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# Relaxation Limit and Initial-Layers for a Class of Hyperbolic-Parabolic Systems

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#### Abstract

We consider a class of hyperbolic-parabolic systems with small diffusion terms and stiff sources. Existence of solutions to the Cauchy problem with ill prepared initial data is established by using composite expansions including initial-layer correctors and a convergence-stability lemma. New multitime expansions are introduced and lead to second-order error estimates between the composite expansions and the solution. Reduced equilibrium systems of second-order accuracy are also investigated as well as initial-layers of Chapman-Enskog expansions.

## 1 Introduction

Relaxation is an ubiquitous phenomenon of natural sciences typically modeled by systems of partial differential equations with stiff damping sources. This is a strong motivation for investigating the mathematical properties of these systems as well as the zero relaxation limit. Such systems of balance laws have notably been investigated mathematically in a hyperbolic framework as well as in a hyperbolic-parabolic framework [28, 39, 3, 31, 40, 42, 6, 43, 27, 25, 8, 36]. We study in this work existence of solutions and asymptotic expansions for *hyperbolic-parabolic* systems with small diffusion terms and stiff sources with ill prepared initial data.

We consider a nonlinear second-order system of partial differential equations in the form

(1.1) 
$$
\partial_t \mathbf{U} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j F_j(\mathbf{U}) - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (B_{ij}(\mathbf{U}) \partial_j \mathbf{U}) = \frac{Q(\mathbf{U})}{\varepsilon},
$$

where u denotes the state vector of basic physical variables, t the time,  $\partial_i$  the derivative operator in the *i*th spatial direction,  $\mathcal{D} = \{1, \ldots, d\}$  the indexing set of spatial directions, d the spatial dimension,  $\varepsilon$  a small positive relaxation parameter,  $F_j = F_j(0)$ ,  $j \in \mathcal{D}$ , the convective fluxes,  $B_{ij} = B_{ij}(0)$ ,  $i, j \in \mathcal{D}$ , the diffusion matrices, and  $Q = Q(0)$  the source term. It is assumed that the convective fluxes, the source term, and the diffusion matrices are smooth functions of  $u \in \mathcal{O}_U$  where  $\mathcal{O}_U$  is an open convex set of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The parameter  $\varepsilon$  is typically the ratio of a characteristic relaxation time and a characteristic convective-diffusive time. The source term  $Q$  is assumed to be in quasilinear form and there exists a fixed linear space  $\mathcal{L}$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  of dimension  $n_e$  termed the slow manifold or the equilibrium manifold such that  $Q(\mathbf{u}) \in \mathcal{L}^{\perp}$ . Denoting by  $\Pi_{e}$  the matrix formed by column vectors of a basis of  $\mathcal{E}$ , the projection  $u = \prod_{e}^{t} v$  is then the natural conservative slow variable. Such systems of partial differential equations (1.1) notably arise from various applications like nonequilibrium twotemperature gases with fast relaxation of translational and internal temperatures [18, 19], radiation hydrodynamics [44], or reactive mixtures with fast chemistry [20, 15]. Existence results with uniform a priori estimates have been obtained for such system with stiff sources for well prepared initial data [18, 19]. Denoting by  $U_{\varepsilon}$  the solution to the Cauchy problem for the system (1.1) and  $\tilde{U}_{\varepsilon}$  its initial value, well prepared initial data are such that  $Q(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_{\varepsilon}) = 0$ . The method of proof has been based on direct a priori estimates that couple standard hyperbolic-parabolic estimates with new contributions arising from stiff sources [19, 20].

Our aim in this paper is to extend such previous existence results for hyperbolic-parabolic systems to the case of ill prepared initial data where  $Q(\tilde{\mathbf{u}}_{\varepsilon}) \neq 0$ . In this situation, the source terms are initially  $\mathcal{O}(1/\varepsilon)$  in (1.1) and this introduces a microscopic  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  scale in time, absent for well prepared inital data. This microscopic time scale naturally lead to initial layers involving the fast time  $\tau = t/\varepsilon$ . The structure and exponential decrease  $\mathcal{O}(\exp(-\delta \tau))$  for some  $\delta > 0$  of such initial layers are then key issues for the relaxation dynamics. Denoting by  $\eta$  a mathematical entropy for (1.1), the quasinormal variable is defined by  $w = (u, q)^t$  where U is assumed to be in the form  $U = (u, v)^t$  and  $q = (\partial_v \eta)^t$ . The transformation  $U \rightarrow \omega$  is a smooth diffeomorphism, the quasinormal variable  $\omega$  is well suited to the source term Q and the slow manifold  $\mathcal{E}$ , and we define  $w_{\varepsilon} = w(v_{\varepsilon})$ . An Hilbert formal asymptotic expansion of  $w_{\varepsilon}$  is built as  $\varepsilon$  goes to zero by considering outer as well as inner expansions with *initial-layer correctors* [39, 40, 43]. Using this formal expansion, an existence proof for the nonlinear system (1.1) is established as well as rigorous error estimates for ill prepared inital data. Key tools are a convergence-stability lemma for hyperbolic-parabolic systems which guarantee that the maximum existence time interval for system (1.1) remains bounded away from zero as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ , the existence and properties of formal expansions, the exponential decrease of initial layers correctors, and the existence of a standard normal form. The accuracy of the composite expansion is shown to be  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  and is improved from a former  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3/2})$  estimate [39]. Such an error estimate is obtained by using new modified expansions including outer second-order fast-component correctors and does not require extra regularity assumptions.

The nonequilibrium system  $(1.1)$  further admits a second-order accurate *reduced* or equilibrium system governing the slow variable  $u$  in the form

(1.2) 
$$
\partial_t u_{\rm e} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j f_j^{\rm e}(u_{\rm e}) - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (B_{ij}^{\rm e}(u_{\rm e}) \partial_j u_{\rm e}) = 0,
$$

where  $u_e$  is the equilibrium solution,  $f_j^e = f_j^e(u_e)$  the equilibrium convective fluxes and  $B_{ij}^e = B_{ij}^e(u_e)$ the equilibrium diffusion matrices. These fluxes and diffusion matrices are defined for  $u_e \in \mathcal{O}_{u_e}$  where  $\mathcal{O}_{u_e}$  is a convex open domain. Such a reduced system  $(1.2)$  may either be derived by using a twoterm Chapman-Enskog expansion [18] or equivalently the Maxwellian iteration method that generally yields similar results at second-order [35]. The resulting diffusion coefficients at equilibrium  $B_{ij}^{\text{e}}$  have contributions either directly inherited from the diffusion terms  $B_{ij}$  out of equilibrium or arising from perturbed convective terms. This yields in particular the viscous tensor in a one-temperature fluid with the shear viscosity inherited from the non-equilibrium model and the volume viscosity coefficient associated with the relaxation of internal energy [18]. Denoting by  $U_{\varepsilon}(x,t)$  the nonequilibrium solution of (1.1),  $u_{\varepsilon} = \Pi_{e}^{t} u_{\varepsilon}$  the corresponding slow variable out of equilibrium,  $u_{e}(x, t)$  the local equilibrium solution of  $(1.2)$ , it has been established that for well prepared initial data [18, 19], when the relaxation parameter  $\varepsilon$  is small, the error estimate is in the form  $u_{\varepsilon}(x,t) - u_{\varepsilon}(x,t) = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$ . In this work, for the more general situation of ill prepared initial data, we establish that the out of equilibrium solution is such that

(1.3) 
$$
u_{\varepsilon}(x,t) - \left(u_{\varepsilon}(x,t) + \varepsilon u^{\mathrm{il}}(x,t/\varepsilon)\right) = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2),
$$

where  $u^{il}(x, t/\varepsilon)$  is an *initial-layer* corrector that decays exponentially to zero as  $t/\varepsilon$  goes to infinity. This estimate is also improved from a former  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3/2})$  accuracy by using the estimates out of equilibrium obtained with the new formal expansions.

The assumptions on system  $(1.1)$  as well as the local equilibrium approximation  $(1.2)$  are presented in Section 2. The formal asymptotic construction is presented in Section 3 and the mathematical justifications are presented in Section 4.

# 2 A class of hyperbolic-parabolic systems

The mathematical assumptions on the system of partial differential equations (1.1) are presented in this section and the second-order reduced system (1.2) is investigated.

#### 2.1 Quasinormal variable

We denote by  $\eta$  a mathematical entropy defined on  $\mathcal{O}_U$ , an open convex set of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . The entropy  $\eta = \eta(\mathbf{U})$ , the fluxes  $F_i = F_i(\mathbf{U})$ , the diffusion matrices  $B_{ij} = B_{ij}(\mathbf{U})$ , and the source term  $Q = Q(\mathbf{U})$ are assumed to be  $C^{\infty}$  over the open convex set  $\mathcal{O}_U$  and the Jacobian matrices of convective fluxes are denoted by  $A_i = \partial_v F_i$ . The unit sphere in d dimension is denoted by  $\Sigma^{d-1}$  and  $\langle x, y \rangle$  is the Euclidean product between vectors  $x$  and  $y$ . The system  $(1.1)$  is assumed to satisfy the following properties.

- ( $u_1$ ) The Hessian matrix  $\partial_v^2 \eta$  is positive definite over  $\mathcal{O}_v$ .
- ( $u_2$ ) The products  $A_j(\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1}$ ,  $j \in \mathcal{D}$ , are symmetric over  $\mathcal{O}_v$ .
- (U<sub>3</sub>) We have  $(B_{ij}(\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1})^t = B_{ji}(\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1}, i, j \in \mathcal{D}$ , and for any  $\xi \in \Sigma^{d-1}$ We have  $(B_{ij}(\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1})^t = B_{ji}(\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1}$ ,  $i, j \in \mathcal{D}$ , and for any  $\xi \in \Sigma^{d-1}$  the matrix  $\widetilde{B}(U, \xi) = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} B_{ij}(\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1} \xi_i \xi_j$  is positive semi-definite over  $\mathcal{O}_U$ .  $\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}}B_{ij}(\partial_\text{U}^2\eta)^{-1}\xi_i\xi_j$  is positive semi-definite over  $\mathcal{O}_\text{U}$ .
- (U<sub>4</sub>) The source term reads  $Q = -L(\partial_v \eta)^t$  where L is a matrix of size n and there exists a partition  $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n_e} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_r}$  with  $n = n_e + n_r$  and L and Q in the form

(2.1) 
$$
L = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S \end{bmatrix}, \qquad Q = -\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S \end{bmatrix} (\partial_v \eta)^t,
$$

where S is a symmetric positive definite matrix of size  $n_r$  and  $U \rightarrow S(U)$  is  $C^{\infty}$  over  $\mathcal{O}_U$ .

The assumptions  $(U_1)$ – $(U_2)$  associated with convective transport have been adapted from [21, 13], the assumption  $(v_3)$  associated with diffusion terms from [22, 23, 24] and the assumption  $(v_4)$  concerning the source term from [44]. A more general form for the source term  $Q$  introduced in [44] may also be rewritten as in  $(U_4)$  by using a linear transform. The conditions  $(U_1)(U_2)(U_4)$  have recently been used as a criterion to construct constitutive equations in non-equilibrium thermodynamics [45]. The  $C^{\infty}$  smoothness assumptions on the system coefficients may also easily be weakened [20].

An entropy balance equation may further be obtained by multiplying the natural system (1.1) by the classical entropic variable  $\mathsf{v} = (\partial_{\mathsf{u}} \eta)^t$ . The corresponding time derivative term is such that  $\partial_{\nu} \eta \partial_t u = \partial_t \eta$  whereas the convective terms read  $\partial_{\nu} \eta A_i \partial_i u = \partial_i \beta_i$  where  $\beta_i$  are the entropy fluxes with  $\partial_{\theta} \eta A_i = \partial_{\theta} \beta_i$ . The existence of such entropy fluxes is classically obtained from (U<sub>2</sub>) and Poincaré Lemma, using that the image  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{v}}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{u}}$  under the map  $\mathbf{u} \mapsto \mathbf{v}$  is simply connected. The resulting balance equation for  $\eta$  is in the form

(2.2) 
$$
\partial_t \eta + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i \beta_i - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\partial_{\mathbf{U}} \eta B_{ij} \partial_j \mathbf{U}) + \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \langle \partial_{\mathbf{U}}^2 \eta B_{ij} \partial_j \mathbf{U}, \partial_i \mathbf{U} \rangle - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \partial_{\mathbf{U}} \eta Q = 0,
$$

where the diffusion terms have been integrated by part and we have used that  $\partial_i v = (\partial_v^2 \eta) \partial_i v$ . In particular, the physical entropy production rate due to the source term reads  $-\partial_{\mathbf{u}}\eta Q/\varepsilon$  and that due to gradients is related in Fourier space to the positive semi-definite diffusion matrix  $\widetilde{B}(U,\xi) =$  $\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}}B_{ij}(\partial_{\mathbf{U}}^2\eta)^{-1}\xi_i\xi_j.$ 

From Property  $(U_4)$ , the equilibrium manifold or slow manifold is given by  $\mathcal{E} = \mathbb{R}^{n_e} \times \{0\}$  and  $n_r = n - n_e$  is the dimension of the fast manifold  $\mathcal{L}^{\perp}$ . The superscript or subscript e will generally be associated with the equilibrium or slow manifold and r associated with the fast or rapid manifold. The manifold  $E$  is naturally termed the equilibrium manifold since  $\langle Q, x \rangle = 0$  when  $x \in E$  so that the variable  $\langle U, x \rangle$  is governed by a standard time dynamics and  $\mathcal{L}^{\perp} = \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_r}$  is naturally termed the fast manifold. We denote the block structure of convective fluxes and diffusion matrices as

(2.3) 
$$
F_j(\mathbf{U}) = \begin{bmatrix} F_j^{\mathbf{e}} \\ F_j^{\mathbf{r}} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad B_{ij}(\mathbf{U}) = \begin{bmatrix} B_{ij}^{\mathbf{e},\mathbf{e}} & B_{ij}^{\mathbf{e},\mathbf{r}} \\ B_{ij}^{\mathbf{r},\mathbf{e}} & B_{ij}^{\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}} \\ B_{ij}^{\mathbf{r},\mathbf{e}} & B_{ij}^{\mathbf{r},\mathbf{r}} \end{bmatrix},
$$

and  $\Pi_e = [e_1, \ldots, e_{n_e}]$  is the natural projection operator over the equilibrium space  $\mathcal E$  with  $e_1 \ldots, e_n$ denoting the basis vectors of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . We also denote by  $u \in \mathbb{R}^{n_e}$  and  $v \in \mathbb{R}^{n_r}$  the slow and fast components of the basic physical variable  $U = (u, v)^t$  and by  $q = (\partial_v \eta)^t$  the column vector associated with the partial derivative of entropy with respect to the variable  $v$ .

Using the block structure induced by the partition  $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n_e} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_r}$  in  $(\mathbf{U}_4)$ , we may introduce the quasinormal variable

(2.4) 
$$
w = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} u \\ (\partial_v \eta)^t \end{bmatrix}.
$$

This variable  $\omega$  is termed quasinormal since it shares similarities with standard normal variables. The variable  $\omega$  is naturally suited to the source term  $Q$  and thus especially convenient for investigating the asymptotic equilibrium limit  $\varepsilon \to 0$ . It is easily established that the map  $U \mapsto \omega$  is a  $C^{\infty}$ diffeomorphism from the open set  $\mathcal{O}_U$  onto an open set  $\mathcal{O}_w$  of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . It is indeed one to one thanks to the strict convexity  $(U_1)$  of  $\eta$  and the jacobian matrix

(2.5) 
$$
\partial_{\mathbf{U}} w = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{I}_{n_e} & 0 \\ \partial_{vu}^2 \eta & \partial_v^2 \eta \end{bmatrix},
$$

where  $\mathbb{I}_k$  denotes the unit matrix of order k, is invertible since the matrix  $\partial_v^2 \eta$  is positive definite.

We will denote for short by  $f_j = f_j(w)$  and  $g_j = g_j(w)$  the slow and fast convective fluxes in the jth direction as functions of the quasinormal variable *w*

$$
f_j(w) = F_j^{\rm e}(\mathbf{U}(w)), \qquad g_j(w) = F_j^{\rm r}(\mathbf{U}(w)).
$$

These fluxes  $f_j$  and  $g_j$  are  $C^{\infty}$  function of  $w$  since  $F^e$ , and  $F^r$ , are  $C^{\infty}$  as well as  $w \mapsto v$ . Similarly, the coefficients of the Hessian matrix  $\partial_v^2 \eta$  as functions of  $w$  are denoted for short by

(2.6) 
$$
\partial_v^2 \eta(v(w)) = \begin{bmatrix} \eta_{uu}(w) & \eta_{uv}(w) \\ \eta_{vu}(w) & \eta_{vv}(w) \end{bmatrix}.
$$

We will sometimes commit the abuse of notation of denoting by the same letter functions of u or *w* but the context will always be clear. A balance equation for  $\omega$  is now established from (1.1) by using a change of variable.

Proposition 2.1. The quasinormal variable satisfies the system of partial differential equations

(2.7) 
$$
w_t + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j(w) \partial_j w - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\mathcal{B}_{ij}(w) \partial_j w) = \frac{1}{\varepsilon} Q(w) + \varepsilon d(w, \partial_x w),
$$

where the matrices  $A_j = \partial_{\mathbf{U}} \omega A_j \partial_{\omega} \mathbf{U}, \mathcal{B}_{ij} = \partial_{\mathbf{U}} \omega B_{ij} \partial_{\omega} \mathbf{U},$  the source term  $\mathbf{Q} = \partial_{\mathbf{U}} \omega Q$ , and the quadratic residual  $d = -\sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i(\partial_u w) \tilde{B}_{ij} \partial_w \tilde{U} \partial_j w$  have the following properties.

- $(w_1)$  The matrix  $A_0 = (\partial_w \mathbf{U})^t \partial_v^2 \eta \partial_w \mathbf{U}$  is symmetric positive-definite block-diagonal.
- $(w_2)$  The matrices  $A_jA_0^{-1}$ ,  $j \in \mathcal{D}$ , are symmetric over  $\mathcal{O}_w$ .
- $(w_3)$  We have  $(\mathcal{B}_{ij}\mathcal{A}_0^{-1})^t = \mathcal{B}_{ji}\mathcal{A}_0^{-1}$ ,  $i, j \in \mathcal{D}$ , and for any  $\xi \in \Sigma^{d-1}$  the diffusion matrix  $\widetilde{\mathcal{B}} = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{B}_{ij}\mathcal{A}_0^{-1}\xi_i\xi_j$  is positive semi-definite over  $\mathcal{O}_w$ .
- $(w_4)$  The source term  $Q = (0, Q_r)^t$  is in the form  $Q = -L(w)w$  where  $Q_r = -\eta_{vv}S q = -L^{r,r}q$ .
- ( $w_5$ ) The slow components of the quadratic residual *d* vanishes:  $d_e = 0$  over  $\mathcal{O}_w$ .

The matrices  $A_0$ ,  $A_j$ ,  $B_{ij}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$ , and the source term  $\mathcal{Q}$  have regularity  $C^{\infty}$  and the quadratic residual may be written

(2.8) 
$$
d = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} M_{ij}(w) \partial_i w \partial_j w,
$$

where the third order tensors  $M_{ij}(w)$  also have regularity  $C^{\infty}$ . Moreover, using the partitioning induced by the decomposition  $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n_e} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_r}$ , the matrices  $A_0$ ,  $A_j$ ,  $B_{ij}$  and *L* are given by

(2.9) 
$$
\mathcal{A}_0 = \begin{bmatrix} \eta_{uu} - \eta_{uv} \eta_{vv}^{-1} \eta_{vu} & 0 \\ 0 & \eta_{vv}^{-1} \end{bmatrix},
$$

(2.10) 
$$
\mathcal{A}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \partial_u f_j & \partial_q f_j \\ \eta_{vu} \partial_u f_j + \eta_{vv} \partial_u g_j & \eta_{vu} \partial_q f_j + \eta_{vv} \partial_q g_j \end{bmatrix},
$$

(2.11) 
$$
\mathcal{B}_{ij} = \begin{bmatrix} B_{ij}^{e,e} - B_{ij}^{e,r} \eta_{vv}^{-1} \eta_{vu} & \cdots \\ \eta_{vu} (B_{ij}^{e,e} - B_{ij}^{e,r} \eta_{vv}^{-1} \eta_{vu}) + \eta_{vv} (B_{ij}^{r,e} - B_{ij}^{r,r} \eta_{vv}^{-1} \eta_{vu}) & \cdots \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ \eta_{vu} B_{ij}^{e,r} \eta_{vv}^{-1} + \eta_{vv} B_{ij}^{r,r} \eta_{vv}^{-1} \end{bmatrix},
$$

(2.12) 
$$
\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{A}_0^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & S \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \eta_{vv} S \end{bmatrix}.
$$

*Proof.* Letting  $u = u(w)$  in (1.1) and multiplying on the left by  $\partial_u w$  first yields the system (2.7). From  $\mathcal{A}_0 = (\partial_w v)^t \partial_v^2 \eta \partial_w v$  and  $(v_1)$  we deduce that  $\mathcal{A}_0$  is symmetric positive definite and the blockdiagonal expression (2.9) is obtained by a direct calculation using (2.5) and (2.6). This yields (*w*1) and the blocks  $\eta_{vv_1}^{-1}$  and  $\eta_{uu} - \eta_{uv} \eta_{vv_1}^{-1} \eta_{vu}$  are both positive definite.

We have  $A_j A_0^{-1} = \partial_U \omega A_j (\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1} (\partial_u \omega)^t$  and this matrix is symmetric from (*u*<sub>2</sub>) and ( $\omega_2$ ) holds. Similarly we have  $\mathcal{B}_{ij}\mathcal{A}_0^{-1} = \partial_\mathbf{U} w B_{ij} (\partial_\mathbf{U}^2 \eta)^{-1} (\partial_\mathbf{U} w)^t$ , and arguing as above yields that  $(\mathcal{B}_{ij}\mathcal{A}_0^{-1})^t =$  $\mathcal{B}_{ji}\mathcal{A}_{0}^{-1}$ . In addition

$$
\widetilde{\mathcal{B}}(w,\xi) = \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{B}_{ij} \mathcal{A}_0^{-1} \xi_i \xi_j = \partial_{\mathbb{U}} w \Big( \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} B_{ij} \left( \partial_{\mathbb{U}}^2 \eta \right)^{-1} \xi_i \xi_j \Big) \big( \partial_{\mathbb{U}} w \big)^t,
$$

so that the matrix  $\widetilde{\mathscr{B}}$  is positive semi-definite from  $(\mathfrak{u}_3)$  and  $(\mathfrak{w}_3)$  is established. The expressions  $(2.10)$  and  $(2.11)$  for  $A_i$  and  $B_{ij}$  are also obtained by a direct calculation.

Finally, using ( $u_4$ ) the modified source term  $Q = \partial_u w Q$  may be written  $Q = -\mathcal{L}(w) w$  with  $\mathcal{L}(w)$ given by (2.12) and  $(w_4)$  is established. The regularity class of  $A_0$ ,  $A_j$ ,  $B_{ij}$ ,  $L$ , and the source term  $Q$  is a direct consequence of  $(2.9)$ – $(2.12)$ , the regularity class of  $A_0$ ,  $A_j$ ,  $B_{ij}$ ,  $L$ , and  $Q$ , and the regularity class of  $\partial_{\mathbf{U}} \eta$ ,  $\partial_{\mathbf{U}} \omega$  and  $\partial_{\omega} \mathbf{U}$ .

Since  $d = -\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \partial_i(\partial_U w) B_{ij} \partial_w \mathbf{U} \partial_j w$ , the first  $n_e$  components vanish from (2.5). The kth component  $d_k$  is also in the form  $d_k = \sum_{1 \leq l,l' \leq n} (\mathcal{M}_{ij})_{kll'} \partial_i w_l \partial_j w_{l'}$  with coefficients given by  $(\mathcal{M}_{ij})_{kll'} =$  $-\sum_{1\leq r,s\leq n}\partial_{w_l}(\partial_{\mathbf{U}_r}w_k)(B_{ij})_{rs}\partial_{w_{l'}}\overline{\mathbf{U}_s}$  where the coefficients of  $B_{ij}\in\mathbb{R}^{n,n}$  are denoted by  $(B_{ij})_{rs}$ . The quadratic residual may thus be written as (2.8) where  $M_{ij}(\omega)$  are third order tensors that are  $C^{\infty}$  over  $\mathcal{O}_{w}$  and this completes the proof. □

We introduce a structural assumption about the open set  $\mathcal{O}_w$  that will be convenient for investigating asymptotic expansions in the quasinormal variable  $\omega$ .

# ( $u_5$ ) The open set  $\mathcal{O}_w$  is in the form  $\mathcal{O}_w = \mathcal{O}_u \times \mathbb{R}^{n_r}$  where  $\mathcal{O}_u$  is a convex open set of  $\mathbb{R}^{n_e}$ .

