

# Stochastic Differential Equations and Nilpotent Lie Algebras

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## 1. Introduction

Given  $C^\infty$ -vector fields  $A_i = \sum_{j=1}^d A_i^j(x) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^j}$ ,  $0 \leq i \leq n$ , on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  and an  $n$ -dimensional Brownian motion  $(B_t^1, \dots, B_t^n)$ , we consider the stochastic differential equation

$$dX_t^i = \sum_{j=1}^n A_j^i(X_t) \circ dB_t^j + A_0^i(X_t) dt, \quad 1 \leq i \leq d, \quad (1.1-1)$$

$$X_0 = x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad (1.1-2)$$

where the symbol  $\circ$  denotes the symmetric stochastic differential of Stratonovich (Itô, K. [4]). We denote by  $\mathcal{L}(A_1, \dots, A_n)$  the Lie subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  generated by  $A_1, \dots, A_n$ , where  $\mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  is the Lie algebra of all  $C^\infty$ -vector fields on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  with the bracket product:

$$[X, Y] = XY - YX, \quad X, Y \in \mathfrak{X}(\mathbb{R}^d).$$

We also denote by  $C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n)$  the set of all continuous functions  $U_t$ ,  $t \in [0, \infty)$ , with values in  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .

Recently, Doss, H. [1, 2] showed that, if the total differential equation

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \beta^i} h^j(\alpha, \beta) = A_i^j(h(\alpha, \beta)), \quad 1 \leq i \leq n, \quad 1 \leq j \leq d, \quad (1.2-1)$$

$$h(\alpha, 0) = \alpha \quad (1.2-2)$$

( $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $\beta \in \mathbb{R}^n$ ,  $h = (h^1, \dots, h^d)$ ) is completely integrable, then the solution of (1.1) can be expressed in the form

$$X_t = h(\Phi(x, B_\cdot)_t, B_t), \quad (1.3)$$

where the functional

$$\Phi: \mathbb{R}^d \times C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n) \rightarrow C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d)$$

is obtained by solving certain ordinary differential equation. One can easily see that the integrability condition of (1.2) is equivalent to the condition that the Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}(A_1, \dots, A_n)$  is Abelian. On the other hand, Gaveau, B. [3] treated a special class of stochastic differential equations in the case when  $\mathcal{L}(A_1, \dots, A_n)$  is not Abelian. For example, consider the case when

$$A_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} + 2x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3}, \quad A_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} - 2x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3}, \quad A_0 = 0$$

( $d=3, n=2$ ). Then,  $\mathcal{L}(A_1, A_2)$  is nilpotent<sup>1</sup> of step 2 and  $X_t$  is expressed as a function of multiple Wiener integrals of order  $\leq 2$  (see Example 2.1 of the next section). These works of Doss and Gaveau suggest that there will be a general relation between

(a) the representability of the solutions of stochastic differential equations in a form similar to (1.3) by means of multiple Wiener integrals, and

(b) the nilpotent property of the associated Lie algebras.

The purpose of this paper is to investigate such a relation in full under a general setting.

Before stating our main results, we must introduce some notations.  $E$  denotes either the set  $\{0, \dots, n\}$  or the set  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ ; it will be decided in each occasion. We put

$$E(p) = \{I = (i_1, \dots, i_a); i_1, \dots, i_a \in E, 1 \leq a \leq p\}, \quad p = 1, 2, \dots,$$

$$E(\infty) = \bigcup_{p=1}^{\infty} E(p),$$

and define vector fields  $A_I$  for  $I \in E(\infty)$  inductively by the formula

$$A_{(i_1, \dots, i_a)} = [A_{(i_1, \dots, i_{a-1})}, A_{i_a}]. \tag{1.4}$$

For simplicity, we assume that the components of  $A_I, I \in E(\infty)$ , are Lipschitz continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . We also define processes  $B_t^I, t \geq 0, I \in E(\infty)$ , inductively by the formula

$$B_t^{(i_1, \dots, i_a)} = \int_0^t B_s^{(i_1, \dots, i_{a-1})} \circ dB_s^{i_a}, \tag{1.5}$$

where  $B_t^0 = t, t \geq 0$ , by definition, and from now on we write  $A_{i_1, \dots, i_a}$  and  $B_t^{i_1, \dots, i_a}$  instead of  $A_{(i_1, \dots, i_a)}$  and  $B_t^{(i_1, \dots, i_a)}$ , respectively.

<sup>1</sup> A Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  is said to be nilpotent of step  $p$  if the  $p$ -th term of the series:

$$[\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}] \supset [\mathcal{L}, [\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}]] \supset [\mathcal{L}, [\mathcal{L}, [\mathcal{L}, \mathcal{L}]]] \supset \dots$$

vanishes, where

$$[\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}] = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^k [a_i, b_i]; a_i \in \mathcal{A}, b_i \in \mathcal{B}, i = 1, \dots, k, k = 1, 2, \dots \right\}$$

for each  $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B} \subset \mathcal{L}$

The main result (Theorem 2.1) of Section 2 is now stated as follows: If  $\mathcal{L}(A_0, \dots, A_n)$  is nilpotent of step  $p$ , then there exist a subset  $F$  of  $E(p)$  ( $E = \{0, \dots, n\}$ ) and a function  $h \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{\#F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d)^2$  with the property that

$$X_t = h(x, (B_t^I)_{I \in F})$$

is the solution of stochastic differential equation (1.1) for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . The proof of this theorem will be given in Section 3. The converse of this theorem is also true as will be proved in Section 4. An extension of a result of Doss, H. [1, 2] will then be presented in Section 5. Namely, we will prove the following theorem: If  $\mathcal{L}(A_1, \dots, A_n)$  is nilpotent of step  $p$ , then there exist a subset  $F$  of  $E(p)$  ( $E = \{1, \dots, n\}$ ), a function  $h \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{\#F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d)$  and a functional

$$\Phi: \mathbb{R}^d \times C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\#F}) \rightarrow C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d)$$

having the property that

$$X_t = h(\Phi(x, (B_t^I)_{I \in F}), (B_t^I)_{I \in F}), \quad t \geq 0,$$

is the solution of (1.1) for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

