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# HARMONIC SYNTHESIS OF SOLUTIONS OF ELLIPTIC EQUATION WITH PERIODIC COEFFICIENTS

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#### 0. Introduction.

Let p = p(x, D) be a  $s \times t$ -matrix, whose entries are linear differential operators on  $\mathbf{R}^n$  with n-periodic coefficients, i.e. p(x+q,D) = p(x,D) for any  $q \in \mathbf{Z}^n$ , where we denote  $D = (i\partial/\partial x_1, \dots, i\partial/\partial x_n), i = \sqrt{-1}$ . Assuming that p is an elliptic operator, we develop any solution of the system

$$p(x, D)u = 0,$$

which satisfies for some a > 0 the condition

$$(0.2) u(x) = O(\exp(a|x|)), |x| \to \infty,$$

in an integral over a variety of Floquet solutions. This development is similar to the exponential representation of solutions of (0.1) in the case of constant coefficients [1], [2]. A decomposition of this type was given by P. Kuchment [4] for the case s = t. Our approach gives a decomposition of solutions of (0.1) in a global integral over a series of holomorphic families  $L_k = \{L_k(\lambda), \ \lambda \in N_k\}, \ k = 1, 2, \ldots$  of finite-dimensional representations  $L_k(\lambda)$  of the translation group  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ . Here for each k the parameter  $\lambda$  runs

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over an irreducible analytic subset  $N_k$  of the variety  $\Lambda$  of all characters of the group in the space (0.2). Each representation  $L_k(\lambda)$  consists of Floquet solutions of (0.1) with quasi-impulse  $\lambda$  and contains only one Bloch solution. It may be thought as a Jordan cell for the given representation of the group  $\mathbb{Z}^n$  in the space of solutions of (0.1).

To get such a decomposition we use a global Noether operator for the characteristic sheaf of the system (0.1). Note that a similar decomposition obtained in [4] is more involved, since there only the local Noether operators [9] were used. We prove in  $\S$  3 that any coherent analytic sheaf on arbitrary Stein space admits a global Noether operator. In  $\S$  5 we state an analog of Malgrange's approximation theorem.

#### 1. Main result.

Let  $\mathbf{C}^n$  the complex dual to  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and  $Z^n$  be the subgroup of integer vectors in  $\mathbf{C}^n$ . Then  $\Lambda := \mathbf{C}^n/Z^n$  is the dual to  $\mathbf{Z}^n$  complex Lie group and it is a Stein variety. There is a bilinear form  $\Lambda \times \mathbf{Z}^n \to \mathbf{C}/\mathbf{Z}$ , which is written as  $\lambda \cdot q = \sum \zeta_j \cdot q_j$ , where  $\zeta := (\zeta_1, \ldots, \zeta_n)$  is any pre-image of  $\lambda$  under the canonical surjection  $\chi : \mathbf{C}^n \to \Lambda$ . For any  $\lambda \in \Lambda$  the function  $q \leadsto \exp(2\pi i \lambda \cdot q)$  is a character of the group  $\mathbf{Z}^n$ . This group is represented in the space  $D'(\mathbf{R}^n)$  by translation operators  $T_q f(x) = f(x+q), q \in \mathbf{Z}^n$ . Choose an euclidean norm  $|\cdot|$  in  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and denote by  $||\cdot||$  the dual hermitian norm on  $\mathbf{C}^n$ . For any positive a we denote by  $\Lambda_a$  the image in  $\Lambda$  of the strip  $||\operatorname{Im} \zeta|| < a/2\pi, \zeta \in \mathbf{C}^n$ .

We assume that operator p is included in an elliptic differential complex :

$$(1.1) 0 \to L_0 \xrightarrow{p_0} L_1 \xrightarrow{p_1} L_2 \longrightarrow \cdots \xrightarrow{p_m} L_{m+1} \longrightarrow \cdots, p_0 = p,$$

where  $L_i$ ,  $i=0,1,\ldots$  are sheaves of  $C^{\infty}$ -sections of some finite-dimensional trivial bundles on  $\mathbf{R}^n$  and  $p_0,p_1,\ldots$  are differential operators with n-periodic coefficients.

THEOREM 1.1. — Any solution u of (0.1), which is defined on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and satisfies (0.2) for some a>0, admits for any b>a the following representation

(1.2) 
$$u(x) = \sum_{k} \sum_{j=1}^{r(k)} \int_{N_k} f_{kj}(\lambda, x) \mu_{kj}(\lambda),$$

where

- i)  $N_k$ , k = 1, 2, ... are closed irreducible analytic subsets of  $\Lambda$ , associated to the characteristic sheaf M of (0.1) (see § 3),
- ii) for any k,  $f_{kj}(\lambda, x)$ ,  $1, \ldots, r(k)$  are smooth functions on  $N_k \times \mathbf{R}^n$ , which are holomorphic on  $\lambda \in N_k$  and satisfy the equation (0.1) on x;
- iii) for any  $k, \lambda \in N_k$  the linear span  $L_k(\lambda)$  of functions  $f_{kj}(\lambda, \cdot)$ ,  $j = 1, \ldots, r(k)$  is  $\mathbf{Z}^n$ -invariant and contains a unique invariant one-dimensional subspace; its character is equal to  $\exp(2\pi i \lambda \cdot x)$ ;
- iv)  $\mu_{kj}$  are  $C^{\infty}$ -densities on the set reg  $N_k$  of regular points of  $N_k$ ; supp  $\mu_{kj} \subset \operatorname{reg} N_k \cap \Lambda_b$ . Moreover for arbitrary proper closed analytic subsets  $\Omega_k \subset N_k$ ,  $k = 1, \ldots$  there exist densities  $\mu_{kj}$ , which satisfies (1.2) such that supp  $\mu_{kj} \subset N_k \cap \Lambda_b \setminus \Omega_k$  for any j and k.
- Remark 1.2. Inversely for any densities  $\mu_{kj}$ , which fulfil iv), the second term of (1.2) is equal to  $O(\exp(b|x|))$  at infinity and satisfies (0.1).
- Remark 1.3. The space  $E_p$  of solutions of (0.1), which satisfy (0.2), is generally an infinite-dimensional non-unitary representation of  $\mathbb{Z}^n$ . The equation (1.2) may be considered as a decomposition of  $E_p$  in an integral over the family of finite-dimensional subrepresentations  $L_k(\lambda)$ . But the densities  $\mu_{kj}$  are far from being unique unlike the Stone-Naimark-Ambrose-Godement theorem for an unitary representation, where the spectral measure is unique.

