

$$|\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}} \le \phi_M \max(\lambda |\psi''|_{0,\rho}, \lambda^2 |\psi|_{0,1} |\psi''|_0, \lambda^3 |\psi|_{0,1} |\psi'|_0^2) := |\lambda \psi|_{max},$$

we can refine condition (3.8) and add an extra conditions on R_2^{ρ} (that is qualitatively equivalent to $|f''|_{C^0} \leq 2|\phi''|_{C^0}$)

(3.9)
$$(\lambda \phi_M(|\psi''|_{C^0} + \lambda |\psi'|_{C^0}^2) + 4n |\lambda \psi|_{max}) R_2 \leq \lambda C_l/2, 4n |\phi''|_{0,\rho} R_2^{\rho} \leq 4n |\lambda \psi|_{max} R_2^{\rho} \leq \lambda \phi_M(|\psi''|_{C^0} + \lambda |\psi'|_{C^0}^2),$$

where we apply the previous estimates to the norms of ϕ' , ϕ'' . By including the numeric constants into c_{100} , we can then write

$$M_R \geq 1 - c_{100}(g) \Big[|\lambda \psi|^2_{max} R_2^{2(1+\rho)} M_1(1 + \lambda^2 \phi_M^2 |\psi'|^2_0) + |\lambda \psi|_{max} R_2^{\rho} \frac{1}{\lambda \phi_0} \Big(1 + \lambda^2 \phi_M^2 |\psi'|^2_0 + \lambda^2 \phi_M^2 (|\psi'|_0 |\psi''|_0 + \lambda |\psi'|^3_0) \Big) \Big].$$

We first require that R_2 is such that:

$$c_{100}(g)|\lambda\psi|_{max}^2 R_2^{2(1+\rho)} M_1(1+\lambda^2 \phi_M^2 |\psi'|_0^2 \le 1/4,$$

$$c_{100}(g)|\lambda\psi|_{max} R_2^{\rho} \frac{1}{\lambda\phi_0} \left(1+\lambda^2 \phi_M^2 |\psi'|_0^2 + \lambda^2 \phi_M^2(|\psi'|_0 |\psi''|_0 + \lambda |\psi'|_0^3)\right) \le 1/4.$$

Then we add the previous two constraints (3.9). The resulting upper bound for R_2 is in Table (3.10).

We now collect in the following table all the constants computed in Step 1, 2, 3 and in the following sections. If not else specified, the C^0 , C^1, C^2 , $C^{0,\rho}$ norms of ψ and g^{jk} are referred to the domain $B(y_0, R_1)$, while the ones for ϕ and f are referred to the smaller ball $B_{R_2} : |y - y_0| \leq R_2$. In case of special geometries where ψ is given explicitly, the constraints in the table can be improved.

(3.10) Table for the constants computed under the assumptions A3, A4 and the notations of Step 1, 2, 3 at the beginning of the section.

