

Finite-Dimensional Reduction of Systems of Nonlinear Diffusion Equations

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Abstract—We present a class of one-dimensional systems of nonlinear parabolic equations for which the phase dynamics at large time can be described by an ODE with a Lipschitz vector field in \mathbb{R}^n . In the considered case of the Dirichlet boundary value problem, the sufficient conditions for a finite-dimensional reduction turn out to be much wider than the known conditions of this kind for a periodic situation.

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1. INTRODUCTION

One of the main problems in the study of evolution equations is related to the description of the final (long-time) behavior of their solutions. We consider systems of diffusion equations with the Dirichlet boundary condition

$$\partial_t u = D \partial_{xx} u + f(x, u) \partial_x u + g(x, u), \quad u(0) = u(1) = 0 \quad (1.1)$$

on the interval $J = [0, 1]$. Here $u = (u_1, \dots, u_m)$, and f and g are sufficiently regular matrix functions and vector functions, respectively. We assume that the constant coefficient matrix D is similar to a diagonal matrix with positive eigenvalues. In the case of $D = \text{diag}\{d_1, \dots, d_m\}$ with $d_j > 0$, we deal with reaction-diffusion-convection equations. Under appropriate conditions on f and g , system (1.1) induces a smooth dissipative semiflow $\{\Phi_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ in the phase space $X^\alpha \subset C^1(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$ with an appropriate $\alpha > 0$, where $\{X^\alpha\}_{\alpha \geq 0}$ is the Hilbert half-scale [1] generated by the linear sectorial operator $u \rightarrow -D u_{xx}$ in $X = L^2(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$. In this situation, there exists a global attractor [2]–[4] (simply an attractor below), i.e., a connected compact invariant set $\mathcal{A} \subset X^\alpha$ of finite Hausdorff dimension which uniformly attracts bounded subsets X^α as $t \rightarrow +\infty$.

Our goal is to find conditions under which the dynamics on attractor (final dynamics) of the parabolic system (1.1) is finite-dimensional in the sense of [5]. This means that, for some ODE $\partial_t \xi = h(\xi)$ in \mathbb{R}^N with Lipschitz vector field h , resolving flow $\{\Theta_t\}$, and invariant compact set $\mathcal{K} \subset \mathbb{R}^N$, the phase semiflows $\{\Phi_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ on \mathcal{A} and $\{\Theta_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ on \mathcal{K} are Lipschitz conjugate. In this connection, one can speak [6] about a finite reduction of the evolution problem (1.1).

The main result of the paper (Theorem 4.3) ensures that the final phase dynamics of system (1.1) is finite under the *matching condition*

$$Df(x, u) = f(x, u)D, \quad (x, u) \in J \times \text{co } \mathcal{A}, \quad (1.2)$$

where $\text{co } \mathcal{A}$ is the convex hull of \mathcal{A} .

It is known [7] that, in the case of scalar diffusion ($D = dE$ with unit matrix E) and sufficiently regular $f = f(u)$ and $g = g(u)$, there exists an inertial manifold (IM) which is a finite-dimensional

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invariant C^1 -surface in the phase space containing an attractor and exponentially attracting (with an asymptotic phase) all trajectories of the system as $t \rightarrow +\infty$. The presence of IM implies the finite-dimensionality of the final dynamics; an extensive literature is devoted to the existence of such manifolds (see, e.g., [3], [4], [6], [8]). An original approach to such problems is presented in recent Anikushin's works (see [9] and the references therein).

For the periodic case (J is a circle of length 1), conditions for the finite-dimensionality of the final dynamics of system (1.1) with $D = \text{diag}$ were obtained by the author in [10, p. 13409]. We note that, in the class of periodic systems (1.1) with scalar diffusion, the first example of semilinear parabolic equation of mathematical physics that does not exhibit such a dynamics was constructed in [11, Theorem 1.2].