Note that the representation  $L_k(\lambda)$  is reducible, except for the case  $\dim L_k(\lambda) = 1$ , but is not decomposible, *i.e.*  $L_k(\lambda)$  is not equal to a direct sum of some invariant subspaces.

Remark 1.4. — It follows from iii) that for any k there exists an integer d such that the identity

(1.3) 
$$\left[ T_q - \exp(2\pi i \lambda \cdot q) \right]^d f_{kj}(\lambda, \cdot) = 0, \quad \forall q \in \mathbf{Z}^n,$$

holds for any  $\lambda \in N_k$  and  $j = 1, \dots r(k)$ . This identity implies that for any k, j

$$f_{kj}(\lambda, x) = \sum_{|s| < d} x^s h_s(\lambda, x) \exp(2\pi i \lambda \cdot x),$$

where all the functions  $h_s(\lambda, x)$  are *n*-periodic on x. Hence  $f_{kj}(\lambda, x)$  is a Floquet-solution of (0.1) with quasi-impulse  $\lambda$ . Any generator, say  $f_{k1}$ , of the unique invariant one-dimensional subspace satisfies (1.3) with d = 1. It is called Bloch-solution.

#### 2. Analytic lemmas.

Fix an integer k and consider the following family of elliptic complexes with n-periodic coefficients (cf. [4]):

$$(2.1) W_*^k : 0 \longleftarrow W_0^{k(0)} \overset{p_0'(\zeta)}{\leftarrow} W_1^{k(1)} \overset{p_1'(\zeta)}{\leftarrow} W_2^{k(2)} \longleftarrow \cdots$$

where  $W_i^k$  denotes the Sobolev space of sections of  $L_i$  on the torus  $T^n$ , which are square-summable with its derivatives up to k-th degree,

$$p_i'(\zeta) := {}^t p_i(x, D + 2\pi\zeta),$$

where  ${}^tp$  means the formally adjoint operator to p,  $m_i$  is the order of  $p_i$ , k(0) = 0,  $k(i) = k + m_0 + \cdots + m_{i-1}$ , i > 0 and  $\zeta$  runs over  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . This is a holomorphic family of Fredholm complexes since (1.1) is elliptic. Denote by  $\mathcal{W}_i^k$  the sheaf of germs of holomorphic functions  $f: \mathbb{C}^n \to \mathcal{W}_i^k$ . Then (2.1) generates the following complex of analytic sheaves on  $\mathbb{C}^n$ 

$$(2.2) 0 \longleftarrow \mathcal{W}_0^{k(0)} \stackrel{p'_0}{\longleftarrow} \mathcal{W}_1^{k(1)} \stackrel{p'_1}{\longleftarrow} \cdots$$

We define an action of the group  $\mathbf{Z}^n$  on the sheaf  $\mathcal{W}_i^k$  by the formula

$$T_{\vartheta}\psi(\zeta,x) = \exp(-2\pi i\vartheta \cdot x)\psi(\zeta + \vartheta,x), \quad \vartheta \in \mathbb{Z}^n.$$

Let  $\chi: \mathbf{C}^n \to \Lambda$  be the canonical projection; consider the sheaf  $I_i^k | \Lambda$  of invariant sections of  $\mathcal{W}_i^k$ ; a section of  $I_i^k$  on an open set  $V \subset \Lambda$  is identified with a section  $\varphi$  of  $\mathcal{W}_i^k$  on  $\chi^{-1}(V)$  such that

(2.3) 
$$\psi(\zeta + \vartheta, x) = \exp(2\pi i \vartheta \cdot x) \psi(\zeta, x), \forall \vartheta \in \mathbb{Z}^n.$$

The following evident operator identity

$$p'(\zeta + \vartheta) = \exp(2\pi i\vartheta \cdot x)p'(\zeta)\exp(-2\pi i\vartheta \cdot x)$$

implies that (2.2) generates for any k a sheaf complex

$$I_*^k: 0 \longleftarrow I_0^{k(0)} \stackrel{p_0'}{\longleftarrow} I_1^{k(1)} \stackrel{p_1'}{\longleftarrow} I_2^{k(2)} \longleftarrow \cdots$$

Denote by  $H_* = \sum H_i$  the homology of this complex. All  $H_i$  are coherent analytic sheaves on  $\Lambda$ , since (2.1) is a holomorphic Fredholm family (cf. [4]). This follows, for example, from [13, Lemma 4.3]. The embedding  $I_*^{k+1} \to I_*^k$  induces for any k sheaf morphisms  $h^k: H_*^{k+1} \to H_*^k$ .

LEMMA 2.1. — For any k,  $h^k$  is bijective.

*Proof.* — Fix  $\zeta$  and choose a parametrix r for the complex (2.1). This is a pseudodifferential operator in the graded space of (2.1) of degree

1 and of order  $-m_i$ , when acting on the term  $W_i^{k+\cdots}$ , which satisfies the equation

$$p(\zeta)r + rp(\zeta) = id + q$$
,

where q is a pseudodifferential operator of order -1 and of degree 0 as an endomorphism of the complex. It defines a morphism of complexes  $q: \mathcal{W}_*^k \to \mathcal{W}_*^{k+1}$ . This equation means that the compositions eq and qe are homotopic to the identity morphisms, where  $e: \mathcal{W}_*^{k+1} \to \mathcal{W}_*^k$  is the natural embedding. This implies Lemma 2.1.

From now on we abbreviate the notation of  $H_i^k$  to  $H_i$ .

Lemma 2.2. — For any k and a>0 there is a natural isomorphism  $H(\Gamma(\Lambda_a,I_*^k))\cong\Gamma(\Lambda_a,H_*),$ 

where H(K) means the homology group of a complex K.

Proof. — Consider two spectral sequences for the functor  $\Gamma(\Lambda_a, \cdot)$  and the complex  $I_*^k$ ; both converge to the hyperhomology. For the first one we have  $E^{pq} = H^p(H^q(\Lambda_a, I^k))$ . This term vanishes for q > 0, since  $H^q(\Lambda_a, I^k) = 0$ , because  $I_*^k$  is a holomorphic Banach sheaf [5]. Hence the hyperhomology is isomorphic to the left-hand side of (2.4). For the second spectral sequence we find  $E_2^{pq} = H^p(\Lambda_a, H_q)$ . These groups vanish for p > 0 as well, since  $H_*$  is a coherent sheaf on a Stein space and  $\Gamma(\Lambda_a, H_*) \cong E_2^{p*} \cong E_{\infty}$ . This implies (2.4).

Now we pass in the spectrum  $\Gamma_* := \Gamma(\Lambda_a, I_*^k)$  to the projective limit on k.