## 2. Construction of a Functional when $\mathcal{L}(A_0, \dots, A_n)$ is Nilpotent

In Sections 2 and 3, we put  $E = \{0, \dots, n\}$ . We fix a positive integer  $p$ . The set

$$\{y = (y^I)_{I \in E(p)}; y^I \in \mathbb{R}, I \in E(p)\}$$

will be identified with  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , where  $m = \#E(p)$ . The coordinate system on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  is also denoted by  $y^I, I \in E(p)$ . We define vector fields  $Q_i, i \in E$ , on  $\mathbb{R}^m$  by

$$Q_i = \frac{\partial}{\partial y^i} + \sum_{\substack{a+1 \leq p \\ j_1, \dots, j_a \in E}} y^{j_1, \dots, j_a} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{j_1, \dots, j_a, i}}. \tag{2.1}$$

We will denote by  $\mathcal{L}(Q_i + A_i, i \in E)$  the Lie algebra generated by the vector fields  $Q_i + A_i, i \in E$ , on  $\mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ .

Let  $\mathbb{R}(E)$  be the linear space with basis  $E$  and let  $\mathbb{I}(E)$  be the tensor algebra based on  $\mathbb{R}(E)$ , i.e.,

$$\mathbb{I}(E) = \mathbb{R} \oplus \mathbb{R}(E) \oplus (\mathbb{R}(E) \otimes (\mathbb{R}(E))) \oplus \dots$$

Define the bracket product in  $\mathbb{I}(E)$ :

$$[a, b] = a \otimes b - b \otimes a, \quad a, b \in \mathbb{I}(E).$$

Let  $\mathbb{I}\mathbb{L}(E)$  be the Lie subalgebra of  $\mathbb{I}(E)$  generated by  $E$ . We denote by  $\tau$  and  $\lambda$  the injections:  $E \rightarrow \mathbb{I}(E)$  and  $E \rightarrow \mathbb{I}\mathbb{L}(E)$  respectively. Recall that  $(\mathbb{I}(E), \tau)$  is a free algebra generated by  $E$ , i.e., for each algebra  $\mathcal{A}$  and a mapping  $\theta: E \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$ , there

<sup>2</sup>  $C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{\#F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d)$  is the set of all  $C^\infty$ -functions:  $\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{\#F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ , where  $\#F$  is the number of elements of  $F$

exists a unique homomorphism  $\theta' : \mathbb{I}(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{A}$  such that  $\theta' \circ \tau = \theta$ . Recall also that  $(\mathbb{I}(E), \lambda)$  is a free Lie algebra generated by  $E$ , i.e., for each Lie algebra  $\mathcal{L}$  and a mapping  $\theta : E \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$ , there exists a unique homomorphism  $\theta' : \mathbb{I}(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}$  such that  $\theta' \circ \lambda = \theta$ . We define  $[i_1, \dots, i_a] \in \mathbb{I}(E)$  for  $(i_1, \dots, i_a) \in E(\infty)$  by

$$[i_1, \dots, i_a] = [[i_1, \dots, i_{a-1}], i_a]$$

inductively. Each  $[i_1, \dots, i_a]$  is expressed as

$$[i_1, \dots, i_a] = \sum_{(j_1, \dots, j_b) \in E(\infty)} c_{i_1, \dots, i_a}^{j_1, \dots, j_b} j_1 \otimes \dots \otimes j_b \tag{2.2}$$

and coefficients  $c_{i_1, \dots, i_a}^{j_1, \dots, j_b}$  are uniquely determined by (2.2). We denote by  $C(E, p)$  the matrix  $(c_I^J)_{I, J \in E(p)}$ .

Since  $c_i^j = \delta_i^j$ ,  $i, j \in E$ , we can always take a subset  $F \subset E(p)$  that satisfies

**Property 2.1.** *F is a maximal subset of E(p) such that the column vectors of C(E, p):  $(c_I^J)_{I \in E(p)}$  for  $J \in F$  are linearly independent.*

Let  $r$  be the rank of the matrix  $C(E, p)$  and fix a bijection:

$$v : F + E(p) \setminus F + \{1, \dots, d\} \rightarrow \{1, \dots, m + d\} \tag{2.3}$$

with  $v(F) = \{1, \dots, r\}$ ,  $v(E(p) \setminus F) = \{r + 1, \dots, m\}$ ,  $v(\{1, \dots, d\}) = \{m + 1, \dots, m + d\}$ , where  $F + E(p) \setminus F + \{1, \dots, d\}$  is the direct sum of these sets.

**Proposition 2.1.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}(A_i, i \in E)$  is nilpotent of step p. Then we have*

i)  $\mathcal{D} \equiv \{ \mathcal{L}(Q_i + A_i, i \in E)_q ; q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d} \}$  is an  $r$ -dimensional differential system that satisfies the integrability condition.

ii) For each  $F \subset E(p)$  with Property 2.1, there exists a unique function  $f \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{m+d} \times \mathbb{R}^r \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{m+d})$  satisfying the followings:

- a)  $f^i(q; u) = u^i$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq r$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ ,  $u \in \mathbb{R}^r$ .
- b)  $M_q \equiv \{ f(q; u) ; u \in \mathbb{R}^r \}$  is a leaf<sup>3</sup> of  $\mathcal{D}$ , for each  $q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ .
- c)  $f(q; q^1, \dots, q^r) = q$  for each  $q = (q^1, \dots, q^{m+d}) \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ .

Now we can state

**Theorem 2.1.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}(A_0, \dots, A_n)$  is nilpotent of step p. Let F be a subset of E(p) ( $E = \{0, \dots, n\}$ ) with Property 2.1. Then*

$$X_i^t = f^{v(i)}(\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_m, x; B_i^F), \quad 1 \leq i \leq d, \quad t \geq 0,$$

is the solution of (1.1) for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , where  $B_i^F = (B_i^t)_{t \in F}$ .