2. PRELIMINARIES

In what follows, if necessary, we will use the technique developed in [10]. All preliminary constructions in Secs. 2, 3 are performed for the case $D = \text{diag}$. We write system (1.1) as a semilinear parabolic equation (SPE)

$$\partial_t u = -Au + F(u) \quad (2.1)$$

in the *real* Hilbert space $X = L^2(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$ with norm $\|\cdot\|$. Here $A: u \rightarrow -Du_{xx}$ with the Dirichlet boundary condition and nonlinearity $F: u \rightarrow f(x, u)\partial_x u + g(u)$. For a linear positive definite operator A , we set $X^\alpha = \mathcal{D}(A^\alpha)$ with $\alpha \geq 0$ and $X_0 = X$; then $\|u\|_\alpha = \|A^\alpha u\|$. We will say that a function F belongs to the class $W^2(X^\alpha, X)$ if

$$F \in C^2(X^\alpha, X) \cap \text{Lip}(X^\alpha, X) \quad \text{and} \quad \|F(u)\| \leq M \quad \text{for } u \in X^\alpha \quad (2.2)$$

for some $\alpha \in [0, 1)$. In this case, SPE (2.1) generates [1] a smooth compact resolving semiflow $\{\Phi_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ in the phase space X^α . Assumption (2.2) implies [8, Lemma 1.1] the X^α -dissipativity of (2.1):

$$\limsup_{t \rightarrow +\infty} \|\Phi_t u\|_\alpha \leq r$$

for some $r > 0$ uniformly in $u \in$ balls in X^α . Under these conditions, there exists [2]–[4] a compact attractor $\mathcal{A} \subset X^\alpha$ consisting of all bounded complete trajectories $\{u(t)\}_{t \in \mathbb{R}} \subset X^\alpha$. In fact, $\mathcal{A} \subset X^1$ owing to the *smoothing action* of the parabolic equation [1]. Simple reasoning [10, p. 13410] shows that, in all constructions related to SPE (2.1), the nonlinearity exponent α can be replaced by any value $\alpha_1 \in (\alpha, 1)$, and if condition (2.2) is satisfied in the two spaces $(X^\theta, X^{\theta+\alpha})$ with $\theta > 0$ instead of (X, X^α) , then all the above-listed properties of the dynamics remain valid for the phase space $X^{\theta+\alpha}$. In what follows, we will use functions $Y_1 \rightarrow Y_2$ of class (2.2) for some Banach spaces Y_1 and Y_2 .

As in [10], we will use sufficient conditions for the final finite-dimensionality of the dynamics [12]. Let $G(u) = F(u) - Au$ be the vector field (2.1), and let $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}$ and Y be Banach spaces.

Definition 2.1 [12]. A continuous field $\Pi: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow Y$ is said to be *regular* if, for any $u, v \in \mathcal{A}$, the function $\Pi(\Phi_t u, \Phi_t v): [0, +\infty) \rightarrow Y$ is of class C^1 with the derivative $\partial_t \Pi(u, v)$ at zero uniformly bounded in $(u, v) \in \mathcal{N}$.

The smoothness of the semiflow $\{\Phi_t\}$ and the invariance of the compact set $\mathcal{A} \subset X^\alpha$ imply the regularity of the identical embedding $\mathcal{N} \rightarrow X^\alpha \times X^\alpha$, and hence of any field $\Pi: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow Y$ that can be continued to a C^1 -mapping in the $(X^\alpha \times X^\alpha)$ -neighborhood of the set \mathcal{N} . In this situation, $\partial_t \Pi(u, v) = \Pi'(u, v)(G(u), G(v))$, where $(\cdot)'$ is the Fréchet differentiation. Under condition (2.2) on the nonlinearity F , the function $u \rightarrow G(u)$ on \mathcal{A} is continuous and even Hölder [5] in the X^α -metric. The regular fields $\mathcal{N} \rightarrow Y$ form a linear structure as well as a multiplicative one if Y is a Banach algebra. In the last case, if all elements $\Pi(u, v) \in Y$ are invertible, then the field Π^{-1} also turns out to be regular.

We start from the decomposition

$$G(u) - G(v) = (T_0(u, v) - T(u, v))(u - v), \quad (u, v) \in \mathcal{N}, \quad (2.3)$$

where $T_0 \in \mathcal{L}(X^\alpha)$ and $T \in \mathcal{L}(X^1, X)$ are unbounded linear operators in X similar to positive definite ones. By

$$\Sigma_T = \bigcup_{u,v \in \mathcal{A}} \text{spec } T(u, v)$$

we denote the total spectrum of the operators T .

We will need the special case of [12, Theorem 2.8] in the situation $\Sigma_T \subset \mathbb{R}^+$.

