

# Summability of Formal Solutions to the Cauchy Problem for Some Linear Partial Differential Equations

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The plan of the talk is as follows:

- ▶ 1. Equation and assumptions
- ▶ 2. Examples, motivation and problem
- ▶ 3. Main theorem
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# 1. Equation and assumptions

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where

- $(t, x) = (t, x_1, \dots, x_N) \in \mathbb{C} \times \mathbb{C}^N$ ,
- $m \geq 1$  is an integer,
- $\Lambda$  is a finite subset of  $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}^N$ ,
- $a_{j,\alpha}(t)$ ,  $f(t, x)$  and  $\varphi_i(x)$  are holomorphic functions in a neighborhood of the origin.

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**Proposition 1.** The Cauchy problem (E) has a unique formal solution  $\hat{u}(t, x)$  of the form

$$\hat{u}(t, x) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} u_n(x)t^n \in \mathcal{O}_R[[t]]$$

for some  $R > 0$ , where  $\mathcal{O}_R$  denotes the set of all holomorphic functions on  $D_R = \{x \in \mathbb{C}^N ; |x| < R\}$ .



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**Basic problem.** How about the summability of the formal solution  $\hat{u}(t, x)$  in the case:

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## 2. Examples, motivation and problem

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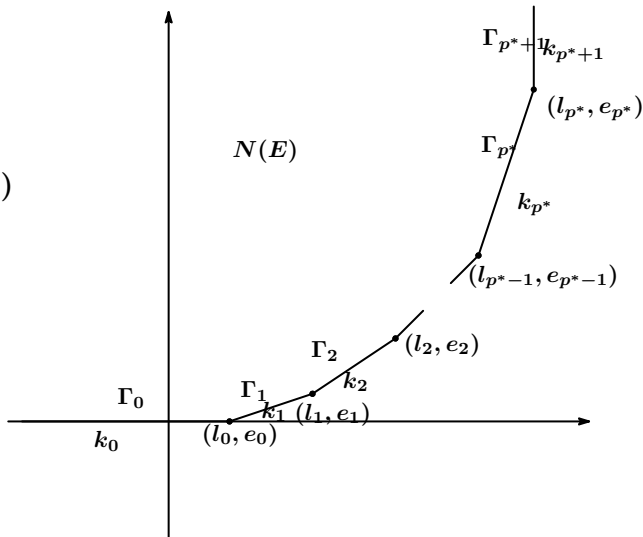
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**Theorem (Ouchi (J. Diff. Equations, 2002)).** If

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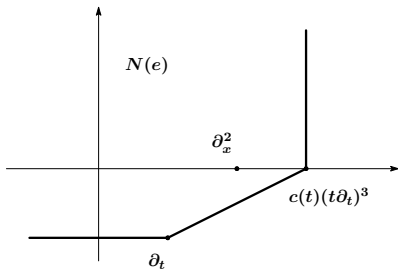
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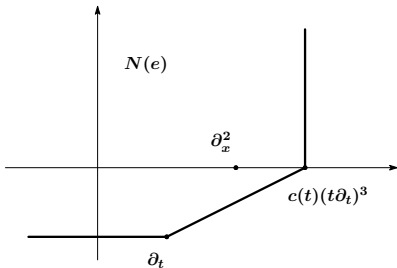
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Therefore, by Ouchi's result we see:

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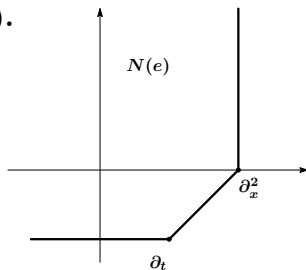
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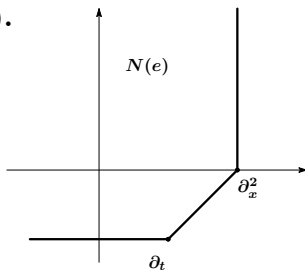
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**Theorem (Lutz-Miyake-Schäfer, (Nagoya J. Math., 1999)).**

The formal solution  $\hat{u}(t, x)$  is

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if and only if  $\varphi(x)$  can be analytically continued to infinity in directions  $d/2$  and  $\pi + d/2$ , and is of exponential order at most 2 when  $x$  is going to infinity in these directions.