We present

*Example 2.1.* Let  $d = 3$ ,  $n = 2$ ,  $A_1 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^1} + 2x^2 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3}$ ,  $A_2 = \frac{\partial}{\partial x^2} - 2x^1 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3}$ ,  $A_0 = 0$ .

<sup>3</sup> A maximal integral manifold of  $\mathcal{D}$  is called a leaf of  $\mathcal{D}$

Then  $A_{1,2} = -4 \frac{\partial}{\partial x^3}$ ,  $A_{1,2,1} = A_{1,2,2} = 0$ . Hence  $\mathcal{L}(A_0, A_1, A_2)$  is nilpotent of step 2. We may take  $F = \{0, 1, 2, (0, 1), (0, 2), (1, 2)\}$ . Noting that (1.1-1) takes the form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} dX_t^1 \\ dX_t^2 \\ dX_t^3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 2X_t^2 & -2X_t^2 \end{bmatrix} \circ \begin{bmatrix} dB_t^1 \\ dB_t^2 \end{bmatrix},$$

we have

$$X_t = \begin{bmatrix} x^1 + B_t^1 \\ x^2 + B_t^2 \\ x^3 + 2(x^2 B_t^1 - x^1 B_t^2) + 2(B_t^1 B_t^2 - 2 B_t^{1,2}) \end{bmatrix},$$

where  $x = (x^1, x^2, x^3)$ .

### 3. Proof of Results in Section 2

First we prepare several lemmas. Recall that  $Q_i, i \in E$ , was defined by (2.1). We define

$$Q_{i_1, \dots, i_a} = [Q_{i_1, \dots, i_{a-1}}, Q_{i_a}]$$

inductively for  $(i_1, \dots, i_a) \in E(\infty)$ .

**Lemma 3.1.** i) For each  $(i_1, \dots, i_a) \in E(p)$ , we have

$$Q_{i_1, \dots, i_a} = \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_a \in E} c_{i_1, \dots, i_a}^{j_1, \dots, j_a} \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{j_1, \dots, j_a}} + \sum_{\substack{b+a \leq p \\ k_1, \dots, k_b \in E}} y^{k_1, \dots, k_b} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{k_1, \dots, k_b, j_1, \dots, j_a}} \right).$$

ii) For each  $(i_1, \dots, i_a) \in E(\infty) \setminus E(p)$ , we have

$$Q_{i_1, \dots, i_a} = 0.$$

*Proof.* i) We can easily verify

$$Q_{i_1, \dots, i_a} = \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_a \in E} c_{i_1, \dots, i_a}^{j_1, \dots, j_a} Q_{j_1} \dots Q_{j_a}.$$

Hence, it is enough to prove

$$Q_{j_1} \dots Q_{j_a} \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{j_1, \dots, j_a}} + \sum_{\substack{b+a \leq p \\ k_1, \dots, k_b \in E}} y^{k_1, \dots, k_b} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{k_1, \dots, k_b, j_1, \dots, j_a}}$$

where  $\sim$  denotes coincidence except differential operators of degree  $\geq 2$ . We have, for each  $b \leq p-1$  and  $j_1, \dots, j_b, j \in E$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{j_1, \dots, j_b}} + \sum_{\substack{c+b \leq p \\ k_1, \dots, k_c \in E}} y^{k_1, \dots, k_c} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{k_1, \dots, k_c, j_1, \dots, j_b}} \right) Q_j \\ & \sim \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{j_1, \dots, j_b}} + \sum_{\substack{c+b \leq p \\ k_1, \dots, k_c \in E}} y^{k_1, \dots, k_c} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{k_1, \dots, k_c, j_1, \dots, j_b}} \right) \\ & \quad \times \left( \sum_{\substack{a+1 \leq p \\ i_1, \dots, i_a \in E}} y^{i_1, \dots, i_a} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{i_1, \dots, i_a, j}} \right) \\ & \sim \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{j_1, \dots, j_b, j}} + \sum_{\substack{c+b+1 \leq p \\ k_1, \dots, k_c \in E}} y^{k_1, \dots, k_c} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{k_1, \dots, k_c, j_1, \dots, j_b, j}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have proved i).

ii) Noting

$$Q_{i_1, \dots, i_p} = \sum_{j_1, \dots, j_p \in E} c_{i_1, \dots, i_p}^{j_1, \dots, j_p} \frac{\partial}{\partial y^{j_1, \dots, j_p}}$$

and (2.1), we easily obtain ii). Q.E.D.

Let  $F$  be a subset of  $E(p)$  with Property 2.1. We choose a subset  $G$  of  $E(p)$  with  $r$  elements such that the matrix  $C(G, F) = (c_I^J)_{I \in G, J \in F}$  is invertible.

**Lemma 3.2.** *If  $\mathcal{L}(A_i, i \in E)$  is nilpotent of step  $p$ , then,  $(Q_I + A_I)_q, I \in G$  form a basis of  $\mathcal{D}_q \equiv \mathcal{L}(Q_i + A_i, i \in E)_q$  for each  $q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ .*

*Proof.* Set

$$E^a = \{(i_1, \dots, i_a); i_1, \dots, i_a \in E\}, \quad a = 1, 2, \dots, \tag{3.1}$$

and

$$C_a^b = (c_I^J)_{I \in E^a, J \in E^b}, \quad a, b = 1, 2, \dots \tag{3.2}$$

By Lemma 3.1, vector fields  $Q_I + A_I, I \in E(\infty)$ , are represented as the row vectors of the matrix:

$$\begin{matrix} & E^1 & E^2 & \dots & E^p & 1 \dots d \\ E^1 & \left[ \begin{array}{c|c|c|c|c} C_1^1 & * & * & * & * \\ \hline 0 & C_2^2 & * & * & * \\ \hline 0 & 0 & \ddots & * & * \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & C_p^p & * \\ \hline 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{array} \right] \\ E^2 & & & & & \\ \vdots & & & & & \\ E^p & & & & & \\ \bigcup_{a=p-1}^{\infty} E^a & & & & & \end{matrix} \tag{3.3}$$

Hence,  $(Q_I + A_I)_q, I \in G$ , are linearly independent. Since  $\mathcal{L}(Q_i + A_i, i \in E)$  is spanned by  $Q_I + A_I, I \in E(p)$ , it is enough to prove that each  $Q_I + A_I, I \in E(p)$ , is a linear combination of  $Q_J + A_J, J \in G$ . By the definition of  $G, \{[j_1, \dots, j_b]; (j_1, \dots, j_b) \in G\}$  form a basis of the linear subspace of  $\mathcal{L}(E)$  spanned by

$$\{[i_1, \dots, i_a]; (i_1, \dots, i_a) \in E(p)\}.$$

So that the homomorphism:  $\mathbb{L}(E) \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(Q_i + A_i, i \in E)$  gives us the desired result. Q.E.D.