This assumption is natural since the fast variable  $q = (\partial_v \eta)^t$  is the Legendre conjugate of v and its components are slopes of the convex function  $\eta$ . The assumption ( $\upsilon_5$ ) thus means that the gradient of  $\eta$  is infinite at the boundaries of the domain  $\mathcal{O}_U$  which is natural from a thermodynamic point of view. This condition also corresponds to the notion of 'essentially smooth functions' in convex analysis  $[33]$ . In addition, the q component will converge rapidly to zero during the initiallayers of multitime expansions in such a way that it is a natural requirement that such initial-layer trajectories in the form  $(u, q(\tau))$ <sup>t</sup>—where  $u \in \mathcal{O}_u$  is fixed—lie in  $\mathcal{O}_w$ . Such a structure condition holds in particular in the situation of two temperature fluids [18] as well as complex chemistry fluids [20]. With  $(\mathbf{u}_5)$  the open set  $\mathcal{O}_w$  is also convex as  $\mathcal{O}_v$  and this will allow to derive various differential identities.

#### 2.2 Equilibrium limit and reduced system

We study equilibrium states and then investigate formally the second-order reduced system as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ .

**Proposition 2.2.** For any  $u \in \mathcal{O}_U$ , letting  $w = w(U) = (u, q)^t$ , the following properties are equivalent:

- (i) Physical entropy production due to the source term vanishes:  $-\partial_{\nu} \eta Q = 0$ .
- (ii) The source term and the fast component vanish:  $Q = 0$  and  $q = 0$ .
- (iii) The entropic variable v and the quasinormal variable *w* belong to the equilibrium manifold *E*.

Any  $U \in \mathcal{O}_U$  that satisfies these equivalent properties is termed an equilibrium state as well as its image *w* under the map  $U \mapsto \omega$ .

Proof. These properties are directly obtained from the structure of the source term and using that  $\mathcal{E} = \mathbb{R}^{n_e} \times \{0\}$ . Physical entropy production due to source terms is in the form  $-\partial_{\theta} \eta Q =$  $-\langle (\partial_u \eta)^t, Q \rangle = \langle Sq, q \rangle$  so that  $\partial_u \eta Q = 0$  is equivalent to  $q = 0$  or  $Q = -(0, Sq)^t = 0$  since S is symmetric positive definite. Moreover, since  $\mathsf{v} = ((\partial_u \eta)^t, q)^t$ , we have  $\mathsf{v} \in \mathcal{I}$  if and only if  $q = 0$ , and similarly  $\psi \in \mathcal{E}$  if and only if  $q = 0$  and this completes the proof.

Such properties of the source term have been discussed in an abstract framework by Chen, Levermore and Liu [3]. These properties hold in particular for gas mixtures with complex chemistry [14, 17, 20] as well as two temperature fluids [18]. Another interesting property of the source term is that the jacobian matrix at an equilibrium states is symmetric [39, 18]. The set of equilibrium points characterized by the condition  $q = 0$  is naturally parametrized by the slow variable u. Indeed, for any  $u \in \mathcal{O}_u$ , there exists a unique equilibrium point  $w_{\text{eq}} \in \mathcal{O}_w$  such that  $\Pi_{\text{e}}^t w_{\text{eq}} = u$  simply given by  $w_{eq} = (u, 0)^t$ . Similarly, there exists a unique equilibrium point  $u_{eq} \in \mathcal{O}_U$  such that  $\Pi_e^t u_{eq} = u$ simply given by  $u_{eq} = u(w_{eq})$ . Letting  $u_{eq} = (u, v_{eq})^t$ , the map  $u \mapsto v_{eq}(u)$  is then  $C^{\infty}$  over  $\mathcal{O}_u$  and by differentiating the equilibrium relation  $q(u, v_{\text{eq}}(u)) = 0$  it is obtained that  $\partial_u v_{\text{eq}} = -(\overline{\eta}_{vv})^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vu}$ where we have denoted for short  $\overline{\eta}_{vu}(u) = \eta_{vu}(w_{\text{eq}}) = \eta_{vu}(u, 0)$  and  $\overline{\eta}_{vv}(u) = \eta_{vv}(w_{\text{eq}}) = \eta_{vv}(u, 0)$ .

**Lemma 2.3.** Defining the entropy at equilibrium by  $\eta^e(u) = \eta(\mathbf{U}_{eq}(u))$  for  $u \in \mathcal{O}_u$  then  $u \mapsto \eta^e(u)$ is  $C^{\infty}$  over  $\mathcal{O}_u$ ,  $\partial_u \eta^e = \partial_u \eta(\mathbf{U}_{\text{eq}})$  and

(2.13) 
$$
\partial_u^2 \eta^e = \overline{\eta}_{uu} - \overline{\eta}_{uv} (\overline{\eta}_{vv})^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vu} = \mathcal{A}_0^{e,e}(u,0),
$$

where  $\bar{\eta}_{uu}(u) = \eta_{uu}(w_{\text{eq}}(u)) = \eta_{uu}(u,0)$  and  $\bar{\eta}_{uv}(u) = \eta_{uv}(w_{\text{eq}}(u)) = \eta_{uv}(u,0)$ .

Proof. Differentiating the entropy  $\eta^e$  first yields that  $\partial_u \eta^e = \partial_u \eta(u, v_{eq}(u))$  since  $\partial_v \eta(u, v_{eq}(u))$ 0. Differentiating again and using  $\partial_u v_{\text{eq}} = -(\overline{\eta}_{vv})^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vu}$  then yields (2.13) and  $\partial_u^2 \eta^e = \overline{\eta}_{uu}$  $\overline{\eta}_{uv}(\overline{\eta}_{vv})^{-1}\overline{\eta}_{vu}$  coincides with  $\mathcal{A}_0^{\text{e,e}}(u,0)$  from (2.9).

Our aim is now to obtain a second-order accurate reduced system for the slow variable u as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ for the *standard time dynamics* associated with time  $t$ . The fast component of Equation  $(2.7)$  may first be rewritten as

$$
q = -\varepsilon S^{-1}\eta_{vv}^{-1} \Big(\partial_t q + \eta_{vu}\sum_{j\in\mathcal{D}} \partial_j f_j(u,q) + \eta_{vv}\sum_j \partial_j g_j(u,q) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)\Big).
$$

We thus obtain formally that  $q = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  and thus that  $\partial_t q = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  for the standard time dynamics, so that near equilibrium

$$
q = -\varepsilon \overline{S}^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} (\overline{\eta}_{vu} \partial_u f_j(u,0) + \overline{\eta}_{vv} \partial_u g_j(u,0)) \partial_j u + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2),
$$

where  $\overline{S}(u) = S(\overline{U}_{eq}(u))$ . On the other hand, the slow component of Equation (2.7) may be rewritten

(2.14) 
$$
\partial_t u + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j f_j - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i \left( \left( B_{ij}^{\mathbf{e},\mathbf{e}} - B_{ij}^{\mathbf{e},\mathbf{r}} \eta_{vv}^{-1} \eta_{vu} \right) \partial_j u + B_{ij}^{\mathbf{e},\mathbf{r}} \eta_{vv}^{-1} \partial_j q \right) = 0,
$$

using  $(2.10)$  and  $(2.11)$ . We may further expand the coefficients near equilibrium

$$
B_{ij}^{\text{e,e}}(U) - B_{ij}^{\text{e,r}}(U)\eta_{vv}^{-1}\eta_{vu} = B_{ij}^{\text{e,e}}(U_{\text{eq}}) - B_{ij}^{\text{e,r}}(U_{\text{eq}})\overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1}\overline{\eta}_{vu} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon),
$$

since  $w - w_{eq} = (0, q)^t = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  and  $U - U_{eq} = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  as well as expand the flux  $f_j(u, q)$  in (2.14) into  $f_j(u,q) = f_j(u,0) + \partial_q f_j(u,0)q + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$ . Combining these expansions with (2.14) yields the following reduced system called the second-order equilibrium approximation of (1.1)

(2.15) 
$$
\partial_t u + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} A_j^e(u) \partial_j u - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (B_{ij}^e(u) \partial_j u) = 0,
$$

where  $f_j^e(u) = f_j(u, 0) = F^e(v_{eq}(u)), A_j^e(u) = \partial_u f_j^e(u) = A_j^{e,e}(u, 0),$  and

$$
B_{ij}^{\mathbf{e}}(u) = B_{ij}^{\mathbf{e},\mathbf{e}}(\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{q}}) - B_{ij}^{\mathbf{e},\mathbf{r}}(\mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{q}})\overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1}\overline{\eta}_{vu} + \partial_q f_i(u,0)\overline{S}^{-1}\overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1}(\overline{\eta}_{vu}\partial_u f_j(u,0) + \overline{\eta}_{vv}\partial_u g_j(u,0)).
$$

The matrices  $A_j^e$ ,  $j \in \mathcal{D}$ , and  $B_{ij}^e$ ,  $i, j \in \mathcal{D}$ , defined over  $\mathcal{O}_u$  have regularity  $C^{\infty}$ . Further using the expression (2.11) of  $\mathcal{B}_{ij}$  as well as the relation  $(\partial_q f_i(u, 0))^t \partial_u^2 \eta^e = \overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} (\overline{\eta}_{vu} \partial_u f_j(u, 0) + \overline{\eta}_{vv} \partial_u g_j(u, 0))$ deduced from the symmetry of  $\mathcal{A}_0 \mathcal{A}_j$ , the equilibrium diffusion matrix  $B_{ij}^e$  can be written

(2.16) 
$$
B_{ij}^{\rm e}(u) = \mathcal{B}_{ij}^{\rm e,e}(U_{\rm eq}) + \partial_q f_i(u,0) \,\overline{S}^{-1} \left( \partial_q f_j(u,0) \right)^t \partial_u^2 \eta^{\rm e}.
$$

This procedure to derive (2.15) corresponds to a second-order Chapman-Enskog expansion using the variable  $\omega$  [28, 3, 18] or equivalently a Maxwellian iteration that generally yields similar results at second-order [35]. The first term  $\mathcal{B}_{ij}^{\text{e,e}}(\mathbf{U}_{\text{eq}})$  in the expression of the equilibrium diffusion matrices (2.16) is inherited from the original diffusion term  $B_{ij}$  whereas the second term  $\partial_q f_j(u,0) \overline{S}^{-1} (\partial_q f_i(u,0))^t \partial_u^2 \eta^e$  comes from relaxation of the fast variable q. It leads in particular to the complete viscous tensor in one-temperature equilibrium fluid models with the shear viscosity inherited from the non-equilibrium two-temperature system and the volume viscosity coefficient associated with the relaxation of internal energy [18, 19]. The structure of the reduced system at equilibrium is summarized in the following proposition.

**Proposition 2.4.** Under Conditions  $(U_1)$ – $(U_4)$  the following properties hold.

- $(u_1)$  The Hessian matrix  $\partial_u^2 \eta^e$  is positive definite over  $\mathcal{O}_u$ .
- $(u_2)$  The products  $A_j^e(\partial_u^2 \eta^e)^{-1}$ ,  $j \in \mathcal{D}$ , are symmetric over  $u \in \mathcal{O}_u$ .
- (u<sub>3</sub>) We have  $(B_{ij}^e(\partial_u^2 \eta^e)^{-1})^t = B_{ji}^e(\partial_u^2 \eta^e)^{-1}$ , i,  $j \in \mathcal{D}$ , and for any  $\xi \in \Sigma^{d-1}$  the diffusion matrix  $\widetilde{B}^{\text{e}} = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} B^{\text{e}}_{ij} (\partial^2_u \eta^{\text{e}})^{-1} \xi_i \xi_j$  is positive semi-definite over  $\mathcal{O}_u$ .

*Proof.* It has been established in Lemma 2.3 that  $\partial_u^2 \eta^e = \overline{\eta}_{uu} - \overline{\eta}_{uv} (\overline{\eta}_{vv})^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vu}$  so that it is positive definite as a Schur complement of the positive definite matrix  $\bar{\eta}_{vv}$  in the positive definite matrix  $\partial_v^2 \eta$ evaluated at  $U_{eq}(u)$  and  $(u_1)$  is established.

From the symmetry of  $A_j A_0^{-1}$  established in  $(w_2)$  and evaluated at the equilibrium point  $U_{eq}$ , we deduce that the products  $A_j^e$   $(\partial_u^2 \eta^e)^{-1}$  are symmetric over  $\mathcal{O}_u$  and  $(u_2)$  is established. The symmetry properties of  $B_{ij}^e (\partial_u^2 \eta^e)^{-1}$  are also deduced from (2.16) and the symmetry properties of  $B_{ij} A_0^{-1}$ established in  $(w_3)$ . Finally, for any  $\xi \in \Sigma^{d-1}$ , we obtain from from (2.16) that

$$
\widetilde{B}^{\text{e}} = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{B}_{ij}^{\text{e,e}} (\partial_u^2 \eta^{\text{e}})^{-1} \, \xi_i \xi_j + \left( \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_q f_i(u,0) \xi_i \right) \overline{S}^{-1} \left( \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_q f_j(u,0) \xi_j \right)^t,
$$

and the positive semi-definiteness of  $B^e$  is a consequence from that of  $\widetilde{B}$  and this establishes  $(u_3)$ .

The reduced equilibrium system (2.15) has been obtained by using a Chapman-Enskog expansion with the quasinormal variable  $\omega$ . It is established in Appendix A. that it naturally coincides with that obtained in previous work [18]. In particular, the properties of the entropic symmetrized equilibrium system obtained in [3, 18] also applies to (2.15). We finally investigate the relative entropy with respect to equilibrium that is a natural distance to equilibrium. Relative entropies have been found to be key tools for investigating hyperbolic as well as hyperbolic-parabolic systems  $[5, 7, 22, 6, 41, 36, 11, 26, 9, 1, 20, 4]$ . The relative entropy with respect to equilibrium is nonnegative by the convexity of  $\eta$  and locally behaves quadratically with respect to  $q$ .

Lemma 2.5. The relative entropy with respect to equilibrium

(2.17) 
$$
\eta^{il}(u,q) = \eta(U(u,q)) - \eta(U(u,0)) - \partial_{U}\eta(U(u,0))U(u,q) - U(u,0)),
$$

is such that  $\partial_q \eta^{il} = q^t \eta_{vv}^{-1}$  and may be written  $\eta^{il}(u, q) = \langle \mathcal{H}q, q \rangle$  where  $\mathcal{H} = \int_0^1 \eta_{vv}^{-1}(u, \alpha q) \alpha d\alpha$  is positive definite matrix.

*Proof.* Using  $U(u, q) - U(u, 0) = (0, v(u, q) - v(u, 0))$  as well as that  $\partial_v \eta(U(u, 0)) \in \mathcal{E}$  from Proposition 2.2 it is first obtained that  $\partial_{\mathbf{U}} \eta(\mathbf{U}(u,0))(\mathbf{U}(u,q) - \mathbf{U}(u,0)) = 0$  so that

$$
\eta^{il}(u, q) = \eta(\mathbf{U}(u, q)) - \eta(\mathbf{U}(u, 0)) = \eta(u, v(u, q)) - \eta(u, v(u, 0)).
$$

Differentiating with respect to q we obtain  $\partial_q \eta^{il} = \partial_v \eta \partial_q v = q^t \eta_{vv}^{-1}$  and by calculus  $\eta^{il}(u, q) =$  $\int_0^1 (\partial_v \eta \partial_q v)(u, \alpha q) d\alpha q$  keeping in mind that all states  $(u, \alpha q)^t$  are in  $\mathcal{O}_w$  from  $(U_5)$ . The identity  $\eta^{il}(u,q) = \langle \mathcal{H}q, q \rangle$  then follows since  $\partial_v \eta(u, v(u, \alpha q)) = \alpha q^t$  and  $\partial_q v(u, v(u, \alpha q)) = \eta_{vv}^{-1}(u, \alpha q)$ . The matrix H is finally positive definite as an average of positive definite matrices over a compact set.  $\Box$ 

## 3 Formal asymptotic expansion

The solution to the Cauchy problem for system (2.7) with initial data  $\tilde{\mathbf{w}}_{\varepsilon}$  is denoted by  $\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon} = (u_{\varepsilon}, q_{\varepsilon})^t$ . A formal approximation of  $w_{\varepsilon}$  is built as  $\varepsilon$  goes to zero by using *composite* or *multitime* expansions [30, 39]. The variable  $\omega$  is more convenient than U since it is adapted to the slow manifold  $\mathcal{E}$ . Such a construction is similar to that for hyperbolic systems [40] but now includes diffusion terms.

#### 3.1 Composite expansion

We seek a composite expansion in the form

(3.1) 
$$
w_{\varepsilon}(x,t) = w_0(x,t) + \varepsilon w_1(x,t) + w_0^{i\mathbf{l}}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon w_1^{i\mathbf{l}}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2),
$$

where  $w_0$  and  $w_1$  depend on the standard time t whereas  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$  depend on the fast time  $\tau = t/\varepsilon$ . The expansion (3.1) thus includes an outer expansion

(3.2) 
$$
w_0(x,t) + \varepsilon w_1(x,t) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2),
$$

associated with standard time dynamics and standard time  $t$ . This outer expansion  $(3.2)$ , however, cannot generally satisfy the prescribed initial value  $\tilde{\omega}_{\varepsilon}$ . It is then necessary to add a fast evolving initial-layer corrector in the form

$$
w_0^{\rm il}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon w_1^{\rm il}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2),
$$

associated with fast time dynamics and fast time  $\tau = t/\varepsilon$ . The initial-layer correctors  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$ have to decay exponentially to zero as  $\tau$  goes to infinity from general matching principles [10]. The complete approximation of  $w_{\varepsilon}$  is then a multitime expansion since it involves both the standard time t and the fast time  $\tau = t/\varepsilon$ .

We will notably use the *second-order truncated approximation*  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  defined by

(3.3) 
$$
w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}(x,t) = w_0(x,t) + \varepsilon w_1(x,t) + w_0^{\mathbf{i}}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon w_1^{\mathbf{i}}(x,t/\varepsilon).
$$

This four term expansion  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  will be shown to be well defined over some time interval independent of  $\varepsilon$  and used to establish an existence theorem for the out of equilibrium system (2.7). The expansion  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  will also be shown to be an accurate approximation of the out of equilibrium solution  $w_{\varepsilon}$  in the next section.

As a formal solution of (2.7) with initial value  $\tilde{\psi}_{\varepsilon}$ , the composite expansion must also take the prescribed initial value

$$
w_0(x,0) + \varepsilon w_1(x,0) + w_0^{\text{il}}(x,0) + \varepsilon w_1^{\text{il}}(x,0) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2) = \widetilde{\omega}_{\varepsilon}(x).
$$

Assuming naturally that  $\tilde{\omega}_{\varepsilon}$  has an expansion  $\tilde{\omega}_{\varepsilon} = \tilde{\omega}_0 + \varepsilon \tilde{\omega}_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$ , we get

(3.4) 
$$
w_0(x,0) + w_0^{il}(x,0) = \tilde{w}_0(x), \qquad w_1(x,0) + w_1^{il}(x,0) = \tilde{w}_1(x).
$$

The difficulty is then to find the proper initial values for  $w_0$  and  $w_1$ , based on the above initial value relations, as well as to determine the initial-layer correctors  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$  by using the matched asymptotic expansion principle [10, 39].

For the projections  $u_{\varepsilon}$  and  $q_{\varepsilon}$  the composite expansions are denoted by

$$
\begin{cases} u_{\varepsilon} = u_0(x,t) + \varepsilon u_1(x,t) + u_0^{il}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon u_1^{il}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2), \\ q_{\varepsilon} = q_0(x,t) + \varepsilon q_1(x,t) + q_0^{il}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon q_1^{il}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2), \end{cases}
$$

using the straightforward notation  $w_{\varepsilon} = (u_{\varepsilon}, q_{\varepsilon})^t$ ,  $w_0 = (u_0, q_0)^t$ ,  $w_1 = (u_1, q_1)^t$ ,  $w_0^{\text{il}} = (u_0^{\text{il}}, q_0^{\text{il}})^t$ , and  $w_1^{\text{il}} = (u_1^{\text{il}}, q_1^{\text{il}})^t$ . From (3.4) we also have the relations

(3.5) 
$$
u_0(x,0) + u_0^{i1}(x,0) = \tilde{u}_0(x), \qquad u_1(x,0) + u_1^{i1}(x,0) = \tilde{u}_1(x),
$$

(3.6) 
$$
q_0(x,0) + q_0^{i}(x,0) = \tilde{q}_0(x), \qquad q_1(x,0) + q_1^{i}(x,0) = \tilde{q}_1(x),
$$

where  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{w}}_0 = (\tilde{u}_0, \tilde{q}_0)^t$  and  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{w}}_1 = (\tilde{u}_1, \tilde{q}_1)^t$ .

#### 3.2 Outer expansion

The equations governing the coefficients  $w_0$  and  $w_1$  are obtained by substituting the outer expansion (3.2) into system (2.7) and equating each power of  $\varepsilon$ . The governing equations obtained for  $w_0$  and *w*<sub>1</sub> are then projected onto the slow and fast manifolds  $\mathcal{E}$  and  $\mathcal{E}^{\perp}$  in order to get the governing equations for  $u_0, q_0, u_1$  and  $q_1$ . Equating the kth power of  $\varepsilon$  generally yields an equation for  $u_k$  and  $q_{k+1}$  so that there is no clear separation of the asymptotic orders.

At the order  $\varepsilon^{-1}$  we first obtain from (2.7) that  $Q(w_0) = 0$  and from the structure of  $Q = (0, Q_r)^t$ with  $Q_r = -\eta_{vv} Sq$  this yields that

$$
(3.7) \t\t q_0 = 0.
$$

The zeroth order solution  $w_0 = (u_0, q_0)^t = (u_0, 0)^t$  thus represents equilibrium states. At the next order  $\varepsilon^0$  it is obtained that

(3.8) 
$$
\partial_t w_0 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j(w_0) \partial_j w_0 = -\mathcal{L}(w_0) w_1.
$$

Projecting on the slow manifold, using  $q_0 = 0$  and the structure (2.10) of  $A_i$ , we obtain

(3.9) 
$$
\partial_t u_0 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j f_j(u_0, 0) = 0.
$$

From the structural properties of the out of equilibrium system and its symmetrizability, the system (3.9) is a hyperbolic system of conservation laws in such a way that there exists a unique local solution starting from an appropriate initial value  $u_0(0)$ . On the other hand, the fast component of (3.8) yields

(3.10) 
$$
\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} (\eta_{vu}(u_0, 0) \partial_u f_j(u_0, 0) + \eta_{vv}(u_0, 0) \partial_u g_j(u_0, 0)) \partial_j u_0 = -\mathcal{L}^{\mathrm{r}, \mathrm{r}}(w_0) q_1,
$$

where  $L^{r,r}(w_0) = \overline{\eta}_{vv}(u_0) \overline{S}(u_0)$ . This relation uniquely defines  $q_1$  since  $L^{r,r}$  is invertible keeping in mind that both  $\overline{\eta}_{vv}(u_0)$  and  $\overline{S}(u_0)$  are invertible.

Finally, at the order  $\varepsilon^1$ , the  $u_1$  equation on the slow manifold is found in the form

$$
(3.11) \qquad \partial_t u_1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j \left( \partial_u f_j(u_0, 0) u_1 \right) + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j \left( \partial_q f_j(u_0, 0) q_1 \right) - \sum_{i, j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i \left( B_{i, j}^e(u_0, 0) \partial_j u_0 \right) = 0.
$$

This is again a hyperbolic system that uniquely defines  $u_1$  for an appropriate initial condition  $u_1(0)$ .

In summary, from the symmetry properties of the equilibrium fluxes  $f_j^e$  established in Proposition 2.4,  $u_0$  satisfies a symmetrizable hyperbolic system  $(3.9)$  and standard existence theory [21, 13, 29, 22, 28, 6, 25] yields a local classical solution  $u_0(x, t)$  once  $u_0(x, 0)$  is given appropriately. The perturbed fast component  $q_1(x, t)$  is then explicitely given in terms of  $u_0$  and its first spatial derivatives  $\partial_x u_0$ . Once  $u_0(x,t)$  and  $q_1(x,t)$  are determined, the system (3.11) is linear symmetrizable hyperbolic for  $u_1$  and standard existence theory yields a local classical  $u_1(x, t)$  once the initial value  $u_1(x, 0)$  is given appropriately. A key issue is therefore to find the initial values  $u_0(\cdot, 0)$  and  $u_1(\cdot, 0)$ and this requires to further study the composite expansions (3.1).

