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**Abstract**

This report contains the proofs of Lemmas 3-7.

*C. Proof of Lemma 3: the tube  $\mathcal{X}_{\kappa, \varepsilon_0}$  around  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\cdot)$ .*

By periodicity, it is enough to consider the case  $h = 0$  so that  $k = \kappa$ . Since the only switching surface hit by the motion  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_\kappa}(\cdot)$  in the interval  $[\bar{t}_\kappa, \bar{t}_{\kappa+1})$  is  $\mathcal{C}_{\bar{l}_\kappa, \bar{l}_\kappa}$ , denoting by  $\text{dist}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_\kappa}(t), \mathcal{C}_{\bar{l}_\kappa})$  the distance between  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_\kappa}(t)$  and  $\mathcal{C}_{\bar{l}_\kappa}$ , it follows that  $\varepsilon_\kappa := \inf_{t \in [\bar{t}_\kappa, \bar{t}_{\kappa+1})} \text{dist}(\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_\kappa}(t), \mathcal{C}_{\bar{l}_\kappa})$  is strictly positive. Defining  $\varepsilon_0^* = \min_{\kappa \in \mathcal{N}} \{\varepsilon_\kappa\}$ , it follows that for any  $\varepsilon_0 \in (0, \varepsilon_0^*)$  all points contained in the set  $\mathcal{X}_{\kappa, \varepsilon_0}$  in (33) can belong at most to the switching surface  $\mathcal{C}_{\bar{l}_\kappa, \bar{l}_\kappa}$ .

*D. Proof of Lemma 4: ensuring that reference and actual switching times are pairwise close.*

Since  $\varepsilon_1 \leq \varepsilon_0$ , by Lemma 3 the switching event at time  $t_{k+1}$  can only happen when the switching surface  $\mathcal{C}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}$  is hit. In the case  $t_{k+1} = \bar{t}_{k+1}$ , there is nothing to prove. Hence, the following computations consider the two cases  $t_{k+1} > \bar{t}_{k+1}$  and  $t_{k+1} < \bar{t}_{k+1}$ . In both cases, the proof requires to compute the solutions between  $\bar{t}_{k+1}$  and  $\bar{t}_{k+1} \pm \omega$ , and to use the constants  $\omega$  and  $M_\omega$  computed in the procedure in Subsection VI-A to show that if a switching event does not occur in the considered interval then a contradiction arise.

Consider the case  $t_{k+1} > \bar{t}_{k+1}$  first. Since  $t_{k+1} \not\leq \bar{t}_{k+1}$ , it follows that  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}_k}(t) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} < 0, \forall t \in [t_k, \bar{t}_{k+1}]$ . By contradiction, assume that there is no switching time  $t_{k+1} \in (\bar{t}_{k+1}, \bar{t}_{k+1} + \omega]$ ; this implies that the scalar function  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}_k}(t) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}$  remains strictly negative also for all  $t \in (\bar{t}_{k+1}, \bar{t}_{k+1} + \omega]$ . Recalling (20) (where  $\mathbf{u}_{b, \kappa+1} = \bar{\mathbf{u}}(\bar{t}_{\kappa+1})$ ) and (17c), one has for  $t > \bar{t}_{k+1}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}_k}(t) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} &= \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k}(t - \bar{t}_{k+1})} \left( \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}^-) + \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) + \int_{\bar{t}_{k+1}}^t e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k}(t - \tau)} \mathbf{B}_{\bar{l}_k} \mathbf{u}_{b, \kappa+1} d\tau \right) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \\ &= (\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}) + \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k}(t - \bar{t}_{k+1})} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

The scalar, continuously differentiable function  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}$  is positive (since  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} = 0$  and  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) > 0$ ) and by (22) it is lower bounded by  $\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) |t - \bar{t}_{k+1}|, \forall t \in [\bar{t}_{k+1}, \bar{t}_{k+1} + \omega]$ ; in particular,  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1} + \omega) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} > \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) \omega$ . On the other hand, in order for the right hand side of (42) to be negative the term  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k}(t - \bar{t}_{k+1})} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1})$  must be negative, and by (23) it satisfies  $|\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k}(t - \bar{t}_{k+1})} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1})| < M_\omega \varepsilon_1 \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) < \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) \omega, \forall t \in [\bar{t}_{k+1}, \bar{t}_{k+1} + \omega]$  contradicting  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}_k}(t) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} < 0, \forall t \in (\bar{t}_{k+1}, \bar{t}_{k+1} + \omega]$ . Since  $|\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1} - \bar{t}_{k+1})} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1})| = |\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}|$  at  $t_{k+1}$ , then  $|\bar{t}_{k+1} - t_{k+1}| < M_\omega \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1})\|$ .