Lemma 2.3. — There is an isomorphism

(2.5) 
$$H(\Gamma(\Lambda_a, I_*)) \cong \Gamma(\Lambda_a, H_*), \quad I_* := I_*^{\infty}.$$

Proof. — A formal scheme is the same as in the previous lemma. We compare two standard spectral sequences for the hyperhomology of the functor Pr of projective limit and of the spectrum  $\Gamma_*$ . The term  $E_2^{pq} = \Pr^p(H_q(\Gamma_*))$  vanishes for p > 0 since the spectrum  $H_q(\Gamma_*)$  is constant in virtue of Lemma 2.2. The term  $E_2^{0*} = E_{\infty}$  is equal to the right-hand side of (2.5).

For the second spectral sequence we have  $E_2^{pq}=H_p(\Pr^q(\Gamma_*))$ . These groups vanish for q>1, since  $\Pr^q=0$ . Evidently  $\Pr^0(\Gamma_*)=\Gamma(\Lambda_a,I_*)$  hence  $E_2^{*0}$  coincides with the left-hand side of (2.5). Now we verify that

 $\Pr^1(\{\Gamma(\Lambda_a, I_*^k)\} = 0$ . For this we need to show that the embedding of Fréchet spaces  $\Gamma(\Lambda_a, I_*^{k+1}) \to \Gamma(\Lambda_a, I_*^k)$  has a dense image ([6]). This density property is easy to check, if we develop an arbitrary section of  $I_*^k$  in Fourier series on x. Therefore the sequence  $E_2$  degenerates to  $E_2^{*0}$ , which completes the proof of Lemma 2.3.

For an arbitrary positive b we consider the space  $S_b$  of  $C^{\infty}$ -functions  $\varphi$  on  $\mathbf{R}^n$ , which satisfy the inequality

$$(2.6) |D^i \varphi(x)| \le C_{b',i} \exp(-b'|x|)$$

for any  $i=(i_1,\ldots,i_n)$  and b'< b. For given b' and i take the minimal constant  $C_{b',i}=C_{b',i}(\varphi)$ . For any b'>0 the functional  $C_{b',i}(\varphi)$  is a norm on  $S_b$ . This family of norms makes  $S_b$  a Fréchet space.

The cube  $P = \{ \xi \in \mathbf{R}^n, 0 \le \xi_j < 1, j = 1, ..., n \}$  is a fundamental domain for the group  $\mathbf{Z}^n$ .

LEMMA 2.4 (cf. [3]). — The formula

(2.7) 
$$\varphi(x) = \int_{P} \exp(-2\pi i \, \xi \cdot x) \psi(\xi, x) d\xi,$$

defines for any b > 0 an operator  $S : \Gamma(\Lambda_b, I) \to S_b$ , which is a topological isomorphism, where the sheaf I corresponds to the trivial line bundle L. The inverse operator  $S^{-1}$  can be written as follows:

(2.8) 
$$\psi(\xi, x) = \sum_{q \in \mathbf{Z}^n} \exp(2\pi i \, \xi \cdot (x+q)) \varphi(x+q).$$

It follows that for any differential operator r with n-periodic coefficients there is a commutative diagram :

$$\begin{array}{cccc} S_b & \xrightarrow{t_r} & S_b \\ s \uparrow & & s \uparrow \\ \Gamma(\Lambda_b, I) & \xrightarrow{r'} & \Gamma(\Lambda_b, I) \end{array}$$

where the operator r', generated by the family  $r'(\zeta) = {}^t r(x, D + 2\pi \zeta)$  as above.

Proof of Lemma 2.4. — The integral (2.7) is evidently a bounded function of x and moreover for arbitrary  $\eta \in \mathbf{R}^n$ ,  $\|\eta\| < b/2\pi$  we have

$$\varphi(x) = \int_{P+in} \exp(-2\pi i \zeta \cdot x) \psi(\zeta, x) d\zeta,$$

because of Cauchy theorem and of (2.3). Hence  $\varphi(x) = O(\exp(2\pi\eta \cdot x))$  for  $x \to \infty$ , which implies (2.6) for i = 0. The same conclusion is valid

for any derivative of  $\varphi$ , hence  $\varphi$  is an element of  $S_b$  and the operator S is continuous.

For any function  $\varphi \in S_b$  its inverse Fourier transform  $\hat{\varphi}(\zeta)$  is a holomorphic function in the strip  $\Lambda_b$ , which decreases as fast as  $O(|\zeta|^{-q})$ , when  $|\zeta| \to \infty$ , for any q. Hence the inverse Fourier transformation may be written as follows:

$$\varphi(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} \exp(-2\pi i \, \xi \cdot x) \hat{\varphi}(\xi) d\xi = \sum_{\vartheta \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \int_{P+\vartheta} \exp(-2\pi i \, \xi \cdot x) \hat{\varphi}(\xi) d\xi$$
$$= \int_{P} \exp(-2\pi i \, \xi \cdot x) \psi(\xi, x) d\xi,$$

where

(2.10) 
$$\psi(\xi, x) = \sum_{\vartheta \in Z^n} \exp(-2\pi i \vartheta \cdot x) \hat{\varphi}(\xi + \vartheta).$$

It is easy to see that  $\psi \in \Gamma(\Lambda_b, I)$  and the operator  $R : \varphi \leadsto \psi$  is continuous. This formula means that R is a right inverse to S. If we prove that S is injective, Lemma will follow. Suppose that  $S\psi = 0$  for an element  $\psi \in \Gamma(\Lambda_b, I)$  and develop  $\psi$  into a Fourier series on x:

$$\psi(\zeta, x) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \exp(2\pi i k \cdot x) \psi_k(\zeta).$$

Condition (2.3) implies that  $\psi_k(\zeta + \vartheta) = \psi_{k-\vartheta}(\zeta)$ , hence  $\psi_k(\zeta) = \psi_0(\zeta - k)$ . Therefore

$$0 \equiv \int_{P} \exp(-2\pi i \, \xi \cdot x) \psi(\xi, x) d\xi = \sum_{k} \int_{P} \exp(-2\pi i (\xi - k) \cdot x) \psi_{0}(\xi - k) d\xi$$
$$= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \exp(-2\pi i \, \xi \cdot x) \psi_{0}(\xi) d\xi.$$

It follows that  $\psi_0(x) \equiv 0$  and therefore  $\psi = 0$ , q.e.d.