Name	þ	Limit Value
C_3	\geq	$20(1+n^2 g^{jk} ^2_{C^1(\Omega_0)}) \psi' _{C^1(\Omega_0)}(1+ \psi' ^2_{C^0(\Omega_0)})$
M_1	\geq	$\left((M_P + C_3) \max_{y \in \Omega_0} \left\{ \frac{2}{a_1^2}, \frac{1}{2 p(y,\psi') ^2} \right\} \right)$
M_2	\geq	$\frac{2}{\min\{1,a_1\}}(M_P+C_3) + \frac{(b_1+a_1)}{2}M_1$
M_P	\leq	1
λ	\geq	$\max\{M_1, e, \frac{2 \psi'' _{C^0(\Omega_0)}}{C_l^2}\}$
ϕ_0	\geq	e^{-1}
ϕ_M	\leq	e
R_1	\leq	$\left \min\{1,\min_{y\in\partial\Omega_0} y_0-y ,\frac{1}{\lambda \psi' _{C^0(\Omega_0)}}\}\right $
R_2	\leq	$ \left \min\left\{ R_1, \left(\frac{C_l}{2\phi_M(\psi'' _{C^0(B(R_1))} + \lambda \psi' _{C^0(B(R_1))}^2} \right), \left(\frac{\lambda\phi_M(\psi'' _{C^0(B(R_1))} + \lambda \psi' _{C^0(B(R_1))}^2)}{4n \lambda\psi _{max}} \right)^{\frac{1}{\rho}}, \right. $
		$\left(\frac{1}{4c_{100}(g) \lambda\psi _{max}^2 M_1(1+\lambda^2 \phi_M^2 \psi' _C^{20}(B(R_1))}}\right)^{\frac{1}{2+2\rho}},$
		$\left(\frac{\lambda\phi_0}{1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-1-$
		$\frac{\langle 4c_{100}(g) \lambda\psi _{max}\left(1+\lambda^{2}\phi_{M}^{2} \psi' _{C^{0}(B(R_{1}))}^{2}+\lambda^{2}\phi_{M}^{2}(\psi' _{C^{0}(B(R_{1}))} \psi'' _{C^{0}(B(R_{1}))}+\lambda \psi' _{C^{0}(B(R_{1}))}^{3}\right)}{2}\int \int dx$
σ	2	$2n \phi'' _{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})}R_2^r$
ϵ_0	\leq	$\frac{1}{2n f'' _{C^0(B_{R_2})}}$
$ au_0$	\geq	$\max\{1, 64\left(4M_1 + \frac{1}{4\lambda\phi_0}\right)\left(f'' _{C^0}^2(1+n^2 g^{jk} _{C^0})^2 + n h _{L^{\infty}}^2(2+2 f' _{C^0}^2) + \frac{1}{2}h _{C^0}^2(1+n^2 g^{jk} _{C^0})^2 + n h _{L^{\infty}}^2(2+2 f' _{C^0}^2) + \frac{1}{2}h _{C^0}^2(1+n^2 g^{jk} _{C^0})^2 + n h _{L^{\infty}}^2(1+n^2 g^{jk} _{C^0})^2 + n h _{L^{\infty}}^2(1+n^2$
		$\left(2 q _{L^{\infty}}^{2}\right)$
R	\leq	$\frac{1}{4}\left(16+\frac{1}{16}\right)^{-1/2}R_2$
δ	\leq	$n\frac{1}{32}\left(16 + \frac{1}{16}\right)^{-1} \phi'' _{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})} R_2^{2+\rho}$
		$n \phi'' _{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})}\frac{1}{4}\left(16+\frac{1}{16}\right)^{-1}R_2^{2+\rho}$
T	\geq	$\overline{ \phi' _{C^0(B_{R_2})}} + 5n \phi'' _{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})}R_2^{1+\rho}$
r_0	<	$\frac{n\lambda^2 C_l^2 \frac{1}{4} \left(16 + \frac{1}{16}\right)^{-1} R_2^{2+\rho}}{(16 + \frac{1}{16})^{-1} R_2^{2+\rho}}$
		$\frac{2e\left(\phi' _{C^{0}(B_{R_{2}})}+5n \phi'' _{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_{2}})}R_{2}^{1+\rho}\right)}{2e^{-2e^{-2e^{-2e^{-2e^{-2e^{-2e^{-2e^{$
$c_{1,T}$	\geq	$\sqrt{4\left(\frac{4M_1}{\tau_0} + \frac{1}{4(\lambda\phi_0)}\right)}$
$c_{2,T}$	\geq	$\left(\frac{1}{2} + \sqrt{2M_2}\right)\left(1 + \frac{2 \chi_1' _{C^0}}{\tau_0\kappa}\right) + \frac{c_{1,T}}{\sqrt{\tau_0}}c_{133}$
c_{111}	\geq	$\ln(1+e) + 6c_{131} \left(1 + \frac{ b' _{C^0}^2}{r^2}\right)^{1/2} + 2c_{129}$

Here the coefficients $c_{129}, c_{131}, c_{133}$ are defined and derived: c_{133} in subsection 3.2; c_{129} and c_{131} in the proof of Theorem 1.1.