Theorem 2.2. *Assume that $F \in W^2(X^\alpha, X)$ and*

$$T(u, v) = S^{-1}(u, v)H(u, v)S(u, v) \tag{2.4}$$

on \mathcal{N} , where the unbounded self-adjoint linear operators $H(u, v)$ are positive definite in X , the fields $S, S^{-1}: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$ and $T_0: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X^\alpha, X)$ are regular, and the field $T_0: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X^\alpha)$ is bounded. Moreover, if the set $\mathbb{R}^+ \setminus \Sigma_T$ contains intervals $(a_k - \xi_k, a_k + \xi_k)$ with $a_k > \xi_k > 0$ such that

$$\xi_k \rightarrow \infty, \quad a_k^{\alpha/2} = o(\xi_k) \tag{2.5}$$

as $k \rightarrow +\infty$, then the final X^α -dynamics of SPE (2.1) is finite-dimensional.

We further assume that the matrix function $f = f(x, u)$ and the vector function $g = g(x, u)$ in (1.1) satisfy the following regularity conditions.

Condition (H). The functions f and g of the class C^∞ on $J \times \mathbb{R}^m$ are compactly supported in u , and $f(x, 0) = g(x, 0) = 0$ for $x = 0, 1$.

By $\mathcal{H}^s = \mathcal{H}^s(J)$ we denote generalized Sobolev L^2 -spaces (spaces of Bessel potentials [1], [13]) of scalar functions on J with arbitrary $s \geq 0$. If $s > 1/2$, then $\mathcal{H}^s \subset C(J)$ and \mathcal{H}^s is a Banach algebra [13, Sec. 2.8.3]. The differentiation operator acts in the spaces $\partial_x \in \mathcal{L}(\mathcal{H}^{s+1}, \mathcal{H}^s)$. In fact, the X^s are closed subspaces (with equivalent norm) in the spaces $\mathcal{H}^{2s}(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$ of vector-functions, and $X^s = \mathcal{H}^{2s}(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$ for $s \leq 1/4$. For $s > 1/4$, the space X^s consists of elements $u \in \mathcal{H}^{2s}(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$ with $u(0) = u(1) = 0$.

Now fix an arbitrary $\alpha \in (3/4, 1)$; then $\mathcal{H}^{2\alpha} \hookrightarrow C^1(J)$ and $X^\alpha \hookrightarrow C^1(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$, where the symbol \hookrightarrow denotes a linear continuous embedding of function spaces. Let us use necessary embedding theorems [1], [13]. For an arbitrary C^∞ -function $z: J \times \mathbb{R}^m \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, the mapping $\psi: u \rightarrow z(x, u)$ is a function of class W^2 (see (2.2)) from $C^s(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$ to $C^s(J)$ for all $s \in \mathbb{N}$. This implies that $\psi \in W^2(\mathcal{H}^{2\alpha}(J, \mathbb{R}^m), C^1(J))$. Using the embedding $\mathcal{H}^{s+1} \hookrightarrow C^s(J) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{H}^s$, we can conclude that $\psi \in W^2(\mathcal{H}^s(J, \mathbb{R}^m), \mathcal{H}^s(J))$. So $F \in W^2(X^1, X^{1/2})$ for the nonlinear part $F: u \rightarrow f(x, u) \partial_x u + g(u)$ of system (1.1). Moreover, $X^\alpha \hookrightarrow C^1(J, \mathbb{R}^m) \hookrightarrow C(J, \mathbb{R}^m) \hookrightarrow X$, and hence $F \in W^2(X^\alpha, X)$. We also note that $X^{3/2} \hookrightarrow C^2(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$.

We take X^α as the phase space of system (1.1). Following [7], we can show that the phase dynamics of (1.1) in X^α is dissipative and there exists a global attractor $\mathcal{A} \subset X^\alpha$. Since $F \in W^2(X^1, X^{1/2})$, system (1.1) also generates a smooth dissipative phase semiflow in the space X^1 , and the attractor \mathcal{A} is compact in $X^{3/2}$. As above, we denote $\mathcal{N} = \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{A}$.

Remark 2.3. The phase dynamics of system (1.1) has the following property: if Y is a Banach space, then each vector field $\Pi: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow Y$ continuous in the $(X^\alpha \times X^\alpha)$ -metric and extendable to a C^1 -mapping $X^1 \times X^1 \rightarrow Y$ is regular in the sense of Definition 2.1.

Indeed, the smoothness of a semiflow in X^1 means the smoothness of the mapping

$$(t, u) \rightarrow \Phi_t u: (0, +\infty) \times X^1 \rightarrow X^1.$$

This ensures the regularity of the identity mapping $\mathcal{N} \rightarrow X^1 \times X^1$ and hence the regularity of the field Π on \mathcal{N} .