To find out an inverse formula we start from (2.10) and change the integration variables y to y+x:

$$\psi(\xi, x) = \sum_{\vartheta \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \exp(-2\pi i \vartheta \cdot x) \int \exp(2\pi i (\xi + \vartheta) \cdot y) \varphi(y) dy$$
$$= \sum_{\vartheta} \int \exp(2\pi i (\xi \cdot (y + x) + \vartheta \cdot y) \varphi(y + x) dy = \sum_{\vartheta} \hat{\varphi}_{x\xi}(\vartheta),$$

where  $\varphi_{x\xi}(y) := \exp(2\pi i \xi \cdot (y+x))\varphi(y+x)$ . The right-hand side is equal to

$$\sum_{q \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \varphi_{x\xi}(q) = \sum_{q} \exp(2\pi i \, \xi \cdot (x+q)) \varphi(x+q),$$

since of the Poisson summation formula. The proof is complete.

#### 3. Noether operators.

Let A be a commutative algebra, M be a A-module. A prime ideal  $\mathfrak p$  of A is called associated to M ([7], [8]), if there exists an element  $m \in M$ , whose annulet ideal coincides with  $\mathfrak p.$  M is called  $\mathfrak p$ -coprimary, if  $\mathfrak p$  is the only ideal, associated to M; we denote it  $\mathfrak p(M)$ . The Lasker-Noether decomposition of M is a representation of the zero submodule of M in the form

$$(3.1) 0 = M_1 \cap \ldots \cap M_J,$$

where all  $M/M_1, \ldots, M/M_J$  are coprimary A-modules. This decomposition is called *irreductible*, if no one of modules  $M_j$  in (3.1) can be omitted and all the prime ideals  $\mathfrak{p}_j = \mathfrak{p}(M/M_j), \ j=1,\ldots,J$  are different. If A is a Noetherian algebra, any A-module M of finite type admits an irreducible Lasker-Noether decomposition. The set of prime ideals  $\{\mathfrak{p}_j,\ldots,\mathfrak{p}_J\}$  is defined uniquely.

Let K be a field and A be a commutative K-algebra, M, N be A-modules. A K-linear mapping  $\delta: M \to N$  is called a differential operator of order  $\leq d$ , if  $(\operatorname{ad} b)^{d+1}\delta = 0$  for any  $b \in A$ , where  $(\operatorname{ad} b)\gamma := \gamma b - b\gamma$ .

DEFINITION 3.1 [9]. — Let  $\mathfrak{p}$  be an ideal associated to a n A-module M; we call  $\nu: M \to [A/\mathfrak{p}]^r$  a  $\mathfrak{p}$ -Noether operator, if

- i)  $\nu$  is a differential operator in A-modules and  $r < \infty$ ,
- ii) Ker  $\nu$  is a submodule of M and  $\mathfrak{p}$  is not associated to Ker  $\nu$ .

A Noether operator for a module M is a direct sum

$$\nu = \sum \nu_j : M \to \sum_j [A/\mathfrak{p}_j]^{r(j)},$$

where  $\nu_j$  is a  $\mathfrak{p}_j$ -Noether operator, j = 1, ..., J and  $\{\mathfrak{p}_1, ..., \mathfrak{p}_J\} = \mathrm{Ass}(M)$ .

Proposition 3.1. — If A is noetherian, then any Noether operator is injective.

*Proof.* — We have  $\operatorname{Ker} \nu = \cap \operatorname{Ker} \nu_j$  and  $\operatorname{Ass}(\operatorname{Ker} \nu) \subset \operatorname{Ass}(M)$ , since  $\operatorname{Ker} \nu$  is a submodule of M. No one of ideals  $\mathfrak{p}_1, \ldots, \mathfrak{p}_J$  is associated to  $\operatorname{Ker} \nu$ , according to Definition 3.1 ii). Hence  $\operatorname{Ass}(\operatorname{Ker} \nu)$  is empty. This means that  $\operatorname{Ker} \nu = 0$ , because of existence of Lasker-Noether decomposition.

Recall that analytic algebra A is a C-algebra, which is isomorphic to a quotient of the algebra  $C\{z_1,\ldots,z_n\}$  for some n. It is a Noetherian algebra.

THEOREM 3.2. — Let A be an analytic algebra, M, K, L be A-modules of finite type,  $\lambda: M \to L$ ,  $\kappa: M \to K$  be A-differential operators such that Ker  $\kappa$  is an A-submodule, L is  $\mathfrak{p}$ -coprimary and  $\lambda$  vanishes on Ker  $\kappa$ . Then there exist an element  $s \in A \setminus \mathfrak{p}$  and a differential operator  $\sigma: K \to L$  such that  $s\lambda = \sigma\kappa$ .

To check this statement we choose a Noether operator  $\nu: K \to N$  for K and apply the Unicity theorem of [9] to the composition  $\nu \kappa: M \to N$ .

Let (X, O(X)) be a complex analytic space, M, N are O(X)-sheaves; a sheaf morphism  $\delta: M \to N$  is called a differential operator, if for any point  $x \in X$  the fibre morphism  $\delta_x: M_x \to N_x$  is a differential operator over algebra  $O_x(X)$ ; ord  $\delta:=\sup \operatorname{ord} \delta_x$ .

Fix a point  $x \in \mathbb{C}^n$  and consider the analytic algebra  $A := O_x(\mathbb{C}^n)$  of germs at x of holomorphic functions. Let G be an irreducible germ at x of analytic set in  $\mathbb{C}^n$ . The ideal  $I(G) \subset A$ , consisting of function germs, which vanish on G, is prime; vice versa, any prime ideal in A is equal to I(G) for some irreducible germ G. We call such a germ G associated to an A-module M, if so is the ideal I(G). For example, for any analytic germ G in  $\mathbb{C}^n$  the germs  $G_1, \ldots, G_K$  associated to G-module G-module

Now we pass to the global case and operate with closed irreducible analytic sets in X instead of germs. Recall that a closed analytic subset Y in a complex space X is *irreducible*, if there is no proper open and closed analytic subset  $Z \subset Y$ .

DEFINITION 3.2. — Let (X, O(X)) be a complex space, M be a coherent analytic sheaf on X. We call an analytic subset  $Y \subset X$  associated to M, if

- i) Y is closed and irreducible,
- ii) for any point  $x \in Y$  its germ  $Y_x$  is an union of some irreducible germs  $G_1, \ldots, G_K, K > 0$  associated to the  $O_x(X)$ -module  $M_x$ .

A collection of all analytic sets associated to M is denoted Ass(M). If X is a Stein space, for any point  $x \in X$  any germ G associated to  $M_x$  is a germ of a set  $Y \in Ass(M)$ . This fact is contained in the following theorem

for semi-local situation and in [10] for the general case :

THEOREM 3.3 [9]. — For any coherent sheaf M on a complex space X and any point  $x \in X$  there exists a neighbourhood U such that the set  $\mathrm{Ass}(M|U)$  is finite and for any  $Y \in \mathrm{Ass}(M|U)$  there exists an O(X)-differential operator

$$\nu_Y: M \to \sum O(Y)$$

where the direct sum is finite such that the operator

$$u := \prod \nu_Y : M \longrightarrow \prod_{\mathrm{Ass}(M)} \sum O(Y)$$

is a Noether operator for  $M_x$  for each  $x \in U$ .