3.2. Tataru inequality for the wave operator. We now go quickly trough [6] to compute the coefficients of the inequality in Theorem 2.1. We decompose the wave operator (1.1) into the sum of its principal part P_2 and the lower order part P_1

$$P_{2}(y, D) = -D_{0}^{2} + g^{jk}(x)D_{j}D_{k}$$

$$P_{1}(y, D) = h^{j}(x)D_{j} + q(x)$$

We then consider the conjugate operator $P(y, D + i\tau f')$ and split it into its principal part P_3 and the lower order part P_4

$$\begin{aligned} P(y, D + i\tau f'(y)) &= e^{\tau f(y)} P(y, D) e^{-\tau f(y)} = P_3(y, D, \tau) + P_4(y, D, \tau) \\ P_3(y, D, \tau) &= P_2(y, D) + \tau^2((f'_0)^2 - g^{jk} f'_j f'_k) + 2i\tau(-f'_0 D_0 + g^{jk} f'_j D_k) \\ P_4(y, D, \tau) &= -\tau(f''_0 - g^{jk} f''_{jk}) + P_1(y, D + i\tau f') \end{aligned}$$

The principal symbol of P(y, D) and $P(y, D + i\tau f')$ are respectively

$$p(y,\xi) = -\xi_0^2 + g^{jk}(x)\xi_j\xi_k$$

$$p(y,\xi + i\tau f') = p(y,\xi) - \tau^2 p(y,f') + i\tau\{p,f\}$$

Since f is a quadratic function and the coefficients g^{jk} are time independent we can write the following expression

$$e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/(2\tau)} e^{\tau f} P(y, D) u = e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/(2\tau)} P(y, D + i\tau f') e^{\tau f} u$$

= $P(y, D - \epsilon f'' \cdot (D_0, 0) + i\tau f') e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/(2\tau)} e^{\tau f} u$

Call $\vec{D} = D - \epsilon f'' \cdot (D_0, 0)$ and $\vec{\xi}_j = \xi_j - \epsilon f''_{j0} \xi_0, \ j = 0, 1, \dots, n.$ If ϵ is such that $2n\epsilon |f''|_{C^0} \leq 1$, then we get $|\vec{\xi}_j|^2 \leq 2|\xi_j|^2 + 2\epsilon^2 |f''|_{C^0}^2 \xi_0^2$ and $\frac{1}{2}|\xi|^2 \leq |\vec{\xi}|^2 \leq 2|\xi|^2.$

Since $p(y, \xi + i\tau f')$ is the symbol of $P_3(y, D, \tau)$, then $p(y, \hat{\xi} + i\tau f')$ is the symbol of $P_3(y, \vec{D}, \tau)$. Now set $\vec{\xi}$ in place of ξ into the inequality (3.4), which becomes, for $V \in C_0^{\infty}(B(y_0, R_2))$,

$$2M_2 |||D_0|V||^2 + 4M_1 ||P_3(y, \vec{D}, \tau)V||_{-1,\tau}^2 + \frac{\operatorname{Im}\langle \operatorname{Re}(P_3(y, \vec{D}, \tau))V, \operatorname{Im}(P_3(y, \vec{D}, \tau))V\rangle}{(\lambda\phi_0)2\tau} \ge \frac{1}{4} ||V||_{1,\tau}^2.$$

Observing that $||W||_0^2 \ge \tau^2 ||W||_{-1,\tau}^2$, $||P_3W||_0^2 \ge 2\text{Im}\langle (\text{Re}P_3)W, (\text{Im}P_3)W \rangle$ and for $\tau \ge 1$ we get

$$(3.11) \quad 2M_2 |||D_0|V||^2 + \left(\frac{4M_1}{\tau} + \frac{1}{4(\lambda\phi_0)}\right) \frac{||P_3(y, D, \tau)V||_0^2}{\tau} \ge \frac{1}{4} ||V||_{1,\tau}^2.$$