#### 3.3 Inner expansion

In order to derive the equations governing the initial-layer correctors  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$  associated with the fast time  $\tau = t/\varepsilon$  and to investigate composite expansions, it is first required to write the outer expansion in terms of  $\tau$  by using  $t = \varepsilon \tau$ . To this aim we note that

$$
w_0(x,\varepsilon\tau) = w_0(x,0) + \varepsilon\tau \partial_t w_0(x,0) + \varepsilon^2 \tau^2 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \partial_t^2 w_0(x,\varepsilon\alpha\beta\tau) \alpha \mathrm{d}\alpha \mathrm{d}\beta,
$$

and letting  $\mathcal{R}'_0 = \tau^2 \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \partial_t^2 w_0(x, \varepsilon \alpha \beta \tau) \alpha \, d \alpha \, d \beta$  and  $\mathcal{R}_0 = \tau \partial_t w_0(x, 0) + \varepsilon \mathcal{R}'_0$  yields  $w_0 = w_0(x, 0) +$  $\varepsilon \mathcal{R}_0$  and  $w_0 = w_0(x, 0) + \varepsilon \tau \partial_t w_0(x, 0) + \varepsilon^2 \mathcal{R}'_0$ . Similarly, we have

$$
w_1(x,\varepsilon\tau) = w_1(x,0) + \varepsilon\tau \int_0^1 \partial_t w_1(x,\varepsilon\alpha\tau) \mathrm{d}\alpha,
$$

and letting  $\mathcal{R}_1 = \tau \int_0^1 \partial_t w_1(x, \varepsilon \alpha \tau) d\alpha$  yields  $w_1 = w_1(x, 0) + \varepsilon \mathcal{R}_1$ . By combining these expressions we obtain

(3.12) 
$$
w_0(x,t) + \varepsilon w_1(x,t) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2) = w_0^{\mathrm{p}}(x,\tau) + \varepsilon w_1^{\mathrm{p}}(x,\tau) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2),
$$

where

(3.13) 
$$
w_0^{\mathrm{p}}(x,\tau) = w_0(x,0), \qquad w_1^{\mathrm{p}}(x,\tau) = w_1(x,0) + \tau \partial_t w_0(x,0).
$$

The superscript stands for 'polynomial' since  $w_i^{\text{p}}$  is generally found to be a polynomial in  $\tau$  of the *i*th degree [40]. The relations (3.13) may also be written component wise  $u_0^{\text{p}} = u_0(x,0)$ ,  $q_0^{\text{p}} = q_0(x,0) = 0$ ,  $u_1^{\mathbf{p}} = u_1(x,0) + \tau \partial_t u_0(x,0)$ , and  $q_1^{\mathbf{p}} = q_1(x,0)$ , where  $w_0^{\mathbf{p}} = (u_0^{\mathbf{p}}, q_0^{\mathbf{p}})^t$  and  $w_1^{\mathbf{p}} = (u_1^{\mathbf{p}}, q_1^{\mathbf{p}})^t$ .

The resulting *inner expansion* in terms of  $\tau$  is then

(3.14) 
$$
w_{\varepsilon}(x,\tau) = w_0^{\rm p}(x,\tau) + w_0^{\rm i} (x,\tau) + \varepsilon (w_1^{\rm p}(x,\tau) + w_1^{\rm i} (x,\tau)) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2),
$$

and should asymptotically satisfy system (2.7). Substituting the inner expansion (3.14) into (2.7) written in terms of the fast time  $\tau$ , expanding into power series of  $\varepsilon$ , and equating the coefficients yield the governing equations for  $w_0^{\text{p}} + w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{p}} + w_1^{\text{il}}$ .

At the order  $\varepsilon^{-1}$  we obtain that

(3.15) 
$$
\partial_{\tau}(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}) = -\mathcal{L}(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}) (w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}) = \mathcal{Q}(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}),
$$

and projecting on the slow and fast manifolds yields

$$
(3.16)\qquad \qquad \partial_{\tau}(u_0^{\rm p}+u_0^{\rm il})=0,
$$

(3.17) 
$$
\partial_{\tau}(q_0^{\rm p} + q_0^{\rm il}) = Q_{\rm r}(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}).
$$

At the order  $\varepsilon^0$  it is next obtained

(3.18) 
$$
\partial_{\tau}(w_1^{\mathrm{p}} + w_1^{\mathrm{il}}) = -\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j \mathcal{A}_j (w_0^{\mathrm{p}} + w_0^{\mathrm{il}}) \partial_j (w_0^{\mathrm{p}} + w_0^{\mathrm{il}}) + \partial_w Q (w_0^{\mathrm{p}} + w_0^{\mathrm{il}}) (w_1^{\mathrm{p}} + w_1^{\mathrm{il}}).
$$

Projecting for the slow and fast components yields that

(3.19) 
$$
\partial_{\tau}(u_1^{\rm p} + u_1^{\rm il}) = -\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j f_j(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}),
$$

(3.20) 
$$
\partial_{\tau}(q_1^{\mathrm{p}} + q_1^{\mathrm{il}}) = \partial_{u} Q_{\mathrm{r}}(w_0^{\mathrm{p}} + w_0^{\mathrm{il}}) (u_1^{\mathrm{p}} + u_1^{\mathrm{il}}) + \partial_{q} Q_{\mathrm{r}}(w_0^{\mathrm{p}} + w_0^{\mathrm{il}}) (q_1^{\mathrm{p}} + q_1^{\mathrm{il}}) + \mathcal{C}(w_0^{\mathrm{p}} + w_0^{\mathrm{il}}),
$$

where

$$
\mathcal{C}(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}) = -\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \left( \eta_{vu}(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}) \partial_j f_j(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}) + \eta_{vv}(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}) \partial_j g_j(w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}) \right).
$$

On the other hand, the outer expansion  $w_0(x,t) + \varepsilon w_1(x,t) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  may also be rewritten in terms of the fast time  $w_0^{\text{p}}(x,\tau) + \varepsilon w_1^{\text{p}}(x,\tau) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  and this expression naturally satisfies the system (2.7). This procedure yields the governing equations satisfied by  $u_0^p$  and  $u_1^p$ . Equivalently, we may let  $\varepsilon \to 0$  in the governing equations for  $u_0^p + u_0^{i\bar{i}}$  and  $u_1^p + u_1^{i\bar{i}}$ , keeping in mind that  $u_0^{i\bar{i}}$  and  $u_1^{i\bar{i}}$  converge exponentially to zero as  $\tau \to \infty$ . At order  $\varepsilon^{-1}$  this yields after some algebra

(3.21) 
$$
\partial_{\tau} w_0^{\mathbf{p}} = -\mathcal{L}(w_0^{\mathbf{p}}) w_0^{\mathbf{p}} = \mathcal{Q}(w_0^{\mathbf{p}}) = 0,
$$

(3.22) 
$$
\partial_{\tau}u_0^{\mathrm{p}}=0, \qquad \partial_{\tau}q_0^{\mathrm{p}}=Q_{\mathrm{r}}(w_0^{\mathrm{p}}).
$$

Similarly, at the order  $\varepsilon^0$ , we obtain that

(3.23) 
$$
\partial_{\tau} w_1^{\mathcal{D}} = -\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j \mathcal{A}_j (w_0^{\mathcal{D}}) \partial_j w_0^{\mathcal{D}} + \partial_w \mathcal{Q}(w_0^{\mathcal{D}}) w_1^{\mathcal{D}},
$$
  
(3.24) 
$$
\partial_{\tau} u_1^{\mathcal{D}} = -\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j f_j (w_0^{\mathcal{D}}), \qquad \partial_{\tau} q_1^{\mathcal{D}} = \partial_u \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{F}}(w_0^{\mathcal{D}}) u_1^{\mathcal{D}} + \partial_q \mathcal{Q}_{\mathcal{F}}(w_0^{\mathcal{D}}) q_1^{\mathcal{D}} + \mathcal{C}(w_0^{\mathcal{D}}),
$$

where  $\mathcal{C}(w_0^{\mathrm{p}}) = -\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} (\eta_{vu}(w_0^{\mathrm{p}}) \partial_j f_j(w_0^{\mathrm{p}}) + \eta_{vv}(w_0^{\mathrm{p}}) \partial_j g_j(w_0^{\mathrm{p}}))$ . The relations (3.21)–(3.24) may also be derived directly from the expressions of the outer expansion coefficients  $w_0^{\text{p}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{p}}$  and the governing equations for  $u_0$ ,  $q_0$ ,  $u_1$  and  $q_1$ .

#### 3.4 Initial-layer correctors

We investigate the initial-layer correctors  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$  by using the governing equations  $(3.15)-(3.17)$ and  $(3.18)$ – $(3.20)$ . Both  $w_0^{\text{p}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{p}}$  have been expressed in terms of the outer expansion and and (3.10)–(3.20). Both  $w_0$  and  $w_1$  have been expressed in terms of the other expansion and<br>in particular,  $u_0^p(x,\tau) = u_0(x,0), q_0^p(x,\tau) = q_0(x,0) = 0, u_1^p(x,\tau) = u_1(x,0) + \tau \partial_t u_0(x,0)$ , and  $q_1^{\text{p}}(x,\tau) = q_1(x,0)$  keeping in mind that  $\tau \partial_t q_0(x,0) = 0$  since  $q_0(x,t) = 0$ .

At order  $\varepsilon^{-1}$  we obtain from (3.15) and (3.21) that

(3.25) 
$$
\partial_{\tau} w_0^{\text{il}} = Q(w_0^{\text{p}} + w_0^{\text{il}}) - Q(w_0^{\text{p}}) = Q(w_0^{\text{p}} + w_0^{\text{il}}),
$$

and projecting on the slow and fast manifold—or equivalently using (3.16), (3.17), and (3.22)—we obtain that  $\partial_{\tau}u_0^{il} = 0$  and  $\partial_{\tau}q_0^{il} = Q_{r}(u_0^p + u_0^{il}, q_0^{il})$  keeping in mind that  $q_0^p(x, \tau) = 0$ . Using  $\partial_{\tau}u_0^{il} = 0$ and that the initial-layer corrector  $w_0^{\text{il}}(x, \tau)$  goes to zero as  $\tau$  goes to infinity, we deduce that

(3.26) 
$$
u_0^{\text{il}}(x,\tau) = u_0^{\text{il}}(x,\infty) = 0.
$$

Combining  $u_0^{il}(x, \tau) = 0$ ,  $u_0^{p}(x, \tau) = u_0(x, 0)$ ,  $q_0(x, 0) = 0$ , with  $w_0(x, 0) + w_0^{il}(x, 0) = \tilde{w}_0(x)$  obtained from  $(3.4)$  we get

(3.27) 
$$
u_0(x,0) = \tilde{u}_0(x), \qquad q_0^{11}(x,0) = \tilde{q}_0(x).
$$

In particular  $w_0(x, 0) = w_0^{\text{p}}(x, 0) = (\tilde{u}_0(x), 0)^t$ ,  $w_0^{\text{il}}(x, 0) = (0, \tilde{q}_0(x))^t$ , and for any  $\tau \ge 0$ 

$$
w_0^{\mathrm{p}}(x,\tau) = (\tilde{u}_0(x),0)^t, \qquad w_0^{\mathrm{il}}(x,\tau) = (0,q_0^{\mathrm{il}}(x,\tau))^t.
$$

In particular,  $q_0^{\text{il}}(x,\tau)$  satisfies the following nonlinear ordinary differential equation involving solely the fast time  $\tau$ 

(3.28) 
$$
\begin{cases} \partial_{\tau} q_0^{\text{il}} = Q_{\text{r}}(\widetilde{u}_0(x), q_0^{\text{il}}), \\ q_0^{\text{il}}(x, 0) = \widetilde{q}_0(x). \end{cases}
$$

The existence of a global in time classical solution  $q_0^{\text{il}}(x,\tau)$  that decays exponentially to zero as  $\tau \to \infty$  will be established by using  $Q_r(\tilde{u}_0, q_0^{il}) = -\eta_{vv}(\tilde{u}_0, q_0^{il}) S(v(\tilde{u}_0, q_0^{il})) q_0^{il}$ , the mathematical entropy  $\eta$ , as well as the symmetry and positive definiteness of  $\eta_{vv}$  and S.

Considering next the first order initial-layer corrector  $w_1^{\text{il}}(x,\tau)$  we get from (3.18) and (3.23) that

(3.29) 
$$
\partial_{\tau} w_{1}^{il} = -\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \left( \mathcal{A}_{j} (w_{0}^{p} + w_{0}^{il}) \partial_{j} (w_{0}^{p} + w_{0}^{il}) - \mathcal{A}_{j} (w_{0}^{p}) \partial_{j} w_{0}^{p} \right) + \partial_{w} Q (w_{0}^{p} + w_{0}^{il}) (w_{1}^{p} + w_{1}^{il}) - \partial_{w} Q (w_{0}^{p}) w_{1}^{p}.
$$

Projecting on the slow and fast manifolds—or equivalently using (3.19), (3.20), and (3.24)—we obtain the following differential equations involving solely the fast time  $\tau$ 

(3.30) 
$$
\partial_{\tau} u_1^{\text{il}} = - \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \{ \partial_j f_j (w_0^{\text{p}} + w_0^{\text{il}}) - \partial_j f_j (w_0^{\text{p}}) \},
$$

(3.31) 
$$
\partial_{\tau}q_1^{\text{il}} = \partial_u Q_{\tau}(w_0^{\text{p}} + w_0^{\text{il}})(u_1^{\text{p}} + u_1^{\text{il}}) - \partial_u Q_{\tau}(w_0^{\text{p}})u_1^{\text{p}} + \partial_q Q_{\tau}(w_0^{\text{p}} + w_0^{\text{il}})(q_1^{\text{p}} + q_1^{\text{il}}) - \partial_q Q_{\tau}(w_0^{\text{p}})q_1^{\text{p}} + \mathcal{C}(w_0^{\text{p}} + w_0^{\text{il}}) - \mathcal{C}(w_0^{\text{p}}).
$$

The matching principle yields that

(3.32) 
$$
u_1^{\text{il}}(x,\infty) = 0, \qquad q_1^{\text{il}}(x,0) = \tilde{q}_1(x) - q_1(x,0),
$$

where  $q_1(x, 0)$  can be obtained from  $(3.10)$ 

$$
q_1(x,0) = -\overline{S}(\widetilde{u}_0)^{-1} \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} (\overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1}(\widetilde{u}_0)\overline{\eta}_{vu}(\widetilde{u}_0)\partial_u f_j(\widetilde{u}_0,0) + \partial_j g_j(\widetilde{u}_0,0)) \partial_j \widetilde{u}_0.
$$

In particular, we may evaluate  $u_1^{\text{il}}(x,\tau)$  from (3.30) and (3.32) in the form

(3.33) 
$$
u_1^{\rm il}(x,\tau) = \int_{\tau}^{\infty} \Biggl( \sum_{j\in\mathcal{D}} \{ \partial_j f_j \big( w_0^{\rm p} + w_0^{\rm il}(\tau') \big) - \partial_j f_j \big( w_0^{\rm p} \big) \Biggr) \mathrm{d}\tau',
$$

and  $u_1(x, 0)$  is then finally given by  $u_1(x, 0) = \tilde{u}_1(x) - u_1^{il}(x, 0)$ . The existence of a global in time<br>classical salition  $il(x, \tau)$  were be aktived by wing (2.21), the convergent limitiation (2.22) classical solution  $q^{il}(x, \tau)$  may be obtained by using (3.31), the corresponding initial condition (3.32) and the symmetry and positive definiteness of  $\eta_{vv}$  and S. The exponential decay for  $w_1^{\text{il}}(x,\tau)$  is obtained by using the exponential decay of  $w_0^{\text{il}}(x,\tau)$  [40].

In summary,  $u_0$  and  $q_0$ <sup>il</sup> are first obtained whereas  $q_0 = 0$  and  $u_0$ <sup>il</sup> = 0. Then  $q_1$  is directly evaluated as well as  $u_1^{il}$  and this finally yields the required initial conditions  $u_1(0)$  and  $q_1^{il}(0)$  in order to obtain  $u_1$  and  $q_1^{\text{il}}$ .

#### 3.5 Approximate equations

We investigate in this section the approximate equation satisfied by the second-order truncated approximation  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a}(x,t) = w_{0}(x,t) + \varepsilon w_{1}(x,t) + w_{0}^{\text{il}}(x,t/\varepsilon) + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}}(x,t/\varepsilon)$ . Defining the residual operator  $R(f)$  for any function  $f(x, t)$  twice differentiable in space and once in time by

(3.34) 
$$
R(f) = \partial_t f + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j(f) \partial_j f - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\mathcal{B}_{i,j}(f) \partial_j f) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{L}(f) f - \varepsilon d(f, \partial_x f),
$$

then  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} = R(\omega_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}})$  is a measure of the accuracy of the approximated solution  $\omega_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$ . In order to estimate the composite residual  $R^{\text{a}}_{\varepsilon}$ , we first estimate the outer residual  $R^{\text{out}}_{\varepsilon} = R(\psi_0(x,t) + \varepsilon \psi_1(x,t))$ associated with the outer expansion  $w_0(x, t) + \varepsilon w_1(x, t)$ , and next estimate the difference of residuals  $\delta R_{\varepsilon} = R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{a}} - R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  associated with initial-layer corrector  $w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_1^{\text{il}}$ 

(3.35) 
$$
\delta R_{\varepsilon} = R_{\varepsilon}^{\rm a} - R_{\varepsilon}^{\rm out} = R(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + w_0^{\rm il} + \varepsilon w_1^{\rm il}) - R(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1).
$$

The outer residual  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  associated with the standard time dynamics is investigated in the following proposition.

**Proposition 3.1.** The outer residual  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}} = R(w_0(x,t) + \varepsilon w_1(x,t))$  can be written  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}} = \varepsilon G_{\varepsilon}$ , where

$$
(3.36) \tG_{\varepsilon} = \partial_t w_1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{A}_j(w_0 + \varepsilon \alpha w_1) \, d\alpha \, w_1 \partial_j w_0
$$

$$
+ \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1) \partial_j w_1 + \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{L}(w_0 + \varepsilon \alpha w_1) \, d\alpha \, w_1 w_1
$$

$$
- \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\mathcal{B}_{ij}(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1) \partial_j(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1)) - d(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1, \partial_x w_0 + \varepsilon \partial_x w_1).
$$

Moreover we have  $\varepsilon G_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon G_1 + \varepsilon^2 G_{2\varepsilon}$  where

(3.37) 
$$
G_1 = \partial_t w_1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_w \mathcal{A}_j(w_0) w_1 \partial_j w_0 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j(w_0) \partial_j w_1 + \partial_w \mathcal{L}(w_0) w_1 w_1 - \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\mathcal{B}_{ij}(w_0) \partial_j w_0) - d(w_0, \partial_x w_0),
$$

$$
G_{2\varepsilon} = \sum_{j\in\mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \partial_w^2 \mathcal{A}_j(w_0 + \varepsilon \alpha \beta w_1) \alpha \mathrm{d}\alpha \mathrm{d}\beta w_1 w_1 \partial_j w_0
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{j\in\mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{A}_j(w_0 + \varepsilon \alpha w_1) \mathrm{d}\alpha w_1 \partial_j w_1 + \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \partial_w^2 \mathcal{L}(w_0 + \varepsilon \alpha \beta w_1) \alpha \mathrm{d}\alpha \mathrm{d}\beta w_1 w_1 w_1
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \partial_i \Big( \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{B}_{ij}(w_0 + \varepsilon \alpha w_1) \mathrm{d}\alpha w_1 \partial_j w_0 \Big) + \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \partial_i \Big( \mathcal{B}_j(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1) \partial_j w_1 \Big)
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{M}_{ij}(w_0 + \varepsilon \alpha w_1) \mathrm{d}\alpha w_1 \partial_i w_0 \partial_j w_0
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \mathcal{M}_{ij}(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1) (\varepsilon \partial_i w_1 \partial_j w_1 + \partial_i w_0 \partial_j w_1 + \partial_i w_1 \partial_j w_0).
$$

In addition, letting  $G_1 = (G_{1e}, G_{1r})^t$  we have  $G_{1e} = 0$  and  $G_1 \in \mathcal{I}^\perp$ .

*Proof.* These relations are established after some algebra by using the governing equations for  $w_0$ and *w*<sub>1</sub> and calculus identities in the form  $\mathcal{A}_i(w_0 + \varepsilon w_1) - \mathcal{A}_i(w_0) = \varepsilon \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{A}_i(w_0 + \varepsilon \alpha w_1) d\alpha w_1$ . Such identities are notably valid since the open set  $\mathcal{O}_w$  is convex so that any segment  $[w_0, w_0 + \varepsilon w_1]$ lies in  $\mathcal{O}_w$  whenever  $w_0 \in \mathcal{O}_w$  and  $w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 \in \mathcal{O}_w$ . The expression of  $G_\varepsilon$  is first obtained and consequently that of  $G_1$  by letting  $\varepsilon \to 0$ . The slow component of  $G_1$  is then found to be zero by using the governing equation (3.11) of  $u_1$ , keeping in mind that  $d_e = 0$ . using the governing equation (3.11) of  $u_1$ , keeping in mind that  $d_e = 0$ .

We now investigate the difference residual  $\delta R_{\varepsilon}$  that is naturally expanded around  $\tau = 0$  in order to use the governing equations of  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$ .

**Proposition 3.2.** The residual difference  $\delta R_{\varepsilon}$  may be written in the form  $\delta R_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon F_{\varepsilon}$  where the expression of  $F_{\varepsilon}$  is detailed in Appendix B. Moreover  $F_{\varepsilon}$  decreases exponentially towards zero as  $\tau \to \infty$  when  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$  decrease exponentially to zero.

Proof. The proof is essentially a lengthy calculation summarized in Appendix B. The difference residual  $\delta R_{\varepsilon}$  is naturally obtained in a form involving the initial-layer correctors  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$  or their derivatives in each contributing term and this yields the exponential convergence towards zero.  $\Box$ 

It will be convenient in the following to consider  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  as a function of t and  $\delta R_{\varepsilon}$  as a function of  $\tau$  with  $\tau = t/\varepsilon$ . Combining the expressions of  $G_{\varepsilon}$  and  $F_{\varepsilon}$  we may now state the following result on the approximate system.

**Proposition 3.3.** The second-order approximation  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  satisfies the system of equations

(3.38) 
$$
\partial_t w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j(w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}) \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\mathcal{B}_{i,j}(w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}) \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{L}(w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}) w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} - \varepsilon d(w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}, \partial_x w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}) = \varepsilon (G_{\varepsilon} + F_{\varepsilon}),
$$

where  $G_{\varepsilon}$  and  $F_{\varepsilon}$  are detailed in Propositions 3.1 and 3.2

Proposition 3.3 shows that whenever the outer coefficients  $w_0$  and  $w_1$  are estimated as well as the initial-layer correctors  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$ , then the residuals  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  and  $\delta R_{\varepsilon} = R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{a}} - R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  are also estimated, in such a way that  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  satisfies the approximated system (3.38) with a  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  residual.

#### 3.6 The outer second-order fast-component corrector

In order to establish that the truncated expansion  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  yields a second-order accurate approximation of  $w_{\varepsilon}$ , we need to consider modified expansions. More specifically, due to the stiff sources, the outer residual  $G_{\varepsilon}$  in the approximated equation (3.38) has a first order contribution  $\varepsilon G_1$ . Even though using the truncated expansion  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  leads to a  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3/2})$  accuracy estimate [40], new modified expansions are required in order to obtain an  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  accuracy estimate without extra regularity assumptions.

Since  $G_1$  belongs to the fast manifold  $G_1 \in \mathcal{L}^{\perp}$  from Proposition 3.1, a natural idea is to absorb this residual by using the source term. This precisely leads to add the second-order fast-component q<sup>2</sup> corrector term in the outer expansion as established in the following proposition.

**Proposition 3.4.** Denote by  $w_2 = (u_2, q_2)^t$  the second-order outer corrector expansion coefficient and by  $w_2' = (0, q_2)^t$  its projection on the fast manifold. Then we have the identity

(3.39) 
$$
\mathcal{L}(w_0)w_2 = \mathcal{L}(w_0)w_2' = -G_1.
$$

*Proof.* The  $\varepsilon^1$  relation deduced from (2.7) is in the form

(3.40) 
$$
\partial_t w_1 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_w \mathcal{A}_j(w_0) w_1 \partial_j w_0 + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j(w_0) \partial_j w_1 + \partial_w \mathcal{L}(w_0) w_1 w_1
$$

$$
- \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\mathcal{B}_{ij}(w_0) \partial_j w_0) - d(w_0, \partial_x w_0) + \mathcal{L}(w_0) w_2 = 0.
$$

The identity  $(3.39)$  is then a consequence of  $(3.40)$  and the expression  $(3.37)$  of  $G_1$  established in Proposition 3.1. On the other hand, the slow projection of  $(3.40)$  yields the  $u_1$  governing equation (3.11) already derived in Section 3.2.  $\Box$ 

It is then natural to introduce the new expansion

(3.41) 
$$
w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} = w_{\varepsilon}^{a} + \varepsilon^{2} w_{2}^{\prime},
$$

that appears to be the simplest modified expansion with a second order accurate outer residual. In particular, only the fast part  $q_2$  of the second-order outer correction  $w_2$  is required in order to cancel the residual  $\varepsilon G_1$  and this will be sufficient in order to establish a second-order accuracy for  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\rm a}$  as well as  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$ .

Such a procedure appears to be natural since the orders are 'mixed' so that we first get  $q_0 = 0$  at the order  $\varepsilon^{-1}$ , then we get  $u_0$  and  $q_1$  at the order  $\varepsilon^0$  and next  $u_1$  and  $q_2$  at the order  $\varepsilon^1$  simultaneously, so that the 'orders' are not clearly separated and we need to consider  $q_2$  even if we only want to estimate the error arising from  $q_0$ ,  $u_0$ ,  $q_1$ , and  $u_1$ . Another point of view is that some of the *natural* norms arising in a priori estimates—once rewritten in terms of the quasinormal variable—are in the form  $|\omega - w^*|_k^2 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon}|q|_{k-1}^2$  where  $w^*$  denotes an equilibrium state and  $|\cdot|_k$  the norm in the Sobolev space  $H^k(\mathbb{R}^d)$  [19, 20], in such a way that, loosely speaking, more accuracy is required on the fast component because of the  $1/\varepsilon$  factor.