DEFINITION 3.3. — If Y is an analytic set associated to M, we call Y-Noether operator for M any differential operator  $\nu: M \to \sum O(Y)$ , where the direct sum is finite, such that for any point  $x \in Y$  and any irreducible component G of  $Y_x$  the composition  $\rho_G$  is a G-Noether operator, where  $\rho_G: \sum O(Y) \to \sum O(G)$  is the restriction morphism.

In fact the operators  $\nu_Y$  in Theorem 3.2 are Noetherian. Now we prove the following

Theorem 3.4. — For any Stein space X, arbitrary coherent analytic sheaf M on X and any set  $Y \in \mathrm{Ass}(M)$  there exists an Y-Noether operator

$$\nu_Y: M \to \sum O(Y),$$

which possesses the following property: there exists a holomorphic function  $s \not\equiv 0$  on X such that for any element  $a \in \Gamma(Y, O(Y))$  there is an O(Y)-endomorphism b of  $\sum O(Y)$ , which satisfies the equation

$$(3.2) s(\operatorname{ad} a)\nu_Y = b\nu_Y.$$

LEMMA 3.5. — Let M be a coherent analytic sheaf on a Stein space X, Y be an irreducible component of supp M and  $\delta: M \to \sum O(Y)$  be an O(X)-differential operator. Suppose that there exists a point  $y \in Y$  and an irreducible component W of  $Y_y$  such that the composition  $\partial := \rho_W \delta_y$  is an W-Noether operator with the following property: for any element  $a \in O_y(Y)$  there exists an  $O_y(Y)$ -endomorphism b of  $\sum O_y(Y)$  such that

$$(3.3) \partial a = b\partial.$$

Then  $\delta$  is a Y-Noether operator for M.

Proof of Lemma 3.5. — First we verify that the sheaf  $K = \text{Ker } \delta$  is an O(X)-subsheaf of M. For this we consider the sheaf D(Y) of differential operators  $e: M \to O(Y)$  of order  $\leq \operatorname{ord}(\delta)$ . It is a coherent sheaf ([9, Prop. 11.3]). Let  $\delta_i: M \to O(Y)$ ,  $i=1,\ldots,r$  be the components of the operator  $\delta$  and I be the subsheaf of D(Y), generated by  $\delta_1,\ldots,\delta_r$ . Take an arbitrary holomorphic function a on X and consider the subsheaf A in D(Y), generated by I and operators  $\delta_i a, i=1,\ldots,r$ , where a is considered as an endomorphism of M. The sheaf A/I is coherent and its support is contained in Y. The germ of  $\operatorname{supp}(A/I)$  at Y does not contain the germ Y0 since of (3.3). Hence  $\operatorname{supp}(A/I)$  is a proper analytic subset of Y. Choose arbitrary holomorphic function S, which belongs to the annulet ideal of A/I, but does not vanish identically on Y. All the operators S0 are sections of the sheaf I, hence for any I1 and any point I2.

$$s\delta_i a = \sum b_j \delta_j$$

with some functions germs  $b_j$  at the point x. Therefore the equation  $\delta(f)=0$  for  $f\in M_x,\ x\in Y$  implies that  $s\delta(af)=0$ . This implies the equation  $\delta(a'f)=0$  for any  $a'\in O_x(X)$ , since functions  $a\in \Gamma(X,O(X))$  are dense in  $O_x(X)$  in  $\mathfrak{m}_x$ -adic topology and any differential operator is continuous with respect to this topology. Therefore K is O(X)-sheaf.

This sheaf is coherent in virtue of [9, Th. 2]. Hence supp K is a closed analytic subset of supp M. We need only to check that supp K does not contain Y. Since Y is irreducible, it is sufficient to show that the germ of supp K at y does not contain W. We have  $(\operatorname{supp} K)_y = \operatorname{supp} K_y \subset \operatorname{supp} M_y$ . At the other hand supp  $K_y$  is the union of all germs V, associated to the  $O_y(X)$ -module  $K_y$ . It follows from the condition of Lemma that the germ W is not associated to the  $O_y(X)$ -module  $K_y$ . There is no other germ  $V \supset W$  associated to supp  $K_y$ , since W is an irreducible component of supp  $M_y$ . Hence supp  $K_y$  does not contain the germ W, q.e.d.

Proof of Theorem 3.4. — We may assume that  $X = \operatorname{supp} M$ . Otherwise we shrink X to  $\operatorname{supp} M$ . Let  $X_j, j \in J$  be the irreducible components of the space X (cf. [11], ch. V]). Each of them is a Stein space and the covering  $X = \bigcup X_j$  is locally finite. Therefore it is sufficient to prove Theorem for each sheaf  $M \otimes O(X_j)|X_j, j \in J$  and we may suppose that  $\operatorname{supp} X$  is an irreducible Stein space.

Fix a point  $x \in X$  and an irreducible component Y of the germ  $X_x$ . Since of Theorem 3.3 there exists a Y-Noether operator  $\mu: M_x \to \sum O(Y)$ . Consider the coherent sheaf D(X) of germs of differential operators  $\delta: M \to O(X)$  of order  $\leq \operatorname{ord}(\mu)$ . Let  $\delta_i$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, r$  be its sections on X, which generate this sheaf at x. Consider the following operator

$$\delta: M \to [O(X)]^r$$
;  $\delta(f) = (\delta_1(f), \dots, \delta_r(f)).$ 

Lemma 3.6. — The composition  $\delta_Y := \rho_Y \delta$  is an Y-Noether operator.

Proof. — First we check that  $\operatorname{Ker} \delta_Y$  is an  $O_x$ -submodule of  $M_x$ . Take arbitrary element  $m \in \operatorname{Ker} \delta_x$  and function germ  $a \in O_x$ . Choose an embedding of the germ  $X_x$  in  $(\mathbf{C}^n, 0)$  and a function b on the germ  $(\mathbf{C}^n, 0)$  such that  $\pi(b) = a$ , where  $\pi : O(\mathbf{C}^n) \to O_x(X)$  is the canonical surjection. Then we can write according to the Leibnitz formula (cf. [9, Prop. 3.1])

$$\delta_Y(am) = \sum (i!)^{-1} \pi(D_z^i b) (\operatorname{ad} z)^i \delta_Y(m)$$

where  $z = (z_1, ..., z_n)$  are coordinates on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and  $(\operatorname{ad} z)^i$  means

$$(\operatorname{ad} z_1)^{i_1} \cdot \ldots \cdot (\operatorname{ad} z_n)^{i_n}.$$

We have  $(\operatorname{ad} z)^i \delta_Y = r_Y(\operatorname{ad} z)^i \delta$  and  $(\operatorname{ad} z)^i \delta : M \to \sum O(X)$  is a differential operator of order  $\leq \operatorname{ord}(\delta) \leq \operatorname{ord}(\mu)$ . Hence  $(\operatorname{ad} z)^i \delta_Y(m) = 0$  for each i. This implies that  $\delta_Y(am) = 0$  and our assertion follows.