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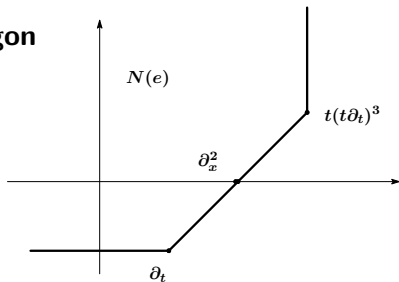


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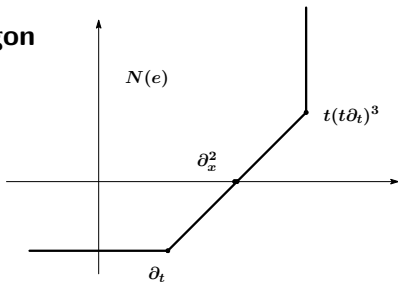
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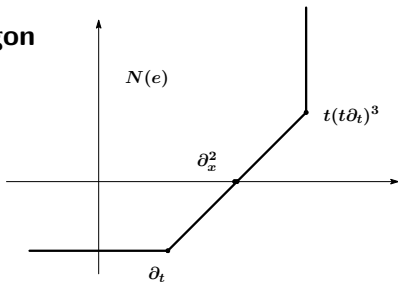
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Later, "of order 2" is improved to "of finite order".

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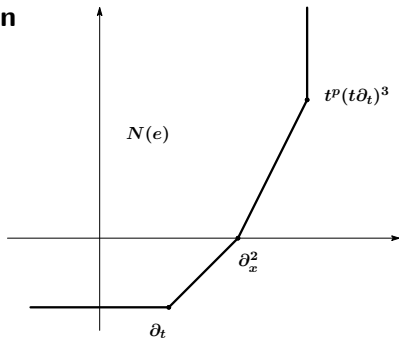
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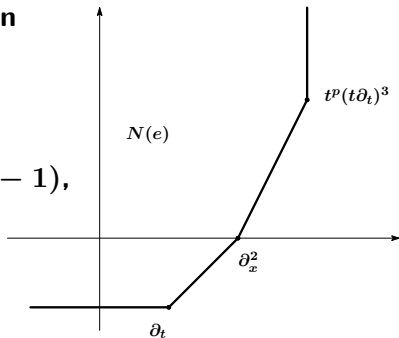
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If  $\varphi(x)$  is an entire function of order less than  $2(p+1)/(p-1)$ , the formal solution  $\hat{u}(t, x)$  is  $(p+1)/2$ -summable in the direction  $d (\neq 0, \pi)$ .



## 2.8. Summary

Thus, on the equation

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we have seen that the admissible exponential order at  $x = \infty$  is as follows (in our calculation):

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Since to study this problem in the general case is very difficult, from now we will study this problem under the assumption that

the data are entire functions in the  $x$ -variable.

### 3. Main Theorem

- A sufficient condition for summability -

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Similarly, we denote by  $\text{Exp}^{\{\gamma\}}(D_r \times \mathbb{C}^N)$  the set of all holomorphic functions  $f(t, x)$  on  $D_r \times \mathbb{C}^N$  having the estimate