3. DECOMPOSITION OF THE VECTOR FIELD ON THE ATTRACTOR

We will apply Theorem 2.2 to SPE (1.1) with $D = \text{diag}$ and the phase spaces X^α , $\alpha \in (3/4, 1)$. By \mathbb{M}^m we denote the algebra of numerical $(m \times m)$ -matrices with Euclidean norm, and by $Y(J, \mathbb{M}^m)$, the linear spaces of such matrices with elements from some Banach space Y of scalar functions on $J = [0, 1]$. Following [10, pp. 13412–13413], we set

$$B_0(x; u, v) = \int_0^1 (f_u(x, w(x))w_x(x) + g_u(x, w(x))) d\tau, \quad (3.1)$$

$$B(x; u, v) = \int_0^1 f(x, w(x)) d\tau \quad (3.2)$$

for $u, v \in X^\alpha$, where $w(x) = \tau u(x) + (1 - \tau)v(x)$, $x \in J$. The entries of the matrices B_0 and B are continuous functions, and for $u, v \in \mathcal{A}$ they are functions of the class C^2 on J . Using the C^1 -smoothness of the mappings $(u, v) \rightarrow f_u(x, w)w_x + g_u(x, w)$, $(u, v) \rightarrow f(x, w)$, $X^\alpha \times X^\alpha \rightarrow C(J, \mathbb{M}^m)$ for a fixed $\tau \in [0, 1]$ and differentiating the expressions for B_0 and B with respect to the parameter (u, v) , we conclude that the mappings

$$(u, v) \rightarrow B_0(\cdot; u, v), \quad (u, v) \rightarrow B(\cdot; u, v) \quad (3.3)$$

are of the class $C^1(X^\alpha \times X^\alpha, C(J, \mathbb{M}^m))$. We use the integral mean value theorem for nonlinear operators to write the decomposition of the vector field (1.1) on the attractor $\mathcal{A} \subset X^\alpha$ in the form

$$\begin{aligned} G(u) - G(v) &= -Ah + \left(\int_0^1 F'(\tau u + (1 - \tau)v) d\tau \right) h \\ &= Dh_{xx} + B_0(x; u, v)h + B(x; u, v)h_x, \quad u, v \in \mathcal{A}, \end{aligned}$$

where $h = u - v$, $\tau u + (1 - \tau)v \in \text{co } \mathcal{A}$, and $(\cdot)'$ is the Frechet differentiation. To eliminate the dependence on h_x , we (following [14]) apply the transformation $h = U\eta$, where the $(m \times m)$ -matrix function $U(x) = U(x; u, v)$, $x \in [0, 1]$, is the solution of the Cauchy problem

$$U_x = -\frac{1}{2}D^{-1}B(x)U, \quad U(0) = E. \quad (3.4)$$

As a result, we obtain relation (2.3) with linear operators

$$T_0(u, v)h = \left(B_0(x) - \frac{1}{2}B_x(x) - \frac{1}{4}B(x)D^{-1}B(x) \right) h, \quad (3.5)$$

$$T(u, v)h = -DU \partial_{xx} U^{-1}h. \quad (3.6)$$

Note that, under the change of variable $h = U\eta$, the Dirichlet boundary conditions for the linear part of (1.1) are preserved. When writing the matrices B_0 , B , U , U^{-1} , we often omit the dependence on u , v , and sometimes, on x .

Lemma 3.1. *The field of the operator T_0 on \mathcal{N} is regular with values in $\mathcal{L}(X^\alpha, X)$ and bounded with values in $\mathcal{L}(X^\alpha)$.*

Proof. We set $T_0h = Q(x; u, v)h$ in (3.5) with $h \in \mathcal{A} - \mathcal{A} \subset X^\alpha$. The convex hull of the attractor \mathcal{A} is bounded in the $X^{3/2}$ -norm equivalent to the norm in $\mathcal{H}^3(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$, and therefore, the matrix functions B , $BD^{-1}B$, and B_0 are bounded uniformly in $(u, v) \in \mathcal{N}$ in $\mathcal{H}^3(J, \mathbb{M}^m)$ and $\mathcal{H}^2(J, \mathbb{M}^m)$, respectively. Thus, the matrix functions B_x and Q are bounded on \mathcal{N} in the norm of $\mathcal{H}^2(J, \mathbb{M}^m)$, and T_0 is the operator of multiplication of vector functions in $X^\alpha \subset \mathcal{H}^{2\alpha}(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$ by the matrix $Q \in \mathcal{H}^{2\alpha}(J, \mathbb{M}^m)$ with $2\alpha \in (3/2, 2)$. Since $\mathcal{H}^{2\alpha}(J)$ is a Banach algebra, we see that $T_0(u, v) \in \mathcal{L}(X^\alpha)$ and $\|T_0(u, v)\|_\alpha \leq \text{const}$ on \mathcal{N} .