We have the inclusion  $\operatorname{Ker} \mu \supset \operatorname{Ker} \delta_Y$ , which follows from the fact that any component of  $\mu$  belongs to  $O_x(X)$ -envelope of the set  $\{\delta_i, i = 1, \ldots, r\}$ . This inclusion implies that the germ Y is not associated to the  $\operatorname{Ker} \delta_Y$ , hence  $\delta_Y$  is a Y-Noether operator for the module  $M_x$ .

Lemma 3.6 implies that  $\delta$  is a X-Noether operator for M. Set  $K := \operatorname{Ker} \delta$ ; this is a coherent subsheaf of M and for any point x,  $O_x(X)$ -module  $K_x$  has no associated germs Z,  $\dim Z = \dim X$ . Now we argue using the induction on the number  $\dim \operatorname{supp} F$ , hence may suppose that Theorem 3.4 is true for the sheaf K.

LEMMA 3.7. — The equation 
$$Ass(M) = \{X\} \cup Ass(K)$$
 holds.

Proof. — One has the trivial inclusion  $\operatorname{Ass}(K) \subset \operatorname{Ass}(M)$ . For any point  $x \in X$  any component of the germ  $X_x$  belongs to  $\operatorname{Ass}(M_x)$ , since  $\delta$  is a X-Noether operator for M. Hence it remains to check that for any point  $x \in X$  any germ  $Y \in \operatorname{Ass}(M_x)$ , which is not a component of the germ  $X_x$ , belongs to  $\operatorname{Ass}(K_x)$ . Choose an element  $m \in M_x$ , whose annulet ideal is equal to I(Y). We claim that  $m \in K_x$ . In fact the equation am = 0 implies

in view of Leibnitz formula that  $a^k \delta(m) = 0$ , for  $k = \operatorname{ord}(\delta) + 1$ . It follows that  $\delta(m) = 0$ , since  $a^k$  is not a zero-divisor in  $O_x(X)$ . This means that  $m \in K_x$ , which implies that  $Y \in \operatorname{Ass}(K_x)$ , q.e.d.

To prove Theorem 3.4 we choose for any  $Y \in \mathrm{Ass}(M)$  a regular point  $y \in Y$  and a  $Y_y$ -Noether operator  $\nu_Y$  for M. Consider the sheaf D(Y) of all differential operators  $M \to O(Y)$  of order  $\leq k := \mathrm{ord}(\nu_Y)$ . It is a coherent sheaf on Stein space X. Choose a finite set  $\{\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_r\} \subset \Gamma(X, D(Y))$ , which  $O_y(Y)$ -envelope is equal to the stalk  $D(Y)_y$ . Consider the differential operator  $\varepsilon(Y) : M \to \sum O(Y)$  with the components  $\varepsilon_1, \ldots, \varepsilon_r$ , and the sheaf  $G = \mathrm{Ker}\,\varepsilon(Y)$ . The stalk  $G_y$  is an  $O_y(Y)$ -module of finite type and the set  $\mathrm{Ass}(G_y)$  does not contain the germ  $Y_y$ . This can be proved by the arguments of Lemma 3.6. Hence the germ of  $\varepsilon(Y)$  at y is a  $Y_y$ -Noether operator, satisfying (3.3). Lemma 3.5 implies that  $\varepsilon(Y)$  is a Y-Noether operator for M.

To check the property (3.2) we choose an arbitrary function  $a \in \Gamma(Y, O(Y))$  and for any i = 1, ..., r consider the operator  $\varepsilon_i a : M \to O(Y)$ . It belongs to the  $O_y$ -envelope of the operators  $\varepsilon_1, ..., \varepsilon_r$  since of the construction. It follows that there exists a function  $s \in \Gamma(Y, O(Y))$  such that the operator  $s\varepsilon_i a$  belongs to  $\Gamma(Y, O(Y))$ -envelope of  $\varepsilon_1, ..., \varepsilon_r$  (see proof of Lemma 3.5). Therefore the operator  $s(ad a)\varepsilon_i = s\varepsilon_i a - sa\varepsilon_i$  belongs to this envelope as well. This prove (3.2).

THEOREM 3.8. — Let M be a coherent sheaf on a Stein space X,  $\nu_N$  for each  $N \in \mathrm{Ass}(M)$  be a N-Noether operator for M and S(N) be an arbitrary proper closed analytic subset of N such that sing  $N \subset S(N)$ . Then for any open set  $U \subset X$  the linear operator

 $\nu := \prod \nu_N : \Gamma(U, M) \longrightarrow \prod \{ \sum \Gamma(U \cap N \setminus S(N), O(N)), \ N \in \mathrm{Ass}(M) \}$  is an isomorphism onto its image, when the second space is endowed with the topology induced from the distribution spaces  $D'(U \cap N \setminus S(N))$ .

*Proof.* — Firstly we suppose that U is a closed subspace of the open unit polydisc  $\Delta$  in a coordinate space  $\mathbb{C}^n$  and there is a morphism  $\alpha: K \to L$  of free coherent  $O(\mathbb{C}^n)$ -sheaves on  $\Delta$  such that  $\operatorname{Cok} \alpha \cong M$ . This implies the following exact sequence

$$\Gamma(\Delta,K) \ \xrightarrow{\alpha} \Gamma(\Delta,L) \ \xrightarrow{\pi} \Gamma(\Delta,M) \longrightarrow 0,$$

where the canonical surjection  $\pi$  is an open operator. For any  $N \in \mathrm{Ass}(M)$  the composition

$$\nu_N\pi:\Gamma(\Delta,L)\longrightarrow \prod_N\sum \Gamma(\Delta\cap N,O(N))$$

is a differential operator on  $\Delta$ . It may be written in the following explicit form :

$$\nu_N \pi(u) = \sum a_i D^i u,$$

where  $a_i \in \Gamma(\Delta, L')$ ,  $L' := \text{Hom}(L, \sum O(N))$  and  $a_i = 0$  if  $|i| > \deg \nu_N$  (cf. [9]). Each operator  $D^i$  acting on  $\mathbb{C}^n$  is continuous since of the Cauchy inequality. Therefore  $\nu_N \pi$  is continuous. The same is true for  $\nu_N$ , because  $\pi$  is open.