For each  $I \in E(p)$ , let  $Q_I^J(y), J \in E(p)$ , be components of  $Q_I$ . Set  $Q(G, F) = (Q_I^J)_{I \in G, J \in F}$ . We see by (3.3) that there exists the inverse matrix of  $Q(G, F)$ , which will be denoted by  $R = (R_I^J)_{I \in F, J \in G}$ . Recalling (3.1), we put

$$F^a = E^a \cap F, \quad G^a = E^a \cap G, \quad a = 1, \dots, p. \tag{3.4}$$

**Lemma 3.3.** *Let  $1 \leq a, b \leq p$  and let  $I \in F^a, J \in G^b$ . Then we have*

- i)  $R_I^J$  is a polynomial of  $y^K, K \in E(b-a)$ , if  $b > a$ .
- ii)  $R_I^J$  is a constant, if  $b = a$ .
- iii)  $R_I^J = 0$ , if  $b < a$ .

*Proof.* Let  $R^{(0)}$  be the inverse matrix of  $C(G, F)$ . Set  $S = Q(G, F) \cdot R^{(0)}$  and define  $M^{(a)} = (M_I^{(a)J})_{I, J \in G}, a = 1, \dots, p-1$ , by

$$M_I^{(a)J} = \begin{cases} -S_I^J, & \text{if } I \in G^a \text{ and } J \in G^{a+1} \cup \dots \cup G^p, \\ 1, & \text{if } I = J, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Since multiplication:  $\times M^{(a)}$  means the operations:

- addition of  $(-S_I^J) \times (I\text{-th column})$  to  $(J\text{-th column})$ ,
- for  $I \in G^a$  and  $J \in G^{a+1} \cup \dots \cup G^p$ ,

we have

$$SM^{(1)} \dots M^{(p-1)} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ & \ddots \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

So that, if we put

$$R^{(a)} = R^{(0)} M^{(1)} \dots M^{(a)}, \quad a = 1, \dots, p-1,$$

we obtain  $Q(G, F)^{-1} = R^{(p-1)}$ . Since

$$S_I^J = \sum_{K \in F^b} Q_I^K R_K^{(0)J}, \quad J \in G^b,$$

Lemma 3.1 implies that  $S_I^J$  is a polynomial of  $y^K, K \in E(b-a)$  for each  $I \in G^a$  and  $J \in G^b$  with  $a < b$ . Then, it is easy to verify that  $R_I^{(c)J}$  is a polynomial of  $y^K, K \in E(b-a)$ , for  $I \in F^a, J \in G^b$  with  $a < b$  ( $c = 1, \dots, p-1$ ). Q.E.D.

Let  $\mu$  be the inverse mapping of  $\nu$  in (2.3). We define functions  $T_\rho^i(z)$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$  for  $r+1 \leq i \leq m+d$ ,  $1 \leq \rho \leq r$  by

$$T_\rho^i(z) = \begin{cases} \sum_{I \in G} R_{\mu(\rho)}^I(z^1, \dots, z^m) Q_I^{\mu(i)}(z^1, \dots, z^m), & \text{if } r+1 \leq i \leq m \\ \sum_{I \in G} R_{\mu(\rho)}^I(z^1, \dots, z^m) A_I^{\mu(i)}(z^{m+1}, \dots, z^{m+d}), & \text{if } m+1 \leq i \leq m+d. \end{cases} \quad (3.5)$$

**Lemma 3.4.** *Let  $i \leq m$  and  $\mu(i) \in E^b$ . Then values of  $T_\rho^i$ ,  $1 \leq \rho \leq r$ , depend only on  $z^{\nu(I)}$ ,  $I \in E(b-1)$ .*

*Proof.* Let  $\mu(i) \in E^b$  and  $\mu(\rho) \in F^a$ . Then we have

$$T_\rho^i = \begin{cases} \sum_{I \in G^a \cup \dots \cup G^b} R_{\mu(\rho)}^I Q_I^{\mu(i)}, & \text{if } a \leq b, \\ 0, & \text{if } a > b, \end{cases}$$

by Lemma 3.1 and 3.3. Using these lemmas again, we see that  $R_{\mu(\rho)}^I(z^1, \dots, z^m)$  and  $Q_I^{\mu(i)}(z^1, \dots, z^m)$  are functions of  $z^{\nu(J)}$ ,  $J \in E(b-1)$ , when  $a \leq b$  and  $I \in G^a \cup \dots \cup G^b$ . Q.E.D.

Denoting by  $z = (z^1, \dots, z^{m+d})$  the system of coordinates in  $\mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ , we have

**Lemma 3.5.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}(A_i, i \in E)$  is nilpotent of step  $p$ . Then we have*

- i)  $\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z^\rho} + \sum_{i=r+1}^{m+d} T_\rho^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} \right)_q$ ,  $1 \leq \rho \leq r$ , form a basis of  $\mathcal{D}_q$ , for each  $q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ .
- ii)  $\left( dz^i - \sum_{\rho=1}^r T_\rho^i dz^\rho \right)_q$ ,  $r+1 \leq i \leq m+d$ , form a dual basis of  $\mathcal{D}_q$ , for each  $q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ .
- iii) *The system of total differential equations:*

$$dv^i = \sum_{\rho=1}^r T_\rho^i(u^1, \dots, u^r, v^{r+1}, \dots, v^{m+d}) du^\rho, \quad r+1 \leq i \leq m+d, \quad (3.6)$$