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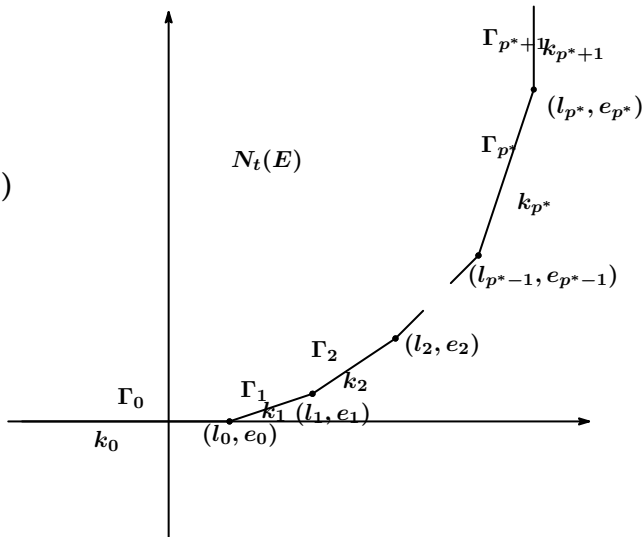
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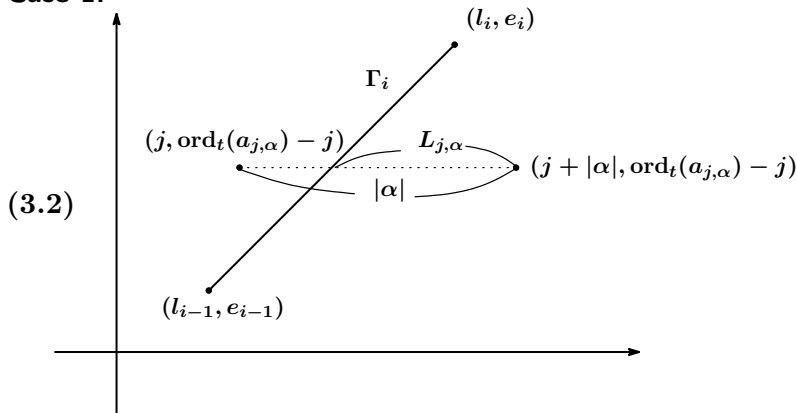
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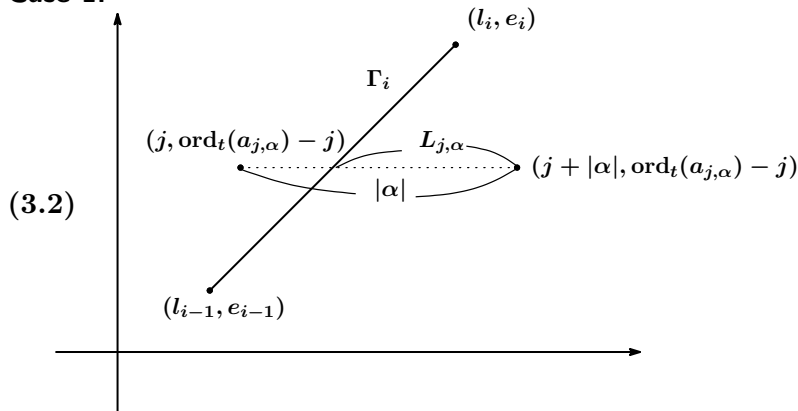
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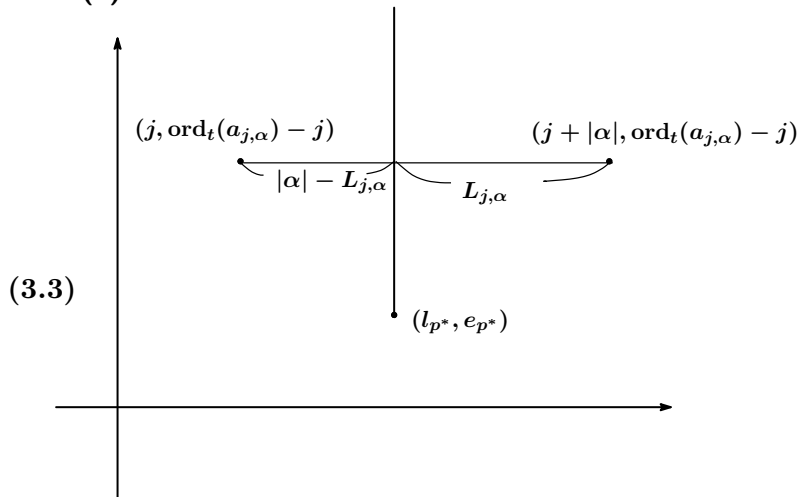


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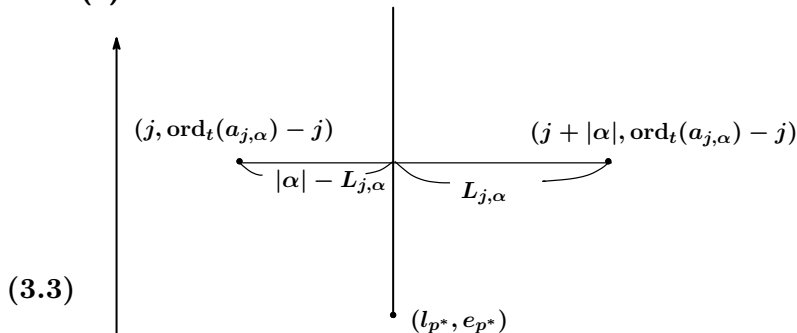
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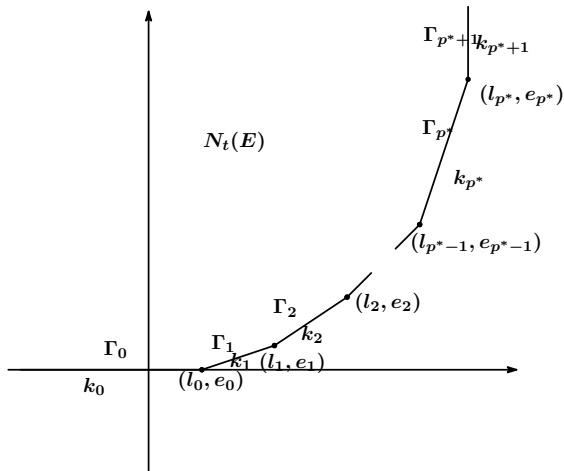
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### 3.12. Consequence