We now estimate the error term E_1 :

$$E_{1} := \|P(y, \vec{D} + i\tau f')V - P_{3}(y, \vec{D}, \tau)V\|_{0}^{2}$$

$$= \|-\tau(f_{0}'' - g^{jk}f_{jk}'')V + P_{1}(y, \vec{D} + i\tau f')V\|_{0}^{2}$$

$$\leq 2\tau^{2}\||f''|_{C^{0}}(1 + n^{2}|g^{jk}|_{C^{0}})V\|_{0}^{2} + 2\|h^{j}D_{j}V - \epsilon h^{j}f_{0j}''D_{0}V\|_{0}^{2}$$

$$+ 2\tau^{2}\|(n|h|_{L^{\infty}}|f'|_{C^{0}} + |q|_{L^{\infty}})V\|_{0}^{2}$$

$$\leq 4\left(|f''|_{C^{0}}^{2}(1 + n^{2}|g^{jk}|_{C^{0}})^{2} + n|h|_{L^{\infty}}^{2}(2 + 2|f'|_{C^{0}}^{2}) + 2|q|_{L^{\infty}}^{2}\right)\|V\|_{1,\tau}^{2}.$$

Now choose $\tau_0 > 1$ such that $\frac{2}{\tau_0} \left(4M_1 + \frac{1}{4\lambda\phi_0} \right) E_1 \leq \frac{1}{8} \|V\|_{1,\tau}^2$ and call $c_{1,T} := \sqrt{4\left(\frac{4M_1}{\tau_0} + \frac{1}{4(\lambda\phi_0)}\right)}$. From (3.11) and $\|P_3(\vec{D})v\|^2 \leq 2E_1 + 2\|P(\vec{D})v\|^2$, we have after multiplying by 2 and squaring, for $\tau \geq \tau_0$,

$$(3.12) \qquad \sqrt{2M_2} \||D_0|V\|_0 + c_{1,T} \frac{\|P(y, \vec{D} + i\tau f')V\|_0}{\sqrt{\tau}} \ge \frac{1}{2} \|V\|_{1,\tau}$$

Now consider $u \in H^1(B_{\kappa/4})$ and define $v := e^{-\epsilon |D_0|^2/(2\tau)} e^{\tau f} u$, $V := \chi_1(t/(2\kappa))v$, with χ_1 as in (4.3) with N = 1, $B_1 = [-1, 1]$ $B_2 = [-2, 2]$. Hence, $\operatorname{supp}(V) \subset \{y; |t| \le 4\kappa, |x| \le \kappa/4\} \subset \{y; |y - y_0| \le R_2\}$ with $\kappa = (16 + \frac{1}{16})^{-1/2} R_2$. Due to Lemma 3.4 in [6] (see also Lemma 2.79 in [10]) the following inequalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} \|P(y, \vec{D} + i\tau f')V - \chi_1(t/(2\kappa))e^{-\epsilon|D_0|^2/(2\tau)}e^{\tau f}P(y, D)u\|_0 \\ &= \|[P(y, \vec{D} + i\tau f'), \chi_1(t/(2\kappa))]v\|_0 \\ &\le c_{133}\|(1 - \chi_1(t/\kappa))(\nabla + \tau)v\|_0 \le c_{133}e^{-\tau\kappa^2/(4\epsilon)}\|e^{\tau f}u\|_{1,\tau}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \||D_0|V\|_0 &\leq \||D_0|v\|_0 + \frac{2|\chi_1'|_{C^0}}{\kappa} \|(1-\chi_1(t/\kappa))v\| \\ &\leq \frac{2\kappa\tau}{\epsilon} \|v\|_0 + (1+\frac{2|\chi_1'|_{C^0}}{\tau_0\kappa})e^{-\tau\kappa^2/(4\epsilon)} \|e^{\tau f}u\|_{1,\tau}, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\|v\|_{1,\tau} \le \|V\|_{1,\tau} + (1 + \frac{2|\chi_1'|_{C^0}}{\tau_0 \kappa})e^{-\tau \kappa^2/(4\epsilon)} \|e^{\tau f}u\|_{1,\tau}$$

for $\tau \geq \tau_0$ and $c_{133} = 2(1+n^2|g^{jk}|_{C^0}) \left(\frac{|\chi_1''|_{C^0}}{\tau_0 \kappa^2} + \frac{|\chi_1'|_{C^0}}{\kappa} (1+|f'|_{C^0} + \frac{|h|_{L^\infty}}{\tau_0}) \right)$. As last step we use the above relations to estimate the terms of (3.12) and we notice that $\sqrt{2M_2}\frac{2\kappa}{\epsilon_0} < \frac{1}{4}$ according to our choice of the parameters. Therefore, for $\tau > \tau_0$, we obtain the Tataru inequality of Theorem 2.1 with coefficients as in Table 3.10.