*is completely integrable.*

iv) *For each solution  $v$  of (3.6) defined on an open set  $\mathcal{O} \subset \mathbb{R}^r$ , the set  $\{(u, v(u)); u \in \mathcal{O}\}$  is an  $r$ -dimensional integral manifold of  $\mathcal{D}$ .*

*Proof.* By the definition of  $T_\rho^i$ , we have

$$\sum_{J \in G} R_J^I(Q_J + A_J) = \frac{\partial}{\partial z^{\nu(I)}} + \sum_{i=r+1}^{m+d} T_{\nu(I)}^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$$

for  $I \in F$ . Since  $R$  is invertible, Lemma 3.2 gives us i) and ii). Noting that  $[Q_I + A_I, Q_J + A_J]$  is a linear combination of  $Q_K + A_K$ ,  $K \in G$ , for each  $I, J \in E(p)$ , we have iii) by the theory of complete system. It is easy to show iv) by i). Q.E.D.



**Lemma 3.6.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}(A_i, i \in E)$  is nilpotent of step  $p$ . Then the Eq. (3.6) with initial condition*

$$v(q^1, \dots, q^r) = (q^{r+1}, \dots, q^{m+d}) \tag{3.7}$$

has a unique solution defined on  $\mathbb{R}^r$ , for each  $q = (q^1, \dots, q^{m+d}) \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ .

*Proof.* First we will show a procedure to solve the equation

$$dv^i = \sum_{\rho=1}^r T_\rho^i(u^1, \dots, u^r, v^{r+1}, \dots, v^{m+d}) du^\rho, \tag{3.8-1}$$

$$v^i(q^1, \dots, q^r) = q^i, \tag{3.8-2}$$

for  $r+1 \leq i \leq m$ . When  $i \in v(E^2 \setminus F^2)$ , Lemma 3.4 implies that each  $T_\rho^i, 1 \leq \rho \leq r$ , is a function of  $z^{v(i)}, I \in E^1$ . Then, noting that  $F^1 = E^1$ , the Eq. (3.8-1) for  $i \in v(E^2 \setminus F^2)$  takes the form:

$$dv^i = \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} T_\rho^i(u^1, \dots, u^r) du^\rho,$$

which gives us solutions  $v^i, i \in v(E^2 \setminus F^2)$ , defined on  $\mathbb{R}^r$ . Now suppose that we have obtained the unique solution  $v^i$  for  $i \in v(E^2 \setminus F^2) \cup \dots \cup v(E^a \setminus F^a)$ . Then it is easy to obtain  $v^i, i \in v(E^{a+1} \setminus F^{a+1})$ , by Lemma 3.4. To prove uniqueness and existence of global solution of (3.8) for  $i \geq m+1$ , it is enough to note that

$$\begin{aligned} &T_\rho^i(u^1, \dots, u^r, v^{r+1}, \dots, v^{m+d}) \\ &= \sum_{I \in G} R_{\mu(\rho)}^I(u^1, \dots, u^r, v^{r+1}, \dots, v^m) A_I^{u(i)}(v^{m+1}, \dots, v^{m+d}) \end{aligned}$$

for  $m+1 \leq i \leq m+d$  and that the components of  $A_I, I \in G$ , are Lipschitz continuous. Q.E.D.

*Proof of Proposition 2.1.* By Lemma 3.2,  $\mathcal{D}$  is an  $r$ -dimensional differential system. Since  $\mathcal{L}(Q_i + A_i, i \in E)$  is a Lie algebra,  $\mathcal{D}$  satisfies the integrability condition. Now, let  $G$  be a subset of  $E(p)$  such that  $C(G, F)$  is invertible. Then the solution of (3.6) and (3.7) gives us a function  $f(q, u) = (f^i(q, u))_{1 \leq i \leq m+d}, q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}, u \in \mathbb{R}^r$ , defined by

$$f^i(q, u) = u^i, \quad 1 \leq i \leq r,$$

and

$$f^i(q, u) = v^i(u), \quad r+1 \leq i \leq m+d.$$

Then, Lemma 3.5 iv) implies that

$$M_q = \{f(q, u); u \in \mathbb{R}^r\} \tag{3.9}$$

is an  $r$ -dimensional manifold of  $\mathcal{D}$ , for each  $q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ . Now, fix any  $q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$  and let  $M$  be an  $r$ -dimensional integral manifold of  $\mathcal{D}$  that contains  $q$ . Let  $w$  be the restriction of the mapping  $(z^1, \dots, z^r): \mathbb{R}^{m+d} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r$  to  $M$ . Let  $(\zeta^1, \dots, \zeta^r)$  be a

system of local coordinates of  $M$  around  $q$ . Since

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta^\rho} = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq m+d} \frac{\partial z^i}{\partial \zeta^\rho} \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i}$$

and

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z^\sigma} + \sum_{r+1 \leq i \leq m+d} T_\sigma^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} \right)_q, \quad 1 \leq \sigma \leq r,$$

form a basis of  $T_q M$ , we have

$$\left( \frac{\partial}{\partial \zeta^\rho} \right)_q = \sum_{1 \leq \sigma \leq r} \left( \frac{\partial w^\sigma}{\partial \zeta^\rho} \right)_q \left( \frac{\partial}{\partial z^\sigma} + \sum_{r+1 \leq i \leq m+d} T_\sigma^i \frac{\partial}{\partial z^i} \right)_q.$$

Consequently, there exists  $w^{-1}$  around  $(z^1(q), \dots, z^r(q))$  and further it follows from Lemma 3.5 ii) that  $w^{-1}$  is a solution of (3.6) and (3.7). Thus,  $M$  coincides with  $M_q$  in a neighborhood of  $q$ . So that, we obtain the maximality of  $M_q$ ,  $q \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}$ . The above argument also shows that the function  $f$  is independent of the choice of  $G$ . Q.E.D.