### 3.7 Improved approximate equations

We investigate in this section the residual associated with the modified truncated approximation  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} = w_{\varepsilon}^{a} + \varepsilon^{2} w_{2}^{\prime}$ . This residual is denoted by  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} = R(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})$  and is a measure of the accuracy of the modified approximated solution  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$ .

Proposition 3.5. Keeping the notation of Propositions 3.1 and 3.2 the modified second-order approximation  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  satisfies the system

(3.42) 
$$
\partial_t w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\mathcal{B}_{i,j} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} L (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - \varepsilon d (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}, \partial_x w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) = \varepsilon^2 G'_{2\varepsilon} + \varepsilon^3 G'_{3\varepsilon} + \varepsilon F'_{\varepsilon},
$$

with a residual  $R(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) = \varepsilon^2 G'_{2\varepsilon} + \varepsilon^3 G'_{3\varepsilon} + \varepsilon F'_{\varepsilon}$  split into

$$
G'_{2\varepsilon} = G_{2\varepsilon} + \partial_t w_2' + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_i (w_{\varepsilon}^{i\alpha}) \partial_i w_2'
$$
  
+ 
$$
\int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{L} (w_0 + w_0^{i\dagger} + \alpha \varepsilon (w_1 + w_1^{i\dagger} + \varepsilon w_2')) d\alpha (w_1 + w_1^{i\dagger} + \varepsilon w_2') w_2'
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{A}_i (w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha} + \alpha \varepsilon^2 w_2') d\alpha w_2' \partial_i w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha} + \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{L} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha} + \alpha \varepsilon^2 w_2') d\alpha w_2' w_1
$$
  
- 
$$
\varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{M}_{ij} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha} + \alpha \varepsilon^2 w_2') d\alpha w_2' \partial_i w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha} \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha}
$$
  
- 
$$
\varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{M}_{ij} (w_{\varepsilon}^{i\alpha}) (\varepsilon^2 \partial_i w_2' \partial_j w_2' + \partial_i w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha} \partial_j w_2' + \partial_i w_2' \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha})
$$
  
- 
$$
\varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_w \mathcal{B}_{ij} (w_{\varepsilon}^{i\alpha}) \partial_i w_{\varepsilon}^{i\alpha} \partial_j w_2' - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i \left( \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{B}_{ij} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha} + \alpha \varepsilon^2 w_2') d\alpha w_2' \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{\alpha} \right),
$$
  

$$
G'_{3\varepsilon} = - \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{B}_{ij} (w_{\varepsilon}^{i\alpha}) \partial_i \partial_j w_2',
$$
  

$$
F'_{\varepsilon} = F_{
$$

*Proof.* The residual  $R(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})$  is first written in the form

$$
R(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) = R(w_{\varepsilon}^{a}) + \varepsilon^{2} \Big\{ \partial_{t} w_{2}^{\prime} + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_{i} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) \partial_{i} w_{2}^{\prime} - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_{i} \big( \mathcal{B}_{ij} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) \partial_{j} w_{2}^{\prime} \big) \Big\} + \varepsilon \Big\{ \big( \mathcal{L}(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) - \mathcal{L}(w_{0} + w_{0}^{\rm il}) \big) w_{2}^{\prime} + \big( \mathcal{L}(w_{0} + w_{0}^{\rm il}) - \mathcal{L}(w_{0}) \big) w_{2}^{\prime} + \mathcal{L}(w_{0}) w_{2}^{\prime} \Big\} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \big( \mathcal{L}(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) - \mathcal{L}(w_{\varepsilon}^{a}) \big) w_{\varepsilon}^{a} + \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \big( \mathcal{A}_{i} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) - \mathcal{A}_{i} (w_{\varepsilon}^{a}) \big) \partial_{i} w_{\varepsilon}^{a} - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_{i} \big( \big( \mathcal{B}_{ij} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) - \mathcal{B}_{ij} (w_{\varepsilon}^{a}) \big) \partial_{j} w_{\varepsilon}^{a} \big) - \varepsilon \big( \mathcal{A} (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}, \partial_{x} w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) - \mathcal{A} (w_{\varepsilon}^{a}, \partial_{x} w_{\varepsilon}^{a}) \big).
$$

The first order term  $\varepsilon \mathcal{L}(w_0) w_2'$  then compensates with  $\varepsilon G_1$  arising from  $\varepsilon G_\varepsilon$  in  $R(w_\varepsilon^a)$  and this yields the decomposition of  $R(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})$ .  $\Box$ 

The new outer residual has been decomposed into  $\varepsilon^2 G'_{2\varepsilon} + \varepsilon^3 G'_{3\varepsilon}$  where  $G'_{3\varepsilon}$  is less regular and need to be considered separately. We finally note that the initial condition associated with the new approximated solution is now in the form

(3.43) 
$$
w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0) = \widetilde{w}_0 + \varepsilon \widetilde{w}_1 + \varepsilon^2 w_2^{\prime}(0),
$$

where  $w_2'(0) = (0, q_2(0))$ <sup>t</sup> and  $q_2(0)$  is directly obtained from (3.39).

## 4 Mathematical analysis

We establish in this section the existence of strong solutions to the Cauchy problem for system  $(2.7)$ . We further rigorously establish the accuracy of the second-order truncated approximations  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  and  $w_c^{a}$ . To this aim, we first establish the existence of appropriate outer expansion coefficients  $w_0$ and  $w_1$  and initial-layer correctors  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$  and discuss standard normal forms that uncouple hyperbolic and parabolic variables. We then use a convergence-stability lemma in order to establish existence of solutions and the accuracy of the approximate solutions.

#### 4.1 Existence of approximate solutions

We denote by  $|\bullet|_l$  the norm in the Sobolev space  $H^l = H^l(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and otherwise  $|\bullet|_A$  in the functional space A. If  $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_d) \in \mathbb{N}^d$  is a multiindex, we denote as usual by  $\partial^{\alpha}$  the differential operator  $\partial_1^{\alpha_1} \cdots \partial_d^{\alpha_d}$  and by  $|\alpha|$  its order  $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_d$ . For any scalar function  $\phi$  the  $L^2$  norm of  $k^{\text{th}}$ derivatives is defined by

(4.1) 
$$
|\partial^k \phi|_{L^2}^2 = \sum_{|\alpha|=k} \frac{k!}{\alpha!} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |\partial^{\alpha} \phi|^2 dx,
$$

where  $k!/\alpha!$  are the multinomial coefficients with a similar definition for vector functions. For any map  $\phi: \mathbb{R}^d \times [0, \bar{t}] \mapsto \mathbb{R}^n$  where  $\bar{t} > 0$  is positive and for any  $t \in [0, \bar{t}]$ , we denote by  $\phi(t)$  or  $\phi(\cdot, t)$ the partial map  $x \mapsto \phi(x, t)$  defined over  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with a similar convention for functions that depends on the fast time  $\tau$ . We collect in the following Lemma various useful properties of Sobolev spaces [32, 22, 37].

**Lemma 4.1.** We denote by  $l_0$  the integer  $l_0 = \lfloor d/2 \rfloor + 1$ .

- (i) Let k, l be integers with  $k \leq l$  and  $l_0 \leq l$ . Then for any  $f \in H^k$  and  $g \in H^l$ , we have  $f g \in H^k$ and there exists a constant  $c_0$  depending on l and d such that  $|f g|_k \le c_0 |f|_k |g|_l$ .
- (ii) Assume that  $l \geq l_0 + 1, f \in H^l$  and  $g \in H^{l-1}$ . Then for all multi-indices  $|\alpha| \leq l$  we have  $[f, \partial^{\alpha}]g = f\partial^{\alpha}g - \partial^{\alpha}(fg) \in L^2$  and there exists a constant  $c_0$  depending on l and d such that

$$
|f\partial^\alpha g-\partial^\alpha (fg)|_0\leq c_0|f|_l\,|g|_{|\alpha|-1}.
$$

(iii) The following nonlinear estimate holds for  $k \geq 1$  and  $\phi \in H^k \cap L^{\infty}$ 

(4.2) 
$$
|f(\phi) - f(0)|_k \le c_0 |f|_{\mathcal{C}^k(\mathcal{O}_\phi)} (1 + |\phi|_{L^\infty}^{k-1}) |\phi|_k,
$$

where  $\mathcal{O}_{\phi}$  denotes a ball of radius strictly larger than  $|\phi|_{L^{\infty}}$  and  $c_0$  a constant depending on k and d.

We denote by  $w^*$  an equilibrium state  $w^* = (u^*, 0)$  with  $q^* = 0$  and look for solutions w such that  $w_{\varepsilon} - w^* \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+2})$  and similarly  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} - w^* \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+2})$ . There is a natural shift of two order derivatives, however, between the governing equations of  $u_0$  and  $u_1$ , since there are secondorder derivatives of  $u_0$  in the governing equation of  $u_1$ . We must thus have  $u_0 - u^* \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+4})$ in order to obtain that  $u_1 \in C^0([0,t_*], H^{l+2})$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} - w^{\star} \in C^0([0,t_*], H^{l+2})$ . The initial data is naturally expanded in powers of  $\varepsilon$ 

(4.3) 
$$
\widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon} = \widetilde{w}_0 + \varepsilon \widetilde{w}_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2),
$$

and the coefficients are correspondingly assumed such that  $\tilde{\omega}_0 - w^* \in H^{l+4}$ ,  $\tilde{q}_0 = 0$  and  $\tilde{\omega}_1 \in H^{l+2}$ .

In order to establish the existence and properties of approximated solutions the condition  $(\mathbf{u}_5)$ will be especially useful. Moreover, we assume that the relative entropy  $\eta$ <sup>il</sup> is *level bounded* in the following sense.

(L) The relative entropy  $\eta^{\text{il}}$  is such that  $\lim_{|q|\to\infty} \eta^{\text{il}}(u,q) = \infty$  uniformly with respect to u on compact sets of  $\mathcal{O}_u$ .

Heuristically, this condition means that the entropy  $\eta$  is infinite at finite boundaries of the equilibrium set  $\mathcal{O}_u\times\{0\}$ . Such an assumption is notably used in convex analysis [33] and holds for the two-temperature fluids presented in [18, 19]. Assuming  $(U_1)$ – $(U_5)$  and  $(L)$  we now rigorously establish the existence of the multitime expansion coefficients investigated formally in Section 3.

**Proposition 4.2.** Let  $l \ge l_0 + 1$  and  $l_0 = [d/2] + 1$  be integers and  $b > 0$  be given. Assume that the initial data is such that  $\widetilde{\omega}_0 - w^* \in H^{l+4}$  and  $\widetilde{\omega}_1 \in H^{l+2}$  with  $|\widetilde{\omega}_0 - w^*|_{l+4} + |\widetilde{\omega}_1|_{l+2} < b$ . Assume that (u<sub>1</sub>)–(u<sub>5</sub>) and (L) hold, that  $\widetilde{\omega}_0 \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_w = \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_u \times (-\widetilde{\mathfrak{q}}, \widetilde{\mathfrak{q}})^{n_r} \subset \mathcal{O}_w$ , where  $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_u$  is a bounded convex open set with its closure in  $\mathcal{O}_u$  and  $\tilde{\mathfrak{q}} > 0$  is a given initial bound for fast variable components. Then there exist a time  $t_* > 0$ , outer expansion coefficients  $w_0(t)$  and  $w_1(t)$  defined over  $[0, t_*]$ , as well as initial-layer correctors  $w_0^{\text{il}}(\tau)$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}(\tau)$  defined over  $[0,\infty)$  and decreasing exponentially as  $\tau \to \infty$ , with regularity

(4.4)  $w_0 - w^* \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+4}), \qquad w_1 \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+2}),$ 

(4.5) 
$$
w_0^{\text{il}} \in C^0([0, +\infty), H^{l+4}), \qquad w_1^{\text{il}} \in C^0([0, +\infty), H^{l+2}),
$$

such that the outer expansion equations (3.7), (3.8), and (3.11), the inner expansion equations (3.25) and (3.29), and the matching conditions (3.4) are satisfied. These coefficients are uniquely defined and there exists positive constants c and  $\delta$  depending on  $\mathcal{O}_w$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_u$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_$  $\mathcal{B}_{ij}$ , *L* and  $\eta$  such that

(4.6) 
$$
|w_0(t) - w^*|_{l+4} + |w_1(t)|_{l+2} \le \mathsf{c}, \qquad 0 \le t \le t_*,
$$

(4.7) 
$$
|w_0^{\text{il}}(\tau)|_{l+4} + |w_1^{\text{il}}(\tau)|_{l+2} \leq \text{c} \exp(-\delta \tau), \qquad 0 \leq \tau < \infty.
$$

Moreover, there exists  $\mathcal{O}_{w0} = \mathcal{O}_{u0} \times (-\mathfrak{q}_0, \mathfrak{q}_0)^{n_r} \subset \mathcal{O}_w$  with  $\mathcal{O}_u \subset \mathcal{O}_{u0} \subset \overline{\mathcal{O}}_u$  and  $0 < \widetilde{\mathfrak{q}} < \mathfrak{q}_0$ , as well as  $\bar{\varepsilon} \in (0,1]$ , only depending on  $\mathcal{O}_w$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_u$ ,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{q}}$ , b and the system coefficients  $\mathcal{A}_j$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_{ij}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\eta$ , such that for any  $\varepsilon \in [0, \bar{\varepsilon}],$  the functions  $w_0$ ,  $w_0 + \varepsilon w_1$ , and  $w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + \varepsilon^2 w_2'$ , as well as  $w_0 + w_0^{11}$ ,  $w_0 + w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon(w_1 + w_1^{\text{il}}), \text{ and } w_0 + w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon(w_1 + w_1^{\text{il}}) + \varepsilon^2 w_2' \text{ have their value in } \mathcal{O}_{w0} \subset \overline{\mathcal{O}}_{w0} \subset \mathcal{O}_w.$ 

Corollary 4.3. Letting  $w_0 = (u_0, q_0)^t$ ,  $w_1 = (u_1, q_1)^t$ ,  $w_0^{\text{il}} = (u_0^{\text{il}}, q_0^{\text{il}})^t$ , and  $w_1^{\text{il}} = (u_1^{\text{il}}, q_1^{\text{il}})^t$ , there exist  $u_0(t)$ ,  $q_0(t)$ ,  $u_1(t)$  and  $q_1(t)$  with

(4.8) 
$$
u_0 - u^* \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+4}) \cap C^1([0, t_*], H^{l+3}), \qquad q_0 = 0,
$$

(4.9) 
$$
u_1 \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+2}) \cap C^1([0, t_*], H^{l+1}),
$$

(4.10) 
$$
q_1 \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+3}) \cap C^1([0, t_*], H^{l+2}),
$$

and initial-layer coefficients  $u_0^{il}(\tau)$ ,  $q_0^{il}(\tau)$ ,  $u_1^{il}(\tau)$ ,  $q_1^{il}(\tau)$  with

- (4.11)  $u_0^{il} = 0, \qquad q_0^{il} \in C^1([0, \infty), H^{l+4}),$
- (4.12)  $u_1^{\text{il}} \in C^1([0,\infty), H^{l+3}), \quad q_1^{\text{il}} \in C^1([0,\infty), H^{l+2}),$

such that (3.7), (3.9)–(3.11), (3.26), (3.28), (3.30), (3.31), (3.5), and (3.6) are satisfied.

*Proof.* In the following,  $a > 1$  and  $\delta < 1$  denote respectively large and small generic constants only depending on  $\mathcal{O}_w$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathsf{q}}$ , and the system coefficients  $\mathcal{A}_j$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_{ij}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\eta$ , whereas  $\mathsf{c} > 1$  denotes a generic constant that also depends on b. In the proof, we will successively obtain the existence and properties of  $w_0 = (u_0, q_0)^t$ , the existence and exponential decrease of  $w_0^{\text{il}} = (u_0^{\text{il}}, q_0^{\text{il}})^t$ , the integrability properties of  $w_0^{\text{il}}$ , the existence and properties of  $w_1 = (u_1, q_1)^t$ , the existence, exponential decrease and integrability of  $w_1^{\text{il}} = (u_1^{\text{il}}, q_1^{\text{il}})^t$ .

**Step 1.** The outer coefficient  $w_0$ . From (3.7) we have  $q_0 = 0$  and from (3.9) and Proposition 2.4, the zeroth order slow variable  $u_0$  satisfies a symmetrizable hyperbolic system of conservation laws. More over  $\widetilde{u}_0 \in \widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_u$ ,  $u_0(\cdot, 0) - u^* = \widetilde{u}_0 - u^* \in H^{l+4}$ , and  $|\widetilde{u}_0 - u^*|_{l+4} < b$ . The initial value  $\widetilde{u}_0$  has its value in  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_u$  and we arbitrary select an open bounded set  $\mathcal{O}_{u0}$  that contains the closure of  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_u$ and with  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_{u0} \subset \mathcal{O}_u$ . According to the local-in-time existence theory of initial-value problems for symmetrizable hyperbolic system [21, 13, 29, 22, 28, 6, 25], there exists a unique solution  $u_0 = u_0(x, t)$ with initial value  $u_0(x, 0) = \tilde{u}_0(x)$  defined over  $[0, t_*]$  where  $t_* > 0$  with values in  $\mathcal{O}_{u_0}$ . This solution also satisfies the estimates

$$
|u_0(t) - u^*|_{l+4} \leq c_{\text{loc}} |\widetilde{u}_0 - u^*|_{l+4} \leq c, \qquad 0 \leq t \leq t_*,
$$

where  $c_{\text{loc}}$  only depend on  $\mathcal{O}_{u_0}$ , b and the system coefficients. This establishes the existence of  $w_0$ with the regularity properties  $(4.4)$ .

**Step 2.** Existence of the initial-layer corrector  $w_0^{\text{il}}$ . From (3.26) we have  $u_0^{\text{il}} = 0$  and the ordinary differential equation (3.28) governing  $q_0^{\text{il}}$  yields, for any fixed  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , a unique local solution  $q_0^{\text{il}}(x, \tau)$ with respect to the fast time  $\tau$  starting from  $\widetilde{q}_0(x) \in (-\widetilde{q}, \widetilde{q})^{n_x}$ . In order to establish that this solution  $\tilde{q}_0(x, \tau)$  is defined over the whole fast time interval  $\tau \in [0, \infty)$  and decreases exponentially towards zero as  $\tau \to \infty$ , we use the relative entropy  $\eta$ <sup>il</sup>. This entropy  $\eta$ <sup>il</sup> is nonnegative and locally behaves quadratically  $\eta^{il} = \langle \mathcal{H}q, q \rangle$  where  $\mathcal{H} = \int_0^1 \eta_{vv}^{-1}(u, \alpha q) \alpha d\alpha$  as established in Lemma 2.5. Letting  $\varphi(\tau) = \eta^{\text{il}}(\tilde{u}_0(x), q_0^{\text{il}}(x, \tau))$  and using  $\partial_{\tau}\varphi = \partial_v \eta \partial_q v \partial_{\tau} q_0^{\text{il}}, q = (\partial_v \eta)^t$ , and  $\partial_q v \partial_{\tau} q_0^{\text{il}} = -Sq$ , we obtain that  $\partial_{\tau}\varphi + \langle q, Sq \rangle = 0$ . The modified entropy  $\varphi$  is thus decreasing and is a Lyapunov function for the  $q_0^{\text{il}}$  differential equation. By integration, leaving implicit the dependence on x for the sake of notational simplicity, we get

(4.13) 
$$
\eta^{\text{il}}\big((\widetilde{u}_0, q_0^{\text{il}}(\tau)) + \int_0^\tau \langle q_0^{\text{il}}(\tau'), S\big(\mathrm{U}(\widetilde{u}_0, q_0^{\text{il}}(\tau'))\big)q_0^{\text{il}}(\tau')\rangle \,\mathrm{d}\tau' = \eta^{\text{il}}(\widetilde{u}_0, \widetilde{q}_0).
$$

Letting  $M = \sup\{\eta(\tilde{u}, \tilde{q}); \ \tilde{u} \in \mathcal{O}_u, \ \tilde{q} \in (-\tilde{q}, \tilde{q})^{n_r}\}\$ , that is finite since  $\mathcal{O}_u, \times (-\tilde{q}, \tilde{q})^{n_r}$  has compact closure in  $\mathcal{O}_w$ , and using that  $\eta^{\text{il}}$  is level bounded (L), there exists  $\mathfrak{q}_0$  such that  $q \notin (-\mathfrak{q}_0, \mathfrak{q}_0)^{n_r}$ implies  $\eta(\tilde{u}_0, q) > M$ . Therefore, (4.13) implies that whenever  $\tilde{u}_0 \in \tilde{\mathcal{O}}_u$  and  $\tilde{q}_0 \in (-\tilde{q}, \tilde{q})^{n_r}$ , we must have  $q_0^{il}(\tau) \in (-\mathfrak{q}_0, \mathfrak{q}_0)^{n_r}$  for any  $\tau$ . All trajectories therefore remain uniformly bounded and thus exist for all positive  $\tau$ . Letting then  $\mathcal{O}'_{w0} = \mathcal{O}_{w0} \times (-\mathfrak{q}_0, \mathfrak{q}_0)^{n_r}$  we have  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}'_{w0} = \overline{\mathcal{O}}_{w0} \times [-\mathfrak{q}_0, \mathfrak{q}_0]^{n_r} \subset \mathcal{O}_{w}$ and all trajectories are such that  $u_0(t) \in \mathcal{O}_{u0}$  and  $q_0^{il}(\tau) \in (-\mathfrak{q}_0, \mathfrak{q}_0)^{n_r}$  and  $w_0(t) + w_0^{il}(\tau) \in \mathcal{O}'_{w0}$  for any  $t \in [0, t_*]$  and  $\tau \in [0, \infty)$ . On the other hand, on the compact set  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}'_{w0}$  of  $\mathcal{O}_w$ , that includes all trajectories starting from  $\tilde{\mathcal{O}}_{w}$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $2\delta\varphi \leq \langle q, Sq \rangle$  and  $\delta\langle q, q \rangle \leq \varphi \leq (1/\delta)\langle q, q \rangle$ since  $\varphi$ ,  $\langle q, q \rangle$ , and  $\langle Sq, q \rangle$  all behave quadratically with respect to q. From the inequality  $2\delta\varphi \leq$  $\langle q, Sq \rangle$  we get that  $\partial_{\tau} \varphi + 2\delta \varphi \leq 0$  and by integration  $\varphi(\tau) \leq \eta^{\text{il}}(\tilde{u}_0, \tilde{q}_0) \exp(-2\delta \tau)$ . Further using  $\delta\langle q, q \rangle \leq \varphi$  we obtain  $|q_0^{\text{il}}(x, \tau)| \leq \mathsf{a} |\widetilde{q}_0(x)| \exp(-\delta \tau)$  and

(4.14) 
$$
|q_0^{il}(\tau)|_{L^{\infty}} \leq \mathsf{a} \exp(-\delta \tau).
$$

This yields the exponential decrease towards zero of the initial-layer corrector uniformly in  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and uniformly for the initial conditions  $\widetilde{u}_0 \in \mathcal{O}_u$  and  $\widetilde{q}_0 \in (-\widetilde{\mathfrak{q}}, \widetilde{\mathfrak{q}})^{n_r}$ .

**Step 3.** Integrability of the initial-layer corrector  $w_0^{\text{il}}$ . We first note that by using mollifiers, we may assume that  $\tilde{u}_0 - u^*$  and  $\tilde{q}_0$  are smooth functions with compact support. In this situation,  $q_0^{\text{il}}$  is also smooth with compact support so that it is sufficient to establish a priori estimates of  $q_0^{\text{il}}$  in Sobolev spaces in this particular situation.