Remark 3.2. Observe that, according to the computations above, ϵ cannot be arbitrarily smaller that ϵ_0 , since this affects the size of R_2 and τ .

3.3. **Proof of Proposition 2.5.** In the previous subsection we considered $u \in H^1(B_R)$ where the radius R is defined as $R := qR_2$ with $q = \frac{1}{4} \left(16 + \frac{1}{16}\right)^{-1/2}$, with R_2 defined in Table (3.10).

Let us compute δ such that the region $I_B := \{y \in B(y_0, R_2); f(y) - \phi(y_0) \geq -8\delta\} \cap \{y \in B(y_0, R_2); \phi \leq \phi(y_0)\}$ is inside the ball $B(y_0, R)$. By assumption, in $B(y_0, R_2) - \{y_0\}$ we have

$$f(y) - \phi(y) < -c_T R_2^{\rho} |y - y_0|^2.$$

Moreover, in I_B we have $f(y) - \phi(y_0) \le f(y) - \phi(y)$. Hence, the limit case is reached along the boundary $\{y; |y - y_0| = R\}$, where

$$f(y) - \phi(y_0) < -c_T q^2 R_2^{2+\rho}.$$

Define δ such that $-c_T q^2 R_2^{2+\rho} \leq -8\delta$, i.e.

$$\delta = c_T q^2 R_2^{2+\rho} / 8 = n |\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}} q^2 R_2^{2+\rho} / 8.$$

Under this condition, the set I_B is inside $B(y_0, R)$.

In order to compute the smaller radius r we apply a rougher estimate, using the definition of f. Consider $\{y; |f - \phi(y_0)| \leq \delta\} \cap \{y; |y - y_0| \leq 2r\}$, then

$$|f(y) - \phi(y_0)| \le |f'|_{C^0(B_{R_2})} |y - y_0| \le |f'|_{C^0} 2r \le \delta.$$

Hence the solution is $r \leq \frac{\delta}{2|f'|_{C^0(B_{R_2})}}$, that is guaranteed by

$$r \le \frac{n|\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})}q^2 R_2^{2+\rho}}{2|\phi'|_{C^{0}(B_{R_2})} + 10n|\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})} R_2^{1+\rho}} \quad (\le R_2/10).$$

By hypothesis $\phi'(y_0) \neq 0$, hence the denominator does not vanish. If we choose $\lambda > 2|\psi''|_{C^0(\Omega_0)}/C_l^2$ and apply $\psi'(y) > C_l$ we obtain in B_{R_1}

$$\phi''(y) = \phi\lambda(\psi'' + \lambda\psi' \times \psi') \ge e^{-1}\lambda^2 C_l^2/2.$$

Consequently $\phi''(y) \neq 0$ and $|\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})} > C_{\rho}$, with $C_{\rho} := e^{-1}\lambda^2 C_l^2/2 > 0$ we get an uniform lower bound for r in B_{R_1}

$$r_0 \le \frac{nC_{\rho}q^2 R_2^{2+\rho}}{2|\phi'|_{C^0(B_{R_2})} + 10n|\phi''|_{C^{0,\rho}(B_{R_2})} R_2^{1+\rho}}$$

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4. Appendix

We recall the results on Gevrey class functions that are used in the article. The reference is [7, 18].

Definition 4.1. Let L_s be an increasing sequence of positive numbers such that

$$L_0 = 1, \quad s \le L_s, \quad L_{s+1} \le CL_s,$$

for some constant C > 1. We denote by C^L the set of all $u \in C^{\infty}(X)$ (with $X \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ open subset) for which to every compact set $K \subset X$ there is a constant C_K such that

$$|D^{\zeta}u(x)| \le C_K (C_K L_{|\zeta|})^{|\zeta|}, \quad x \in K,$$

for all multi-indices ζ . By Stirling's formula we could replace $|\zeta|^{|\zeta|}$ by $|\zeta|!$. $C^{L}(X)$ is a ring which is closed under differentiation. If $f: Y \to X$ is and analytic map from the open set $Y \subset \mathbb{R}^{N}$ to the open set $X \subset \mathbb{R}^{N}$, then the composition with f defines the map $f^{*}: C^{L}(Y) \to C^{L}(X), f^{*}u = u \circ f$.