We put

$$Y_t = (B_t^I)_{I \in E(p)}. \tag{3.10}$$

To prove Theorem 2.1, we prepare

**Lemma 3.7.**  $Y_t$  is the solution of the stochastic differential equation:

$$dY_t^I = \sum_{j \in E} Q_j^I(Y_t) \circ dB_t^j, \quad I \in E(p), \tag{3.11-1}$$

$$Y_0 = 0. \tag{3.11-2}$$

*Proof.* By the definition of  $B_t^{i_1, \dots, i_a}$ , we have

$$dB_t^{i_1, \dots, i_a} = B_t^{i_1, \dots, i_{a-1}} \circ dB_t^{i_a}$$

when  $a > 1$ . On the other hand, we have

$$Q_i^{j_1, \dots, j_a} = \begin{cases} y^{j_1, \dots, j_{a-1}} \delta_i^{j_a}, & \text{if } a > 1, \\ \delta_i^{j_a}, & \text{if } a = 1, \end{cases} \tag{3.12}$$

by the definition of  $Q_i$ . Hence,  $(B_t^I)_{I \in E(p)}$  satisfies (3.11). Q.E.D.

**Lemma 3.8.** Let  $f$  be the function in Proposition 2.1. Then we have

$$f^i(\underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_m, x; B_t^F) = B_t^{\mu(i)}, \quad r+1 \leq i \leq m, \quad t \geq 0, \tag{3.13}$$

for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

*Proof.* Set  $V_t = (f_i(0, \dots, 0, x; B_t^F))_{r+1 \leq i \leq m}$ . Since  $V_0 = 0$ , it is enough to prove

$$dV_t^i = \sum_{j \in E} Q_j^i(Y_t) \circ dB_t^j, \tag{3.14}$$

for  $r+1 \leq i \leq m$ . When  $\mu(i) \in E^b$ , we have

$$dV_t^i = \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} T_\rho^i(B_t^F, (V_t^j)_{j \in v(E(b-1) \setminus F)}) \circ dB_t^{\mu(\rho)} \tag{3.15}$$

by Eq. (3.6) and Lemma 3.4. When  $b = 2$ , we have

$$dV_t^i = \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} T_\rho^i(B_t^F) \circ dB_t^{\mu(\rho)},$$

since  $E(1) \setminus F = \emptyset$ . Then, Eq. (3.11-1) gives us

$$\begin{aligned} dV_t^i &= \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r, I \in G, j \in E} \{R_{\mu(\rho)}^I Q_I^{\mu(i)}(Y_t) Q_j^{\mu(\rho)}(Y_t)\} \circ dB_t^j \\ &= \sum_{j \in E, I \in G} \{\delta_j^I Q_I^{\mu(i)}(Y_t)\} \circ dB_t^j. \end{aligned}$$

Hence we have

$$V_t^i = B_t^{\mu(i)}, \quad i \in v(E(2) \setminus F).$$

Now suppose that we have proved

$$V_t^i = B_t^{\mu(i)} \quad \text{for } i \in v(E(2) \setminus F) \cup \dots \cup v(E(a) \setminus F).$$

Then it is easy to prove (3.14) for  $i \in v(E(a+1) \setminus F)$  by Eq. (3.15). Q.E.D.

*Proof of Theorem 2.1.* Put

$$\begin{aligned} Z_t^i &= f^i(0, \dots, 0, x; B_t^F), \quad 1 \leq i \leq m+d, \quad X_t^i = Z_t^{i(i)}, \quad 1 \leq i \leq d, \\ Z_t &= (Z_t^1, \dots, Z_t^{m+d}), \quad X_t = (X_t^1, \dots, X_t^d). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$Z_t = (Y_t^{\mu(1)}, \dots, Y_t^{\mu(m)}, X_t^{\mu(m+1)}, \dots, X_t^{\mu(m+d)}) \tag{3.16}$$

by Lemma 3.8 and condition a) for  $f$ . Equation (3.6) gives us

$$\begin{aligned} dX_t^i &= \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} T_\rho^{v(i)}(Z_t) \circ dB_t^{\mu(\rho)} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} \{T_\rho^{v(i)}(Z_t) Q_j^{\mu(\rho)}(Y_t)\} \circ dB_t^j. \end{aligned}$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} dX_t^i &= \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r, I \in G, j \in E} \{R_{\mu(\rho)}^I(Y_t) A_I^i(X_t) Q_j^{\mu(\rho)}(Y_t)\} \circ dB_t^j \\ &= \sum_{j \in E, I \in G} \{\delta_j^I A_I^i(X_t)\} \circ dB_t^j, \end{aligned}$$

as  $R = Q(G, F)^{-1}$ . Hence we obtain (1.1-1). It is easy to see  $X_0 = x$  by (3.7). Q.E.D.

**4. Converse of Theorem 2.1**

We put  $E = \{0, \dots, n\}$  and  $m(p) = \# E(p)$ ,  $p = 1, 2, \dots$ . We prove in this section

**Theorem 4.1.** *Suppose that there exists a function  $h \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d \times \mathbb{R}^{m(p)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d)$  such that  $X_{t,x} = h(x, (B_t^i)_{i \in E(p)})$  is the solution of (1.1) for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Then,  $\mathcal{L}(A_0, \dots, A_n)$  is nilpotent of step  $p$ .*

First we prove

**Lemma 4.1.** *For each  $h \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{m(p)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$ , we have*

$$dh(Y_t) = \sum_{i \in E} (Q_i h)(Y_t) \circ dB_t^i,$$

where  $Y_t = (B_t^i)_{i \in E(p)}$  and  $Q_i, i \in E$ , are vector fields defined by (2.1).