Finally, consider the case  $t_{k+1} < \bar{t}_{k+1}$ . By hypothesis,

$$\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} = (\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}) + \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) = 0. \quad (43)$$

Since  $(\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}) < -\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) |\bar{t}_{k+1} - t_{k+1}| < 0$ , it follows that  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) > 0$  and  $\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) < \|\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}\| \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1})\| < M_\omega \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) \varepsilon_1 < \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) \omega$ ; hence, (43) implies  $\frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) \omega > \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) = -(\mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) - b_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}) > \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{J}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \dot{\bar{\mathbf{x}}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) |\bar{t}_{k+1} - t_{k+1}|$  and then  $t_{k+1} \in (\bar{t}_{k+1} - \omega, \bar{t}_{k+1})$ . The bound  $|\bar{t}_{k+1} - t_{k+1}| < M_\omega \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1})\|$  follows as in the case  $t_{k+1} > \bar{t}_{k+1}$ .

*E. Proof of Lemma 5*

The proof requires to compute the motions between  $t_{k+1}^m$  and  $t_{k+1}^M$ , in order to evaluate the errors at the two instants. The two cases  $t_{k+1} \geq \bar{t}_{k+1}$  and  $t_{k+1} \leq \bar{t}_{k+1}$  must be considered separately due to the different definition of  $\mathbf{u}_a(t)$  and  $\mathbf{u}(t)$  in the two cases according to (17b) and (17c).

Consider the case  $t_{k+1} \geq \bar{t}_{k+1}$  first, so that  $\bar{t}_{k+1} \in [0, \omega)$ . According to (20) and (17c),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) &= \mathbf{\Gamma}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \left[ e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} (\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) + \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1})) + \int_0^{\bar{t}_{k+1}} e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \tau)} \mathbf{B}_{\bar{l}_k} \mathbf{u}_{b, \kappa+1} d\tau \right] + \gamma_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}, \\ \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(t_{k+1}) &= e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} (\mathbf{\Gamma}_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) + \gamma_{\bar{l}_k, \bar{l}_k}) + \int_0^{\bar{t}_{k+1}} e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{l}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \tau)} \mathbf{B}_{\bar{l}_k} \bar{\mathbf{u}}(\bar{t}_{k+1} + \tau) d\tau, \end{aligned}$$

with  $\bar{\mathbf{u}}(\bar{t}_{k+1} + \tau) = \bar{\mathbf{u}}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) = \mathbf{u}_{b,\kappa+1}$  due to (20), whereas by (17a) and (17b),  $\mathbf{x}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1}) = e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{j}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} (\bar{x}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1}) + \tilde{\Lambda}_{\kappa+1}(h-1))$ ,  $\bar{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}) = e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{j}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} \bar{x}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1})$ . Recalling (21), it follows that  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(t_{k+1}) = \Gamma_{\bar{j}_k \bar{i}_k} e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{i}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) + \mathbf{f}_{1,k}(\bar{t}_{k+1})$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}) = e^{\mathbf{A}_{\bar{j}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} \tilde{\Lambda}_{\kappa+1}(h-1)$ . By the definitions in Subsection VI-A,  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(t_{k+1}^M)\| < M_x \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(t_{k+1}^{m-})\| + M_{\tilde{t}} |\tilde{t}_{k+1}| < (M_{\tilde{t}} M_\omega + M_x) \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(t_{k+1}^{m-})\| \leq M_g \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}^e(t_{k+1}^{m-})\|$ ,  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1})\| < M_a \|\tilde{\Lambda}_{\kappa+1}(h-1)\| < M_g \|\tilde{\Lambda}_{\kappa+1}(h-1)\|$ . Finally, since  $\Lambda_\kappa(h) = e^{-\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \bar{t}_k)} \mathbf{x}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1}) = e^{-\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \bar{t}_k)} (\bar{x}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1}) + \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1})) = \bar{x}_a(\bar{t}_{k+N}) + e^{-\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \bar{t}_k)} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}^{m-})$  it follows that  $\tilde{\Lambda}_\kappa(h) = e^{-\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \bar{t}_k)} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}^{m-})$  and hence

$$\|\tilde{\Lambda}_\kappa(h)\| < M_{\tilde{\Lambda}} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}^{m-})\| \leq M_g \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}^e(t_{k+1}^{m-})\|.$$