**Corollary.** If  $p^* \geq 1$ , for any  $d \in (-\pi, \pi] \setminus \mathcal{L}$  we can find

- $S = \{t \in \mathcal{R}(\mathbb{C}_t \setminus \{0\}); 0 < |t| < \delta, \\ |\arg t - d| < \pi/2k_{p^*} + \varepsilon\}$   
for some  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $\delta > 0$ , and
- a holomorphic solution  $u(t, x)$  of (E) on  $S \times \mathbb{C}^N$

such that the following asymptotic relation holds:

$$\left| u(t, x) - \sum_{n=0}^{N-1} u_n(x)t^n \right| \leq AH^N N!^{1/k_1} |t|^N \exp(b|x|^\gamma)$$

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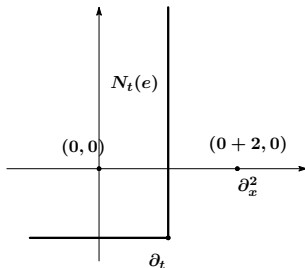
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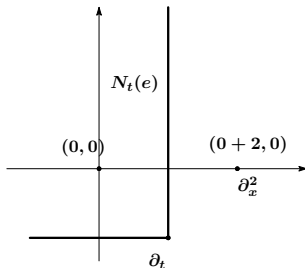
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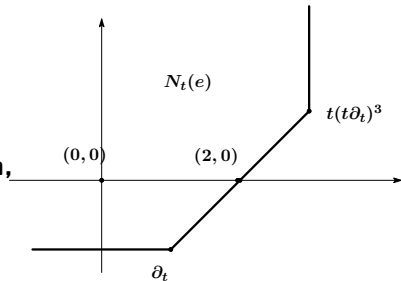
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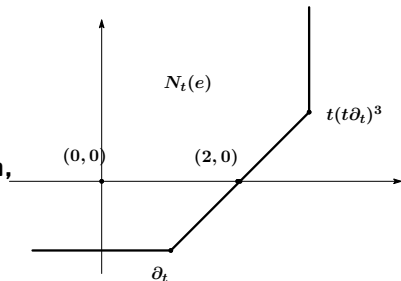
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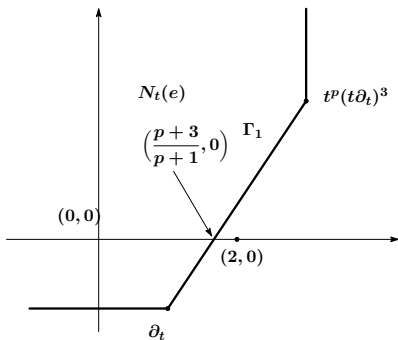


In this case,  $(2, 0)$  is on the boundary of  $N_t(e)$  and so  $\Lambda^* = \emptyset$ : this shows  $\mathcal{C} = (0, \infty)$ . We can regard as  $|\alpha| = 2$  and  $L = 0$ .

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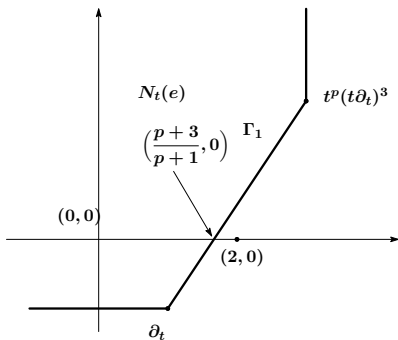
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$$\mathcal{C} = (0, \frac{|\alpha|}{L}) = (0, \frac{2(p+1)}{p-1}).$$

We note that the slope of  $\Gamma_1$  is  $\frac{p+1}{2}$ . Our conclusion is:

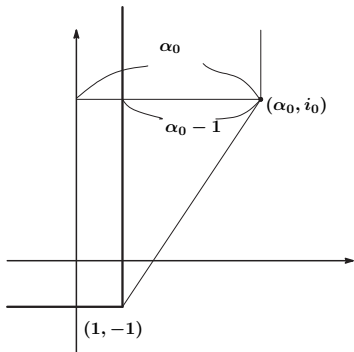
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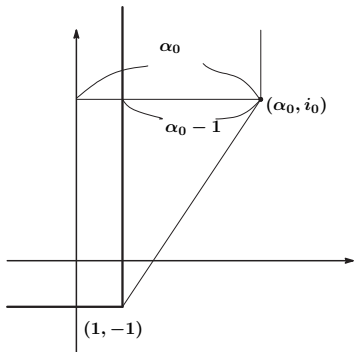
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