In the general case the topology of  $\Gamma(U,M)$  is the supremum of topologies, induced from the spaces  $\Gamma(\Delta,\varphi_*(M|Y))$ , where  $(Y,\varphi)$  runs over a set of analytic polyhedrons, which covers U, and  $\varphi:Y\to\Delta$  is a closed embedding. Hence the general case is reduced to the case  $X=\Delta$ ,  $M\cong\operatorname{Cok}\alpha$ . It is obvious that  $\nu$  is still continuous in this case. To prove the openness of  $\nu$  we use

LEMMA 3.9. — For any point  $z \in \Delta$  and its neighbourhood  $U \subset \subset \Delta$  there exist a neighbourhood  $V \subset U$  of z, a neighbourhood W(N) of S(N) and a constant C such that for any  $f \in \Gamma(U, L)$  there exists a section  $g \in \Gamma(V, K)$ , which satisfies the inequality

(3.4) 
$$\sup(|f + \alpha g|, z \in V) \\ \leq C \max \{ \sup(|\nu_N f(z)|, z \in U \cap N \setminus W(N)), N \in \operatorname{Ass}(M) \}.$$

The maximum in the right-hand side is well-defined since  $U \cup N$  is empty, except for a finite subset of  $\mathrm{Ass}(M)$ . Lemma 3.9 implies Theorem 3.8, since we can choose a polyhedral covering for X, consisting of neighbourhoods V, which satisfy (3.4) and the sup-norm in the right-hand side is majorized by the topology induced from the distribution space  $D'(U \cap N \setminus S(N))$ .

Proof of Lemma 3.9. — In fact it is proved in [1, ch. IV] for a special Noether operator  $\lambda$ ,  $\lambda_N : M \to \sum O(N)$ . We have for any N

(3.5) 
$$\lambda_N = s^{-1} \sum \sigma_{N\Lambda} \nu_{\Lambda} \,,$$

where according to Theorem 3.2  $\sigma_{N\Lambda}: \sum O(\Lambda) \to \sum O(N)$  is a differential operator in a neighbourhood of z and  $\bar{s} \in O(X_z) \setminus I(N_z)$ . Note that  $\sigma_{N\Lambda} \neq 0$  only if  $N \subset \Lambda$ , since  $\sigma_{N\Lambda}$  is a differential operator. Applying [1], we get the estimate

(3.6) 
$$\sup(|f + \alpha g|, z \in V) \\ \leq C \max \left\{ \sup(|\lambda_N f|, z \in U' \cap N \setminus W(N)), N \in \operatorname{Ass}(M) \right\}$$

for a section g of the sheaf K, some neighbourhoods  $V, U' \subset\subset U$  of z. We may assume that the set S(N) contains  $s^{-1}(0)$ . Then we need to prove the inequality

(3.7) 
$$\sup \{ |\lambda_N f|, z \in U' \cap N \setminus W(N) \}$$

$$\leq C' \max \{ \sup(|\nu_\Lambda f|, z \in U \cap \Lambda \setminus W(\Lambda), \Lambda \supset N \}.$$

Combining it with (3.6), we get (3.4). To prove (3.7) we use (3.5), the inequality  $|s^{-1}| \leq \text{const}$  on the set  $U \cap N \setminus W(N)$  and the estimate

$$\sup \big\{ |\sigma_{N\Lambda} h|, \, z \in U' \cap N \setminus W(N) \big\} \leq C \sup \{ |h|, \, z \in U \cap \Lambda \setminus W(\Lambda) \}$$

for any holomorphic function h on  $U \cap \Lambda$ . To check this estimate we apply the Cauchy inequality. Lemma 3.9 and hence Theorem 3.8 are proved.

#### 4. End of the proof of Theorem 1.1.

Now we apply Theorem 3.4 to the sheaf  $M := H_0 \equiv \operatorname{Cok} p'_0$ , denoting  $N_1, N_2, \ldots$  all the elements of  $\operatorname{Ass}(M)$ . Thus for any k there exists a  $N_k$ -Noether operator

$$\nu_k : \Gamma(\Lambda, M) \longrightarrow \sum \Gamma(N_k, O(N_k)),$$

possessing the property (3.2). Moreover Theorem 3.8 implies that the continuous operator

$$\nu = \prod \nu_k : \Gamma(\Lambda_b, M) \longrightarrow \prod_k \sum \Gamma(\Lambda_b \cap N_k, O(N_k))$$

is an open mapping onto its image, when the first space is equipped with the canonical topology and the second one is endowed with the topology induced from  $\prod \sum D'(\Lambda_b \cap N_k \setminus \Omega_k)$ , where  $D'(\cdot)$  means the space of distributions and  $\Omega_k$  is any proper closed analytic subset of  $N_k$  such that sing  $N_k \subset \Omega_k$ . We may assume that for any k this set satisfies the condition:  $s \neq 0$  on  $N_k \setminus \Omega_k$ , where s is holomorphic function, which appears in (3.2). Combining this mapping with the morphism  $\pi : \Gamma(\Lambda_a, I_0) \to \Gamma(\Lambda_a, M)$ , we get for any a > 0 the complex

(4.1) 
$$\Gamma(\Lambda_b, I_1) \xrightarrow{p'_0} \Gamma(\Lambda_b, I_0) \xrightarrow{\nu \pi} \prod_k \sum \Gamma(\Lambda_b \cap N_k, O(N_k)).$$

It is exact, since  $\operatorname{Ker} \pi = \operatorname{Im} p_0'$ , because of Lemma 2.3 and of Proposition 3.1. The composition  $\nu\pi$  is an open operator onto its image, since  $\pi$  is open by the definition of the topology of  $\Gamma(\Lambda_a, M)$  and  $\nu$  is open, because of the aforesaid.