Since  $\widetilde{q}_0$  is in  $L^2$  and  $|q_0^{il}(x,\tau)| \leq a|\widetilde{q}_0(x)| \exp(-\delta \tau)$ , we first obtain that  $q_0^{il}$  is in  $L^2$  and that  $|q_0^{\text{il}}(\tau)|_0 \leq a |\widetilde{q}_0|_0 \exp(-\delta \tau) \leq c \exp(-\delta \tau)$ . We now establish by induction that for any  $0 \leq k \leq l+4$ 

(4.15) 
$$
|q_0^{\rm il}|_k \leq \mathsf{c} \exp(-\delta_k \tau),
$$

for some decreasing constants  $\delta_k < \delta_{k-1} < \cdots < \delta$  depending on  $\mathcal{O}_w$ ,  $\mathcal{O}_u$ ,  $\tilde{\mathfrak{q}}$ , and the system coefficients  $A_j$ ,  $B_{ij}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\eta$ . This estimate is already established for  $k = 0$  and we now consider the situation where  $1 \leq k \leq l+4$ . Letting  $\alpha$  be a multiindex with  $|\alpha| = k$ , we may write  $\alpha = e_j + \alpha'$  for some  $j \in \mathcal{D}$  where  $e_1, \ldots, e_d$  denotes the canonical basis of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and  $|\alpha'| = k - 1$ . Applying  $\partial_j$  to the equation  $\partial_{\tau} q_0^{il} = Q_r(\tilde{u}_0, q_0^{il})$  we first get that  $\partial_{\tau} \partial_j q_0^{il} = \partial_q Q_r \partial_j q_0^{il} + \partial_u Q_r \partial_j \tilde{u}_0$ . Further applying the derivation operator  $\frac{\partial \alpha'}{\partial t}$  we obtain

(4.16) 
$$
\partial_{\tau}\partial^{\alpha}q_{0}^{\text{il}} = \partial_{q}Q_{\text{r}}\partial^{\alpha}q_{0}^{\text{il}} + [\partial^{\alpha'}, \partial_{q}Q_{\text{r}}]\partial_{j}q_{0}^{\text{il}} + \partial^{\alpha'}(\partial_{u}Q_{\text{r}}\partial_{j}\tilde{u}_{0}).
$$

The partial derivative  $\partial_q Q_r$  may be decomposed into

$$
\partial_q Q_x(\widetilde{u}_0, q_0^{il}) = -\eta_{vv} S - \partial_q(\eta_{vv} S)q = -\overline{\eta}_{vv}\overline{S} - (\eta_{vv} S - \overline{\eta}_{vv}\overline{S}) - \partial_q(\eta_{vv} S)q,
$$

where  $\overline{\eta}_{vv} = \eta_{vv}(\tilde{u}_0, 0)$  and  $\overline{S} = S(v(\tilde{u}_0, 0))$ . Letting

$$
\mathcal{J}(\widetilde{u}_0, q) = \overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} \Big( \int_0^1 \partial_q(\eta_{vv} S)(\widetilde{u}_0, \alpha q) \, d\alpha + \partial_q(\eta_{vv} S) \Big),
$$

we have  $\partial_q Q_r(\tilde{u}_0, q_0^{il}) = -\overline{\eta}_{vv}\overline{S} - \overline{\eta}_{vv}\mathcal{J}q$  and  $\partial_u Q(u, q) = -\partial_u(\eta_{vv}S)q$ . Multiplying equation (4.16) by  $\bar{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} = \bar{\eta}_{vv}^{-1}(\tilde{u}_0)$ , that does not depend on  $\tau$ , and next scalarly by  $\partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il}$ , it is obtained that

$$
\partial_{\tau} \frac{1}{2} \langle \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il}, \overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il} \rangle + \langle \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il}, \overline{S} \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il} \rangle + \langle \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il}, \mathcal{J} q_{0}^{il} \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il} \rangle =
$$

$$
+ \langle \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il}, \overline{\eta}_{vv} [\partial^{\alpha'}, \partial_{q} Q_{x}] \partial_{j} q_{0}^{il} \rangle - \langle \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{il}, \overline{\eta}_{vv} \partial^{\alpha'} (\partial_{u} (\eta_{vv} S) q_{0}^{il} \partial_{j} \widetilde{u}_{0}) \rangle.
$$

Letting  $\varphi = \langle \partial^{\alpha} q_0^{i_1}, \overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} \partial^{\alpha} q_0^{i_1} \rangle$  and using the inequality  $4\delta' \varphi \leq \langle \partial^{\alpha} q_0^{i_1}, \overline{S} \partial^{\alpha} q_0^{i_1} \rangle$  as well as the inequality  $|\langle \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{i} \mathcal{J} q_{0}^{i} \partial^{\alpha} q_{0}^{i} \rangle| \leq a |q_{0}^{i}(\tau)|_{L^{\infty}} \varphi$  both valid over  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}'_{w0}$  we obtain after some algebra

$$
\partial_{\tau}\tfrac{1}{2}\varphi+\left(3\delta'-\mathsf{a}|q_0^{\rm il}(\tau)|_{L^{\infty}}\right)\varphi\leq\,\mathsf{c}\big|\big[\partial^{\alpha'},\partial_qQ_{\rm r}\big]\partial_jq_0^{\rm il}\big|_0^2+\mathsf{c}\big|\partial_u(\eta_{vv}S)\,q_0^{\rm il}\partial_j\widetilde{u}_0\big|_{k-1}^2.
$$

Using the induction assumption, Leibnitz formula, and the commutator estimates then yields

$$
\partial_{\tau} \frac{1}{2} \varphi + \left( 3\delta' - \mathsf{a} |q_0^{\mathrm{il}}(\tau)|_{L^{\infty}} \right) \varphi \leq \mathsf{c} \exp(-2\delta_{k-1}\tau).
$$

Using (4.14) there exists  $\tau_0$  such that  $a|q_0^{il}(\tau)|_{L^{\infty}} \leq \delta'$  for  $\tau \geq \tau_0$  and then

(4.17) 
$$
\partial_{\tau} \frac{1}{2} \varphi + 2 \delta' \varphi \leq \mathbf{c} \exp(-2\delta_{k-1}\tau).
$$

Summing for  $|\alpha| = k$ , integrating over  $[\tau_0, \infty)$ , and selecting  $\delta_k \leq \delta'$  and  $\delta_k < \delta_{k-1}$  we obtain that  $|q_0^{\rm il}(\tau)|_k \leq c |q_0^{\rm il}(\tau_0)|_k \exp(-\delta_k \tau) + c \exp(-\delta_k \tau)$  for  $\tau \geq \tau_0$ . On the other hand, we may also directly write that on the interval  $[0, \tau_0]$  we have  $\partial_\tau \frac{1}{2} \varphi \leq a\varphi + c$ , so that applying Gronwall lemma yields that  $|q_0^{\rm il}(\tau)|_k \leq$  c over  $[0, \tau_0]$ . Combining both estimates over  $[0, \tau_0]$  and  $[\tau_0, +\infty)$  then completes the proof of (4.15).

**Step 4.** Existence of the outer corrector  $w_1$ . Once  $u_0$  is known,  $q_1$  may directly be evaluated by using (3.10). Taking into account the regularity properties of  $u_0$ , and since the expression of  $q_1$  only involves first order spatial derivatives of  $u_0$ , we obtain that  $q_1 \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+3}) \cap C^1([0, t_*], H^{l+2})$ .

Similarly, once  $u_0$  and  $q_0^{\text{il}}$  are known, the initial-layer corrector  $u_1^{\text{il}}$  is directly obtained from (3.33) in the form

$$
u_1^{\rm il}(x,\tau) = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j \int_{\tau}^{\infty} \int_0^1 \partial_q f_j(u, \alpha q_0^{\rm il}(\tau')) \mathrm{d}\alpha \, q_0^{\rm il}(\tau') \mathrm{d}\tau'.
$$

Using the properties of  $q_0$ <sup>il</sup> established in Step 2, in particular the uniform exponential decrease, it is obtained that  $u_1^{il} \in C^1([0,\infty), H^{l+3})$  and  $|u_1^{il}(\tau)|_{l+3} \leq c \exp(-\delta \tau)$ .

Once  $u_1^{\text{il}}$  is known, we may evaluate  $u_1^{\text{il}}(0) \in H^{l+3}$ , and thus  $u_1(0) = \tilde{u}_1 - u_1^{\text{il}}(0)$  so that  $u_1(0) \in$ <br> $\tilde{u}_1 \to \tilde{u}_2$  is  $\tilde{u}_2 \to \tilde{u}_1 l + 2$  and  $\tilde{u}_2 l + 3$ . The first space is presential to  $H^{l+2}$  since  $\widetilde{u}_1 \in H^{l+2}$  and  $u_1^{\text{il}}(0) \in H^{l+3}$ . The first order slow variable  $u_1$  also satisfies a semilinear and symmetrizable hyperbolic system with nonhomogeneous terms that are functions of  $u_0$ ,  $\partial_x u_0$  and  $\partial_x^2 u_0$  and are  $C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+2})$ . According to the local-in-time existence theory for symmetrizable hyperbolic system, there exists a unique solution  $u_1 = u_1(x,t)$  with initial condition  $u_1(0) = \tilde{u}_1$ 

 $u_1^{\text{il}}(0)$  for a positive time interval that may be chosen to be  $[0, t_*]$ , eventually after a change of notation. This solution  $u_1$  also satisfies the estimate

$$
|u_1(t)|_{l+2} \le c|u_1(0)|_{l+2} \le c, \qquad 0 \le t \le t_*,
$$

and the existence of  $w_0$  and  $w_1$  with regularity (4.4) is established.

**Step 5.** Existence and integrability of the initial-layer corrector  $w_1^{\text{il}}$ . The global existence of  $q_1^{\text{il}}(x,\tau)$ in  $C^1([0,\infty),\mathbb{R}^{n_r})$  follows from the general theory of linear differential equations since  $q_1^{\rm{il}}$  satisfies the linear equation with bounded coefficients

$$
\partial_{\tau}q_{1}^{\text{il}} = \partial_{q}Q_{\text{r}}(\omega_{0}^{\text{p}} + \omega_{0}^{\text{il}})q_{1}^{\text{il}} + r_{1}^{\text{il}},
$$

where

$$
r_1^{il} = \left(\partial_u Q_r(w_0^p + w_0^{il}) - \partial_u Q_r(w_0^p)\right)u_1^p + \partial_u Q_r(w_0^p + w_0^{il})u_1^{il} + \left(\partial_q Q_r(w_0^p + w_0^{il}) - \partial_q Q_r(w_0^p)\right)q_1^p + C(w_0^p + w_0^{il}) - C(w_0^p).
$$

The polynomial factor in  $\tau$  of  $u_1^p$  is in particular compensated by the exponential decrease towards zero of  $u_0^{\text{il}}$ . Using the  $\tau$ -independent metrics already used for  $q_0^{\text{il}}$  as well as the exponential decrease of  $r_1^{\text{il}}$ , the exponential decrease of  $q_1^{\text{il}}$  is next established. The integrability properties of  $q_1^{\text{il}}$  are consequences of that of  $r_1^{\text{il}}$  obtained from (4.15) and proceeding as in Step 3 yields that  $q_1^{\text{il}} \in C^1([0,\infty), H^{l+2})$  and  $|q_1^{\text{il}}(\tau)|_{l+2} \leq \text{c} \exp(-\delta \tau).$ 

Finally, the values of  $w_0$  and  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  remain in the compact set  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}'_{w0} = \overline{\mathcal{O}}_{w0} \times [-\mathfrak{q}_0, \mathfrak{q}_0]^{n_r}$  and we may find  $\mathcal{O}_{w0}$  with  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}'_{w0} \subset \mathcal{O}_{w0} \subset \overline{\mathcal{O}}_{w0} \subset \mathcal{O}_{w}$ . On the other hand, the values of  $w_1, w_1^{i_1}$ , and  $w_2'$  remain in a compact set of  $\mathbb{R}^n$  since  $|w_1|_{L^{\infty}} + |w_1^{\text{il}}|_{L^{\infty}} + |w_2^{\text{il}}|_{L^{\infty}} \leq \text{c}$ . As a consequence, for  $\bar{\varepsilon}$  small enough,  $w_0 + \varepsilon w_1$ ,  $w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + \varepsilon^2 w_2'$ ,  $w_0 + w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon (w_1 + w_1^{\text{il}})$ , and  $w_0 + w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon (w_1 + w_1^{\text{il}}) + \varepsilon^2 w_2'$  all have their value in the open set  $\mathcal{O}_{w0}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_{w0} \subset \mathcal{O}_{w0} \subset \mathcal{O}_w$  for any  $\varepsilon \in [0, \bar{\varepsilon}]$ .

In the following proposition we investigate the approximated system satisfied by the second-order truncated expansions  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime\mathbf{a}}$ .

**Proposition 4.4.** Keeping the assumption and notation of Proposition 4.2, for any  $\varepsilon \in (0,\bar{\varepsilon}]$ , the approximated solution  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} = w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + w_0^{\mathbf{i}} + \varepsilon w_0^{\mathbf{i}}$  is such that  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} - w^{\star} \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+2})$ . The residuals  $G_{\varepsilon}$ ,  $G_1$ ,  $G_{2\varepsilon}$ , and  $F_{\varepsilon}$  defined in Propositions 3.1 and 3.2 are such that  $G_{\varepsilon}$ ,  $G_{2\varepsilon} \in$  $C^0([0,t_*], H^l)$ ,  $G_1 \in C^0([0,t_*], H^{l+1})$ ,  $F_{\varepsilon} \in C^0([0,t_*/\varepsilon], H^l)$ , and  $F_{\varepsilon}$  is decreasing exponentially with respect to the fast time. Moreover, there exist c and  $\delta$  independent of  $\varepsilon$  with

(4.18) 
$$
|G_{\varepsilon}(t)|_l + |G_{2\varepsilon}(t)|_l + |G_1(t)|_{l+1} \leq \mathsf{c} \qquad 0 \leq t \leq t_*,
$$

(4.19) 
$$
|F_{\varepsilon}(\tau)|_l \leq \mathrm{c} \exp(-\delta \tau), \qquad 0 \leq \tau \leq t_*/\varepsilon.
$$

Similarly, the second-order projected outer corrector  $w_2' = (0, q_2)^t$  is such that  $w_2' \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+1})$ and the modified approximate solution  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} = w_{\varepsilon}^{a} + \varepsilon^{2} w_{2}^{\prime}$  is such that  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - w^{\star} \in C^{0}([0, t_{*}], H^{l+1})$ . Finally, the residuals  $G'_{\varepsilon}$ ,  $G'_{2\varepsilon}$ ,  $G'_{3\varepsilon}$ ,  $F'_{\varepsilon}$  defined in Proposition 3.5 are such that  $G'_{2\varepsilon} \in C^0([0,t_*], H^l)$ ,  $G'_{3\varepsilon} \in C^0([0,t_*], H^{l-1}), F'_{\varepsilon} \in C^0([0,t_*/\varepsilon], H^l)$  and there exist constants c and  $\delta$  independent of  $\varepsilon$ such that

(4.20) 
$$
|G'_{2\varepsilon}(t)|_l + |G'_{3\varepsilon}(t)|_{l-1} \le \mathsf{c}, \qquad 0 \le t \le t_*,
$$

(4.21) 
$$
|F'_{\varepsilon}(\tau)|_l \leq \mathsf{c} \exp(-\delta \tau), \qquad 0 \leq \tau \leq t_*/\varepsilon.
$$

*Proof.* The regularity properties of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  and of the residuals  $G_{\varepsilon}$ ,  $G_1$ ,  $G_{2\varepsilon}$ , and  $F_{\varepsilon}$  are direct consequences of the regularity properties established in Proposition 4.2, and of the expression of the residuals obtained in Proposition 3.1, Proposition 3.2 and Appendix B. The corresponding estimates are also consequences of the estimates established in Proposition 4.2.

Similarly, the regularity properties of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  and  $G'_{2\varepsilon}$ ,  $G'_{3\varepsilon}$ , and  $F'_{\varepsilon}$  and the corresponding estimates are also consequences of Proposition 4.2 and Proposition 3.5. Finally, the estimating constants only depend on  $\mathcal{O}_w$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathcal{O}}_u$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{q}}$ , b and the system coefficients  $\mathcal{A}_j$ ,  $\mathcal{B}_{ij}$ ,  $\mathcal{L}$  and  $\eta$ .  $\Box$ 

#### 4.2 Normal variable

In order to establish the existence of solutions  $w_{\varepsilon}$  to (2.7) as well as the accuracy of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\rm a}$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}'^{\rm a}$ , it is necessary to have a local existence theorem. To this aim we have to put the system into a normal form that distinguishes between hyperbolic and parabolic variables [22, 23, 24, 16, 18, 19, 20]. A natural sufficient condition for system  $(1.1)$  to be rewritten into a norm form is Condition N introduced by Kawashima and Shizuta [24] and strengthened in [14].

(N) The nullspace  $N(\widetilde{B}(\mathbf{U},\xi))$  of  $\widetilde{B}(\mathbf{U},\xi)=\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}}B_{ij}(\partial_{\mathbf{U}}^2\eta)^{-1}\xi_i\xi_j$  does not depend on  $\mathbf{U}\in\mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{U}}$  and  $\xi \in \Sigma^{d-1}$ , and  $B_{ij}(\mathbf{U})(\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1}N(\widetilde{B}(\mathbf{U},\xi)) = 0$ , for  $i, j = 1, \ldots, d$ .

Heuristically, the independence of  $N(\widetilde{B})$  on  $\xi$  is an isotropy condition of diffusion processes and the independence on x is an ubiquitous condition of diffusion processes. For fluid models, Condition  $(N)$ generally results from natural constraints on transport coefficients associated with mass, momentum, or energy conservation and derived from the kinetic theory  $[2, 12, 14]$ . Under Condition  $(N)$  it is then possible to describe all possible normal variables [16, 14]. Letting  $n_I = \dim(N(\tilde{B}))$  and  $n_{\text{II}} = n - n_{\text{I}}$ , let P denote an arbitrary constant nonsingular matrix of dimension n such that its first  $n_1$  columns span the nullspace  $N(\widetilde{B})$ , and define the auxiliary variables by  $U' = P^t U = (U'_1, U'_1)^t$ and  $v' = P^{-1}v = (v'_{I}, v'_{II})^t$  where  $v = (\partial_U \eta)^t$  [16, 14]. The diffusion matrices corresponding to these auxiliary variables have nonzero coefficients only in the lower right block of size  $n_{\text{II}} = n - n_{\text{I}}$  and normal forms are equivalently—and more easily—obtained from the v' symmetric equation [16, 14].

**Lemma 4.5.** Assume that the nullspace invariance property (N) is satisfied and denote by  $U' = P^t U$ and  $v' = P^{-1}v$  the auxiliary variable. All normal variables of system (1.1) are in the form  $w =$  $(\phi_{I}(U'_{I}), \phi_{II}(V'_{II}))^t$  where  $\phi_{I}$  and  $\phi_{II}$  are two  $C^{\infty}$  diffeomorphisms of  $\mathbb{R}^{n_1}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ , respectively. The component  $w_{I} = \phi_{I}(U'_{I})$  is then the hyperbolic variable and  $w_{II} = \phi_{II}(v'_{II})$  is the parabolic variable.

Assuming that Condition (N) holds, the structure of the normal form is investigated in the following proposition using the partition  $\mathbb{R}^n = \mathbb{R}^{n_1} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_1}$ .

**Proposition 4.6.** Let  $w = (w_1, w_1)^t$  be a normal variable with a  $C^{\infty}$  diffeomorphism  $U \rightarrow W$ . Letting  $u = u(w)$  in (1.1) and multiplying on the left by  $(\partial_w u)^t \partial_v^2 \eta = (\partial_w v)^t$  yields

(4.22) 
$$
\overline{A}_0(w)w_t + \sum_{j\in\mathcal{D}}\overline{A}_j(w)\partial_j w - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}}\partial_i(\overline{B}_{ij}(w)\partial_j w) = \frac{Q(w)}{\varepsilon} + \varepsilon \overline{d}(w, \partial_x w),
$$

where the matrices  $\overline{A}_0 = (\partial_w \mathbf{U})^t \partial_v^2 \eta \partial_w \mathbf{U}, \ \overline{A}_j = (\partial_w \mathbf{U})^t \partial_v^2 \eta A_j \partial_w \mathbf{U}, \ \overline{B}_{ij} = (\partial_w \mathbf{U})^t \partial_v^2 \eta B_{ij} \partial_w \mathbf{U},$  the residual  $\bar{d}(\mathsf{w},\partial_x\mathsf{w}) = -\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \partial_i((\partial_{\mathsf{w}}\mathsf{U})^t\partial_{\mathsf{U}}^2\eta)B_{ij}\partial_j\mathsf{U}$ , and the source term  $\overline{Q} = (\partial_{\mathsf{w}}\mathsf{U})^t\partial_{\mathsf{U}}^2\eta Q$  have the following properties.

- $(w_1)$  The matrix  $\overline{A}_0$  has a block structure  $\begin{bmatrix} \overline{A}_0^{1,1} & 0 \\ 0 & \overline{A}^{1,1} \end{bmatrix}$  $\overline{O}$   $\overline{A}_0^{\text{II,II}}$ 1 and is symmetric positive definite over  $\mathcal{O}_{w}$ .
- $(w_2)$  The matrices  $\overline{A}_j$ ,  $j \in \mathcal{D}$ , are symmetric over  $\mathcal{O}_w$ .
- (w<sub>3</sub>) The matrix  $\overline{B}_{ij}$  has a block structure  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \overline{B} \end{bmatrix}$  $\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \overline{B}_{ij}^{\text{II,II}} \end{bmatrix}$  and satisfy  $\overline{B}_{ij}^t = \overline{B}_{ji}$ ,  $i, j \in \mathcal{D}$ , over  $\mathcal{O}_{\text{w}}$ . For any  $\xi \in \Sigma^{d-1}$  the diffusion matrix  $\overline{B}^{\Pi,\Pi} = \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}}^{\Pi,\Pi} \xi_i \xi_j$  is positive definite over  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathsf{w}}$ .

The matrices  $\overline{A}_0$ ,  $\overline{A}_i$ ,  $\overline{B}_{ij}$ , and the source term  $\overline{Q}$  have regularity  $C^{\infty}$  and the quadratic residual  $\bar{d}$  may be written

(4.23) 
$$
\bar{d}(\mathbf{w}, \partial_x \mathbf{w}) = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}) \partial_i \mathbf{w} \partial_j \mathbf{w},
$$

where  $\overline{M}_{ij}$  are third order tensors depending on w, have regularity  $C^{\infty}$  and only involve parabolic components  $\bar{d}(\mathsf{w}, \partial_x \mathsf{w}) = \left(0, \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{ij}^{\text{II,II,II}}(\mathsf{w}) \partial_i \mathsf{w}^{\text{II}} \partial_j \mathsf{w}^{\text{II}}\right)^t$ .

We also assume in the following that the source term  $\overline{Q}$  is in quasilinear form.

### (w<sub>4</sub>) The source term  $\overline{Q}$  may be written  $\overline{Q}(w) = -\overline{L}(w)w$  where  $\overline{L}$  is a symmetric positive semidefinite matrix of size n with a fixed nullspace  $N(\overline{L}) = \overline{\mathcal{I}}$  and  $w \mapsto \overline{L}(w)$  has regularity  $C^{\infty}$ .

We use the terminology quasilinear for such source terms  $\overline{Q}$  since the matrix  $\overline{L}$  has several invariant properties, being symmetric positive semi-definite with fixed range and nullspace. In particular, the linear subspace  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}$  is the slow manifold with respect to the normal variable w,  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}^{\perp}$  is the corresponding fast manifold, and we denote by  $\pi$  the orthogonal projector onto  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}^{\perp}$ . Source terms Q that are in quasilinear form with respect to the entropic variable  $\mathbf{v} = (\partial_{\mathbf{u}} \eta)^t$  are often encountered in mathematical physics  $[44]$ . The assumption  $(w_4)$  concerning the source term of the normal form  $\overline{Q}$  is thus natural in terms of *properly chosen* normal variables w [18]. This is notably the case when the normal variable is such that  $\pi w = \pi(\partial_w w)v$  as investigated in [18] as well as for multitemperature nonequilibrium gas models [18] and complex chemistry fluids [20]. The assumption  $(w_4)$  further implies extra properties already observed for the quasinormal variables like for instance  $\langle \overline{Q}(w),w \rangle = 0$ if and only if  $\overline{Q}(w) = 0$  and if and only if  $w \in \overline{\mathcal{I}}$ . Incidentally, it is often the case that the source terms  $\overline{Q}$  belongs to the parabolic subspace  $\{0\} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_{\text{II}}}$  but such a property will not be needed in the analysis. Finally, we introduce a commutation relation that simplifies a priori estimates [18, 19, 20].

### (C) The commutation relation  $\overline{A}_0(w)\pi = \pi \overline{A}_0(w)$  holds where  $\pi$  is the orthogonal projector onto the fast manifold  $\overline{\mathcal{L}}^{\perp}$ .

This property is equivalent to  $\overline{A_0 \mathcal{I}} \subset \overline{\mathcal{I}}$  or  $\overline{A_0 \mathcal{I}}^{\perp} \subset \overline{\mathcal{I}}^{\perp}$  and naturally implies  $\overline{A_0}^{-1}(w)\overline{L}(w) =$  $\pi^t \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w) \overline{L}(w) \pi$  since  $\overline{L} = \overline{L} \pi = \pi \overline{L}$  and  $\pi^t = \pi$ . These relations simplify some commutator estimates for nonequilibrium variables [18, 20].

Since the change of variable  $U \rightarrow W$  is a  $C^{\infty}$  diffeomorphism, we may use the induced  $C^{\infty}$ diffeomorphism  $w \mapsto w$  from  $\mathcal{O}_w$  onto  $\mathcal{O}_w$  and define naturally the second order approximations  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$ and  $\mathsf{w}^{\prime\mathsf{a}}_\varepsilon$  in the normal variable as

(4.24) 
$$
w_{\varepsilon}^{a} = w(w_{\varepsilon}^{a}), \qquad w_{\varepsilon}'^{a} = w(w_{\varepsilon}'^{a}).
$$

The approximate equation satisfied by  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  is investigated in the following proposition and an analogous equation for  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}$  is similarly obtained.