In view of Remark 2.3 and the above-noted smoothness of the mapping (3.3), the regularity of the field of the operator $T_0: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X^\alpha, X)$ can be established exactly just as for the case of periodic boundary conditions in [10, Lemma 3.3]. \square

The matrix function $U(x)$ in the Cauchy problem (3.4) can be treated as a bounded linear operator in X .

Lemma 3.2. *The fields of the operators $U, U^{-1}: \mathcal{N} \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(X)$ are regular.*

Proof. For the field U , this can be proved as the similar assertion in the periodic case [10, Lemma 3.4]. At the same time, the regularity of U implies the regularity of the field of inverse operators U^{-1} .

Now let $d_- = \min_{1 \leq j \leq m} d_j$ and $d_+ = \max_{1 \leq j \leq m} d_j$ for $D = \text{diag}\{d_j\}$. Also let $\{\lambda_n : \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \dots\}$ be the eigenvectors of the linear operator $A = -D \partial_{xx}$. Since

$$\text{spec}(A) = \{d_j \pi^2 \nu^2, \nu \in \mathbb{N}, j \in 1, \dots, m\}, \tag{3.7}$$

we have $\lambda_n \leq \pi^2 d_+ n^2$. Using the counting function for $\text{spec}(A)$, we obtain

$$n \leq \sum_{j=1}^m \frac{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}{\pi \sqrt{d_j}} \leq \frac{m}{\pi \sqrt{d_-}} \sqrt{\lambda_n},$$

and hence

$$\frac{\pi^2 d_-}{m^2} n^2 \leq \lambda_n \leq \pi^2 d_+ n^2, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}. \tag{3.8}$$

□

Lemma 3.3. *The following estimate holds:*

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-1} (\lambda_{n+1} - \lambda_n) > 0.$$

Proof. If, on the contrary, $\lambda_{n+1} - \lambda_n = \beta_n n$ with $\beta_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-2} \lambda_n &= n^{-2} \left(\lambda_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} (\lambda_{k+1} - \lambda_k) \right) = n^{-2} \left(\lambda_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \beta_k k \right) \\ &\leq n^{-2} \left(\lambda_1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \beta_k n \right) \leq n^{-2} \lambda_1 + n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \beta_k. \end{aligned}$$

But this implies the relation $\lambda_n = o(n^2)$, which contradicts the left inequality in (3.8). □

4. MAIN RESULTS

By the assumptions of Theorem 2.2, it is necessary, for the operators $T(u, v)$ in (3.6), to establish “uniform” similarity of the positive definite form (2.4) as well as the required sparsity (2.5) of their total spectrum Σ_T . We assume that the regularity Condition (H) is satisfied for the functions f and g in (1.1).

Theorem 4.1. *If the matrix D has the form $D = \text{diag}\{d_j\}$ with $d_j > 0$ and the matching condition (1.2) is satisfied, then the phase dynamics on the attractor is finite-dimensional.*

Proof. The operator $A = -D \partial_{xx}$ with the Dirichlet condition is self-adjoint and positive definite in X . Assumption (1.2) implies (for any $x \in J$ and $u, v \in \mathcal{A}$) the relation $DB(x) = B(x)D$ for the matrices $B(x) = B(x; u, v)$ in (3.2). Thus, the matrices $B(x)$ and $D^{-1}B(x)$ inherit the block (with respect to the same d_j) structure of the diffusion matrix $D = \text{diag}\{d_1, \dots, d_m\}$. Therefore, this is also true for the solutions $U(x)$ of the Cauchy problem (3.4), and hence $DU(x) = U(x)D$, $x \in J$, and

$$T(u, v) = U(u, v)(-D \partial_{xx})U^{-1}(u, v)$$

in (3.6). Thus, for $T(u, v)$ we have the representation (2.4) with $S(u, v) = U^{-1}(u, v)$ and $H(u, v) \equiv A$. The total spectrum Σ_T coincides with $\text{spec}(A)$ in (3.7). By Lemma 3.3, there exists an $\varepsilon > 0$ and an increasing sequence of indices $n(k)$ such that $\lambda_{n(k)+1} - \lambda_{n(k)} > \varepsilon n(k)$ for $k \geq k_0$. Set

$$a_k = \frac{\lambda_{n(k)+1} + \lambda_{n(k)}}{2}, \quad \xi_k = \frac{\lambda_{n(k)+1} - \lambda_{n(k)}}{3}, \quad M = \pi^2 d_+.$$