The class $C^{L}(X)$ with $L_{s} = (s+1)^{m}$ and m > 1 is called the *Gevrey class* of order m and denoted by $G^{m}(X)$. If m = 1, then $G^{1}(X)$ is the set of real analytic functions in X.

We denote by $G_0^m(\mathbb{R}^N)$ the set $G_0^m(\mathbb{R}^N) = G^m(\mathbb{R}^N) \cap C_0^\infty(\mathbb{R}^N)$. For m > 1 one has $\sum 1/k^m < \infty$, and it follows from Th.1.4.2 in [7] that G_0^m is so large that one can find cutoff functions there; it is of course an algebra.

In particular, let $f, g \in G^m(\mathbb{R}^N)$ and let $K \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ be a compact set, then by calling $c_{1,f}$ and $c_{1,g}$ the constants C_K for f and g, we get $fg \in G^m(\mathbb{R}^N)$ such that for $c_P = \max\{c_{1,f}, c_{1,g}\}$

(4.1)
$$|D^{\kappa}(f(x)g(x))| \leq 2^{|\kappa|}c_P^{|\kappa|+2}|\kappa|^{m|\kappa|}, \quad x \in K.$$

Moreover, if E is a compact set in \mathbb{R}^N , then we define the *'the supporting function of* $E' H_E$ as ([7], (4.3.1), p. 105)

$$H_E(\xi) = \sup_{x \in E} \langle x, \xi \rangle, \quad \xi \in \mathbb{R}^N.$$

In the present paper we widely use the Paley-Wiener-Schwartz Theorem for Gevrey class functions. As reference we give the following statement proved in [8] for a proper subset $\gamma_0^m(\mathbb{R}^N)$ of $G_0^m(\mathbb{R}^N)$. The Theorem can also be reformulated for $\phi \in G_0^m$ once we substitute the sentence "to every B > 0 there exists a constant C_B such that" with "there exist positive constants B and C such that". The proof is the same.

Theorem 4.2. ([8], Th.12.7.4, p.137) An entire function $\Phi(\zeta), \zeta \in \mathbb{C}^N$, is the Fourier-Laplace transform of a function $\phi \in \gamma_0^m(\mathbb{R}^N)$ with support in the compact convex set K with supporting function H_K if and only if to every B > 0there exists a constant C_B such that

$$|\Phi(\zeta)| \le C_B \exp(H_K(Im\zeta) - B|Re\zeta|^{1/m}), \quad \zeta \in \mathbb{C}^N.$$

In particular we can introduce the main properties of the Gevrey class localizers used in the paper.

Definition 4.3. Define $\chi_1 \in G_0^m(\mathbb{R}^N)$ and $\chi_{\delta}(v) := \chi_1(v/\delta)$ such that $\chi_1 = 1$ in a ball $B_1 \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, $\chi_1 = 0$ outside a larger ball B_2 , and $0 \le \chi_1 \le 1$. Hence, $\mathcal{F}_{v \to \zeta} \chi_{\delta}(v) = \delta^N \mathcal{F}_{v \to \delta \zeta} \chi_1(v)$ and

$$(4.2) |D^{\kappa}\chi_{1}(v)| \leq c_{1X}^{|\kappa|+1}|\kappa|^{m|\kappa|}, \quad v \in B_{2},$$

$$(4.3)|\mathcal{F}_{v \to \zeta}\chi_{1}(v)| \leq c_{1X}\exp(H_{B_{2}}(\mathrm{Im}\zeta) - c_{2X}|\mathrm{Re}\zeta|^{1/m}), \quad \zeta \in \mathbb{C},$$

$$(4.4)|\mathcal{F}_{v \to \zeta}\chi_{\delta}(v)| \leq \delta^{N}c_{1X}\exp(\delta H_{B_{2}}(\mathrm{Im}\zeta) - c_{2X}\delta^{1/m}|\mathrm{Re}\zeta|^{1/m}), \quad \zeta \in \mathbb{C},$$
with $c_{1X} = c_{1X}(m)$ a given number, and $c_{2X} = 1/(eNc_{1X})^{1/m}.$

In the following we present the Phragmen-Lindelöf Theorem for subharmonic functions used in Lemma 2.7.