**Proposition 4.7.** Keeping the assumptions and notation of Proposition 4.2, for any  $\varepsilon \in (0, \bar{\varepsilon}]$ , the approximation  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  is such that  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - w^{\star} \in C^{0}([0, t_{*}], H^{l+1})$  and satisfies the system

(4.25) 
$$
\overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})\partial_t \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} + \sum_{j\in\mathcal{D}} \overline{A}_j(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})\partial_j \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \partial_i (\overline{B}_{ij}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})\partial_j \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) = \frac{\overline{Q}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})}{\varepsilon} + \varepsilon \overline{d}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}, \partial_x \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}) + \varepsilon^2 \overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon} + \varepsilon^3 \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon} + \varepsilon \overline{F}'_{\varepsilon},
$$

where  $\overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon} = (\partial_w \mathsf{v})^t \partial_w \mathsf{U} G'_{2\varepsilon}, \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon} = (\partial_w \mathsf{v})^t \partial_w \mathsf{U} G'_{3\varepsilon}, \text{ and } \overline{F}'_{\varepsilon} = (\partial_w \mathsf{v})^t \partial_w \mathsf{U} F'_{\varepsilon}.$  Moreover, there exists positive constants c and  $\delta$  independent of  $\varepsilon$  such that

$$
(4.26) \t |\overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon}(t)|_l + |\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}(t)|_{l-1} \le \mathsf{c}, \t \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}(t) \in \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_{\mathrm{II}}}, \t 0 \le t \le t_*,
$$

(4.27) 
$$
|\overline{F}'_{\varepsilon}(\tau)|_{l} \leq \mathsf{c} \exp(-\delta \tau), \qquad 0 \leq \tau \leq t_{*}/\varepsilon.
$$

Proof. The approximate equation in normal form  $(4.25)$  is obtained from the approximate equation in the quasinormal variable (3.42) after the change of variable  $w = w(w)$  and multiplication by  $(\partial_w v)^t \partial_w v = \overline{A}_0 \partial_w w$ . The second-order derivative terms are also integrated by part in order to include the multiplying factor  $(\partial_w v)^t \partial_w v$  inside the derivation operators in such a way that the quadratic residual reads  $\bar{d} = (\partial_w \mathsf{v})^t \partial_w \mathsf{u} d + \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} (\partial_w \mathsf{v})^t \partial_w \mathsf{u} \mathcal{B}_{ij} \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime \mathsf{a}}.$ 

Proposition 4.4 then yields that  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a} - w^* \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+1})$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a} - w^* \in C^0([0, t_*], H^{l+2})$  using that  $w \mapsto w$  is of regularity class  $C^{\infty}$ . The integrability of the residuals also directly results from the expressions  $\overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon} = (\partial_w \mathsf{v})^t \partial_w \mathsf{u} \, G'_{2\varepsilon}, \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon} = (\partial_w \mathsf{v})^t \partial_w \mathsf{u} \, G'_{3\varepsilon}$ , and  $\overline{F}'_{\varepsilon} = (\partial_w \mathsf{v})^t \partial_w \mathsf{u} \, F'_{\varepsilon}$  and Proposition 4.4.

Finally, the residual  $\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}$  may be rewritten by using the definition of  $G'_{3\varepsilon}$  from Proposition 3.5 in the form  $\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon} = -\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}}(\partial_{w}v)^{t}\partial_{w}v\mathcal{B}_{ij}\partial_{i}\partial_{j}w'_{2}$  where all matrices  $(\partial_{w}v)^{t}$ ,  $\partial_{w}v$  and  $\mathcal{B}_{ij}$  are evaluated at  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$ . Using then  $\mathcal{B}_{ij} = (\partial_w \mathbf{U})^{-1} B_{ij} \partial_w \mathbf{U}$  we obtain that

$$
\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}=-\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}}(\partial_{\mathbf{w}}\mathbf{v})^tB_{ij}\partial_{w}\mathrm{U}\partial_i\partial_j w_2',=-\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}}\overline{B}_{ij}\partial_{w}\mathbf{w}\partial_i\partial_j w_2',
$$

in such a way that  $\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon} \in \{0\} \times \mathbb{R}^{n_{\text{II}}}$  from the properties of the diffusion matrices  $\overline{B}_{ij}$ ,  $i, j \in \mathcal{D}$ .  $\Box$ 

The initial conditions  $\widetilde{\mathbf{w}}_{\varepsilon}$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathbf{w}}_0$ , and  $\widetilde{\mathbf{w}}_1$ , are assumed to be such that  $|\widetilde{\mathbf{w}}_{\varepsilon} - \widetilde{\mathbf{w}}_0 - \varepsilon \widetilde{\mathbf{w}}_1|_1 \leq \varepsilon^2 \widetilde{\mathbf{w}}_1$ such a way that  $|w_{\varepsilon}^{a}(0) - \widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon}|_{l} \leq c\varepsilon^{2}$  and  $|w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0) - \widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon}|_{l} \leq c\varepsilon^{2}$ . Letting naturally  $\widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon} = w(\widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon})$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0)$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0)$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0)$  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0) = w(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0)),$  we thus have

(4.28) 
$$
|w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0) - \widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon}|_{l} \leq c\varepsilon^{2}.
$$

Finally, we define the zeroth order outer coefficient  $w_0$  and the limit at infinity  $w^*$  in the normal variable as

$$
(4.29) \t\t\t\t w_0 = w(w_0), \t\t\t w^* = w(w^*).
$$

Since  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} = w_{\varepsilon}^{a} + \varepsilon^{2} w_{2}^{\prime}$ , where  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a} = w_{0} + \varepsilon w_{1} + w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}}$ , we also obtain from Proposition 4.2 that there exists constants c and  $\delta$  with

$$
|w_\varepsilon'^{\mathrm{a}} - w_0|_l \leq c |w_\varepsilon'^{\mathrm{a}} - w_0|_l \leq c \big( \varepsilon + \exp(-\delta \tau) \big).
$$

Note that one may define similarly approximate solutions in the conservative variable  $U_{\varepsilon}^{a} = U(w_{\varepsilon}^{a}),$ and  $U_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} = U(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})$  that also satisfy approximate equations analogous to (1.1) but only  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a}$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  are used in the following.

#### 4.3 Existence of solutions

Let w be a normal variable and consider the Cauchy problem for the system of partial differential equations (4.22) with initial condition  $\widetilde{\mathsf{w}}_{\varepsilon}$  where  $\varepsilon \in (0,\bar{\varepsilon}]$  and  $\bar{\varepsilon}$  is fixed with  $0 < \bar{\varepsilon} \leq 1$ . The initial value  $\widetilde{\mathsf{w}}_{\varepsilon}$  is assumed such that  $\widetilde{\mathsf{w}}_{\varepsilon} - \mathsf{w}^* \in H^l(\mathbb{R}^d)$  where  $l \geq l_0 + 1$  and  $\widetilde{\mathsf{w}}_{\varepsilon}(x) \in \mathcal{O}_0$ ,  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , where  $\mathcal{O}_0$  is a bounded open set with  $\mathcal{O}_0 \subset \overline{\mathcal{O}}_0 \subset \mathcal{O}_w$ . We further introduce a  $d_1$ -neighborhood of  $\mathcal{O}_0$  with  $0 < d_1 < d(\mathcal{O}_0, \partial\mathcal{O}_w)$  defined by

(4.30) 
$$
\mathcal{O}_1 = \{ \mathbf{w} \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathbf{w}}; d(\mathbf{w}, \overline{\mathcal{O}}_0) < d_1 \},
$$

in such a way that  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_0 \subset \mathcal{O}_1 \subset \overline{\mathcal{O}}_1 \subset \mathcal{O}_{w}$  and  $\mathcal{O}_1$  is bounded.

According to the local existence theory for hyperbolic-parabolic systems [37, 22, 34], for any  $\varepsilon \in (0, \bar{\varepsilon}]$ , the system (4.22) has a unique classical solution  $w_{\varepsilon}$  taking its value in the open set  $\mathcal{O}_1$ 

$$
(4.31) \t w_{\varepsilon} - w^{\star} \in C^{0}([0,\bar{t}],H^{l}) \cap C^{1}([0,\bar{t}],H^{l-2}), \t w_{\varepsilon\Pi} - w_{\Pi}^{\star} \in L^{2}([0,\bar{t}],H^{l+1}),
$$

(4.32) 
$$
\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}(x,t) \in \mathcal{O}_1, \qquad (x,t) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times [0,\bar{t}].
$$

For each fixed  $\varepsilon \in (0, \bar{\varepsilon}]$  we may thus define a maximal time  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon}$  by

$$
\bar{t}_{\varepsilon} = \sup \{ \, \bar{t} > 0 : \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon} \text{ satisfies (4.31) and (4.32)} \, \}.
$$

This maximum time  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon}$  depends on the relaxation parameter  $\varepsilon$  and may tend to zero as  $\varepsilon \to 0$ . In order to establish that  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon}$  remains at finite distance form zero, we may use the existence of approximate solutions defined on a finite interval that satisfy the following properties  $(L_1)$ – $(L_3)$ .

(L<sub>1</sub>) There exists a finite time  $t_* > 0$  independent of  $\varepsilon$  and a family of approximate solutions  $\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} \in C^0([0,t_*], H^l)$  for  $\varepsilon \in (0,\bar{\varepsilon}]$  such that

(4.33) 
$$
\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - \mathsf{w}^{\star} \in C^{0}([0, t_{*}], H^{l}) \cap C^{1}([0, t_{*}], H^{l-2}),
$$

- (4.34)  $w_{\text{eff}}^{\prime a} w_{\text{II}}^{\star} \in L^2([0, t_*], H^{l+1}),$
- (4.35)  $\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(x,t) \in \mathcal{O}_0, \qquad (x,t,\varepsilon) \in \mathbb{R}^d \times [0,t_*] \times \in (0,\bar{\varepsilon}].$

(L<sub>2</sub>) Letting  $t_m = \min(t_*, \bar{t}_{\varepsilon})$ , we have

(4.36) 
$$
\lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \sup_{t \in [0, t_m)} |w_{\varepsilon}(t) - w_{\varepsilon}'^{\mathbf{a}}(t)|_{L^{\infty}} = 0.
$$

(L<sub>3</sub>) There exists a constant c independent of  $\varepsilon \in (0, \bar{\varepsilon}]$  such that

(4.37) 
$$
\sup_{t\in[0,t_m)}|w_{\varepsilon}(t)-w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(t)|_{l}^{2}+\varepsilon \int_{0}^{t_m}|\partial_{x}w_{\varepsilon\mathbf{I}}(t)-\partial_{x}w_{\varepsilon\mathbf{I}}^{\prime a}(t)|_{l}^{2}\mathrm{d}t\leq\mathrm{c}.
$$

A key tool in order to establish existence results by using approximate solutions with  $(L_1)$ – $(L_3)$ is the following convergence-stability lemma [43].

**Lemma 4.8.** Assume that there exists a family of approximated solutions  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a}$  for  $\varepsilon \in (0, \bar{\varepsilon}]$  such that  $(4.33)-(4.37)$  hold. Let  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon}$  be the maximal existence time for a classical solution with  $H^l$  regularity and values in  $\mathcal{O}_1$ . Then for  $\varepsilon$  small enough we have  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon} > t_*$ .

*Proof.* Arguing by contradiction we assume that there exists a sequence  $(\varepsilon_i)_{i\in\mathbb{N}}$  with  $\lim_{i\to\infty} \varepsilon_i = 0$ and  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i} \leq t_*$ . From (4.37) and the properties of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  we obtain that  $\sup_{t\in[0,\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i})}|w_{\varepsilon_i}(t)-w^{\star}|_l^2 \leq c$ and from the governing equations in normal form that  $\partial_t w_{\varepsilon_i}$   $(t) \in L^2((0, \bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i}), H^{\tilde{t}-1})$ . Similarly, since  $\int_0^{\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i}} |\partial_x w_{\varepsilon_i} (t)|_l^2 dt \leq \mathsf{c}/\varepsilon_i$  from  $(4.37)$  we also get that  $\partial_t w_{\varepsilon_i} (t) \in L^2((0,\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i}), H^{l-1})$ , so that finally  $\partial_t \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon_i}(t) \in L^2((0,\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i}), H^{l-1})$ . The existence of  $\lim_{t \to \bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i}} \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon_i}(t)$  in  $H^{l-1}$  then follows from the estimate  $|w_{\varepsilon_i}(t') - w_{\varepsilon_i}(t)|_{l-1} \leq c\sqrt{t'-t}$  valid for  $0 \leq t \leq t' < \overline{t}_{\varepsilon_i}$ . The limit  $\lim_{t \to \overline{t}_{\varepsilon}} w_{\varepsilon}(t)$  then exists in  $H^{l-1}$  and also as a continuous function since  $l-1 \geq [d/2]+1$ . Moreover, from (4.37) and standard functional analysis arguments, the limit  $w_{\varepsilon_i}(\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i})$  also belongs to  $H^l$ . Since the trajectories  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(t)$  for  $0 \leq t \leq \bar{t}_{\varepsilon} \leq t_{*}$  are included in the compact set  $\overline{\mathcal{O}}_0 \subset \mathcal{O}_1$ , we obtain from (4.36) that the values of  $w_{\varepsilon}(x, t)$  are necessarily in the open set  $\mathcal{O}_1$  and remain at finite distance from its boundary for  $\varepsilon$  small. In particular, the limits  $w_{\varepsilon_i}(x,\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i})$  also belongs to the open set  $\mathcal{O}_1$  for  $\varepsilon_i$  small enough. We may then use a local solution starting from  $w_{\varepsilon_i}(\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i})$  showing that the solution can be extended beyond  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i}$  and contradicting the definition of  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i}$ .

Another method of proof consists in noting that the local existence time for parabolic systems with smooth uniformly bounded coefficients is uniform with respect to initial solutions that are a priori bounded in  $H^l$ . Classical solutions with a fixed and small enough  $\varepsilon$  can thus be extended beyond  $\bar{t}_{\varepsilon_i}$  from the uniform  $H^l$  a priori bound [39].  $\Box$ 

In order to establish  $(L_1)$ – $(L_3)$  and the properties (4.33)–(4.37), we may now use the approximate solutions  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  constructed in Section 4.1 that satisfy (4.33) and (4.35) when  $w(\mathcal{O}_{w0}) \subset \mathcal{O}_0$ . We further establish in the next section a stronger version of (4.36) and (4.37) by proving that

$$
(4.38) \qquad \sup_{t\in[0,t_m)}|w_{\varepsilon}(t)-w_{\varepsilon}'^{\mathbf{a}}(t)|_{l}^{2}+\varepsilon\int_{0}^{t_m}|\partial_{x}\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon\Pi}(t)-\partial_{x}\mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon\Pi}(t)|_{l}^{2}\mathrm{d}t\leq\mathbf{c}\varepsilon^{4},\qquad 0<\varepsilon\leq\bar{\varepsilon}.
$$

By combining these estimates with the convergence-stability lemma, we obtain the following existence and approximation theorem.

Proposition 4.9. Keep the assumptions and notation of Proposition 4.2 and further assume that  $(w_1)-(w_4)$ , (N) and (C) hold. Assume that  $w(\mathcal{O}_{w0}) \subset \mathcal{O}_0 \subset \overline{\mathcal{O}}_0 \subset \mathcal{O}_w$ , and that  $\widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon} \in \mathcal{O}_0$ . Then there exist positive constants  $t_*$  and c such that for  $\varepsilon$  sufficiently small, system (4.22) has an unique solution  $w_{\varepsilon}$  over  $[0, t_*]$  with regularity class (4.31) and (4.32) such that

(4.39) 
$$
\sup_{t\in[0,t_*]}|w_{\varepsilon}(t)-w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(t)|_l\leq c\varepsilon^2.
$$

*Proof.* The existence of  $w_{\varepsilon}$  on a finite time interval is a consequence of the existence of the approximated solution  $w_c^{\prime a}$ , of Lemma 4.8, and of the error estimates (4.38) which is established in the next section. П **Corollary 4.10.** The family of approximate solutions  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a}$  constructed in Section 4.1 also satisfies  $\sup_{t\in[0,t_*]} |w_{\varepsilon}(t) - w_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}}(t)|_l \leq c\varepsilon^2$ . Using the diffeomorphism  $\mathbf{u} \mapsto \mathbf{w}$  and letting  $\mathbf{u}_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}} = \mathbf{u}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\mathbf{a}})$  and  $u_{\varepsilon} = \tilde{u}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})$  we also have a second-order estimate in the form  $\sup_{t \in [0,t_*]} |v_{\varepsilon}(t) - v_{\varepsilon}^{\mathsf{a}}(t)|_l \leq \varepsilon \varepsilon^2$ .

The estimate (4.39) is an improved version of a former  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{3/2})$  estimate and is established without extra regularity assumptions. The extra accuracy is obtained by first using  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a}$  instead of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{a}$  in the proof. Ultimately, since  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - w_{\varepsilon}^{a} = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$ , it is also obtained that  $w_{\varepsilon}(t) - w_{\varepsilon}^{a}(t) = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  but the proof requires to first use  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  because of the entanglement of the asymptotic orders.

#### 4.4 Proof of the error estimates

We establish in this section the error estimates (4.38) for  $w_{\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  used in Theorem 4.9. To this aim, we consider a solution  $w_{\varepsilon}$  of the equations in normal form with the regularity class  $w_{\varepsilon} - w^* \in C([0, \bar{t}], H^l)$ and initial condition  $\widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon}$ . We also consider the approximate solution  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} = w(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})$  that satisfies the approximate system (4.25) with initial condition (3.43). The solution  $w_{\varepsilon}$  is defined over an interval  $[0,\bar{t}_{\varepsilon})$  and the approximate solution over  $[0,t_*]$  and we have to compare these solutions over  $[0,t_m)$ where  $t_m = \min(t_*, \overline{t}_{\varepsilon})$ . Note that by assumption we have  $w_{\varepsilon} \in \mathcal{O}_1$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} \in \mathcal{O}_0 \subset \mathcal{O}_1$  in such a way that both  $|\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}|_{L^{\infty}}$  and  $|\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}'|_{L^{\infty}}$  are already a priori bounded. Moreover, it is sufficient to establish the estimates (4.38) for smooth solutions since we may use mollifiers and convolution operators.

**Step 0.** Preliminaries. In the following  $\delta \leq 1$  denotes a generic small constant and  $c \geq 1$  a generic large constant, both depending on the system coefficients and initial data but, independent of  $\varepsilon$ . The various occurrences of these constants may be distinguished and the minimum of all  $\delta$  and the maxima of all c may be taken at the end of the proof so that only single constants ultimately remain. For  $k \geq 0$  and  $\phi \in H^k$  we introduce

(4.40) 
$$
E_k^2(\phi) = \sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq k} \frac{|\alpha|!}{\alpha!} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial^{\alpha} \phi, \partial^{\alpha} \phi \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x,
$$

we define the error  $e_{\varepsilon}$  by  $e_{\varepsilon} = w_{\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  and the error for the parabolic variable by  $e_{\varepsilon H} = w_{\varepsilon H} - w_{\varepsilon H}^{\prime a}$ . The error is such that  $e_{\varepsilon} \in C([0, t_m), H^l) \cap L^2([0, t_m), H^{l+1})$  and  $\partial_t e_{\varepsilon} \in C([0, t_m), H^{l-2})$  and we may form the difference between equations (4.22) and (4.25). This yields the following equation for  $e_{\varepsilon}$  written in nonconservative form for convenience

(4.41) 
$$
\overline{A}_0(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial_t e_{\varepsilon} + \sum_{j\in\mathcal{D}} \overline{A}_j(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial_j e_{\varepsilon} - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial_i \partial_j e_{\varepsilon} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \overline{L}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon})e_{\varepsilon} = \mathbf{h},
$$

where  $h = h_{cy} + h_{ds} + h_{sr} + h_{pt}$  and

$$
h_{cv} = -\sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \overline{A}_0(w_{\varepsilon}) \Big( \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}) \overline{A}_i(w_{\varepsilon}) - \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \overline{A}_i(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \Big) \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{'a},
$$
  
\n
$$
h_{ds} = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \varepsilon \overline{A}_0(w_{\varepsilon}) \Big( \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}) \overline{B}_{ij}(w_{\varepsilon}) - \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \overline{B}_{ij}(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \Big) \partial_i \partial_j w_{\varepsilon}^{'a} + \varepsilon \overline{A}_0(w_{\varepsilon}) \Big( \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}) \overline{d}^{'}(w_{\varepsilon}, \partial_x w_{\varepsilon}) - \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \overline{d}^{'}(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}, \partial_x w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \Big) \Big),
$$
  
\n
$$
h_{sr} = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon} \overline{A}_0(w_{\varepsilon}) \Big( \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}) \overline{L}(w_{\varepsilon}) - \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \overline{L}(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \Big) w_{\varepsilon}^{'a},
$$
  
\n
$$
h_{pt} = -\overline{A}_0(w_{\varepsilon}) \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}^{'a}) \Big( \varepsilon^2 \overline{G}_{2\varepsilon}^{'a} + \varepsilon^3 \overline{G}_{3\varepsilon}^{'a} + \varepsilon \overline{F}_{\varepsilon}^{'a} \Big).
$$

These residuals  $h_{\rm cv}$ ,  $h_{\rm ds}$ ,  $h_{\rm sr}$ , and  $h_{\rm pt}$  are respectively due to convection, diffusion, sources and perturbations and the quadratic residual  $\bar{d}'$  is defined by  $\bar{d}'(w, \partial_x w) = \bar{d}(w, \partial_x w) + \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_w \overline{B}_{ij}(w) \partial_i w \partial_j w$ . Applying  $\partial^{\alpha}$  to equation (4.41) where  $|\alpha| \leq l$  we get that

$$
(4.42)\qquad \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial_t\partial^\alpha e_{\varepsilon} + \sum_{j\in\mathcal{D}} \overline{A}_j(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial_j\partial^\alpha e_{\varepsilon} - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial_i\partial_j\partial^\alpha e_{\varepsilon} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon}\overline{L}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial^\alpha e_{\varepsilon} = \mathsf{h}^\alpha + \mathsf{g}^\alpha,
$$

where the residual  $h^{\alpha}$  is associated with the derivatives of h whereas  $g^{\alpha}$  is due to commutators:

(4.43) 
$$
\qquad h^{\alpha} = \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial^{\alpha} \Big( \overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) h \Big),
$$

(4.44) 
$$
\mathbf{g}^{\alpha} = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \varepsilon \overline{A}_0(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) [\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}] \partial_i \partial_j e_{\varepsilon} - \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \overline{A}_0(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) [\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{A}_i(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}] \partial_i e_{\varepsilon} - \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \overline{A}_0(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) [\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{L}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}] e_{\varepsilon}.
$$

**Step 1.** The *l*th order estimate. Multiplying equation (4.42) by  $\partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}$  and  $|\alpha|!/\alpha!$ , integrating over  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , summing over  $0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l$ , using the inequality  $|\phi|_{L^{\infty}} \leq c_0 |\phi|_{l-1}$ , the Gårding inequality

$$
\delta |\partial_x \phi_{\text{II}}|^2_{0} \leq \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_i \phi, \partial_j \phi \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x + \mathbf{c}_0 |\partial_x \mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}|^2_{L^{\infty}} |\phi_{\text{II}}|^2_{0},
$$

keeping in mind that  $\langle \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial_i \phi, \partial_j \phi \rangle = \langle \overline{B}_{ij}^{\text{II},\text{II}}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\partial_i \phi_{\text{II}}, \partial_j \phi_{\text{II}} \rangle$  where  $\phi = (\phi_i, \phi_{\text{II}})^t$ , and integrating by part the second-order terms

$$
- \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_i \partial_j \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, dx = \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle \partial_{\mathbf{w}} \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_i \mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon} \partial_j \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, dx + \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_j \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \partial_i \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, dx,
$$

it is obtained that

$$
(4.45) \qquad \partial_t E_l^2(e_\varepsilon) + \varepsilon \delta |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l^2 + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_\varepsilon|_l^2 \le c \Big( |\partial_t \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_\varepsilon)|_{l-1} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} |\partial_j \overline{A}_j(\mathsf{w}_\varepsilon)|_{l-1} \Big) |e_\varepsilon|_l^2
$$

$$
+ c\varepsilon |\partial_x \mathsf{w}_\varepsilon|_{l-1}^2 |e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l^2 + c \sum_{0 \le |\alpha| \le l} \Big| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle \mathsf{h}^\alpha + \mathsf{g}^\alpha, \partial^\alpha e_\varepsilon \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x \Big|.
$$

The integration by part of second-order terms and the Gårding inequality both yield extra similar contributions in the form  $c \in |\partial_{\underline{x}} w_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1}^2 |e_{\varepsilon}u_{\varepsilon}|_{l}^2 \leq c \varepsilon |\partial_{\underline{x}} w_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1}^2 |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}^2$  on the right hand side.