*Proof.* Applying Itô's formula, we have

$$dh(Y_t) = \sum_{i \in E(p)} \frac{\partial h}{\partial y^i}(Y_t) \circ dB_t^i.$$

Then, Eq. (3.11-1) gives us

$$\begin{aligned} dh(Y_t) &= \sum_{i \in E(p), i \in E} \left\{ Q_i^I(Y_t) \frac{\partial h}{\partial y^I}(Y_t) \right\} \circ dB_t^i \\ &= \sum_{i \in E} (Q_i h)(Y_t) \circ dB_t^i. \quad \text{Q.E.D.} \end{aligned}$$

**Lemma 4.2.** *Let  $X_t$  be the solution of (1.1). Suppose that there exist  $g \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$  and  $h \in C^\infty(\mathbb{R}^{m(p)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R})$  such that*

$$g(X_t) = h(Y_t), \quad t \geq 0. \tag{4.1}$$

*Then we have*

$$(A_i g)(X_t) = (Q_i h)(Y_t), \quad i \in E, \quad t \geq 0. \tag{4.2}$$

*Proof.* Taking stochastic differential of (4.1), we have

$$\sum_{i \in E} (A_i g)(X_t) \circ dB_t^i = \sum_{i \in E} (Q_i h)(Y_t) \circ dB_t^i \tag{4.3}$$

by Lemma 4.1. Hence, we have

$$\sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} \{(A_i g)(X_t) - (Q_i h)(Y_t)\}^2 = 0,$$

so that

$$(A_i g)(X_t) = (Q_i h)(Y_t), \quad 1 \leq i \leq n. \tag{4.4}$$

Then, (4.3) and (4.4) give us

$$(A_0 g)(X_t) = (Q_0 h)(Y_t). \quad \text{Q.E.D.}$$

*Proof of Theorem 4.1.* Suppose that  $X_t = h(x, Y_t)$  is the solution of (1.1) for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ . Lemma 4.2 gives us

$$A^j_i(X_t) = (Q_i h^j)(Y_t), \quad i \in E, \quad 1 \leq j \leq d.$$

Using Lemma 4.2 again, we obtain

$$(A_{i_1} \dots A_{i_p} A^j_{i_{p+1}})(X_t) = (Q_{i_1} \dots Q_{i_{p+1}} h^j)(Y_t), \tag{4.5}$$

$$i_1, \dots, i_{p+1} \in E, \quad 1 \leq j \leq d.$$

By (2.2), we obtain

$$A_{j_1, \dots, j_{p+1}} = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_{p+1} \in E} c^{i_1, \dots, i_{p+1}}_{j_1, \dots, j_{p+1}} A_{i_1} \dots A_{i_{p+1}},$$

$$Q_{j_1, \dots, j_{p+1}} = \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_{p+1} \in E} c^{i_1, \dots, i_{p+1}}_{j_1, \dots, j_{p+1}} Q_{i_1} \dots Q_{i_{p+1}}.$$

Hence

$$A^j_{j_1, \dots, j_{p+1}}(X_t) = (Q_{j_1, \dots, j_{p+1}} h^j)(Y_t),$$

$$j_1, \dots, j_{p+1} \in E, \quad 1 \leq j \leq d.$$

Then Lemma 3.1 ii) gives us

$$A^j_{j_1, \dots, j_{p+1}} = 0, \quad j_1, \dots, j_{p+1} \in E, \quad 1 \leq j \leq d, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

Hence  $\mathcal{L}(A_i, i \in E)$  is nilpotent of step  $p$ . Q.E.D.

### 5. The Functional when $\mathcal{L}(A_1, \dots, A_n)$ is Nilpotent

In this section, we suppose that  $\mathcal{L}(A_1, \dots, A_n)$  is nilpotent of Step  $p$ . So, we put  $E = \{1, \dots, n\}$ . Meanings of other symbols:  $m, r$  etc. are changed according to the change of  $E$ . Take a subset  $F$  of  $E(p)$  that satisfies Property 2.1. Let

$$f(z; u) = (f^i(z; u))_{1 \leq i \leq m+d}, \quad z \in \mathbb{R}^{m+d}, \quad u \in \mathbb{R}^r,$$

be the function in Proposition 2.1.  $\frac{\partial f}{\partial z^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial z^{m+d}}, \frac{\partial f}{\partial u^1}, \dots, \frac{\partial f}{\partial u^r}$  will be denoted by  $\partial_1 f, \dots, \partial_{m+d} f, \partial_{m+d+1} f, \dots, \partial_{m+d+r} f$  respectively. Put  $h = (f^{m+1}, \dots, f^{m+d})$ .

**Proposition 5.1.** *For each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  and  $U = (U_t)_{t \geq 0} \in C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r)$ , there exists  $D = (D_t)_{t \geq 0} \in C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d)$  which is the unique solution of an ordinary differential equation:*

$$\frac{dD}{dt} = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq d} A^i_0(\underbrace{h(0, \dots, 0)}_m; U_t) \tag{5.1-1}$$

$$\times \partial_{m+i} h(\underbrace{f(0, \dots, 0)}_m; U_t; \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_r),$$

$$D_0 = x. \tag{5.1-2}$$

To prove Proposition 5.1, we prepare

**Lemma 5.1.** For each compact  $K \subset \mathbb{R}^r$ , we have

- i)  $\sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ u \in K}} \|\partial_{m+i} h(\underbrace{f(0, \dots, 0, x; u)}_m; \underbrace{0, \dots, 0}_r)\|^4 < \infty, \quad 1 \leq i \leq d,$
- ii)  $\sup_{\substack{x \in \mathbb{R}^d \\ u \in K}} \|\underbrace{h(0, \dots, 0, x; u)}_m\| / (1 + \|x\|) < \infty.$

*Proof.* Noting that the values of  $f^i(z; u)$ ,  $r+1 \leq i \leq m$ , are independent of  $z^{m+1}, \dots, z^{m+d}$ , we put

$$g(z^1, \dots, z^m; u) = (f^i(z; u))_{r+1 \leq i \leq m}.$$

Then we have

$$f(0, x; u) = (u, g(0; u), h(0, x; u)).$$

To prove i), note that

$$\begin{aligned} & \partial_{m+i} h(f(0, x; u); (1-t)u) \\ &= \partial_{m+i} h(u, g(0; u), h(0, x; u); u) \\ & \quad - \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} u^\rho \int_0^t (\partial_{m+d+\rho} \partial_{m+i} h)(f(0, x; u); (1-s)u) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Since

$$h^j(u, g(0; u), z^{m+1}, \dots, z^{m+d}; u) = z^{m+j}, \quad 1 \leq j \leq d,$$

we have

$$\partial_{m+i} h^j(u, g(0; u), h(0, x; u); u) = \delta_i^j, \quad 1 \leq i, j \leq d.$$