Theorem 4.4. ([15], Ch. 7.3.) Let D be an angle of opening π/λ , and let u(z) be a function subharmonic in this angle, satisfying an asymptotic estimate

$$u(z) < |z|^{\rho}, \quad a.e., \quad \rho < \lambda,$$

and bounded by a constant M on the boundary of the angle. Then $u(z) \leq M$ inside the full angle D.

We now recall the concept of conormal pseudoconvexity for operators as given in [20, 21].

If S is a C^2 -oriented hypersurface, we can represent it as level set surface of a C^2 -function:

$$S := \{y; \, \psi(y) = 0\}$$

where $\psi' \neq 0$ on S.

Definition 4.5. Decompose the coordinates of \mathbb{R}^N into y = (y', y''). The conormal bundle of the foliation F of \mathbb{R}^N with the surfaces y'' = const is the set

$$N^*F := \{(y,\xi) \in T^*\mathbb{R}^N; \text{ with } \xi = (\xi',\xi'') \text{ and } \xi' = 0\}.$$

Its reduction to a subset $K \subset \mathbb{R}^N$ is

$$\Gamma_K := \{ (y, \xi) \in T^*K, \, \xi' = 0 \},\$$

while its fibre in y_0 is

$$\Gamma_{y_0} := \{ (y_0, \xi) \in N^* F \}.$$

Let P(y, D) be a partial differential operator of order m with smooth coefficients. Denote by $p(y, \xi)$ its principal symbol.

Definition 4.6. Let S be a smooth oriented hypersurface which is a level surface of a C^2 function ψ , and $y_0 \in S$, $\psi'(y_0) \neq 0$. We say that S is *conormally strongly pseudoconvex* with respect P at y_0 if

(4.5) $Re\{\overline{p}, \{p, \psi\}\}(y_0, \xi) > 0$ on $p(y_0, \xi) = \{p, \psi\}(y_0, \xi) = 0, \quad 0 \neq \xi \in \Gamma_{y_0};$ (4.6) $\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}(y_0, \xi) + i\pi}(y_0, \xi) = 0, \quad 0 \neq \xi \in \Gamma_{y_0};$

(4.6) {
$$p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y)), p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y))$$
}/ $(2i\tau) > 0$
on $y = y_0$, such that $0 \neq \xi \in \Gamma_{y_0}, \tau > 0$,
and $p(y_0,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y_0)) = \{p(y,\xi + i\tau\psi'(y)),\psi(y)\}(y = y_0) = 0.$

Definition 4.7. A C^2 real valued function ψ is conormally strongly pseudoconvex with respect to P at y_0 if

(4.7)
$$Re\{\overline{p}, \{p, \psi\}\}(y_0, \xi) > 0$$

on $p(y_0, \xi) = 0, \quad 0 \neq \xi \in \Gamma_{y_0};$
(4.8) $\{\overline{p(y, \xi + i\tau\psi'(y))}, p(y, \xi + i\tau\psi'(y))\}/(2i\tau) > 0$

on $y = y_0$, such that $p(y_0, \xi + i\tau\psi'(y_0)) = 0$, $0 \neq \xi \in \Gamma_{y_0}, \tau > 0$.

Hence, the term 'conormally strongly pseudoconvex' means 'strongly pseudoconvex in N^*F or in a subset Γ_K '. Definition 4.6 implies that if Ω_0 is a sufficiently small neighborhood of y_0 , then there are constants such that an inequality like (3.1) holds, while Definition 4.7 implies that the inequality (3.2) holds for the function $\phi = e^{\lambda\psi}$.

For second order differential operators the definitions above are simpler. In particular, for the wave operator (1.1) the conditions are void for noncharacteristic surfaces ψ , as shown in section 3.1, see also Remark 3.1.

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