Now take an arbitrary solution u of (0.1), which satisfies (0.2). It may be considered as a functional on  $S_b$  for arbitrary b > a. This functional vanishes on  $\operatorname{Im}^t p$ . Let  $S^*$  be the adjoint to the operator S (see Lemma 2.4). Then  $S^*(u)$  is a continuous functional on  $\Gamma(\Lambda_b, I_0)$ , which vanishes on the subspace  $\operatorname{Im} p'_0 = \operatorname{Ker} \nu \pi$ , because of (2.9). Consider the operator

$$\rho: \Gamma(\Lambda_b, I_0) / \operatorname{Ker} \nu \pi \longrightarrow \operatorname{Im} \nu \pi,$$

generated by  $\nu\pi$ . It is a topological isomorphism, since  $\nu\pi$  is open, hence we may consider a continuous functional  $v := (\rho^{-1})^* S^*(u)$  on  $\operatorname{Im} \nu\pi$ . Applying Hahn-Banach theorem, we take a continuous extension w of v to the space  $\prod \sum \Gamma(\Lambda_b \cap N_k, O(N_k))$ . It can be written as a finite sum

$$w = \sum_{k} \sum_{j=1}^{r(k)} w_{kj},$$

where  $w_{kj}$  is a continuous functional on  $\Gamma(\Lambda_b \cap N_k, O(N_k))$ . Then we use Hahn-Banach theorem once more to extend  $w_{kj}$  to a continuous functional  $\tilde{w}_{kj}$  on the space  $D'(\Lambda_b \cap N_k \setminus \Omega_k)$  and write it as an integral

$$\tilde{w}_{kj}(f) = \int f \mu_{kj}$$

with a smooth density  $\mu_{kj}$  such that supp  $\mu_{kj} \subset \Lambda_b \cap N_k \setminus \Omega_k$ . Hence

(4.2) 
$$u(\varphi) = v(\psi) = w(\nu \pi(\psi)) = \sum_{k,j} \int \nu_{kj} \pi(\psi) \mu_{kj},$$

where  $\varphi \in S_b$ ,  $\psi := S^{-1}(\varphi)$  and

$$\nu_{kj}: \Gamma(\Lambda, M) \longrightarrow \Gamma(N_k, O(N_k)), \quad j = 1, \dots, r(k)$$

are components of  $\nu_k$ . The equality (4.2) coincides with (1.2) if we set

$$f_{kj}(\lambda,\varphi):=\delta_{\lambda}\delta_{kj}(\psi),\quad \delta_{kj}:=\nu_{kj}\pi:\Gamma(\Lambda,I_0)\longrightarrow\Gamma(N_k,O(N_k)),$$

where  $f_{kj}(\lambda,\varphi)$  means the value of the distribution  $f_{kj}(\lambda,\cdot)$  on a test function  $\varphi$  and  $\delta_{\lambda}$  denotes the delta-distribution supported by the point  $\lambda \in N_k$ . The distribution  $f_{kj}(\lambda,\cdot)$  satisfies (0.1) since it may be written in the form (4.2) with  $\mu_{kj} := \delta_{\lambda}$ . This a smooth function on  $x \in \mathbf{R}^n$ , since the equation (0.1) is elliptic. This solution is weakly holomorphic on  $\zeta$  and therefore is a smooth function on  $N_k \times \mathbf{R}^n$ . This implies ii). Properties i) and iv) were proved earlier.

To check iii) we choose arbitrary  $q \in \mathbf{Z}^n$  and compute for arbitrary k and j

$$T_q f_{kj}(\lambda, \varphi) = f_{kj}(\lambda, T_{-q}(\varphi)) = \delta_{\lambda} \delta_{kj}(e_q \psi), \quad e_q(\lambda) := \exp(2\pi i \lambda \cdot q),$$

$$\delta_{kj}(e_q\psi) = e_q\delta_{kj}(\psi) + (\operatorname{ad} e_q)\delta_{kj}(\psi).$$

The operator  $\gamma := s(\operatorname{ad} e_q)\delta_{kj}$  belongs to the linear span of operators  $\delta_{ki}$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, r(k)$  over algebra  $\Gamma(\Lambda, O(\Lambda))$  since of (3.2) and  $\operatorname{ord} \gamma < \operatorname{ord} \delta_{kj}$ . We have

$$s(\lambda)\delta_{\lambda}\delta_{kj}(e_q \cdot \psi) = s(\lambda)e_q(\lambda)\delta_{\lambda}\delta_{kj}(\psi) + \delta_{\lambda}\gamma(\psi),$$

therefore for any  $\lambda \in N_k \setminus \Omega_k$  whe have

$$T_q f_{kj}(\lambda, \varphi) = e_q(\lambda) f_{kj}(\lambda, \varphi) + s(\lambda)^{-1} \delta_{\lambda} \gamma(\psi),$$

hence

$$[T_q - \exp(2\pi i\lambda \cdot q)] f_{kj}(\lambda, \cdot) = g(\cdot),$$

where g is an element of the linear span of functions  $f_{ki}(\lambda, \cdot)$ ,  $i = 1, \ldots, r(k)$ . Applying this computation to g and so on, we come to (1.3), which implies iii). The proof is complete.

#### 5. Approximation.

THEOREM 5.1. — Suppose that a set  $\Phi \subset \Lambda$  has a non-empty intersection with  $N_k$  for each k. Then the set of Floquet solutions of (0.1) with quasi-impulses  $\lambda \in \Phi$  is total in the space of all solutions, which satisfies (0.2) for some a > 0.

Remark. — The similar result for differential equations with constant coefficients is due to Malgrange [12].

*Proof.* — The statement is equivalent to the following : for  $\varphi \in \Gamma(\Lambda_a, I_0)$  the system of equations

(5.1) 
$$\gamma_{\lambda}(\varphi) = 0, \qquad \lambda \in \Phi,$$

implies that  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Im} p'_0$ , if  $\gamma_\lambda$  runs over the set of linear functionals over  $\Gamma(\Lambda, I_0)$  supported at  $\lambda$ , which vanish on the image of the operator  $p'_0$  in (4.1). To prove this implication we note that for any k, any  $\lambda \in \Phi \cap N_k$  and any functional  $\delta$  over  $\sum \Gamma(N_k, O(N_k))$  supported at  $\lambda$ , the functional  $\gamma_\lambda := \delta \nu_k \pi$  vanishes on  $\operatorname{Im} p'_0$ . Hence the system (5.1) implies the equation  $\delta(\nu_k \pi \varphi) = 0$  for any  $\delta$ . This means that the image of  $\nu_k \pi(\varphi)$  in  $\sum \widehat{O}_\lambda(N_k)$  vanishes, where the symbol  $\widehat{\phantom{A}}$  denote the completion in  $\mathfrak{m}_\lambda$ -adic topology. If follows that the germ at  $\lambda$  of the function  $\nu_k \pi(\varphi)$  is equal to zero, since the canonical mapping  $F_\lambda \to \widehat{F}_\lambda$  is an injection for any coherent sheaf F.

This implies the equalities  $\nu_k \pi(\varphi) = 0$ ,  $k = 1, \ldots$ , since  $N_k$  is irreducible for any k. Therefore  $\varphi \in \operatorname{Im} p'_0$  because (4.1) is exact and Theorem 5.1 follows.

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