On the other hand, when  $t_{k+1} < \bar{t}_{k+1}$ , one has  $\tilde{t}_{k+1} \in (-\omega, 0)$ . According to (17c),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_{\bar{j}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) &= e^{-\mathbf{A}_{\bar{j}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} [\Gamma_{\bar{j}_k \bar{i}_k} (\bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{i}_k}(t_{k+1}^-) + \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{i}_k}(t_{k+1}^-)) + \gamma_{\bar{j}_k \bar{i}_k}] + \int_{\tilde{t}_{k+1}}^0 e^{-\mathbf{A}_{\bar{j}_k} \tau} \mathbf{B}_{\bar{j}_k} \mathbf{u}_{c,k+1} d\tau, \\ \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) &= \Gamma_{\bar{j}_k \bar{i}_k} \left( e^{-\mathbf{A}_{\bar{i}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{i}_k}(t_{k+1}^-) + \int_{\tilde{t}_{k+1}}^0 e^{-\mathbf{A}_{\bar{i}_k} \tau} \mathbf{B}_{\bar{i}_k} \bar{\mathbf{u}}(\bar{t}_{k+1} + \tau) d\tau \right) + \gamma_{\bar{j}_k \bar{i}_k}. \end{aligned}$$

By (21), it follows that  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) = e^{-\mathbf{A}_{\bar{j}_k} \bar{t}_{k+1}} \Gamma_{\bar{j}_k \bar{i}_k} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(\bar{t}_{k+1}) + \mathbf{f}_{2,k}(\bar{t}_{k+1})$ ,  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}) = \tilde{\Lambda}_{\kappa+1}(h-1)$ ; by the definitions in Subsection VI-A, it follows that  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1})\| = \|\tilde{\Lambda}_{\kappa+1}(h-1)\| \leq M_g \|\tilde{\Lambda}_{\kappa+1}(h-1)\|$ ,  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(t_{k+1}^M)\| < M_x \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(t_{k+1}^{m-})\| + M_{\tilde{t}} |\tilde{t}_{k+1}| < (M_{\tilde{t}} M_\omega + M_x) \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}(t_{k+1}^{m-})\| \leq M_g \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}^e(t_{k+1}^{m-})\|$ . Since

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda_\kappa(h) &= e^{-\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \bar{t}_k)} \mathbf{x}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1}) = e^{-\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \bar{t}_k)} e^{\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - t_{k+1})} (\bar{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}) + \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1})) \\ &= \bar{\mathbf{x}}_a(\bar{t}_{k+N}) + e^{-\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \bar{t}_k + \tilde{t}_{k+1})} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}^{m-}) \end{aligned}$$

it follows that  $\tilde{\Lambda}_\kappa(h) = e^{-\mathbf{A}_a(\bar{t}_{k+1} - \bar{t}_k + \tilde{t}_{k+1})} \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}^{m-})$  and then  $\|\tilde{\Lambda}_\kappa(h)\| < M_{\tilde{\Lambda}} \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_a(t_{k+1}^{m-})\| \leq M_g \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{j}_k}^e(t_{k+1}^{m-})\|$ .

### F. Proof of Lemma 6

From Lemma 1, the choice of the gains  $\mathbf{K}_{\bar{i}_k}^e$  guarantees that the solution is inside  $\mathcal{X}_{\kappa,\varepsilon_1} \subset \mathcal{X}_{\kappa,\varepsilon_0}$  (so that Lemma 3 and Lemma 4 can be applied) and that  $\|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{i}_k}^e(t_{k+1}^{m-})\| < \gamma \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{i}_k}^e(t_k^M)\|$ . Applying Lemma 5 and Lemma 4 yields (34a) and (34b). Finally, (34c) can be obtained noting that  $\tilde{\mathbf{y}}(t) = \mathbf{y}(t) - \bar{\mathbf{y}}(t) = \mathbf{C}_{\bar{i}_k}^o \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{i}_k}^e$ ,  $\forall t \in [t_k^M, t_{k+1}^m]$ . Using (32c), the bound (34c) follows by choosing  $M_1 = bM_0 = \gamma e^{\eta\rho_0} M_0$  where  $b = \gamma e^{\eta\rho_0}$  and  $M_0 = \max_{k \in \mathcal{N}} \{\|\mathbf{C}_{\bar{i}_k}^o\|\}$ .