The terms arising from  $|\partial_j \overline{A}_j(w_\varepsilon)|_{l-1}$  are majorized by  $c(1+|\partial_x e_\varepsilon|_{l-1})$  upon writing  $w_\varepsilon = w'^a_\varepsilon + e_\varepsilon$ and using the a priori bound of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  in  $H^l$ . For the time derivative  $|\partial_t \overline{A}_0(w_{\varepsilon})|_{l-1}$  we may use the governing equation (4.22) for  $w_{\varepsilon}$  and  $\pi w_0 = 0$ , to obtain that

(4.46)  
\n
$$
|\partial_t \overline{A}_0(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon})|_{l-1} \leq c \Big( \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} |\partial_j \mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \varepsilon |\partial_j \mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon \mathbf{H}}|_{l-1}^2 + \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \varepsilon |\partial_i \partial_j \mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon \mathbf{H}}|_{l-1} + \frac{|\pi(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon} - \mathbf{w}_0)|_{l-1}}{\varepsilon} \Big).
$$

Combining (4.45) and (4.46), using the identity  $w_{\varepsilon} = w_0 + (w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - w_0) + e_{\varepsilon}$  as well as  $|w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - w_0|_{l-1} \le$  $c(\varepsilon + \exp(-\delta \tau))$ , we obtain the *l*th order estimate

(4.47) 
$$
\partial_t E_l^2(e_{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon \delta |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l^2 + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 \leq \mathsf{c} (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l + \varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle h^\alpha + \mathsf{g}^\alpha, \partial^\alpha e_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x \right|.
$$

More specifically, the terms  $|\partial_j w_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1}|e_{\varepsilon}|^2$  are majorized by  $c(1+|e_{\varepsilon}|_l)|e_{\varepsilon}|^2_l$ , the terms  $\varepsilon|\partial_j w_{\varepsilon}||^2_{l-1}|e_{\varepsilon}|^2_l$ are majorized by  $(1+\varepsilon|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2)|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2$ , the terms  $\varepsilon|\partial_i\partial_j w_{\varepsilon}||_{l-1}|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2$  are partly compensated by the parabolic regularity term  $\delta \varepsilon |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon}||_l^2$  of the left hand side of (4.45) and yield on the right hand side  $\varepsilon \varepsilon (1 +$   $|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}^{2}$ , and the source term yields the majorizing quantity  $c(|\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} + \varepsilon + \exp(-\delta \tau))|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}^{2}/\varepsilon$ . We next have to investigate in the right hand side of (4.47) the terms associated with  $h^{\alpha} = \overline{A}_0 \partial^{\alpha} (\overline{A}_0^{-1} h)$ where  $h = h_{cv} + h_{ds} + h_{sr} + h_{pt}$  as well as the terms associated with commutators  $g^{\alpha}$ .

**Step 2.** Convective terms  $h_{cv}$ . In order to estimate  $\overline{A}_0(w_\varepsilon)\partial^\alpha(\overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_\varepsilon)h_{cv})$ , we first note that  $\overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})$  is bounded in  $L^{\infty}$  and that  $\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\mathsf{h}_{\text{cv}}$  is in the form

$$
\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\mathsf{h}_{\mathrm{cv}} = -\sum_{i\in\mathcal{D}} \Bigl(\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\overline{A}_i(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) - \overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime\mathrm{a}})\overline{A}_i(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime\mathrm{a}})\Bigr) \partial_j \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime\mathrm{a}}.
$$

Using the nonlinear estimate (4.2) with the variable  $w_{\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon}'^{a}$ , the  $L^{\infty}$  bounds of  $w_{\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon}'^{a}$ , and the estimates of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  in in  $C([0,t_*], H^{l+1})$  yields

$$
\sum_{0\leq|\alpha|\leq l}\left|\int\left\langle \partial^{\alpha}e_{\varepsilon},\overline{A}_{0}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\,\partial^{\alpha}\left(\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\,\mathsf{h}_{\text{cv}}\right)\right\rangle \mathrm{d}x\right|\leq \mathsf{c}|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}^{2}.
$$

**Step 3.** Diffusion terms  $h_{ds}$ . We first note that

$$
\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon})\mathbf{h}_{\mathrm{ds}} = \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \left( \overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) - \overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}) \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}) \right) \partial_{i} \partial_{j} \mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}^{\mathrm{a}} \n+ \varepsilon \sum_{ij \in \mathcal{D}} \left( \overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) - \overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}) \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}) \right) \partial_{i} \mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}^{\mathrm{a}} \partial_{j} \mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}^{\mathrm{a}} \n+ \varepsilon \sum_{ij \in \mathcal{D}} \overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{\mathbf{M}}_{ij}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \left( \partial_{i} e_{\varepsilon} \partial_{j} e_{\varepsilon} + \partial_{i} e_{\varepsilon} \partial_{j} \mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}^{\mathrm{a}} + \partial_{i} \mathbf{w}'_{\varepsilon}^{\mathrm{a}} \partial_{j} e_{\varepsilon} \right),
$$

where *only parabolic components* are involved for  $h_{ds}$ ,  $\partial_i w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$ , and  $\partial_i e_{\varepsilon}$ , with the blocks  $\overline{B}_{ij}^{\text{II,II}}, \overline{A}_0^{\text{II,II}}$ , and  $\overline{M}_{ij}^{\text{II,II,II}},$  due to the block structure of  $\overline{B}_{ij}$ ,  $\overline{A}_0$ , and  $\overline{M}_{ij}$ . The norm  $\left|\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\mathsf{h}_{\text{ds}}\right|_{l-1}$  is then directly majorized in the form

$$
\left|\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\mathsf{h}_{\mathrm{ds}}\right|_{l-1} \leq \mathsf{c}\varepsilon|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} + \mathsf{c}\varepsilon(1+|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1}^2)(|e_{\varepsilon\mathsf{u}}|_{l} + |e_{\varepsilon\mathsf{u}}|_{l}^2),
$$

using the  $L^{\infty}$  bounds of  $e_{\varepsilon}$  as well as the  $H^{l+1}$  bounds of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{l}$ . This inequality may then be simplified into

$$
\left|\overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon})h_{\mathrm{ds}}\right|_{l-1}\leq c\varepsilon(|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}+|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}^4),
$$

using  $|e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l \leq |e_{\varepsilon}|_l$  and inequalities in the form  $x^{\beta} \leq c(x + x^4)$  valid for  $x \geq 0$  when  $1 \leq \beta \leq 4$ .

We first consider the terms  $\overline{A}_0(w_\varepsilon)\partial^\alpha(\overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_\varepsilon)h_{ds})$  such that  $|\alpha| \leq l-1$ . From the previous estimates, these terms can directly be estimated as

$$
\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l-1} \left| \int \left\langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \, \partial^{\alpha} \left( \overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \, \mathsf{h}_{\mathrm{ds}} \right) \right\rangle \mathrm{d} x \right| \leq \mathsf{c}\varepsilon (|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^5).
$$

On the other hand, for the terms such that  $|\alpha| = l$ , an integration by part in performed by writing  $\alpha = e_{i_0} + \alpha'$  for some  $i_0 \in \mathcal{D}$  where  $e_1, \ldots, e_d$  denotes the canonical basis of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and  $|\alpha'| = l - 1$ . We may then write

$$
\left| \int \left\langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \overline{A}_{0}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial^{\alpha} (\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) h_{\mathrm{ds}}) \right\rangle \mathrm{d}x \right|
$$
  
\n
$$
= \left| \int \left\langle \partial_{i_{0}} (\overline{A}_{0}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha'} (\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) h_{\mathrm{ds}}) \right\rangle \mathrm{d}x \right|
$$
  
\n
$$
= \left| \int \left\langle \partial_{\mathsf{w}} \overline{A}_{0}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_{i_{0}} \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon} \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon} + \overline{A}_{0}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_{i_{0}} \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \partial^{\alpha'} (\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) h_{\mathrm{ds}}) \right\rangle \mathrm{d}x \right|.
$$

The term involving the higher order derivative  $\partial_{i_0}\partial^{\alpha}e_{\varepsilon}$  yields a majorizing term in the form

$$
c\varepsilon|\partial_x e_{\varepsilon II}|_l(|e_{\varepsilon}|_l+|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^4),
$$

keeping in mind that only parabolic components are involved, whereas the remaining terms are easily majorized by  $c\varepsilon(|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^6)$ .

We have finally established that

$$
\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \int \left\langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \, \partial^{\alpha} \left( \overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \, \mathsf{h}_{\mathrm{ds}} \right) \right\rangle \mathrm{d}x \right|
$$
  

$$
\leq c \varepsilon |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \mathrm{H}}|_l (|e_{\varepsilon}|_l + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^4) + c \varepsilon (|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^6).
$$

**Step 4.** Source terms  $h_{sr}$ . We first note that  $\overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon})h_{sr}$  may be rewritten in the form

$$
\overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon})h_{\rm sr} = -\frac{1}{\varepsilon}\Big(\overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon})\overline{L}(w_{\varepsilon}) - \overline{A}_0^{-1}(w_{\varepsilon}'^{a})\overline{L}(w_{\varepsilon}'^{a})\Big)(w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - w_0),
$$

since  $\overline{L}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\mathsf{w}_0 = 0$  and  $\overline{L}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a})\mathsf{w}_0 = 0$ . We may then write

$$
\sum_{0\leq|\alpha|\leq l}\Bigl|\int\Bigl\langle\partial^\alpha e_\varepsilon,\overline A_0(\mathsf w_\varepsilon)\,\partial^\alpha\bigl(\overline A_0^{-1}(\mathsf w_\varepsilon)\,\mathsf h_{\rm sr}\bigr)\Bigr\rangle\,\mathrm dx\Bigr|\leq \mathsf c\Bigl(1+\frac1\varepsilon\exp(-\delta\tau)\Bigr)|e_\varepsilon|_l^2,
$$

by using  $|w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a} - w_0|_l \leq c(\varepsilon + \exp(-\delta \tau)).$ 

**Step 5.** Perturbation terms  $h_{pt}$ . The terms arising from  $h_{pt}$  may be split by considering separately  $\varepsilon^2 \overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon}$ ,  $\varepsilon^3 \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}$ , and  $\varepsilon \overline{F}'_{\varepsilon}$ . The term associated with  $\varepsilon^2 \overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon}$  is directly majorized in the form

$$
\sum_{0\leq|\alpha|\leq l}\left|\int\left\langle\partial^{\alpha}e_{\varepsilon},\overline{A}_{0}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})\,\partial^{\alpha}\left(\varepsilon^{2}\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}^{\prime\mathsf{a}})\,\overline{G}_{2\varepsilon}^{\prime}\right)\right\rangle\mathrm{d}x\right|\leq\mathsf{c}\varepsilon^{2}|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l},
$$

using the a priori bounds of  $\overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon}$  in  $H^l$  from Proposition 4.7. Similarly the term associated with  $\varepsilon \overline{F}'_{\varepsilon}$ is majorized as

$$
\sum_{0\leq|\alpha|\leq l}\left|\int\Big\langle \partial^\alpha e_\varepsilon,\overline A_0(\mathsf w_\varepsilon)\,\partial^\alpha\big(\varepsilon \overline A_0^{-1}(\mathsf w_\varepsilon'^{\mathrm a})\,\overline F'_\varepsilon\big)\Big\rangle\,\mathrm dx\right|\leq \mathsf c\varepsilon\exp(-\delta\tau)|e_\varepsilon|_l,
$$

using the a priori bound of  $\overline{F}'_{\varepsilon}$  in  $H^l$  from Proposition 4.7.

We next consider the terms arising from  $\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}$  such that  $|\alpha| \leq l-1$ . These terms may directly be estimated by using the a priori bound of  $\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}$  in  $H^{l-1}$  and yields that

$$
\sum_{0\leq |\alpha|\leq l-1}\left|\int\left\langle \partial^\alpha e_\varepsilon,\overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_\varepsilon)\,\partial^\alpha\big(\varepsilon^3\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}'_\varepsilon^{\mathsf{a}})\,\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}\big)\right\rangle\mathrm{d} x\right|\leq c\varepsilon^3|e_{\varepsilon\Pi}|_l.
$$

On the other hand for the terms arising from  $\overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}$  such that  $|\alpha|=l$ , an integration by part in performed by writing  $\alpha = e_{i_0} + \alpha'$  where  $i_0 \in \mathcal{D}$  and  $|\alpha'| = l - 1$ . We may then write

$$
\left| \int \left\langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \overline{A}_{0}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial^{\alpha} (\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{G}_{3\varepsilon}') \right\rangle dx \right|
$$
  
\n
$$
= \left| \int \left\langle \partial_{i_{0}} (\overline{A}_{0}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha'} (\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{G}_{3\varepsilon}') \right\rangle dx \right|
$$
  
\n
$$
= \left| \int \left\langle \partial_{\mathbf{w}} \overline{A}_{0}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_{i_{0}} \mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon} \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon} + \overline{A}_{0}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_{i_{0}} \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \partial^{\alpha'} (\overline{A}_{0}^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{G}_{3\varepsilon}') \right\rangle dx \right|.
$$

The higher order derivative contribution  $\partial_{i_0} \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}$  yields a majorizing term in the form

$$
\sum_{|\alpha|=l} \left| \int \left\langle \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_{i_0} \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \, \partial^{\alpha'} \big( \varepsilon^3 \overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \, \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon} \big) \right\rangle \mathrm{d} x \right| \leq c \varepsilon^3 |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l.
$$

On the other hand, the remaining terms are directly majorized in the form

$$
\sum_{|\alpha|=l} \left| \int \left\langle \partial_{\mathbf{w}} \overline{A}_0(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \partial_{i_0} \mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon} \, \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \, \partial^{\alpha'} \big( \varepsilon^3 \overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathbf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \, \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon} \big) \right\rangle \mathrm{d} x \right| \leq c \varepsilon^3 (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l) |e_{\varepsilon}||_l,
$$

and we have established that

$$
\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \int \left\langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \, \partial^{\alpha} \left( \overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \, \mathsf{h}_{\mathrm{pt}} \right) \right\rangle \mathrm{d}x \right| \leq c \varepsilon^2 |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l} + c \varepsilon \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l} + c \varepsilon^3 (|e_{\varepsilon}|_{l} + |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}^2) + c \varepsilon^3 |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \mathrm{u}}|_{l}.
$$

**Step 6.** Combined estimates. From the estimates associated with  $h_{cv}$ ,  $h_{ds}$ ,  $h_{sr}$ , and  $h_{pt}$  we deduce after some algebra, keeping only the dominant terms and using that  $\varepsilon \leq 1$ , that

$$
\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \int \left\langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \mathsf{h}^{\alpha} \right\rangle \mathrm{d}x \right| \leq \mathsf{c}\varepsilon |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l (\varepsilon^2 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^4) + \mathsf{c}\varepsilon (\varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_l + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^6) + \mathsf{c} \Big( 1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) \Big) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \mathsf{c}\varepsilon \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l.
$$

This estimate for the residuals associated with  $h^{\alpha}$  may then be combined with the *l*th order inequality to get that

(4.48) 
$$
\partial_t E_l^2(e_{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon \delta |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l^2 + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 \leq c (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l + \varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 \n+ \frac{c}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \frac{c}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle g^\alpha, \partial^\alpha e_\varepsilon \rangle \,dx \right| \n+ c \varepsilon |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l (\varepsilon^2 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^4) + c \varepsilon (\varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_l + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^6) \n+ c \left( 1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) \right) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + c \varepsilon \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l.
$$

We may then only keep dominant terms in the right hand side, using  $ab \leq \frac{1}{2}(a^2 + b^2)$  and  $\varepsilon \leq 1$ . The term  $c\varepsilon^2|e_{\varepsilon}|_l$  yields in particular a majorizing factor in the form  $c|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + c\varepsilon^4$  and the term  $\varepsilon \exp(-\delta \tau)|e_{\varepsilon}|_l$  yields the majorizing factors  $(c/\varepsilon) \exp(-\delta t/\varepsilon)|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + c\varepsilon^3 \exp(-\delta t/\varepsilon)$ . In addition, we may absorb all  $\varepsilon^{1/2}|\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l$  terms with the help of the parabolic regularity term  $\varepsilon |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l^2$  of the left hand side. This yields the extra terms  $c\varepsilon|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2$  that is dominated by  $c|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2$  the term  $c\varepsilon^5$  that is dominated by  $c\epsilon^4$ , as well as the term  $c\epsilon|e_{\epsilon}|^8_l$  that is majorized by  $c|e_{\epsilon}|^8_l$ . Using finally  $\epsilon \leq 1$  and inequalities in the form  $x^{\beta} \leq c(x^2 + x^8)$  valid for  $x \leq 0$  when  $2 \leq \beta \leq 8$ , it is established that

(4.49) 
$$
\partial_t E_l^2(e_{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon \delta |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l^2 + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 \leq \mathsf{c} (|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^8) + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \mathsf{c} (\varepsilon^4 + \varepsilon^3 \exp(-\delta \tau)) + \sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle \mathsf{g}^{\alpha}, \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x \right|.
$$

It will be useful in the following to have an inequality for  $E_0^2$  sufficient for our purposes. In this particular situation  $\alpha = 0$  there are no commutators so that  $h^0 = h$  and  $g^0 = 0$ . Proceeding as for the lth estimates it is first obtained that

$$
(4.50) \t\t \partial_t E_0^2(e_{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon \delta |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_0^2 + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 \le c (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l + \varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2) |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 + \frac{c}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 + c \varepsilon |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 + \frac{c}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 + \left| \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \langle \mathbf{h}, e_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x \right|.
$$

Using indeed (4.45) and (4.46), the terms arising from  $|\partial_j w_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1}|e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2$  are majorized by  $\mathsf{c}(1+|e_{\varepsilon}|_l)|e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2$ , the terms  $\varepsilon |\partial_j w_{\varepsilon} \mathbf{u}|_{l-1}^2 |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2$  are majorized by  $c\varepsilon (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2)|e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2$ , the terms  $\varepsilon |\partial_i \partial_j w_{\varepsilon} \mathbf{u}|_{l-1} |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2$  are majorized by  $c\varepsilon(1+|\partial_x e_{\varepsilon\Pi}|_l)|e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2$ . We may use for the source terms the majorizing factors  $c(|\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} +$  $(\varepsilon+\exp(-\delta\tau))|e_{\varepsilon}|_{0}^{2}/\varepsilon$ . We next have to investigate the terms associated with  $h = h_{cv} + h_{ds} + h_{sr} + h_{pt}$ . From the expression of these residuals, the  $L^{\infty}$  bounds of  $w_{\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$ , and the estimates of  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  in in  $C([0, t_*], H^{l+1}),$  it is directly obtained that

$$
\left| \int \langle e_{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{h}_{cv} \rangle \, dx \right| \leq c |e_{\varepsilon}|_{0}^{2},
$$
  

$$
\left| \int \langle e_{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{h}_{ds} \rangle \, dx \right| \leq c \varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_{0}^{2} + c \varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |\partial_{x} e_{\varepsilon \mathbf{u}}|_{0}^{2} + c \varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_{0} |\partial_{x} e_{\varepsilon \mathbf{u}}|_{0},
$$
  

$$
\left| \int \langle e_{\varepsilon}, \mathbf{h}_{sr} \rangle \, dx \right| \leq c \Big( 1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) \Big) |e_{\varepsilon}|_{0}^{2}.
$$

Furthermore, for the terms arising from  $h_{\text{pt}}$ , we split the contributions by considering separately  $\varepsilon^2 \overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon}$ ,  $\varepsilon^3 \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon}$ , and  $\varepsilon \overline{F}'_{\varepsilon}$  and we obtain that

$$
\left| \int \langle e_{\varepsilon}, \overline{G}'_{2\varepsilon} \rangle \, dx \right| \leq c \varepsilon^{2} |e_{\varepsilon}|_{0} \leq c |e_{\varepsilon}|_{0}^{2} + c \varepsilon^{4},
$$
\n
$$
\left| \int \langle e_{\varepsilon}, \overline{F}'_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, dx \right| \leq c \varepsilon \exp(-\delta t/\varepsilon) |e_{\varepsilon}|_{0} \leq \frac{c}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta t/\varepsilon) |e_{\varepsilon}|_{0}^{2} + c \varepsilon^{3} \exp(-\delta t/\varepsilon),
$$
\n
$$
\left| \int \langle e_{\varepsilon}, \overline{G}'_{3\varepsilon} \rangle \, dx \right| \leq c \varepsilon^{3} |e_{\varepsilon}||_{0}.
$$

Combining finally the previous estimates for  $\alpha = 0$  we have established that

(4.51) 
$$
\partial_t E_0^2(e_{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon \delta |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_0^2 + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 \le c(1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_t + \varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_t^2) |e_{\varepsilon}|_1^2 + \frac{c}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 + c\varepsilon |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 + \frac{c}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{t-1} |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 + c(\varepsilon^4 + \varepsilon^3 \exp(-\delta \tau)).
$$

Step 7. Terms arising from commutators. The commutators terms in  $(4.44)$  are in the form  $[\phi(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}]$  where  $\phi(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})$  converges to  $\phi(\mathsf{w}^*)$  at infinity. Upon decomposing  $\phi(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) = \phi(\mathsf{w}^*) + (\phi(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) - \phi(\mathsf{w}^*)$  $\phi(\mathsf{w}^*)$  and since  $[\phi(\mathsf{w}^*), \partial^{\alpha}] = 0$  and  $[\phi(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}), \partial^0] = 0$  we have the inequality

$$
\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| [\phi(w_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}] \psi \right|_{0} = \sum_{1 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| [\phi(w_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}] \psi \right|_{0} \leq c |\phi(w_{\varepsilon}) - \phi(w^{\star})|_{l} |\psi|_{l-1}.
$$

Using the nonlinear estimate (4.2) and since both  $w_{\varepsilon}$  and  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}$  are a priori bounded in  $L^{\infty}$ , this inequality is simplified into  $\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \left[ \phi(w_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha} \right] \psi \right|_0 \leq c |w_{\varepsilon} - w^*|_l |\psi|_{l-1}$ . Finally using  $w_{\varepsilon} - w^* =$  $w_{\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon}'^{\text{a}} + w_{\varepsilon}'^{\text{a}} - w^{\star}$  yields the useful estimate

$$
\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| [\phi(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}] \psi \right|_{0} \leq \mathsf{c} (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}) |\psi|_{l-1}.
$$

Using this inequality with  $\phi = \overline{A}_0^{-1} \overline{A}_i$  and  $\psi = \partial_i e_{\varepsilon}$  first yields that

$$
\sum_{\substack{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l \\ i \in \mathcal{D}}} \Big| \int \langle \partial^\alpha e_\varepsilon, \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_\varepsilon) [\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_\varepsilon) \overline{A}_i(\mathsf{w}_\varepsilon), \partial^\alpha] \partial_i e_\varepsilon \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x \Big| \leq \mathsf{c} (1 + |e_\varepsilon|_l) |e_\varepsilon|_l^2.
$$

Similarly with  $\phi = \overline{A}_0^{-1} \overline{B}_{ij}$  and  $\psi = \partial_i \partial_j e_{\varepsilon}$  we have

$$
\sum_{\substack{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l \\ i,j \in \mathcal{D}}} \left| \int \langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \varepsilon \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) [\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{B}_{ij}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}] \partial_i \partial_j e_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x \right| \leq c \varepsilon (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}) |e_{\varepsilon \mathsf{H}}|_{l} |\partial_{x} e_{\varepsilon \mathsf{H}}|_{l}.
$$

Finally, we also obtain for  $\phi = \overline{A}_0^{-1} \overline{L}$  and  $\psi = e_{\varepsilon}$  that

$$
\sum_{\leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \int \langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \overline{A}_0(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) [\overline{A}_0^{-1}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}) \overline{L}(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}), \partial^{\alpha}] e_{\varepsilon} \rangle \, \mathrm{d}x \right| \leq \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l) |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l.
$$

We have thus established that

 $\overline{0}$ 

(4.52) 
$$
\sum_{0 \leq |\alpha| \leq l} \left| \int \left\langle \partial^{\alpha} e_{\varepsilon}, g^{\alpha} \right\rangle dx \right| \leq c \left( 1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l} \right) |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}^{2} + c \varepsilon \left( 1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l} \right) |e_{\varepsilon}||_{l} \left| \partial_{x} e_{\varepsilon}||_{l} + \frac{c}{\varepsilon} \left( 1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_{l} \right) |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l}.
$$

**Step 8.** Final estimates. Combining (4.49) and (4.52) and using  $2 \leq l$  we obtain that

(4.53) 
$$
\partial_t E_l^2(e_{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon \delta |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l^2 + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 \leq \mathsf{c} (|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^8) + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 + \mathsf{c}\varepsilon^4 + \mathsf{c}\varepsilon^3 \exp(-\delta \tau) + \mathsf{c}\varepsilon (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l) |e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} (1 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_l) |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l.
$$

The  $\varepsilon^{1/2} |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon}||_l$  factor can then be absorbed using the term due to parabolic regularity  $\varepsilon |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon}||_l^2$ . This yields on the right hand side the quantity  $c\varepsilon(1+|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2)|e_{\varepsilon}||_l^2$  that is dominated by  $c(|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2+|e_{\varepsilon}|_l^8)$ . Moreover, the product  $(c/\varepsilon)|\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_{l-1}|\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l$  may be eliminated from (4.53) by using the left hand side term  $(\delta/\varepsilon)|\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2$  of the *l*th estimate, the left hand side term  $(\delta/\varepsilon)|\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2$  of the zeroth order estimate, multiplying the zeroth order estimate by a suitable large constant a, adding the result to the lth order estimate, and using the interpolation inequality  $|\phi|_{l-1} \leq c_0 |\phi|_{l}^{\theta} |\phi|_{0}^{1-\theta}$  where  $\theta = (l-1)/l$ . The extra term  $c\epsilon|\partial_x e_{\epsilon}||_l |e_{\epsilon}|_0^2$  arising from the addition of the zeroth order estimate is then controled by using parabolic regularity and yields on the right hand side  $\varepsilon |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^4$  that is dominated by  $\mathsf{c}(|e_{\varepsilon}|_0^2 + |e_{\varepsilon}|_0^8)$ , whareas all other added terms from (4.51) are already present on the right hand side using  $1 \leq l$ . Letting  $E_l^2(e_{\varepsilon}) = E_l^2(e_{\varepsilon}) + aE_0^2(e_{\varepsilon})$ , it has been established that

(4.54) 
$$
\partial_t \widetilde{E}_l^2(e_{\varepsilon}) + \varepsilon \delta |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|_l^2 + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\pi e_{\varepsilon}|_l^2 \leq \mathsf{c} |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^3 + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^3 + \frac{\mathsf{c}}{\varepsilon} |e_{\varepsilon}|_l^3 + \mathsf{c} \Big( \varepsilon^4 + \varepsilon^3 \exp(-\delta \tau) \Big) \cdot \mathsf{c} \Big( 1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau) \Big) \cdot \mathsf{c} \Big( \varepsilon^4 + \varepsilon^3 \exp(-\delta \tau) \Big).
$$

Letting

$$
\psi = \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} \widetilde{E}_l^2(e_\varepsilon) = \widetilde{E}_l^2\left(\frac{e_\varepsilon}{\varepsilon}\right) = \widetilde{E}_l^2\left(\frac{\mathsf{w}_\varepsilon - \mathsf{w}_\varepsilon'^{\mathrm{a}}}{\varepsilon}\right),
$$

dividing (4.53) by  $\varepsilon^2$ , and using  $|e_{\varepsilon}|^2 \leq c \tilde{E}_l^2(\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon})$  and  $\varepsilon \leq 1$ , it is obtained that

$$
\partial_t \psi + \frac{\delta}{\varepsilon} |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}|^2 \leq c\psi^4 + c\Big(1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta \tau)\Big) \psi + c\big(\varepsilon^2 + \varepsilon \exp(-\delta \tau)\big),
$$

where we have used  $\psi^{3/2} \leq \psi^4 + \psi$ . Moreover  $\psi(0) = (1/\varepsilon^2) \widetilde{E}_l^2 (\widetilde{\mathsf{w}}_{\varepsilon} - \mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}'^2(0))$  since  $\mathsf{w}_{\varepsilon}(0) = \widetilde{\mathsf{w}}_{\varepsilon}$  and using  $|\widetilde{w}_{\varepsilon} - w_{\varepsilon}^{\prime a}(0)|_l \leq \varepsilon \varepsilon^2$  from (4.28) yields  $\psi(0) \leq \varepsilon \varepsilon^2$ . Assuming then that  $\psi(0) = \varepsilon \varepsilon^2 < 1$ , it remains true in an interval near zero in such a way that  $\psi^4 \leq \psi$  on this interval. Then on this interval we get that

(4.55) 
$$
\psi(t) \leq \mathsf{c} \int_0^t \left(1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta t'/\varepsilon)\right) \psi(t') \, \mathrm{d}t' + \mathsf{c}\varepsilon^2,
$$

and from Gronwall Lemma we obtain that

(4.56) 
$$
\psi(t) \leq c\varepsilon^2 \exp\left(c \int_0^t \left(1 + \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \exp(-\delta t'/\varepsilon)\right) dt'\right) \leq c\varepsilon^2 \exp\left(c(t_*+1)\right),
$$

using  $\int_0^t \exp(-\delta t'/\varepsilon) dt' = \varepsilon (1 - \exp(-\delta t/\varepsilon))$ . Assuming finally that  $c\varepsilon^2 \exp(c(t_*+1)) \leq 1$ , it is then guarantee that  $\psi$  remains lower than unity over  $[0, t_m)$  with  $t_m \leq t_*$ , so that finally the estimate (4.56) is established over  $[0, t_m)$ . Moreover, from  $\psi(t) \leq c\epsilon^2 \exp(c(t_*+1))$  over  $[0, t_m)$ , we further obtain that  $\varepsilon \delta \int_0^{t_m} |\partial_x e_{\varepsilon \Pi}(t')|_l^2 dt' \leq c \varepsilon^4$  and this completes the proof of (4.38).