Next, Eq. (3.6) gives us

$$\begin{aligned} & (\partial_{m+d+\rho} \partial_{m+i} h^j)(z; u) \\ &= \frac{\partial}{\partial z^{m+i}} \left\{ \sum_{I \in G} R_{\mu(\rho)}^I(u, g(z^1, \dots, z^m; u)) A_I^j(h(z; u)) \right\} \\ &= \sum_{I \in G, 1 \leq k \leq d} R_{\mu(\rho)}^I(u, g(z^1, \dots, z^m; u)) \frac{\partial}{\partial x^k} A_I^j(h(z; u)) \\ & \quad \times \partial_{m+i} h^k(z; u). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\| u^\rho \int_0^t (\partial_{m+d+\rho} \partial_{m+i} h)(f(0, x; u); (1-s)u) ds \right\| \\ & \leq \text{const} \int_0^t \|\partial_{m+i} h(f(0, x; u); (1-s)u)\| ds \end{aligned}$$

<sup>4</sup>  $\|\xi\| = \{(\xi^1)^2 + \dots + (\xi^d)^2\}^{1/2}$  for  $\xi = (\xi^1, \dots, \xi^d) \in \mathbb{R}^d$

for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $u \in K$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . Then, Gronwall's inequality gives us i). To prove ii), observe that

$$h(0, x; t u) = x + \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} \int_0^t u^\rho \partial_{m+d+\rho} h(0, x; s u) ds.$$

Then Eq. (3.6) gives us

$$\partial_{m+d+\rho} h^i(0, x; s u) = \sum_{I \in G} R_{\mu(I)}^I(s u, g(0; s u)) A_I^i(h(0, x; s u)).$$

Hence we have

$$\left\| \int_0^t u^\rho \partial_{m+d+\rho} h(0, x; s u) ds \right\| \leq \text{const} \left( \int_0^t \|h(0, x; s u)\| ds + 1 \right)$$

for  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ,  $u \in K$ ,  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ . So that we obtain ii) by virtue of Gronwall's inequality. Q.E.D.

*Proof of Proposition 5.1.* Fix  $T, a > 0$  and  $U \in C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r)$ . Put

$$F(t, x) = \sum_{1 \leq i \leq d} A_0^i(h(0, x; U_t)) \partial_{m+i} h(f(0, x; U_t); 0), \quad t \in [0, T], \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d. \quad (5.2)$$

By Lemma 5.1, there exists a constant  $b > 0$  such that

$$\|F(t, x)\| \leq b(\|x\| + 1), \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d.$$

Hence, if we put  $\omega(t) = (a + 1) \exp bt - 1$ ,  $t \in [0, T]$ ,  $\omega$  satisfies

$$\frac{d\omega}{dt} \geq \|F(t, x)\| \quad (t \in [0, T], \|x\| = \omega(t)).$$

Then, applying Perron's theorem, we obtain a solution of (5.1) defined on the interval  $[0, T]$  for each  $x: \|x\| \leq a$ . Uniqueness follows from the local Lipschitz continuity of  $F(t, x)$ . Q.E.D.

Now, Proposition 5.1 gives us a functional

$$\Phi: \mathbb{R}^d \times C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r) \rightarrow C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d)$$

defined by

$$\Phi(x, U)_t = D_t, \quad x \in \mathbb{R}^d, \quad U \in C([0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^r), \quad t \geq 0.$$

**Theorem 5.1.** *Suppose that  $\mathcal{L}(A_1, \dots, A_n)$  is nilpotent of step  $p$ . Then*

$$X_t = h(0, \dots, 0, \Phi(x, B^f)_t; B_t^f), \quad t \geq 0,$$

*is the solution of (1.1) for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .*

To prove Theorem 5.1, we prepare

**Lemma 5.2.** *We have*

$$\sum_{1 \leq j \leq d} \partial_{m+i} h^j(f(0, x; u); 0) \partial_{m+j} h^k(0, x; u) = \delta_i^k \tag{5.3}$$

for each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d, u \in \mathbb{R}^r, 1 \leq i, k \leq d$ .

*Proof.* By the condition c) for  $f$ , we have

$$h(f(0, x; u); 0) = x.$$

Differentiating by  $\frac{\partial}{\partial x^i}$ , we obtain (5.3). Q.E.D.

Now we present

*Proof of Theorem 5.1.* Set

$$D_t = \Phi(X, B_t^F),$$

and

$$X_t = h(0, D_t; B_t^F).$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} dX_t &= \sum_{1 \leq i \leq d} \frac{dD_t^i}{dt} \partial_{m+i} h(0, D_t; B_t^F) dt \\ &\quad + \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} \partial_{m+d+\rho} h(0, D_t; B_t^F) \circ dB_t^{\mu(\rho)}. \end{aligned}$$

Equations (5.1) and (5.3) give us

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{1 \leq i \leq d} \frac{dD_t^i}{dt} \partial_{m+i} h^j(0, D_t; B_t^F) &= \sum_{1 \leq k \leq d} \delta_k^j A_0^k(h(0, D_t; B_t^F)) \\ &= A_0^j(X_t). \end{aligned}$$

Then, as the proof of Theorem 2.1, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} &\sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r} \partial_{m+d+\rho} h^j(0, D_t; B_t^F) \circ dB_t^{\mu(\rho)} \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r, i \in E} \{T_\rho^{m+j}(f(0, D_t; B_t^F)) Q_i^{\mu(\rho)}(Y_t)\} \circ dB_t^i \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq \rho \leq r, i \in E, I \in G} \{R_{\mu(\rho)}^I(Y_t) A_I^j(h(0, D_t; B_t^F)) Q_i^{\mu(\rho)}(Y_t)\} \circ dB_t^i \\ &= \sum_{1 \leq i \leq n} A_i^j(X_t) \circ dB_t^i. \end{aligned}$$

It is easy to see that  $X_0 = x$ . Q.E.D.

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