### G. Proof of Lemma 7.

Proceeding by induction on  $\kappa$ , it will now be shown that  $\|\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h\| < \delta_0$ ,  $|\tilde{t}_{1+hN}| < \delta_0$  imply

$$\|\boldsymbol{\chi}_{\kappa+hN}\| \leq \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|, \quad \kappa \in \mathcal{N}, \quad (44a)$$

$$\left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+(h+1)N} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_{h+1} \end{array} \right\| < \alpha \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|. \quad (44b)$$

In order to show (44a), it is enough to show that

$$|\tilde{t}_{\kappa+hN}| \leq \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|, \quad \|\tilde{\Lambda}_{N+1}(h-1)\| < \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|, \quad \|\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\bar{i}_{\kappa+hN}}(t_{\kappa+hN}^M)\| < \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|, \quad \kappa = 2, \dots, N,$$

since  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\tilde{\nu}_{1+hN}}(t_{1+hN}^M)$ ,  $\tilde{\Lambda}_\kappa(h-1)$ ,  $\kappa \in \mathcal{N}$ , are subvectors of  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h$  and by hypothesis  $|\tilde{t}_{1+hN}| < \delta_0$ . Similarly, in order to show (44b), it is enough to show that

$$\left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+(h+1)N} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\tilde{\nu}_{1+hN}}(t_{1+(h+1)N}^M) \end{array} \right\| < \alpha \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|, \quad \left\| \tilde{\Lambda}_\kappa(h) \right\| < \alpha \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|, \quad \kappa \in \mathcal{N}.$$

Case  $\kappa = 1$ . Since  $\tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\tilde{\nu}_{1+hN}}(t_{1+hN}^M)$ ,  $\tilde{\Lambda}_1(h-1)$ ,  $\tilde{\Lambda}_2(h-1)$ , are subvectors of  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h$ , it holds that  $\|\chi_{1+hN}\| \leq \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|$ ; moreover  $\left\| \tilde{\Lambda}_1(h) \right\| = \left\| \tilde{\Lambda}_{N+1}(h-1) \right\| < \alpha \|\chi_{1+hN}\| < \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|$  by (34b).

Case  $\kappa = 2, \dots, N$ . Assume that  $\|\chi_{m+hN}\| \leq \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|$  and  $\left\| \tilde{\Lambda}_m(h) \right\| < \alpha \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|$  have been proven for  $m = 1, \dots, \kappa - 1$ , and recall that  $\left\| \tilde{\Lambda}_i(h-1) \right\| < \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, N+1$ , (for  $i = 1, \dots, N$  because  $\tilde{\Lambda}_i(h-1)$  is a subvector of  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h$ , and for  $i = N+1$  because it was proven in the case  $\kappa = 1$ ). The application of (34a) leads to  $\left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{\kappa+hN} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\tilde{\nu}_{\kappa+hN}}(t_{\kappa+hN}^M) \end{array} \right\| < \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\|$ , which implies the required inequality for  $\|\chi_{\kappa+hN}\|$ . Then, the application of (34b) implies that  $\left\| \tilde{\Lambda}_\kappa(h) \right\| < \alpha \|\chi_{\kappa+hN}\|$ , which yields the required inequality for  $\left\| \tilde{\Lambda}_\kappa(h) \right\|$ . Finally, for  $\kappa = N$  the bound  $\left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+(h+1)N} \\ \tilde{\mathbf{x}}_{\tilde{\nu}_{1+hN}}(t_{1+(h+1)N}^M) \end{array} \right\| < \alpha \|\chi_{\kappa+hN}\|$  follows by (34a), thus proving (44).

Now, note that  $\left\| \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_0 \right\| < \bar{\delta} < \delta_0$  by hypothesis and  $|\tilde{t}_1| = 0$  by the definition in Problem 1. By induction on  $h$ , using (44b) it is then immediate to show that  $\left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_{1+hN} \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_h \end{array} \right\| < \alpha^h \left\| \begin{array}{c} \tilde{t}_1 \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_0 \end{array} \right\| = \alpha^h \left\| \tilde{\boldsymbol{\xi}}_0 \right\| < \alpha^h \bar{\delta}$ ,  $\forall h \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ , and then by (44a) it also follows that  $\|\chi_{\kappa+hN}\| < \alpha^h \bar{\delta}$ ,  $\forall h \in \mathbb{Z}^+$ ,  $\forall \kappa \in \mathcal{N}$ .