From the right inequality in (3.8), we obtain

$$a_k \leq M \left(n^2(k) + n(k) + \frac{1}{2} \right) \leq 3Mn^2(k) \leq \frac{3M}{\varepsilon^2} (\lambda_{n(k)+1} - \lambda_{n(k)})^2 \leq \frac{27M}{\varepsilon^2} \xi_k^2$$

for $k \geq k_0$; i.e., $a_k = O(\xi_k^2)$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Since $a_k^{\alpha/2} = o(\xi_k)$ for $\alpha \in (3/4, 1)$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$, we see that the desired assertion follows from Lemmas 3.1 and 3.2 and Theorem 2.2. \square

Remark 4.2. Parabolic systems (1.1) with $D = \text{diag}$ demonstrate a finite-dimensional dynamics on the attractor for any admissible nonlinearities f and g in the case of scalar diffusion and under the condition $f = \text{diag}$ in the case of m distinct diffusion coefficients d_j . In the case of s distinct diffusion coefficients with $1 < s < m$, the dynamics on the attractor is finite-dimensional under the condition that the matrix function f inherits the block structure (with the same d_j) of the matrix $D = \text{diag}\{d_j\}$.

Now we state the main result. We assume that the matrix D in system (1.1) has the form $D = C\bar{D}C^{-1}$, where the matrix C is nonsingular and $\bar{D} = \text{diag}\{d_1, \dots, d_m\}$ with $d_j > 0$. The linear operator $-D \partial_{xx} = -C(\bar{D} \partial_{xx})C^{-1}$ is sectorial in $X = L^2(J, \mathbb{R}^m)$. The linear change of variables $u = Cv$ reduces (1.1) to the system of equations

$$\begin{aligned} \partial_t v &= \bar{D} \partial_{xx} v + \bar{f}(x, v) \partial_x v + \bar{g}(x, v), & v(0) &= v(1) = 0, \\ \bar{f}(x, v) &= C^{-1} f(x, Cv) C, & \bar{g}(x, v) &= C^{-1} g(x, Cv). \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

The matrix function \bar{f} and the vector function \bar{g} inherit the regularity properties (H) of the original functions f and g . The phase semiflows of systems (4.1) and (1.1) are linearly conjugate. System (4.1) is dissipative in X^α , and hence this is also true for system (1.1). The attractors \mathcal{A} of system (1.1) and $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$ of system (4.1) are related by the expression $\mathcal{A} = C\bar{\mathcal{A}}$. According to the definition of the finite-dimensionality of the phase dynamics (Sec. 1), systems (4.1) and (1.1) demonstrate this property simultaneously.

Theorem 4.3 (main). *If the matrix D is similar to $\text{diag}\{d_j\}$ with $d_j > 0$ and the matching condition (1.2) is satisfied, then the phase dynamics of system (1.1) is finite-dimensional.*

Proof. Since $Df(x, u) = f(x, u)D$ on $J \times \text{co } \mathcal{A}$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{D} \bar{f}(x, v) &= C^{-1} DC \cdot C^{-1} f(x, Cv) C = C^{-1} Df(x, u) C \\ &= C^{-1} f(x, u) DC = C^{-1} f(x, Cv) C \bar{D} = \bar{f}(x, v) \bar{D} \end{aligned}$$

on $J \times \text{co } \bar{\mathcal{A}}$. Here $u \in \text{co } \mathcal{A}$ and $v \in \bar{\mathcal{A}}$. As we can see, condition (1.2) is satisfied for the matrix function \bar{f} , and the dynamics of system (4.1) on the attractor $\bar{\mathcal{A}} \subset X^\alpha$ is finite-dimensional by Theorem 4.1. This also implies the finite-dimensionality of the dynamics of system (1.1) on the attractor $\mathcal{A} \subset X^\alpha$. \square

Remark 4.4. Under the matching condition (1.2), the final dynamics of system (1.1) is finite-dimensional if all eigenvalues of the matrix D are distinct and positive. Condition (1.2) is satisfied, in particular, for $f = D_1 \varphi$, where the numerical matrix D_1 commutes with D and $\varphi = \varphi(x, u)$ is a smooth scalar function compactly supported in u .

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