#### 4.5 Chapman-Enskog expansion

The Chapman-Enskog method allows to derive governing equations for reduced systems [2, 12, 28, 3, 14, 25, 18]. Considering in particular the system in quasinormal form (2.7), this asymptotic method yields an expansion in the form  $w_{\varepsilon} = w_0^{\text{ce}} + \varepsilon w_1^{\text{ce}} + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  involving a zeroth order variable  $w_0^{\text{ce}} = (u^{\text{ce}}, q_0^{\text{ce}})^t$  with a slow component  $u^{\text{ce}}$  that is a priori infinitely accurate  $u_{\varepsilon} = u^{\text{ce}}$  and higher order coefficients  $w_i^{\text{ce}}$  for  $i \geq 1$  in the form  $w_i^{\text{ce}} = (0, q_i^{\text{ce}})^t$ . Its effective resulting accuracy then depends on the truncation order of the expansion. In other words, with Hilbert method, the slow variable  $u_{\varepsilon}$  *itself* is expanded  $u_{\varepsilon} = u_0 + \varepsilon u_1 + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  and each coefficient  $u_i$  has its own system of equation whereas with the Chapman-Enskog method the slow variable equation is expanded and the corresponding solutions resulting after truncation, that may be denoted by  $u_i^{ce}$ ,  $i \ge 0$ , are *i*th order approximation of  $u_{\varepsilon} = u^{\text{ce}}$ . We first investigate in this section the difference between the zeroth and first order Hilbert and Chapman-Enskog expansions. We then discuss the inital layer associated with a two-term Chapman-Enskog expansion.

With the hyperbolic-parabolic system presented in Section 2, it is obtained after some algebra that at zeroth order the Hilbert and Chapman-Enskog expansions coincide with  $w_0^{\text{ce}} = w_0 = (u_0, 0)^t$ where  $u_0 = u_0^{\text{ce}}$  is the solution of the first order system (3.9). Such zeroth order approximations would typically yield Euler equations for a compressible gas. On the other hand, after some algebra, at first order of Enskog expansion, the coefficient  $w_1^{\text{ce}}$  is found in the form  $w_1^{\text{ce}} = (0, q_1)^t$  where  $q_1 = q_1^{\text{ce}}$  is given by (3.10) and thus differ from the Hilbert first order term  $w_1 = (u_1, q_1)^t$ . Moreover the first order approximation  $u_1^{\rm ce}$  of  $u^{\rm ce}$  is found to be the solution of the more accurate reduced system (2.14) that includes all  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  terms. This Chapman-Enskog first order approximation would typically yields the Navier-Stokes-Fourier system for a compressible gas. A first task in therefore to compare the first order Hilbert outer expansion

(4.57) 
$$
u_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}(x,t) = u_0(x,t) + \varepsilon u_1(x,t),
$$

to the solution  $u_1^{\rm ce} = u_{\rm e}$  of (2.14). Since  $u_{\rm e} = u_1^{\rm ce}$  is the solution of the reduced system (2.14), the natural method in order to compare  $u_1^{\text{ce}} = u_{\text{e}}$  and  $u_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}} = u_0 + \varepsilon u_1$  is to evaluate the outer residual  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  defined by

(4.58) 
$$
\mathbf{R}_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}} = \partial_t u_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}} + \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_j f_j^{\text{e}}(u_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}) - \varepsilon \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i (B_{ij}^{\text{e}}(u_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}) \partial_j u_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}).
$$

The difference between  $u_1^{\text{ce}}$  and  $u_0 + \varepsilon u_1$  will then be estimated by using a stability theorem for hyperbolic-parabolic systems.

**Proposition 4.11.** The outer residual  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  is in the form  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}} = \varepsilon^2 R_{2\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  where

$$
R_{2\varepsilon}^{out} = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \partial_u^2 f_i^e(u_0 + \alpha \beta \varepsilon u_1) \, \alpha \, d\alpha \, d\beta u_1 u_1 - \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i \Big( B_{ij}^e(u_0 + \alpha \varepsilon u_1) \partial_j u_1 \Big) - \sum_{i,j \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_i \Big( \int_0^1 \partial_u B_{ij}^e(u_0 + \alpha \varepsilon u_1) \, d\alpha u_1 \, \partial_j u_0 \Big).
$$

Proof. This result from a direct calculation.

In order to compare the Chapman-Enskog first approximation  $u_1^{\text{ce}} = u_{\text{e}}$  that is the solution of the reduced system (2.15) to the Hilbert approximate solution  $u_0 + \varepsilon u_1$ , we need some assumptions on the structure of the reduced equilibrium system. We assume in the following that Condition  $N_e$ holds for the reduced system.

(N<sub>e</sub>) The nullspace  $N(\widetilde{B}^e(u,\xi))$  of  $\widetilde{B}^e(u,\xi) = \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} B^e_{ij} (\partial^2_u \eta^e)^{-1} \xi_i \xi_j$  does not depend on  $u \in \mathcal{O}_u$ and  $\xi \in \Sigma^{d-1}$  and  $B^{\rm e}_{ij} (\partial_u^2 \eta^{\rm e})^{-1} N(\widetilde{B}^{\rm e}) = 0$  for  $i, j \in \mathcal{D}$ .

Note that from the expression (2.16) of the diffusion matrices  $B_{ij}^e(u)$  we have  $B^e = \Pi_e^t \overline{B} \Pi_e +$  $\mathcal{F}\overline{S}^{-1}\mathcal{F}^t$  where  $\mathcal{F} = \sum_{i\in\mathcal{D}} \xi_i \partial_q f_i$  in such a way that  $N(\widetilde{B}^e) = \Pi_e^{-1}N(\widetilde{B})\cap N(\mathcal{F})$ . With condition (N)

 $\Box$ 

for the nonequilibrium system, then  $\Pi_e^{-1}N(B)$  is independent of u and  $\xi$ , so that a sufficient condition in order to obtain (N<sub>e</sub>) is therefore that the nullspace of  $\mathcal{F} = \sum_{i \in \mathcal{D}} \partial_q f_i \xi_i$  contains  $\Pi_e^{-1} N(\widetilde{B})$ . In this situation, we then have  $N(B^e) = \Pi_e^{-1} N(B)$  that is independent of u and  $\xi$  and this situation notably arises for two-temperature fluids [18] and multicomponent fluids [14, 20].

We also naturally assume that the initial value of  $u<sub>e</sub>$  is in  $H<sup>l</sup>$  and that

 $|u_{e}(0) - (u_{0}(0) + \varepsilon u_{1}(0))|_{l} = |u_{e}(0) - u_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}(0)|_{l} = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^{2}).$ 

We then have a second-order difference estimate between the Hilbert and the Enskog expansions [38].

**Proposition 4.12.** Let  $l \ge l_0 + 1$  and let  $t_m > 0$  such that both the second-order Hilbert expansion  $u_0 + \varepsilon u_1 = u_\varepsilon^{\text{out}}$  and the equilibrium solution  $u_1^{\text{ce}} = u_\varepsilon$  exist over  $[0, t_m]$  with regularity

(4.59) 
$$
\sup_{t\in[0,t_m]}|u_{\rm e}(t)-u^\star|^2_{l+1}+\varepsilon\int_0^{t_m}|u_{\rm eII}(t')-u_{\rm II}^\star|^2_{l+2}{\rm d}t'\leq c|u_{\rm e}(0)-u^\star|_{l+1}.
$$

Then there exists a constant c independent of  $\varepsilon$  such that

(4.60) 
$$
\sup_{t\in[0,t_m]}|u_{\rm e}(t)-(u_0(t)+\varepsilon u_1(t))|_{l}\leq c\varepsilon^2.
$$

*Proof.* This is a direct consequence of the estimate for the residual  $R_{\varepsilon}^{\text{out}}$  that is  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon^2)$  and of the stability theorem presented in Appendix B of Reference [20].  $\Box$ 

Thanks to the above result on  $u_e = u_1^{\text{ce}}$  and  $u_e^{\text{out}} = u_0 + \varepsilon u_1$  and Theorem 4.9, we obtain the following result about the initial-layer of Chapman-Enskog expansion.

Proposition 4.13. Keep the assumptions of Theorem 4.9, assume that the equilibrium solution also exists over  $[0, t_*]$  with regularity (4.59). Then there exist positive constants  $t_*$  and c such that the systems (1.1) and (2.15) have unique solutions in  $C^0([0, t_*], H^l)$  for  $\varepsilon \in [0, \bar{\varepsilon}]$  with

(4.61) 
$$
\sup_{t\in[0,t_*]}|u_{\varepsilon}(\cdot,t)-(u_{\varepsilon}(\cdot,t)+\varepsilon u_1^{il}(\cdot,t/\varepsilon))|_l\leq c\varepsilon^2.
$$

Proof. We may indeed write that

$$
\begin{aligned} \left| u_{\varepsilon}(t) - \left( u_{\varepsilon}(t) + \varepsilon u_1^{\mathrm{i}\mathrm{l}}(t/\varepsilon) \right) \right|_l &\leq \left| u_{\varepsilon}(t) - \left( u_0(t) + \varepsilon u_1(t) + \varepsilon u_1^{\mathrm{i}\mathrm{l}}(t/\varepsilon) \right) \right|_l \\ &+ \left| u_0(t) + \varepsilon u_1(t) - u_{\varepsilon}(t) \right|_l. \end{aligned}
$$

The estimate  $(4.60)$  then yields  $|u_0(t) + \varepsilon u_1(t) - u_e(t)|_l \leq c\varepsilon^2$  whereas we obtain from Theorem 4.9 that  $|u_{\varepsilon}(\cdot,t) - (u_0(t) + \varepsilon u_1(t) + \varepsilon u_1^{il}(x,t/\varepsilon))|_l \leq c\varepsilon^2$  and this completes the proof.  $\Box$ 

We have thus obtained the initial-layer for a two term Chapman-Enskog expansion, extending the results of [18]. It is remarkable that, even though there exists a zeroth order initial-layer term  $q_0^{\text{il}}$ for the nonequilibrium system, the reduced equilibrium system is nevertheless a good approximated system from (4.61).

# APPENDICES

# A Equivalence of equilibrium systems

**Proposition A.1.** The reduced equilibrium system  $(2.15)$  coincides with that obtained in the framework of entropic symmetrizable systems [18].

*Proof.* The convective matrices have been obtained previously [18] in the form  $\Pi_e^t A_i \partial_u u_{eq}$ . Since

$$
\Pi_{\mathbf{e}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{I} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \qquad A_i = \begin{bmatrix} A_i^{\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{e}} & A_i^{\mathbf{e}, \mathbf{r}} \\ A_i^{\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{e}} & A_i^{\mathbf{r}, \mathbf{r}} \end{bmatrix}, \qquad \partial_u \mathbf{U}_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{q}} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbb{I} \\ \partial_u v_{\mathbf{e}\mathbf{q}} \end{bmatrix},
$$

and  $\partial_u v_{\text{eq}} = (\overline{\eta}_{vv})^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vu}$  at equilibrium, a calculation yields that  $\Pi_e^t A_i \partial_u v_{\text{eq}} = A_i^{\text{e,e}} - A_i^{\text{e,r}} (\overline{\eta}_{vv})^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vu}$ which is easily shown to coincide with  $\partial_u F^e(u, v_{\text{eq}}(u, 0)) = \partial_u f_i(u, 0)$  that is the convective matrix of (2.15).

The same calculation may be applied to the first part of the diffusion matrices and this yields the identity  $\Pi_e^t B_{ij} \partial_u u_{\text{eq}} = B_i^{\text{e,e}} - B_i^{\text{e,r}} (\overline{\eta}_{vv})^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vu}$  so that these terms in both formulations also coincide. The remaining part of the diffusion matrices obtained previously is in the form  $\Pi_e\widetilde{A}_i\Lambda\widetilde{A}_j\partial_u\mathsf{v}_{\text{eq}}=$  $\Pi_{\rm e} A_i A_j \Pi_{\rm e} \partial_u^2 \eta^{\rm e}$  where  $A_i = A_i \partial_{\rm u} \nu = A_i (\partial_{\rm u}^2 \eta)^{-1}$  and A is the generalized inverse of  $L = -\partial_{\rm v} Q$  with prescribed nullspace  $\widetilde{A}_0 \mathcal{I}$  and range  $(\widetilde{A}_0 \mathcal{I})^{\perp} = \widetilde{A}_0^{-1} \mathcal{I}^{\perp}$  where  $\widetilde{A}_0 = \partial_v v = (\partial_v^2 \eta)^{-1}$ . After some algebra, it is obtained that  $\widetilde{A}_i = \partial_w \cup \mathcal{A}_i \partial_v w$  and using  $\partial_v w = \partial_v w (\partial_v v)^{-1}$  that

$$
\partial_{\mathbf{v}} w = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} (\overline{\eta}_{uu} - \overline{\eta}_{uv}\overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1}\eta_{vu})^{-1} & -(\overline{\eta}_{uu} - \overline{\eta}_{uv}\overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1}\eta_{vu})^{-1}\overline{\eta}_{uv}\overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} \\ 0 & \mathbb{I} \end{array} \right]
$$

.

 $\Box$ 

Using the special structure of  $\mathcal{E} = \mathbb{R}^{n_e} \times \{0\}$  it is then established that

$$
\Lambda = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & \overline{\eta}_{uv} \overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} \\ 0 & \mathbb{I} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \overline{S}^{-1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ \overline{\eta}_{vv}^{-1} \overline{\eta}_{vu} & \mathbb{I} \end{bmatrix}.
$$

A direct calculation then yields that  $\Pi_e^t \partial_w \cup \mathcal{A}_i = [\partial_u f_i, \partial_q f_i]$  and  $\partial_v \omega \Lambda (\partial_v \omega)^t$  simplifies into

$$
\partial_{\mathsf{v}} w \Lambda (\partial_{\mathsf{v}} w)^t = \left[ \begin{array}{cc} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & \overline{S}^{-1} \end{array} \right].
$$

Finally

$$
\Pi_{e}^{t} \widetilde{A}_{i} A \widetilde{A}_{j} \Pi_{e} = \Pi_{e}^{t} \partial_{w} \cup \mathcal{A}_{i} \partial_{v} w A (\partial_{v} w)^{t} (\mathcal{A}_{j})^{t} (\partial_{w} \cup)^{t} \Pi_{e} = \partial_{q} f_{i} \, \overline{S}^{-1} (\partial_{q} f_{j})^{t},
$$

and this completes the proof.

### B The inner layer residual

**Proposition B.1.** The residual difference  $\delta R_{\varepsilon}$  may be written  $\delta R_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon F_{\varepsilon}$  with  $F_{\varepsilon} = F_{\varepsilon cV} + F_{\varepsilon sV} + F_{\varepsilon sV}$  $F_{\varepsilon ds} + F_{\varepsilon qd}$  where

$$
F_{\varepsilon c v} = \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{A}_j \left( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + \alpha (w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_1^{\text{il}}) \right) \mathrm{d}\alpha \left( w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_1^{\text{il}} \right) \partial_j \left( w_1 + \mathcal{R}_0 \right)
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{A}_j \left( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + \alpha (w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_1^{\text{il}}) \right) \mathrm{d}\alpha \, w_1^{\text{il}} \partial_j w_0^{\text{p}}
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \partial_w^2 \mathcal{A}_j \left( w_0^{\text{p}} + \alpha w_0^{\text{il}} + \beta \varepsilon (w_1 + \alpha w_1^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_0) \right) \left( w_1 + \alpha w_1^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_0 \right) \mathrm{d}\alpha \, \mathrm{d}\beta \, w_0^{\text{il}} \partial_j w_0^{\text{p}}
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w \mathcal{A}_j \left( w_0^{\text{p}} + w_0^{\text{il}} + \alpha \varepsilon (w_1 + w_1^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_0) \right) \mathrm{d}\alpha \left( w_1 + w_1^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_0 \right) \partial_j w_0^{\text{il}}
$$
  
+ 
$$
\sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_j \left( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + w_0^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_1^{\text{il}} \right) \partial_j w_1^{\text{il}},
$$

$$
F_{\text{est}} = \int_{0}^{1} \partial_{w} \mathcal{L}(w_{0} + \varepsilon w_{1} + \alpha (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}})) \, d\alpha (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}}) \mathcal{R}_{1} + \int_{0}^{1} \partial_{w} \mathcal{L}(w_{0} + \varepsilon w_{1} + \alpha (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}})) \, d\alpha w_{1}^{\text{il}} w_{1}(0) + \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \partial_{w}^{2} \mathcal{L}(w_{0}^{\text{p}} + \alpha w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon \beta (w_{1} + \alpha w_{1}^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_{0})) \, d\beta (w_{1} + \alpha w_{1}^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_{0}) \, d\alpha w_{0}^{\text{il}} w_{1}(0) + \int_{0}^{1} \partial_{w} \mathcal{L}(w_{0}^{\text{p}} + w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon \alpha (w_{1} + w_{1}^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_{0})) \, d\alpha (w_{1} + w_{1}^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_{0}) w_{1}^{\text{il}} + \int_{0}^{1} \int_{0}^{1} \partial_{w}^{2} \mathcal{L}(w_{0}^{\text{p}} + w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon \alpha \beta (w_{1} + w_{1}^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_{0})) \, \alpha \, d\alpha \, d\beta (w_{1} + w_{1}^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_{0}) (w_{1} + w_{1}^{\text{il}} + \mathcal{R}_{0}) w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \partial_{w} \mathcal{L}(w_{0}^{\text{p}} + w_{0}^{\text{il}}) (\mathcal{R}'_{0} + \mathcal{R}_{1}) w_{0}^{\text{il}},
$$

$$
F_{\varepsilon ds} = -\sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \partial_i \Big( \int_0^1 \partial_w g_{ij} \big( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + \alpha (w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il}) \big) d\alpha \big( w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il} \big) \partial_j (w_0 + \varepsilon w_1)
$$

$$
- \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \partial_i \Big( g_{ij} \big( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il} \big) \partial_j (w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il}) \Big),
$$

$$
F_{\varepsilon q d} = - \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} M_{ij} \big( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il} \big) \partial_i (w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il}) \partial_j (w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il})
$$

$$
- \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} M_{ij} \big( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il} \big) \partial_i (w_0 + \varepsilon w_1) \partial_j (w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il})
$$

$$
- \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} M_{ij} \big( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il} \big) \partial_i (w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il}) \partial_j (w_0 + \varepsilon w_1)
$$

$$
- \sum_{i,j\in\mathcal{D}} \int_0^1 \partial_w M_{ij} \big( w_0 + \varepsilon w_1 + \alpha (w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il}) \big) d\alpha (w_0^{il} + \varepsilon w_1^{il}) \partial_i (w_0 + \varepsilon w_1) \partial_j (w_0 + \varepsilon w_1).
$$

*Proof.* It is first established directly that the difference  $\delta R_{\varepsilon}$  may be written

(B.1) 
$$
\delta R_{\varepsilon} = \partial_{t} (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}})
$$

$$
+ \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \int_{0}^{1} \partial_{w} \mathcal{A}_{j} (w_{0} + \varepsilon w_{1} + \alpha (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}})) d\alpha (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}}) \partial_{j} (w_{0} + \varepsilon w_{1})
$$

$$
+ \sum_{j \in \mathcal{D}} \mathcal{A}_{j} (w_{0} + \varepsilon w_{1} + w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}}) \partial_{j} (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}})
$$

$$
+ \int_{0}^{1} \partial_{w} \mathcal{L} (w_{0} + \varepsilon w_{1} + \alpha (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}})) d\alpha (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}}) w_{1}
$$

$$
+ \frac{1}{\varepsilon} \mathcal{L} (w_{0} + \varepsilon w_{1} + w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}}) d\alpha (w_{0}^{\text{il}} + \varepsilon w_{1}^{\text{il}}) + \varepsilon F_{\varepsilon \text{ds}} + \varepsilon F_{\varepsilon \text{qd}}
$$

The full expression of  $\delta R_{\varepsilon} = F_{\varepsilon}$  is then obtained by using the governing equations of  $w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $w_1^{\text{il}}$ , in order to eliminate the time derivatives  $\partial_t w_0^{\text{il}}$  and  $\partial_t w_1^{\text{il}}$ , and after lengthy algebra.

The residual  $\delta R_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon F_{1\varepsilon}$  may also be expanded in the form  $\varepsilon F_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon F_1 + \varepsilon^2 F_{2\varepsilon}$  where  $F_1$  is directly associated with the second-order initial-layer corrector  $w_2^{\text{il}}$ . In particular, by adding both  $w_2$  and  $w_2^{\text{il}}$  contributions to the truncated expansion  $w_{\varepsilon}^{\text{a}}$ , one may cancel both first order residuals

**Proposition B.2.** Denote by  $w_2^{\text{il}} = (u_2^{\text{il}}, q_2^{\text{il}})^t$  the second-order initial-layer corrector. Then we have the ordinary differential equation

(B.2) 
$$
\partial_{\tau} w_{2}^{il} + \mathcal{L}(w_{0}^{p} + w_{0}^{il}) w_{2}^{il} + \partial_{w} \mathcal{L}(w_{0}^{p} + w_{0}^{il}) w_{2}^{il} w_{0}^{il} + \mathcal{L}(w_{0}^{p} + w_{0}^{il}) w_{2}(0) + \partial_{w} \mathcal{L}(w_{0}^{p} + w_{0}^{il}) w_{2}(0) w_{0}^{il} = -F_{1}.
$$

*Proof.* The expression of  $F_1$  is directly obtained by taking the limit  $\varepsilon \to 0$  in  $F_{\varepsilon}$ . The ordinary differential equation for  $w_2^{\text{il}}$  is then obtained from the  $\varepsilon^1$  inner expansion relation deduced from (2.7) after lengthy calculations. П

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